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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE AND RESEARCH

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable,
Allen Dulles,
Director of Central Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT: Request for Compilation of Public Statements by North Vietnamese Leaders on Communist Aggression Against South Vietnam

The Department of State requests, on behalf of Mr. Sterling J. Cottrell, Director of the Task Force for Vietnam, that the Central Intelligence Agency prepare an unclassified compilation of public statements by North Vietnamese governmental and political leaders and agencies since the last half of 1957 to be used as evidence of external Communist direction and support of subversion and aggression against South Vietnam. Although selectivity should be exercised in compiling such statements, because of the voluminous character of the material and its varying relevance to the question, the study should nonetheless be as comprehensive as possible. The compilation should include the text of the statement (the relevant portions and not its entirety, of course); the date and source and, if important, the occasion of the statement; and the person or agency making the statement. I suggest that the Foreign Broadcast Information Service would provide excellent resources for this study.

I hope that it will be possible to compile this study by September 18, 1961.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Cabell

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A copy of this memorandum has already been sent to Bob Amory for his information and necessary action.

AAB
12 Sept 61
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