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I. NOTES ON THE SITUATION

More on Living Conditions: Reports on living
and working conditions in North Vietnam continue

women have replaced men in "virtually every
field of endeavor," and that women constitute the
great majority of the militia and about one-half of
the armed security service.

Agricultural and construction workers usually work about a
seven-hour day, and are
subjected to short, political indoctrination ses-
sions about once a week—a not excessive requirement
in view of war needs and the Communist penchant for
political indoctrination. the draft age
as 18 and
that illegal deferments are not
uncommon, citing examples of the successful bribery
of both medical officials and personnel cadre in
charge of assignment and recruitment.

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II. NORTH VIETNAMESE REFLECTIONS OF US POLITICAL ATTITUDES ON THE WAR

There is nothing of significance to report.
Walt - work up a statement on what they do when we pause (last paragraph) and get someone, some Senator, to make it about how they used the peace initiative.

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