

BAY AREA VIETNAM DAY COMMITTEE

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Dear Mr. Ambassador:

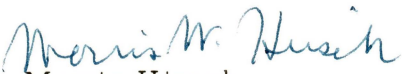
The Bay Area Vietnam Day Committee wishes to invite you or your representative to participate in an Educational Protest meeting to be held in San Francisco on Saturday, the 26th of June to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the founding of the U.N. The program will be held in a public park adjacent to the Opera House immediately after President Johnson's speech. Our organization held a 36-hour Vietnam Day Educational Protest on the Berkeley campus of the University of California on May 21-22 which was attended by ten to twelve thousand people, and attracted world-wide attention. Participants in that program included Bertrand Russell, Isaac Deutscher, U.S. Senator Gruening of Alaska, and Norman Thomas.

The aim of the June 26th meeting will be to focus public attention on the foreign policies of the American government which have so seriously undermined the U.N. As American citizens interested in world peace we have been appalled at such actions as the unilateral intervention by the U.S. in the Dominican Republic, and the negative attitude of our government to any participation of the U.N. in helping to settle the war in Vietnam. If such policies are continued, the U.N. will be effectively emasculated as a real force for peace in the world. The President's visit to San Francisco on this occasion presents us with an ideal opportunity to acquaint our fellow citizens with these grave problems. Unfortunately the mass media have not served this function adequately. The list of speakers for the meeting is not yet final, but it will consist of speakers of the calibre and reputation of the earlier panel. We invite you or your representative to appear on the speakers' platform, and if possible to address the audience.

It would assist us greatly in planning the program if you or your representative could inform us whether or not you or your representative can appear, and if either of you have any suggestions or questions as to the conduct of our meeting. You may write or wire to the above address or phone us.

With deepest appreciation,

  
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