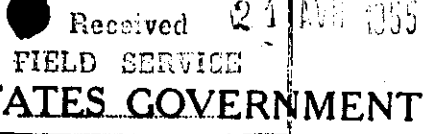


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TO : M.H.B. Alder, chief, field Service
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 SUBJECT : Wells for Army Refugees

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There is a new village for refugees just completed 60 km north of Nhatrang. This village was built by the Vietnamese Army and is meant to house the families and relatives of Army personnel who will participate in the BINH-DINH. The village is well planned, clean, and above average in structure. The arrangements for the care of the people are being made by the Army.

One difficulty is the lack of water. Water is available at a depth of 5 or 6 metres. The ground is very sandy and wells must be walled with sections of cement pipe. The Army will dig the wells but need cement pipe and pumps 5 wells are needed

If it is possible to secure the items I would strongly recommend it. Col Dong Army commander is doing a good job in taking care of Army families and in assisting in the rehabilitation of discharged Army personnel. He is also very helpful to the province in caring for refugees in general. I feel that in addition to the human needs being met in this instance that it would offer a very fine chance for good public relation with the local army command. Something badly needed in this province.

