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Stop Worrying About Opinion, Author Urges

The author of the book "The Green Berets" said in New Orleans that the biggest problem America faces in fighting subversion is "its almost pathological concern over world opinion."

"If we don't stop worrying about what the world thinks of us there's not going to be anything left of us for the world to think about," said Robin Moore, author of the best-selling novel.

ADDRESSING THE Members' Council of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday, Moore discussed "The Three Stages of Subversion."

He said that "if we do not bring the war to a successful conclusion, potential Vietnam situations are waiting to happen all over the world."

Moore noted that 37 countries since World War II have endured or succumbed to Communist subversion.

HE LISTED THE following three stages of subversion:

First propaganda, student disorder, minority group dissension and the formation of guerrilla units.

Second, small raids on police district headquarters, military convoys and outposts and the build-up of terrorism including the killing of central government authorities.

Third, all-out attack.

MOORE SAID the United States troops arrived in Vietnam during the second stage of subversion.

"We must understand our enemy," Moore continued. "He does not want peace. Peace in South Vietnam means our en-

emy has lost its objective which is unification of all of Indo-China under Communist rule."

FINALLY, MOORE said that "there is only one way to win this war and that is to go all out — to completely destroy Hanoi's war-making capabilities. We have the power to win if we just use it."

Moore said his newest book, "The Country Team," is now in the process of publication. It is a novel based on the five-man teams which are sent to fight subversion in various "trouble spots."