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First Orphans Arrive to Begin a New Life

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The evacuation operation began suddenly Tuesday [1 Apr] when Edward J. Daly, president of World Airways, announced in Saigon that he would take 1,000 children out of South Vietnam, with or without the Government's permission.

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About 500 children were to have been flown out Tuesday night [1 Apr Vietnam time?], but there were last-minute problems because of charges that the aircraft was unsafe. So only 52 children, who just that day had been issued blanket clearance to leave by the Ministry of Social Welfare, made it aboard.

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