

OUTGOING MESSAGES

25. CG III MAF 201120ZJun66 (SECRET) *Sp-4*  
Exclusive for Gen. GREENE and LtGen KRULAK from LtGen WALT  
Subj: MIA personnel return to Military Control
26. CG III MAF 201615ZJun66 (SECRET) *Sp-4*  
Personal for Gen GREENE and LtGen KRULAK from LtGen WALT  
Subj: Political Events during period 192000H-202000H Jun
- ~~27. CG III MAF 210914ZJun66 (UNCLAS)  
Personal for MGen ROBERTSHAW  
Subj: U. S. Savings Bond Campaign~~
- ~~28. CG III MAF 210916ZJun66 (UNCLAS)  
Personal for Col AXTELL  
Subj: U. S. Savings Bond Campaign~~
29. CG III MAF 211420ZJun66 (UNCLAS) *Sp-4*  
Personal for Gen GREENE and LtGen KRULAK from LtGen WALT  
Subj: Political Events during period 202000H-212000H Jun
- ~~30. CG III MAF 210910ZJun66 (UNCLAS)  
Personal for MGen FIELDS  
Subj: U. S. Savings Bond Campaign~~
- ~~31. CG III MAF 210910ZJun66 (UNCLAS)  
Personal for MGen KYLE  
Subj: U. S. Savings Bond Campaign~~
32. CG III MAF 211344ZJun66 (SECRET) *Sp-4*  
Exclusive for Gen GREENE and LtGen KRULAK from LtGen WALT  
Subj: Returned Personnel
33. CG III MAF 250508ZJun66 (CONFIDENTIAL) *Sp-4*  
Personal for MGen FIELDS from LtGen WALT  
Subj: Damage to Bridge and Culvert
- ~~34. CG III MAF 250822Z Jun66 (UNCLAS)  
Personal for Gen GREENE and LtGen KRULAK  
Subj: Twelve page story with photos on Returnees~~
35. CG III MAF 291332ZJun66 (SECRET) *Sp-4*  
Personal for Gen. WESTMORELAND from LtGen. WALT  
Movement of Korean Marine Brigade to ICTZ
36. CG III MAF 290438ZJun66 (UNCLAS) *Sp-4*  
Personal for LtGen. WIESEMAN from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Marine Corps Schools; The Realities of War in Vietnam

OUTGOING MESSAGES

13. CG III MAF 141332ZJun66(SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: ICTZ Political Situation to 142000Z Jun
14. CG III MAF 151448ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Political Events during period 142000-152000H Jun
15. CG III MAF 161402ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Political Events during period 152000H-162000H Jun
- ~~16. CG III MAF 170315ZJun66 (TOP SECRET) *Removed placed in TS folder*  
From LtGen. WALT to MGen. WILLSON  
Subj: ~~Employ CRC Marines~~~~
17. CG III MAF 170412ZJun66 (SECRET/NOFORN) *gp-3*  
Personal for MGen. Fields from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: VNMC Bn for Operation KANSAS
- ~~18. CG III MAF 170845ZJun66 (TOP SECRET) *Removed placed in TS folder*  
From LtGen. WALT to MGen. WILLSON  
Subj: ~~Employ CRC Marines~~~~
19. CG III MAF 171000ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Operation KANSAS
20. CG III MAF 171458ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Political Events during period 162000H-172000H Jun
21. CG III MAF 181432ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Political Events During Period 171800H-182000H Jun
22. CG III MAF 190730ZJun66 (UNCLAS)  
Personal to MGen. FIELDS, MGen. ROBERTSHAW and MGen. KYLE and Col. AXTELL  
Subj: Combat Awards
23. CG III MAF 191430ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Political Events during period 182000H-192000H Jun
24. CG III MAF 200100ZJun66 (UNCLAS)  
Personal for LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Retention of Trained Personnel

