

Our goal is to end the war in Vietnam
We shall not get it in Cambodia

Pres guidance:

- ① Within Budget -
- ② Within Forecasts -
- ③ Test of arvin - helps Vietnamization
- ④ Essential for Withdrawal -
- ⑤ Choice - is to stop withdrawal -
get out now
Risk great danger to
removing force late -

We are not likely to
have withdrawal
no withdrawal
It is time to end the war
through a peaceful process
If we choose another path

⑥ It is not:

- ① getting U.S. in Cambodia War -
- ② getting a major new aid program -
- ③ Occupying Cambodian territory

Time element (3 weeks only)
Maximize cross participation

Helpless giant.

We have stopped bombing.
Withdrawal = 50,000
offer to withdraw all -
cut an air by 30% -
Just Dean ~~is~~ - Not N.V. ^{is} ~~is~~ ^{is} U.S. - but People
Their answer - is, kill more American
& endage ~~but~~ withdrawal

to refuse to negotiate.

- a warning ~~is~~ deficit -
- We react as helpless giant with
just a meek note -
- We react to deficit on news -
- I say again - we shall react -

We are ready to negotiate - (private channel -)

- ① If they continue to escalate when we withdraw, we shall respond with strong action -
- we do not humiliate

How to you -

- ① We shall continue our plan -
- ② We shall avoid a wider war -
- ③ We shall remain aware that U.S. is not a helpless giant when we seek peace - against those who demand humilation -

Look for support - for these reasons:

- ① America men who fight -
- ② America men who will be last to abandon
America men who will come home -

~~We do seek to~~

this is not a war to expand -

It is action to shorten the war & to end it with a just peace -

Weak giant protesting to U.S. -

doing nothing -

Take the action:

Not to appeal the case - but to shut it & end it.

To save Amin's lives -

To allow Amin withdrawal to proceed -

To ~~save~~ give ~~him~~ ~~the~~ ~~best~~ ~~of~~ ~~his~~ ~~interests~~

release give S. V. U. a chance to
survive -

To ~~not~~ To withdraw de facto laws -

which threaten Cambodia & Laos

We are not violating Cambodia's neutrality

① This territory is completely occupied by U. N.

Candidates - stay quiet for 3 weeks - and then judge.
K Leaders: Limit to time in Cambodia

This decision was fast & wound on April 20

1. N.V. Nam's ~~blatant~~ offensives in Cambodia -

- 3 provincial capitals
- long major road cut -

- Link up sanctuaries + have a belt of supply area.

2. If we failed to act:

- a. Position of our forces untenable -
- b. Vietnamese jeopardized -
- c. Cambodia - best (= least rejected)

3. Our purpose:

1. To avoid getting sucked into war in Cambodia

- a. No aid means end
- b. No advisors -
- c. Work for neutrality

2. To knock out base areas -

- a. Not personnel -
- b. But equipment - brooms - supplies

4. The operation will have achieved:

a. May relieve pressure on Cambodia -

~~but~~ b. It was certain to go & if we didn't act

c. It at least is delayed -

d. It gives us a logistic problem -

2. Buys time for Vietnamese:

- a. 4 months of Rainy Season
- b. 4 months of supply replenishment

3. G. Carvin acts on its own - gain confidence -

4. assures continuity of withdrawal

5. Makes possible for S.V. Nam a

chance to survive.

6. Makes American policy credible - see + elaborate -

a. We have an option to fold then is which

7. Reduce our casualties -

avoid Cambodia War - (but provide some relief of pressure

ails Vietnamese - Pacificate.
Detour them from escalation.

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1. We have announced withdrawal of 252,000
2. We have cut air by 70%
3. We have offered to ~~see~~ negotiate sans condition -
①. Have been tried through several channels -
They have now stopped ~~see~~ their attacks - in
Laos - + in Cambodia -

This action is taken - with peace offer on the table -

- ① I can make a case for doing nothing - (as a guess as to their ^{intentions} -
- ② I can't make one for aid to Cambodia -
I can't make one for withdrawal -

As Commander in Chief:

1. Responsible for safety of our troops
2. " to end war ~~is~~
- quickly - consistent with our interests.

- ① a bag out - is not in our interests.
- ② I believe we are succeeding - it will work.
- ③ I believe this action is part to make that policy work -

① I disagree with P.B.S. -
but see C + E -

② I say while our men are
in battle - don't give away
backbone.

③ For a few months - you will know -
- I'll take the blame full responsibility.
- ~~but~~ I will succeed - I believe

④ You can oppose it - do so
in a way that does not harm
chance to succeed.

⑤ If it fails - you have your own
blame

These goals:

- ① to understand supplies -
not men -
- ② to ~~ensure~~ buy time for Vietnam
- ③ to guarantee success of withdrawal
- ④ to ~~reduce~~ reduce danger
+ reduce casualties

5-5-70

Foreign Relations Committee: Will see in detail numbers
or groups -

1. Gold & Rogers on Depolarization
2. We shall leave 1 1/2 hours for question -

This decision was fast

1. If we assume we should end
war in manner consistent with our interests -
- not an immediate withdrawal -

2. We feel facts on for 20

2. on April 20 - around 150g -

① in next 10 days attack 4 capitals -
South sites, cut roads -

② We were asked for massive aid -

3. We turned down - aid - not
getting drawn into Cambodian war -

4. We saw a threat:

③. Sanctions - embargo became a deep
belt of ~~self~~ every building -

5. We had to recognize that - a year from
now position would be untenable -

6. We ordered attacks -

1. Purpose - supplies - not personnel
- reduce casualties
- bring them

2. Tactics =

1. S. V. Namase - primary ground role

2. In and out - in 8 weeks -
Same next week -

3. Accomplish =

1. It is getting supplies

2. Destroy the tin trade

3. Destroy enemy fear attacks -

4. Buy time for air -

- Withdrawal will go forward -

- S. V. Namase has chance to survive - defend self

- Casualties down -

1. we have a plan for peace
 - ⓐ It is going forward -
 - ⓑ ~~The~~ ~~plan~~ The chance for man support he has - the sooner it will be achieved -
 - one I mean has responsibility
 - ⓐ I am working toward that goal -
 - ⓑ I will not be broken - or deterred by demoralization -
3. To those who support America -

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