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| | 8:30 am | | | | Breakfast in his suite <i>w/ MF</i> | |
| | | | | | <i>visited w/ BM & plans for the VP's trip.</i> | |
| C | 8:50 | | | | Joined by Secy. Rusk, Secy. McNamara, JV | |
| | 9:37 | | | | The President departed the Royal Hawaiian Hotel w/ group enroute to Camp Smith, Hawaii for CINCPAC Headquarters and the first round of meetings w/ the officials of the Republic of Viet-Nam. | |
| C | 10:02 | | | | Arrived at Cincpac Headquarters and proceeded to Admiral Sharps' office for preliminary visit w/: | |
| | | | | | H. E. Prime Minister Nguyen Cao Ky | |
| | | | | | H. E. Lt. Gen. Nguyen Van Thieu | |
| | | | | | Admiral Grant Sharp - Commander of Pacific Forces | |
| | | | | | General Earle Wheeler | |
| | | | | | General Taylor | |
| | 10:30 | | | | <i>* Note: He material on the plenary session taken from Moyer's press briefing for this day. BM says it is accurate info from his notes.</i> | |
| | | | | | To the Conference Room in CINCPAC Headquarters for a plenary session w/ the officials of the Republic of Viet-Nam and the United States of America: | |
| | | | | | This was to be the first of meetings between the two countries on the situation economically, etc. and military in South Viet-Nam and the war going on there at the present | |
| | 10:30 | | | | as Master of Ceremonies of these sessions--- | |
| | | | | | The President opened the plenary session by welcoming the guests from Saigon and talked of efforts of South Viet-Nam in conjunction with the United States in trying to have peace and fight aggression in their country and all of South East Asia | |
| | | | | | He talked of the rural electrification aspects of the program. "Since we are allies, and since the Communists are making so determined an effort to conquer your country, and since | |

we really must remain together in that effort. If we are to succeed, I felt that it would be worth

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while for us to get together for this personal effort of sorting out what we are doing and where we are going in the next months.". He said that the reason for all of the recent visitors was to see how "Our concepts of how to best help Date February 7, 1966

"That is why I wanted you here with the top members of my Administration, Secy. Gardner,

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| | | | | | Secy. Freeman, Mr. Keppel, and others, "who are primarily concerned in the human economic, social and political programs of which the Republic of South Vietnam and this Government are laying such stress." He then digressed for a moment to praise the efforts of the Soldiers of Vietnam and how proud his soldiers were to be fighting alongside. | |
| | 10:50 | | | | Brief reply by chief of state General Thieu | |
| | 10:59 | | | | General Thieu commented that it was invaluable for both sides to get together and to sincerely speak out their minds. He discussed matters of common interest in order to achieve the maximum of effectiveness in the common effort against the communists. He then reported on the war there and the economic and social stabilities and instabilities.....then expressed his appreciation to the American Government and expressed hopes that with the concrete results of this conference we will achieve success in the fight against the Communists. | |
| | 10:59 | | | | General Ky then responded | |
| | | | | | General Ky made a much longer presentation of the non-military governmental program of the Republic of Vietnam. He reviewed the situation that the war and the fighting has intensified lately, and that in such a situation, it was only natural that the responsible nations of the world, particularly the United States, should be concerned about negotiations leading to peace. He emphasised that the Vietnamese, too, are concerned with peace. That the Republic of Vietnam was not an aggressor nation, and that their goal was to live in independence and peace. | |
| | | | | | He said that they recognized the search for peace must continue and the wisdom of exhausting every approach to reach a peaceful settlement. However, while the quest continued, it was necessary to demonstrate to the communists that they (US and VN) did not intend to negotiate from a position of weakness. | |
| | | | | | He went on to review the situation in North and South Vietnam and conditions in which this conflict developed. Gen'l. Ky was of the opinion that it has taken the anti-Communist forces a long time to realize that we would not completely drive out the aggressors until they made a start at eliminating these political and social defects that make up the thriving ground for communism. | |
| | | | | | Then gave statistics of how the peasants of Vietnam were being helped to improve their lot -- farms of their own, etc...tools, classrooms, medical centers. | |
| | | | | | Then talked of how the Viet Cong themselves are becoming disenchanted with the North and coming to the South. He said that it is a war for the hearts of the | |

