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PLEASE PASS TO AMB SULLIVAN

FROM: AMBASSADOR GODLEY, VIENTIANE 699

TO: FLASH - DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SULLIVAN

AT 2300 FEBRUARY 13 PHENG GAVE DCM DEAN A FULL SUMMARY OF THE CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT HE HAD NEGOTIATED WITH PHOUMI THAT SAME DAY WHICH THE TWO NEGOTIATORS HAD PRESENTED TO SOUVANNA AT 1730. THE TEXT OF THE AGREEMENT IS IN LAO AND PHENG'S VERBAL TRANSLATION INTO FRENCH, WHICH IS BASIS FOR THIS REPORT, IS IMPERFECT AT BEST. THIS ACCOUNTS FOR THE SOMEWHAT STILTED LANGUAGE IN OUR ENGLISH TRANSLATION WHICH HAS NEVERTHELESS BEEN MAINTAINED FOR THE SAKE OF MAXIMUM ACCURACY. THE AGREEMENT HAS 14 ARTICLES AND A BRIEF PREAMBLE.

PREAMBLE: STATEMENT ON THE DESIRE OF THE TWO PARTIES TO REESTABLISH PEACE AND NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

PARAGRAPH 1 A: DISCUSSES THE DESIRE OF THE LAO PEOPLE TO SCRUPULOUSLY PRESERVE AND APPLY THE FUNDAMENTAL NATIONAL RIGHTS OF INDEPENDENCE, DEMOCRACY, UNITY AND SOVEREIGNTY.

PARAGRAPH 1 B: THE DECLARATION ON THE NEUTRALITY OF LAOS DATED JULY 9, 1962 AND THE GENEVA AGREEMENTS OF 1962 REPRESENT A CORRECT BASIS FOR A FOREIGN POLICY OF PEACE, INDEPENDENCE AND NEUTRALITY FOR THE KINGDOM. THE PARTIES INTERESTED IN LAOS, THE UNITED STATES, THAILAND AND OTHER FOREIGN COUNTRIES, MUST RESPECT AND IMPLEMENT THEM FAITHFULLY.

PARAGRAPH 1 C: IN ORDER TO REESTABLISH PEACE, PERFECT INDEPENDENCE, NATIONAL RECONCILIATION, NATIONAL UNITY AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE PRESENT REALITY OF THE EXISTENCE OF TWO ZONES UNDER THE CONTROL OF TWO PARTIES, THE LAO INTERNAL PROBLEM MUST BE SETTLED BY THE PARTIES IN A SPIRIT OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND ON THE BASIS OF EQUALITY, MUTUAL ESTEEM, WITHOUT PRESSURE OR INTENTION TO ABSORB THE OTHER SIDE.

PARAGRAPH 1 D: TO SAFEGUARD INDEPENDENCE AND NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY, TO FOSTER NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND RESTORE

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UNITY TO THE COUNTRY, THE DEMOCRATIC FREEDOMS OF THE PEOPLE MUST BE STRICTLY ENFORCED, SUCH AS FREEDOM OF RELIGION, FREEDOM OF SPEECH, FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY, FREEDOM TO ESTABLISH POLITICAL PARTIES, FREEDOM OF ELECTIONS, FREEDOM TO STAND FOR OFFICE AND FREEDOM TO VOTE, FREEDOM OF CIRCULATION, FREEDOM TO CHOOSE ONE'S RESIDENCE, FREEDOM TO ENGAGE IN TRADE AND FREEDOM OF PERSONAL PROPERTY. ALL LAWS CONTRARY TO THESE FREEDOMS SHALL BE REPEALED.

PARAGRAPH 2. THE CEASEFIRE WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE AT 0100 FEBRUARY 15 IN LAOS.

PARAGRAPH 2 A: ALL BOMBINGS OF LAOS EMANATING FROM OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY OR FROM WITHIN MUST STOP DEFINITELY. ALL FOREIGN INTERVENTION AND ALL MILITARY ALLIANCES TO A FOREIGN COUNTRY MUST BE ENDED.

PARAGRAPH 2 B: ALL FOREIGN FORCES MUST TOTALLY AND DEFINITELY STOP THEIR ACTIVITIES ON LAO SOIL.

PARAGRAPH 2 C: THE LAO MILITARY FORCES OF ALL SIDES MUST STOP THEIR MILITARY ACTIVITIES AND STOP ALL ACTS OF PROVOCATION ON LAND AND IN THE AIR.

