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Ambassador Le Van Bang  
Embassy of Vietnam  
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Dear Mr. Ambassador:

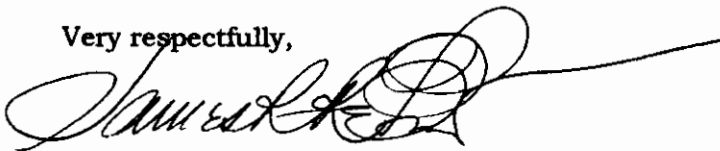
This is just a short note to thank you for taking time from your busy schedule last week to visit with me. I greatly appreciated the opportunity to meet you, and to exchange views and information about the Vietnam project at Texas Tech University and plans for future cooperation with universities and other institutions in Vietnam.

I take this opportunity to forward a copy of a letter I am sending today to Secretary of the Navy Danzig requesting that he consider assignment of a US Navy ship to visit Vietnam to carry books and medical equipment which Texas Tech University is now collecting. I hope you will be able to support this request.

Mr. Tran Bach Dang and his party arrived in Lubbock yesterday, and Mr. Dang spent last evening visiting with a graduate history class which is studying the Vietnam War. This was an excellent opportunity for our graduate students to actually meet one of the leaders of the Revolution in the South, and thus to get a deeper understanding of the war. Today Mr. Dang will meet with the Chancellor, President and Provost of Texas Tech University and also tour our Vietnam Center and Archive. Tonight the Mayor of Lubbock and other civic leaders will join him for dinner.

Again, Mr. Ambassador, many thanks for the courtesy you have extended to me. We at Texas Tech look forward to the day when you will be able to visit with us.

Very respectfully,



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Director

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