

MR BRIAN LAMB

YOU HAD PETER McDONALD
AND OTHER OTHER BUSTS
TALKING ABOUT THE VIETNAM
WAR. I SERVED OVER TWENTY
YEARS IN THE AIR FORCE AFTER
HAVING BEEN DRAFTED INTO THE
AIR FORCE WITH ONLY A SIXTH
GRADE EDUCATION I NEVER
SERVED IN KOREA OR VIETNAM
I DID GET INVOLVED IN THE
BEGINNING OF OCT 1969 WHEN I
SAW IN THE PAPER THAT SEN
FULBRIGHT WAS GOING TO HAVE
A HEARING ON THE VIETNAM
WAR WITH THE SEC STATE SEC
DEFENCE. I THOUGHT HE HAD
DONE ENOUGH DAMAGE ALREADY

MY INVOLVEMENT IN THE VIETNAM WAR ON THE HOME FRONT

I, [REDACTED] was born on my Grandparent's, [REDACTED] farm in a log house [REDACTED] 1925. We were very poor. I'm the oldest of nine children, six boys and three girls. My father's name was [REDACTED] and my mother's name was [REDACTED]. My mother, father, four of my brothers and one of my sisters couldn't read or write. Thank God I wasn't one of them! My father didn't send me to school until I was eight years old. I spent two years in the first grade. When I passed to the seventh grade, on trial, my father had me quit school and go to work. I ran away from home when I was sixteen years old and I was drafted into the Air Force when I was twenty. I served in the Air Force over twenty years, never having served in Vietnam. I retired [REDACTED] and returned to Lancaster County outside the little village of Schoeneck in West Cocalico Township. In the beginning of October, 1969, I read in the Lancaster Newspaper that Senator Fulbright was going to have a hearing on the Vietnam War with the Secretary of State and Secretary of Defense at the end of October, 1969. I thought he had done enough damage, already, so I decided to get involved by writing a letter. I sent a copy to Senator Fulbright, Secretary of State, Secretary of Defense, President Nixon's Press Secretary and to editors of newspapers. Two men from Denver, Colorado, wrote and sent me five copies of my letter that was printed in the Denver Post. Senator Fulbright cancelled the hearing. I received a letter from the Office of the Secretary of State. Then, right after the election in November, 1972, I sent President Nixon a letter, also a copy of the letter I sent to Senator Fulbright. In the letter I said about giving North Vietnam so many hours to come to a constructive agreement or full scale bombing would take place. President Nixon gave the go ahead to bomb North Vietnam in December, 1972. I happen to love my country, and I did what I could to help. So writing these letters was my involvement in the Vietnam War. We have so much to be thankful for, so many people have given so much. America, the land of the free and the home of the opportunity to be yourself. Thank you Vietnam Veterans for helping the American Dream to be alive and well. Let peace be with you in your hearts and minds, peace at last. God bless you!

[REDACTED]
Stevens, PA 17578
[REDACTED]

Country Divided by Hearings

AN OPEN letter to Senator Fulbright:

I am a U.S.A. citizen, U.S. Air Force retired. I love my country very much and thought I would write you a few lines about your upcoming hearing.

First of all, after they gave Johnson the go ahead, why did you wait so long to have the first hearing while our boys were being killed? That hearing 3½ years ago helped the other countries in their efforts against us that much more. It helped to get Johnson out of office and divide the American people that much more.

America is only as strong as its people, and I must say,

it is getting very weak. Our policy makers in high office have to be careful because we are losing ground as a world power. We are rich in materials, but we are getting very poor on leadership.

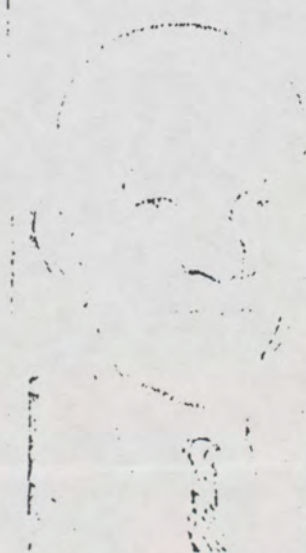
Our leaders must have a backbone instead of a yellow streak, common sense to know what is right and what is wrong and the guts to carry out these decisions. And the only way they can have clear thinking and a whole barn full of new ideas is by getting right with God and praying to God every day.

We have a new President and it doesn't matter what party you are, he is the President of all the people. There is a big job to be done and no one or two people are going to complete the job. It is going to take all of us. As for Vietnam, we have to let them know we mean business and we are not giving in any more to their demands. Give them so many hours to come to constructive agreement or full scale bombing will take place. If we don't do this, all our boys will have died in vain.

As for this next hearing, keep a few things in mind:

(a) our position as a world power, (b) the President's length of time left in office, (c) don't divide the people any more than they are divided now, and (d) don't help the position of the North Vietnam cause at the peace table and battlefield. We need to build up our position as a world power instead of tearing it down.

