

appropriate ways, as our delegation has been doing, our solidarity with our colleagues on this matter.

6. I agree that you should urgently talk to the State Department. Although the USA have thrown out more than one hint (e.g. Saigon's telegram 204 October 27) that under certain circumstances they would wish to terminate the Commission, we assume that for the present they are anxious for it to continue. I should like an explicit confirmation of the latter. If the assumption is correct, they alone are in a position to influence the RVN and will wish to exert this influence. We are not prepared (a) to be intimidated into a retreat from Saigon, (b) to permit one delegation to be harassed and threatened, (c) to leave Canadian personnel unprotected.

For Delhi

You should urgently explain the above views to DEA, though not explicitly as instructions to Washington; and at the same time seek the Indian views, Saigon's telegram 205 indicates that Indian representation was made but not the content.

For London

You should in the light of the above consult the Foreign Office.

[H.C.] GREEN

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*Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures
au commissaire de la Commission internationale de surveillance
et de contrôle pour le Vietnam*

*Secretary of State for External Affairs
to Commissioner, International Commission for Supervision
and Control for Vietnam*

TELEGRAM Y-599

Ottawa, November 2, 1961

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Reference: Your Tels 206 Oct 30† and 205 Oct 28† and Washington Tel 3330 Oct 31.†
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VIETNAM – ICSC

I am in full agreement with your support for Polish Delegation in present dispute with South Vietnam. For reasons set forth in our telegram Y-598 to Washington, move of Commission to Hanoi under pressure is not being considered. You should continue to take available opportunities to explain to the RVN the dangers of the course they are taking. We are considering asking you to convey our views to Diem formally but will wait on action from Washington.

2. You will be interested to know that Laszcz, Polish Chargé d'Affaires, called at the Department October 30 on instructions from Warsaw to express thanks and appreciation of his government for helpful attitude of Canadian Commissioner over current difficulties of Polish Delegation. He suggested that these amounted to action against Commission as a whole; and asked what in our opinion was reason. While there was implication in his remarks that RVN might wish to see end of ICSC, he did not attempt to relate South Vietnamese actions to