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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINT, VS  
SUBJECT: NATIONAL PROGRESSIVE PARTY LEADER CALLS ON SENATOR  
MANSFIELD TO HELP RVN SURVIVE

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF TELEGRAM TO SENATOR MANSFIELD FROM  
TRUONG VINH LE, FORMER SPEAKER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF 1ST  
REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM AND CHRM OF NATIONAL PROGRESSIVE PARTY.  
MR. LE HAS REQUESTED THAT MESSAGE BE CIRCULATED AMONG OTHER  
SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES PRESENTLY DEBATING ISSUE.

2. BEGIN TEXT.  
SENATOR MIKE MANSFIELD  
LEADER OF MAJORITY  
US SENATE  
WASHDC  
USA

WE MET SEVERAL OCCASIONS SPECIALLY DURING OFFICIAL VISIT TO  
USA IN 1960 AS SPEAKER OF VN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF FIRST REPUBLIC  
OF VN. FIRMLY TRUST YOUR LONG-LASTING FRIENDSHIP WITH FREE VN.  
APPEAL YOUR INTERVENTION GETTING US SENATE SUPPORT OF VN  
VIEWPOINT TO CONFRONT NORTH VN INVASION. IT'S NO LONGER WAR  
BETWEEN SOUTH AND NORTH BUT IDEOLOGICAL WAR BETWEEN FREE WORLD  
AND COMMUNISM. ABANDONMENT OF VN THIS STAGE WOULD BETRAY  
SACRIFICE OF THOUSANDS OF DEAD AMERICAN AND VIETNAMESE BROTHERS-  
IN-ARMS AND FREEDOM-LOVING TRADITION OF AMERICAN PEOPLE. HELP  
US TO SURVIVE OR DIE ON OUR FEET NOT ON OUR KNEES. SINCERELY,

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TRUONG VINH LE  
FORMER SPEAKER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF  
1ST REPUBLIC OF VN AND CHRM OF  
NATIONAL PROGRESSIVE PARTY END TEXT  
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