OUTGOING MESSAGES

1. CG III MAF 041452ZJun66 (SECRET/NOFORN) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE Info LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Civil Disturbance - Situation Report 032200H to 042200H
2. CG III MAF 061446ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE Info LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Political Events of 6 June 1966
3. CG III MAF 060332Z (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Tentative Observation By HQMC Logistical Eval Team
4. CG III MAF 051436ZJun66 (CONFIDENTIAL) *gp-4*  
Personal for GEN, GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Political Situation has quieted down
5. CG III MAF 062214ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Notes taken on Gen WESTMORELAND's Commanders Conference
6. CG III MAF 071522ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE Info LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Civil Disturbance - Situation Report 070800H to 072200
7. CG III MAF 081404ZJun66 (SECRET/NOFORN) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE Info LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Civil Disturbance - Situation Report
8. CG III MAF 091442ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Civil Disturbance - Situation Report 090200-092200H
- ~~9. CG III MAF 100810ZJun66 (UNCLAS)  
Personal for Gens FIELDS, ROBERTSHAW and KYLE from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: CG III MAF Conference~~
10. CG III MAF 101510ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Civil Disturbance - Situation Report 092200-102200H
11. CG III MAF 111452ZJun66 (SECRET) *gp-4*  
Personal for Gen. GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Civil Disturbance - Situation Report 102200-112200H Jun
12. CG III MAF 121524ZJun66 (SECRET/NOFORN) *gp-4*  
Personal for GEN, GREENE and LtGen. KRULAK from LtGen. WALT  
Subj: Political Situation ICTZ as of 122000H Jun

**CONFIDENTIAL**

#394 burned  
4 double

PP RUMNLA  
DE RUMMF 011 1830752  
ZNY CCCCC  
P 020752Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO RUMNLA/CG FIRST MARDIV  
BT

**C O N F I D E N T I A L**

PERSONAL FROM LTGEN WALT TO MGEN FIELDS

1. I AM DISAPPOINTED THAT OPERATION OAKLAND WAS TERMINATED YESTERDAY WITHOUT MY KNOWLEDGE. BECAUSE OF THE DIFFICULTIES WHICH THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCING IN HO DUC DISTRICT, IT WAS MY DESIRE THAT WE WOULD STAY IN THE AREA LONG ENOUGH TO INSURE THAT THERE WERE NO VC AROUND AND, ALSO, TO BOLSTER THE LOCAL MORALE.
2. I APPRECIATE THAT YOUR ORIGINAL CONCEPT ONLY CALLED FOR A 3 TO 4 DAY OPERATION, HOWEVER, I WAS EXPECTING TO HEAR FROM YOU PRIOR TO YOUR UNITS PULLING OUT OF THE AREA. I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU DID ATTEMPT

PAGE TWO RUMMF 011 **C O N F I D E N T I A L**

TO INFORM ME VIA AN INFO COPY OF YOUR TERMINATION MESSAGE. THIS WAS SLOW IN GETTING TO MY HEADQUARTERS.

3. IN THE FUTURE, TO PRECLUDE MISUNDERSTANDING, NO BATTALION OR LARGER OPERATION OUTSIDE THE TAOR WILL BE TERMINATED WITHOUT MY APPROVAL. LTGEN WALT.

GP-4

BT

36

(PERSONAL FOR)

#2 burned  
4/21/66

PP RUCYH  
DE RUMMF 512 1543438  
ZNY EFEM  
P 290438Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO RUCKY WINGS QUARTERS  
BT

U N C L A S I F I E D  
PERSONAL FOR LOAN BRESMAN FROM LTGEN WALT  
THE EFFECTIVENESS OF III MAF IS DUE IN GREAT MEASURE TO THE  
SURE WAY IN WHICH YOU HAVE GEARED MARINE CORPS SCHOOLS TO  
THE REALITIES OF WAR IN VIETNAM. OUR VICTORIES, FROM OPERATIONS  
TO CIVIC ACTION, HAVE STEMMED FROM YOUR EFFORTS. YOUR TOTAL  
DEDICATION TO THE PREMISE THAT LEADERSHIP OF THE MARINE AIR-  
GROUND TEAM MUST BE FOUNDED IN PRACTICAL PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE  
HAS PAID OFF DIVENSELY ON THE GROUND AND IN THE AIR. WE THANK  
YOU. WE SALUTE YOU. WE WISH YOU GODSPEED.  
RESPECTFULLY, LEV WALT

GP-4  
BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 2  
COPIES 2-3 OF 2

FILE  
MAF HAS BEEN SENT

CG III MAF P 290438Z/JUNE

**SECRET**

MESSAGE FORM - SECRET  
3d MarDiv - 2100/2

35

#2 burned  
4 copies

ZCZC FME 881  
RR RUMSMA  
DE RUMNMF 844 180133Z  
ZNY SSSSS  
R 291332Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO RUMSMA/COMUSMACV  
BT

