

HEADQUARTERS
MILITARY ASSISTANCE ADVISORY GROUP, INDO-CHINA
SAIGON (Vietnam)

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Rear Admiral Lorenze S. Sabin
Commander Task Force 90
USS ESTES

Dear Admiral:

Enclosed is a letter from General Ely concerning LSTs. I think this request has developed as a result of the Tourane unloading situation. When I was in Tourane on October 23, the French transportation officer was appealing for LSTs due to unloading conditions. I discouraged him or at least attempted to by telling him the present shipping could take care of his needs. In addition you may remember I inquired of you concerning barges etc., about which you replied to me.

I will talk to General Ely re this matter today if possible and will send you a message accordingly as soon as I can. Meanwhile I suggest holding everything.

A good trip to you. We will be glad to see you upon your return.

With best regards,


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