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Tuesday, October 31, 1967
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MR. PRESIDENT:

You should know that, as an exercise, I did this draft BUTTERCUP message in conformity with the initial suggestions coming from Ambassador Bunker [redacted] in Saigon. In making it available to Secretaries Rusk and McNamara, I made it quite clear that it did not have your blessing; and there may, in the end, be wisdom in a message which stops with prisoners and improved communications.

Nevertheless, I thought you might want to see what such a message might look like.

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By sig, NARA, Date 10-4-95