

February 4, 1959

Mr. Nguyen Van Suu
Vietnam Project
Campus

Dear Mr. Suu:

Please arrange to see Dr. Gabis at your earliest convenience.
His office hours are from 10:00A.M. to 11:00 A.M. on Monday,
Wednesday, and Friday or at any other time when he is in his
office.

Sincerely yours,

EC:ms

Elsie Cunningham
Administrative Assistant

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From the office of

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February 9, 1959

TO: Mr. Nguyen Van Suu
FROM: Elsie Gunningham
SUBJECT: Visit to Mr. John Q. Adamson's
Office

On Friday, February 6, I called Mr. Adamson
and he agreed to pick you up at Bryan Hall about
7:45 a.m. on Wednesday, February 11. As his
office is quite far from the bus line, this will
enable you to visit there quite easily.

February 20, 1959

Mr. Nguyen Van Suu
Vietnam Project
Campus

Dear Mr. Suu:

Dr. Gabis is anxious to see you for a few minutes following the English class to discuss the o & m course that is being given at the State Capitol.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham
Administrative Assistant

EC:ms

June 7th, 1959

Dear Miss Cunningham,

I have been in Washington D.C. 3 days ago. I almost lost my luggage (and Mr. Gibbs too) but everything finally ended well. I actually live in The Clyde Hotel (Room 2), 714, 17th Street and here, I meet many other Vietnamese participants.

I visited the Washington Monument, the White House, the Potomac River and many wonderful landscapes where I took a lot of pictures.

I don't have any trouble about housing, food but I always get "homesick of M.S.U" where I have some sweet remembrances during my stay over there. I think I lost ^{for ever} the familiar images in Viet Nam Project, in ~~the~~ Bryan Hall... for ~~ever~~ and that idea saddens me very much when it comes to my mind chiefly at night. I am sure that the atmosphere of Washington D.C. with its magnificent

buildings, its crowded streets, its green parks ... cannot bring to me the sweetness of soul, the peace of mind like the secluded Mu which is too familiar to me ...

... I am going to attend the Budget Workshop which will be held in the I.C.A Building. I am ready to work with the hope of improving my field and finding out some good purpose during my stay in Washington D.C.

I thank you very much for having helped me in a lot of things and I send my best wishes to you and to everyone in Viet Nam Project.

cordially yours

Horng

C. II: Below are the expenditures for limousine picking:

- 1) From Airport to downtown (Baltimore) : \$ 3.60
(I shared the fare with Mr. Gabis)
- 2) From downtown to bus station (Baltimore) \$ 1.35
- 3) From bus station to hotel (Washington D.C.) \$ 1.20

\$ 6.15

June 9th, 1959

Dear Miss Elsie Cunningham

I attend the Budget Workshop since yester
day and I see that I have to work
harder than in MSU; every day, I spend
5 hours in the Budget Workshop and
after the class hours, I have to do
a lot of homeworks. I met Mr. Barnes,
Director of the Budget Workshop; he is
a very nice gentleman.

Now I have to inform you that
I am going to take a two-weeks trip
from Washington D.C. to Denver and Sacramento.
After the schedule fixed by Mr. Barnes,
all the members of the Budget Workshop
will leave Washington D.C. June 13th and
return only June 26th. You see well that
I must spend ^{as} much money in the forth-
coming days as I did in the last days;
so, I hope you review and regularize
my financial situation by raising from
10 to 12 dollars during my two weeks
trip. I think it is logical to do that be-
cause I don't stay in Washington D.C.
from June 13th to June 26th. I thank
you in advance for this help.

About the mail, please use this
address every time you have something to
send me:

Mr. Nguyen-van-Sue,
I.C.A. 1624 H Street N.W.
Washington D.C.

Once more, I renew my sympathy
and my best regards towards you.

Truly yours,

W. H. D.

W. H. D.

June 10, 1959

Mr. Nguyen Van Suu
The Clyde Hotel
714 - 17th Street, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Suu:

I received your letters of June 7th and 9th. In your letter of the 7th you informed us that you are living in the Clyde Hotel. It would seem that the Clyde Hotel has been "taken over" by the Vietnamese for the current count is four, if I am not mistaken, of Vietnam project participants alone.

