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How You Can Help

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Although this summer has seen Communist-led revolutionaries burning, looting, and killing in American cities, the pollsters still report that the war against the Communists in Vietnam remains the issue most concerning the majority of Americans. And, as serious as the domestic crisis is, Vietnam will continue to be the most important national issue so long as a half million of our soldiers are at war there; so long as the Communist Vietcong are each day killing, maiming and wounding several hundred American boys.

Not every American has been fooled by the Johnson Administration's pretense of fighting Communist aggression in Vietnam. Yet, beyond doubt, the key issue in this grisly charade has been carefully ignored by every "responsible" official, every "unbiased" observer, every "dispassionate" critic, every shrill peacenik and simpering pastornik on parade in the national press.

That issue is this:

The Communists have been waging war in Vietnam for more than fifteen years. In the past six years they have killed 12,000 American servicemen and wounded 60,000 more. But North Vietnam is a backward country, smaller than our own State of Missouri, with a population of only 17 million people and practically no industry. Virtually all of the military authorities are in agreement that Hanoi's war effort would immediately collapse without the massive aid it receives, every day, from its Communist allies—most especially, the Soviet Union and its European satellites. These countries provide North Vietnam with more than eighty per cent of the matériel it is using to kill our soldiers and wage the war.

This Communist support of North Vietnam has been made possible almost entirely by our own support of the Soviet Union and its satellites.

In the more than two years of its existence, this magazine has done its best to repeatedly expose the hundreds of millions of dollars in aid and trade which the Johnson Administration has continued to send to the Communists arming and supplying the Vietcong guerrillas killing our sons in Vietnam. Two additional examples will further illustrate our point.

On June 6, 1967, Senator Karl E. Mundt (R.-S.D.) learned that the Commerce Department had approved an export license to send a \$10,200 "gravity meter" to Communist Poland. Subsequent investigation revealed that this was an incredibly accurate machine the chief value of which is to provide data for determination of the trajectory of guided missiles. This Worden gravity meter, called a "black box" can be manufactured only in the United States. According to a *Chicago Tribune* report, reprinted in *Human Events* on July 1, 1967, fewer than a dozen technical experts, all

Americans, have the knowledge and skill to construct the device.

Details concerning the importance of the "black box" were hidden deep in a *New York Times* dispatch for July 24, 1967:

Pentagon sources credit some advanced weapons and new tactics for cutting down the toll of American aircraft in the well-defended Hanoi region . . . The officials say that much-improved "black boxes" now permit American strike aircraft to fly boldly through areas guarded by surface-to-air missiles and above thousands of North Vietnamese anti-aircraft guns.

Not content to send our Communist enemies data on radar devices, jet engines, aircraft and naval communications systems, rifle cleaning compounds, diesel engines, and scores of other parts, plants, and products, the Johnson Administration would now even provide them with the most up-to-date and "highly classified" equipment for improving the accuracy of the missiles they fire at our pilots.

Thanks to the publicity, Mr. Rauer H. Meyer, Director of the Office of Export Control, has been forced to announce that "the license is pending further consideration". But Mr. Meyer expressed his hope that it will be cleared, arguing that current military emphasis in the missile field is on sea-borne inertial navigation and pointing out that the Worden meter could be used only on land. As, we may add, in Vietnam.

The number of our pilots who survive attack by their missiles is but one of the problems which we are helping the Communists to solve. Just transporting war matériel to North Vietnam has been very difficult, because the roads and railways connecting Moscow and Hanoi are inadequate. In fact, during 1966, Soviet-bloc vessels arrived unmolested by mines or attack at North Vietnam ports at the rate of one ship every two days. President Johnson refuses to permit the military to stop these shipments. But even so, the really terrible fact is that at least three of the ships now delivering arms, ammunition, and supplies to Communist North Vietnam from other Communist countries are owned by the United States Government. On July 21, 1967, Senator Clifford P. Hansen (R.-Wyoming) told his startled colleagues that the three ships, loaned to the Soviet Union during World War II as part of our Lend-Lease aid, have regularly and repeatedly made deliveries from the Soviet Union and its satellites to Haiphong. These ships, property of the United States, were never paid for and never returned. But, as Senator Hansen explained, he has been unable to discover any measures being taken by the Johnson Administration to effect their return.

In the last several years we have written tens of thousands of words concerning the Administration's delivery of strategic goods to our Communist enemies. Tens of thousands more have been written here about the supposedly "non-strategic" goods we send them every week—the food and clothing we supply for the workers who are thus freed to make the rifles

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FROM WEEK TO WEEK

The British Labour Party is commonly regarded as one component of an alternating two-party system of government. But in fact this is not so. The Labour Party is an instrumentality of the Fabian Society, designed to convert Britain, gradually but irrevocably, into a region in a system of World Government maintained by force and terror. Such an objective naturally envisages the elimination by one means or another of any alternative, and any one who will look back to the Profumo and associated scandals can see the progressive destruction of the Conservative Party by the discrediting of its successive leaders and the demoralising of the rank and file. The Conservative Party simply has no *alternative* policy, and merely feebly claims a superior ability in carrying forward a policy which the Socialists have imposed on the country, and which has reduced Britain from the premier power in the world to an off-shore island of a continent under the shadow of a Communist take-over.

