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Dear Bo,

(Concise)

The Corneian has circulated everywhere and been well received. People seem agreeable with his pitch including Maustache as chief but everybody is waiting for Sodge to indicate what help he wants. If he doesn't indicate fairly soon, he might get some he doesn't want as folks are getting more and more impatient back here.

We are having dinner at the Maustachei with Sam, Dorothy, Val & Emma tonight. Our friend leaves on Thurs for Paris & then back.

Jess Villamor dropped in today to inquire about the job in Saigon. He would like to be the air operations officer & the Mission needs one. Can Gattlieb be gotten off his dead ass. Is there anything I can do from here.

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Got your latest letter with memos on the hamlet in Phu Yen. I trust you were able to use some of the froth around your mouth to shove with Hanoi.

Mark Ham called Dorothy

The other night and said he'd
decided to join up because Vietnam
looked impossible. Will probably
take several months to push
him through processing but
there's an asset.

All in all the climate
looks much better back here
for the manstache. The Corsican
has helped a lot. We
shall send him back as a
guided missile at cabbage
who is the key.

All the best,
Rufe

P.S. Out of suggestions so far, with
Yaungren not available, who do
you want as reports officer