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PERSONS/ENTITIES:

BUNDY

JOHNSON

KILPATRICK

CONIEN

of DON's status and his future plans and the tightening of control over the DON/CONIEN meetings. The group agreed to firm up policy thinking re Vietnam before LODGE returns to Washington and hear Mr. LODGE's views on what courses of action should be taken.

DATES:

Oct. 24, 1963

SOURCE:

Minutes of Special Group Meeting Oct. 24, 1963

CATEGORIES:

DIEM

SPECIAL GROUP

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OCCURRENCE:

On October 24, 1963, Mr. MCCONE had a special group meeting "expressed his fear that the top U.S. diplomatic and military officials in Saigon are becoming too involved in conversations between General DON and CONIEN. Such involvement could destroy CONIEN usefulness and involve Ambassador LODGE and General HARKINS in operation difficult to deny." The Special Group authorized a message to LODGE and to HARKINS emphasizing a secure system of contacts with General DON and Vietnamese military and an assessment

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In a U/A cable from Saigon (SAIG1964) from LODGE to BUNDY it was noted that: "CAS has been punctilious in carrying out my instructions. I have personally approved each meeting between GENERAL DON and CONIEN who has carried out my orders in each instance explicitly..."

SOURCE:

IO Report 1967 (CIA) p. 35

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DAWSON

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