**S E C R E T**

PERSONAL FOR GEN WESTMORELAND FROM LTGEN WALT  
MOVEMENT OF KOREAN MARINE BRIGADE TO I CTZ

1. DURING THE PAST FEW WEEKS THE PATTERN OF ACTIVITY IN I CORPS HAS REQUIRED COMMITMENT OF III MAF FORCES OVER THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE I CORPS ZONE FROM CAN LO/DONG NA IN THE NORTH TO HO DUC AND TACH TRU IN THE SOUTH. IT IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY APPARENT THAT THE BUILD UP OF FREE WORLD FORCES SHOULD BE ACCELERATED TO PROSECUTE EFFECTIVELY THE WIDESPREAD OPERATIONS THAT ARE DEVELOPING.
2. I ASSUME THAT THE MOVEMENT OF THE KOREAN MARINE BRIGADE FROM

PAGE TWO RUMNMF 844 **S E C R E T**

II CORPS TO I CORPS IS STILL PLANNED. THE IMPORTANT QUESTION IS ONE OF TIMING. I KNOW THAT I CAN EFFECTIVELY EMPLOY THE BRIGADE AS SOON AS IT ARRIVES. NE MONSOONS START IN SEPT. MOVEMENT DURING THE MONSOONS WOULD RESULT IN AN UNFORTUNATE INTRODUCTION OF THE BRIGADE INTO A NEW SECTOR AT A TIME WHEN CONTONMENT CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONAL ENGINEERING WILL BE MOST DIFFICULT TO ACCOMPLISH.

3. IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT THE KOREAN MARINE BRIGADE BE MOVED TO I CORPS NOT LATER THAN 15 AUGUST SO THAT THE IMPACT ON THE KOREAN MARINES CAN BE LESSENERED BY GETTING THEIR CONTONMENT DEVELOPED PRIOR TO THE ONSET OF THE MONSOON SEASON. LT GEN WALT.

GP-4  
BT

NNNN

**SECRET**

CONFIDENTIAL

250508Z

JUNE

CG III MAF

PERSONAL FOR

COPIES 2-3 OF 3

HAS BEEN SENT

*#3 burned  
4 new logs*

PERSONAL FOR

CONFIDENTIAL

**CONFIDENTIAL**

MESSAGE FORM - CONFIDENTIAL  
3d MarDiv - 2100/1

VV SA 2330

PP RUEKLF  
DE RUMNMF 468 176503  
ZNY CCGGG  
P 250503Z  
FM CG 180 YAF  
TO RUMNMF CG FIRST MARDIV  
BT

**C O N F I D E N T I A L**

PERSONAL FOR YOUR EYES ONLY FROM LTJRN WALT

1. I AM GREATLY CONCERNED AT THE NUMBER WHICH I HAVE RECEIVED OF DAMAGE TO THE BOMBERS BY 480LMS AND TO THE CULVERT AT BT 295239 CAUSED BY OVER-LOADING THE SPARS WITH A 155MM SP GUN ON 20 JUNE.
2. IN ADDITION TO THE LOSS OF LIFE AND DAMAGE TO GOVERNMENT PROPERTY,

WHICH ARE OF FIRST IMPORTANCE, I AM CONCERNED OVER THE DAMAGE TO ROUTES OF COMMUNICATION THAT ARE VITAL TO THE OPERATIONS OF U.S. AND ARVN FORCES, AND ARE THE LIFE LINES OF THE PRECARIOUS CIVILIAN ECONOMY IN THE AREA.

PAGE TWO RUMNMF 468 **C O N F I D E N T I A L**

3. I AM CONVINCED THAT SUCH INCIDENTS CAN BE PREVENTED IF RESPONSIBLE COMMANDERS AT ALL ECHELONS PROPERLY DO THEIR JOB. THIS MUST, AS A MINIMUM, INCLUDE ADEQUATE PRE-MOVEMENT RECONNAISSANCE, ADHERANCE TO CAPACITY LIMITATIONS, AS WELL AS PROPER SUPERVISION DURING MOVEMENT.
4. I WANT COMMANDERS AT ALL ECHELONS TO UNDERSTAND THE CRITICAL IMPORTANCE OF THE LINES OF COMMUNICATION IN THIS TACTICAL ZONE AND TO USE SOUND JUDGEMENT IN OPERATING ON THESE ROUTES.

