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## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

This collection from the State Department records at the National Archives focuses on the activities of the Vietnam Working Group, a special group formed in the State Department's Bureau of Far Eastern Affairs in 1963 to deliberate on U.S. policy in Vietnam. Over the life of the group, members included Chalmers B. Wood, James M. Montgomery, Thomas F. Conlon, Theodore J. C. Heavner, Joseph Brent, H. Freeman Matthews Jr., and Paul M. Kattenburg. Members corresponded with many people in the State Department and collected reports on a wide array of topics related to Vietnam.

The papers of the Vietnam Working Group reflect the significant increase in U.S. economic and military aid to Vietnam under President John F. Kennedy. The papers begin with materials from 1963 pertaining to the U.S. Operations Mission (USOM) in Vietnam and other U.S. economic aid programs to Vietnam. Minutes of staff meetings of USOM for 1963 cover a broad range of aid topics, including agricultural assistance, industrial development, public health programs, and public works programs.

In particular, USOM meeting minutes describe the successes and failures of the strategic hamlet program, which was a major part of the U.S. counterinsurgency effort in South Vietnam by 1963. The minutes of a May 8 meeting, for example, note that USOM would open eight new training schools for strategic hamlet teachers on May 27. At a May 29 USOM meeting, USOM Vietnam director Joseph Brent reported on a trip to Phan Tiet for the opening of one of these new training schools. At a May 1 meeting, USOM discussed the successful program at Quang Ngai, as well as the inability of USOM to set up any program in An Giang province because of the large Viet Cong presence. The AID files also highlight other important parts of the U.S. counterinsurgency effort, such as the Commercial Import Program (CIP), a program designed to help build the social and economic infrastructure in South Vietnam.

Another major series of documents covers defense affairs. Several items address the problem of U.S. bombing in South Vietnam and the possibility of alienating the local population. In addition, a February 1963, paper from the Foreign Service Institute raises the issue of decreasing U.S. military involvement in Vietnam. This issue is further addressed in a file on a May 6, 1963, meeting with Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara in Honolulu, Hawaii (Reel 1, Frame 0369). One of the items on the meeting agenda was a plan to withdraw 1,000 U.S. military personnel by December 1963 and to decide on the number of U.S. military personnel needed in Vietnam as of July 1, 1964. An October 18, 1963, memorandum from Paul M. Kattenburg to Roger Hilsman comments further on the issues of troop withdrawals and the overall number of U.S. military personnel in Vietnam (Reel 1, Frame 0380).

The largest group of documents in this collection covers political matters. Vietnam's Buddhist community attracted worldwide attention in 1963 due to a series of demonstrations against the policies of the Catholic-led government. The origins of the Buddhist issue are covered in a background study prepared by Dr. Wesley R. Fishel from September 1963 (Reel 2, Frame 0062). Other materials in the collection survey the mass protests of Buddhists and university students, which helped to overthrow the presidency of Ngo Dinh

Diem. Documents reflect the U.S. government's increasing disfavor with Diem policies because of repressive measures against the Buddhists and other factors. This collection covers the withdrawal of U.S. support for Diem's government, which resulted in the military coup and the president's execution in the fall of 1963.

During 1963, Buddhist protesters prompted the tirades of President Diem's sister-in-law, Madame Ngo Dinh Nhu, whose comments and actions are presented in the collection's materials. Documents show that Madame Nhu's statements to the press about the selfimmolation of Buddhist demonstrators made her a disastrous spokeswoman for her brotherin-law. Documents from 1964 reflect Madame's Nhu's bitterness toward the U.S. after her husband's and Diem's execution by military officers. Documents also show Madame Nhu's attempts to obtain a visa from the State Department for a return to Vietnam in 1964.

This collection details the infiltration by Vietcong into South Vietnam and its strikes against strategic hamlets (Reel 1, Frame 0688). Materials address North Vietnamese infiltration through Laos and the U.S. proposal in 1965 of a Laos highway project to block passage into South Vietnam (Reel 6, Frame 0304). Documents also cover military assistance to the Vietcong from North Vietnam and China.

