

2. Subsistence

(a) Reimbursement to National Budget	150,000,000 IC\$
(b) Lump sum grant for food @ 700 IC\$ per person paid in installments (400,000 persons)	280,000,000 IC\$
(c) Lump sum grant for food @ 1,000 IC\$ per person for those resettled in Central Vietnam due to higher costs-of- living (100,000 persons)	150,000,000 IC\$

3. Resettlement

(a) Land clearing of forest areas by mechanical means under contract	34,800,000 IC\$
(b) Housing at an average cost of 3000 IC\$ per family; the exact family allotment to vary by provinces de- pending upon local availability of construction materials. Allotment to be determined by a provincial committee on which a USAOM observer advises. House to conform to average dwelling in area.	300,000,000 IC\$
(c) Medicines (from FOA stock)	
(d) Sanitation, first-aid dispensaries	4,000,000 IC\$
(e) Schools, markets and community centers	6,000,000 IC\$
(f) Lump sum grants to evacuated charitable or government supervised institutions for care of orphans, aged and other non- productive refugees. 7000 @ 3,600 IC\$ (one year's care)	25,200,000 IC\$
Total	1,000,000,000 IC\$

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B. Dollar Requirements (U.S.)

Tents	\$3,295,000
Lumber	580,000
Quonsets	300,000
Welcome kits	52,000
Blankets	132,000
Wells (external contracts)	500,000
Water purifiers	160,000
Centrifugal pumps	200,000
Hand tools	573,000
Roofing	100,000
CAT plane service	300,000
Misc.	9,500

(U.S.\$300,000 for CAT airplane is temporary only and will be absorbed from regular program funds soonest)

\$6,201,500

III. Project Phasing

- A. Evacuation - July 20, 1954 to May 10, 1955
- B. Reception - July 20, 1954 to July, 1955
- C. Resettlement - August, 1954 to October, 1955

IV. Organization of Operation by Vietnam

A. National level

The Commissioner General for Refugees has ministerial rank, serves as President of the National Commission composed of a representative of each of several ministries concerned with the problem of refugees. This Commission is legally constituted and is responsible for policy. The Commissioner General is the top executive for refugee affairs. He is assisted by a Deputy who has the rank of Secretary of State plus a staff for handling the various functions of the Ministry.

In addition, all interested Ministries have a permanent representative located at the Commissioner's headquarters and these persons serve as liaison officers and consultants.

B. Regional Level

The Commissioner has a Deputy with power to act in his behalf in North Vietnam at Haiphong and in Central Vietnam at Hue.

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C. Provincial Level

1. Site Selection Committee

This committee determines the location of new villages and the number of refugees who can be absorbed in a given area. It consists of the Chief of Province as Chairman and the Chiefs of provincial technical services as members.

2. Operational Committee

This committee is responsible for the execution of resettlement plans including receipt and distribution of allotments for housing and subsistence, supervision of village programs, supervision of housing construction, and general supervision of subordinate committees. It is composed of the Chief of Province as Chairman, two representatives from each resettlement area, one priest named by Bishop Chi, one elected representative of the refugees, with the Chiefs of Provincial technical services as non-voting advisors.

D. Resettlement Centers

In each resettlement area, there is a committee responsible for refugee registration, distribution of allotments, bulk purchase and distribution of food, general sanitation, purchase and distribution of construction materials, supervision of first-aid and medical services to refugees, and a census of arrivals and departures from the area.

E. Financial Control

Compliance with financial requirements of the project agreement is determined by concurrence of the following governmental and Mission authorities; (1) Inspector General of American Aid, (2) Controller of USAOM, (3) The Minister of Finance, and (4) The Commissioner General for Refugees.

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MISSION COMMENTS

The project has been approved as presented in this communication realizing that it does not provide more than a temporary solution for refugee resettlement. The conditions and areas where refugees are being resettled will not provide for self-support for several months, probably five or six months for the majority of refugees. The allotments to be made for subsistence are inadequate to carry these people through land preparation, the construction of housing and the unfortunate timing of resettlement in regard to the planting seasons. The Mission believes that consideration must be given to the probability of an urgent need for additional subsistence by early March.

Such funds might become available through regular program sources if the rate of implementation of the FY 55 operational program cannot be maintained. The FY 56 illustrative program includes a contingency reserve of U.S.\$ 22 million for resettlement of South Vietnamese (Cochin China) displaced persons estimating U.S.\$ 2 million for direct U. S. \$ purchases and U. S. \$ 20 million, the U. S. \$ equivalent of local currency expenditures of 700 million piasters.

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