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MR, PRESIDENT.

I AM VERY HAPPY, IN THE NAME OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE AND IN MY OWN NAME, TO CONVEY TO YOU, AND THROUGH YOU, TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, OUR WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS FOR THE GREAT ACHIEVEMENT OF THE ASTRONAUTS OF APOLLO II IN SETTING FOOT ON THE MOON AND ACCOMPLISHING BRILLIANTLY THEIR SCIENTIFIC MISSION. IN THIS HISTORICAL EVENT, WE WHOLEHEARTEDLY CONCUR IN THE MESSAGE OF PEACE, WHICH THE BRAVE ASTRONAUTS CARRY FOR MANKIND TO THIS NEW FRONTIER OF HUMAN BEINGS. WE PRAY FOR THEIR COMPLETE SUCCESS AND SAFE RETURN, AND FURTHER SUCCESSES OF NASA FOR THE CONQUEST OF KNOWLEDGE AND THE WIDENING OF HUMAN HORIZONS.