This collection contains much material on Vietnam's Chieu Hoi program, which was established to encourage defection of Vietcong members and the North Vietnamese. Documents cover U.S. attempts to undermine insurgent activities in Vietnam's villages through reconciliation and pacification policies. Materials in the collection show that pacification efforts promoted nation building through strengthening Vietnam's infrastructure, building schools, and implementing agricultural reform.

Other materials in the collection cover the U.S. Senate's debate on the Gulf of Tonkin resolution, which gave President Lyndon B. Johnson authority to take "all necessary measures" for maintaining peace in Southeast Asia. Congress passed the joint resolution on August 7, 1964, only five days after an attack by North Vietnamese torpedo boats on a U.S. destroyer. Documents include texts of the Senate Committee hearings with testimony from Secretary of State Dean Rusk and Secretary of Defense McNamara in support of passage of the resolution. Documents also present statements from Senator Wayne Morse (D, Ore.) in opposition to the resolution.

Apart from the specific documents mentioned above, this collection consists generally of memoranda, reports, correspondence, policy studies, and briefing papers. The materials are organized chronologically by year, and within each year, in alphabetical order by subject. The major subjects covered are U.S. economic assistance to Vietnam (AID), defense affairs (DEF), and political affairs (POL).

## **NOTE ON SOURCES**

The materials microfilmed for this publication are reproduced from Record Group 59, Records of the Department of State, Subject Files of the Vietnam Working Group, 1963– 1966, Entry 5305, Lot Files 67-D-54, 68-D-84, 69-D-67, 70-D-102, 70-D-232 and 70-D-233, National Archives, College Park, Maryland.

## **EDITORIALNOTE**

Records created or filed at the State Department can be found in Record Group 59. This Record Group is comprised of two types of records: the Central Files, records originating from various embassies and consulates, other agencies, and within the State Department itself; and "Special Files" or Lot Files, which are records maintained outside of the Central Files and originating in various offices, bureaus, and committees in the State Department. In addition, Lot Files relate to certain administrative functions, individuals, other organizational units, or special subjects or events.

The records microfilmed in the publication were created, collected, and collated by the Vietnam Working Group within the Bureau of Far Eastern Affairs. Upon transmittal to the National Archives, these records were assigned the following Lot numbers by the State Department: 67D54, 68D84, 69D67, 70D102, 70D232 & 70D233. These Lot Files comprise all of the available Vietnam Working Group's Subject Files.

UPA made its selection of these Special Files to microfilm after extensive research of archival indexes for records relating to the internal and foreign affairs of Vietnam, U.S. foreign policy in Southeast Asia, and Vietnam's special role in the Cold War.

These records have been microfilmed in their original archival order, as filed by the State Department, and in their entirety as available at the National Archives.

## **ABBREVIATIONS**

The following acronyms and initialisms have been used throughout this guide.

| CG     | Civil Guard   |
|--------|---|
| CIA    | Central Intelligence Agency                         |
| CIDG   | Civilian Irregular Defense Group                    |
| CIF    | Counterinsurgency funding                           |
| DRV    | Democratic Republic of Vietnam [North Vietnam]      |
| FE/VN  | Far East/Vietnam                                    |
| GAO    | General Accounting Office                           |
| GVN    | Government of [South] Vietnam                       |
| HEW    | Department of Health, Education, and Welfare        |
| ICRC   | International Committee of the Red Cross            |
| MEMCON | Memorandum of conversation                          |
| PL     | Public Law  |
| POW    | Prisoner of war                                     |
| RVNAF  | Republic of [South] Vietnam Air Force               |
| SDC    | Self Defense Corps                                  |
| SEATO  | South East Asia Treaty Organization                 |
| SVN    | South Vietnam                                       |
| TF/SEA | Task Force/Southeast Asia                           |
| UN     | United Nations                                      |
|        |   |
| USAID  | United States Agency for International Development  |
| USIA   | U.S. Information Agency<br>U.S. Information Service |
| USIS   |   |
| USOM   | U.S. Operations Mission                             |
|        | U.S. Military Assistance Command, Vietnam           |
| WG/VN  | Working Group/Vietnam                               |

## **REEL INDEX**

The following is a listing of the folders that compose *Confidential U.S. State Department Special Files, Vietnam Working Group, 1963–1966.* The four-digit number on the far left is the frame at which a particular file folder begins. This is followed by the file title, the date(s) of the file, and the total number of pages. Substantive issues are highlighted under the heading *Major Topics.* 

#### Bureau of Far Eastern Affairs, Subject Files of the Vietnam Working Group

### Reel 1

Frame No.

