

# VIETNAM ORIENTATION

NO. 12 10-12, 17-19 January 1967 Room G A 13

BACKGROUND
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THE COMMUNIST
INSURGENCY
SAIGON'S RESPONSE
THE AGENCY'S
OPERATIONS

**PROGRAM** 

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Tuesday, 10 January 1967

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INTRODUCTION	
8:45 - 9:15	Administrative Matters
9:15 - 10:30	The Importance of Vietnam - and Why You are Here
10:45 - 11:15	"Why Vietnam?" - A Depart- ment of Defense Film
11:15 - 12:00	A Survey of Current Literature on Contemporary South Vietnam

## PART I: BACKGROUND

1:00 - 2:45	The Physical Setting: Vietnam's Physical and Political Geography	
3:00 - 4:45	The Historical Background: the Vietnamese people; the French era; Diem; and current political dynamics	

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## Wednesday, 11 January 1967

8:45 - 10:15	The Culture of Vietnam: Language, Religion, and Customs	
10:30 - 11:00	"End of An Empire" - A .CBS film	
PART II	THE THREAT	
11:05 - 12:00	North Vietnam: Strengths and Weaknesses	
3.00	Lunch	
1:00 - 1:30	"Man of the Month, Ho Chi Minh" - A CBS film	
1:30 - 2:15	The Communist Apparatus in North and South Vietnam	
2:25 - 3:15	The Military Arm of the Insurgency	
3:30 - 4:45	The Chinese Background to the South Vietnamese Struggle	

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## Thursday, 12 January 1967

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PART III: THE VIE	INAMESE-AMERICAN RESPONSE	
8:45 - 10:30	The American Involvement in Vietnam: Some Highlights in Recent History.	
10:45 - 11:45	The Soviet Interest: Objectives, Strategy, and Tactics.	
	Lunch	
12:20 - 12:55	Film: "Night of the Dragon" A USIA film	
1:00 - 1:50	South Vietnam: Strengths and Weaknesses.	
2:00 - 2:50	The official American Community in Saigon.	
3:00 - 4:45	The Department of State: role, problems, and relations with other U.S. agencies.	

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Tuesday, 17 January 1967

#### NOTE

Today's program will consist of briefings by representatives of the Department
of Defense, the United States Information
Agency, and the Agency for International
Development on the work of their agencies in
Saigon.

As soon as the details have been completed, a definitive schedule will be made available to you.

Please note the following, however:

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Operations, will discuss "The Saigon Station: History, Problems, and Pressures" from 3:30 to 4:30, this day, this room.

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Tuesday, 17 January 1967

9:00 - 10:30	A.I.D. and Revolutionary Development Operations in South Vietnam.	Mr. Jerome T. French, Office of Vietnam Affairs, U.S. Agency for Inter- national Development.
11:00 - 12:15	The Special Forces in South Vietnam.	Lt. Col. W.H. Tyler, USA, Special Warfare Branch, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Military Operations.
	Lunch	
1:00 - 2:15	The Marines in South Vietnam.	Lt. Col. John C. Scharfen, USMC, Joint Planning Group, Hqs., USMC.
2:25 - 3:25	"Vietnam: It's a Mad War!" - An NBC film.	
3:30 - 4:30	The Saigon Station: History, Problems, and Pressures.	

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8:30 - 9:30	The Nature of the Struggle	
9:40 - 10:30	The Intelligence Division	
10:45 - 11:45	Field Operations: Intelligence Division and Office of Civil Operations	
	Lunch	
12:45 - 1:45	"The People Fight Back" An Agency Film.	
1:50 - 3:00	Revolutionary Development and Cadre Operations	
3:15 - 4:50	STAT	
4:00 - 4:50	The Support Division	

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		Thursday, 19 January 1967	STAT
	8:45 - 9:20	The Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV) - An Intelligence Target.	
•	9:30 - 10:15	Cambodia via-a-vis South Vietnam and the United States.	
STAT	10:30 - 11:10	Operations.	
	11:15 - 12:15	"Thailand - The New Front" An NBC Film.	
		Lunch	
STAT	1:00 - 1:50	Operations	
	PART V: PERSONNEL	MATTERS	
	2:00 - 2:50	Keeping Healthy in Saigon	
	3:00 - 3:50	Insurance, Wills and Other Vital Matters	
	4:00 - 4:45	Panel on Hitherto Unanswered Questions	