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FROM: ASTARMA HAIPHONG VIETNAM SGD MCGOWAN
TO: DEPTAR WASH DC FOR G2
INFO: USARMA SAIGON VIETNAM, CINCPAC PEARL HARBOR TH, CGAFFE/
ARMYEIGHT CP ZAMA JAPAN
NR: VC-691-54 301000Z NOV 54

1. Info from VH-1: Nr of refugees from Phat Diem area arriving Haiphong Zone have been: 23 November-1546, 24 November-1646, 25 November-1378, 26 November-aprx 1100 (exact figure not avail), 27 Nov-1508, 28 Nov-260, 29 Nov-960. Almost all above refugees have been dlv by VM to Haiphong perimeter in accordance agreement given to ICC.

Comment: This revises upward prev est of degree VM cooperation this proj.

2. Info from G-2 Naval Forces Haiphong: Past 10 days VM have been dlv between 800-900 Vietnamese emigrees daily to French at mouth of Songvahu in accordance with prev agreement and along route described (see MC-672-54). These deliveries expected end today, as this will exhaust those signatures affixed to petition given to ICC

Comment: Above deliveries over 10 day period acct for 8,000-9,000 evacuees. One of early deliveries did not reach Haiphong Zone; instead evacuees were taken directly to south by French Navy. This fact probably acct for the missing 400 reported MC-685-54. Greater part of total evacuated by Vietminh have come to Haiphong Zone. Total in refugee camps 29 Nov was 14,572.

NOTE: MC-672-54 is DA IN 98849 (16 Nov 54) G2
MC-685-54 is DA IN 100662 (24 Nov 54) G2

ACTION: G2
INFO : OSA, OCS, OSD, JCS, NAVY, AF, G2(STATE), G3, DEPLOY
DA IN 101866 (30 Nov 54) bdm/S