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# Kissinger Reports -- No Peace

WASHINGTON -- (UPI) — Henry Kissinger, fresh from a week of talks in Europe and Moscow, yesterday reported "very major progress" toward opening a new era in Soviet-American trade, but he rejected the Viet Cong's latest Vietnam peace proposals.

President Nixon's chief foreign policy adviser indicated he discussed the Viet Cong plan in Paris Friday with Le Duc Tho, North Vietnam's special envoy, at their 17th secret meeting. He offered no details.

But Kissinger told reporters at the White House, where he has briefed Nixon twice since his return late Friday night, that the proposal for a three-part provisional government in Saigon "leaves something to be desired."

That something, he made clear, is that a Communist government will not be imposed on South Vietnam as part of any political settlement.

Kissinger said his discussions with Soviet leaders, though marked by "extraordinary hospitality," yielded no movement on Vietnam.

"The solution is being sought in Paris," he said.

On trade, Kissinger said there was quickening mo-

vement toward final agreement on long-term, multi-billion-dollar trade with the Soviet Union, to be negotiated before the end of the year although probably not in time to submit necessary legislation to Congress before it adjourns.

He said three Soviet delegations would arrive in Washington next week to

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wrap up details on trade, shipping arrangements and settlement of Russia's World War II debts.

"Very major progress was made in all these categories," he added.

## Meets Rogers

Kissinger arrived at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., from Paris at close to midnight Friday and went immediately to the White House to brief the President for 45 minutes. Yesterday morning, he met Secretary of State William Rogers over breakfast for an hour, then returned to the White House for another two-hour conference with Nixon before meeting reporters.

Kissinger, who also stopped in London and Munich during the journey to Moscow, said he met for 21 hours with Soviet Communist Party Chairman Leonid Brezhnev and Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko in three days, plus three hours alone with Gromyko.

## Reports Progress

He reported substantial progress on trade, settlement of the lend-lease debt, preparations for a European security conference and resumption of Soviet-American arms talks in Helsinki next month looking toward long-range mutual controls on offensive weapons.

On trade, Kissinger said "the remaining differences will be settled in the next few weeks." He insisted there was no link between trade and other issues, including Vietnam, in the Moscow talks.

There has been speculation that Kissinger, in pressing for a trade agreement, hoped to raise Moscow's investment in closer relations with the United States to the point it would feel obliged to exert greater pressure on

Hanoi to cooperate in Nixon's search for an early Vietnam settlement.

## Very Reticent

Kissinger was extremely reticent about discussing the prospects for a breakthrough. "It is clear that the Soviet Union stands for certain principles in international affairs and they have a different perspective than we do," he said.

Both sides believe "there is no purely military solution to this problem," he said. "We hope the North Vietnamese also realize the only alternative is to negotiate on a basis that is just to both sides."

Kissinger said the United States did not expect a solution to be reached in Moscow or Peking. "The solution is being sought in Paris," he said.

## Cong Proposal

The Viet Cong proposed Monday a "three-segment government of national accord" to consist of its own provisional government, the present Saigon government without President Nguyen Van Thieu and a third party to be chosen by the first two, with no segment predominant.

Kissinger was clearly skeptical. "We do not insist on any political domination or that the government eventually be pro-American," he said. "We do reject imposing a particular form of government on South Vietnam" and "proposals that would bring this about."