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FM FBIS OKINAWA JAPAN
TO RHHMBRA/CINCPACFLT MAKALAPA HI
RUDOMKA/FBIS LONDON ENGLAND
RUDOMLA/FBIS CAVERSHAM/DW
RUHQHQA/CINCPAC HONOLULU HI
RUHVAAA/CINCPACAF
RUMJQB/AMEMB BANGKOK THAILAND
RUTLAAA/FBIS WASHDC
INFO RAYWYJ/JIO CANBERRA
RHAIBQA/USAGO MAKIMINATO JAPAN
RHMIAAA/13AF (IN) CLARK AB PHILIPPINES
RUADKEA/18TH TFW OKINAWA JAPAN
RUADKEA/313TH AD/CVD OKINAWA JAPAN
RUAOAHA/376TH STRAT WG/DCI
RUCIMAA/COMAC
RUCLAKA/CDR 4TH PSYOP GROUP FT BRAGG NC
RUCSAAE/SAC INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS CENTER OFFUTT AFB NEB
RUEACMC/CMC (INTC)
RUEACMC/CMC (MSPA-1)
RUEADWD/CSA (DAAG-CAD)
RUEADWD/CSA (DAMI-D00-HP)
RUEBARA/NAVINTCOM
RUEBARA/NAVINTCOM (NIC-00K)
RUEFHQA/CSAF (AFIN)
RUEHC/STATE WASHDC (D/PW)
RUEKJCS/DIA (DI-6A4)
RUENAAA/CNO (PERS-OG)
RUEOJAR/NFOIO FT MEADE
RUHG0AA/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUHGOSA/CTG 79.1
RUHGPBA/CTF-77
RUHGPA/CTF 76
RUHISAA/CTG 72.5
RUHJOFA/3AD/OI/ANDERSEN AFB GUAM
RUHQHQA/COMIPAC HONOLULU HI
RUHQHQA/CG FMFPAC
RUMJFS/AMEMB VIENTIANE
RUMJHK/FBIS HONG KONG
RUMJQB/CHIEF DOD SPEC REP BKK THAI
RUMFBA/FBIS BANGKOK
RUMJNA/USASTCFEQ YOKOTA AB JAPAN
RUMJNA/USFJ J-2 YOKOTA AIR BASE JAPAN
RUMJNA/COMAFFIVE/FIWA/YOKOTA AIR BASE JAPAN
RUMWIA/CTG 72.3
RUMRABA/CG THIRD MARDIV CAMP BUTLER JAPAN
RUMRADA/CG THIRD MAF CAMP BUTLER JAPAN
RUWTMAB/AFMPC RANDOLPH AFB TX/DPMSCB (CASUALTY DIVISION)
RUFHRB/AMCONSUL ZURICH
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((TEXT)) 26 MARCH 1976 NOTE FROM U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE TO THE DRV MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY NGUYEN DUY TRINH, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE DRV.

DEAR MR. MINISTER:

CONGRESSMAN C.V. MONTGOMERY, CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. CONGRESS SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE MIA'S IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE HAVE INFORMED ME OF THEIR RECENT VISIT TO YOUR COUNTRY AND HAVE ASKED ME TO EXPRESS THEIR FINE APPRECIATION FOR THE HOSPITALITY YOUR GOVERNMENT RESERVED FOR THEM. CONGRESSMAN MONTGOMERY HAS ALSO INFORMED ME OF THE INTEREST OF THE MEMBERS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT IN POSSIBLE DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING AN EVENTUAL NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN VIETNAM AND THE UNITED STATES. THE UNITED STATES HAS EXPRESSED ITS DESIRE TO LOOK IN THE FUTURE TO ITS RELATIONS WITH VIETNAM.

I THINK THAT IT IS IN THE INTEREST OF PEACE AND SECURITY TO FORGET THE PAST AND DEVELOP A BASE FOR NEW RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

WE ARE DISPOSED TO ENTER INTO DISCUSSIONS WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT IN THE PURSUIT OF THIS GOAL. I WOULD BE HAPPY TO KNOW YOUR POINT OF VIEW CONCERNING THE DISCUSSIONS AND YOUR OPINION ON THE PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW AND THE QUESTIONS TO BE RAISED.

YOURS VERY TRULY, AND SO FORTH.... ((ELLIPSIS AS RECEIVED))
((SIGNED)) KISSINGER.

NOTE FROM THE DRV FOREIGN MINISTRY TO THE U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE.

HANOI, 10 APRIL 1976

HIS EXCELLENCY THE SECRETARY OF STATE:

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I HAVE THE HONOR TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEPTION OF YOUR MESSAGE DATED 26 MARCH 1976. THE DRV GOVERNMENT HAS, ON MANY OCCASIONS, AFFIRMED THAT IT IS READY TO DISCUSS WITH THE U.S. GOVERNMENT TOWARD A PROMPT SOLUTION OF THE PENDING QUESTIONS BETWEEN VIETNAM AND THE UNITED STATES DURING THE POSTWAR PERIOD AS STIPULATED BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT, SUCH AS THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO THE HEALING OF THE WOUNDS OF WAR AND THE POSTWAR RECONSTRUCTION IN THE TWO ZONES OF VIETNAM, THE SEARCH FOR AMERICANS MISSING IN ACTION, THE EXHUMATION AND REPATRIATION OF THE REMAINS OF DEAD AMERICANS ((ELLIPSIS AS RECEIVED)) ON THIS BASIS, THE DRV WILL NORMALIZE ITS RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES IN THE SPIRIT OF ARTICLE 22 OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT ON VIETNAM. BY ITS POSITIVE ACTS, THE DRV GOVERNMENT HAS CONSTANTLY MANIFESTED ITS GOOD WILL AND SERIOUS INTENTION IN THE APPLICATION OF THIS POLICY IN CONFORMITY WITH SENTIMENTS AND REASON. IT IS VERY REGRETTABLE THAT THE U.S. PARTY HAS UNTIL NOW REFUSED TO FULFILL ITS OBLIGATION TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE HEALING OF THE WOUNDS OF WAR AND TO THE POSTWAR RECONSTRUCTION IN VIETNAM AND THAT IT HAS GONE SO FAR AS TO UNDERTAKE ACTS HOSTILE TO THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE AND TO USE DISCOURTEOUS AND SLANDEROUS REMARKS WITH REGARD TO THE DRV GOVERNMENT.

IF YOUR GOVERNMENT REALLY DESIRES TALKS DESIGNED TO NORMALIZED RELATIONS WITH THE DRV, THE UNITED STATES SHOULD SHOW THE SAME GOOD WILL AND THE SAME SERIOUS INTENSION AS THE DRV.

THE DRV GOVERNMENT IS PREPARED TO EXAMINE ALL CONCRETE PROPOSALS BY YOUR GOVERNMENT. 13 1254 MN/NL/STRATMAN
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