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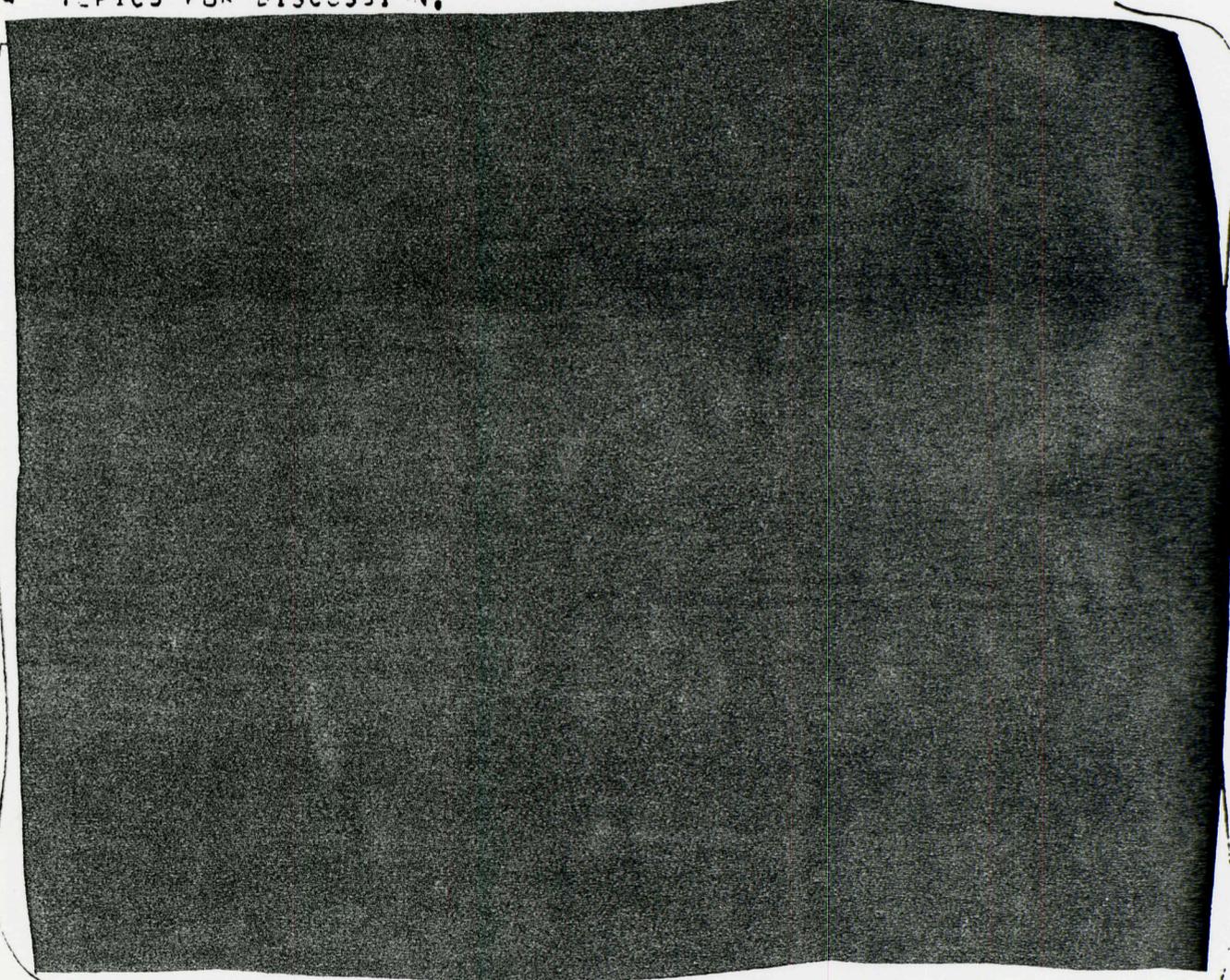
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FM: AMBASSADOR PORTER PARIS 910  
TO: THE WHITE HOUSE EYES ONLY DR. HENRY KISSINGER  
TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION.

