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Sec. Kissinger/Scowcroft  
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K: Senator Clark has just issued a statement saying that he knows we are coordinating our policy with South Africa. Not coordinating, that's too strong, but he knows we are exchanging information with the South Africans and is going to ask for public hearings on the 19th, 20th and 23. Can you imagine how you can conduct foreign policy this way.

S: He is going to Angola. Maybe we can fix him. It is a kind of self-destructive spirit. Just what in the hell does he think he is accomplishing.

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K: Nothing, / ... the South Africans. Most of the Africans are asking us to do it.

S: Of course.

K: If we say that he will put that out . .

S: He can't. Of course not. Most of the Africans quite well know what South Africa is doing and support it but can't say so. That's great.

K: Maybe we should let Angola go. This is going to turn into a worse disaster. Maybe we should just not have started that operation.

S: We should not have done what is right, is what you're saying.

K: The defeat they are inflicting on us is worse.

S: If we have to go through some monumental hearings and stuff like that. It is hopeless.

K: Okay. Thank you.