

March 26, 1956

Secretary  
Embassy of Vietnam  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Professor Dorsey of our Saigon office has asked us to forward directly to you a notarized copy of the per diem amounts the ten Vietnamese participants at Michigan State University have received since their arrival here. I am also arranging to send to you the amounts each of them receives every month.

As we understand it the Government of Vietnam Embassy is to arrange for a differential payment to the participants for the support of their families. The differential payments refer, we believe, to the difference between the amounts of their regular governmental salaries and the per diem they receive from Michigan State University.

I presume to urge the utmost haste in this matter. I am enclosing a copy of a letter from one of the participants, Mr. Nguyen Dien, to the Ministry of Finance. This should indicate the concern that the participants are beginning to show. They are considerably worried over the well-being of their families in Vietnam. I am concerned for their families, and I am concerned that their work here at Michigan State should not be hindered because of their worries for their families. Could you please inform me as soon as you are able as to what steps it has been possible for you to take in this matter?

Most respectfully yours,

Stanley K. Sheinbaum  
Participant Program

SKS:jb

Enc. Notarized original of past payments  
Copy of Dien's letter

March 12, 1956

Per Diem Paid Vietnamese Participants

by

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY  
Vietnam Project  
East Lansing

Participant	November	December 1-15	December 16-31	January 1-15	January 16-31	February 1-15	February 16-29	March 1-15
Nguyen Dien	\$ 54.00	\$180.00	\$131.50	\$148.00	\$131.50	\$120.00	\$112.00	\$120.00
Nguyen Thanh Do	54.00	180.00	117.00	140.00	117.00	105.00	98.00	105.00
Truong Ngo Giao	54.00	180.00	117.00	140.00	117.00	105.00	98.00	105.00
Hoang The Huan	150.00	142.50	129.00	148.00	129.00	120.00	112.00	120.00
Nguyen Quoc Lan	150.00	142.50	117.00	148.50	117.00	120.00	112.00	120.00
Truong Hoang Lem	54.00	180.00	132.50	139.50	132.50	105.00	98.00	105.00
Buu Nghi	54.00	180.00	117.00	140.00	117.00	105.00	98.00	105.00
Duong Nguyen	54.00	180.00	117.00	140.00	117.00	105.00	98.00	105.00
Than Thi Thanh	150.00	142.50	133.00	139.50	133.00	105.00	98.00	105.00
Tran Phuoc Thanh	150.00	142.50	117.00	140.00	117.00	105.00	98.00	105.00

I hereby certify that this is an exact  
statement of the amounts paid the above  
named individuals.

L. E. Traywick  
L. E. Traywick, Assistant Coordinator

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me, a Notary Public, this 20  
day of Mar 1956

W. S. Chapman  
Notary Public, Michigan Co., Mich.  
My Commission Expires 18 Dec 1956

*Embassy of Viet Nam  
Washington, D.C.*

April 4, 1956

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Mr. Stanley K. Sheinbaum,  
Participant Program,  
Michigan State University,  
East Lansing, Mich.

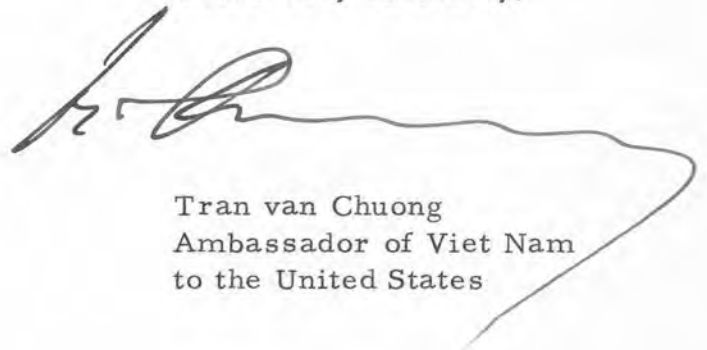
Dear Mr. Sheinbaum,

Thank you very much for your letter of March 26 and the enclosures relating to the participants in the Viet Nam Project. So far, the Embassy has not received any instructions from the Department of Foreign Affairs in Saigon in relation to this matter.

We appreciate very much your concern and are forwarding your letter, the copy of the per diem amounts and the copy of Mr. Dien's letter to the Department of Foreign Affairs.

As soon as we receive word from Saigon we will let you know.

Yours very sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'T. Chuong', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Tran van Chuong  
Ambassador of Viet Nam  
to the United States