

Letters of support and admiration - letters to Dag Hammarskjöld from all ov...

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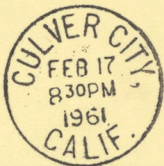
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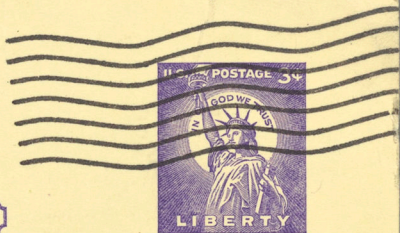
Dear Sir / I, Saleh Brimah, citizen of Ghana (once Gold Coast), West Africa, wishes that you should resign as Secretary General of the UNO. following the death of Mr. Patrice Lumumba. The legal elected premier of the Republic of Congo, you have failed in your task to achieve peace in the Congo. The Man who called the UNO for help in the Congo, have been brutally murdered in the hands of his political enemy's, while UNO was not in the position to grant him a full help. following the death of Mr. Lumumba. who call UNO to restore peace in the Congo, only an optimistic head of a state will ask UNO for troops to help to restore peace, in the event of any crises. The miserable saga of the Congo goes on from one atrocity to another. Lumumba is no doubt PERHAPS responsible for some of the disasters in that Land. for Kabavubu to have him taken to Katanga PERHAPS was fully justified. But to beat Lumumba, to torture him — that is a disgraceful, and last of all to be killed.

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Ishombe conducting in Katanga!
and what sort of Government is
General Mobutu conducting!
How can both expect to have the
Confidence of the East - West, and
the confidence of the people of the
whole world if their troops behave
in this abominable fashion and
Manner? This is a heavy blow to
Ishombe and Mobutu, and the UNO.
I hear the argument that the
Russians murdered Nagy, prime Minister
of Hungary, and so (therefore) have no right
to protest against the murder of Lumumba.
This is true. But by that token, those
in the West who protested against the
murder of Nagy had more than the right,
they had the duty to see that Lumumba
was not murdered. When one forgets the
doctrinaire squabbles over Communism and
think only of the murdered Lumumba, it is
difficult to blame the Russians bid to
SACK or have you resign. Please accept
this letter in the way I meant it to
be and not with any hard feelings or
grudge. I am not a COMMUNIST.

Yours faithfully
S.A.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Sec. Gen. Hamarskold
United Nations Bldg.
New York City

Dear Sir:

You can best serve the cause of peace and stability
in the world today by resigning your position as
secretary-general of the U.N.

You've bungled enough.

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Mrs. Ruth Greenbaum
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253 N. Swall Dr.
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24 Fontenoy Street,
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Mr D. Hammarskjöld,
Secretary-General United Nations,
NEW YORK.

Dear Mr Hammarskjöld,

It was with horror and dismay that the members of my family and myself heard of the death of Patrice Lumumba. It appears to us that this final tragedy occurred as a result of the United Nations not carrying out the job it was given by the Security Council in July of last year, that was, to get all Belgian military personnel out and to give all necessary assistance to the legitimate government, that of Mr Lumumba. In stead of carrying out this mandate you have stood by while Mr Lumumba was tortured, imprisoned, and finally killed, and actually allowed Kasavubu and his delegation, tools of the Belgian interests in the Congo, to take the place of the legal Congo government in the United Nations Assembly.

To give your support in this way to the breakaway elements was to undermine the independence and sovereignty of the Republic of Congo. It is quite obvious to us that your role has been to assist Belgian colonial interests instead of the legitimate government.

Patrice Lumumba and the other elected leaders of the Congo people who have been murdered cannot be brought back to life but it is still not too late to have the constitutionally elected Congolese Parliament meet, to carry out immediately the unanimous United Nations decision to get all Belgian military personnel out, to get rid of the Belgian puppets Kasavubu, Tshombe, and Mobutu, and thus restore to the Congo its rightful independence.

The peoples of the world, despite what some of their so-called representatives at the United Nations may say, hold you at least partially responsible for the death of Mr Lumumba. That is a heavy load of guilt to carry, Mr Hammarskjöld! What are you going to do about it?

Yours faithfully,

Dr Bullock

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North Surrey. BC Canada

Feb 15th

Mr. Sec Gen.

It is my sincere hope
that the spirit of Patrice Lumumba
will be with you for the rest of
your life. ✓

Signed

✓ H.T. Webster

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23 Spur Crescent,
Loftus,
N.S.W.
Australia.

Secretary General,
United Nations.

Dear Mr. Hammarskjöld,

We wish to emphatically protest to you about the savage treatment meted out to the Premier of the Congo, Mr. Lumumba, and his subsequent murder.

The United Nations in the Congo are directly responsible for his death. The United Nations had it in its power to compel the withdrawal of Belgian troops from Katanga Province. Instead, encouragement was given to the secession of Katanga from the Congo, and to forces attempting to undermine the newly established Congo Republic. In the end, the gangsters in the pay of the Belgian protege Mr. Tshombe, assassinated the Premier, the only person capable at this

time of uniting the country under the flag of the Congo Republic. The stench of Imperialism in the Congo is as vile as ever, and the United Nations is being used to perpetuate it. It is time the United Nations Organization was reviewed so that it can carry out the aims for which it was founded.

Your resignation would appreciably assist in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

M. J. Murchie

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& Gilmore*

Kathleen Murchie

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Mr Dag Hammarskjöld
Gen. Sec. United Nations
New York N.Y. U.S.A.

