

NOV 17 1972

Tho Asks U.S. to OK Pact Soon

SF Examiner

Several Days Parley Due

By United Press International

The White House announced today that Henry Kissinger will resume the Vietnam cease-fire negotiations Monday in Paris with Le Duc Tho, the man with whom he worked out a nine-point truce that was never signed.

Tho arrived in Paris today with a demand the document be signed quickly.

Press secretary Ronald Ziegler said Kissinger would leave Sunday morning and that he expects the next negotiating session will last "several days or perhaps more."

He said additional consultations would be needed with both North and South Vietnam after the meeting with Tho.

No Changes

The North Vietnamese news agency also announced the talks will resume Monday, the first time the Communists had announced in advance the date and place for the secret meetings, held in an unknown location outside of Paris. It said Tho would be accompanied by Xuan Thuy, the chief negotiator in the long-running Paris weekly talks.

The North Vietnamese have insisted that the cease-fire agreement be signed immediately and that there be no major changes.

Tho stopped off in Peking and Moscow en route to Paris from Hanoi and Communist sources in Paris said the Soviets and possibly the Chinese had urged him to display moderation in his talks with Kissinger.

Ziegler left open the possibility that Kissinger would fly from Paris to Saigon for more talks with South Vietnamese President Nguyen Van Thieu, who has demanded that the cease-fire agreement provide for the withdrawal of North Vietnamese troops and guarantee that a coalition government will not be imposed on South Vietnam.

Gen. Tran Van Don, a

—Turn to Page 14, Col. 1

Paris Talks To Resume Monday

—From Page 1

member of the South Vietnamese parliament and a close friend of Thieu's, also arrived in Paris today and said he came as a representative of the Vietnamese people. Saigon reports had said Thieu might send a delegate to try to sit in on the Kissinger - Tho talks, but this apparently did not materialize.

Meets Nixon

Ziegler said Kissinger will be accompanied by Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr., his chief deputy, and by deputy assistant secretary of state William H. Sullivan, a Southeast Asian expert who took part in some of the early meetings. Haig conferred in Saigon a week ago with Thieu.

Kissinger flew to Camp David and talked with President Nixon preparatory to his Sunday departure.

Optimism

The White House remained optimistic on an early cease-fire agreement although both the North Vietnamese and South Vietnamese appeared to have hardened their positions yesterday in the regularly scheduled Paris peace talks.

Hanoi said it would not accept changes in the proposed draft cease-fire agreement; Saigon said there must be provisions for the withdrawal of North Vietnamese troops.

In an arrival statement at Le Bourget Airfield when he flew in from Hanoi, Peking and Moscow, Tho said:

"On the U.S. proposal, I am coming to Paris to hold negotiations once again with the U.S. side in order to settle rapidly the conclusion of the agreement."