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Dear Dr. Blackburn:

It was good to hear from you. We share a sense of frustration, anger and betrayal because U.S. military involvement in Indochina continues.

January 2, the House Democratic Caucus took decisive action by declaring it to be Democratic policy in the 93rd Congress that no further public funds be spent for U.S. combat operations in and over Indochina subject only to arrangements necessary to insure the safe return of our men, including prisoners of war. This resolution was passed 154 to 75. It is the strongest resolution ever endorsed by the Democratic Caucus and the margin by which it was adopted indicates that an anti-war fund cutoff has stronger support in the 93rd Congress than such a measure had in the last Congress. You may be interested in the language of the resolution we passed. A copy is enclosed.

The strong support for the resolution was, in part, a reaction to the President's unilateral and high-handed action ordering bombing of Haiphong and Hanoi. Now there is again promise of a ceasefire agreement. I fervently hope this is not another false alarm.

There is a general feeling in the Democratic Caucus that Congress must reassert itself in the shaping of both foreign and domestic policy. I share this view.

I strongly support the action of the Democratic Caucus. I helped draft and worked to gain support for this positive step to end U.S. involvement in the war. If there is no ceasefire I will press to give legislative expression to the

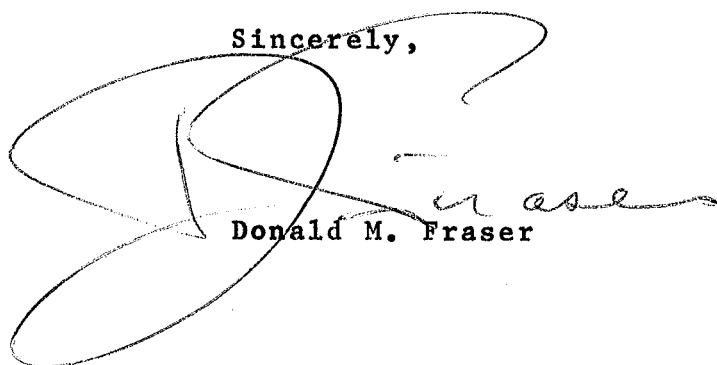
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resolution. If the negotiations are again drawn out, we must pass a bill in the House ending funding for U.S. war activities in Indochina.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Donald M. Fraser