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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable James R. Schlesinger  
The Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT : Soviet and Chinese Aid to North Vietnam

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Special Assistant for Vietnamese Affairs

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