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Our man [ ] has sent in the following comments on [ ]  
year program:

"It is believed to be inadvisable at this time to consider sending a CFA representative to Indo-China without reference to the French on the grounds that it would engender sufficient French antagonism to discourage able Indochinese from approaching him. Moreover, it is impossible to by-pass the French on the matter of Visas.

"It is suggested that CFA set up a Southeast Asia headquarters in Manila staffed with one or two Americans, several Filipinos, and, insofar as possible, one or more Indonesians, Indochinese, Thais, Burmese, etc. While it is unlikely that a big-name Indochinese could come, it could probably be arranged for a representative of a big name such as Tran Van Ly, Governor CVN to do so. However, there might be difficulties in sending anyone presently in Indochina because of recent mobilization restrictions on travel. If this difficulty is not overcome, the Committee may well be able to interest Ngo Dinh Diem, who is now in New Jersey.

"A CFA SEA headquarters in Manila should also have a radio outlet as well as booster facilities for their U.S. broadcasts.

"Lastly and by far the most important point, CFA should come out with a strong, positive, fighting program which would be given maximum publicity throughout the Far East, perhaps something like this:

- (a) We have no axe to grind.
- (b) We are not interested in promoting any one country or group.
- (c) We are not out to encourage a narrow type of nationalism such as has led to wars between states in the past.

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(d) We are not plugging socialism, capitalism, republicanism, monarchy, communism or any other organizational form of government or society.

(e) Rather, we intend to promote, propagate and encourage the basic principles of individual freedom, the idea of individual worth, justice, respect for law, rule by government responsible to the people, civic morality, civic order, decency. We intend to oppose with all our resources exploitation of the individual by governments, groups or parties, oppression and lawless rule, dictatorship whether by monarchs, groups or parties, even where these parties claim they represent the people. In short, we seek to spread the principles which enable all peoples of all races and color to live in amicable understanding in the same world with one another, and this must be accompanied by a rooting out of everything contrary to these principles.

The program, in short, must be sufficiently broad to attract everyone whom we wish to attract, and sufficiently positive to give it purpose and direction. "And it must be well flavored with a revolutionary spirit so as to capture the dominant emotion of the Far East. Give it guts."

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