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ARIZONAN IS COOL TO REFUGEE MOVE

Gov. Castro Is Wary of Offer
by John Wayne to Ky

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PHOENIX, Ariz., May 26—Arizona's Governor has expressed reservations about the offer by John Wayne, the actor, to help Vietnamese refugees obtain 17,000 acres of land in the state.

Speaking Saturday from Mexico City, where he was attending the annual meeting of the American Chamber of Commerce of Mexico, Gov. Raul H. Castro cited the state's high unemployment and said, "We're not prepared to handle a large number of Vietnamese refugees."

On Friday, former Premier Nguyen Cao Ky of South Vietnam announced in San Diego that Mr. Wayne had extended the land offer. Mr. Ky said he planned to accept and that he wanted to establish an Israeli-style farming kibbutz for several thousand refugees.

According to The Arizona Republic, a Phoenix newspaper, Mr. Wayne said that the land would not be a gift but that he had "acquainted Ky with a situation in Arizona where he might be able to acquire a bit of land for his people." "Good Commercial Farmland"

According to the paper, Mr. Wayne said the land was "good commercial farmland" near land that he owns. Mr. Wayne owns commercial farmland 50 miles south of Phoenix.

Governor Castro, a Democrat said that chaos would be caused by "having all these refugees coming into Arizona at once."

"I recognize that we are a country that always welcomed immigrants," said the Governor, who was born in Mexico. "But I think we ought to put a limit on them. They've got children who have to be fed, people who have to have jobs, etc.

"Maybe other states that are in better shape employment-wise should receive the refugees," said the Governor, who also suggested that other countries, such as Canada, Mexico, Colombia, Argentina and Brazil could take some refugees.