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AGENDA FOR THE MEETING BETWEEN OFFICIALS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FAMILIES OF VIETNAMESE POLITICAL PRISONERS ASSOCIATION AND OF FORMER POLITICAL PRISONERS

October 4, 1993

3:00 PM

We wish to discuss the following issues:

1. In cases where political prisoners have died in the camps and their spouses have also passed away or are missing, to allow their children to emigrate to the United States under the provisions applicable to children of deceased political prisoners, but whose spouses are alive. From information provided to us, these circumstances apply to Ms. Doan Thi Thanh My (IV# 61155; both parents are dead) and to Mr. Nguyen Phat Khoi (IV# 116466, father dead; mother missing.)
2. To allow former political prisoners who have legally married since 1990 to leave under the H.O. Program. A letter on this matter, which was addressed to Senator Kennedy, is attached for your information.
3. The children of former political prisoners who, without being legally married, have children of their own, have been refused admission to the United States under the program even after having submitted legal proof and documentation of separation from their common law spouses. To allow these single parents to emigrate to the United States under the same conditions applying to unmarried children of former political refugees.

4. To allow unmarried children of former political prisoners, who for various reasons, such as work, now live separately from their parents, to emigrate together with their parents.
5. To allow married children of prisoners to emigrate to the United States as immigrants or parolees. This would provide for complete reunification of political prisoners and their close relatives after many years of long separation.
6. To pursue the resettlement program for former political prisoners even after the normalization of relations between Vietnam and the United States either through reunification or free cases.
7. Accept for resettlement relatives (wives and children) of former political prisoners who meet the ODP conditions for resettlement but have since died.
8. Accept for resettlement former political detainees who were captured before 1975 and count time spent in jail before 1975 towards the three years required by ODP for priority eligibility , such as the case of Nguyen Van Thanh (IV# 252961.)
9. Of the 115 prisoners released from re-education camps between September 1991 and May 1992 how many have arrived in the U.S.? This information would be helpful for the purposes of planning our 1994 reception for former political prisoners to be held on Capitol Hill.



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PARTICIPANTS SCHEDULED TO ATTEND MEETING WITH DEPARTMENT OF STATE BUREAU OF REFUGEE PROGRAMS

Monday, October 4, 1993 - 3:00 PM

Nguyen Van Nguu	FPP - 13 years in camp (Lt.Colonel)
Nam Chi Ton Nu	FVPPA - ODP Program Assistant
Trinh Ngoc Dung	FVPPA
Khuc Minh Tho	FVPPA



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August 13, 1993

Mr. Larry Noyes
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Noyes:

On behalf of the Families of Vietnamese Political Prisoners Association it is with pleasure that we take this opportunity to welcome you in your new position.

We have enjoyed a wonderful and positive working relationship with Mr. Raezer, and we look forward to being able to continue that relationship with you and your staff. Please do not hesitate to call upon us if you feel we can be of assistance to you.

Perhaps at a later date when it is convenient with you we can arrange to meet with you and formally welcome you in your new position. Our sincere and best wishes for every success in the challenges that will enhance and enrich your career.

Sincerely,


(Mrs.) Khuc Minh Tho
President

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