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SUBJECT PLANS OF GOVERNMENT TO ASSASSINATE AMBASSADOR

LODGE, OTHER HIGH EMBASSY OFFICIALS, AND THICH

TRI QUANG, AND BURN THE CHANCERY

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ITS REPRESENTATIVES. STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS, EITHER GVN-SPONSORED OR INDEPENDENTLY ORGANIZED, MAY TAKE PLACE. THE OTHER ASPECTS OF THIS REPORT ARE VIEWED WITH SKEPTICISM.

- 1. SUMMARY. ON 8 OCTOBER 1963 NGUYEN DUY BACH, CHIEF OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU, PRESIDENTIAL SECURITY SERVICE (SEPES), SAID THAT GOVERNMENT OF VIETNAM (GVN) AUGHORITIES WERE PLANNING TO ALLOW A STUDENT DEMONSTRATION IN FRONT OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY CHANCERY UNDER COVER OF WHICH ABOUT 100 GVN AGENTS WOULD ATTACK THE EMBASSY AND ASSASSINATE AMBASSADOR HENRY CABOT LODGE AND OTHER HIGH-RANKING EMBASSY OFFICIALS AFTER WHICH THE CHANCERY WOULD BE SET AFIRE.
- 2. ON 8 OCTOBER 1963 BACH SAID THAT EARLIER ON THE SAME DAY
 A DELEGATION OF STUDENTS HAD INFORMED HIM THAT THEY WERE ORGANIZING
 A DEMONSTRATION WHICH THEY HOPED WOULD TAKE PLACE IN FRONT OF THE
 AMERICAN EMBASSY CHANCERY WITHIN "THE NEXT FEW DAYS" DURING OFFICE
 HOURS AND PROBABLY IN THE MORNING. THE STUDENTS PLANNED TO PRESENT
 A STATEMENT TO AMBASSADOR LODGE PROTESTING THE REPRESSION OF
 STUDENTS AND OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE BY THE GVN. (FIELD COMMENT.
 FVS-9749, (NOT YET RECEIVED), FROM A FAIRLY RELIABLE SOURCE,
 REPORTED THE ARREST OF 130 SAIGON STUDENTS ON THE NIGHT OF 7 OCTOBER
 BY SPECIAL POLICE.) THE STUDENTS ALSO TOLD BACK (AND BACH SAID
 THAT HE HAD CONFIRMATION FROM OTHER UNIDENTIFIED SOURCES) THAT
 NGO DINH NHU, MINISTER OF CIVIC ACTION NGO TRONG HIEU, AND COMMANDER

OF EMBASSY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS MELVIN L. MANFULL, AND SPECIAL ASSISTANTS MESSRS. FREDERICK W. FLOTT AND JOHN M. DUNN, AS WELL AS THICH TRI QUANG, BUDDHIST LEADER CURRENTLY LIVING IN THE CHANCERY. THE GVN AGENTSWOULD THEN BURN THE CHANCERY.

- 3. BACH REMARKED THAT NORMALLY THE GVN PERMITTED NO DEMONSTRATIONS BUT, BECAUSE OF THE PLANNED INFILTRATION OF GVN AGENTS,
 THE GVN WOULD ALLOW THIS PARTICULAR (PORTION GARBLED BEING
 SERVICED)(X) DEMONSTRATION BUT THEY WERE CONFIDENT THAT THEY COULD
 CONTROL THE SITUATION.
- 4. (FIELD COMMENT. AN UNTESTED SOURCE REPORTED ON 8 OCTOBER
 THAT A NUMBER OF POLICE WERE GOING TO MASQUERADE AS STUDENTS
 AND DEMONSTRATE IN FRONT OF THE UNITED STATES INFORMATION SERVICE
 BUILDING.)
- 5. FIELD DISSEM. STATE (AMBASSADOR LODGE), USMACV (GENERAL HARKINS). CINCPAC PACAF ARPAC PACFLT.
- 6. (X) HEADQUARTERS COMMENTAC MISSING PORTION WILL BE DIS-SEMINATED ONLY IF IT MATERIALLY AFFECTS THE SENSE OF THIS REPORT. SCP-1

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