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MADAM NHU (230)

WASHINGTON, JUNE 29 (AP)¹⁹⁶⁴-STATE DEPARTMENT WILL NOT RECONSIDER ITS DENIAL OF A VISA FOR MADAME NGO DINH NHU UNLESS THERE IS SOME NEW AND UNCONSIDERED INFORMATION, OFFICIALS SAID TODAY.

MADAME NHU, WHOSE HUSBAND, NGO DINH NHU, AND BROTHER-IN-LAW, PRESIDENT NGO DINH DIEM, WERE ASSASSINATED IN A SOUTH VIET NAM COUP LAST FALL, HAS BEEN INVITED TO ADDRESS THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY CLUB AT FLUSHING, N.Y., JULY 7. SHE NOW LIVES IN PARIS.

THE QUESTION OF THE DEPARTMENT RECONSIDERING ITS REFUAL TO GRANT HER A VISA AROSE WHEN REPORTERS ASKED ABOUT A STATEMENT BY ROBERT MORRIS IN POINT PLEASANT, N.J., THAT MADAME NHU HAD RETAINED HIM AND HE HAS SENT A TELEGRAM TO THE DEPARTMENT.

MORRIS, FORMER COUNSEL OF THE SENATE INTERNAL SECURITY SUBCOMMITTEE, SAID HIS TELEGRAM TOLD SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN RUSK THAT VIET NAM IS "AN URGENT CRISIS. LET US NOT CUT OFF SOURCE OF INFORMATION AND FRIENDSHIP OR DISPLAY INTOLERANCE OF FREE SPEECH BEFORE THE WORLD."

DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS SAID "NOBODY HAS SET EYES" ON A MESSAGE FROM MORRIS. HOWEVER, THEY POINTED OUT THAT AN ALIEN HAS NO RIGHT TO APPEAL THE VISA RULING, BUT CAN ASK FOR RECONSIDERATION.

MADAME NHU WAS EXCLUDED UNDER A SECTION OF THE IMMIGRATION NATIONALITY ACT WHICH EXCLUDES ALIENS WHOM A COUNSELOR OFFICER OR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL "KNOWS OR HAS REASON TO BELIEVE SEEKS TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES SOLELY, PRINCIPALLY, OR INCIDENTALLY TO ENGAGE IN ACTIVITIES PREJUDICIAL TO THE PUBLIC INTEREST OR WHO MAY ENDANGER THE WELFARE, SAFETY OR SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES."

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