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CITE [Redacted]

TO: DIRECTOR INFO DDCI OFFICE AND DDO.

DURING VISIT TO [Redacted] I STAYED WITH [Redacted]

[Redacted] AND SAW KEY FIGURES IN [Redacted] INTELLIGENCE

ORGANIZATIONS, [Redacted]

ALL SHOWED GREAT INTEREST IN CHINESE SITUATION AND WHAT

IT MIGHT BUDE FOR THEM, ALL WERE EXTREMELY INTERESTED IN

[Redacted]

DEVOUTLY HOPED THAT THIS WOULD BE THE CASE. [Redacted] DID NOT

SEEM TOO CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT NORTH VIETNAMESE MIGHT DO

BUT [Redacted] WERE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT

WHAT NVN MIGHT DO ONCE THEY GOT THEIR COUNTRY ORGANIZED IN

THE WAY OF SUPPORT TO THE [Redacted].

THEY FELT THIS WOULD BE SERIOUS PROBLEM FOR THE FUTURE.

I FOUND AMONG [Redacted] LEADERS AS ELSEWHERE IN THIS

AREA CONCERN ABOUT US RESOLUTION AND STAYING POWER. WITHOUT

PAINTING TOO ROSY A PICTURE I ENDEAVORED TO REASSURE THEM

THAT U.S. WAS EMERGING FROM DIFFICULT PERIOD AND WOULD

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BEHAVE RESPONSIBLY AND WOULD STAND BY ITS FRIENDS. I NOTED THAT PRESIDENTIAL REORGANIZATION OF INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY VESTED GREATER POWER IN DIRECTOR THAN EVER BEFORE, THEY WERE PLEASED WITH THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH BKH<sup>1</sup>ERALD AND LIKED AND TRUSTED COS [ ] WHO ENJOYS THEIR RESPECT AND IS SIMILARLY REGARDED [ ]

[ ] ARE SOMEWHAT CONFUSED ABOUT WHAT THEIR ROLE IN AREA [ ] SHOULD BE. THEY WOULD LIKE TO PLAY ROLE IN [ ] SIMILAR TO THAT OF U.S. IN NATO BUT REALIZE THAT THEY HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO TO GET THEIR HOUSE IN ORDER AND THAT THEY ARE REGARDED BY SOME OF THEIR NEIGHBORS WITH A MIXTURE OF RELIANCE AND FEAR. I THINK WE IN BKH<sup>1</sup>ERALD CAN PLAY VERY CONSIDERABLE ROLE IN PUTTING THEM ON RIGHT ROAD. COS WILL REPORT IN SOME DETAIL ON TALKS WITH VARIOUS LEADERS.

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