The socialist objective is now so far advanced that it is doubtful whether the Socialists would submit to the risk of a general election which they were not certain to win. In 1946, under cross-examination in a libel case brought by the late Professor Laski against certain newspapers, he said: "I say that if a Labour Government is met with resistance the consequence of the resistance is government by Defence of the Realm Act, and that this exacerbates temper, which produces the *normal revolutionary situation*, or, as you like to call it, *revolution by violence*, and that then, men move by civil war." (Emphasis added.)

Fabian Socialism is a formulation of Marxism, which in turn is a formulation of a conspiracy whose *documented* existence goes back more than a quarter of a century. This genealogy of Fabianism guarantees the use of force in the last resort. The idea of world government has for those who entertain it the force of religious conviction. The idea of dialectical materialism is a metaphysical idea, in which history is conceived as a force bringing about events inevitably but through the agency of beings under a supra-personal necessity to carry out its dictates. Thus, Professor Laski again: "... The main issue the Left has to decide is when it will co-ordinate its forces for the victory which is its historic right ... To let that moment pass unused is a betrayal that will never be forgiven by posterity." (*New*

Statesman, June 5, 1943.) Laski envisaged a full understanding with the leaders of the Soviet Union, to give to the revolution "a creative power against which the forces of reaction will hurl themselves in vain".

But to the Soviet leaders Fabian Socialism is "a petty-bourgeois expedient", to be extirpated with its leaders in the interest of Communist World Government. And if the sedulously cultivated civil war breaks out in the U.S.A., there will not be long to wait.

"East Europe"

The final instalment of Dr. Medford Evans's survey has been held over, because of space considerations, for our next issue.

Vietnam

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and bullets and explosives that kill and maim our soldiers. We believe the case has now been made, not only by ourselves but by nearly all of the top military authorities, that the war in Vietnam and the murder of our soldiers will not end unless and until the Johnson Administration stops all aid to our Communist enemies; and that the war will be over, and won, shortly after such aid is stopped.

This, then, is the crucial must: *stop all aid to the Communists*.

It can be stopped. Congress has the authority to stop it. After all, it was Congress which passed the enabling legislation and approved the necessary appropriations for that aid to the enemy now in progress. It can repeal the legislation and refuse further funds.

One reason why Congress has not already put a stop to such aid is that so few Americans are aware of it that grassroots opposition has been uncertain and isolated—and easily outshouted by the organized left. Aid to the Communist enemy will be stopped only when our Senators and Representatives are convinced that there are enough informed Americans prepared to prevent their re-election if they do not act to stop it. And *only* then.

Stopping such aid, winning in Vietnam, will require that citizens in every State, every city, every hamlet in this country become informed and aroused about the Administration's support of the Communist arsenal supplying the enemy killing our boys in the field.

The creation of such an awakening is a big job.

But something fine is happening.

It is happening because informed Americans are getting angry; they are getting so angry, in fact, that they have stopped talking just to themselves. They are now going to their friends, their neighbours, and their business associates, and telling them about the aid our government is giving the Communists—and how it can be stopped. It is happening because tens of thousands of good Americans realize that this battle will be lost if they wait until Walter Lippmann, Chet Huntley, Drew Pearson, or Eric Sevareid sound a call for sanity and honor in this conflict. They realize that defeat is inevitable if victory depends on exposés in *Time* magazine or *Newsweek*, or anti-Communist editorials from the *New York Times* or the *Washington Post*, or patriotic resolutions from the National Council of Churches or Americans for Democratic Action. They realize that victory will require a

mighty and angry and massive wave of protest from the Americans in America.

We are proud to say that to date one of the most successful features of this growing protest is the national campaign for signatures on our *The Review of the News* petitions to win in Vietnam and stop all aid to the Communists. Since this petition drive was announced less than six months ago, more than 22,000 petitions—with more than 365,000 signatures—have been completed and returned to these offices for forwarding to Congressional leaders. And there are undoubtedly tens of thousands of additional signatures on partially filled petitions now in circulation.

