

SAIGON FOREIGNERS MAY BE EVACUATED

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GENEVA, Oct. 20—Americans and other foreigners who were stranded in South Vietnam when it was overrun by Communist troops are to be repatriated shortly, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees announced today.

The commissioner, Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan, said he had agreed to fly the group from Hanoi in response to a request from the South Vietnamese Government.

The evacuation is expected to take place at the end of the month or at the start of November.

United Nations officials believe about 20 persons are involved. Most of them are thought to be American missionaries. There are also a few

Australians and Canadians and possibly others.

Among the Americans stranded in South Vietnam and taken prisoner when cut off by the advancing Communist forces was a United States consular officer, an American diplomat said.