In 1967, I wrote to all the governors about a United Nations Peace Force before we get involved in another Vietnam. We have the United Nations talking about different problems, but when it goes beyond the talking stages, they need a U.N. Force built up with men and equipment from each nation.



SEN. J. W. FULBRIGHT



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

October 24, 1969

[REDACTED]
Stevens, Pennsylvania 17578

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Secretary Rogers has asked that we reply to your recent comments sent to him about our foreign relations.

The Secretary is most interested in knowing the opinions of the American people on these important issues. We wish we could send you a full response, but hope you will understand that the current heavy volume of mail to the Secretary permits only this brief reply.

Enclosed is material which we hope you find useful.

Sincerely yours,

[REDACTED]
Office of Public Services

Enclosure

✦ NATO 20th Anniversary 1949-1969 ✦

11-8-72

Dear Mr. President,

I, [REDACTED] Stevens, Pa. am happy to be on such a wonderful team. As you can see by these two pictures, you have a friend in Pa. and that is me. And I made this outfit myself. I am sure you will agree this is one of a kind. I didn't send you any money, but the action that I took in October of '69 helped you more than the money. You see, when Sen. Fulbright was planning on having that hearing at the end of October '69, I wrote a letter. I sent one to him, Secretary of State, Secretary of Defense, and your Press Secretary, and I sent it to newspapers across the country. And you know, he cancelled that hearing. I'm sending you a copy of the letter that I got back from a man from Colorado. He sent me five copies from the Denver Post. After reading this letter Mr. President, you can see why Sen. Fulbright is a changed man. I spent over twenty years in the U.S. Air Force. I was sent to Iwo Jima in 1961. While there I got a part time job running the bowling alley. The chaplain would come from Japan once a month and hold services for the base. It was in the Spring of 1962 on a Wednesday afternoon, the chaplain came and I decided not to open the bowling alley, but to go along with the chaplain and the other men. They decided to go up on Mt. Sarabotcha by the Marine Flag Raising Monument. I check out a truck and drove the chaplain and men up on Mt. Sarabotcha. We were there by the monument and the chaplain was talking to us. Something came to me and told me to get down on my knees and start praying. Well, I didn't do it. But the next day, Thursday, the plane came in with supplies and mail, and I got a letter from home with real bad news, and here I was seven thousand miles away from home on an eight square mile island. I got such a sharp pain in my heart I couldn't hardly stand it. I was very sick. Friday night went by and the 1st Sgt. said we had to paint our living quarters on Sat. morning. I went down to the shop got the paint and brushes and I took them to our quarters, set them on the living room floor. I couldn't stand the pain any longer. I went to the little chapel we had on the base. I went inside, got on my knees and prayed like I never prayed before. The pain went away and I can truly say that I was one of the happiest men in the world. Everything seemed so bright and different, doing my job and getting along with people. I was sent to Andrews A.F.B. Maryland in 1962 and then I retired the [REDACTED], and we have been living here in Pa. ever since. God has been my co-pilot ever since He took away the pain. I pray for you Mr. President, and the Vice-President every day. And the other day when I was praying, I got a message for world peace. And that is to invite the Pope

and all the the different religious leaders from around the world to the United Nations in New York, so they can have a conference on the problems that are facing mankind and what steps can be taken to solve them with a mutual cooperation of all nations. If we want world peace, we have to invite the whole world to join. There is good in every person, and good in every nation. We have to talk good about the person and nations so they can do likewise. I must say the people are happy on the outside and very sick inside. They have God on the unemployment list and the devil working full time. They have to lay the devil off and have God working full time. God does for people what a battery charger does for a battery. He gives you new life. Also, there is one thing we all have the same of, and that is time, and time is priceless. It doesn't matter how much money you have in the bank or how good your credit is, you can't bring back one second and use it over again. I'm asking you, Mr. President, to get together with Billy Graham to see if this world conference couldn't be brought about. I want this conference non-political. The only thing I ask of you, Mr. President, is to give them your blessing. God bless you and your family. I hope the American people will start having God as their co-pilot instead of drugs and alcohol and crime. I am a strong supporter for world peace. May we take the right steps today so we can have a brighter and happier tomorrow. Peace on earth, good will toward men, is not impossible.



THE WHITE HOUSE

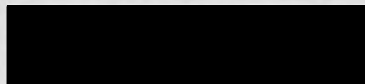
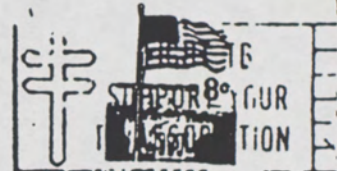
WASHINGTON

*It was thoughtful of you to let the President have
the benefit of your views. You may be sure that
your comments have been fully noted.*



DEPUTY SPECIAL ASSISTANT
TO THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE



Stevens, Pennsylvania 17578