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| | | | | | General Ky closed w/ four points that he hoped to make w/ the President: | |
| | | | | | 1) That we must defeat the Viet Cong and drive them from our land. | |
| | | | | | 2) We must eradicate social injustice from among our people. | |
| | | | | | 3) We must establish and maintain stable and viable economy. | |
| | | | | | 4) We must build genuine democracy for our land and our people. | |
| | | | | | And then made a pledge to the American people: | |
| | | | | | "We pledge our determination to continue to fight against Communist aggression as long as it is necessary, to accept sacrifice and death as long as this war requires it; that we pledge our determination not to fight surrender or to compromise with the Communists, whether in the North or in the South. We pledge to cooperate with you -- (meaning the Americans) -- in the American quest for an honorable and just peace, and we pledge not to betray those valiant sons of America who have given their lives to this sacred cause." | |
| | | | | | (first) | |
| | 11:30 | | | | The President responded to General Ky and to General Thieu | |
| | | | | | "In behalf of what I know to be the overwhelming opinion of the majority of the American people, I want to thank you for your statement that the search for peace must continue because in our hearts we know that is so." He said that US and VN were in agreement on that, on the necessity for continuing the exhaustive effort to find a just and honorable peace. That we were in agreement that any negotiations to that end must be in a position of strength, not of weakness. He also expressed his personal appreciation to the Prime Minister and the Chief of State for their own understanding and cooperation, and that of the their government, during the recent cessation of bombing in the North. He also said to the Prime Minister that "When you speak of building hospitals and schools, and rural electrification programs, you are speaking our language." | |
| | | | | | The President said in his view the period ahead of us involved a two-pronged program: | |
| | | | | | 1) Moving steadfastly ahead on the military front and defeathering the Communists and punishing the aggressor; | |
| | | | | | 2) Moving vigorously ahead on the social and political fronts so that the deepest aspirations of the people of Vietnam could be realized not when the war has ended, but, as General Ky has said, while, in fact, the war is being waged. | |

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| | | | | | The President had also earlier said that he suspects that from time to time there will be differences of view, and perhaps of emphasis. "In any common enterprise friends usually will differ." The President said, "That is good, because I believe that out of honest and frank discussion, when reasonable men reason together the best solutions will be found." | |
| | | | | | The Prime Minister then interrupted the President and commented that "I know, Mr. President, there are times when your advisers are impatient with us. Very frankly, there are times when we are impatient with your advisers, . But this does not represent a basic difference of opinion and , in fact, is an indication of a healthy relationship that exists between our two governments as we make this effort." | |
| | | | | | The President stressed his conviction concerning the efforts we are making both on the military front and the political front in South Vietnam in meeting what I believe both the Prime Minister and the President described as Communist colonialism. (This was Bill Moyers' speaking to the press).. The President regarded this as not only a threat to the integrity and the future of South Vietnam, but to all of Asia, and that in this regard South Vietnam took on dimensions of consequence and importance beyond the immediate or more apparent. | |
| | | | | | Finally, the President had said that we have, particularly in recent months, had to give much attention to the military aspects of the struggle. He said the military problems will continue to be a major concern to both of us, but "I want to stress with as much force as I can how important we think the other problems are and how important for us to determine just we how we can attack these problems." Then expressed appreciation to General Ky for his statement. | |
| | | | | | "Gentlemen, let me make clear our resolve and our determination to see this thing through. We, South Vietnam and the United States are brothers in arms. We will not tire, we will not flag, we intend to work with you. We intend to help you. We intend to fight with you in defeating the Communist aggressor. While we are waging this effort, we will wage the other great effort in the South to make the dream of a better life a reality." | We |

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| <u>C</u> | 11:37 | | | | Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge spoke (there is nothing in the press briefing on his remarks) | |
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| <u>C</u> | 11:47 | | | | General Wm. C. Westmoreland spoke (also nothing in briefing re his remarks) | |
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| | 11:52 | | | | The President again spoke (press briefing has nothing) | |
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| | 11:54 | | | | Coffee Break -- the President went to a room w/ Ky, Thieu, Lodge and Ty | |
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| | 12:20 | | | | Meeting resumed -- w/ Secy. Rusk leading off talking | |
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| | 12:27 | | | | The President again spoke | |
| | | | | | (JJ has in his notes that the President spoke on military, pacification, and peace | |