As a comparison, albeit an odious one, note the similar effort with antithetical purpose of a curious group called "Negotiations Now". The formation of this organization was announced in April by two of the most prominent clansmen of the left: Dr. Martin Luther King, head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and Joseph L. Rauh Jr., Vice Chairman of Americans for Democratic Action. One of the primary goals of "Negotiations Now" was to be the gathering of more than one million signatures on petitions to President Johnson, demanding an end to bombing of North Vietnam, an immediate cease-fire, a truce with the Communist National Liberation Front, and "peace" for Vietnam. Mr. Rauh boasted loudly that the one million signatures would be presented to the President by early summer. Needless to say, it is late August and delivery has not been made. Mr. Rauh, Dr. King, and their associates have had very little to say in recent weeks about their petition drive.

When *The Review of the News* petition campaign was announced, the goal was to be one million honest, separate, unduplicated signatures. There are some who now argue that this figure is far too low. It is. Reports from every part of the country demonstrate that the overwhelming majority of Americans support this campaign. A few extracts from the petition illustrate why:

A Petition To THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES

We respectfully urge every Senator, every member of the House of Representatives, and both the Senate and the House as a whole, to exert their authority and use their influence in all honorable ways for the following purpose:

To have this Administration stop, promptly and completely, giving aid in any form, directly or indirectly, to our Communist enemies.

In support of this petition we submit the considerations listed below . . .

1. We are at war . . .
2. Our enemy is the total Communist bloc of nations . . .
3. At least eighty per cent of the sinews of war are being provided North Vietnam by Soviet Russia and its European satellites . . .
4. This help to North Vietnam has been made possible almost entirely by our help to the Soviet Union and its satellites . . .
5. And "none dare call it treason" . . .

The ellipses represent supporting information and documentation too long to be carried here. The entire petition consists of just a little over 3 pages of information, about 1200 words; after numbered Paragraph 5 on the fourth page there are blank lines for seventeen signatures. We have emphasized that this petition should be read by every

person who is asked to sign it; the understanding, alone, which such a massive reading is creating has already had enormous impact.

We know—and every Congressman knows—that the overwhelming majority of Americans are opposed to aiding our Communist enemies. Our goal is not simply to send a million signatures to Washington, but to inform our fellow Americans. Once enough people realize that our own aid to the Soviet Union and its satellites actually helps the Communists to butcher our soldiers in Vietnam, and once enough Americans realize that the Administration is sending to the Communists millions of dollars worth of aid every week, that aid will be stopped. It will be stopped because there are enough decent, patriotic citizens left in this country—many times more than enough—who will demand that it be stopped. And who will continue their demands until it is stopped.

Americans in Atlanta, Boston, Cedar Rapids, and Denver, and in Phoenix, San Francisco, Waukegan, and Youngstown, and in thousands of cities in between, have consistently found that 95 per cent of the people who read the petition sign it. And most of those who sign it will do more: they will read a book or pamphlet, write a letter, take a petition and get it filled, *if someone asks them to help*.

What commitment does a citizen make when he signs this petition? He has agreed that aiding the Communists is wrong. That our government is wrong in doing it. That the Administration's policies are actually aiding the Communists. And that he wants those policies stopped.

On another subject, on a different issue, it might take weeks or even months of patient effort and education to convince a neighbor that the Administration is wrong; that it is aiding the Communists; that it is subverting freedom. But today it can be done in the five or ten minutes that it takes to get him to read the petition . . . and sign it.

There are now tens of thousands of individuals, and scores of organizations, working every day to complete more of these petitions. But there should be thousands of groups, with hundreds of thousands of members seeking signatures. The potential of this drive, for awakening and activating even more Americans, is vast.

Witness, for example, the success of the network of local *ad hoc* committees called TRAIN—TO Restore American Independence Now. TRAIN was launched early this year to help accomplish the enormous objective of restoring traditional Americanist principles to the foreign policy of this nation. It is concentrating now on one battleground, Vietnam: demanding that President Johnson allow our military men to win the war, and that America stop all aid to the Communist arsenal supplying the Vietcong. It is concentrating its efforts here because these are now the most crucial issues facing the country. TRAIN's plan is simple: form local committees in every American community to find and unite those Americans who agree with these demands, regardless of how much they may disagree with one another on other issues in other areas. And the initial results have been encouraging almost beyond belief.

There are now several hundred TRAIN committees hard at work, and more are being formed every day. The chairman of one group in a mid-western State has already completed more than 120 petitions—over 2,000 signatures—just by going door-to-door to other homes in her area and asking her neighbours to *read the petition*. A very young lady of *seventy-two*, who lives in a liberal stronghold on the East

Coast, got more than one hundred signatures one week-end simply by showing the petitions to some of her fellow-town-people. Another dedicated anti-Communist, in a leftist bastion known to some as "Fun City", proved how much could be done without even getting out of bed. Seriously injured in an automobile accident, he spent two months in a hospital. While recovering, he gave a petition to every doctor, every nurse, every orderly that he could. When he was released seven weeks later, 56 filled petitions had been returned to him. Surely any American who can walk can accomplish more!

