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Dear Jim:

The preliminary proposal submitted to General Mountcastle for the conference in FY 97 is a good one. I hope it comes through.

With regard to your letter of June 26, it was helpful to me to be brought up to date on your dialogue with the Vietnamese. It looks as though the President will have established diplomatic relations long before the conference comes off.

You might want to give me a letter to go to General Giap as soon as the diplomatic recognition is granted.

All best wishes.

Sincerely,

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I'm off to the WH for the event, today