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Old Friend Talks About Kennedy and Vietnam

John F. Kennedy had lived, our military involvement in Vietnam would have been over by the end of 1964," a former undersecretary of the Navy during the Kennedy Administration said yesterday.

Paul B. (Red) Fay, one of the late President's friends and current San Francisco stockbroker, made his remarks in a speech at the San Francisco office of John F. Kennedy Library.

The 66-year-old former boat commander of the same squadron with Kennedy during World War II, said Mr. Kennedy would have preferred diplomacy instead of military action.

He said there would have never been 50,000 GI's in Vietnam if a similar incident had happened during the Kennedy Administration.

Fay was making every attempt to get the public to understand the situation in Vietnam.

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JDW-Weather, nuts & bolts that have to be tightened by tomorrow and above all the Gregory-centered Disinformation are wasting much time. I've gone over your valuable enclosures with your 2/10 except the article, which I want to read when there is little likelihood of interruption, and here before filing (Tiger) want to ask if you'd please check the phone book and give me Fay's address. I've been wanting to write him because of what he said earlier. More than these generalities could be helpful for Tiger, to which I so long to be able to return! (SFChron 2/10/75, "Old Friend Talks About Kennedy and Vietnam.") Even Bud is now sick over this stuff. And he has work that Church is considering appointing Burke Marshall chief investigator. Via Cesar he asked my help and by same back channel I've made suggestions. Best HW 2/14/75