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| C | 12:29 | | | | General Thang spoke - Minister of Rural Construction (notes fr. press briefing-316-A) Brief on pacification program -- made 4 points: 1) Pacification program, to be successful, needed cooperation and support of people 2) Government would like to establish a new society in the countryside, and for this new society to be established in the countryside, we have to have a social revolution, not from the top down, but from the bottom up; from the village base. 3) In order for this pacification program to be successful, he insisted that we have good personnel to do this. 4) For this program to be successful, we need to destroy the VC, the Viet Cong, substructure in the countryside, and replace it with our own substructure. | |
| | 12:55 | | | | General Ky made more brief remarks (not reported in press briefing #316-A) | |
| S | 1:02 pm | | | | General Ton - Minister of Economy and Finance -spoke Briefed on economic situation in Vietnam. He reviewed the economic situation as it is affected by the war, the subversive activities, blockade, the strategy of the | |

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| | | | | | Communists, and mentioned the presence of allied forces has substantially increased the demand on the locally produced commodities, and has contributed to widening further the gap between supply and demand. | |
| | | | | | He said in recent years money supply has tremendously increased as a result of the continuing budget deficit, from the necessary large expenditures of allied forces, and the expansion of our own armed forces. (Vietnam).. Particular the application of the special rate of exchange of 180 piastres to one U. S. dollar in Military Payment Certificates has added its effect to that increase. | |
| | | | | | He then proposed a few remedies to improve economy. | |
| | | | | | 1) Efforts of VNese government to improve its revenues through an improved collection of taxes, and to streamline the system of distribution of both locally produced and imported commodities by eliminating unnecessary intermediaries. | |
| | | | | | 2) Has been considering urgently establishment of consumer cooperatives to assist employees with low and fixed salaries, for them to meet high cost of living. | |
| | | | | | 3) Expand system of issuing Treasury bonds by making the purchase of such bonds more attractive, and to curb the monetary situation in fighting inflation he will have many other measures, among which he will require importers to put up deposits when they apply for an import license. They are advance deposits when they apply for import licenses. | |
| | | | | | 4) Request commerical banks to increase their reserve deposits with the National Bank and liberalize as much as possible the system of financial transfers and continue to work jointly w/ US Government officials on reform of monetary and exchange structure in Vietnam. Particularly, for example, that one of the things he is going to take up this afternoon is that he would like to reconsider the matter of the MPC rate. | |
| C | 1:13 | | | | Director David Bell spoke | |
| | | | | | Stated this government's agreement on the seriousness of the situation and pointed to the 40% rise in 1965 and the effect on the economy and the morale. He pointed to the tightness of labor and construction materials, and the prospects for more inflationary pressures. Discussed the agreed-upon steps as being anti-inflationary in nature (those that Ton had talked about), the austerity budget, the effort on our part | |

