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The Honorable James A. Baker, III
Secretary of State
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Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am deeply troubled by the actions taken by President Alberto Fujimori on the evening of April 5, to suspend provisions of the Peruvian Constitution, to dissolve the Peruvian Congress and place certain of its members under arrest, to impose censorship on the press, and to generally circumvent civilian governmental institutions by martial law. Clearly, such actions are unbefitting any democratically elected head of state. Moreover, they jeopardize the future of democracy in Peru and serve to undermine democratic institutions elsewhere in the hemisphere.

Therefore, I believe that the United States should immediately suspend all economic and military assistance to the Government of Peru (except for humanitarian assistance through non-governmental organizations) until constitutional order has been restored. In addition, the United States should urge that the Government of Japan, the European Community and all other aid donors adopt similar policies.

I stand ready to do all that I can to assist the Administration in its efforts to resolve the current crisis in Peru.

Sincerely yours,

CHRISTOPHER J. DODD
Chairman, Subcommittee on
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