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PERSONS/ENTITIES: General HARKINS

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LODGE, H.C.

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COLBY OCCURRENCE: COLBY stated in response to a question as to whether there was any serious attempt to persuade DIEM to leave office voluntarily that: "There had certainly been discussions to have NUU leave Vietnam at various times". But, "There was almost no direct contact between our ambassador LODGE and President DIEM, very little contact." P. 66

LODGE, H.C.

COLBY stated OCCURRENCE: Mr. COLBY stated: "The Defense Department was almost totally in a position th. the wars in the countryside, that the countryside seems to be going along reasonably well. that this (DIEM's continuance in office) is an urban problem, urban political problem which should not interfere with the main things going on. This was true of the Secretary and General HARKINS out there and the Joint Chiefs here and so forth". p. 62

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