

# Ky Says New U.S. Policy On China Will Bring Peace

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SAIGON, July 18—Vice President Nguyen Cao Ky predicted today that the new relationship between the United States and Communist China that prompted President Nixon to announce a visit to Peking would bring a peaceful solution soon to the Indochina war.

President Nguyen Van Thieu took a more cautious viewpoint, saying, "I just nourish the hope" that Mr. Nixon's visit will lead to peace.

"We have to watch very closely how the attitude of the Red Chinese will be toward re-establishment of peace in this area of the world," Mr. Thieu said.

President Thieu is seeking a second term in the election in October, and Mr. Ky is his major opponent. Both men spoke to newsmen during political tours in Saigon.

## Ky Sees Peace Soon

"We will have a peaceful solution very soon," Mr. Ky said. "I think Red China can be a great influence on the North Vietnamese Communists. If Red China has already accepted peaceful coexistence, surely the North Vietnamese will change their policy. There is no doubt."

Asked how soon an end of the Vietnam conflict would be reached, Mr. Ky replied: "Maybe quicker than we think, than we expect." He said that he felt Peking would put pressure on North Vietnam for a peaceful

solution and already may have done so. He did not elaborate.

"I said . . . when the American Ping Pong team went to China that this was just the beginning and that I foresaw closer relations between America and China," Mr. Ky recalled. "Of course, this new relationship will have a big effect on the whole world, Asia, and particularly on Vietnam."

Mr. Nixon announced Thursday that he would visit China before next May to confer with Premier Chou En-lai. The President said the purpose of the meeting "is to seek the normalization of relations between the two countries, and also to exchange views on questions of concern to the two sides."

Peking is said to be giving military aid to Hanoi estimated at \$500-million to \$1-billion a

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year. Without referring directly to Vietnam, Mr. Nixon said that he would undertake "what I deeply hope will become a journey for peace."

Asked about a National Broadcasting Company report that he and Mr. Thieu were using funds from the illegal drug market to help finance their campaigns, Mr. Ky denied that accusation.

"I think it is ridiculous," he said. "If we want, we have a thousand ways to make money." Mr. Thieu denied the charges earlier in a statement from his press secretary.

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