NyTimes U.S. Treasury Freezes South Vietnam Assets

WASHINGTON, 1 Apr 19736 (UPI)—The Treasury Department ordered all South Vietnamese assets in the United States frozen today.

The order means that no one in South Vietnam can withdraw funds from a United States bank account without the permission of the Treasury Department. Also, no American can send money to South Vietnam, even for humanitarian relief, without Treasury approval.

Real estate, securities and other nonbank assets are also frozen, but funds and the property of South Vietnamese diplomats and refugees are not covered.

The action was approved by the National Security Council. A similar freeze was ordered on April 18 when Phnom Penh fell to the Communists.

Other countries so affected are North Vietnam, North Korea, Cuba and Rhodesia.

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GENEVA, April 30 — The Swiss Government today banned importing or storing of gold in bars or other forms from South Vietnam or Cambodia. A Government spokesman said the ban was meant to remove the temptation for anyone from those countries to use Switzerland as a hideout for gold.