PARAGRAPH 3 A: FORMALLY PROHIBITS ALL OFFENSIVE MOVEMENTS, ENCROACHMENT, THREATS AND AGGRESSION BY GROUND OR AIR AGAINST THE TERRITORY TEMPORARILY OCCUPIED BY THE ADVERSARY.

PARAGRAPH 3 B: FORMALLY PROHIBITS ALL MILITARY ACTION WHICH COULD BE CONSIDERED AS PROVOCATION INCLUDING MOVEMENTS BY GUERILLA FORCES AND ALL LAND AND AIR SURVEILLANCE. IN CASE THAT ONE SIDE WISHES TO SUPPLY ITS TROOPS LOCATED IN THE ZONE OF THE OTHER SIDE, A JOINT RLG-LPF COMMISSION IN CHARGE OF IMPLEMENTING THE MILITARY PORTION OF THE AGREEMENT WILL SUBMIT DETAILED JUSTIFICATION TO SUPPORT THIS REQUEST. (COMMENT: DCM STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF AERIAL SURVEILLANCE TO ASSESS COMPLIANCE WITH AGREEMENT AND SUGGESTED RLG RECONSIDER AGREEING TO THIS PHRASE.)

PARAGRAPH 3 C: THE INTRODUCTION INTO LAOS OF FOREIGN REGULAR AND IRREGULAR TROOPS, OF FOREIGN ADVISORS AND FOREIGN MILITARY PERSONNEL AS WELL AS ARMAMENTS AND WAR MATERIEL FROM ANY COUNTRY AND IN ANY FORM IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WHAT IS FORESEEN BY THE GENEVA AGREEMENTS OF 1954 AND 1962.

PARAGRAPH 3 D: THE GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION CAN ACCEPT AND UTILIZE ARMS OF ANY KIND FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE COUNTRY WITH THE UNANIMOUS AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES. (COMMENT: DCM STRONGLY URGED THE DELETION OF THE LAST PORTION OF THIS PHRASE.)

PARAGRAPH 4. WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AT THE LATEST OF THE SIGNATURE OF THIS AGREEMENT, ALL FOREIGN REGULAR AND IRREGULAR FORCES MUST BE WITHDRAWN FROM LAOS. ALL FOREIGN MILITARY OR PAR-MILITARY FOREIGN FORCES MUST BE DISSOLVED WITHIN THE SAME PERIOD. THE SPECIAL FORCES ORGANIZED BY FOREIGNERS AS WELL AS BASES AND POSITIONS ESTABLISHED BY THESE FORCES

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PARAGRAPH 6. A GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION SHALL BE ESTABLISHED WITHIN SIXTY DAYS OF THE SIGNING OF THIS AGREEMENT.

PARAGRAPH 7. THE GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION WILL BE FORMED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT AND OF THE PATRIOTIC FORCES IN EQUAL PROPORTIONS. IN ADDITION, THE GOVERNMENT WILL CONSIST OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND OTHER QUALIFIED PERSONALITIES DESIGNATED BY THE TWO PARTIES.

PARAGRAPH 8. A "MIXED JOINT POLITICAL COUNCIL" WILL BE ESTABLISHED WITH ITS MEMBERS NOMINATED IN EQUAL PROPORTIONS BY THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT AND THE PATRIOTIC FORCES TO WHICH WILL BE ADDED QUALIFIED PERSONALITIES DESIGNATED BY THE TWO SIDES. THE GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION PROPOSES THE NAMES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL TO THE KING WHO APPOINTS THEM. (COMMENT: IN REPLY TO A QUESTION, PHENG EXPLAINED THAT THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY WOULD NOT BE DISSOLVED BUT WOULD BE INACTIVE ("MISE EN VEILLEUSE"). PHENG AND PHOUMI ALSO AGREED THAT BOTH PARTIES COULD APPOINT MEMBERS OF THE PRESENT ASSEMBLY TO THIS JOINT POLITICAL COUNCIL.)

PARAGRAPH 9. THE TWO PARTIES AGREE TO NEUTRALIZE THE CITIES OF LUANG PRABANG AND VIENTIANE IN ORDER TO ASSURE THE SECURITY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION, PREVENT ALL ACTS OF SABOTAGE OR PRESSURE FROM INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE NEW GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION TO FUNCTION EFFECTIVELY.

