

June 19, 1958

Professor George B. Baldwin  
Director  
Graduate Program in Economic Development  
Vanderbilt University  
Nashville 5, Tennessee

Dear Professor Baldwin:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 9. Mr. Kien will arrive in Nashville on Sunday, July 6. I would very much appreciate your making the reservations you suggested at the Allen Hotel for the period from July 6 through July 9.

He will leave for Knoxville on July 7 and so will be able to spend three days at Vanderbilt.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

EC/abr

cc:

July 17, 1958

Dr. George Baldwin  
Vanderbilt University  
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Dr. Baldwin:

I have recently received a letter from Mr. Kien stating briefly his activities during his stay in Nashville. He certainly has indicated that he has spent a useful and interesting time in the Department of Economics and particularly discussing and receiving various materials from you.

Perhaps I myself shall have the opportunity of visiting Vanderbilt some time during the next year to meet with Mr. Xuan.

I feel as if I know the program quite well and can see that it has values far beyond those of some of the shorter term programs now in existence under I.C.A. sponsorship.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

EC:kc

June 20, 1958

Mr. William Shafer  
Information Staff  
Tennessee Valley Authority  
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Shafer:

Please find enclosed the biographical data sheet on Mr. Tran van Kien who will be in Knoxville on Thursday, July 10.

I would very much appreciate your making hotel reservations at the Park Hotel for the period from July 10 to July 16.

Mr. Kien's particular interest is in economic development. He will be coming to T.V.A. following a stay at Vanderbilt University with particular emphasis on the I.C.A. program in economic development.

I have seen Messrs. Son and Dong only briefly and have not had an opportunity to speak to them about the trip to T.V.A. but please be assured that we appreciate all the planning and other assistance that you offer to the Vietnamese participants.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

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Enclosure

CC: Mr. Tran van Kien

June 30, 1958

Mr. Jack Clark  
International Monetary Fund  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Clark:

Mr. Tran Van Kien, a member of the faculty of the National Institute of Administration, has a letter from Mr. Wayne Snyder, who is with the Vietnam Project in Saigon. Mr. Snyder has sent this letter to him as a means of introducing him to you and your organization.

I felt that it would be well to anticipate Mr. Kien's arrival in Washington; and so, I am writing to indicate that he will be in Washington from July 21 through August the 11th. During this period he would be particularly anxious to spend some time with the Fund as well as with the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. Any assistance you might be able to give him would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

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P.S. I am enclosing a biographical sketch on Mr. Kien's background.

*His number Stanley 3-6400  
x 780*

July 2, 1958

Mr. Robert Barnes  
Training Branch  
Public Administration Division  
International Cooperation Administration  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Bob:

I realize that you are probably busy with your "own little problems?" but I would very much appreciate anything you might be able to do for Mr. Tran Van Kien, who is one of our participants. Mr. Kien will be coming to Washington on July 21 and remaining there three weeks. I have already written to the International Monetary Fund and the Federal Reserve System, but with your permission, I will tell Mr. Kien to visit your office for any additional assistance he might need. This may or may not mean but he will come and sit on your door step, and I want to provide some other outlets for training during the three weeks that he will be in Washington.

For your information I am enclosing several copies of his biographical data and will leave it to you to use these at your discretion.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham

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Enclosures

# INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ADMINISTRATION

Washington 25, D. C.

July 8, 1958

Miss Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant  
Vietnam Project  
Michigan State University  
East Lansing, Michigan

Dear Elsie:

Thank you for your letter of July 2 about Mr. Tran Van Kien. We will be glad to do what we can for him. I am not sure that I understand his objectives either in Washington or the U.S. Is it that as a professor he is interested in how economics is taught? To Americans? To foreigners? We will try to give him a hand no matter what he wants.

I also have your letter of July 3 about Mr. Phuong and Mr. Milot. I think we are in agreement that the best thing is to postpone discussion of the possibility until July 30.

Mr. Lagrossa knows you were just being kind. We have to look after those assigned to us first and then if we have time help out the others. I cannot imagine with your Seminar that you have time for an "other". Don't worry about him. He is a "big boy" I am sure.

Sincerely yours,



Robert L. Barnes  
Training Branch  
Public Administration Division

July 2, 1958

Mr. Ralph A. Young, Director  
Division of Research and Statistics  
Federal Reserve System  
20th St. and Constitution Ave.  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Young:

Beginning on July 21, Mr. Tran Van Kien, a member of the faculty at the National Institute of Administration in Saigon, Vietnam, will be in Washington for several weeks for the purpose of studying and observing various governmental institutions. I would very much appreciate any assistance you might be able to offer Mr. Kien in his work, particularly regarding the research and statistics studies done by the Federal Reserve System.

Mr. Kien has been on the campus here at Michigan State University for the spring quarter 1958 and has visited the Federal Reserve System, Vanderbilt University, and T.V.A., prior to coming to Washington.

