

JFK ASSASSINATION SYSTEM  
IDENTIFICATION FORM

---

AGENCY : NARA  
RECORD NUMBER : 176-10036-10095  
RECORD SERIES : National Security Files  
AGENCY FILE NUMBER :

---

ORIGINATOR : CIA  
FROM :  
TO :  
TITLE : Central Intelligence Agency Information Report  
DATE : 4/22/1963  
PAGES : 2  
SUBJECTS :  
DOCUMENT TYPE :  
CLASSIFICATION :  
RESTRICTIONS :  
CURRENT STATUS :  
DATE OF LAST REVIEW : 9/10/2000  
OPENING CRITERIA :  
COMMENTS : National Security Files, Box 197: Vietnam, 4/63-5/63. Box 2

# TELEGRAM INFORMATION REPORT TELEGRAM

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

This material contains information affecting the National Defense of the United States within the meaning of the Espionage Laws, Title 18, U.S.C. Secs. 793 and 794, the transmission or revelation of which in any manner to an unauthorized person is prohibited by law.

**SECRET**

(When Filled In)

CLASSIFICATION — DISSEMINATION CONTROLS

NO FOREIGN DISSEM/BACKGROUND USE ONLY/NO DISSEM ABROAD

COUNTRY SOUTH VIETNAM REPORT NO. TDCSDB-3/654,285

SUBJECT INDICATIONS OF GOVERNMENT OF VIETNAM DATE DISTR. 22 APRIL 1963  
PLAN TO REQUEST REDUCTION OF AMERICAN  
PERSONNEL IN VIETNAM PRECEDENCE ROUTINE

DATE OF INFO. MID-APRIL 1963 REFERENCES IN 22329

PLACE & DATE ACQ. VIETNAM, SAIGON (18 APRIL 1963)

APPRAISAL SEE BELOW FIELD REPORT NO. FVS-8806

THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION. SOURCE GRADINGS ARE DEFINITIVE. APPRAISAL OF CONTENT IS TENTATIVE.

SOURCE

APPR

1. BY MID-APRIL 1963 A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF TENSION HAD DEVELOPED BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF VIETNAM AND THE U.S. GOVERNMENT OVER OPERATIONS IN SOUTH VIETNAM. BOTH DIEM AND NGO DINH NHU WERE CONCERNED OVER RECENT "INFRINGEMENTS" OF VIETNAMESE SOVEREIGNTY. MAAG WAS CITED AS A VIOLATOR IN THIS CONNECTION, BUT THE U.S. SPECIAL FORCES WERE SINGLED OUT AS THE MAIN IRRITANT. DIEM IS ALLOWING ADDITIONAL TIME FOR FURTHER BLUNDERS AND, AFTER BUILDING UP A STRONG CASE, HE PLANS TO CONFRONT AMBASSADOR NOLTING AND USMACV CHIEF GENERAL HARKINS WITH IRREFUTABLE EVIDENCE OF U.S. RESPONSIBILITY, DEMANDING A REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF U.S.

**SECRET**

CLASSIFICATION — DISSEMINATION CONTROLS

NO FOREIGN DISSEM/BACKGROUND USE ONLY/NO DISSEM ABROAD

GROUP 1  
Excluded from automatic  
downgrading and  
declassification

STATE/INR	DIA	ARMY/ACSI	NAVY	AIR	JCS	SECDEF	NSA	NIC	XXX	XXX	OCJ	ONE	OCR	XXX	XXX	XXX	EXD
STATE/DIR																	

# TELEGRAM INFORMATION REPORT TELEGRAM

**SECRET**

(When Filled In)

CLASSIFICATION — DISSEMINATION CONTROLS

NO FOREIGN DISSEM/BACKGROUND USE ONLY/NO  
DISSEM ABROAD

TDCS DB-3/654,285

IN 22329

PAGE 2

PERSONNEL IN SOUTH VIETNAM ON THE BASIS THAT THE FORCE IS TOO  
LARGE AND UNMANAGEABLE.

2. SOME VIETNAMESE INVOLVED IN CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIPS  
WITH AMERICANS WERE BEING QUESTIONED IN DETAIL BY PRESIDENCY  
STAFF MEMBERS AS TO U.S. ACTIVITIES. SOME OF THE INDIVIDUALS  
QUESTIONED HAD INDICATED TO THE PRESIDENCY THAT THE U.S. MILITARY,  
AND PARTICULARLY THE U.S. SPECIAL FORCES, ALTHOUGH GENERALLY  
WELL MOTIVATED, DID NOT SEEM TO UNDERSTAND THE NECESSITY FOR  
COORDINATING THEIR ACTIVITIES WITH APPROPRIATE VIETNAMESE  
AUTHORITIES.

3. FIELD DISSEM. STATE (AMBASSADOR NOLTING), USMACV  
(GENERAL HARKINS), MAAG (GENERAL TIMMES), CINCPAC PACFLT ARPAC  
PACAF.

END OF MESSAGE

**SECRET**

CLASSIFICATION — DISSEMINATION CONTROLS

NO FOREIGN DISSEM/BACKGROUND USE ONLY/NO DISSEM ABROAD