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Monday, October 23, 1967  
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Mr. President:

Herewith, via his staff and mine,  
the Vice President's reaction to the  
idea of taking Mrs. Chenault along to  
Saigon.

W. W. Rostow

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

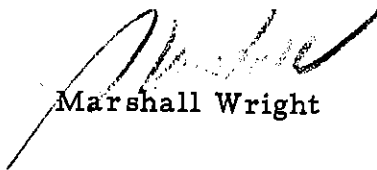
WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROSTOW

SUBJECT: Delegation to Vietnamese Inauguration

You asked for the Vice President's reaction to Corcoran's suggestion that the widow of General Claire Chenault be included in the delegation. The Vice President does not think much of this idea. In the first place, there is already a Republican, Bill Hearst, on the delegation. In the second place, Mrs. Chenault is very much associated with far right wing Republican politics and with the extreme hawks on the Viet-Nam issue. Should it be considered desirable to include another Republican, the Vice President feels there are many people who would have a better claim than Mrs. Chenault.

  
Marshall Wright