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Honorable Bernard J. Dwyer
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Dear Representative Dwyer:

Will you please consider these arguments against aid to UNITA when you debate this issue in the House Select Committee on Intelligence this coming week?

1) The Cubans are withdrawing from Angola on schedule, in accordance with the December 1988 Agreement. Continued aid to UNITA can only put pressure on Cuba to slowdown its withdrawal.

2) President Dos Santos and the MPLA have declared their intention to amend the constitution to allow for multiparty elections, and UNITA has been invited to participate in writing the new constitution. This puts the Angolan government further along the road to a multiparty system than key U.S. allies like Kenya and Zaire.

3) Continuation of the war now threatens upwards of 750,000 Angolans with famine. One of UNITA's tactics is to disrupt food supplies and relief shipments.

4) While Savimbi may retain some ethnic support within the country, he retains few--if any--democratic credentials.

5) UNITA is blowing up oil pipelines. After the Gulf Crisis, it is absolutely absurd for the U.S. to sponsor attacks on a country that exports most of its oil to the United States.

Therefore, it is the view of our organization that the old rationale for support to UNITA--which were shaky at best--have all gone out the window. We now urge you to vote against aid to UNITA.

Yours sincerely,

Ed Ferguson
Executive Secretary