

AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR FRANCE AND ALGERIA

Statement of Purposes

We, an independent group of American citizens, have formed the American Committee for France and Algeria, with the express purpose of supporting the people of France and Algeria in their search for an equitable solution to the Algerian problem. We feel that it is the duty of our country to back France, its oldest ally, and the People of Algeria in this crucial struggle. We believe that France has demonstrated great moral courage in granting to the population of Algeria the freedom to choose their political destiny. At the same time, we believe that France has demonstrated the greatest moral responsibility toward the inhabitants of that territory by continuing to protect them from the violence and terror of the rebel minority who, for the last five years, have inflicted brutal and savage forms of murder, mutilation and extortion in order to bend the Algerian people to their will.

We believe that in the final analysis the people of Algeria, of their own free choice, will choose integration and union with France. The Algerian people have already twice expressed via the ballot their overwhelming desire to be integrated with France, and these demonstrations of loyalty indicate clearly that the rebels do not have the popular support of the Algerian masses.

We further believe that the path toward integration, which was begun 130 years ago, has been a natural and inevitable one. Economically, politically, culturally and ethnically the two territories have been moving closer and closer to irrevocable union. The rebellion has merely dramatized the pressing need for integration and stimulated the integrative forces to work faster and better.

As a group, the American Committee for France and Algeria, will be dedicated to the task of informing the American public of the historical and present-day facts of the situation and of the important issues involved. We believe that the terrorists have no right to impose a dictatorship in Algeria over a population which, if anything, is multi-racial and multi-religious. We strongly believe that Algeria, as an integrated part of France, will be a land where all the inhabitants will have equal opportunity to grow, develop and fulfill themselves within the context of a great humanist culture and political system, with enormous capacities for economic growth.

We have faith in France because we know that she stands for the humanist and liberal traditions of the West. We have faith in France because we know that the French are a good people, dedicated to the democratic way of life, to intellectual freedom, to the freedom of art and science -- in short, to the freedom and dignity of the human being.

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BULLETIN OF THE AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR FRANCE AND ALGERIA

INTEGRATION

15 WEST 67 STREET, NEW YORK 23, N. Y.



Dear Friend:

The AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR FRANCE AND ALGERIA has been organized in order to rally American public opinion to support France in her struggle in Algeria. Our program is to bring to the attention of the American public the important issues involved and to show why we believe that Integration is the most liberal and far-sighted solution to the Algerian problem.

Unfortunately, the American press, radio and television is greatly biased in favor of the FLN terrorists, who have enormous means of carrying on a wide and insidious propaganda campaign against France and the French people. This campaign has resulted in many American politicians voicing sympathy with the terrorists instead of their victims.

We, the members of this Committee, have embarked on the task of trying to remedy this tragic situation. France has been our ally since the very beginning of our nationhood. Our two countries have fought side by side in two World Wars for the cause of freedom. Nevertheless, the raucous propaganda of the Arab and Communist blocs in the UN has managed to turn public opinion against France in Algeria.

In order to pursue our own vigorous counter-campaign we must have the financial support of all those who love France and feel as we do concerning the future of Algeria. We therefore urge you to contribute whatever you can to this important cause. Our campaign can only get underway when sufficient funds are available.

If you would like further information about our Committee, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

Cordially,

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AN APPEAL!

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We believe that in the final analysis the people of Algeria, of their own free choice, will choose integration and union with France. The Algerian people--Moslems and Christians--have already twice expressed via the ballot their overwhelming desire to be integrated with France, and these demonstrations of loyalty indicate clearly that the terrorist rebels do not have the popular support of the Algerian masses.

As a group, the AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR FRANCE AND ALGERIA will be dedicated to the task of informing the American public of the historical and present-day facts of the situation. We are alarmed at the way the raucous propaganda of the Arab and Communist blocs in the UN have managed to turn public opinion against France and blinded Americans to the very real dangers of a Communist victory in North Africa. However, in order for us to be able to pursue our own vigorous counter-campaign we must have the financial and moral support of all those who understand the urgency of this problem. The cause of Western democratic civilization is crucially at stake in this highly strategic area of the Western world. We therefore urge you to contribute whatever you can to this important cause. Our campaign can only get underway when sufficient funds are available.

Clifford Forster, Chairman

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December 5, 1960

Dear Friend:

The American Committee for France & Algeria is printing up an unusual Christmas card this year. On the front cover will be a striking tricolor map of France and Algeria, and on the inside the following inscription: "Vive l'Algérie française! Noel 1960. The American Committee for France & Algeria."

This card can serve as an eloquent symbolic gesture in behalf of French Algeria. The cost of the card will be 10¢ each, with envelope. I urge you to order as many of these cards as possible and to send them to your friends in France, Algeria and elsewhere. The moral support we can lend French Algeria by way of these cards can, I think, be of particular value at this crucial time.

Please fill in the coupon below and mail it to me as early as possible so that a sufficient quantity of cards will be printed.

Cordially,

Samuel L. Blumenfeld
Secretary

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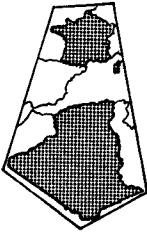
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PRESS CONFERENCE ON ALGERIA

The American Committee for France & Algeria will hold a press conference at the Overseas Press Club, 35 E. 39th Street, on Wednesday, December 7, at 3:30 P.M. and will present MR. ROBERT ABDESSELAM, Moslem deputy in the French National Assembly from Algiers and noted advocate of Algeria remaining within the French Republic. MR. ABDESSELAM is now in New York to attend the UN debate on Algeria with the French Delegation.

MR. ABDESSELAM was the victim of an assassination attempt last spring by agents of the FLN, terrorist arm of the so-called Algerian Provisional Government in Tunis. His bodyguard was killed and he himself severely wounded.

MR. ABDESSELAM, who is an attorney at the Bar of Algiers and Paris, is a native of the Kabyle region of Algeria. Also known as a champion tennis player, he was a member of the French Davis Cup team for many years.

During World War II, MR. ABDESSELAM was a member of the Resistance Movement in North Africa and, after the Allied landing in 1942, was attached to the American Army in Tunisia and Italy for three years as French liaison officer. He holds a U. S. Bronze Star and the Croix de Guerre.

Concerning De Gaulle's policy on Algeria, MR. ABDESSELAM has said in an interview (Le Figaro, Aug 1, 1960) that he would be in favor of it only if it meant that the people of an "Algerian Algeria" would be acting as French citizens "and as Algerian functionaries representing -- with or without an essentially local intermediary -- the national government of Paris."

MR. ABDESSELAM is 40 years old.