Several TRAIN committees have already completed and returned more than 200 filled petitions, containing nearly 3,500 signatures. Dozens of other committees have worked exclusively with those Americans who when signing a petition expressed an interest to help—many of these people have now become active in TRAIN. Less than a month after becoming operational, one TRAIN committee had enlisted fifty prominent Americans from its city as sponsors, raised enough money to put up 10 billboards and distribute more than 1,000 pamphlets, and opened an office in an attractive center—in addition to completing scores of petitions.

Members of TRAIN tell us that the most successful method of getting these signatures is for one or two people to go door-to-door in their own neighborhood. No other technique has worked as effectively as these "cold calls" in finding and enlisting the help of those Americans who are concerned about the war and the Administration's aid to the enemy. Teams of two, we are told, are usually four times more effective than one person working alone; it seems the truism known to all parents, that two children produce four times the activity of one, applies also when the participants are mature adults and the objective is a worthy one.

Petition booths at busy public places, such as shopping centers, supermarkets, churches and fairs, have also been extremely effective in completing thousands of petitions. Many highly successful booths have been no more elaborate than a card table with petitions on it, perhaps a sign briefly explaining the purpose of the campaign, and one or two people to answer questions.

Many TRAIN committees have discovered that local merchants are also concerned about the war in Vietnam and want to do what they can to help stop American aid to the Communists. Such businessmen, when asked, have been delighted to display posters and petitions at prominent places in their stores. They find that their customers are equally pleased, daily adding their names by the hundreds to the growing chorus.

The variety and techniques of securing signatures are endless. One housewife enclosed a blank petition along with the check for her electric light bill. A week later the petition came back without comment—but with seventeen signatures. A ninth-grade student put a blank petition in an envelope and left it on his teacher's desk. Three days later he found the envelope on his own desk. Inside was the petition, with all seventeen places duly signed.

One Oklahoma radio station asked its listeners to take petitions and get them filled; the station received more than 1,500 signatures in the first week. A few hard-working Americans in Grants Pass, Oregon, have now completed more than 130 petitions (2,200 signatures) in a town with a population of only 10,000 persons.

Yes, the grass-roots protest is building. And more politicians are speaking out, demanding that we stop aiding the

Communists and *win* in Vietnam. Service groups, civic clubs, and city officials—including the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles—have issued proclamations supporting these demands and even proclaiming "Victory in Vietnam Week". The Los Angeles proclamation, issued by Mayor Sam Yorty for the week of June 27-July 4, was typical. It stated that "our servicemen are being hampered from obtaining victory by unprofessional military restrictions (and) by direct aid and trade with Communist bloc nations . . ."

An excellent start has been made. But it is only a start. An early progress report on "The Greatest Petition Drive in American History" was released the first of last month. It announced that more than 12,000 petitions, containing more than 200,000 signatures, had already been delivered to various Congressmen. Yet, as impressive as this total is, it represents less than one petition for every American soldier who has been killed by the Communists in Vietnam. *It is not enough!* There will never be enough until we are successful—until we force Congress to act.

There are thousands of Americans in every community *waiting* to support this campaign. Someone must go to them, explain what is being done, and ask for their help. *Millions* of Americans have already been directly and personally affected—because a soldier son, or friend, or sweetheart, is in Vietnam now or may be there soon. Or may have died there. They have listened to our President and Commander-in-Chief say that the fighting could last another fifteen years; they have heard Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara's suggestion that "this is the type of war we'll most likely be facing for the next fifty years"; they remember General Westmoreland's advice that "we must prepare ourselves for what the Communists call a protracted war. The time is not measured in months, it's measured in years".

They have listened to all of this, and they want to help.

They know that there have been 72,000 American casualties in Vietnam—72,000 young men killed or wounded by a Communist enemy whose arsenal is being supported by American trade and aid. They know that in the face of all of this President Johnson has said again and again that he wants to continue that support, even increase it, to "build bridges to the East". And they know that he is doing just that.

Yes, Americans are ready to act.

Won't *you* help?

Won't you get a pen and paper and write now—this minute—to TRAIN, Belmont, Massachusetts 02178, to see how you can form an *ad hoc* committee in your town to stop American aid to the arsenal of the Vietcong, and to demand that the President permit our military to *win* this insane war and bring our boys home?

You haven't time?

Neither do the 20 young Americans—sons and fathers and husbands—who today were killed by the Communists in Vietnam . . . or the 20 who died yesterday, and the day before, and the day before, and the day before . . .

Now, write!

The Middle East Crisis

by Glubb Pasha

Russia engineered the crisis in order to embroil the United States with the Arab world, and in order to lure Egypt and Syria into a humiliating defeat which would compel them to throw themselves into the arms of Russia. Britain and America fell innocently into the trap. If Soviet leaders ever laugh, this must have been the moment.

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