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June 27, 1985

The Honorable Claude Pepper
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Claude:

Your strong support and influence were instrumental in getting the House to vote overwhelmingly on June 5th to impose economic sanctions against South Africa by adopting H.R. 1460, the Anti-Apartheid Act of 1985. The issue will be considered by the Senate after the July 4th recess; Senate action is expected to focus either on the Kennedy-Weicker bill (S 635), which is the companion to H.R. 1460, or the Lugar-Dole-Mathias bill (S. 995), which was approved by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee by a vote of 16 to 1.

The Lugar-Dole-Mathias bill is a weaker one in that it does not provide (as the House-passed legislation does) for the ban on new investments in South Africa and the ban on the importation of South African krugerrands into the United States.

I feel the ban on new investment and the importation of krugerrands are key sanctions that should be included in the Senate legislation. For this reason, I am writing to ask you to use your good offices to get the members of the Florida delegation to join with you in a letter to Senators Hawkins and Chiles urging them to support the inclusion of these prohibitions in any anti-apartheid bill approved by the Senate.

For your convenience, I have enclosed a draft of the type of letter that your delegation might wish to send to the Senators. Please feel free to adapt it to your own style.

I would be most appreciative if you would take the lead in this important matter. I certainly feel that the overwhelmingly bipartisan vote in the House indicated that the American people are anxious to see that our foreign policy towards South Africa is consistent with our national values and our democratic principles.

If you need any assistance on this or require further information, please contact Ted Jones of my office at ext. 52261.

Sincerely,

Geo. W. Crockett, Jr.
Member of Congress

South Africa

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The Honorable Harley O. Staggers, Jr.
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Harley:

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I feel the ban on new investment and the importation of krugerrands are key sanctions that should be included in the Senate legislation. For this reason, I am writing to ask you to use your good offices to get the members of the West Virginia delegation to join with you in a letter to Senators Byrd and Rockefeller urging them to support the inclusion of these prohibitions in any anti-apartheid bill approved by the Senate.

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