PARAGRAPH 10. AWAITING THE FORMATION OF A DEFINITIVE GOVERNMENT AND GENERAL ELECTIONS FOR THE ASSEMBLY, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE VI OF THE ZURICH COMMUNIQUE DATED JUNE 22, 1961, THE TWO SIDES WILL ADMINISTER THE ZONE THEY PRESENTLY CONTROL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROGRAM OF THE GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION.

PARAGRAPH 11. THE TWO PARTIES WILL IMMEDIATELY ESTABLISH A JOINT COMMISSION TO CONTROL AND SUPERVISE THE CEASEFIRE AND THE WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS.

PARAGRAPH 12. THE INTERNATIONAL CONTROL COMMISSION ESTABLISHED BY THE 1962 AGREEMENTS AND MADE UP OF INDIA, CANADA AND POLAND WITH INDIA AS ITS CHAIRMAN, WILL BE REACTIVATED AND WILL FULFILL ITS ROLE ACCORDING TO THE FUNCTIONS AND POWERS PRESCRIBED IN THE TERMS OF THE PERTINENT ARTICLES OF THE 1962 GENEVA AGREEMENT.

PARAGRAPH 13. THE TWO PARTIES PROMISE TO CARRY OUT

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THE PRESENT AGREEMENT AND TO START CONVERSATIONS WITH A VIEW TO SETTLING THE REMAINING DIFFERENCES IN A SPIRIT OF EQUALITY, UNDERSTANDING AND WITH THE GOAL OF RESTORING LASTING PEACE, NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND UNITY FOR A NEUTRAL, PEACEFUL, INDEPENDENT, DEMOCRATIC, UNIFIED AND PROSPEROUS LAOS.

PARAGRAPH 14. THE PRESENT AGREEMENT ENTERS INTO FORCE WITH THE SIGNING OF THE AGREEMENT (COMMENT: EXCEPT FOR THE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES FOR WHICH THE SPECIFIC DATE IS SET IN PARAGRAPH 2). END DRAFT AGREEMENT

THE AGREEMENT IS TO BE SIGNED BY PHENG ON BEHALF OF THE "ROYAL GOVERNMENT" AND BY PHOUMI FOR THE "PATRIOTIC FORCES". PHENG ALSO SAID THAT THE REMAINING OUTSTANDING ISSUES, OF WHICH THERE ARE MANY, WILL BE REFERRED TO THE TWO JOINT COMMITTEES -- ONE MILITARY, ONE POLITICAL -- WHICH WERE ESTABLISHED AT THE WEEKLY RLG-LPF NEGOTIATING SESSION ON FEBRUARY 13 WHICH ARE THE VIENTIAN EQUIVALENT OF THE AVENUE KLEBER MEETINGS.

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FROM: AMBASSADOR GOODLEY, VIENTIANE 719
TO: FLASH - THE WHITE HOUSE FOR DR. KISSINGER - EYES ONLY
INFO: FLASH - DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY GREEN - EYES ONLY

SUMMARY: UNLESS THERE IS A LAST-MINUTE HITCH, A "GLOBAL CEASEFIRE" COVERING BOTH THE MILITARY AND POLITICAL ASPECTS OF A LAO SETTLEMENT WILL BE SIGNED IN VIENTIANE TOMORROW AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 21. IF THIS TIMETABLE IS KEPT, THE CEASEFIRE WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE NOON, FEBRUARY 22. END SUMMARY.

1. FOLLOWING IS SCENARIO OF WHAT HAPPENED IN VIENTIANE FEBRUARY 20 AS REPORTED TO DEAN BY PHENG AND CONFIRMED TO ME OVER THE TELEPHONE BY PRIME MINISTER:

A. AT THIS MORNING'S CABINET MEETING AT 1000, CABINET REJECTED SOUPHANOUVONG'S OFFER OF AN UNSIGNED STRICTLY MILITARY CEASEFIRE PROCLAIMED UNILATERALLY BY EACH SIDE TO ITS OWN COMBATANTS AND ITS ALLIES. CABINET INSTRUCTED PHENG TO PROPOSE WRITTEN CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT CALLING FOR (1) END TO FIGHTING ON THE GROUND, ON WATER AND IN THE AIR; (2) AN END TO HOSTILE MILITARY ACTION; (3) WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS; AND (4) AN EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS OF ALL NATIONALITIES.

