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EYES ONLY TO THE PRESIDENT FROM JACK VALENTI

HAVE SPENT TIME LISTENING AND PROBING MEMBERS OF THE PRESS IN REGARD THEIR FEELING ABOUT THE HONOLULU CONFERENCE: WICKER, SCALI, DONOVAN, KIKER, KILPATRICK, POTTER, HOFFMAN, STOLLEY, ROGERS, ET AL. GENERAL FEELING AS FOLLOWS:

1. SKEPTICISM WHICH WAS HIGH AT FIRST IS NOW DIMINISHED. GENERAL REACTION IS THAT CONFERENCE DID TRULY FOCUS ON DEFEATING SOCIAL MISERY. QUESTION NOW IS WILL RESULTS FOLLOW. IF MOYERS MAKES CLEAR A FOLLOW UP CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN SEVERAL MONTHS, IT WILL REINFORCE CURRENT JUDGMENTS THAT CONFERENCE WAS MORE NON-MILITARY IN CHARACTER AND PREIDENT IS DETERMINED TO GET SPECIFIC RESULTS IN POLITICAL AND SOCIAL FIELD.

2. HONOLULU DECLARATION WAS WISE DOCUMENT. IT SET FORTH FOR FIRST TIME, IN WRITING, THE POLICY OF THE US AND VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENTS.

3. IMPRESSION OF KY AS LEADER AND HUMAN BEING IS UNIVERSALLY GOOD. HIS PRESS CONFERENCE AND GENERAL Demeanor MADE DEEP AND LASTING IMPRESSION.

PROBLEM AS I SEE IT ON VP TRIP IS TO COME UP WITH MEANINGFUL AND NEWSWORTHY EVENTS. THIS MORNING'S ACTIVITIES WERE EXCELLENT. VISITED A RESETTLEMENT AREA AND ALSO A DEVELOPMENT AREA IN THE POOREST PART OF SAIGON. BOTH ARE PETS OF KY AND SHOW HIS CONCERN FOR SOCIAL MISERY AND THE PRACTICAL WAY HE IS GOING ABOUT TRYING TO CURE IT. THE UNUSUALLY LARGE PRESS CONTINGENT - THIRTY-THREE IN ALL - AND THE HIGH LEVEL OF THE CONTINGENT INCLUDING BUREAU CHIEFS AND TOP TV CORRESPONDENTS MEANS THEY WILL BE LOOKING CAREFULLY AT ENTIRE TRIP.

KY AND THIEU VISIBLY IMPRESS BY THE PRESIDENT. THEY FEEL EXUBERANT OVER TRIP TO HONOLULU -- AND YOU WERE RIGHT ABOUT HAVING VICE PRESIDENT COME IN WITH KY AND THIEU. IT WORKED BEAUTIFULLY -- BOTH IN MEETINGS AND TALKS ABOARD THE PLANE, AND IN THE ARRIVAL CEREMONY.

VICE PRESIDENT WILL SEND YOU DAILY CABLES ABOUT THE TRIP TO KEEP YOU INTIMATELY INFORMED.

GOD KEEP YOU WELL.

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