5. IN VIEW OF THE OPERATIONAL ASPECTS OF THE 155MM GUN INCIDENT OF 20 JUNE, PLEASE ROUTE THE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT VIA THIS HQ. LTJRN WALT.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 4 FILE  
COPIES 2-3 OF 3 MAP

**CONFIDENTIAL**

# 23

2 of 3

**SECRET**

#1 burned  
4 double

O 211344Z  
FM: CG III MAF  
TO: GNC  
CG FMFPAC

BT

**S E C R E T** MCFORN  
EXCLUSIVE FOR GENERAL GREENE AND LYCEN KRULAK FROM LTCEN WALT  
RETURNED PERSONNEL

1. PRELIMINARY DEBRIEFING OF LOPL ECKES, P.W. 2075924 REVEALS THE FOLLOWING:

A. WHILE RETURNING TO HIS FORWARD POSITION FOLLOWING PX VISIT HE WAS CAPTURED VIC AT 985663 BY 2 VC DECEASED AS ARVN SOLDIERS.

B. INITIALLY TAKEN TO A POINT VIC OF BT 042662.

C. FOR NEXT THREE DAYS HE WAS LED BY HIS CAPTORS TO A PW CAMP LOCATED VIC AT 955515. (TENDS TO CONFIRM PREVIOUS AGENT REPORTS OF VC PW CAMPS IN THIS AREA).

D. UPON ARRIVAL STATED HE MET TONSON, J.S. 1207667-90T WHA SAID HE HAD BEEN CAPTURED ON 6 MAY SOUTH OF MADRLE HT HUIE SLEEPING A ROAD.

E. DURING STAY THERE INDICATED THEY WERE NOT VERBALLY ABUS- TIONED. MALTREATED OR SIMPLED OUT FOR SPECIAL TREATMENT. THEY WERE ASKED TO COMPLETE QUESTIONNAIRES ON PERSONNEL AND MILITARY BACK- GROUND ON TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS BUT REFUSED TO DO SO.

F. WHILE IN DETENTION CAMP ECKES RELATED HE WAS TOLD THAT HE WOULD BE MOVED TO THE CHOYE 5TH ZONE IMPRISON WHERE HE WOULD MEET BOBBY CARWOOD. CMT: 5TH-ZONE IMPRISONED RELATES TO HQ 5. A PVT ROBERT RUSSELL CARWOOD, 2061369/2591, WAS CAPTURED APPROX 28 SEPT 1965 VIC BY 098670.

G. ECKES STATED THAT ON APPROX 16 JUNE HE AND TONSON WERE BEING MOVED TO THE 5TH ZONE BY 3 GUARDS. (ANOTHER ATTEMPT HAD BEEN MADE TO MOVE THEM 5 JUNE BUT PARTY BECAME LOST AND RETURNED TO ORIGINAL DETENTION CAMP). DUE TO LAXITY OF GUARDS AT THAT TIME THEY SEIZED WEAPONS OF GUARDS AND THEN FLE. ECKES AND TONSON WORKED THEIR WAY EAST AND NORTH UNTIL THEY CAME TO AN ARVN POSITION VIC AT 875466.

2 of 2

NOT RELEASABLE TO **SECRET**.  
FOREIGN NATIONALS

**SECRET**

2. DURING INTERVIEW ECKES APPEARED COOPERATIVE, INTELLIGENT AND UNAPPREHENSIVE. PHYSICAL CONDITION IS GOOD EXCEPT FOR SOME BURN AND LOSS OF WEIGHT. ADDITIONAL DETAILS AS TYPED CONTINUES.