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Dear Sir:

You are aware of the shock which the world has received by the murder of Patrice Lumumba, but do you realize the responsibility which you have in that crime?

When in the Congo - it is reported - you treated Mr Lumumba with contempt, or ignored him altogether, thereby giving his opponents the impression that the United Nations was on their side. Remember he was the elected Premier - a fact which you chose to ignore.

In view of the tragic consequences of your mishandling of the Congo situation, I urge you to resign from the post of General Secretary of the United Nations. Your usefulness has come to an end.

Sincerely yours
A. B. DeZil

137th Lexington Ave
New York 28
NY

October 1st. 1960

To The Secretary General, Dag Hammarskjöld
United Nations Organization
New York,

Sir,

In my humble opinion, as an ordinary member of the human race, your conduct in the handling of the Congo situation has forfeited the confidence of millions of people - not only in this country but throughout the world.

In my opinion you have shown partisanship in favouring Belgian aggression at the expense of the legitimate and legal Congo Government.

In as much as you have violated the spirit of the Charter, I believe that in all good conscience, you should resign your high office forthwith.

CLIFFORD G. HOLLAND

12 Hawksley Crescent,
Northfield,
Birmingham, 31.

20th February 1961.

D. Hamarskjöld Esp.,
Secretary, U.N.O.

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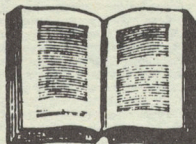
We citizens of Northfield, a suburb of Birmingham, are disgusted at the mealy-mouthed attitude you are taking up over events in the Congo. No real attempt was made to protect the legal government of the Congo and its leader Patrice Lumumba, the purpose for which United Nations forces were sent there, but it is not too late now for an honest attempt to resist the would-be exploiters of the Katanga mineral rights and of the people of the Congo.

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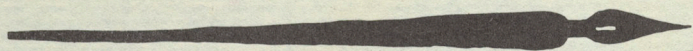
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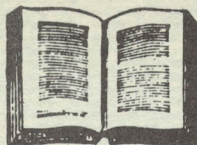
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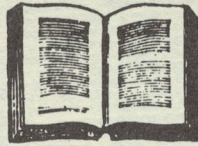
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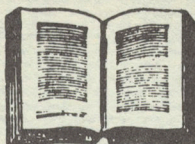
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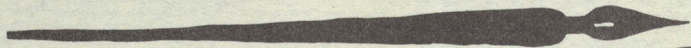
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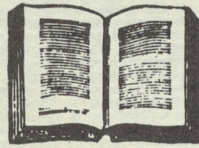
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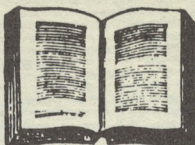
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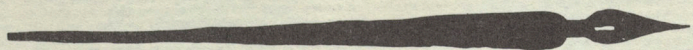
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Lumumba's Savage Slaying

A new chapter in the tragic story of the Congo Republic opens up with the savage slaying of Patrice Lumumba. It is a chapter heavily laden with international intrigue, connivance and duplicity. The United Nations, the Security Council and the Secretariat and the Belgian government cannot escape the impact of their influence on the unhappy turn of events in Central Africa. They bear a moral responsibility for which they will be called to account by the outraged conscience of mankind.

Lumumba became the target of hostile forces both at home and abroad when his boundless nationalism swept aside all political considerations that were destructive of his plans. He was a patriot whose passion for independence was destined to influence the course of modern African history.

As the constitutional Premier, Lumumba sought mightily to keep his maiden Republic from assuming the fruitless role of a helpless pawn in a ruthless international chess game.

He brooked no compromise, no diminution of his country's hard earned freedom, and no interference with the state's constitutional prerogatives. This passionate resolve for his country's sovereignty did not endear him to the many who wished to subordinate the national interest of the Congo to the colonial will of an international clique.

He pursued his objectives amid hysterical cries of "Communism" and against the Machiavellian scheme of Congolese President Kasavubu and Gen. Mobutu—two unconscionable puppets of the Belgian government — who should be liquidated as rank traitors.

During his struggle to invest the Republic with the accepted attributes of sovereignty and power, Lumumba received neither encouragement nor support from the United Nations. Indeed, it was UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold's inept handling of the situation, and his personal dislike of the Congolese Premier that led to the latter's removal from a post to which he had been elected by a duly constituted Parliament.

Lumumba's illegal imprisonment and maltreatment brought no great outcry from the UN Secretary General, nor a mumbling word from his deputy Secretary, Dr. Ralph Bunche, who bungled his own job in the Congo. And this may be attributed partly to an absence of sympathy for Lumumba, or a lack of moral courage and perception to fight for the principle which agitated Lumumba's soul and for which he was finally crucified.

A Congo truly free and independent from the white man's undue encroachments was Lumumba's dream. Because they failed to conciliate the warring factions, because their personal bias contributed immensely to the flow of events that brought death to one of Africa's greatest leaders, Hammarskjold and Bunche both should quietly step aside from their UN posts and allow other men with greater clarity of vision and greater understanding of African hopes and aspirations to take their places.

So far as Africa is concerned Hammarskjold and Bunche have outlived their usefulness.

The Cause of Lumumba
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Must Go Forward!

If you agree with the above, sign this, put in envelope and send to U.S. Ambassador Adlai Stevenson, United Nations Headquarters.

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