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5. THEIR SEPT 15 DRAFT REVEALS CLEARLY FOR FIRST TIME IN POINT SEVEN THAT WE ARE EXPECTED TO PAY TRIPLE RANSOM FOR POW'S (MILITARY, POLITICAL AND FINANCIAL). THAT IS MADE CLEAR BY FINAL SENTENCE OF THEIR DRAFT, WHICH READS: "THE ABOVEMENTIONED TEN POINTS FORM A COMPLETE WHOLE," MEANING THAT EVERY POINT IS AN INTEGRAL AND INSEPARABLE PART OF THE OVERALL AGREEMENT. THE POW'S ARE TO BE RELEASED ONLY WITH WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS DURING 45-DAY PERIOD SPECIFIED "AFTER THE SIGNING OF THE OVERALL AGREEMENT." ERG0, NO POINT SEVEN, NO OVERALL AGREEMENT, AND NO POW'S.

6. ANY OF THESE ITEMS COULD WELL OCCUPY DEBATE FOR A WEEK AT LEAST. EVERY EVASION OR CIRCUMLOCUTION SHOULD BE NOTED, CHALLENGED, OR WAVED OFF.

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FM: AMBASSADOR PORTER PARIS 893  
TO: THE WHITE HOUSE EYES ONLY FOR DR. HENRY KISSINGER

1. PROSPECTIVE RELEASE OF PRISONERS IS NO DOUBT CONNECTED WITH GENERAL PRUPAGANDA PUSH DRV HAS MOUNTED DURING PAST TWO OR THREE WEEKS WITH AMERICAN DOMESTIC POLITICAL SITUATION IN MIND, IT SHOULD NEVERTHELESS BE HANDLED CAREFULLY AND I HOPE USG REACTIONS AND STATEMENTS CAN BE COORDINATED.
2. I BELIEVE WE SHOULD CONFINE OURSELVES TO COMMENT THAT WE WELCOME RETURN OF ANY PRISONERS AND WE HOPE THIS MOVE AUGURS BETTER TREATMENT FOR POWS HELD BY NVN, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO MAY NEED MEDICAL TREATMENT OR WHO HAVE BEEN HELD PRISONER FOR LONG PERIODS.
3. GVN SHOULD IN CIRCUMSTANCES BE URGED TO REPEAT ITS OFFER TO REPATRIATE SIX HUNDRED SICK AND WOUNDED NORTH VIETNAMESE WHO ARE HELD IN POW STATUS IN SVN.
4. WE ARE ENDEAVORING DETERMINE WHETHER CORA WEISS AND DELLINGER ARE HERE AND OTHER INFO CONCERNING THEM.
5. THIS DEVELOPMENT NATURALLY SCRUBS PROPOSAL I MADE IN MY LAST MESSAGE WITH REGARD TO NEXT PLENARY UNTIL WE SEE HOW THIS POW PLOY WORKS OUT.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: HENRY A. KISSINGER  
FROM: AL HAIG

At Tab B is a backchannel from Porter in which he proposed to limit his statement at this week's plenary session to a harsh paragraph on the other side's inhumanitarianism on prisoners, assuming they show no receptivity to the South Vietnamese offer to return 600 sick and wounded prisoners. He would say no more "for impact purposes".

At Tab A for your approval is a reply to Porter which once again makes the point that we cannot rock the boat in the plenaries. It tells him that he can use his paragraph but says that he should also present his prepared statement.

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IMMEDIATE

TO: AMBASSADOR PORTER

FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER *[Signature]*

REFERENCE: Paris 882

1. Thank you for your cable. We have no objections to your proposed statement on prisoners, assuming the other side rejects the South Vietnamese offer. However, we continue to believe that we cannot afford to rock the boat too much in the plenaries at this delicate stage. Therefore you should present your prepared statement as well, although this need not be overly long.

Warm regards.

*[Handwritten initials DP in a circle]*

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FM AMBASSADOR PORTER PARIS 013  
TO THE WHITE HOUSE EYES ONLY FOR DR. HENRY KISSINGER.  
PURPOSE ONE OF FOLLOWING THEMES BE CONSIDERED FOR  
USE IN JULY 27 MEETING:

2. DISCUSSION OF NV. INSISTENCE ON LINKAGE OF PARIS WITH  
POLITICAL OBJECTIVES.

WANT YOUR COMMENTS OR ALTERNATIVE SUGGESTIONS.  
WANT REPLY.

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