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TO: MRS. THO

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JAMES H. HALL
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

James H. Hall was appointed Director of the Office of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia Affairs in June 1993. He has been a U.S. Foreign Service officer since 1973.

Mr. Hall is a graduate of Fordham University and holds a Masters Degree from Harvard University in East Asian studies. His Foreign Service career has focused on East Asia, with tours of duty in Vietnam, China and Burma. He previously served for four years (1962-66) as an army officer with postings in Korea, and in Vietnam where he spent a year as a district advisor in the Mekong Delta (Duc Ton District - Vinh Long Province - 1965-66). He was awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge and the Bronze Star Medal.

Before assuming his present responsibilities, Mr. Hall was assigned to various duties in the Office of the Secretary of State, where he was awarded the Department of State's Superior Honor Award. Previous assignments have included postings as Consul General in Shenyang (formerly Mukden), China (1984-86), as Deputy Principal Officer at the Consulate General in Guangzhou (Canton), China (1981-84) and as Counselor for Political and Economic Affairs at the American Embassy in Rangoon, Burma (1986-88).

Mr. Hall spent a total of five years in U.S. Government service in Vietnam between 1965 and 1975, including service as a U.S. Army Captain (1965-66), an officer in the AID CORDS (Civil Operations and Rural Development Support) program in Phong Dinh Province (1971-72), and an economic officer at the Embassy in Saigon (1973-75).

Mr. Hall was married in 1973 to Phan Thanh Huong. They have three daughters.
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DATE:        July 14, 1993

TO :        Andy Rothman

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FROM: Families of Vietnamese Political Prisoners Association

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SUBJECT: Meeting on July 23.

Dear Andy:

Please find attached for your information the list of persons attending the meeting on July 23.

I will send you the details of the agenda of the meeting on the next few days.

Also thank you very much for your note announcing the participation of Mr. Jim Hall, Ms. Pat Moller and yourself at our Association Picnic on July 25.

Looking forward to seeing you very soon.

Tho (703)-358-5154
Mr. Võ,

Thank you so much for your invitation. I'm very sorry I won't be able to attend.

Congratulations and best wishes for your celebration.

Regards,

Andrew

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Mrs. Khanh Minh Tho
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Dear Mrs. Tho:

It was wonderful to hear from you, and I am honored by your invitation to attend the Association's Tenth Anniversary celebration in Houston. I regret that I will have to remain in China this summer, and will therefore not be able to attend.

My work with your Association on behalf of former Vietnamese political prisoners has been the most rewarding part of my Foreign Service career. It has been a great pleasure to see that the Orally Departure Program provided humanitarian relief to so many who suffered in the "re-education" camps.

On the occasion of the Association's tenth anniversary, I want to congratulate you and your colleagues on the Board, and all of your members for your outstanding work in helping almost 200,000 former political prisoners and their family members to reunite in the United States and make such a positive contribution to American society.

Again, I am sorry I will not be able to join you in Houston, but I am honored that you have remembered my work with your organization.

Best Regards,

Andrew Rothman
First Secretary