3. DODSON NOT DEBRIEFED BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL EXHAUSTION AND MEDICAL TESTS.

CP-4

DIST: COPIES 1&2 OF 2 WAF

CG III WAF 0 211344Z/JUN66

NOT RELEASEABLE TO  
PERSON NATIONALS  
**SECRET**  
# 32

SECRET

HAS BEEN SENT

29

(PERSONAL) #2 burned 4/6/68

VV DEBESSIGG WWD YVDA  
DE DDKE 131 121422  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 214204  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WWD/CNC  
YVNA/CG FMTRAC  
BT  
SECRET

PERSONAL FOR GENERAL CENTER AND OTHER RELEVANT HIGH LEVELS WALT  
1. FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL EVENTS DURING PERIOD  
202200Z TO 212000Z.  
2. RUE

A. AT 202200Z I CORPS REPORTED THAT THINH HIE QUANG WAS  
TAKEN INTO PREVENTIVE CUSTODY BY SPECIAL POLICE FOR HIS  
OWN GOOD. THEY ARE WATCHING AND OBSERVING HIM, RADIO HUE  
CAND NOED THAT THINH QUANG IS ON SECOND FLOOR OF HOSPITAL WITH  
HIGH POLICE GUARDING HIM.

PAGE TWO DDKE 131 SECRET

B. AT 214200Z I CORPS REPORTED THAT COL TRUONG HAD DIVIDED  
THE CITY INTO TWO ZONES FOR PURPOSE OF COMMAND AND CONTROL; THE  
1ST ARM BN AND ONE CO OF THE 5TH BATTALION ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR  
OPERATIONAL AREA CONSISTING OF THE PORTION OF HUE CITY SOUTH  
OF THE RIVER, THE 5TH BATTALION CO AND ONE COMPANY OF THE  
5TH BATTALION ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR OPERATIONAL AREA CON-  
SISTING OF THE CHINEL AND AREA IMMEDIATELY TO THE EAST.  
THE MAJORITY OF THESE UNITS IS TO ESTABLISH CHECK POINTS AND  
ROAD BLOCKS 24 HOURS PER DAY, CONDUCT PATROLS TO DISPERSE ANY ILLEGAL  
MEETINGS, CLEAR ANY OBSTACLES, CONDUCT SEARCHES, AND CHECK  
PERSONNEL FOR PROPER IDENTITY.

C. AT 214500Z I CORPS REPORTED THAT 5TH BATTALION  
CLOSED THE BAY AT 214500Z.

D. AT 214800Z I CORPS REPORTED THAT THE FOLLOWING STRUGGLE  
FORCE PERSONNEL WERE CAPTURED AND TAKEN TO BANG BANG:

- 1. TRI QUANG
- 2. BUI TH
- 3. LY TH

4. 115 ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL SAID TO HAVE BEEN  
STRUGGLE FORCE PERSONNEL. AT 214800Z I CORPS REPORTED THAT

SECRET

4 of 4

#29

SECRET

PAGE THREE: I 131 S E C R E T  
THE GOVT HAS SEVERAL MILITARY-ORGANIZED SCHEDULES ONE HOUR  
A DAY ON THE RADIO, ALSO A "MILITARY WEAPONS DISPLAY" IS  
PLANNED FOR THE NIGHT FOR THE PEOPLE BY THE GOVERNMENT.  
E. AT 2115 HRS 1 CORPS PACKED UP 1ST DIV (W/AVD C-2  
ADVISOR Y204)

- (1) CO OF 1ST COMPANY WAS RELEASED.
- (2) CO OF 2ND COMPANY WAS RELEASED AND REPLACED BY AN  
ABN CAPT. 20 MEMBERS OF THIS COMPANY WERE ARRESTED.
- (3) S-3 1ST BATT 22 CORPS REMAINED. (W/AVD C-2 OF  
E CO, 1ST BATT BN W/AVD AND W/AVD OF 1ST BATT WERE  
ARRESTED. THEY WERE LEADERS IN RECENT REVOLT.
- F. 180 TONS OF CARGO WAS UNLOADED AT THE RAMP AND ALL  
CARGO MOVED TO PHU BAI THROUGH THE RAMP.
- G. I CORPS REPORTED THAT CO. 1 (W/AVD CO. THUONG,  
1ST DIV C/DR LTCOL KHOA, BATTAL C/DR, COL TOAN, DEPUTY  
DEPUTY C/DR, AND LTCOL DO, C/DR OF THE 7TH  
REGIMENT) HELD LYCHU HEADQUARTERS OF THE 1ST DIV IN THE  
1ST DIV AREA. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS PRESENTED:  
A. THE NATIONAL POLICE MOVED FROM THE QUANG BINH RUE  
TO DANANG BY HELICOPTER AT APPROXIMATELY 1800 HRS

PAGE FOUR: I 131 S E C R E T  
MORNING. HE WAS THEN TAKEN BY PLANE TO SAIGON. HE WAS  
ACCOMPANIED BY TWO DOCTORS AS HE ENTERED THE VIEN HOA DAUIN  
SAIGON.

