



14 Sept '66

Dear Ed,

An interim report to you
and the Team & congratulations.
The turn-out was terrific.

I have seen Bill V. for
lunch & given him the inside
poop. He will try to get a
letter out to HCL congratulating
him on how he used you and
the Team and suggesting a
continuing follow-up by you with
the new Assembly, also on
local elections. Bill V. plans
to make a trip out in Oct
and would like to stay with
you at the house if that's
okay. (Could you let me know
on this. Bill feels it would
free him from the cotton batting
and might give you some sup-
port).

Talked to Bill C. on the
phone and got an eyes only
inside report on what happened
to him. Will have lunch with
him on Friday.

Will try to make personal
contact with Bundy and Horner
this week but will play it cool
there.

Called all wives and Dave's
mother (a delightful person). Will



Sre Helen and Emma at The Marcos
reception tomorrow night.

Also enclosed is a memo
plus an article.

My thanks to all the Team
for making me feel so much
at home; I really enjoyed
my stay "vacation". All the
best

— Ruff

P.S. One idea I passed to Bui
Dien which might be worth a
follow-up is this: Get the
new Constituent Assembly to
pass a resolution along the
lines of - "We, the ^{selected representatives of} ~~Vietnamese~~ ^{the}
people, acting in the name of
the Vietnamese people, are
resolved to go on fighting
until the Communists ~~stop~~
cease trying to impose their
will upon us and we will not
accept, ~~any surrender~~ under
the pretext of negotiations, any
surrender of our sovereign
rights to preserve our own
freedom and ^{to} seek our own
destiny as a free people and
a free nation" - or something
to that effect which can be
cabled to the UN & ^{presented} there
by Bui Dien.