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Kennedy-Reaction

SAIGON AP - American GIs and civilians in Saigon were stunned and angered today by the shooting of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

"Oh, my God," was the immediate reaction of several servicemen.

The U.S. Armed Forces Radio broadcast wire service bulletins of the shooting to the 530,000 American troops in Vietnam.

The Saigon bureau of The Associated Press and other news offices were deluged by telephone calls asking details of the shooting.

"I'd like to get my hands on that man who did it," said Pfc. Bernard Elwood of Joliet, Ill. "They've already killed the only real president we ever had."

"God help us," said Spec. 4 William Negaard of Minneapolis, Minn. "What the hell is going on back there? A man has to risk his life to run for the presidency."

Sgt. John Tucker of Tell City, Ind., put his hand to his forehead exclaimed: "I feel just like the last time." After a moment he added: "Such a rich family and yet so poor. After this tragic year in the United States, I feel safe over here."

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LONDON AP - Waves of shock, dismay and sorrow went round the world today at news of the shooting of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

"God help us," said a GI in Vietnam. "What the hell is going on back there?"

"I feel just like the last time," said another, referring to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Members of the Kennedy family in Europe were on the telephone to the United States. An aide to Sargent Shriver, the new U.S. ambassador to France and the senator's brother-in-law, said Shriver was trying to reach members of the family in Los Angeles.

In London, Princess Lee Radziwill said she had spoken to her sister, President Kennedy's widow, but "she tells me the news is pretty confused so far."

News of the shooting caused "acute sorrow" at the Vatican, the chief press official there said. He said Pope Paul VI was being kept informed constantly of the condition of the senator, who is a Roman Catholic.

"It's a nightmare-it's terrible," said a Russian woman on a Moscow street.

"It is a great pity that you live in such a country where any person can be shot," a Russian man told an American in the Soviet capital.

Tass, the official news agency, reported the shooting briefly and without comment.

Italian President Giuseppe Saragat expressed shock and dismay and told the Italian Embassy in Washington to keep him constantly informed of Kennedy's condition. Aides termed the shooting "a nefarious and vile attempt."

The news reached Europeans first by radio and television broadcasts. News agency offices were besieged by telephone calls. First editions of London afternoon papers spread the news in huge black type across their front pages.

"This is horrible, horrible," said a spokesman for the Swiss government in Bern, where the cabinet was meeting when the news broke.

"The same thing all over again," said a diplomat in Bern.

"Horrid. Horrid."

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