#### 1963

| 0001 | AID 7 [Aid] Program Operations, JanMay 1963. 106 pp.   |
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|      | Major Topics: Staff meetings of the USOM/Vietnam; GAO review of AID operations.              |
| 0107 | AID 7 [Aid] Program Operations (2), June 1963. 39 pp.  |
|      | Major Topic: Rice-fertilizer program.  |
| 0146 | AID 7 [Aid] CIF [Counterinsurgency funding] [1963]. 22 pp.                                   |
| 0168 | AID 8 [Aid] Technical Assistance (Third Country) [1963]. 15 pp.                              |
|      | <i>Major Topic</i> : Military aid to South Vietnam from free world countries other than U.S. |
| 0183 | AID 15 [Aid] PL 480, Food for Peace Program [Agricultural Commodity Agreements],             |
|      | <b>1963.</b> 13 pp.  |
| 0196 | Cambodia–Vietnam Border, 1962. 10 pp.  |
|      | Major Topic: Skirmishes.   |
| 0206 | CON Consular Affairs (General), 1963. 6 pp.  |
|      | Major Topic: Immigrant visas for orphaned children adopted by U.S. servicemen.               |
| 0212 | CSM Communism, 1963. 5 pp.   |
|      | Major Topic: Viet Cong infiltration.   |
| 0217 | DEF [Defense] Interdiction, 1963. 15 pp.   |
|      | Major Topic: Air bombing strikes.  |
| 0232 | [DEF Defense] Interdiction, 1963. 12 pp.   |
|      | Major Topic: Air bombing strikes   |
| 0244 | DEF 6 [Defense] Armed Forces (RVNAF), 1963. 42 pp.   |
|      | Major Topics: Military organization; civil police.   |
| 0286 | DEF 6-5 [Defense] Paramilitary Forces (CG, SDC, CIDG), 1963 21 pp.                           |
|      | Major Topic: Increase in force level.  |
| 0307 | DEF 19 [Defense] Military Assistance, 1963. 14 pp.   |
|      | Major Topic: New Zealand troops.   |
| 0321 | DEF 19-2 [Defense] Advisory and Training Assistance (USMACV), 1963. 13 pp.                   |
| 0334 | DEF 19-3 [Defense] Equipment and Supplies (Military Assistance: Jets for Vietnam), 1963.     |
|      | 27 рр.   |
| 0361 | <b>DRV, 1963.</b> 5 pp.  |

- 0366 E 1 Economic Affairs (General) [1963]. 3 pp.
- 0369 **Honolulu Conference, November 20, 1963.** 33 pp. *Major Topic:* U.S. military reduction in Vietnam; Paul M. Kattenburg; Roger Hilsman.
- 0402 **INF Information Activities (General), 1963.** 18 pp. *Major Topics:* USIS; USIA.
- 0420 INTL Intelligence, 1963. 16 pp.
- 0436 LAB Labor and Manpower, 1963. 4 pp. *Major Topic:* Labor problems at overseas military installations.
- 0440 LEG Legislative and Legal Affairs, 1963. 2 pp.
- 0442 **LEG [Legislative and Legal Affairs: Members of Congress] Senator Morse, 1963.** 7 pp. *Major Topic:* Wayne Morse review of U.S. involvement in South Vietnam.
- 0449 **LEG [Legislative and Legal Affairs] Mansfield Report [1962–1963].** 21 pp. *Major Topics:* Michael Mansfield; U.S. military policy in Southeast Asia.
- 0470 **Memos [1963].** 33 pp. *Major Topic:* Counterinsurgency operations.
- 0503 Miscellaneous [1963]. 12 pp.
- 0515 **Missionaries (Missing), 1962-1963.** 5 pp. *Major Topics:* A. E. Mitchell; Daniel Gerber.
- 0520 ORG 1 [Organization and Administration] General Policy, 1963. 92 pp.
- 0612 **ORG 1 [Organization and Administration: General Policy] Ambassador Lodge, 1963.** 32 pp. *Major Topic:* Activities of Henry Cabot Lodge as U.S. ambassador to Vietnam.
- 0644 **ORG 1 [Organization and Administration: General Policy] Post Administration: Saigon** (Ambassador Nolting) [1963]. 31 pp. *Major Topic:* Frederick E. Nolting Jr.
- 0675 ORG 1 [Organization and Administration: General Policy] WG/VN (Administrative) [1963]. 13 pp.
- 0688 ORG 3 [Organization and Administration: Meetings and Conferences] WG/VN, 1963. 92 pp.

