

Press Releases: Release of Foreign Relations of the United States, 1977-1980, Volume XVII, Part 2, Sub-Saharan Africa

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The Department of State released today *Foreign Relations of the United States, 1977–1980, Volume XVII, Part 2, Sub-Saharan Africa*.

This volume is part of a *Foreign Relations* subseries that documents the most important foreign policy issues of the Jimmy Carter administration. Parts 1 and 3 of Volume XVII address the Horn of Africa and North Africa, respectively. The focus of this volume is on the Carter administration's approach to events in Africa. The first chapter addresses the administration's attitude toward the continent as a whole, including an attempt to reconstruct U.S. foreign policy toward Africa while continuing its predecessors' policy of countering Cuban and Soviet influence on the continent.

The volume is also divided into regional subsections: First, the chapter on East Africa covers the U.S. response to the provocations of Idi Amin in Uganda, the Tanzanian invasion to overthrow the Ugandan dictator, and a strengthening of ties with Tanzania and Kenya to further U.S. interests in southern Africa. Next, the chapter on Central Africa outlines U.S.-Zairean relations, focusing on the Shaba II crisis as well as aid to and investment in Sudan and parts of the Sahel. Finally, the chapter on West Africa addresses the role of Nigeria in African economics and politics, the U.S. response to a Liberian coup, and U.S. relations with the other smaller countries in West Africa.

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