STATEMENT BY SENATOR STROM THURMOND (D-SC) RE SUPREME COURT DECISION, SEPTEMBER 12, 1958.

Today's decision of the Supreme Court was no surprise to me. It is quite in keeping with the Court's record of putting the interests of Communists and other criminals ahead of the Court's duty to sustain the Constitution.

The bias which Chief Justice Warren and other members of the Court demonstrated in yesterday's hearings is evidence that today's decision was made by closed minds which are more concerned with mixing the races where it is neither desired nor practical than with fostering the education of our children and preserving the Constitution.

It is unfortunate that the Court undertakes to divide our people at home during this critical period of the cold war when unity at home should be paramount.

I earnestly hope that the next Congress will take steps to awaken a sense of responsibility in the Justices of the Supreme Court.

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