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| | | | | | to encourage American troops to enlarge their savings in the States and to release fewer of their funds in the Vietnamese market; the effort to put military construction at a level that is consistent with the interest of waging the war but that will not increase exorbitantly the demands on labor and supplies, and these other other two items. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | He apointed out that these steps are minimum, and that additional measures will be needed, and tjose measures (Ton) in specifics will be discussed this afternoon. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 1:19 pm | | | | <u>President concluded the plenary session.</u> He said, that US and VN are in agreement that: 1) Aggression must be defeated 2) Social misery must be ameliorated 3) A just society must be built Reiterated his belief that there are 2 kinds of aggression: the overt and violent measures, as well as the covert aggression thru the exploitation of the miseries of the people by the Communists. As I indicated (BM says), and in elaboration of that belief, the two-pronged effort must be onctinued and strengthened. He counselled the persons present to think hard this afternoon in these sessions in an effort to put together the nuts and bolts of implementing the basic agreements in principle which were reflected in this morning's session. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | (BM also pointed out that there was simultaneous translation in English during the meeting) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 1:29 pm | | | | The plenary session adjourned. Those that met in this session were as follows: <table><tr><td><u>VIETNAM</u></td><td><u>UNITED STATES</u></td></tr><tr><td>H. E. Nguyen Cao Ky - Prime Minister</td><td>The President</td></tr><tr><td>H. E. Nguyen Van Thieu - Chief of State</td><td>Secy. Dean Rusk</td></tr><tr><td>H. E. Co - Dep. PM and</td><td>Secy. Robert McNamara</td></tr><tr><td>Minister of Defense</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Minister Do - Foreign Minister</td><td>Governor Averell Harriman</td></tr><tr><td>Non-X Ambassador Vu Van Thai -</td><td>Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge</td></tr><tr><td>Vietnamese Ambassador to US</td><td></td></tr></table> | <u>VIETNAM</u> | <u>UNITED STATES</u> | H. E. Nguyen Cao Ky - Prime Minister | The President | H. E. Nguyen Van Thieu - Chief of State | Secy. Dean Rusk | H. E. Co - Dep. PM and | Secy. Robert McNamara | Minister of Defense | | Minister Do - Foreign Minister | Governor Averell Harriman | Non-X Ambassador Vu Van Thai - | Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge | Vietnamese Ambassador to US | | |
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| | | | | | Minister Ton - Eco and Fin. | |
| | | | | | Minister Thang - Director, Rural Construction | |
| | | | | | Dr. Kha - Minister of Health | |
| | | | | | Bui Diem - Spec. Asst. to PM | |
| | | | | | Hanh - Gov. of Vietnam Bank | |
| | | | | | Asst. to Thieu - | |
| | | | | | Asst. to Ky -- | |
| | | | | | Hon. Habib | |
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| | | | | | Hon. Alexis Johnson | |
| | | | | | Secy. Freeman | |
| | | | | | -Secy. Gardner | |
| | | | | | Bill Moyers | |
| | | | | | General Wm. C. Westmoreland | |
| | | | | | General Andrew Goodpaster | |
| | | | | | General Maxwell Taylor | |
| | | | | | General Earle Wheeler | |
| | | | | | Admiral Grant Sharp | |
| | | | | | Hon. Leonard Marks | |
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| | | | | | Hon. Jack Valenti | |
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| | | | | | Hon. Barry Zorthian (USIA) | |
| | | | | | Hon. Charles Mann | |
| | | | | | Hon. Lansdale | |
| | | | | | Hon. Sam Wilson | |
| | | | | | General Humphreys | |
| | 1:39 | | | | Departed the Cincpac Headquarters -- Camp Smith, Hawaii enroute to the Princess Kaiulani Hotel - -- riding in the car w/ him were: Gen. Ky and Gen. Thieu | |
| | 2:00 | | | | Arrived at the F. K. Hotel and let off Gen. Ky and Gen. Thieu and proceeded to the | |

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| | | | | | Royal Hawaiian Hotel -- and went to his suite w/ JV and MW and JJ | |
| | 2:04 | | | | Arrived at the Hotel and in his suite -- Joined there by MF and VM MF and VM had already eaten -- and JV was going to eat later.. The President, after reading the newspapers that had just come over from the mainland --ordered a hamburger for lunch. | |
| | | | | | Ate from room service table -- a hamburger, ice cream and had sanku afterwards. | |
| C | 2:33 | | | t | Vice President Hubert Humphrey - Cleveland, Ohio | |
| C | 3:45 | | f | | Secy. Rusk (in the hotel) | |
| C | 3:48 | | t | | Secy. Rusk | |
| | 4:00 | | | | The President had a rub and nap | |
| | 4:15 | | t | | Col. Cross (who was at the airport) | |
| | 5:00 | | t | | Jack Valenti (in the hotel) | |
| | 6:00 | 8:50 | | | Meeting in the President's suite -- <u>UNITED STATES</u> The President Secy. of State Dean Rusk Secy. of Defense Robert McNamara Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge General Wm. C. Westmoreland | |
| | | | | | <u>VIETNAM</u> General Thieu - Chmn. of the Directory General Ky - The Prime Minister Vice Premier or Vice Minister, Mr. Co | |

