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SUBJ: TALKING POINTS FOR POW/MIA CONSULTATIVE MEETING IN AT THESE FACILITIES, SUCH AS WE DID AT THE FILM ARCHIVE.

N. DURING THE MAY 93 TRILATERAL MEETING IN HANOI, YOU MENTIONED THAT THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND CULTURE ESTABLISHED A COMMITTEE TO RESEARCH WARTIME DOCUMENTS. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE RESULTS OF THIS RESEARCH, AND WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH THE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS.

O. WE WILL NOW DISCUSS THE RESULTS OF OUR MOST RECENT

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 EXCAVATIONS IN XIANGKHOANG PROVINCE AND OTHER FORENSIC MATTERS.

(1) RECOVERIES IN XIANGKHOANG PROVINCE ACHIEVED DISAPPOINTING RESULTS. DURING THE INVESTIGATION OF CASE 1397 (BOGIAGES), A LAO CITIZEN TURNED OVER A BONE FRAGMENT. WE DUG TEST PITS, BUT FOUND NO ADDITIONAL REMAINS. CILHI HAS DETERMINED THAT IDENTIFICATION IS NOT POSSIBLE WITH THIS BONE FRAGMENT.

(2) DURING THE INVESTIGATION OF THE SITE POSSIBLY ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1482 (DAVIS), WE RECOVERED TWO BONE FRAGMENTS. ONE WAS ON THE SURFACE OF THE GROUND; WE FOUND THE OTHER WHILE DIGGING A TEST PIT. CILHI HAS DETERMINED THAT NEITHER BONE CAN BE USED FOR IDENTIFICATION. THIS SITE HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR A FUTURE EXCAVATION, AND WE ESTIMATE IT WILL TAKE TWO TO THREE WEEKS TO ACCOMPLISH THE PROJECT.

(3) WE COMPLETED THE EXCAVATION OF CASE 1650 (REED, BLOODWORTH) ON 3 AUGUST 1993, RECOVERING ONLY ONE BONE FRAGMENT. A LAO CITIZEN ALSO TURNED OVER WHAT MAY HAVE BEEN PART OF A GOLD BRIDGE HE SAID HE FOUND IN THE CRASH CRATER TWO OR THREE YEARS EARLIER. CILHI HAS DETERMINED THAT THE BONE FRAGMENT CANNOT BE USED FOR IDENTIFICATION. THE METAL FRAGMENT HAS BEEN FLATTENED AND DISTORTED SO THAT IT CANNOT BE ASSOCIATED WITH EITHER CREWMAN

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 IN THE INCIDENT.

(4) WE RECOVERED THREE FRAGMENTS OF TWO FOOT BONES DURING THE EXCAVATION OF A SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1542 (FRYAR)  
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DURING JOINT FIELD ACTIVITY 93-5L. CILHI HAS DETERMINED THESE BONES ARE SUFFICIENT FOR IDENTIFICATION.

(5) WE HAVE NOT MADE PROGRESS IN PROCESSING THE REMAINS ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 0955 (FOSTER, CRUZ, POTTER). A DENTAL BRIDGE FOUND AT THE SITE IS CONSISTENT WITH ONE OF THE CREWMAN (POTTER), BUT THE BONE FRAGMENTS ARE INSUFFICIENT FOR BIOLOGICAL IDENTIFICATION. CILHI IS ATTEMPTING TO DETERMINE IF THE MATERIAL EVIDENCE FOUND AT THE SITE AND OTHER FACTORS WOULD SUPPORT A RECOMMENDATION FOR IDENTIFICATION AS GROUP REMAINS.

(6) REMAINS FOUND AT A SITE INITIALLY ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1341 (DUGAN, MCGOULDRIK) ARE NOW TENTATIVELY ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 0571 (COGDELL). HOWEVER, CILHI HAS DETERMINED THE REMAINS ARE INSUFFICIENT FOR IDENTIFICATION.

(7) WE HAVE NOT IDENTIFIED THE REMAINS WE JOINTLY RECOVERED IN JUNE OF 1991 THAT WERE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1342 (BARRAS). CILHI HAS DETERMINED THE REMAINS ARE INSUFFICIENT FOR IDENTIFICATION. THE AIRCRAFT PARTS RECOVERED AT THE SITE HAVE

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BEEN DETERMINED TO BE FROM THE SAME TYPE OF AN AIRCRAFT THAT MAJOR BARRAS WAS FLYING, SO WE ARE CONSIDERING THE POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING IDENTIFICATION BASED ON THIS AND OTHER EVIDENCE DISCOVERED AT THE SITE.

