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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Agar Jaicks, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee of the Democratic State Central Committee, released today resolutions passed at the week-end meeting of the Executive Committee of the Democratic State Central Committee held in San Diego, September 27. Jaicks observed that the committee meeting reflected "exceptional bitterness" over Governor Reagan's denial of aid in the school lunch program to over 500,000 poverty level children while at the same time signing legislation raising his own salary and that of his aides. Jaicks also pointed out that the Democrats labeled this Reagan action as a "cruel and inhumane response to the sufferings of the poor of the State of California".

The Executive Committee did not limit its criticism of Republican leadership to the state level, when calling upon President Nixon "to declare an immediate, permanent cease fire in Viet Nam".

This resolution mirrored the position of Senator Harold Hughes' (D - Iowa) call for a "standing cease fire" which only this week drew support from Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield of Montana.

According to Jaicks, who is also chairman of the San Francisco County Democratic Central Committee, the attitude of the Executive Committee was one of "stop the killing now and move the total effort for peace to the conference table".

"Parallel with this attitude", Jaicks continued, "was the feeling that the United States, the mightiest nation in the world, could help to recapture the imagination and moral leadership of the desire of the people for peace by declaring an immediate cease fire".

The Executive Committee called for the Board of Regents and the Reagan administration "to cease immediately from applying political tests to faculty appointments and course content".

The Committee also attacked Governor Reagan's 'meat ax' budget cuts of California's higher education system which will lead to the turning away of some 60,000 students from the university and college systems which in turn will "force them into the Junior Colleges thus raising already inflated local property taxes".

President Nixon was chastised for "following a deliberate policy of delaying the implementation of the school integration program". He was also criticized for his pending appointment of Judge Clement F. Haynsworth, Jr., to fill a vacancy on the U.S. Supreme Court. The Committee said that Haynsworth's previous record reflects "an inability to separate himself from conflict of interest situations." The Committee called upon U.S. Senators Cranston and Murphy to vote to withhold confirmation of Haynsworth.

The Committee condemned those members of the Grape Growers Association involved in an attempt to establish a fictitious labor group in opposition to the United Farm Workers of California, AFL-CIO, led by Caesar Chavez, and called for immediate action by the appropriate authorities.

The Committee urged rejection of Senator Pastore's (D-Rhode Island) bill which "weakens the Federal Communications Commission's right to review and prevent television license renewal of unfit television station owners..." and "...provides licenses for television station owners in what amounts to perpetuity".

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