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**KUPFERMAN POLL ON VIETNAM  
GULF OF TONKIN RESOLUTION AND "TRUTH IN PACKAGING"**

Congressman Theodore R. Kupferman (R.-17th District, Manhattan) today announced the results of his Vietnam poll. He told an audience, assembled to hear an afternoon panel discussion on United States policy in Vietnam at the theatre at Ocean Beach, Fire Island, Long Island, New York, that his recent poll of the 17th Congressional District, in which 205,000 questionnaires were distributed and 12,500 replies received, on the question involving Vietnam showed the following:

- War in Vietnam.
- a) Withdraw from Vietnam as soon as possible - 33%
  - b) Cease bombing North Vietnam unconditionally - 23%
  - c) Continue our present course - 12%
  - d) Take whatever military action necessary - 32%

Mr. Kupferman showed that, with 14 queries and subquestions in the questionnaire, this was the only reply to which practically everyone specifically responded.

In analyzing the replies, Mr. Kupferman pointed out that the overwhelming majority opposed the President's position and that a majority, if one combines those who want to withdraw and those who want to cease the bombing, was clearly for de-escalating.

Mr. Kupferman, who on August 10 together with 22 of his House Republican Colleagues introduced a Resolution to review the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution, stated: "For the President and Under-Secretary of State Katzenbach to say that the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution of August 1964 justifies current policy in Vietnam, is to question the validity of 'Truth in Packaging' legislation. At the very time that the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution was passed, President Johnson was saying:

They call upon us to supply American boys to do the job that Asian boys should do. They ask us to take reckless action which might risk the lives of millions and engulf much of Asia and certainly threaten the peace of the entire world. Moreover such action would offer no solution at all to the real problem of Vietnam.

Under other circumstances, I would call this to the attention of the Federal Trade Commission," Mr. Kupferman said.

Many of Congressman Kupferman's 17th Congressional District constituents, in the heart of Manhattan, summer at Fire Island.

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