

American Embassy

Saigon, Vietnam

October 12, 1954

Dear Admiral Sabin:

Upon the occasion of your departure from Saigon, I would like to reiterate my admiration for the way in which you have carried out your mission in connection with the evacuation of the refugees from the North. The conduct of your officers and men, both afloat and ashore, deserves the highest commendation. Their kindness and thoughtfulness towards the refugees have, I am sure, left an impression of individual Americans which will not soon be forgotten. This mission has been carried out in the best tradition of the Naval service.

Sincerely yours,

  
Donald R. Heath

Rear Admiral Lorenzo S. Sabin, jr.,  
Commander, Task Force 90,  
USS ESTES,  
Quai Catinat,  
Saigon.