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The Honorable J. W. Fulbright
Chairman
Committee on Foreign Relations
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Fulbright:

In your letter of June 14, 1966 you inquired about the operations of Air America and China Air Lines in Southeast Asia. Air America is a Delaware corporation authorized by the United States Civil Aeronautics Board to perform charter and contract airlift and does perform such services under contract to the United States Government in support of Government organizations in Laos, Thailand, and Vietnam. The Government's requirements are similarly served in that area by Continental Air Services, Inc., a subsidiary of Continental Airlines.

In Laos these contract flying services are managed and conducted with the full knowledge and approval of the United States Ambassador to Laos.

China Air Lines, an authorized air carrier of the Chinese Nationalist Government, does perform contract flying and maintenance services in Southeast Asia for both the United States and Vietnam Governments.

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If you would like to go further into the details of the activities of these companies, I would be very glad to meet with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Secretary of State