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REPORT NO. TDCS -3/553,724

SUBJECT POSSIBLE CHANGE IN GOVERNMENT OF
VIETNAM FOREIGN POLICY IN LIGHT OF
APPOINTMENT OF AMBASSADOR LODGE

DATE DISTR. 17 JULY 1963

PRECEDENCE ROUTINE

DATE OF INFO. MID-JULY 1963

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PLACE & DATE ACQ. VIETNAM, SAIGON (15 JULY 1963)

APPRAISAL SEE BELOW

FIELD REPORT NO. FVS-9314

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SOURCE A HIGH-LEVEL VIETNAMESE SECURITY OFFICIAL (C) WITH EXTENSIVE CONTACTS AMONG
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

APPR IT IS PROBABLY TRUE THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF VIETNAM HAS RECALLED SOME OF ITS
FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVES; HOWEVER, WHETHER THE REASON IS TO DEFINE A NEW
FOREIGN POLICY IN LIGHT OF AMBASSADOR LODGE'S APPOINTMENT IS UNKNOWN. SEE
HEADQUARTERS COMMENT, PARAGRAPH 2. ~~LISTED DISSEM~~ ~~GUIDE~~ ~~AVAA~~ ~~VIB~~ ~~NEWCA~~ ~~NYVO~~ ~~WID~~ ~~NSIV~~

RECALL THIS WEEK BY MID-JULY 1963 PRESIDENT NGO DINH DIEM WAS CONSIDERABLY DISTURBED
OVER THE DESIGNATION OF HENRY CABOT LODGE, JR. AS AMBASSADOR TO THE GOVERNMENT
OF VIETNAM (GVN). THE APPOINTMENT SUGGESTED TO THE PRESIDENT THAT THE UNITED
STATES PLANNED TO WIELD A "BIG STICK," AND THE GVN RECALLED A NUMBER OF ITS
DIPLOMATS FOR CONSULTATION. AMONG THEM WERE THE REPRESENTATIVES IN KUALA
LUMPUR AND SINGAPORE, NEW DELHI, DJAKARTA, TOKYO, RANGOON, AND SENEGAL AND
SEVERAL OTHER AFRICAN NATIONS. THE REPRESENTATIVES WERE RECALLED OSTENSIBLY
SO THAT THEY COULD ATTEND A SEMINAR ON THE STRATEGIC HAMLET PROGRAM WHICH
WOULD ENABLE THEM

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WANTED TO DISCUSS ITS POSITION IN REGARD TO THE BUDDHIST SITUATION AND TO
ATTEMPT TO DEFINE A NEW GVN FOREIGN POLICY IN THE LIGHT OF THE LODGE
APPOINTMENT.

2. HEADQUARTERS COMMENT. TDCS-3/552,830 REPORTED THAT BUU HOI, GVN
AMBASSADOR TO THE IVORY COAST, MOROCCO, NIGERIA, UPPER VOLTA, AND SENEGAL
WAS EXPECTED IN SAIGON ON 15 JULY. CS-3/533,307 REPORTED THAT NGO DINH NHU
HAD STATED AT AN INTERMINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC HAMLETS' MEETING
THAT THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAD FAILED TO ENROLL HIS PERSONNEL IN
THE COURSE AT THE THI NGHE STRATEGIC HAMLET CENTER, AND THAT IF NECESSARY,
THE MINISTER SHOULD RECALL HIS PERSONNEL FROM EMBASSIES ABROAD IN ORDER TO
MEET THIS REQUIREMENT.

3. FIELD DISSEM. STATE ARMY NAVY AIR USMACV MAAG AID USIA
2ND AIR DIVISION 9TH FIELD STATION CINCPAC PACFLT ARPAC PACAF JTF 7 AEM
IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE COORDINATOR OF AIRCRAFT BE RECALLED TO THE

COAST GUARDIAN CIRCULARS. END OF MESSAGE
SOURCE: 7 HIGH-TECH AIRCRAFT RECALLED TO THE COAST GUARDIAN CIRCULARS
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