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March 21, 1973

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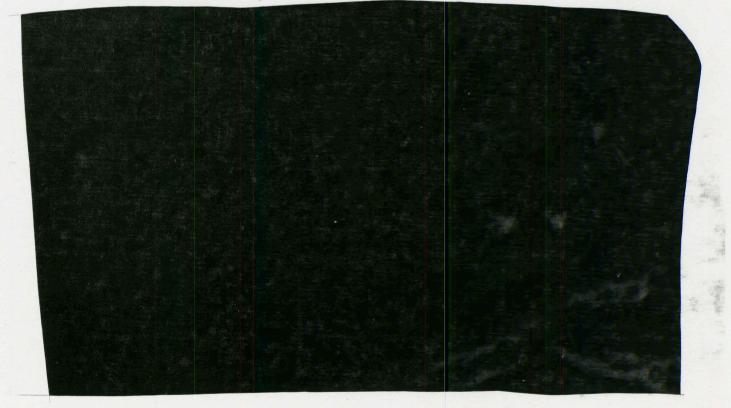
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JOHN H. HOLDRIDGE MM

Weekly Vietnam Cease-fire Overview

Ambassador Bunker has cabled his overview (dated March 19) of the seventh week of the Vietnam cease-fire (Tab A). He notes that all scheduled POW releases will likely be completed by "X plus 60" but that little progress has been made in establishing peace keeping machinery or in other aspects of the Agreement. As the March 28 deadline nears, each side appears to be readying a hair trigger reaction to moves by the other.



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1. SUMMARY. THE SEVENTH CEASE FIRE WEEK WAS MARKED BY CONTINUING PROGRESS AN THE RELEASE OF BOTH US AND VIETNAMESE POWS, WITH THE LIKELIHOUD THAT ALL SCHEDULED RELEASES COULD BE COMPLETED

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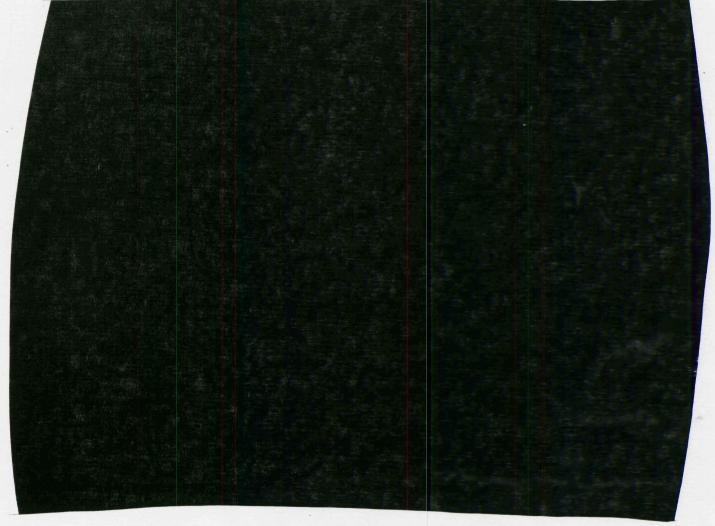
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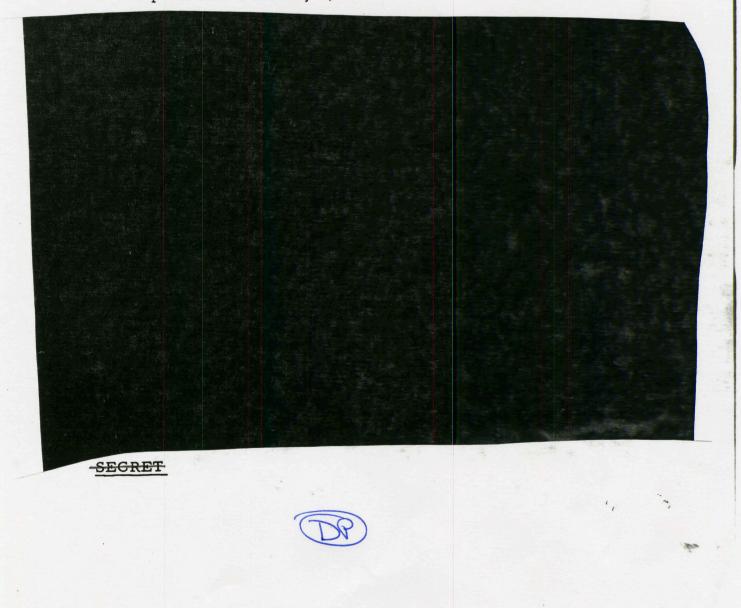
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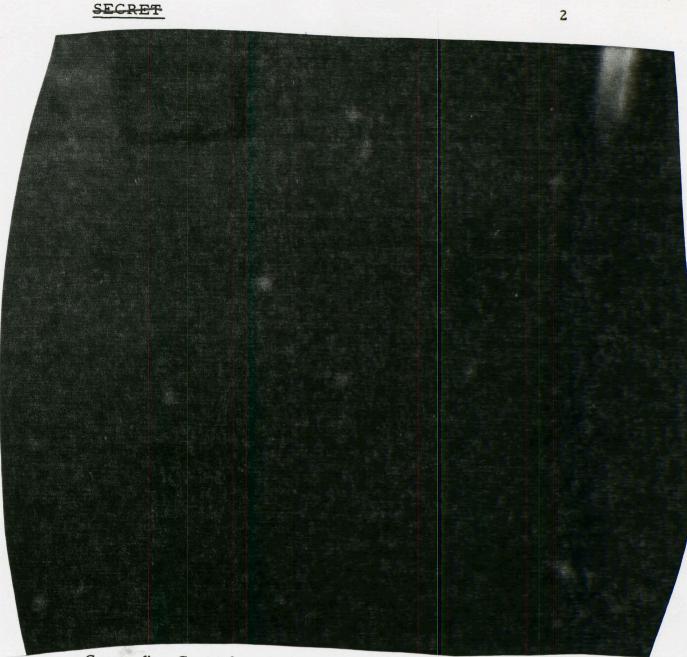
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Cease-fire Developments (February 8 - 4:30 p.m. EST)

