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The Honorable Mike Mansfield
The United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Mansfield:

The President has asked me to arrange for a briefing together of you, Senator Russell, and Senator Fulbright on a study which the Agency has just finished entitled "The Vietnamese Communist Will to Persist". I would judge that to do the findings justice would require thirty minutes.

Inasmuch as I was unable to reach either you or Senator Russell this afternoon, I am taking this device for drawing the matter to your attention promptly on Tuesday morning. Would you please be kind enough to let me know by telephone when you would like me to meet with the three of you. Should you want me to make the arrangements with the other two Senators, please let me know the time convenient to you and I will proceed accordingly.

Respectfully yours,

/s/ Richard Helms

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