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Telcon
Secretary Kissinger
Secretary Schlesinger
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K: Hello.

S: Hi, Henry.

K: Jim, I have just talked to the President and he sees no choice except to terminate the thing.

S: Okay. He has about 700 between 750 people there now. Five hundred Vietnamese -- what we can do is give them a number of choppers to go in or tell him there is a time limit -- he must be out by 3:30 or something like that.

K: Well, how many choppers can you give him?

S: We have in train eight choppers plus eleven. Eight are on the way and there are 11 more that are standing in the wings as it were.

K: Eight would get out how many?

S: Approximately 450.

K: Four hundred fifty and we have altogether 750.

S: Right. I would say God-dammit this is the end -- you know.

K: Why don't you give him say altogether twelve helicopters and say that is a Presidential order.

S: Okay.

K: Would 12 do it?

S: I think so, we may jiggle that to 13 or something. We will have to do some careful calculations.

K: Well, give them what you think it takes of what is on the ground now and that's it.

S: Right.

K: I take it you have got communications to the ship now?

S: We are concerned whether or not we can still go through by crypt but what we will do is give a ~~KK~~ pilot a message to hand to him.