The following is a report on current cease-fire developments in South Vietnam and on the present situation in Laos and Cambodia. This report includes information received from State, Defense and CIA as of 4:30 p.m. EST February 8, 1973.



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Cease-fire Control

Four-Party Joint Military Commission

-- The Chiefs of the Delegation met during the morning and afternoon of February 8. The DRV presented their views concerning the most important tasks to be accomplished by the FPJMC, i.e., implementation of the cease-fire (including meetings between opposing field commanders); agreement on areas of control and modalities of stationing (including agreement on routes and corridors for military transport and agreement

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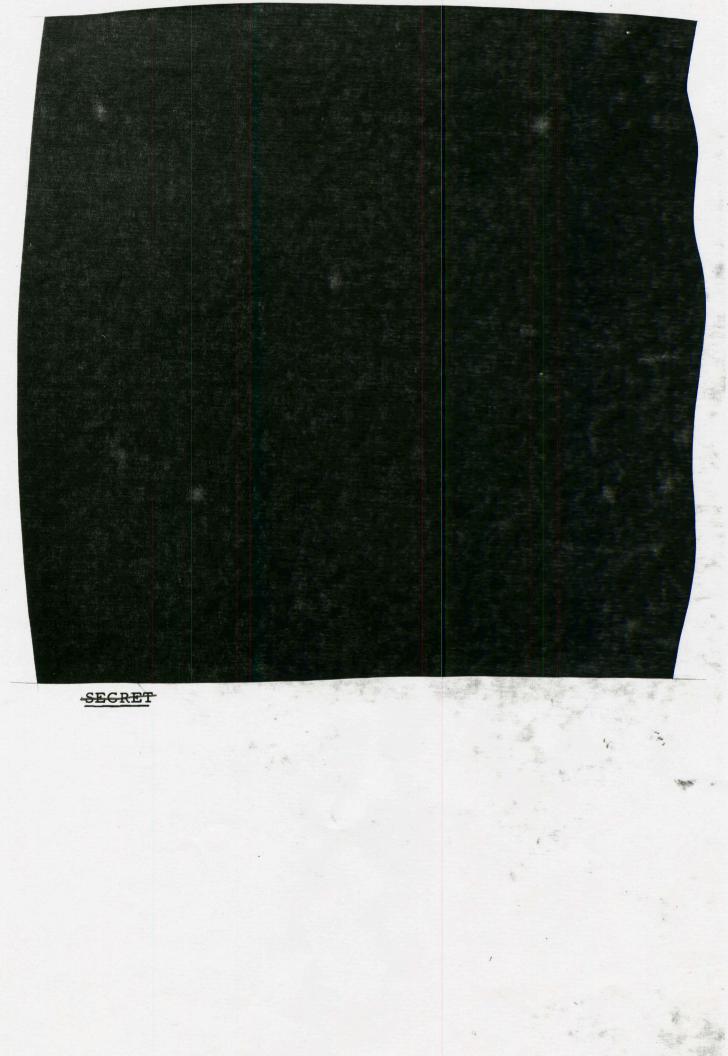