I am sending you the transcripts you requested some time ago. Just yesterday Mr. Cline called Mr. Sheinbaum and asked what had happened to you. According to what he told Mr. Sheinbaum, you had enrolled in the class but never attended. On checking previously and again yesterday, the registrar's office indicated that you were enrolled on an audit basis in this course. However, Mr. Cline was quite concerned and he thought you were enrolled on a credit basis and had just not attended classes. I realize from our conversations that you felt that this course was not particularly useful to you. On the other hand, I suggested that you continue to attend these classes as you were certainly not over-burdened with course work. I hope that it does not turn out as Mr. Cline and the transcript indicate, that you were enrolled in this course for credit. For then the only possible alternative would be to give you a failing grade. In my conversation with Mr. Cline yesterday he agreed to hold everything in abeyance unless he received a request from the registrar's office to give you a grade.

I intend to call Washington this morning for you do not make it clear what kind of transportation will be used on your trip to Denver and Sacramento and unless there is a sufficient number of participants for a chartered bus, we will have to try and provide the same transportation for you that ICA provides for its participants.

Please find enclosed your per diem check for \$142.00 from June 16th through the 30th which includes an adjustment of \$8.00 overpayment for June 1 - 15 period based on the assumption that you would proceed directly to Baltimore on June 4 and Washington on June 5. As it is, you are entitled to an additional \$10.00 for the last per diem.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham
Administrative Assistant

EMC:nm

June 10, 1959

Dear Miss Elsie Cunningham,
After mailing my letter to inform
you about my forthcoming trip to
Denver and Sacramento, I was recent-
ly told by Mr. Barnes that I am
not going. I asked him the reason
and he said that you you have
informed him that I usually have
trouble in traveling -- I don't know
how to say to thank you for your care
towards me. But dear Miss Elsie,
I must confess that I had an
emotion really.

Then, I stay here in Washington
D.C. during the time of the trip
to do my homeworks. My friends
will surely enjoy the trip because
they are healthy enough to
enjoy the ^{trip} hardness.

before stopping my pen, I
send you my sincere thanks
and my best sympathy.

cordially yours,

Norm

Ng. V. Sun

June 13th, 1959

Dear Miss Elsie,

I received your letter with the check and the transcripts. Thank you very much.

I must confess that I have been very sorry after reading your letter and I complain about the attitude of Mr. Cline for having told Mr. Sheinbaum, I had never attended the class while I regularly attended it and tried the best to understand his explanations. I left the class only after talking with you and calling Mr. Cline to inform him about my handicap in the course and to ask him for leaving the class. He agreed and suggested me to tell Mr. Sheinbaum about my case but I thought that it is not ~~ne~~ necessary to do it because I told you already. So, that was the problem... May be Mr. Cline is too busy (or too old) to remember such those minute things.

About the trip to Denver and Sacramento, there is no problem now because Mr. Barnes told me

I am not going.

That is exact when you say that the Clyde Hotel is "taken over" by most Vietnamese participants. We live here because it is located in the middle of the city, near I.C.A where we attend the class daily. The current count is \$3.50 per day but we get a small discount through the weekly rate.

Please accept, dear Miss Sloane, my sincere thanks and send my best regards to Mr. Sheinbaum, Mr. Gabis, Mr and Mrs. A. Samson, and Mr. Cline too.

Sincerely yours,

Nguyen Van Ssu

Nguyen-van-Suu,
714, 17th Street N.W.
Washington D.C.

June 22, 1959

Mr. Nguyen Van Suu
The Clyde Hotel
714 - 17th Street, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Suu:

Please find enclosed your per diem check for the period from July 1st through the 15th.

Thank you for your recent letters indicating the activities you have been engaged in. As I recall, we included Sacramento on your itinerary. Perhaps, if you feel strongly about it, upon the return of the other budget workshop participants we can rearrange your schedule to include Denver as well. In any case, I trust that all is going well and that you have sufficient things to do to keep you busy.

I am looking forward to the arrival of Messrs. Chi, Liem, Hau, and Hanh, and should be refreshed from the long-delayed vacation I anticipate taking before their arrival.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham
Administrative Assistant

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Q6/26

June 26th, 1959

Dear Miss Elsie,

I received your letter of June 22nd with the per Siem check. Thank you very much.

I hope you should be refreshed during this vacation and after a long time of working hard for the Vietnamese participants. I am sure you will enjoy the sweet atmosphere of your family in New Jersey where your dear parents are watching your return. Don't worry about my assisitity here. Mr. Barnes, before leaving, assigned me a lot of things to do to keep me busy. He and the budget workshop participants will be back this evening. I am ready to report him about my study of the budget documents he assigned me to read.

