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Vote NOW on Vietnam!

You can speak your mind in the National Voters' Pledge Campaign

Millions of Americans voted in 1964 for the Presidential candidate who said:

"I want to be very cautious and careful, and use force only as a last resort when I start dropping bombs that are likely to involve American boys in war in Asia with 700 million Chinese . . . so we are not going North . . . and we are not going South . . ." (Manchester, N. H., Sept. 28, 1964).

They believed his words. But three months after the elections they were dismayed to see the same candidate order the bombing of North Vietnam and soon dispatch 175,000 more Americans to South Vietnam. They were dismayed to learn that the U.S. had twice refused during 1964 to meet in Rangoon with the North Vietnamese when Hanoi was ready to talk — reported in Eric Sevareid's last interview with Adlai Stevenson. They were dismayed to find that the U.S. offer of unconditional negotiations excluded direct talks with the Vietcong (NLF) as a separate party. And they were dismayed by the reluctance of

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Congress to act or even to discuss the drift toward a land war in Asia. Even after the hearings by the Foreign Relations Committee, a majority of the Senate remains willing to consent but not to advise.

The American people have been losing their influence over events—events which determine whether their sons will go to war or go to school, whether their government will wipe out villages abroad or slums at home.

1966 is the year for the American people to regain control over these events. The place to do so is at the polls.

Don't wait until November to speak your mind. Sign the Voters' Pledge below. Between now and May 14 help collect tens of thousands of signatures to the pledge. And on May 14 go to Washington to help deliver the signed pledges to the seat of Government. This year's candidate must get the message now.

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The Vietnam war is exacting a cruel toll in lives and resources, detracting from constructive domestic programs and threatening to lead to a third world war.

I PLEDGE to support and vote for candidates in 1966 who agree to work vigorously:

FOR U.S. steps to scale down the fighting and achieve a cease fire;

FOR U.S. initiatives to encourage negotiations with all concerned parties including the Vietcong (NLF); and

FOR a settlement which permits the Vietnamese people freely to work out their own future;

FOR the use of international agencies to settle disputes among nations; and

FOR the avoidance of military intervention in the affairs of other nations;

FOR the increasing use of our resources in constructive economic and social programs at home and abroad.

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My Congressional District number: _____

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Send me _____ copies of the Voters' Pledge.

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