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U. S. SENDING PLANES, PARATROOPS TO CONGO

Aid Rushed To Help Fight Against Rebels

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States has dispatched four air force transports to the Congo and will supply other aid, including trucks and jeeps, to help the Congolese government deal with rebel uprisings.
In a series of swift developments Wednesday:

—The defense department announced the four transports are on the way and carry 50 paratroopers for protection of the aircraft after their arrival.

—Undersecretary of State Averell Harriman, just returned from a conference with Belgian officials on the Congo problem, related some details of planned assistance.

—The state department announced that Congolese rebels have ordered U. S. consul Michael Hoyt and his staff of four out of Stanleyville.

Press officer Richard I. Phillips said Hoyt and his staff will be evacuated "for their safety" when arrangements can be made to get them out.

The rebels have held Stanleyville, a major city in the eastern Congo, for a number of days.

Charges Denied
Phillips denied allegations attributed to the rebels that

the Americans had been with the Congolese army.

Just how the U. S. consular staff will be evacuated has not been worked out yet, he added.

According to the latest word, he said, the Americans are still in the city and are safe while awaiting evacuation.

A defense department announcement said only:

"Four U. S. Air Force C130s are being dispatched to Leopoldville, The Congo, on temporary assignment for transport functions. The aircraft are proceeding from the United States to a temporary base at Leopoldville carrying their own maintenance and guard personnel."

Troops Identified

However, it was learned that the troops came from the 82nd airborne division at Fort Bragg, N. C., and that the planes took off from Pope Air Force Base, N. C., Tuesday night and are to arrive at Leopoldville Thursday morning.

It is understood the planes will be made available for whatever use is decided by the American ambassador, G. McMurtrie Gotley, and the "country team" which is in the Congo. A country team usually consists of U. S. military assistants and advisers and the ambassador.

It was emphasized in Washington quarters that the troops were under orders

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to engage only in protection of the planes and physical property and not participate in any military operation of any kind.

At the capitol Harriman told newsmen the United States is providing some transport aircraft to the Congolese government to help it stamp out rebel uprisings.

Harriman, just back from a Brussels conference with top Belgian officials, said the United States and Belgium have agreed to "continue and strengthen assistance we are giving to the national government of the Congo."

Giving Equipment

He declined to be specific about the amount of aid this might involve, but said most of the U. S. contribution would be in transportation equipment such as trucks, jeeps and "some transport aircraft."

U. S. personnel in The Congo would be limited to instructors to show how to use the equipment, Harriman said.

Harriman talked with the reporters after briefing a house African subcommittee about his Brussels trip.

He spoke of "certain types of military assistance" plus economic aid "to make available the consumer goods needed by the village people, the tribes, that make up this large country."