For your information I am enclosing a biographical sketch on Mr. Kien. I shall ask Mr. Kien to contact you directly upon his arrival in Washington.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

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cc: Mr. Kien

July 17, 1958

Mr. Harold L. Cheadle  
Research Department  
Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago  
Chicago 90, Illinois

Dear Mr. Cheadle:

Thank you for your kind assistance to Mr. Klen during his stay at the Federal Reserve Bank in Chicago. He has written us to say how informative and worthwhile he felt his visit to the Federal Reserve Bank was.

I want to express our appreciation for the time and efforts of yourself and your staff.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

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July 17, 1958

Mr. Herbert V. Prochnow, Vice President  
The First National Bank of Chicago  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Prochnow:

Mr. Tran Van Kien was able to contact Mr. Newhall, who was busy at the time and put him in touch with Mr. Korsvik. He very much enjoyed both the tour of the bank and the opportunity to discuss various aspects of banking with members of the Research Department.

We are certainly appreciative of your arrangements for Mr. Kien's visit and I am sure I express his feelings as well as our own in saying that the real value of such trip as this is greatly enhanced by the opportunity to see inside the operation of such an organization as yours.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

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OF THE  
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

ADDRESS OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE  
TO THE BOARD

July 18, 1958.

Miss Elsie Cunningham,  
Administrative Assistant,  
Vietnam Project,  
Michigan State University,  
East Lansing, Michigan.

Dear Miss Cunningham:

This is to acknowledge your letter to Mr. Young  
arranging for a visit here by Mr. Tran Van Kien. It is  
understood that Mr. Kien will contact Mr. Young upon arrival  
in Washington. We shall be glad to be of any assistance we  
can to Mr. Kien.

Very truly yours,

*Gerald F. Millea*

Gerald F. Millea, Chief,  
Administration Section,  
Division of Research and Statistics.

*Copy to Kien  
7/20/58*

July 22, 1958

Mr. F. J. Tickner, Assistant Director  
U.N. Technical Assistance Board  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Tickner:

I am writing to you concerning Mr. Tran Van Kien, Assistant Professor at the National Institute of Administration in Saigon. Mr. Kien will be in New York City as part of a study and observation tour prior to his return to Vietnam from August 11 to August 22. He is particularly interested in the economic development programs, and I wonder if you may have any suggestions as to persons he might usefully visit at the U.N. in this particular area of interest.

For your information I am enclosing a biographical sketch on Mr. Kien's background and would certainly appreciate anything you might be able to do to assist him.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

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cc.: Tran Van Kien

July 22, 1958

Mr. H.W. Singer  
Office of Economic Affairs  
United Nations  
New York 17, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Singer:

During the period from August 11 through August 22, Mr. Tran Van Kien, an Assistant Professor of Economics at the National Institute of Administration in Saigon, will be in New York City on a study and observation tour.

He is particularly interested in the economic development programs of the various universities, the U.N., and I am sure would very much like to meet and talk with you or a member of your staff during his stay in New York.

For your information I am enclosing a biographical sketch on Mr. Kien's background and would certainly appreciate anything that you might be able to do to assist him.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

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cc.: Tran Van Kien

July 22, 1958

Mr. F. R. Schiffe  
Federal Reserve Bank  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Schiffe:

I am writing you regarding Mr. Tran Van Kien, an Assistant Professor of Economics at the National Institute of Administration in Saigon. Mr. Kien will be in New York for a two-week period of study and observation beginning on August the 11th. If it is convenient, I would very much like to have him visit the Federal Reserve Bank in New York and have the opportunity of observing your operation.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

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cc.: Tran Van Kien

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK

NEW YORK 45, N.Y.

RECTOR 2-5700

July 25, 1958

Miss Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant  
Vietnam Project, Office of Coordinator  
Michigan State University  
East Lansing, Michigan

Dear Miss Cunningham:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 22. I shall be very glad to talk to Mr. Tran Van Kien when he comes to New York in August and to make arrangements to have him take a tour of the bank, and discuss its operations with some of our specialists here.

Please note, however, that I will be leaving for my vacation on Friday, August 15, so that it would be advisable if Professor Kien came to see me at the very beginning of his stay in New York.

Sincerely yours,

*Frank W. Schiff*  
Frank W. Schiff  
Senior Economist

July 23, 1958

Mr. Donald Blackmer  
Center for International Study  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Blackmer:

From August the 25th to August the 27th, Mr. Tran Van Kien, Assistant Professor of Economics at the National Institute of Administration in Saigon, will be in Boston on a study and observation tour. Mr. David Cole has suggested your name as the likely contact for Mr. Kien at the Institute.

Since Mr. Kien left here following close of the spring term he has visited, or will visit, the Economic Development Program at Vanderbilt University, the Tennessee Authority Valley, the Federal Reserve Bank in Chicago, the International Monetary Fund, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development in Washington, and the Office of Economic Affairs. He will soon be returning to his post as Assistant Professor in this institute which trains civil servants.

For your information I am enclosing a biographical data sketch on Mr. Kien and would certainly appreciate any assistance you may be able to give him.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

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cc.: Tran Van Kien