

## **Russians Heard Nixon At U.S. Aide's Home**

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WASHINGTON, May 10—Senior Soviet naval officers, who are in Washington to negotiate arrangements under which the United States and Russia would seek to avoid provocative incidents at sea, were invited Monday night to the home of the chief American negotiator, Secretary of the Navy John W. Warner.

After dinner, they moved to a television set to hear President Nixon announce that, as he spoke, American Navy planes were dropping mines to close several North Vietnamese ports to Soviet and other ships.

Whatever the personal reactions of the Soviet Navy men, the talks continued yesterday and today.

On Vann report of crucification of priests, see "Foe Frees Four Priests in Vietnam," NYTimes 28 Aug 72, filed POWs. The two priests mentioned by Vann were released unharmed.