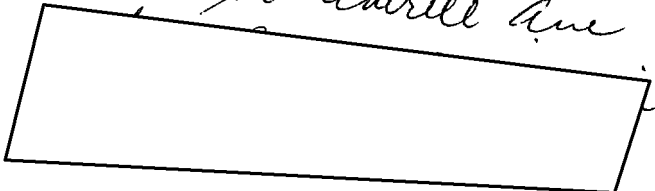


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Vietnam

Dear President Kennedy:

I was deeply disturbed by the report in the "New York Times, Western Ed." of September 9th, that the C.I.A. was quietly continuing payments to support the Special Forces of Col. Le Quang Tung in South Vietnam. James Reston reported the White House as being disturbed but publicly quiet.

The question this raises in my mind, is why should an agency of the Federal Government not be held accountable for its disposition of public funds?

I think it is more than overdue for payment to the South Vietnam government to be ended. Many Senators have already spoken out in opposition to our foreign policy in South Vietnam. The troops are reentering the

dictatorship of Ngo Dinh Diem, not the rights of the democratic people in this country.

I am convinced our foreign policy will be corrected, but the longer it takes the worse the reputation of the United States becomes in Asia; so why hurry?

Very truly yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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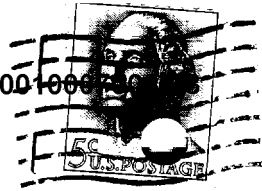
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