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Dear Jim:

I have just returned to the office after being away for a few weeks. I have the following replies to your recent correspondence.

a. I do know Fred Smith. Please give me a proposed letter to him; I will go out with it and parallel it with a phone call.

b. I agree with you that we ought not to invite President Thieu. General Ky is in a somewhat different position since, he tells me, the government of Vietnam has been wooing him discreetly and his wife has made several trips back to Vietnam.

However, I think it would be best for us to wait until we hear some response from General Giap and then I can consult with him before issuing invitations.

(My son, Jim, is going back to Vietnam in October to do some additional interviews for his book and could be a messenger to General Giap.)

c. With regard to the film people coming to Washington, I will be glad to do it. Just contact Priscilla.

It is great to watch your exciting progress.

Sincerely,

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