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SAIGON, GO TO HANOI

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SAIGON, South Vietnam, Sept. 29—Expelled by the Saigon Government, the Indian delegation to the International Control Commission left here today to establish headquarters in Hanoi.

Heading the last group of seven Indians to leave was Brig. P. N. Khanduri, acting chairman of the International Control Commission. He said before boarding the commission's old Boeing Stratoliner that he did not know what working or living arrangements had been made in the North Vietnamese capital.

India, Canada and Poland have always had commission facilities in Hanoi, but headquarters had been in Saigon since the late nineteen-fifties.

South Vietnam's relations with India deteriorated sharply after New Delhi decided on Jan. 7 to raise its relations with Hanoi to the embassy level.

Anti-Indian demonstrations were staged in Saigon. Indian flags were burned and Indian diplomats were exposed to harassment.

On Jan. 8, the Saigon Government announced that it would not permit a new Indian chairman-designate, L. N. Ray, to land in Saigon. Since then, the I.C.C. in Indochina has been under the acting chairmanship of Brigadier Khanduri.

Beginning in March, the Indian delegation here was denied the use of diplomatic pouch facilities, and on Aug. 3 the Indians were notified by Saigon that their visas would not be extended beyond Sept. 30.

After the departure of the Indian diplomats, the Indian Consulate here and the Polish delegation issued a joint statement charging South Vietnam with violation of the Geneva agreement and calling for action by Britain and the Soviet Union.