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Mr. Leon Taylor  
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Dear Mr. Taylor:

Your letter and material about the translation project of Vietnamese Bible, Inc. along with a letter from Phil Stine, have been referred to me. I was very interested to receive this information about the Vietnamese Bible translation project. I had heard from Vietnamese friends that this work was being undertaken and I appreciate this information very much.

The inadequacy of the 1916 text has been recognized for many years. The New Testament revision of 1954 had its own problems and failed to win wide acceptance. During the 1960s, two new translation projects were organized by the Bible Society of Vietnam but, for various reasons, the work was not completed. The Living Bible translation of the New Testament, which was published a few years ago, has not yet gained wide acceptance and, of course, is limited by the translation principles employed.

The Christian and Missionary Alliance is pleased that this new project is being undertaken. The translation team and the review committees have excellent people involved and it would seem that the project has every prospect of success.

I note that you have already sent information to the Rev. Troung Van Sang, Director of the Vietnamese District of The Christian and Missionary Alliance. I am sure that Mr. Sang will present the matter to the Vietnamese District committee as their endorsement is necessary before we can give a denominational endorsement.

With all good wishes.

Yours very sincerely,

Edward A. Cline  
Director of Specialized Ministries

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cc: Philip Stine  
Troung Van Sang