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Tuesday, January 23, 1968  
4:25 p.m.

*Pres file*

Mr. President:

Herewith Amb. Bunker, Westy, and Bob Komer agree that Bill Colby is still the man they want as Bob's Deputy, despite the need to replace the CIA Station Chief in Saigon.

Dick Helms is agreeable to this solution.

Dick now thinks it is unnecessary to have Colby serve on the NSC staff for a transitional period. On the other hand, Dick wants to know as soon as possible that you approve Colby's assignment to Vietnam so that he can make plans to move Colby; to replace him here; and to find a new Station Chief in Saigon.

W. W. Rostow

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Colby okay as Bob Komer's Deputy\_\_\_\_\_

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