Major Topic: Military activities of Viet Cong.

- 0780 **ORG 8 [Organization and Administration] Hue [1963].** 44 pp. *Major Topic:* U.S. consulate.
- 0825 **OS Ocean Shipping [1963].** 3 pp.
- 0828 POL [Political Affairs and Relations: General], 1963. 2 pp.
- 0830 POL 5 [Political Affairs and Relations: Laws] SVN [South Vietnam] and other Countries, 1963. 9 pp.
- Major Topic: Nguyen Dinh Thuan.
  POL 1 [Political Affairs and Relations] General Policy, Background (Briefing Papers), 1963. 121 pp.

Major Topics: Political conditions; economic conditions.

0960 POL 2 [Political Affairs and Relations] General Reports and Statistics [1963]. 5 pp.

## Reel 2

#### 1963 cont.

- 0001 POL 2 [Political Affairs and Relations: General Reports and Statistics] Provinces and Regions, 1963. 119 pp.
   Major Topic: Buddhist demonstrations.
- 0120 **POL 2 [Political Affairs and Relations] General Reports [MEMCONs], 1963.** 35 pp. *Major Topic:* Buddhist resistance to government.

- 0155 **POL 3 [Political Affairs and Relations] Organizations and Alignments, 1963.** 10 pp. *Major Topic:* UN.
- 0165 **POL 6-2 [Political Affairs and Relations] Congratulations and Condolences, 1963.** 7 pp. *Major Topic:* Response to death of President Kennedy.
- 0172 POL 7 [Political Affairs and Relations] Visits and Meetings (to Vietnam), 1963. 7 pp.
- 0179 POL 7 [Political Affairs and Relations] Visits and Meetings (to U.S.), 1963. 12 pp.
- 0192 POL 7 [Political Affairs and Relations] R. G. K. Thompson Visit to U.S., Apr. 1963. 59 pp. *Major Topic:* British Advisory Mission.
- 0251 POL 13 [Political Affairs and Relations] Non-Party Blocs (Women, Youth, Sects, Opposition Groups), 1963. 14 pp.
- 0265 POL 15 [Political Affairs and Relations] Government, 1963. 33 pp.
- 0298 POL 15 [Political Affairs and Relations] South Vietnam Government (1960 and 1961 papers), 1963. 5 pp.
- 0303 POL 17 [Political Affairs and Relations: Diplomatic and Consular Representation] Do Vang Ly, Ambassador of Vietnam [1963]. 15 pp.
- 0318 **POL 17 [Political Affairs and Relations] Diplomatic and Consular Representation, 1963.** 15 pp.
- 0333 POL 18 [Political Affairs and Relations] Provincial, Municipal, and State Government [1963]. 42 pp.
- 0375 POL 20 [Political Affairs and Relations] Interim Control and Surveillance, 1963. 7 pp.
- 0382 POL 23 [Political Affairs and Relations] Internal Security, 1963. 7 pp.
- 0389 POL 25 [Political Affairs and Relations] Demonstrations, Protests, Riots [1963]. 18 pp. *Major Topic:* Anti–U.S. feelings of Buddhists.
- 0407 POL 26 [Political Affairs and Relations: Rebellions, Coups, Insurgency] Coup Rumors [1963]. 13 pp.
- 0420 POL 26 [Political Affairs and Relations: Rebellions, Coups, Insurgency] Vietnam Action Program (Counterinsurgency), 1963. 17 pp.
- 0437 POL 26 [Political Affairs and Relations] Rebellion, Coups, Insurgency [1963]. 9 pp.
- 0446 POL 26-1 [Political Affairs and Relations: Rebellions, Coups, Insurgency] Counterinsurgency: Strategic Hanoi Sunrise, Delta, Provincial Rehabilitation, 1963. 76 pp.
- 0522 POL 26-1 [Political Affairs and Relations: Rebellions, Coups, Insurgency] Counterinsurgency: TF/SEA, Status Reports, 1963. 148 pp. *Major Topics:* Thailand; Cambodia.
- 0670 POL 27 [Political Affairs and Relations] Military Operations [1963]. 16 pp.
- 0686 **POL 27-11 [Political Affairs and Relations] Infiltration, 1963.** 15 pp. *Major Topic:* Viet Cong.
- 0701 POL 29 [Political Affairs and Relations: Political Prisoners] Amnesty, 1962. 9 pp.
- 0710 POL 29 [Political Affairs and Relations: Political Prisoners] Arrests and Detention (GVN Amnesty, Pardons), 1963. 58 pp. *Major Topic:* Viet Cong.
- 0768 **POL 30 [Political Affairs and Relations] Defectors and Expellees (Exiles), 1963.** 109 pp. *Major Topics:* Tran van Tung; Ngo Dinh Diem; Madame Ngo Dinh Nhu.
- 0877 POL 30 [Political Affairs and Relations: Defectors and Expellees] Exiles (Madame Nhu), 1963. 3 pp.
  - Major Topic: Madame Ngo Dinh Nhu.
- 0880 **PR Public Relations, 1963.** 2 pp.
- 0882 **PR 11 Public Relations [Press Relations] (Moss Committee), 1963.** 32 pp. *Major Topics:* John E. Moss; investigation of U.S. press reporting from Vietnam.
- 0914 **PR 11 Public Relations [Press Relations], 1963.** 85 pp. *Major Topics:* News gathering by U.S. press; David Halberstam.