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| | | | | | During the meeting, hors d'ourves were served along w/ drinks | |
| | | | | | Bill Moyers in his briefing to the press said: | |
| | | | | | The meeting lasted over three hours. I would say it was one of the most intimate and comprehensive sessions I have observed the President in since I have been doing this kind of thing. Present were the President, the Secy. of State, the Secy. of Defense, Amb. Lodge and Gen. Westmoreland on the American side. | |
| | | | | | On the Vietnamese side, the Chmn. of the Directory, Gen. Thieu; the Prime Minister, Gen. Ky; and the Vice Premier, Mr. Co. | |
| | | | | | They spent a good bit of time discussing the economic picture. The President talked about several specific measures designed to improve economic stabilization particularly anti-inflationary measures, which were worked out at the time of David Bell's visit to Saigon in January. | |
| | | | | | Gen. Ky told the President of his personal support for these measures and discussed the ways he intends to implement them in the days ahead. They discussed in very specific detail the Prime Minister's plans for reorganization of several government agencies in Saigon, particularly the Ministry of Economics. They discussed, for example, the question of collecting taxes and the means of improving that administrative procedure. | |
| | | | | | They then moved to the subject of what Secy. Rusk called the "phenomenon of defection" and explored for some time the operations of the "Chieu Hoi" attempt. "Open Arms." That is where the rate of what we call ralliers is running, in the first week of February, at a rate higher than the average monthly rate of 1965. | |
| | | | | | Secy. Rusk pointed out that defection is one significant means of breaking the back of the other side. They explored several specific efforts that will be made to enhance this program. | |
| | | | | | Gen. Ky discussed several examples of how the defection program, combined with effective pacification or rural construction program, can reclaim areas of South Vietnam for non-Communist purposes. He went into some detail about recent allied-GVN operations which had cleared areas and talked about his visits to those areas and the response of the people to the kind of support that they are now getting once the Viet Cong's control has been wrenched away. | |

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| | | | | | The President asked Gen. <u>Westmoreland</u> for some detailed analysis of both of those operations referred to by Gen. Ky. They talked about such matters on the military side as the strength of North Vietnam regular units in the South, the make-up and composition of the military structure of the Viet Cong, the political leadership of the Viet Cong cadres. | |
| | | | | | They spent more than an hour on the relationship between the strictly military operations, on the one hand, and the non-military operations on the other hand, and agreed that one without the other in this kind of subtle and obscure war is not irrelevant. In trying to analyze the relationship of this war, they also discussed what Gen. Ky called the savage economic warfare the Viet Cong is waging on the government. Gen. Ky mentioned that this is, in fact, an area in which they -- "they" being the Republic of Vietnam -- anticipate concentrated and tough aggression on the part of the Communists. | |
| | | | | | They talked about the international diplomatic situation, and in this regard went into the attitudes of other capitals toward the war in Vietnam; the seemingly imperceptible but very real interest that others have in this war, and the extent to which that interest runs, at what level that interest is most strong and at what levels it is the most indifferent. | |
| | | | | | The President followed his usual procedure, with which I think most of the White House regulars are familiar by now, of raising one question after another, and moving from the answer to the next question. | |
| | | | | | They had another look at the basic strategic assumptions of our military operations, as well as the tactics involved, and tried to relate both to the respiration effort of political and social development that was referred to this morning in the plenary session and in the working sessions this afternoon. | |
| | | | | | I am not quite sure how to phrase this, but what they were trying to do, as I sensed it, was to relate the various threads of the military and the political and social operations together so that there emerged some cohesive pattern. | |
| | | | | | Amb. Lodge expressed the opinion that the coming months will see an enlargement of the number of persons for whom security can be provided and a better life obtained. I mention that to try to illustrate what I was saying a minute ago in terms of assessing the next few months. You can see how our Ambassador talks in terms of security which is first of all a military operation, and then the attainment of certain social | |

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| | | | | | amenities, which is, in this instance, a non-military objective. | |
| | 8:50 | | | | The meeting broke and the various groups split up -- the Vietnamese went to the dinner in the SurfRoom of the Hotel and the President and his group remained behind for a few minutes while the President prepared his gifts for the Vietnamese. | |
| | | | | | Leather bound "My Hope for America" - "To H. E. Air Vice Marshal Nguyen Cao Ky, with appreciation for his contribution to a significant occasion in history, Lyndon B. Johnson" | |
| | | | | | Leather bound "My Hope for America" "To Lt. Gen. Nguyen Van Thieu, With appreciation for a productive and historical meeting, Lyndon B. Johnson" | |
| | | | | | Norman Rockwell 8 x 10 color pic in silver frame w/ seal embossed on it "To The Chairman of the National Leadership Committee, Lt. Gen. Nguyen Van Thieu, With warm good wishes, Lyndon B. Johnson" | |
| | | | | | Norman Rockwell -- same as above "To H. E. Air Vice Marshal Nguyen Cao Ky, with every good wish, Lyndon B. Johnson" | |
| | | | | | (The inscriptions were suggested by Amb. Hand -- and the President followed his inscriptions for each gift w/ the exception of the last to Ky -- He changed from w/ best wishes" to-with every good wish" | |
| | | | | | He also gave electric toothbrushes to Ky and Thieu and 12 pen knives w/ Presidential seal on them (the little black ones) to the other members of the official party from the Republic of Vietnam that attended the dinner. | |

