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REF SING 5381 (IN 53415) (SENT DIR SAIG KUAL)  
SAIG 2293 (IN 56533) (NOT SENT ABOVE ADDRESSEES)

1. RECOMMENDED PSYCH GUIDANCE VIETNAM. DENY ODYOKE  
ROLL. NEW REGIME STATES NO FOREIGN INVOLVEMENT. ODYOKE  
POSITION ON COUP IS THAT IT INITIATED AND REALIZED BY VIETNAMESE  
THEMSELVES.
2. FORMER GVN DESPOTIC AND OUT OF TOUCH PEOPLE. DIEM  
GOVT REFUSED MAKE EVEN MOST BASIC CONCESSIONS AND REFORMS  
DURING RECENT CRISIS. NGO DINH NHU BELIEVE SECRETLY NEGOTIATING  
WITH DRV. JUNIOR AND SENIOR OFFICERS AND POPULATION GENUINELY  
DISENCHANTED AND MILITARY REALIZED LOSING WAR AGAINST VIET  
CONG WITH DIEM GOVT.
3. CIRCUMSTANCES DEATH DIEM AND NHU UNCERTAIN. THIS  
OBVIOUSLY TOUCHY ISSUE AND EMPHASIS SHOULD BE PLACED FOLLOWING

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FACTORS. DEATH NEVER INTENDED BY MILITARY LEADERSHIP, ONLY  
 REMOVAL FROM POWER. REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE APPEALED FOR  
 AND GAVE EVERY POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY SURRENDER THROUGHOUT  
 PERIOD MIDDAY 1 NOV THRU MORNING 2 NOV. SEVERAL CEASE FIRES  
 ARRANGED PERMIT DIEM AND NHU CAPITULATE. BOTH MEN GUARANTEED  
 SAFE CONDUCT TO COUNTRY THEIR CHOICE ON CONDITION THEY SURREN-  
 DER. CAUSE THEIR DEATH CONSIDERED ACCIDENTIAL AND OCCURRED  
 DURING ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE AFTER CAPTURE. DIEM AND NHU REFUSED  
 CAPITULATE DESPITE FACT THEY AWARE COULD SAVE INNOCENT LIVES  
 BY SO DOING.

4. STRESS NEW REGIME PLATFORM PRIMARILY TO FIGHT COMMUNISM,  
 JOIN FREE WORLD RANKS, HONOR ALL AGREEMENTS AND PACTS AND RES-  
 PECT FOREIGN PROPERTY. NEW REGIME PROMISES FREEDOM ALL SECTS  
 AND RELIGIONS, INVITES REPS ALL SOCIAL CLASSES PARTICIPATE IN NEW  
 GOVT. MILITARY COUNCIL DISCLAIMS PRIOR FRAUDULENT ELECTIONS AND  
DESIRES FUNCTIONING ALL <sup>NON</sup> COMMUNIST POLITICAL PARTIES  
 POPULARLY ELECTED GOVT AND FREEDOM OF PRESS AND EXPRESSION

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ASAP. GENERALS DECLARED NO POLITICAL ~~AMBITIONS~~ AMBITIONS AMONG  
MILITARY AND ESTABLISHED PROVISIONAL POLITICAL GOVT IMMEDIATELY.  
WELCOMED CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM, RELEASED NON-COMMUNIST  
POLITICAL DETAINEES, FORBID BURNING AND LOOTING AND UNLAWFUL  
ARRESTS, AND RECEIVED IMMEDIATE COUNTRYWIDE SUPPORT.

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