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#### 1963 cont.

- 0001 **PR 13 [Public Relations] Public Opinion and Inquiries (Congressional), 1963.** 14 pp. *Major Topic:* War protest by Paul L. Mitchell.
- 0015 PR 13 [Public Relations] Public Opinion and Inquiries (Public), 1963. 61 pp.
  Major Topics: Opposition to repressive acts by Diem regime; reaction to persecution of Buddhists.
- 0077 **SOC Social Conditions, 1963.** 11 pp. *Major Topic:* Malaria eradication.

#### 1964

- 0088 **[ADM] Administration (General), 1964.** 5 pp. *Major Topic:* Diplomatic and consular service.
- 0093 AGR [Agriculture] Land Reform, 1964. 3 pp.
- 0096 **AID [Aid], 1964.** 21 pp.
- 0113 AID 7 [Aid] Program Operation, 1964. 8 pp.
- 0121 AID 15 [Aid] PL 480: Food for Peace Program, 1964. 7 pp.
- 0128 **CSM 6 [Communism] Fronts, Affiliates; 1964.** 39 pp. *Major Topic:* Finnish worker protest against use of toxic gas by South Vietnamese Army.
- 0167 CSM 6 [Communism: Fronts, Affiliates] National Front for the Liberation of South Vietnam, 1964. 17 pp.
- 0184 **DEF 4 [Defense Affairs] Collective Defense—Pacts and Alliances, 1964.** 82 pp. *Major Topics:* Anzus Treaty; U.S. commitment to Australia and New Zealand regarding Indonesia-Malaysia dispute.
- 0266 **DEF 6 [Defense Affairs] Armed Forces, 1964.** 6 pp. *Major Topic:* Women and Chinese draftees in South Vietnamese army.
- 0272 **DEF 7 [Defense Affairs] Visits, Missions, 1964.** 12 pp.
- 0284 DEF 9 [Defense Affairs: Exercises, Manuevers] Military Personnel, 1964. 4 pp.
- 0288 E Economic Affairs (General), 1964. 23 pp. Major Topic: Development of Mekong River basin.
- 0311 INCO Industries and Commodities, 1964. 2 pp.
- 0313 INF Information Activities, 1964. 7 pp.
- 0320 INT 2 Intelligence: Estimates and Reports, 1964. 8 pp.
- 0328 INT 6 Collection of Intelligence, 1964. 2 pp.
- 0330 **Dr. Janse, 1964** 4 pp.
  - Major Topic: Olov Janse.
- 0334 LAB Labor and Manpower, 1964. 41 pp. *Major Topics:* Confederation of the Workers of Vietnam; Tran Quoc Buu.
- 0375 LEG Legislative and Legal Affairs, 1964. 2 pp.
- 0377 LEG 4 [Legislative and Legal Affairs] Congressional Committees, 1964. 30 pp. *Major Topic:* Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing.
- 0417 LEG 4 [Legislative and Legal Affairs] Congressional Committees (Morse Questions and Answers), 1964. 19 pp.
  - Major Topics: Wayne Morse; U.S. military assistance.
- 0436 LEG 6 [Legislative and Legal Affairs] Members of Congress, Part II [1964]. 8 pp.
- 0444 Ambassador Lodge Memos, 1964. 48 pp. *Major Topic:* Henry Cabot Lodge.
- 0492 **Miscellaneous, 1964.** 5 pp.
- 0497 **ORG Organization and Administration, 1964.** 13 pp.

