

CEASE-FIRE TALK RESUMES IN PARIS

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Kissinger Meets Tho for 5½
Hours After Getting New
Instructions From Nixon

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PARIS, Dec. 6—The Vietnam cease-fire talks resumed today after a 24-hour pause during which President Nixon sent what the White House called detailed new instructions to the American negotiators.

Henry A. Kissinger and his team met with Hanoi's chief delegate, Le Duc Tho, and his aides for five and a half hours. This time, they met in a house in the fashionable suburbs of Neuilly lent by an American-born Paris jeweler, Arnaud Clerc.

Mr. Clerc moved to a hotel so the negotiators could be alone. He voiced hope that peace might be reached in his house. But the principals in the talks kept mute on how they were progressing.

None of the people directly informed were willing to venture any assessment of how

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near peace might be, nor give any hint about how much more talking might be necessary.

Another meeting between Mr. Kissinger and Mr. Tho is scheduled for tomorrow at 3 P.M. Presumably, it will be in a house selected by the North Vietnamese, as the two delegations have been rotating the right to choose the site.

Mr. Clerc, who has an elegant shop on the Place de l'Opéra, said the United States Embassy approached him last Thursday with the request to use his house.

An unusual tall antenna could be seen on its roof, in addition to an ordinary television antenna, and reporters deduced that the White House had arranged to install special communications equipment before the meeting, which began at 10:30 A. M.

Lunch Brought In

Lunch, with wine, 7-Up and Coca-Cola, was brought in by a catering service. Afterward, the negotiators walked around the villa's walled garden for a few minutes, then returned to the curtained salon where they were meeting.

This time, Mr. Tho displayed a faint smile for waiting newsmen as he left in the afternoon while Mr. Kissinger was without his usual hearty grin, providing photographers with a slight variation on what has become their daily shot.

Late in the afternoon Mr. Kissinger received Pham Dang Lam, South Vietnam's chief delegate to the formal four-sided Vietnam conference, at the United States Embassy residence for what has become a customary briefing after each negotiating session.

The formal Vietnam conference in which the South Vietnamese and the Vietcong participate will be held as usual tomorrow in the Hotel Majestic. During rounds of secret talks, the published speeches made at the Majestic seldom reflect actual negotiations but merely repeat the standard positions of each side.

No Changes Indicated

So far, there has been no clear evidence of any substantial change in the conflicting positions of Hanoi and Saigon. The current round of meetings is the second since Hanoi published a draft cease-fire agreement concluded on Oct. 17 and demanded that the United States sign it without changes.

The United States insisted that some points needed to be modified, after Saigon had denounced the draft agreement as a "sellout," and Mr. Kissinger and Mr. Tho met for six consecutive days starting Nov. 29.

There was a week's break, during which Mr. Kissinger went home for talks with President Nixon and with a special envoy sent by President Nguyen Van Thieu. The new session began with meetings Monday morning and afternoon, and then a day's break requested by the United States despite a previous White House announcement that there would be a meeting yesterday.