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Dear Friends,

The sad time has come for us, the members of the Board of the Kontum Hospital Fund, Inc., to tell you that Dr. Pat Smith is no longer operating her hospital in Vietnam.

The events of the past year have moved so quickly that we are breathless when we view the finality of what has happened. Last March during the height of the Vietnamese conflict the Minh Quy Hospital fell to the Communists and the entire Western staff was evacuated. After many weeks of worry and harried international communication, our concerns were laid to rest when we found all members safe and accounted for.

Dr. Pat and her sons Det and Wir returned to Seattle. She took a temporary teaching position on the medical staff at the University of Washington and sponsored three Montagnard families who were able to escape their country and make their way to Seattle. Two months ago she left for Saudi Arabia where she plans to work for the next two years.

Because it is no longer possible for us to support the hospital, the Board of the Fund is legally bound to take steps to close off the business of the corporation. The by-laws direct us to dissolve and distribute the remaining funds to approved tax deductible charities. Not without sorrow, has the Board had to comply with these directives.

The office in the Maritime Building in Seattle will close officially on Dec. 31, 1975. Melba Badders, the executive secretary, will terminate all operations after that date.

At this time we wish to offer our gratitude to you, Dr. Pat's faithful supporters. The Board shares your pride in the great works that Dr. Pat has achieved. Our thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,

*The Board of the Kontum Hospital Fund,
Inc.*

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*Really makes my heart & spirit sad to know
all the Kontum work has to end this way. Trust one
day I can meet you & your family.
Gratefully. Melba*