UN
World Peace thru
Sept. 26, 1961

Dear:

I have seen no hint of a program to be presented to the UN for securing world peace through that agency.

First, it should be pointed out that it is up to the Congress to make provision for our national security and I can assure you that this will be done and that there will be no unilateral disarmament on our part.

The Congress will also look with a rather dim eye on other adventures in setting up a world police force in view of the fact that we paid half the cost of the UN force in the Congo. It might be well for the issue to come on now rather than later for as I assess the temper and the mood of the Congress I have a pretty fair idea of the vigorous reaction which will take place if such a program is presented and an effort is made to commit this country to it.

I do indeed appreciate your observations.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen