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Dear Admiral:

I take this opportunity to forward the latest revision of the Vietnam symposium agenda. Just about everything is "nailed down" at this point. I have just one more session chair to "recruit": It is for the panel on PTSD, and I have decided to approach a local veteran counsellor who has an MA in social work to take care of that.

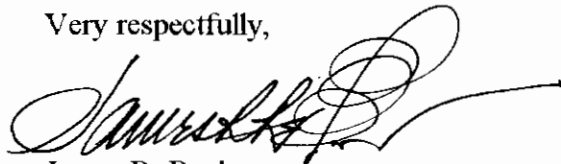
I also have set up the panel on the Ho Chi Minh Trail and sent the information on to Jim today. You will find it as Session 5D, on Friday at 0830. Even as I type this, I have just realized that I probably will have to shift it to somewhere else on the program. We have purchased satellite uplink time for from 0900 to 1000 on Friday, and I am planning to ask you to participate in that hour, which will include a series of live interviews with various network channels in Texas and elsewhere. I will move Jim's panel, so that you will be able to attend it.

As per your request, I am enclosing with this letter my copy of Colonel Bui Tin's book, *Following Ho Chi Minh*, which, I am certain, you will find to be a very interesting read. I am uncertain whether you saw the recent news reports about the incredibly naive American businessman who recently was sentenced to five years in prison in Hanoi. He tried to bring two hunting rifles into Vietnam. Among his other "crimes" was bringing a "Rambo" video and also a copy of Stanley Karnow's book, *Vietnam: A History*. While I fully appreciate Vietnamese sensitivity to guns, and probably "Rambo", that they should feel threatened by Karnow's book is most remarkable. If I were visiting Vietnam, it is just the sort of book I might have brought with me to have some facts easily to hand.

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Please let me know when you have your travel arrangements settled, so that we can meet you and Mrs. Zumwalt at the airport.

Very respectfully,



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Director

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Following Ho Chi Minh