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Dear Friends,

Enclosed is an emergency memo calling for action to stop the Senate defiance of the U.N. embargo on Rhodesian chrome. Our latest information is that the Senate-House conferees will meet on November 1.

It is vital that the President and the Secretary of State be contacted and urged to speak out, in line with established government policy, calling for the rejection of the Senate's amendment on chrome to the military procurement bill. Unilateral violation of the U.N. embargo by the U.S. will damage both the whole concept of international collective security under the U.N. and the U.S. stance against racist minority rule in Rhodesia.

We also urge you to contact Senate-House conferees who could be responsive on this issue. These include Senators Thomas J. McIntyre (D.-N.H.), Margaret Chase Smith (R.-Maine) and Stuart Symington (D.-Mo.); and Representatives Charles Bennett (D.-Fla.), James Byrne (D.-Pa), and Alvin O'Konsky (R.-Wis.). It is important that you also contact your own Senators and Representative.

Please act now.

Sincerely,

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