



This photo of Michael C H Jones was taken at the Restaurant Le Bourgeois in Saigon/Ho Chi Minh City in October 2015, it is reproduced in the latest Newsletter of the alumni of the New York Herald Tribune World Youth Forum for 1965.

Mr Jones met and discussed briefly with the US Ambassador to the United Nations, Adlai Stevenson, in late February 1965 the future recognition by the US of the PRC, subsequently enacted on 1st January 1979 by President Jimmy Carter, which made possible the opening up of China to the world and the enormous economic progress over the last almost 40 years.

Mr Jones played a lead role in the Australian anti-conscription/draft and anti-Vietnam intervention Movements between 1962-72, supporting the rights of the Vietnamese people to independence and their own economic development. A lengthy interview of about an hour is about to be placed, with other interviews, in the Australian War Museum, Canberra Australia.

He visited South Vietnam/Saigon in support of Vietnam's membership of the Trans-Pacific Partnership and the invitation by the Vietnamese Communist Party General Secretary for US President Obama to visit similar to former President Bill Clinton's visit in November 2000.

In an Open Letter to newly elected Australian Prime Minister, Malcolm Turnbull, Mr Jones called for his visit to Vietnam as soon as possible. To paraphrase the policy of Australian Foreign Minister Julie Bishop, Australian Diplomacy is economic relations based which understands that yesterday's enemies are today's friends.