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FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER, NEW DELHI 651
TO: WHITE HOUSE EYES ONLY FOR GENERAL HAIG
RE: YOUR WH 10611

TO SIT 15

MY ANALYSIS IS THAT MESSENGER'S RESPONSE IS LARGELY DUE TO OUR DOMESTIC SITUATION. PRESIDENT WILL REMEMBER THAT I TOLD HIM PENTAGON PAPERS AND CONGRESSIONAL SITUATION WILL HAVE ITS GREATEST IMPACT IN THAT QUARTER. IT IS NOT AN UNALLOYED DISADVANTAGE FOR IT EASES OTHER MISSION AND SETS UP LATER VISIT TO MESSENGER IF STILL DESIRED IN BETTER PSYCHOLOGICAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

AS FOR OTHER VISIT HOST MUST SUGGEST DATE. IF THIS YEAR INTERMEDIATE VISIT WILL BE ELIMINATED. IF NEXT YEAR IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE. IN EITHER EVENT THERE NEEDS TO BE CONTACT ABOUT MODALITIES. PLEASE GET PRESIDENT'S REACTION. WHAT IS YOUR VIEW OF BEST DATE FOR COUNTRY?

AS FOR KIRSCHMAN CHANNEL LET US MAKE THE JUDGEMENT AFTER THE MEETING. TO ME IT SEEMS THINGS ARE MOVING THOUGH SLOWLY. ALSO ONE MORE MEETING IS NEEDED BEFORE FINAL DECISION.

I AGREE ABOUT THE RESPONSE TO THE DANANG SHELLING AND WILL HAVE PROPOSAL BASED ON SAIGON DISCUSSIONS WHEN I RETURN.

KEEP THINGS COOL. LET US NOT THROW THINGS OVERBOARD OUT OF PIQUE. GP-1

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