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If still appropriate you may wish inform Diem and at your discretion get word to coup leaders that we consider it overriding importance to Viet Nam and Free World that agreement be reached soonest in order avoid continued division, further bloodshed with resultant fatal weakening Viet-Nam's ability resist Communists.

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Pencilled Note:

Parson's pushing the panic button again?

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