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AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH 4542  
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AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE 1518  
ZEN/AMCONSUL BIEN HOA (POUCH)  
ZEN/AMCONSUL CAN THO (POUCH)  
ZEN/AMCONSUL DANGANG (POUCH)  
ZEN/AMCONSUL NHA TRANG (POUCH)

UNCLAS SAIGON 10333

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EQ 11052 N/A  
TAGS PINT VS  
SUBJECT PRESS SPECULATION ON PARIS TALKS

1. PRESS INTEREST IN THE PARIS TALKS CONTINUES TO BE HIGH.  
DIEN TINH REPORTS IN ITS JUNE 11 ISSUE THAT DEPUTY HEAD OF THE

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GVN PARIS DELEGATION NGUYEN XUAN PHONG RETURNED TO SAIGON  
"WITH A DRAFT JOINT COMMUNIQUE" ON THE EVENING OF JUNE 9. HE  
REPORTEDLY WENT DIRECTLY TO INDO-CHINA PALACE WHERE HE  
PARTICIPATED IN A SESSION OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY  
COUNCIL WHICH RAN WELL INTO THE NIGHT AND RECOVERED SUNDAY  
MORNING. THE MILITARY REGION COMMANDERS ARE ALSO SAID TO  
HAVE BEEN PRESENT. PHONG REPORTEDLY DEPARTED FOR PARIS SUNDAY  
EVENING. DAI DAN TOC REPORTS THAT FOREIGN MINISTER LAM MET

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PRESIDENT THIEU AND HIS DEPUTIES, DANG VAN QUANG AND  
NGUYEN PHU DUC, "IN ORDER TO CONTINUE WORKING OUT SECTIONS  
OF THE DOCUMENT WHICH WILL SOON BE MADE PUBLIC" THE ARTICLE  
ADDS THAT, FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE VICE PRESIDENT AND OTHER  
DIGNITARIES WERE PRESENT. LAM WILL REPORTEDLY GO TO PARIS  
"ONCE AN AGREED POSITION IS WORKED OUT IN SAIGON."  
DAI DAN TOC REPORTS THAT DISCUSSION HAS BEEN COMPLETED ON THE

\*\*\*\*\*WHSR COMMENT\*\*\*\*\*

HAK, SCOWCROFT, HOWE, RODMAN, STEARMAN

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MATTERS BETWEEN THE US AND NVN. THE PAPER REPORTS THAT THE TWO SIDES (PRESUMABLY THE TWO PARTIES IN SVN) " WILL MEET TO FIND WAYS TO TEMPORARILY AVOID CONFLICT." FIFTEEN DAYS LATER, THE RED CROSS WILL BE INVITED TO VISIT THE REMAINING PRISONERS. EXCHANGE OF THESE PRISONERS WILL BE COMPLETED 45 DAYS AFTER SIGNATURE OF THE NEW DOCUMENT.

2. SONG THAN REPORTS THAT THIEU WILL DELIVER A TELEVISION

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ADDRESS ON THE SUBJECT OF PEACE. NO DATE IS GIVEN, BUT IT WILL BE "SOON".

3. ALL PAPERS CARRIED WIRE SERVICE REPORTS OF HAK'S DEPARTURE FOR US.

4. OPPOSITIONIST LOWER HOUSE DEPUTY TRAN VAN THUNG SPECULATES  
D. THE TALKS IN DIEN TIN IN AN ARTICLE CALLED "TO SIGN OR NOT?".

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HE RESPONDS THAT PREPARATIONS WERE COMPLETE IN PARIS FOR A SIGNING CEREMONY ON SATURDAY OR SUNDAY, BUT "SOME DIFFICULTIES HAVE BEEN ENCOUNTERED". THEY "COULD QUITE POSSIBLY COME FROM SAIGON BECAUSE THE GVN WANTS TO CLEAR UP A FEW POINTS" HE ADDS. THUNG SAYS THAT ONE PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT POINT IS THE MATTER OF ZONES OF CONTROL. EVEN IF AGREEMENT IN DETAIL HAS BEEN REACHED, IT WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE COMMUNIQUE, HE ASSERTS, BECAUSE PUBLIC OPINION IS NOT YET ADEQUATELY PREPARED.

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