- 0510 **ORG 1 [Organization and Administration] General Policy, Plans, Coordination, 1964.** 13 pp.
- 0524 Personnel [U.S. diplomatic staff], 1964. 5 p.
- 0529 INCO [Industries and Commodities] Petroleum, 1964. 3 pp.
- 0532 [POL] Political Affairs and Relations, 1964. 2 pp.
- 0534 **POL 1 Political Affairs and Relations: General Policy and Background, 1964.** 102 pp. *Major Topic:* Assistance to Viet Cong from North Vietnam and China.
- 0636 **POL 1 [Political Affairs and Relations] General Policy and Background (Historical Project), 1964.** 4 pp.

Major Topic: U.S. counterinsurgency efforts.

- 0640 POL 1 [Political Affairs and Relations: General Policy and Background] Memoranda of Conversation (Departmental), 1964. 58 pp.
- 0698 POL 1 [Political Affairs and Relations: General Policy and Background] Vietnam/Cambodia, 1964. 29 pp. Major Topics: Border disputes; Prince Norodom Sihanouk.
- 0727 POL 1 [Political Affairs and Relations: General Policy and Background] Vietnam/China (Taiwan), 1964. 18 pp.

Major Topic: Views of General S. M. Wang on conduct of war.

0745 POL 1 [Political Affairs and Relations: General Policy and Background] Vietnam/North Vietnam, 1964. 46 pp.

Major Topics: North Vietnam's response to air attacks; Chinese Communist involvement in war.
 POL 1-1 [Political Affairs and Relations: General Policy and Background] Contingency

Planning and Coordination, 1964. 37 pp. Major Topic: Response to government overthrow.

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#### 1964 cont.

0001 POL 1 [Political Affairs and Relations: General Policy and Background] Vietnam/Other Areas, 1964. 204 pp.

*Major Topics:* Chinese Communist opposition to conference on Vietnam; background and circulation of newspapers; North Vietnam attack of U.S. naval vessels in Gulf of Tonkin; press conference with Secretary of State Dean Rusk.

- 0205 POL 1-1 [Political Affairs and Relations: General Policy and Background] Mission Council [meeting memoranda], 1964. 78 pp.
- 0283 POL 1-2 [Political Affairs and Relations: General Policy and Background] Basic Policies, Guidelines, Directives, 1964. 20 pp.
- 0303 **POL 2 [Political Affairs and Relations] General Reports and Statistics, 1964.** 30 pp. *Major Topic:* International Study Group on Democratic Development.
- 0333 POL 3 [Political Affairs and Relations] Organizations and Alignments, 1964. 5 pp.
- 0338 POL 25 [Political Affairs and Relations: Demonstrations, Protests, and Riots] Buddhist Dispute, Miscellaneous, August 1963. 129 pp. *Major Topic:* Repressive measures by government.
- 0467 **POL 6 [Political Affairs and Relations] Prominent Persons, People, Biographic Data, 1964.** 5 pp.
- 0472 POL 6 [Political Affairs and Relations] Prominent Persons, Biographic Data, A–L [1963-1964]. 35 pp.

Major Topics: Bernard Fall; Nguyen Van Hoe; Tran Thien Khiem; Pham Dang Lam.

0507 **POL 6 [Political Affairs and Relations] Prominent Persons, Biographic Data, M–Z [1964].** 15 pp.

Major Topics: Duong Van Minh; Vu Van Thai.