I think the itinerary you traced me is too sufficient; so, I would like not to take one trip more. Please believe that

I never lack my duty - and now,
Dear Miss Elsie, enjoy your vaca-
tion. May many ^{new} sweet hopes
blossom in you, a fresh girl
who spreads gaiety everywhere,
and gives solace to ~~all~~ everyone.

Sincerely yours,

Wm. W. Smith

Sue.

Washington D.C. June 29th, 1959

Dear Miss Elsie P7/1

Thank you for the \$ 6.15 check concerning the limousine services.

Please find enclosed two dollars and transmit them with my best regards to Mr. Gabis (see my explanations on the form "Direct Payment Voucher")

About my future trips, please deliver me the bus-tickets for the short distances (below 30 miles)

Sincerely yours,

Frank

Sue

July 9, 1959

Mr. Nguyen Van Suu
The Clyde Hotel
711½ - 17th Street, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Suu:

Please find enclosed your per diem check for the period from July 16th through the 31st.

I am also enclosing a copy of my letter to the Department of Education in Baltimore. Mr. Barnes recommended the Department of Education as being one of the government branches doing the most outstanding work in program budgeting.

I have also written to the Municipal Finance Officers Association in Chicago to obtain their advice on additional cities which might have the latest and most interesting budget setups.

I am sorry that we were so hurried on Monday and I hope that if I have an opportunity to come to Washington again, I may do so with more time at my disposal, and when the telephones at the Clyde Hotel are working.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham
Administrative Assistant

EMC:nm

Washington D.C. ^{July 20th}, 1959

Dear Miss Elsie,

Seized by a heavy rain last Thurs-Say when I was in downtown, I got sick immediately that night.

I have been in bed three days ago and it is not yet better; for meals during these 3 days, I take only a little soup or orange juice. I have many fevers and headaches ...

To-morrow, I will go to consult a physician (recommended by I.C.A) to know what kind of sickness I have. I will write you immediately after the medical examination to inform you what would happen to me.

I hope all is going well for me in a short time so that I can take the trip for Baltimore early in August.

Sincerely yours,

Nguyen-van-Sue

July 21, 1959

Mr. Nguyen Van Suu
The Clyde Hotel
71½ - 17th Street, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Suu:

Please find enclosed the answers which I have received regarding visits to those organizations having performance budgeting.

I hope that you will be completely recovered and able to visit these organizations on the dates indicated.

Please find enclosed an insurance form to be completed by you and your physician.

Also please find enclosed your per diem check for the period from August 1st through the 15th and a general newsletter to all participants.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham
Administrative Assistant

EMC:nm

Washington D.C. July 22, 1959

Dear Miss Irie

I was examined by a physician who tells me that my sickness is mainly caused by the bad weather... he gave me a prescription for some medicines and I am taking them every 2-hours - I feel I am better to-day even I am still weakened.

I hope my health will be recovered quickly.

Meantime, please inform me the answer of the Dept. of Education in Baltimore and send me the bus-ticket. If nothing new happens in the future, I am glad to follow the itinerary drawn by you before.

If it is possible, please deliver me a "letter of introduction" to the Embassy of Great Britain and the Embassy of Japan (at San Francisco) so that I can get the visas for ^{a short} ~~ver~~ easily and quickly in my return home trip.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours

Hoover

Sue

C.N. Please transmit my best regards to Miss Kem. Chau, Van and Vien ...

July 23, 1959

Mr. Nguyen Van Suu
The Clyde Hotel
714 - 17th Street, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.

Dear Suu:

Please find enclosed a copy of a revised itinerary. This revision takes into account the various cities suggested by Mr. Clark, Executive Director of the Municipal Finance Officers Association in Chicago. I have sent a copy of this itinerary to Mr. Barnes and Mr. McMillan indicating that if they had any comments or suggestions I would appreciate receiving them.

I have included Newark, New Jersey rather than New York City, as their operation is considerably smaller. Since the distance between these two cities is small, you will have the opportunity to see New York as well as New Jersey.

I am just beginning to write the letters to the cities involved requesting their cooperation in arranging this program. However, I anticipate some answers similar to that received from Richmond in which they state only a few days is needed to see the complete operation. Therefore, I have not scheduled you for extended periods of time in any of these organizations.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham
Administrative Assistant

EMC:nm

P.S. Enclosed are some copies of letters we sent out this morning to cities using performance budgeting.