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Mr. President:

Herewith our air inventory in South-east Asia, totals and by country: detailed, by types, attached. The total, in response to your question, proves to be not 5900 but 5614.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Aircraft Deployed in Southeast Asia (U)

This memorandum is to respond to your request for information concerning aircraft deployed in Southeast Asia. Attached is a summary table setting forth aircraft deployed in operational units in Southeast Asia as of January 24, 1968, by aircraft model and by Service. These data, excluding support aircraft on Guam, Taiwan, and Okinawa are briefly summarized as follows:

<u>Total U. S. aircraft by type</u>	<u>Actual January 24, 1968</u>
Fighter/attack aircraft	972
Other fixed-wing aircraft	1,635
Helicopters	<u>3,007</u>
Total U. S. aircraft in Southeast Asia	5,614*

<u>Total U. S. aircraft by country</u>	
Vietnam in-country	4,810
Carriers off Vietnam	264
Thailand	<u>540</u>
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*Does not include 115 aircraft on Guam, Taiwan, and Okinawa assigned to support SEA operations.

Robert S. McNamara

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