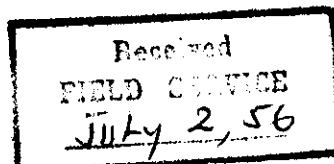


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TO : M. H. B. Adler, Chief, Field Service
 FROM : J. D. Hanley, Field Representative *gch*
 SUBJECT : Progress Report (No. 12) on Resettlement
 Subproject - Thudaumot.

DATE: July 2, 1956

FIELD REPORT No. FS - 1308

This report is in two parts;

Part one:

A total of more than 3,500,000 Piastres have been received by the Thudaumot Regisseur Comptable to-date, but no money has been disbursed and evidently none is to be spent until the revised Subproject No. 7 is submitted and approved.

The following is a brief statement of the present circumstances surrounding the several refugee Villages in the Province of Thudaumot, and according to the Provincial Delegate, will be reflected in his revised or amended submission for Subproject No. 7 and the Subproject proposal already submitted for Qui Hiep:

Of the 13,000 refugees covered by agreement No. 7, only 6,508 refugees remain.

6,508	refugees remain.
6,492	" have already moved from Thudaumot.

13,000	Total.

Of the 6,508 refugees remaining,
 3,946 can be established and thereby become self-sufficient.

 2,562 still in Villages under agreement 7
 must be moved if no irrigation system
 is included.

2,562 of agreement No. 7 must move,
 895 of agreement No. 46 must move because they too, can not

 become self-sustaining.

3,457 Total number of refugees now located in Thudaumot that
 must be moved.

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Recapitulation

3,946 refugees can stay under revised agreement No. 7
994 " " " " subproject for Quy Hiep

4,940 is the total to remain and be established in Thudaumot.
3,457 is the total to be moved.

8,397 is the total now remaining in Thudaumot.

Part two:

Mr. Nguyen Van Thien the Thudaumot Provincial Delegate was again interviewed July 2, at great length. As a result of this and various other interviews with Mr. Thien, I have reached the following conclusion and therefore question his ability to make any beneficial contributions toward the successful implementation of subprojects in the Province of Thudaumot.

Mr. Nguyen Van Thien, in my opinion, is unable to form a logical opinion and commit himself to it. He is vacillating and tries to avoid reducing anything to a written commitment. He speaks in broad generalities and as he discovers contradictions in his logic or explanation, he becomes confused, more vague and involved. The unfortunate aspect of Mr. Thien's all around frustration is the fact that his subordinates become confused and have neither a clear line of direction to follow, nor instruction to execute. In my opinion the Thudaumot sub-projects are bound to suffer under Mr. Thien's direction if he continues as the Administrator.

Mr. Thien complains that he is overworked, being the Chief of District as well as the Provincial Delegate, and therefore, can not devote sufficient time to refugee resettlement matters.

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