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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, D.C. 20515**

May 16, 1972

Eliot Porter  
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Dear Eliot:

Thank you for your correspondence regarding military activities in Vietnam. I too am very concerned about this terrible problem.

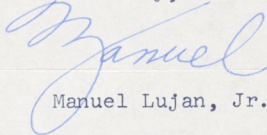
Certainly the bombing of Haiphong and the mining of Haiphong harbor cannot be interpreted as bringing negotiations for peace closer to agreement. It was, in my opinion, purely defensive to allow this country time to bring home the remaining troops.

Enclosed is a copy of a Resolution I supported and voted for last year. The goal has not changed. It is still the safe withdrawal of our men now in Vietnam and our POWs.

I hope and pray that this conflict which has caused so much division within our country will soon end.

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

Sincerely,



Manuel Lujan, Jr.

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Enclosure



## TITLE VI—TERMINATION OF HOSTILITIES IN INDO-CHINA

SEC. 601. (a) It is hereby declared to be the policy of the United States to terminate at the earliest practicable date all military operations of the United States in Indochina, and to provide for the prompt and orderly withdrawal of all United States military forces at a date certain, subject to the release of all American prisoners of war held by the Government of North Vietnam and forces allied with such Government and an accounting for all Americans missing in action who have been held by or known to such Government or such forces. The Congress hereby urges and requests the President to implement the above-expressed policy by initiating immediately the following actions:

(1) Establishing a final date for the withdrawal from Indochina of all military forces of the United States contingent upon the release of all American prisoners of war held by the Government of North Vietnam and forces allied with such Government and an accounting for all Americans missing in action who have been held by or known to such Government or such forces.

(2) Negotiate with the Government of North Vietnam for an immediate cease-fire by all parties to the hostilities in Indochina.

(3) Negotiate with the Government of North Vietnam for an agreement which would provide for a series of phased and rapid withdrawals of United States military forces from Indochina in exchange for a corresponding series of phased releases of American prisoners of war, and for the release of any remaining

American prisoners of war concurrently with the withdrawal of all remaining military forces of the United States by not later than the date established by the President pursuant to paragraph (1) hereof or by such earlier date as may be agreed upon by the negotiating parties.

Approved November 17, 1971.