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Liam says

Not much fun to read, but interesting as a means of studying the development of Ho Chi Minh's political thought over the course of many years, through an extremely eventful period of history in which he was an individual of great influence.

Joe says

The writings of Ho Chi Minh, famous foil and fighter of men like LBJ, William Westmoreland, and William McNamara. In this book, he gives away the way that the Vietnamese people were willing to fight the French and then, American "colonizers" and "invaders". Ho speaks of "freedom" and "democracy", but it reads as something simply used as a wartime measure, used to stoke passions and feed a starving country's yearnings against foreign armies.

Ho stresses that Vietnamese history had a long past of repelling such armies, and that the Vietnamese people would bear whatever difficulty necessary, and that they would fight for decades if necessary.

In the face of such tenacious defense, it seems that Westmoreland and McNamara would have done well to study a little history before engaging in such loss of American fighting forces for no gain, and an eventual withdrawal from the country.