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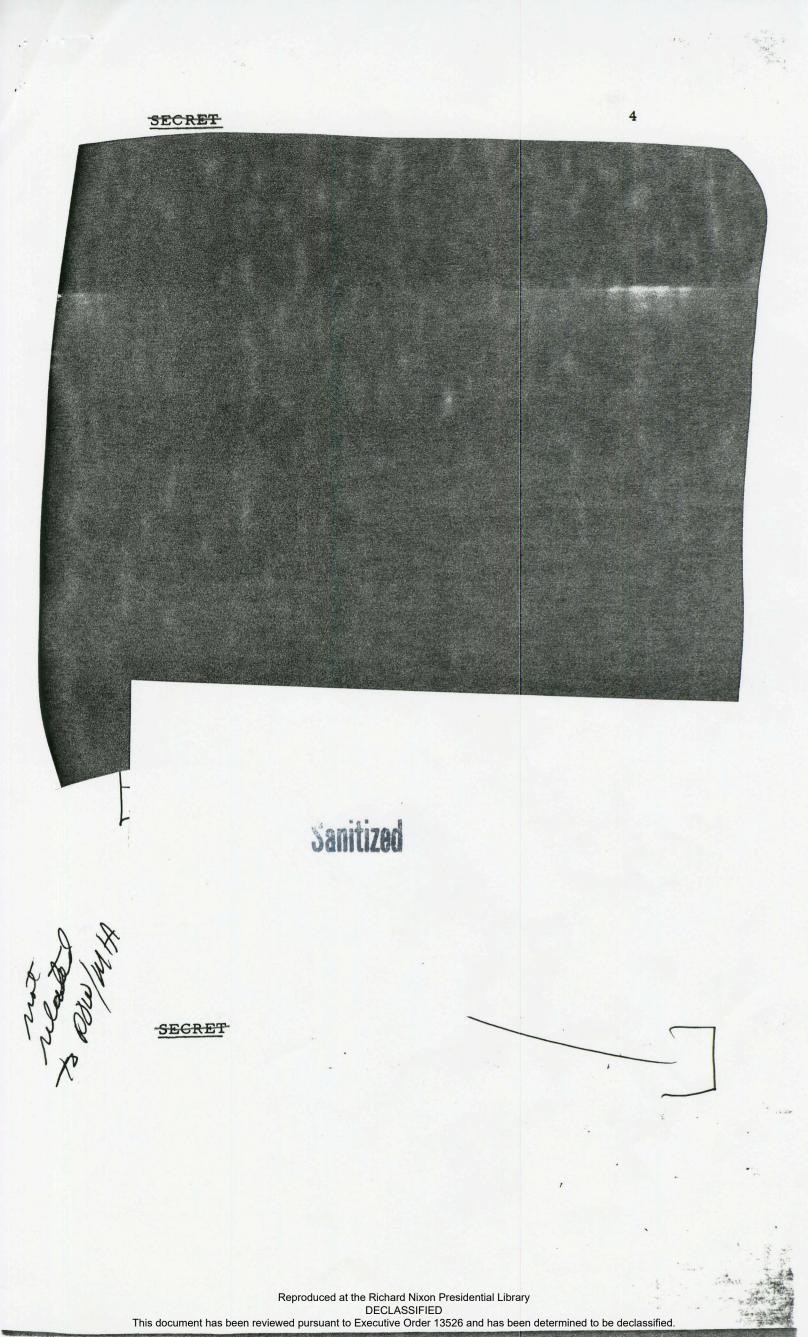
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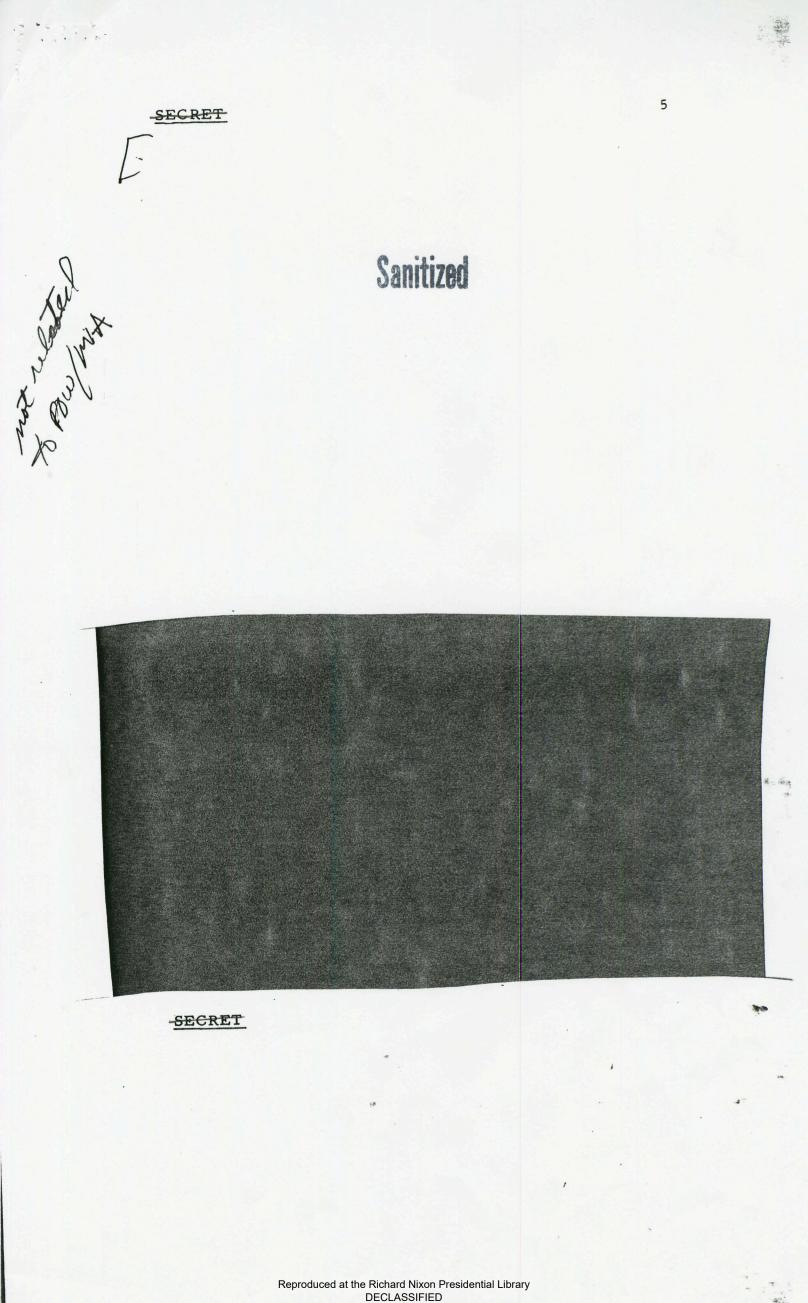
on removal of mines); U.S. FWMAF withdrawals and base dismantlement; POW matters (incomplete RVN POW lists, places of return and dispatch of Red Cross societies); FPJMC establishment (accommodations, facilities, and operations procedures); and formation of the Two-Party Commission.

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## February 3, 1973

#### MEMORANDUM FOR

Rear Admiral Daniel J. Murphy, USN Military Assistant to the Secretary of Defense

Per the Secretary's talk with Dr. Kissinger and our telephone conversation, attached is a checklist of the data desired.

Dr. Kissinger would appreciate having this in hand by Monday morning. An updated version should then be provided at close of business Tuesday.

Brent Scowcroft

Brigadier General, United States Air Force

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February 20, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

We have just learned from our embassy in Vientiane that, barring some last-minute hitch, a ceasefire in Laos will be formally signed on February 21. The reported time for the ceasefire to enter into effect is noon, Vientiane time, on Thursday, February 22.

The agreement reportedly includes the formation of a new provisional government within 30 days, the withdrawal of all foreign forces within 60 days after that, and the exchange of all POWs in the same time frame as the withdrawal of foreign forces.

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