B. AT 1130 THIS MORNING, PHENG MET WITH PHOUMI TO PRESENT RLG REPLY TO SOUPHANOUVONG'S OFFER AND ALSO TO DISCUSS RLG COUNTER OFFER. PHOUMI REJECTED RLG PROPOSAL AND PHENG REJECTED SOUPHANOUVONG'S OFFER. THE TWO NEGOTIATORS THEN AGREED TO DISCUSS THE THREE REMAINING OUTSTANDING ISSUES HOLDING UP THE SIGNING OF A GLOBAL ACCORD. PHENG AND PHOUMI SETTLED THE OUTSTANDING DIFFERENCES AS FOLLOWS:

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3. ON THE TIME FRAMES, THE TWO NEGOTIATORS AGREED TO FORM THE NEW PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE SIGNING OF THE CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT. WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE FORMATION OF THAT GOVERNMENT, ALL FOREIGN FORCES WILL HAVE TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM LAOS. THUS, FOR EXAMPLE IF THE NEW GOVERNMENT IS FORMED WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER THE SIGNING OF THE CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT, FOREIGN FORCES WOULD HAVE TO BE WITHDRAWN WITHIN SEVENTY DAYS AFTER THE SIGNING OF THE CEASEFIRE. THE EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS WOULD ALSO BE COMPLETED WITHIN SIXTY DAYS OF THE FORMATION OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION.

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JANUARY 23, 1973

TO: AMBASSADOR GODLEY, VIENTIANE

FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER

REFERENCE: YOUR 649 & 650

1. THANK YOU FOR YOUR MESSAGES. WE RAISED THE LANGUAGE CONTAINED IN YOUR 649 WITH DRV DELEGATION TODAY AND THEY AGAIN GAVE US CATEGORICAL ASSURANCES THAT U.S. POW'S CAPTURED IN LAOS WOULD BE RELEASED IN SAME TIME FRAME AS U.S. POW'S FROM VIETNAM. THEY ALSO RECOMMENDED WE DISREGARD WHATEVER LANGUAGE MAY BE IN LAO TEXTS AS FAR AS U.S. POW RETURNS ARE CONCERNED. I WOULD THEREFORE NOT BE TOO CONCERNED ABOUT POW LANGUAGE. YOU MAY, HOWEVER, WANT TO RECOMMEND APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE TO RLG ON VERIFICATION OF MIA SINCE THIS WILL BE CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARTIES WELL AFTER THE INITIAL 60 DAY PERIOD.

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FROM: AMBASSADOR GODLEY, VIENTIANE 699 (SECTION 1 OF 2)
 TO: FLASH - THE WHITE HOUSE EYES ONLY FOR DR. KISSINGER AND
 DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SULLIVAN

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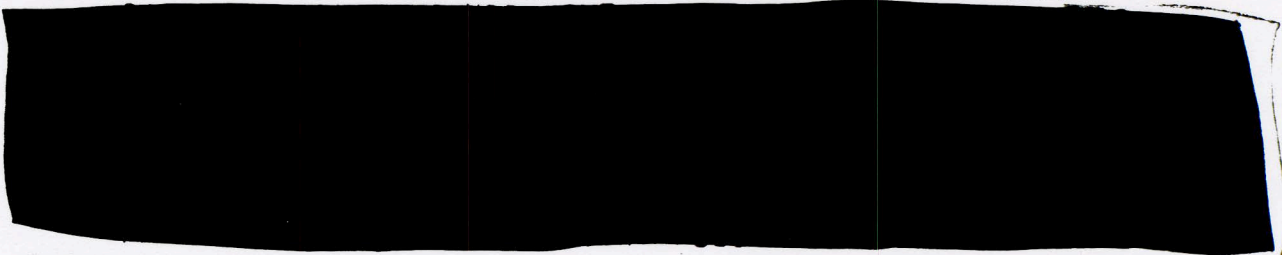
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FOR RYNDERS-OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT FROM DUNN
REF: ALL TRAFFIC PROPOSED MANILA STOP

1. NO MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM NSC, ANY CHANNEL, ANY ADDRESSEE
TO DATE THIS SUBJECT TELLING US TO GO. IF STOP DESIRED, VP
WISHES RON KUALA LUMPUR 7, 8 FEBRUARY ARRIVE MANILA AM
9 FEBRUARY DEPART SAME AFTERNOON FOR GUAM.

