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Dear James:

With regard to your letter of 22 March 1993 I have the following comments:

1. Admiral Chon's comprehension of English is superior. His spoken English has a French accent twisted by a Vietnamese accent so it takes awhile to adjust to it. I think an interpreter would embarrass him.
2. I'm delighted to have Chon included in the events with me. This will help me to look out for him too. I am grateful for your sensitivity in that regard.
3. The other person, in addition to Rear Admiral Rouch, who would be great if you can get him there is Vice Admiral Earl "Rex" Rectanus whose address is the following:

He was the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence under me in Vietnam, later Director of Naval Intelligence, and still later Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Intelligence.

4. The address of Rear Admiral Arthur Price is the following:

All best wishes for a successful event.

Sincerely,

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P.S. For your information only (because it is being published) I attach a draft of Admiral Chon's fantastic story

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