(8) WE ADVISED YOU IN OUR JUNE 1992 MEETING THAT THE REMAINS YOU UNILATERALLY RECOVERED ALONG WITH MILITARY IDENTIFICATION TAGS BY WHICH YOU ASSOCIATED THE REMAINS WITH CASE 1786 (POYNER, THOMAS) COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED. WE HAVE RECENTLY REVIEWED THIS CASE AND ARRIVED AT THE SAME CONCLUSION.

(9) WE COMPLETED PROCESSING THE REMAINS RECOVERED FROM THE FOUR EXCAVATION PHASES OF CASE 1053 WE REPORTED TO YOU IN LAST JUNE. AS A RESULT, WE RECOMMENDED ONE INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFICATION (COONS) BASED ON COMPARISON OF TEETH WITH ANTEMORTEM DENTAL RECORDS. WE FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT THE OTHER EIGHT MEN IN THE INCIDENT (KRAVITZ, MARTIN, HAYDEN, WONN, THURMAN, DAWSON, ASHBY, DONATO) BE ACCOUNTED FOR AS GROUP REMAINS.

(10) WE ALSO TOLD YOU THAT A TOOTH RECOVERED FROM THE CRASH SITE OF CASE 1983 MATCHED THE DENTAL RECORDS OF ONE OF THE CREWMEN (CRESSMAN). WE HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT THE TOOTH BE SO

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IDENTIFIED. WE FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT THE OTHER HUMAN BONE FRAGMENTS BE IDENTIFIED AS GROUP REMAINS, THEREBY ACCOUNTING FOR THE OTHER SIX MEN IN THE INCIDENT (SPITZ, BOLLINGER, MELTON, PRIMM, MATEJOV, BRANDENBERG).

(11) FINALLY, WE CAN REPORT THAT WE IDENTIFIED THE REMAINS RECOVERED IN JANUARY 1992 AS MAJOR WAYNE E. PEARSON, CASE 1391; WE RETURNED HIS REMAINS TO HIS FAMILY.

P. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS NOW HAS THE SAME COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY TO CONTACT THE FIELD TEAMS AS THE DETACHMENT THREE OFFICE. WE INSTALLED A SATCOM ANTENNA AND MOVED

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THE HF ANTENNA TO THE ROOF OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS BUILDING.

Q. WE ARE WORKING TO IMPROVE THE LOGISTICS SUPPORT SYSTEM TO MAKE IT MORE RESPONSIVE AND COST EFFECTIVE. FOR EXAMPLE, WE CONCLUDED AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LAO FREIGHT FORWARDING COMPANY OF VIENTIANE TO PROVIDE CARGO, WATER, AND FUEL TRUCKS. SINCE THE COMPANY HAS BRANCH OFFICES IN PAKSE AND SAVANNAKHET, IT CAN SUPPORT A NUMBER OF OUR PLANNED OPERATIONS. ANOTHER AGREEMENT AUTHORIZES LAO TOYOTA TO CONDUCT ROUTINE PERIODIC MAINTENANCE FOR ALL THE LAO VEHICLES. WE ALSO STOCKPILED JEEP CHEROKEE PARTS SO

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THAT LAO TOYOTA CAN MAINTAIN THESE VEHICLES. HOWEVER, WE DO NOT PLAN TO CONDUCT OTHER THAN ROUTINE MAINTENANCE ON THE CHEROKEES. WE ASK YOU TRAIN THE DRIVERS TO BE CAREFUL WITH PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES. ONE CHEROKEE VEHICLE WAS DAMAGED BECAUSE THE DRIVER PUT DIESEL FUEL IN THE GAS TANK.

R. NOW WE WILL BRIEF YOU ON THE TITLE X SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

(1) THE ENGINEERS PLANNED CONSTRUCTION IN THREE LOCATIONS: SAVANNAKHET, CHAMPASAK, AND VILABOULI. THE SCHOOLHOUSES WILL HAVE SEVEN ROOMS, BENCHES AND A COVERED PORCH IN FRONT, CORRUGATED ROOFING OF U.S. MANUFACTURE, AND TWO DETACHED LATRINES. THE BASE OF THE SCHOOL WILL STAND 50CM ABOVE THE SURROUNDING GRADE.

(2) WE THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING THE THREE LAO AMERICAN LINGUISTS TO PARTICIPATE WITH THE SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION TEAM. THEIR PRESENCE FACILITATED OUR WORK. PER YOUR SUGGESTION, WE PURCHASED SAND, GRAVEL AND CONCRETE NOW INSTEAD OF LATER, TO AVOID PAYING HIGHER COSTS. WITH REGARDS TO YOUR SUGGESTED MODIFICATIONS, WE CANNOT UNDERTAKE THOSE MODIFICATIONS WHICH REQUIRE ADDITIONAL FUNDS, SUCH AS SIGNIFICANT REDESIGN OF THE

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