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These observers ~~believe~~ point out, however, that the dominant political politician in Viet Nam--Buddhist political-priest the Venerable Thich Tri Quang--may possibly be anti-Communist, ~~He~~ but may allow himself at this time to be manipulated by the Communists to achieve defeat common enemy: the Vietnamese government and the americans. The common long-range goal, according to this view, is to seize control of the government, but Tri Quang could then ~~attack~~ break his alliance with the Communists, crush them and set up his own ultra-nationalist, anti-American, but anti-Communist government. Or it could be that he is now ^{supra} ~~a~~ Communist who is engineering ~~an~~ long-term Communist strategy of seizing control off of the government.
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While in Saigon a state ~~amfium~~ of anarchy, the most dangerous trend is the ~~aimantimotaimBuddhistamamamamam~~ sucession from the union of the four northernmost provinces where the Buddhists control the masses, the university and intellectuals, the government employees and the army. This week more than 2000 government employees demonstrated against Khanh; the army for ces contr commanded by Sub-Brig. Gen. Nguyen Chanh Thi Thi, who is forced to go along with their moves.

Besides the military war in the provinces, Vietnam faces two other civil wars; Catholic vs. Buddhists and Central Vietnamese vs. South Vietnamese. The Communists are obviously inciting these factions by spreading rumors against both each other. The best ~~thaxmrxthamkpsmforminxamibritdngm~~ most optimistic outcome of these two wars is a continual state of controlled chaos.

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buddhist--1--interpretive

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Some keen political observers here believe Communist strategists in Hanoi and Communist cadre among the students and villagers are "pulling the strings" to ~~a~~ manipulate the Buddhist leaders and Buddhist masses.

The most important question ~~is~~ deciding fate of Viet Nam is whether the Buddhist's politico-priest Thich Tri Quang, ~~is~~ although now allied with the Communist objectives, is a Communist agent or is an ingenuous anti-Communist who will ~~attempt to crush the Communists. The heavy odds are, however, that he's an Communist.~~ attempt to crush the Communists. The heavy odds are, however, that he's ~~an~~ Communist. The Buddhist-Communist alliance can easily at the present rate of developments here seize control of the government, turning it into a neutralist or a Communist state. It is a question of whether this alliance is ~~permanent~~ temporary or permanent.

The focus of the Communist dangers in South Viet Nam has shifted dramatically within one week from the military fight ~~at~~ against Viet Cong guerrillas in the provinces to political subversive political warfare in Saigon.

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Exponents of this view are a small knot of observers who have for years years witnessed South EastAsian politics and Communist tactics. ~~and diplomats~~ Western diplomats, American officials, even in private discussions, do not admit to this view.

These obvers observers point out, however, that the dominant ~~politician~~ politician in Viet Nam, the Venerable Thich Tri Quang, might be a covert Communist agent. But he might also be an anti-Communist, who has allied himself with the Communists to defeat common enemies: the Vietnamese government and the Americans. The common long-range strategy of both Buddhists and Communists would be to seize control of the national government, through deliberate and precise political subversion of the armed forces, political parties and influential personalities. But, ~~indeed~~ Thich Tri Quang at some point might them attempt to crush the Communists, and set up his own ultra-nationalist, but anti-Communist government. This would probably include Buddhism as a state religion, but it appears x to be a minor onside consideration compared to Tri Quang's political objectives.

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The intentions of this small, elfish-looking politico-politico-priest--who engineered last year's ¹⁵ Buddhist crisis and then sought political asylum in an airconditioned conference room of the American Embassy--is clearly the most important, if not the sole, question determining determining the fate of future of Viet Nam. The trend of events here is definitely on his side, though the timing of these events may change. But the future policy of American and of the Vietnamese government will only be a reaction to Tri Quang's/.

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In five days, beginning with a simply demonstration of 500 students in front of the President's Office on August 22, the Buddhists succeeded in forcing the reelection of a new President, thus baring the desperate state of g disunity ~~xxx~~ in the armed forces--the only stable power unit in the country. He did this without the aid of the Americans or the Vietnamese armed forces. Last year, it took him seven months to capture the sympathy of American officialdom and the army, which effected the overthrow of Diem. The American press is often accused