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Kys' Reunion In D.C.

Washington

Former South Vietnamese Premier Nguyen Cao Ky, wearing an American flag pin in his lapel, was reunited with his family last night for the first time since the fall of Saigon.

He was greeted at Dulles Airport near here by his wife and four of their children.

Ky was driven from the Marine Corps relocation center at Camp Pendleton where he has been occupying a tent with other refugees and flew here from San Diego on a commercial flight.

"I received a letter from John Wayne, the actor, offering to help me get 17,000 acres in Arizona," Ky told reporters before leaving.



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Nguyen Cao Ky was greeted by his wife

"I still prefer the countryside and farming," he said.

After a week in Washington, Ky said, he plans to help set up a center for about 400 refugees at the former Weimar medical center near Auburn in California's Placer county.

An international relief agency called "Food for the Hungry" is Ky's sponsor in

the United States and is operating the camp.

A spokesman for the agency said Ky will be at the Auburn camp for 60 to 90 days and "it's his idea. He expressed the feeling that he ought to be available."

Ky's family has been staying with friends in Washington.

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