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**Secret Telegram from Maneli (Saigon) to Spasowski
(Warsaw) [Ciphergram No. 12328]**

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Summary:

Cable from Polish official in Saigon, Maneli, to Warsaw, reporting his meeting with a US official "Henry" (not Cabot Lodge), where they discuss Maneli's meeting with Ngo Dinh Nhu. Notes that it was an attempt to establish contact between US and Polish officials in Vietnam.

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Ciphergram No. 12328

From...Saigon.....dispatched on 09.25.63 at 12:00 hours.....received 09.27.63 at 8:40 hours... Came in to the Decoding Department...09.27.63 at 12:45 hours.....

Spasowski

For the information of: Siedlecki, Thee, Haraśny, Mikołaj

1)□Henry, a counselor of the US embassy [in Saigon], invited me for dinner, just the two of us. The purpose of the invitation:

a) Establishing a private [and] convenient contact [between] the [US] embassy [and the Polish] delegation.

b) A general probe preceding a possible conversation with Lodge. c) Obtaining information about my conversation with Nhu.

2)□Regarding c) - I said: it took place on the initiative of Nhu, the invitation came through the communication mission. N.[hu] said what he wanted, my questions pertained only [regarding carrying out] the Geneva Accords. As to the question how the Ministry of Foreign Affairs [of the DRV?] assesses the results of the conversation, I said: there is nothing to assess, because Nhu did not say anything new and important, and [besides] visits at the representatives' of both governments are normal for the commission [ICC], as for example, a recent visit of Canadian Ambassador [to the ICC - Gordon Edwin Cox] with the Prime Minister of North [Vietnam].

3)□Henry spoke with enmity [animosity] about Diem, his regime and ideology.

4)□The Vietnamese comrades relayed the assessment of [my] conversation with Nhu, [it's] not concrete, but they are pleased with the fact that and are asking to maintain contact.

I will discuss this [issue] in Hanoi in the spirit of your 10016.

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Deciphered 09.27.63 at 14:45 hours

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