

**COMMANDER AMPHIBIOUS GROUP WESTERN PACIFIC
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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

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My dear General Cogny:

On a recent visit to the U. S. Navy Ship Marine Lynx, the Master and officers were unanimous in expressing to me their praise of Captain Rudolphe Melet of the French Army. Captain Melet was a member of the Control Team which made several trips aboard the Lynx while carrying refugees.

Captain Melet's initiative, ever willing assistance in solving problems and cooperative attitude together with a natural faculty for understanding people, contributed greatly to the successful movement of thousands of Vietnamese refugees under harmonious conditions.

It is indeed a pleasure for me to convey our appreciation of Captain Melet's effort, which is but another instance of the fine spirit of cooperation existing between our uniformed services.

Sincerely,

**L. S. SABIN.
Rear Admiral, U. S. N.,
Commander Task Force NINETY.**

**Major General Rene Cogny,
Commander French Army Forces,
Haiphong.**