- E. GOVERNMENT FORCES HAVE CAPTURED 500 WEAPONS SO FAR  
AND EXPECT TO GET 500 MORE BEFORE SEARCH OPERATIONS ARE  
FINISHED ACCORDING TO LTCOL KHOA.
- G. THE NATIONAL POLICE ARE CONDUCTING A METHUEN HOUSE  
TO HOUSE SEARCH FOR WEAPONS IN RUE.
- D. THERE WERE ONLY SIX SHOPS WHICH FAILED TO OPEN IN RUE  
METHUEN AND THESE SIX SHOPS WENT TO GOVERNMENT PRESSURE AND  
OPENED THIS MORNING.
- E. KEY 3 SS/DIRTY PERSONNEL CONTINUE TO BE ROUNDED UP IN  
RUE WITH IN PROGRESS. HE WAS CAPTURED TODAY (C-2 ADV, 1ST BR  
DIV REPORTS THAT 180 TONS OF CARGO WERE RECORDED BY TODAY WITH AN  
ESTIMATED 20 LEADERS (W/AVD C-2).
- F. COL THUONG STATED 30 TONS OF CARGO WERE ONE OF THE  
PURPOSES OF OPERATION LAN SON 200 WAS TO BRING MOVEMENT OF  
GOVERNMENT TROOPS OUT OF RUE. THE 1ST AND 5TH MARINE BATTALIONS  
AND PARTICIPATED IN LAN SON 200, AS WELL AS 2/7 AND 3/7  
A. QUANG BINH

SECRET  
# 29

~~SECRET~~

PAGE FIVE DE THE SECRET

A. AT 2100H ON 10 JUNE REPORTED BY THE ALLIES REMAIN  
LEAVE THE AREAS IN MIANG THE CITY BUT THERE WERE NO  
INCIDENTS REPORTED THERE TODAY.

B. DARRAC

A. NO INCIDENTS REPORTED TO DARRAC TODAY. THE CITY  
REMAINS QUIET.

C. AN UNIDENTIFIED SOURCE TO THE HEADQUARTERS TODAY AT 2 CORPS HQ  
REPORTED THAT THE 5TH AND 11TH REGIONS WERE CAPTURED IN  
MAY AND THE END OF JUNE. NO ADDITIONAL DETAILS ARE  
AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME. THE SOURCE ALSO INDICATED THAT HE  
HEARD THE AREA OF MIANG MIGHT BE NOW UNDER THE CONTROL  
OF THE ALLIES. HOWEVER SHOULD BE UNDER  
THE ALLIES.

BT

DIST: 2-4 OF 4  
COPIES 2-4 OF 4

0 241 3067/30336

~~SECRET~~  
#29

SECRET

VV DD KE 765  
OO WWND YNA  
DE DD KE 092 1711615  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 201615Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WWND/CMC  
YNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

SECRET

PERSONAL FOR GENERAL GREENE AND LT GEN KRULAK FROM LT GEN WALT

1. FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL EVENTS DURING PERIOD  
192000H TO 202000H.

2. HUE

A. AT 191140 AMERICAN CONSUL IN HUE REPORTED THAT POLICE  
CLAIM THAT GENERAL THI QUANG IN HUE HOSPITAL  
18 JUNE. THEY DO NOT KNOW DETAILS OF CONVERSATION. EARLIER IN  
WEEK POLICE HAD INDICATED INTENTION TO GET THI OUT OF HUE SOONEST.

B. AT 192212H I CORPS REPORTED THAT HUE WAS GENERALLY QUIET

PAGE TWO DD KE 092 SECRET

ON 19 MAY. ON THE FIRST DAY OF A THREE DAY SEARCH AND CLEAR  
OPERATION IN HUE ALL PAGODAS AND ALL STREETS HAVE BEEN CLEARED.  
POLITICAL POLICE (MSS) REMAIN UNDER DIRECT CONTROL OF THE PRIME  
MINISTER, WHEREAS ALL OTHER ELEMENTS ARE UNDER CONTROL OF CG I  
CORPS.

