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Congressman George Crockett House of Representatives

Dear George:

Thank you for co-sponsoring my Anti-Apartheid Act of 1986.

It is clear that the House, shocked by the unprecedented repression of the past week, wanted total rather than selective sanctions. In addition, the Administration's unsatisfactory response to the crisis in South Africa, plus President Botha's recent rebuff of President Reagan, also served to further heighten the House's impatience with apartheid.

Thank you again for your support. We must remain committed to removing economic support for apartheid. Enclosed are some articles you may find interesting.

Sincerely

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Dear Colleague:

The unrest and violence in South Africa continues and escalates. While an embargo on press coverage has prevented effective media presentation of the continuing abuses of the apartheid regime, the suffering of the South African majority has worsened.

Recent reports prepared by the State Department and Amnesty International/USA have described the heretofore undocumented abuses of the South African penal and mental health establishments, institutions which regularly subject those persons in their custody to forced labor and systematic beatings.

Moderate leaders such as Bishop Tutu are now calling for stringent sanctions. Clearly, the time has come to change the nature of our relationship with South Africa. Early in the 99th Congress, I introduced H.R. 997, legislation that takes the next step forward from the limited sanctions approved overwhelmingly by the House in June, 1985.

H.R. 997 proposes new sanctions which effectively convey our concern over the deteriorating status of South Africa's majority:

- (1) Complete divestment of U.S. companies and their subsidiaries;
- (2) Prohibition of imports from and exports to South Africa;
- (3) An embargo on imports of Krugerrands (this sanction, already ordered by the President, would be strengthened if enacted into law);
- (4) Elimination of tax credits for tax payments made to the South African government; and,
- (5) Cancellation of landing rights for South African commercial aircraft.

Our nation's history and moral teachings tell us that our position should be clear and unambiguous as South Africa approaches an important crossroads. To become a cosponsor of H.R. 997, please contact Bob Brauer at X5-2661.

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