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| | | | | | 1) <u>Diplomatic:</u> Secy. Rusk FM Do | |
| | | | | | Others: Amb. Lodge, Amb. Thai | |
| | | | | | Amb. Harriman, Ambassador Johnson | |
| | | | | | In Secy. Rusk's suite - Rm. 275 Mr. Bui Diem | |
| | | | | | Mr. Habib | |
| | | | | | 2) <u>Rural Construction:</u> Secy. Freeman Dep. PM Co | |
| | | | | | and McGeorge Bundy Minister Thang, and Minister Tri | |
| | | | | | Others: Messrs: Unger Chester Cooper | |
| | | | | | Rostow Wilson | |
| | | | | | McNaughton Col. Hollis | |
| | | | | | Conf Room of Royal Hawaiian Hotel Lansdale Interpreter | |
| | | | | | Poats | |
| | | | | | 3) <u>Economics and Stabilization</u> -- Director Bell Minister Ton and Gov. Hanh | |
| | | | | | Others: Richard Cooper and Chas. Mann | |
| | | | | | In David Bell's suite - Rm. 272 | |
| | | | | | 4) <u>Health and Education</u> -- Secy. Gardner Minister Kha | |
| | | | | | Others: Mr. Keppel | |
| | | | | | Surgeon General | |
| | | | | | Dr. Humphreys | |
| | | | | | Mr. Linh | |
| | | | | | Secy. Gardner's suite - Rm. 380 mr. Nhan | |
| | | | | | Interpreter | |
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| | | | | | This sessions were held in the afternoon of Monday -- so that the specifics proposals and programs of both countries could be discussed and evaluated and reported in the plenary sessions | |
| | | | | | This method gave the members of the Vietnamese party and of the American delegation a better chance to talk freely and in great detail of the problems surrounding both countries and which ways would best serve and help the people of the Republic of Vietnam. | |

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Honolulu Dinner by Pres. Johnson

The Honorable Walt W. Rostow, Counselor and Chairman of the Policy Planning Council of the Department of State

The Honorable John T. McNaughton, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security

The Honorable Francis Keppel, Assistant Secretary for Education

Admiral U. S. G. Sharp, U. S. N. Commander in Chief, Pacific

General William C. Westmoreland, U. S. A. Commander, U. S. Military Assistance Command Vietnam

Dr. William H. Stewart, Surgeon General, Public Health Service

The Honorable Rutherford M. Poats, Assistant Administrator for the Far East, Agency for International Development

The Honorable Leonard Unger, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs

The Honorable Charles S. Mann, Director U. S. Aid Mission, South Vietnam

The Honorable Barry Zorthian, Director of Joint U. S. Public Affairs, South Vietnam

The Honorable Philip C. Habib, Counselor for Political Affairs, American Embassy Saigon

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Harmon

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PRESIDENTIAL GUEST LIST

Vietnamese

Republic of Viet Nam

Lt. Gen. Nguyen Van Thieu, Chairman, National Leadership Committee

Air Vice Marshall Nguyen Cao Ky, Prime Minister

Lt. Gen. Nguyen Huu Co, Deputy Minister and Minister of Defense

Dr. Tran Van Do, Minister of Foreign Affairs

His Excellency Vu Van Thai, Ambassador of the Republic of UN

Mr. Truong Thai Ton, Minister of Economy and Finance

Maj. Gen. Nguyen Duc Thang, Minister of Rural Construction

Mr. Lam Van Tri, Minister of Agriculture

Dr. Nguyen Ba Kha, Minister of Health

Mr. Bui Diem

Mr. Nguyen Huu Hanh, Governor Bank of Viet Nam

Mr. Nguyen Phouc Don, Chief of Protocol.