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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER  
FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM  
SUBJECT: MORNING NEWS SUMMARY

JULY 2, 1971

MADAME BINH'S SEVEN POINT PROPOSAL IS HEADLINED IN ALL PAPERS. THE WHITE HOUSE IS REPORTED TO BE EXPLORING THE OFFER.

NEW YORK TIMES

THE PENTAGON PAPERS ARTICLE LINKS THE 1965-66 TROOPS BUILDUP TO FAULTY MILITARY ESTIMATES AS TO THE ACTUAL NEEDS AND AN UNDERRATED ABILITY OF THE ENEMY TO INCREASE ITS FORCES. (PAGE 1)

THE U.S. PULLOUT OF TROOPS IS CITED AS THE LARGEST SINGLE WITHDRAWAL SINCE PULLOUTS BEGAN TWO YEARS AGO. (PAGE 2)

EGYPT MAY RENOUNCE HER COMMITMENT TO A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT WITH ISRAEL AND SUBMIT A NEW WAR STRATEGY AT AN ARAB SUMMIT CONFERENCE. (PAGE 4)

WASHINGTON POST

ATTORNEY GENERAL MITCHELL SAID YESTERDAY THE GOVERNMENT WILL PROSECUTE ALL THOSE WHO HAVE VIOLATED FEDERAL LAWS IN CONNECTION WITH DISCLOSURES OF THE PENTAGON DOCUMENTS. (PAGE 1)

THE POST EDITORIALIZES ON MADAME BINH'S PROPOSAL AS PRESIDENT NIXON'S DILEMMA. ALTHOUGH THE TERMS ARE HARSH, THE PRESIDENT CANNOT AFFORD NOT TO GRAPPLE WITH THE VIET CONG PLAN LEST HE LOSE FOREVER A PRECIOUS OPPORTUNITY TO BARGAIN FOR THE RETURN OF THE POWS. (PAGE A-26)

BALTIMORE SUN

SPEAKER ALBERT FEELS THAT PRESIDENT NIXON'S VIETNAM POLICY IS SUCCEEDING AND BELIEVES THE PRESIDENT SHOULD TELL THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ABOUT IT. (A-2)

SECRETARY ROGERS HOPES THE NATION'S NEWSPAPERS WILL NOT PUBLISH MATERIAL INJURIOUS TO THE NATION. ATTORNEY GENERAL MITCHELL SAID THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT IS CONTINUING AN INVESTIGATION OF POSSIBLE CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS AND INTENDS TO PROSECUTE IF ANY ARE FOUND.