

HAIG HEADS HOME AFTER SEEING THIEU

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SAIGON, South Vietnam, Oct. 4—Maj. Gen. Alexander M. Haig Jr., deputy to Henry A. Kissinger, met with President Nguyen Van Thieu and top members of his Cabinet for three and a half hours this morning, according to United States Embassy sources.

General Haig, who arrived here on Sunday, met with Mr. Thieu for two-and-a-half hours Monday. After the meeting today, he left for the United States.

The meetings, which were said to have included a review of the military situation here and of developments at the Paris peace talks, have led to speculation that General Haig brought to Saigon some new diplomatic message in an effort to break the negotiating deadlock.

But the presence at today's session of Vice President Tran Van Huong, Premier Tran Thien Khiem, Foreign Minister Tran Van Lam and two of the President's assistants, Hoang Duc Nha and Nguyen Phu Duc, seemed to indicate that it was more in the nature of a reas-

urance and a review than of a serious negotiating session.* Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker accompanied General Haig to the meetings in the Presidential Palace both Monday and today.

General Haig did not meet with newsmen while he was here, and today an embassy spokesman said he could not comment on what occurred during the visit other than to say that General Haig had spent a lot of time at the American military headquarters.

He was originally scheduled to leave yesterday, but the embassy spokesman said "he never had a very fixed schedule."