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**PRESIDENT INSISTS
 ON A 'PROPER KIND'
 OF VIETNAM PACT**

**Tells Leaders of Congress
 He Is Hopeful About Talks
 by Kissinger and Tho**

WHITE HOUSE SESSION

**Nixon Concedes That Some
 of Those Attending Meeting
 Disagree With Him**

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 — President Nixon told a group of Republican and Democratic Congressional leaders today that although he knew many of them objected to his Vietnam policies, he was determined to do what he regarded as necessary to achieve "a proper kind of settlement."

Speaking at a White House breakfast, Mr. Nixon also said that he was neither optimistic nor pessimistic—only hopeful—about the prospects for a negotiated agreement in the talks which resume on Monday in Paris between his national security adviser, Henry A. Kissinger, and Le Duc Tho, a member of the Hanoi Politburo.

Mr. Nixon had invited the leaders primarily to discuss domestic affairs, but at the end of the 90-minute breakfast he spoke for about 12 minutes on current Vietnam developments. He did not permit questions and avoided providing any details on what he called the delicate negotiations.

Reports Are Relayed

Newsmen were told what Mr. Nixon said by Ronald L. Ziegler, the White House press secretary, who was present, and by members of Congress who attended.

Mr. Nixon reportedly seemed aware that many of those at the breakfast were sharply critical of the recent bombing of Hanoi and Haiphong in North Vietnam and had called for legislation to halt the United States role in the war if Mr. Nixon failed to negotiate its

end soon.

Mr. Ziegler said that the President had told the leaders that while he recognized differences of attitude between them over Vietnam, he was "determined to pursue a course that would lead to the proper kind of settlement."

In recent days Administration officials have said that they have no assurance that the Kissinger-Tho talks will lead to an agreement.

Administration View

They have said that Mr. Nixon halted the bombing raids above the 20th Parallel in North Vietnam solely because Hanoi had pledged to hold "serious" talks—something Hanoi insists it has been doing all along.

Mr. Nixon seemed to echo his officials' view when he told the leaders, according to a Congressman who was there, that he did not know how the talks would develop. But in comments that some interpreted as a tough line, he added:

"We should know fairly

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quickly next week whether the North Vietnamese, as they claimed, are ready to negotiate seriously the three major issues of the October agreement."

The three issues, according to Mr. Ziegler and several of this Congressmen, were the return of the American prisoners of war, a cease-fire in Vietnam and agreement to allow all parties in South Vietnam to determine their future.

Those issues were tentatively resolved in the draft agreement

reached in October, but since then both the United States and North Vietnam have made new proposals, with apparently contributed to the breakdown in the negotiations between Mr. Kissinger and Mr. Tho last month.

The raids above the 20th Parallel were resumed on Dec. 18, Mr. Nixon reportedly said, because Hanoi had gone into "a stalling pattern."

Mr. Kissinger has charged North Vietnam with deliberately engaging in delaying tactics in the last round of negoti-

ations, between Dec. 4 and 13. Hanoi has denied the charge, contending that the talks broke down because the United States reopened negotiations by raising new issues following which Hanoi made counterproposals.

At the breakfast Mr. Nixon stressed the need to have a supervised cease-fire according to a Congressman present, he said Hanoi's proposals for international supervision were a farce. He also reportedly said that it would be impossible to get any neutral countries to participate under Hanoi's terms.

On Dec. 16 Mr. Kissinger said that Hanoi had proposed that the international coup be limited to 250 men and that their mobility and freedom to act be sharply limited.

The United States has suggested a force of some 5,000, having its own transportation and free to investigate any

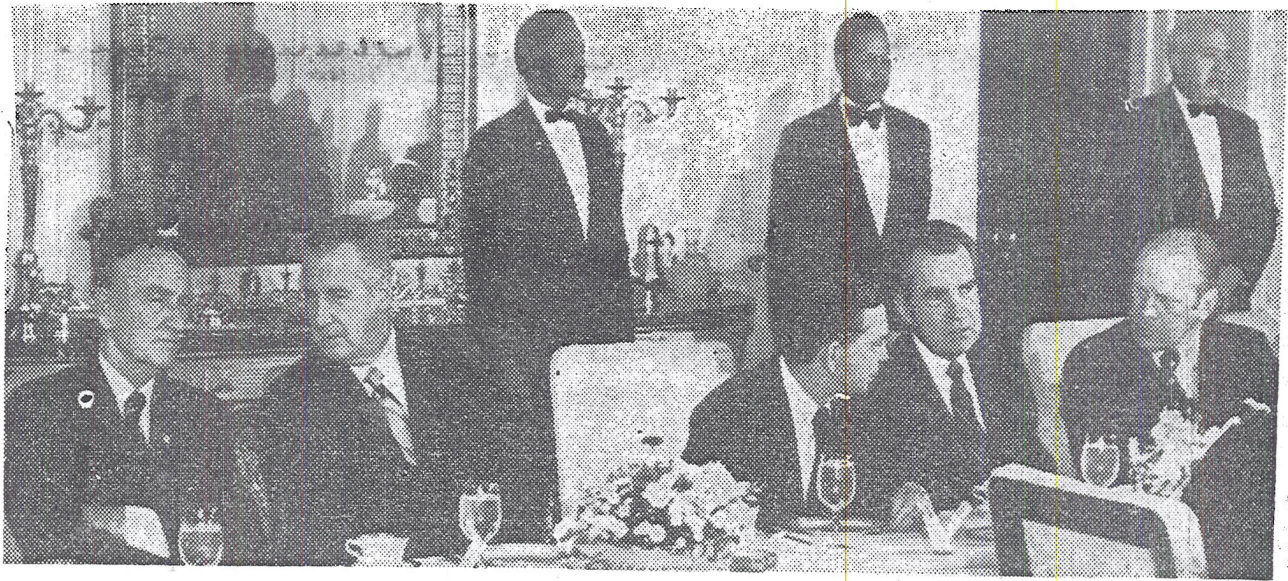
should think carefully whether they do want to raise doubts about the negotiations — to raise doubts in the minds of the North Vietnamese." Mr. Nixon met with Mr. Kis-

singer later in today. He plans an extensive review with him tomorrow at Cape David, Mr. Ziegler said before Mr. Kissinger's departure from Paris Sunday Morning.

* Carrol Kilpatrick, Washington Post 6 Jan 73:

Because the meeting was billed as one to discuss the economy, leaders of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the House Foreign Affairs Committee were excluded.

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At the White House breakfast yesterday, from the left: Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield, Vice President Agnew, Speaker of the House Carl Albert, President Nixon and House Minority Leader Gerald R. Ford.