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SUBJECT: Rations and Quarters in Vietnam

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1. Press Camps in the RVN are government quarters. They are funded and operated by the U.S. Armed Forces. The money that is paid while lodging there is a service charge and will not be repaid when the travel voucher is submitted. If personnel choose to stay at a Press Camp, it is at their own expense.
2. In the event that other quarters are not available, then the facilities of a press camp may be utilized. Personnel will not be re-imbursted unless they get a certificate signed by a Commissioned Officer at the location, stating that quarters were not available. Certificate must give the dates and locations. A receipt for money paid does not constitute a certificate.
3. Rations are available at all field locations in RVN. If personnel choose to use other facilities such as NCO Clubs, PX Cafeterias or Press Center Messes, it is at their own expense and they will not be re-imbursted. In the event that government rations are not available, then other facilities may be utilized. Personnel will not be re-imbursted unless they have a certificate signed by a Commissioned Officer at the location stating that rations were not available. This certificate must give the dates and locations. Field rations (C-rations) are adequate and considered government.
4. In the event that eating at a government mess would actually interfere with the accomplishment of the mission, even though rations are available and not used, personnel can be re-imbursted for the missed meal/meals. The OIC of Team Charlie will give departing personnel a signed statement itemizing the location and date of each missed meal. When the OIC departs RVN, he will leave signed statements for all remaining personnel.
5. Failure to comply with the spirit of this letter will result in the removal from Travel Orders of the statement, "The use of government rations and quarters would adversely effect the performance of the mission." This in effect would mean all personnel would have to get statements of non-availability each day in order to receive per diem.

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I, the undersigned, certify that (Name)

_____ (SN) _____, missed meals as indicated below because utilization of government mess would have interfered with the accomplishment of the mission.

MEAL MISSED

DATE

LOCATION