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FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER
TO : AMBASSADOR BUNKER
CITE: WFS1023 AND SCWN03136

MARCH 31, 1971

TO FURTHER CLARIFY HIS PERSONAL VIEW ON THE CALLEY
CONVICTION, THE PRESIDENT WAS ASKED THAT I QUERY YOU
THROUGH THIS CHANNEL AS TO WHAT IMPACT, IF ANY,
COMMUNICATION OF THE SENTENCE BY THE PRESIDENT MIGHT
HAVE IN NORTH VIETNAM. THE PRESIDENT HAS NOT
YET DECIDED ON SUCH A COURSE OF ACTION BUT
WISHED TO BE ARMED WITH YOUR BEST JUDGMENT WITH
RESPECT TO SOUTH VIETNAMESE ATTITUDES ON THE
CALLEY CASE. I WILL NEED YOUR ANSWER BY THE OPENING
OF BUSINESS TOMORROW PACIFIC TIME.

BEST PERSONAL REGARDS.

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

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