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Dear Senator:

I am a college student majoring in Sino-American relationship from Fu Jen Catholic University in Taiwan. I as well as the most young college and university students in my country, express strong concern about President Carter's foreign policy toward Taiwan.

President Carter intends to establish full diplomatic relationship with Peking regime at the expense of sacrificing an ally Taiwan in an attempt to curry favour with Chinese communists. I personally feel that it is unwise for the Carter Administration to speed up Normalization with Peking. Such rash act in favour of Chinese Communists by the Carter Administration will bring out instability in Asia and arouse suspicion of allies in Asia toward reliability of the U.S. President Carter emphasized that the U.S. should retain its strength in the Pacific but the friendly act toward Chinese communists will no doubt diminish prestige and strength of the U.S. in Asia. If the U.S. can't fulfil its commitment to its allies in Asia instead of burying the hatchet with old enemy. As you know Chinese communists came to North Korea's aid in Korea war resulted in tens of thousands of U.S. young soldiers in Korea peninsula.

Peking regime also agitated the North Vietnamese in their fight against what they called "American imperialism". Till now Chinese communists don't abandon their goal of conquering democratic world. So I don't see any benefit that the U.S. can get in dealing with old enemy

On the contrary Taiwan is the staunchest ally of the U.S. in Asia.  
It maintains close military and commercial relations with the U.S.  
The strategic position of Taiwan is the cornerstone in containing communist  
aggression and the favourable investment environment proves to be  
a lucrative market for U.S. investors. Therefore any unfriendly attitude  
toward Taiwan will be a great loss to America's interests in Asia.  
I sincerely hope that the U.S., as leader of democratic bloc, fulfills  
its commitment to Taiwan. We would not like to see allies of  
the U.S. in Asia devoured one by one by communists.

Dear Senator: May I ask you do me this favour to reflect  
my opinions to your congress colleagues and President Carter.  
It would be much appreciated.

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enclosed please find an article on China issue which will  
be of interest to you as you are concerned over Taiwan-U.S.  
relations and developments in Asia.



FOR REL-country-China

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you very much for your recent letter, expressing your concern about U.S. relations with China.

I, too, am opposed to the establishment of formal diplomatic relations with Communist China at the expense of our allies in Taiwan. I recently made a statement to this effect on the floor of the Senate, and I am enclosing a copy of these remarks for your interest. In my opinion, there should be no consideration of relations until the Chinese provide assurances of a peaceful resolution to the "two-China problem" and agree to halt their tests of nuclear weapons in the atmosphere.

The Chinese Republic continues to be an inspiration to all those who seek to counteract the influence of Communism in Asia and the Pacific. I value the long tradition of friendship and cooperation between our two governments, and will continue to oppose any agreements which would hinder our relations.

Again, thank you for taking the time to write and share your concerns with me. I am pleased to know that we are in agreement on this issue, and hope that you will let me know whenever I may be of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

BOB DOLE  
United States Senate

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