2. VERY HOPEFUL THERE IS NO LIKELIHOOD OF POWS BEING IN
CLARK DURING TIME VP WOULD BE IN MANILA FOR OBVIOUS REASONS.
IN THAT REGARD, THERE SHOULD BE NO REPEAT NO SPECULATION ON
VP MEETING POWS FROM OUR OFFICE.

3. WE ARE BEGINNING CONTINGENCY PLANNING WITH EMBASSY
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Henry:

Godley has raised the issue of the flight corridors for MedEvac aircraft taking the prisoners from Hanoi (Tab C).

Attached are proposed messages to Sullivan (TAB A) asking that he discuss the matter, and to Godley (TAB B) telling him we will keep him advised.

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FM AMBASSADOR GODLEY VIENTIANE 656
TO THE WHITE HOUSE, FOR DR. KISSINGER
CONGRATULATIONS. I NOTE FROM TEXT OF YOUR BACKGROUNDER
THAT PRISONERS WILL BE RECEIVED BY AMERICAN MEDEVAC TEAMS
AND FLOWN IN AMERICAN AIRPLANES FROM HANOI TO PLACES OF OUR
OWN CHOICE, PROBABLY VIENTIANE. WE HAVE HERETOFORE BEEN LED
TO UNDERSTAND THAT REPATRIATION WAS PLANNED BY DIRECT FLIGHT
FROM HANOI TO CLARK AFB. I WOULD APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION
OF ITINERARY AND WHAT WOULD BE VIENTIANE'S ROLE SO THAT WE
MAY PLAN ACCORDINGLY. AS EVER.

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FM AMBASSADOR GODLEY, VIENTIANE 648
TO THE WHITE HOUSE, FOR DR. KISSINGER. EYES ONLY
EVENING JAN 16 UNIDENTIFIED LADY POSSIBLY AMERICAN BUT PROBABLY
CANADIAN DELIVERED TO EMBASSY GUARD ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO ME
CONTAINING MESSAGED DATED SIXTEEN HUNDRED LOCAL JANUARY 16 FROM MURRAY
HARDER IN HANOI REQUESTING I PASS FOLLOWING
VIA TELEX TO WASHINGTON POST. VIEW CONTENTS PREFER FORWARD IT VIA
YOU. TEXT MESSAGE FOLLOWS:

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EYE HAVE GOOD GENERAL ACCESS BUT TOP OFFICIALS DELAYING CONTACT
~ DUE UNCERTAINTIES AMERICAN GAME AND SENSITIVITIES SECRET TALKS BUT
INDICATE SITUATION FLUID STOP WESTERN EMBASSIES MOST COOPERATIVE AND
FEW DO HAVE INTERMITTENT TOP ACCESS AND REPORT SUDDEN SWITCH HERE
ABOUT MONDAY FROM PESSIMISM TO CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM BUT HANOI WARINESS
CONTINUING STOP EYEM ASSUMING EXTENSION MY EIGHT DAY VISA DEPENDENT
DEVELOPMENTS STOP AMONG OTHER THINGS NONDIPLOMATIC WILL ATTEMPT
BOMBING ASSESSMENT AND FYI ALL INCOMERS INCLUDING FRENCH DIPLOMAT
RETURNING AFTER TWENTY YEARS STRUCK BY FACT BGMB DAMAGE IN SWATCHES
BUT BULK OF CITY IN SURPRISING GOOD SHAPE STOP ALSO HAVE PROJECTED
PRISONER INTERVIEWS STOP EYE WILL RARELY BE ABLE FILE ADVISORIES
IN TIME DO YOU ANY GOOD SO PLS BEAR WITH IT STOP EYE BELIEVE
YOU CAN TRANSMIT PRIVATE MESSAGES IF REQUIRED VIA AMBASSADOR GODLEY
VIENTIANE VIA CANADIANS OR SWEDES IN HANOI BUT BEAR IN MIND ONLY
AIR TRAFFIC IS TUESDAYS AND SATURDAYS STOP ADVISE ANY SPECIAL
REQUESTS AS THIS BLIND MANS BUFF STOP PLEASE INFORM FRAN EYEM
FINEST AND HAVE STAFF OF FOUR INCLUDING WATCHERS AND HELPERS
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FOR AMBASSADOR GODLEY
FM HENRY A. KISSINGER

