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# Saigon Order Re-Education

HONG KONG—Saigon's military administration yesterday ordered the remnants of the Thieu government to report for re-education that could last a month.

They were told to report at schools and universities in the capital with enough food and clothes for a four-week stay.

The order, in the form of a communique signed by Gen. Tran Van Tra, head of the military administration, was broadcast by Liberation Radio, monitored here.

It was part of a move by Saigon's rulers which will mean political re-education classes for all known Thieu government employees from ministers and generals to the lowliest civil servants and soldiers.

Radio Hanoi, meanwhile, said that the United States must provide postwar aid to North and South Vietnam before there can be a search for more than 2,000 missing

and dead Americans in Indochina.

U.S. officials in Bangkok, where the broadcast was monitored, said it was the first time they have known the North Vietnamese to link the two subjects in such a direct manner.

The North Vietnamese Information Agency said in Hanoi that China has made an urgent and non-repayable grant of aid to Vietnam. The agreement was signed May 31 in Peking, the agency said. It did not indicate what form the aid would take.

A similar grant from the Soviet Union concluded May

12 covered fuel, fertilizer, foodstuffs, transport vehicles and "other consumer goods."

**Laos**

VIENTIANE—The American presence in Laos shrank to about 100 officials yesterday.

An American woman being held prisoner by the Pathet Lao without formal charges was allowed, meanwhile, to meet with a U.S. consul, a doctor and an official of the Laotian foreign ministry.

The U.S. embassy said only 107 American officials

## for Former Thieu Officials

were in the country and more were expected to leave on scheduled flights before the end of the day.

Officials said that after the U.S. Agency for International Development mission closes June 30 the embassy probably will be left with only about 30 American staff members. (50 - 477)

The fate of Rosemary Conway, 36, Conay, 36, of Chicago and Las Vegas and a former teacher at the international school here, remained uncertain after the visit by American and Laotian officials. American officials said they were still

seeking an explanation for her detention.

**Cambodia**

HONG KONG—The New China News Agency reported that Cambodia's new government has cleared the Mekong River of war debris and launched massive public works projects to restore rail lines, bridges and highways.

At the same time, Radio Phnom Penh said the Cambodian government will concentrate on modernizing agriculture before tackling problems of industrialization.

The radio said revolutionary and production committees were taking charge of reconstruction of water management. Irrigation is a key factor if Cambodia is to harvest a dry season rice crop in addition to its normal monsoon crop grown in the summer and autumn.

**Thailand**

KUALA LAMPUR—Prime Minister Kukrit Pramoj of Thailand announced that his country will establish diplomatic relations with China next month.

Ending a three-day visit

to Malaysia, Kukrit said Thai Foreign Minister Chatchai Choonhavan will visit Peking early in July for talks with the Chinese government.

Kukrit left for Indonesia, where he will spend four days.

In Bangkok, United Nations sources said Thai authorities have decided to allow 108 South Vietnamese refugees, rescued from a leaking ship last week by a Danish vessel, to stay in Thailand while U.N. refugee officials find homes for them in other countries.

From staff reports and news dispatches