

August 2, 1956

Mr. Nghiem Dang
c/o Institute on Economic Development
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Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Dang:

Thank you for your letter. We are planning your program for the period you will be back here along the lines you suggest.

Enclosed is a copy of the program of the Workshop on Economic Education, as you requested.

I am also enclosing prints for you and Mr. Bac of a photograph I made of you both with Mrs. Dang and Mrs. Thêm in Saigon at Tan Son Nhut. As you did not bring along a picture of Mrs. Dang, my wife and I thought you would like to have this.

Also enclosed are the notes you and Mr. Bac signed on July 20 to obtain advances of \$132.50 from the MSU cashier. They are stamped "paid," and I thought you might want them for your files.

As yet we do not have the tickets for the Democratic Convention, but we are still expecting them. I will let you know as soon as we know something definite.

I hope you are enjoying the seminar and are finding it interesting. How do you like Tennessee?

Cordially,

John T. Dorsey, Jr.
Acting Coordinator

JTD: jb

September 18, 1956

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Mr. Nghiem Dang
International Cooperation Administration
Room 104, 1624 H Street, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Dang:

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Thank you very much for your two letters from Washington. I was glad to hear that your and Mr. Bac's programs are developing as they are.

For your trip to Wilmington, Mr. Miller suggests that the simplest arrangement would be for you to obtain your own ticket. Reservations probably will not be necessary, and because the trip is so short there is no need to handle this through the travel office. You can buy the ticket and after making the trip send the ticket stub to me with a receipt or your statement of the cost of the ticket. Also, please let us know the time and date both of departure from Washington and return to Washington. We will then send you a check to cover the cost of the ticket.

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We shall order the two books mentioned in your letter of September 10 and will forward them to you as soon as they are received.

As to the meeting of the Civil Service Assembly in October, I will leave the decision on whether you should attend up to you. If you think that attendance at this meeting will be of use to you in your training, please go ahead and plan to attend. You should pay the fee yourself, and we will reimburse you when you return to East Lansing. Please let us know what you intend to do so that we will know when to expect you to return to East Lansing. If you wish to talk to him about it, I expect that Mr. Israel would be able to give you some advice about the value of this meeting for your training program.

At the moment there is a good bit of activity in the Viet-Nam Project. The group of twenty participants arrived here on the 13th of September, and we have enjoyed meeting them and are quite busy helping them get settled and planning their programs of study and training.

I hope that your experiences in Washington continue to work out satisfactorily. We are always interested in hearing from you about your activities.

Sincerely,

John T. Dorsey, Jr.
Assistant Coordinator

JTD:jb
cc: Mr. Thomas Israel, ICA

October 9, 1956

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Mr. Nghiem Dang
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Dear Mr. Dang:

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Thank you for your letter of October 1. I was glad to hear about your work and your plans for this last week in Washington. I hope you enjoyed the field trip to Wilmington, and that the Civil Service Assembly meetings are proving to be interesting.

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I talked with Mr. Miller about your return transportation to Lansing. He says that since you have a round-trip ticket from Lansing to Washington, it would be simpler for you to make such reservations as you may need, and if there are extra charges we will reimburse you after your return.

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Is Mr. Bac coming with you at the same time? I have not yet heard from him concerning his plans for returning, but I will assume that his plans are the same as yours unless he informs me otherwise. Would you please be so kind as to pass on to him the information I have given you about making the arrangements for the trip back here?

Best wishes to you both. We are looking forward to seeing you again.

Sincerely,

John T. Dorsey, Jr.
Assistant Coordinator

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