New Regime for Saigon

To the Editor:

Gen. Maxwell Taylor writes [Op-Ed March 10]: "Since our involvement in Vietnam there have been only three strategic alternatives from which to choose—to advance, to retreat or to stand fast."

In my opinion, there are four other alternatives:

Insist that neutralists be allowed to run for office this summer, especially "big" General Minh;

Insist that Saigon's 20,000 neutralist political prisoners be released, especially candidate Truong Dinh Dzu and Assemblyman Tran Ngoc Chau;

Negotiate directly with the National Liberation Front instead of Hanoi;

Refer the conflict to the U.N., as the U.N. Charter commits us to do.

I believe any one of these alternatives would enable us honorably to stop imposing on southern Vietnam its dictatorship of former French collaborators—dictators as corrupt and repressive and savage and bloody as the world has ever known.

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