1. MUCH APPRECIATE GOOD NEWS ABOUT CEASEFIRE IN LAOS, AND AWAIT WITH INTEREST ADDITIONAL REPORT CONCERNING ITS TERMS. YOUR ACTION WITH VOGT WAS WELL TAKEN, SINCE AIR ACTION SEEMS TO BE THE ONLY LANGUAGE THE COMMUNISTS UNDERSTAND.
 2. AS FAR AS SISOUK IS CONCERNED, I COUNT ON YOU TO KEEP HIM FROM ANY FOOLISH ACTIONS. I ASSUME HE DOES NOT LOSE SIGHT OF THE FACT THAT, BY ABOLISHING DISTINCTIONS BETWEEN NEUTRALISTS AND RIGHTISTS, AND BY SUBSUMING ALL RIGHT WING PORTFOLIOS UNDER THE RUBRIC OF NEUTRALISM, THIS AGREEMENT MAKES SISOUK ELIGIBLE FOR THE FIRST TIME TO BE PRIME MINISTER. YOU AND SOUVANNA MIGHT DANGLE THAT PROSPECT GENTLY IN THE FOCUS OF HIS CURRENT FRUSTRATION.
 3. WE, OF COURSE, REMAIN INTERESTED IN RAPID RETURN OF ANY U.S. PRISONERS HELD BY COMMUNISTS IN LAOS. SOTH PETRASZY IS REPUTED TO HAVE TOLD UPI RECENTLY THAT THERE ARE U.S. PRISONERS IN PATHET LAO HANDS. SUGGEST YOU HAVE DEAN FOLLOW UP HIS RECENT CONVERSATION WITH SOTH BY SEEKING DETAILED INFORMATION CONCERNING THOSE HELD AND BY PROPOSING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEIR EARLY RELEASE.
 4. RE VIENTIANE 720, I WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS UPON MY RETURN TO WASHINGTON TO KEEP MARSHALL GREEN INFORMED OF ALL YOUR MESSAGES SINCE FEBRUARY 12.
- WARM REGARDS.

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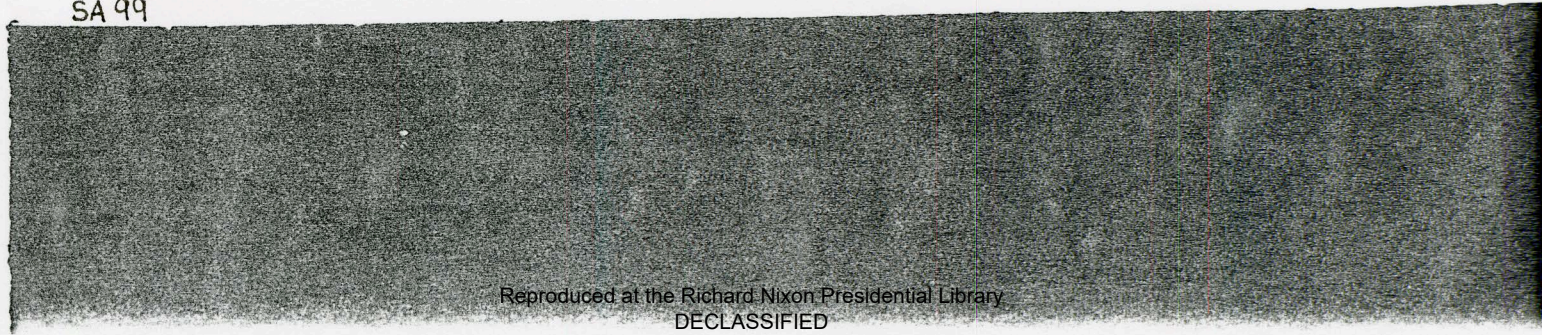
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TO THE WHITE HOUSE, FOR DR. KISSINGER.
SUBJECT: RELEASE OF U.S. PRISONERS CAPTURED IN LAOS
AND FOREIGN TROOP WITHDRAWAL

1. DURING GENERAL HAIGS VISIT TO VIENTIANE ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, I FORGOT TO RAISE WITH HIM THE LINK WHICH BOTH THE RLG AND LPF HAVE ESTABLISHED IN THEIR DRAFT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE RELEASE OF PRISONERS AND THE WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN FORCES FROM LAOS. BOTH DRAFT AGREEMENTS ARE IDENTICAL AND STATE: "THE INTERESTED PARTIES WILL PROCEED WITH THE TURNOVER OF ALL MILITARY AND CIVILIANS CAPTURED OR IMPRISONED DURING THE WAR, REGARDLESS OF NATIONALITY, ACCORDING TO MODALITIES ADOPTED BY COMMON AGREEMENT. THIS EXCHANGE WILL BEGIN AND END AT THE SAME TIME AS THE WITHDRAWAL FROM LAOS OF ALL FOREIGN TROOPS AND FOREIGN MILITARY PERSONNEL".

2. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT IN YOUR NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE NORTH VIETNAMESE, THE LATTER HAVE MADE THEMSELVES RESPONSIBLE FOR AN ACCOUNTING OF OUR PRISONERS MISSING IN ACTION THROUGHOUT INDOCHINA AND THE REPATRIATION OF AMERICAN PRISONERS THROUGHOUT INDOCHINA. IF THIS IS THE CASE, THEN I QUESTION THE LINK BETWEEN THE PRISONER RELEASE AND FOREIGN TROOP WITHDRAWAL IN A LAO CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY VIEWS THAT YOU MIGHT WISH US TO GIVE TO THE PRIME MINISTER, SINCE THEY MIGHT AFFECT THE RLG POSITION IN NEGOTIATING THE FINAL TERMS OF A LAO CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT.

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1. DR. RALPH CHANDLER, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AT UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA, APPEARED AT EMBASSY MORNING OF DEC. 31. THROUGH PRIVATE INTERMEDIARY IN BANGKOK, HE SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING VISA FROM LAO EMBASSY AFTER NORMAL WORKING HOURS.
2. IN 45-MINUTE DISCUSSION WITH EMBOFF, CHANDLER RELATED HIS ACTIVITIES SINCE HIS LAST CONTACT WITH EMBASSY IN JULY 1971, WHEN HE WAS HERE AS COORDINATOR OF TEENAGE DELEGATION ON US PW MISSION. CHANDLER CLAIMS THAT SINCE JULY 1971, HE HAS TRAVELED TO VIENTIANE ON SIX DIFFERENT OCCASIONS, THE LAST BEING IN JUNE 1972. ON EACH OCCASION, HE HAS MET WITH NGUYEN VAN THANH, FIRST SECRETARY OF NVN EMBASSY HERE, WITH WHOM HE CLAIMS TO HAVE ESTABLISHED A RAPPORT OF "MEANINGFUL DIMENSIONS". HE STATES THAT AFTER EACH MEETING WITH THANH, HE HAS SUBMITTED REPORTS OF DISCUSSIONS TO HIS MENTOR AND FINANCIAL SUBSIDIZER, A. ROSS PEROT, WHO, IN TURN, FORWARDED THEM ON TO DR. KISSINGER, WHERE "THEY WERE VERY WELL RECEIVED".
3. CHANDLER CLAIMS THAT HE MET WITH GENERAL HAIG ON TWO OCCASIONS, IN OCTOBER (TOGETHER WITH ROSS PEROT) AND AS RECENTLY AS DECEMBER 23 IN THE GENERAL'S WHITE HOUSE OFFICE. HE STATES THAT DURING THE DECEMBER 23 DISCUSSION, HE AND GENERAL HAIG ANNOTATED SECTIONS OF DR. KISSINGER'S DECEMBER 16 STATEMENT TO THE PRESS AND GENERAL HAIG REQUESTED THAT CHANDLER RAISE SPECIFIC POINTS WITH THANH IN VIENTIANE. IT IS ON THIS BASIS THAT HE CLAIMS TO BE AN EMISSARY OF GENERAL.

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4. ALTHOUGH HE HAD CLAIMED YESTERDAY THAT IT WAS VITAL THAT HE KEEP HIS DECEMBER 30 AFTERNOON APPOINTMENT WITH THANH, CHANDLER ADMITTED THAT UPON CONTACTING THANH THIS MORNING, HE WAS INFORMED HE COULD NOT BE RECEIVED UNTIL MORNING OF JANUARY 2. HE PLANS TO REMAIN IN VIENTIANE UNTIL THAT DATE AND THEN RETURN TO U.S., POSSIBLY THROUGH MOSCOW AND PARIS.

5. COMMENT: CHANDLER GOT HERE WITHOUT OUR HELP. HE WAS VISIBLY DEFLATED WHEN HE LEARNED THAT AGREEMENT TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS HAD BEEN ANNOUNCED BY WHITE HOUSE, POSSIBLY CONSIDERING THAT HE COULD HAVE MADE POLITICAL CAPITAL OUT OF MEETING WITH DRV OFFICIALS DURING THE PERIOD OF INTERRUPTED TALKS AND INTENSE BOMBING OF NVN.

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