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1. OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH POLITICAL LEADERS AND JOURNALISTS WEST BERLIN AND WEST GERMANY, PARTICULARLY THOSE CLOSE SPD, HAVE CONVINCED US LARGE PART GERMAN POPULATION STILL OPPOSES U.S. POLICY VIETNAM. ACCORDING ^{Wienbach} PUBLIC OPINION POLL FORWARDED IN EGO 536, 45 PERCENT OF POPULATION ARE AGAINST U.S. INVOLVEMENT VIETNAM. 26 PERCENT FOR CONTINUATION U.S. INVOLVEMENT.

2. HAVE DISCUSSED THIS ASSESSMENT GERMAN OPINION WITH POLITICAL SECTION USBER AND HAVE FOUND THEY NOT PLANNING ANY OVERT PROJECTS DESIGNED PRODUCE MORE FAVORABLE WEST GERMAN ATTITUDE TOWARD U.S. VIETNAM POLICY. VIETNAM ISSUE EXPECTED COME TO FORE AGAIN AFTER EASTER VACATION WHEN SUMMER SEMESTER STARTS AT FREE UNIVERSITY AND STUDENTS CAN BE EXPECTED AGAIN USE ISSUE ^{EA} CREATE SERIOUS DISTURBANCES AT UNIVERSITIES AND ELSEWHERE IN BERLIN. *(c) (3)* STATED IN DISCUSSION WITH *(c) (3)* MARCH THAT, HAVING BEEN IN STATES DURING HEIGHT SENATE DEBATE, HE CONFUSED RE U.S. STAND VIETNAM, AND PARTICULARLY SENATOR KENNEDY'S OPPOSITION TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON. IN VIEW HIS PERSONAL CONFUSION ON VIETNAM ISSUE, *(c) (3)* NOT PLANNING ANY STRONG MEASURES TO COUNTER ANTI-U.S. TREND ON VIETNAM WITHIN SOCIALIST

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3. BELIEVE STRONG OVERT AND COVERT ACTIONS NECESSARY IN ORDER GET LARGER PART WEST GERMAN POPULATION BEHIND U.S. POLICY. IF THIS ACCOMPLISHED IT WILL BE EASIER FOR WEST GERMAN GOVERNMENT TO MOUNT AID PROGRAMS.

4. ON COVERT SIDE WE CONTINUING STIMULATE SUPPORT U.S. POSITION ON VIETNAM THROUGH [] AND BOB COVERT ASSETS ASSOCIATED WITH HIS ORGANIZATION. (CAMLET) HAS PUBLISHED REPRINTS OF ARTICLES ON VIETNAM AND DISTRIBUTED THEM ALL BUNDESTAG MEMBERS. [] LECTURES CONTINUING STRESS U.S. POLICY LINE, AND [] CONTINUING SERIES ARTICLES IN SUPPORT U.S. POSITION. ALSO EXPECT BEVEFICIAL RESULTS FROM TUMI LK BRLN VISIT. HOWEVER, WOULD LIKE SUBMIT FOR HOS CONSIDERATION FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL MEASURES:

A. () WILLING DEVOTE ENTIPE ISSUE HIS MONTHLY TO VIETNAM. THIS PUBLICATION HAS CIRCULATION OF 5,000. [] PUBLICATION LIKELY ACHIEVE GREATER IMPACT AND MORE POSITIVE CONTENT IF KUBARK UNDERWRITES [] VISIT VIETNAM. HAVE NO FUNDS IN PROJECT FOR TRIP. ESTIMATE TRIP OF TWO OR THREE WEEK DURATION WOULD COST 2,500 DOLLARS.

B. () CAN IMPROVE VIETNAM COVERAGE BY SENDING STAFF WRITER VIETNAM SINCE [] WRITER RESPONSIBLE FOR FAR EASTERN AFFAIRS DOES NOT SPEAK ENGLISH OR FRENCH, FEEL IT WOULD BE ADVISEABLE HAVE [] INTERPRETER ACCOMPANY HIM IN ORDER GET MAXIMUM UTILITY FROM THREE WEEK TRIP. HAVE NO FUNDS IN PROJECT FOR TRIP WHICH WOULD COST 5,000 DOLLARS.

C. BELIEVE [] ORGANIZATION WOULD ALSO IMPROVE ITS OUTPUT THROUGH TRAVEL [] OR ONE HIS STAFFERS, VIETNAM FOR ON-SPOT SURVEY AND COLLECTION BACKGROUND MATERIALS WHICH [] BE USED [] INVESTIGATIONS AND LECTURES. [] NOT PROJECT AND FUNDS TO COVER []

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5. BELIEVE TRAVEL () I, TWO () STAFFERS AND ONE ()
STAFFER, IF APPROVED, OUGHT BE COMPLETED

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WOULD STAGGER VISITS SO AS NOT TO OVERLAP. IF APPROVED, CAN WE
CHARGE TRIPS () DTO FUNDS.

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