- 0522 [POL 6-1 Political Affairs and Relations: Prominent Persons, Biographic Data] BioFolder, 1964. 2 pp.
- 0524 **POL 7 [Political Affairs and Relations] Visits, Meetings [1964].** 23 pp. *Major Topic:* U.S. visit by Malaysian prime minister.
- 0547 POL 13 [Political Affairs and Relations] Non-Party Blocs, 1964. 12 pp.
- 0559 **POL 13-6 [Political Affairs and Relations: Non-Party Blocs] Religious Groups, 1964.** 47 pp. *Major Topics:* Buddhists; Thich Giao Duc.
- 0606 **POL 15-1 [Political Affairs and Relations: Government] Head of State, Executive Branch**, **1964.** 3 pp.
- 0609 POL 15-4 [Political Affairs and Relations: Government] Administration of Government, 1964. 8 pp.

Major Topic: Installation of new government.

0617 **POL 17 [Political Affairs and Relations] Diplomatic and Consular Representation, 1964.** 12 pp.

Major Topic: Appointment of Tran Thien Khiem as Ambassador of Vietnam.

- 0629 POL 18 [Political Affairs and Relations] Provincial, Municipal, and State Government (Hue); Reports from Hue Consulate; 1964. 16 pp.
- 0645 **POL 23 [Political Affairs and Relations] Internal Security and Counterinsurgency, 1964.** 3 pp.
- 0648 POL 23-8 [Political Affairs and Relations: Internal Security and Counterinsurgency] Demonstrations, Riots, 1964. 13 pp.

*Major Topics:* Opposition of Bertrand Russell to war; Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation. **POL 23-9** [Political Affairs and Relations: Internal Security and Counterinsurgency]

- 0661 POL 23-9 [Political Affairs and Relations: Internal Security and Counterinsurgency] Rebellion, Coups, 1964. 7 pp.
- 0668 POL 27 [Political Affairs and Relations] Military Operations, 1964. 16 pp.
- 0684 POL 27-11 [Political Affairs and Relations: Military Operations] Guerrilla Warfare, 1964. 7 pp.

Major Topic: Activities of Communist guerrillas.

- 0691 **POL 29 [Political Affairs and Relations] Political Prisoners, 1964.** 15 pp. *Major Topic:* Appeal of death sentence for Ngo Dinh Can.
- 0706 POL 30 [Political Affairs and Relations: Defectors and Expellees] Exiles (Madame Nhu),1964. 38 pp.

Major Topic: Application by Madame Ngo Dinh Nhu for visa.

0744 POL 30-2 [Political Affairs and Relations: Defectors and Expellees] Exiles, Political Activities, 1964. 50 pp. Major Topic: Tran Van Tung.

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#### 1964 cont.

| 0001 | PR 12 [Public Relations] Speeches, 1964. 41 pp.    |
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|      | Major Topics: Edward G. Lansdale; Robert McNamara. |

0042 PR 13 [Public Relations] Public Opinion and Inquiries, 1964. 127 pp.

*Major Topics:* Petitions against the war; Tran Van Tung; proposed settlement by U.S., United Kingdom, and France of Vietnam war.

 <sup>0794</sup> PR Public Relations, 1964. 19 pp.
 *Major Topics:* Henry Cabot Lodge; letter from U.S. serviceman's wife on Vietnam War.

- 0169 **PR 13 [Public Relations] Public Opinion and Inquiries: Part II, 1964.** 79 pp. *Major Topics:* Tran Tam; Thomas J. Corcoran.
- 0248 **Radio, 1964.** 13 pp. *Major Topic:* Broadcasting by Voice of America.
- 0261 SOC Social Conditions, 1964. 2 pp.
- 0263 **Senate Comments on Vietnam: Introduction, 1949–1954.** 182 pp. *Major Topic:* Economic and military aid from U.S.
- 0445 **Senate Comments on Vietnam, 1955–1963.** 149 pp. *Major Topics:* U.S. visit by President Ngo Dinh Diem; economic and military aid from U.S.; economic and military growth of Communist China.
- 0594 Senate Comments on Vietnam, 1964; Tonkin Debate, 1965. 348 pp. *Major Topics:* Tonkin Gulf Resolution; maps of Southeast Asia; U.S. collective defense arrangements; Dean Rusk.

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#### 1965

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