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Feb 1981 mtg -

Roosevelt Room (Cel. from mtg)

15 people

Rov \textcircled{P} , \textcircled{VP} Casey

\textcircled{A} Coy

Miss. Baker, Davis

Loth had telegram / Polithero \rightarrow from Choni, Canada, to me
NVN claim 57 men; wants +45.

Following week - another mtg - also in Roosevelt Room.

Casey goes to \textcircled{P} - says checked w/ NSA, says we
know who & where they are. Baker angry at
Casey going directly to \textcircled{P} .

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Summary of 1981 After Discussion as remembered by Source:

Casey came into the Roosevelt Room from the Oval office with President Reagan and Vice President Bush. National Security Advisor Allen joined them, as they stopped for a moment to talk.

They were headed toward another larger meeting, and Chief of Staff Baker and Deaver stood a few feet away, at the doorway, waiting for the group to enter the meeting.

Casey said to the President: "What do you want to do about the message?"

President: "What message?"

Casey: "The message from the Vietnamese, through the Canadians and China."

President: (To Group) "What do you think?"

Casey: "I think its just China running interference at Vietnam."

VP Bush: "I agree."

Casey: "We can't give \$4.5 billion to the Vietnamese, it would be paying blackmail."

VP Bush: "Yeah, I agree."

Allen: "If these are live POWs, we should do something about it."

Baker and Deaver come up.

Baker: "Its time for the meeting."

President: "OK....(to Casey) do something about it."

Group departs room for meeting.