

Secretary RUSK. Approximately \$700 million, sir.

Mr. THOMSON. Mr. Chairman, I would like to yield the balance of my time for Mr. Gross, who I think still has some questions.

Mr. GROSS. Mr. Chairman?

Chairman MORGAN. Mr. Gross.

Mr. GROSS. I thank the gentleman from Wisconsin.

I would ask the gentleman who replied to the question—I had a difficult time hearing his answer—did you say that all spigots and funnels are open to the Latin Americas, all faucets and funnels are open, that all aid we give in handout programs in addition to the Inter-American Bank are available, and they benefit from them?

Secretary SOLOMON. The Latin Americans do benefit, sir, from the borrowings from the ordinary capital of the bank as well as from the special fund.

Mr. GROSS. Aid, military expense, everything else they get, don't they?

Secretary RUSK. And they have access—

Mr. GROSS. With respect to the Inter-American Bank, is there a soft loan window in the Riggs Bank of Washington, or one in the gentleman from Ohio, Mr. Hays' bank? I wonder if he has a soft loan window in his bank.

Secretary SOLOMON. As a matter of information, sir, you are aware that the Latin Americans themselves contributed the major part of the ordinary capital of the bank, and they are partial minority contributors to the Fund for Special Operations.

Secretary RUSK. There are other—

Mr. GROSS. Do we have in Buenos Aires or someplace a counterpart of the Development Assistance Committee in Paris to drum up applicants for our various handout programs? Is there such a committee located in Latin America?

Secretary RUSK. The principal parallel to that organization is CIAP, of which my colleague, Ambassador Linowitz, is the American member. It was chosen by the Latin Americans as an expert group to review and analyze and make recommendations upon the development plan submitted by the individual countries. And, as you know, in our AID program, we take that very heavily into account when we make AID commitments under the Alliance for Progress.

Mr. GROSS. What are the Latin Americans doing by way of helping us with the fighting and dying in Vietnam? The last that I heard from your Department, Mr. Rusk, you listed Argentina as sending two observers to Vietnam to examine the possibilities for assistance. Brazil has provided coffee and medical supplies. The Dominican Republic offered cement for use in Vietnam. Ecuador has sent medical supplies, Guatemala 15,000 doses of typhoid and paratyphoid vaccine or promised to send medicines, Venezuela agreed to provide 500 tons of rice.

That is only six of the many Latin American nations. What are they doing by way of helping us with the fighting and dying?

Secretary RUSK. They do not have combat troops there, Mr. Gross.

Mr. GROSS. And why not?

Secretary RUSK. In the first place, it is not their commitment, as it is ours. They are not involved in the SEATO treaty as we are. They