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extract from Bert Tralergli's
letter per your request

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FROM: (Name and Org. Symbol) Vince P	ROOM NO. & BLDG.	PHONE NO.
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To: CL

Maynard and Vaan asked me to extend for a year but I've been separated from the family for long enough. I wouldn't mind being a coordinator for an extension of the Long Huu type Operation...but guess I had better put Viet-Nam and pacification behind me and get back to the mainstream.

Your friends remember you often and the Tiger Spirit lives on. Carr is working on the spring soy-bean problem. USAID had a chance to buy guaranteed quality soybeans from Taiwan at something like 24 cents a kilo but no one could be found in USAID ~~ka~~ with guts enough to authorize the purchase. So now they are going to buy soybean seed from Long Khanh at 190 piasters repeat One Hundred and Ninety Piasters a kilo.

I took care of the Hsu articles for you. Leonard Chang is fine but the sniveling ~~idn~~ idiots masquerading as ag experts in USAID are grinding him down. ~~He~~ gave orders today to pull the CATM team out of Binh Dinh for lack of support from either the GVN (MORD) or the Province (Ag Service). A Korean ag team is being put in. Now we'll see what happens.

Jesus, I'd like no job better than head of the USAID Ag Division. If anywhere a technician was less needed, it's there. Maynard agrees thoroughly but the myth persists that ^{only} a technician can have the breadth and understanding adequate for pushing programs imaginatively and inspiring people to work together. It just isn't so. A technician for number two but God Save Viet-Nam from the Grigsby's of this World (not to mention a score of others).

More and more you see them here, Bert. Paunchy, dull-eyed has-beens, hired USAID hacks, sent here to lead a young Nation in a revolution against communist oppression, against the older enemies of sloth, indifference and greed - with nothing more ardent burning in their souls than thirst for the next drink - or contempt for the Vietnamese.

Somehow, the Vietnamese will triumph over both the Viet-Cong and the USAID Slobocracy, and someday you and I will return to Viet-Nam to laugh over old times with General Thanh, Col. Lac, Mr. Thanh in An Giang, Major Nghia and a host of other devoted people whom we have been privileged to know.

Bless you Tiger,

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