C. AT 201030H I CORPS REPORTED THAT 16 MILITARY AND 4 CIVILIANS  
WERE ARRESTED IN HUE 19 JUNE WITH 2 WEAPONS BEING CONFISCATED  
FROM THIS GROUP. MARTIAL LIFTED IN HUE AT 200600H.

D. AT 201130H MACV COC PASSED INFORMATION THAT THE 37TH RANGER  
BN WILL MOVE FROM NHA TRANG TO PHU BAI VIA VNAF ACFT, CONTRARY TO  
MACV ADVICE.

3. 4TH MAR REPORTED THAT 37TH RANGER BN BEGAN  
ARRIVING AT PHU BAI AIRPORT AT 201520H FOR VNAF C-47'S, TWO  
COMPANIES AND HEADQUARTERS ARE PRESENT.

F. AT 201145H 1ST DIV (ARVN) G-2 ADVISOR REPORTED THAT 20-30  
PERCENT OF THE STORES IN HUE WERE OPEN. IN ADDITION 30-40 PER  
CENT APPEAR TO BE DOING SOME BUSINESS WITH THE REMAINDER BEING  
CLOSED. LATER AT 201530H 1ST DIV (ARVN) G-2 ADVISOR STATED THAT  
85 PERCENT OF STORES IN HUE WERE OPEN. A LOUD SPEAKER TRUCK WAS  
DRIVING THROUGH THE CITY STATING THAT ALL STORES WILL BE OPEN

#26

SECRET

343

SECRET

PAGE THREE DD KE 092 S E C R E T

BY 1700H OR OWNERS WILL LOOSE THEIR LICENSES.

G. AT 202000H I CORPS REPORTED THAT SENIOR ADVISOR IN HUE RECEIVED WORD FROM LT COL KHOA THAT GVN FORCES CAPTURED THE STUDENT ACTIVIST LEADER BUU TON AND CHAIRMAN OF THE STUDENT STRUGGLE FORCES NGUYEN AU GIAO.

H. III MAF G-4 REPORTED THAT UNLOADING OF LCU'S AT HUE RAMP WAS COMPLETED AT 201500H. TRUCKS LOADED ALL GARRISONS AND MOVED TO PHU BAI WITH NO INCIDENTS REPORTED.

I. AT 201600H I CORPS REPORTED THAT THERE WAS UNREST AT THE LONG THO TRAINING CENTER NEAR HUE. THIS IS THE RF/PF TRAINING CENTER FOR THUA THIEN PROVINCE.

3. QUANG TRI. AT 201547H I CORPS G-2 REPORTED THAT QUANG TRI CITY IS QUIET AND THAT ALTARS HAVE BEEN MOVED TO SIDE OF ROADS.

4. DANANG

A. AT 200940H III MAF COUNTER INTELLIGENCE TEAM REPORTED THAT A BUDDHIST SPONSORED DEMONSTRATION WAS BEING FORMED ON PHAN CHAU THINH STREET IN DANANG. THEY WERE MET BY ARVN RANGERS WEARING GAS MASKS.

B. I CORPS G-2 ADVISOR REPORTS THAT AT 200947H 11 BUDDHISTS AND ONE VN CIV WERE ARRESTED AT DEMONSTRATION

PAGE FOUR DD KE 092 S E C R E T

IN DANANG BY VN RANGERS AND TAKEN TO DANANG GARRISON. WHILE RANGERS WERE ATTEMPTING TO QUELL DISTURBANCES SOMEONE THREW A GRENADE. RANGERS EMPLOYED TEAR GAS; NO CASUALTIES.

5. AT 200930H GEN LAM MET WITH C/S III MAF AT GEN LAM'S REQUEST. LAM TOLD C/S III MAF THE FOLLOWING:

A. OPNS IN HUE WILL TAKE ANOTHER 3 TO 4 DAYS.

B. IN NEAR FUTURE HE INTENDS TO TRY AND THEN PUBLICLY EXECUTE A VC CAPTURED IN HUE AND THE MAN RESPONSIBLE FOR BURNING BUILDINGS, INCLUDING US CONSULATE.

C. THE HQ OF THE GOVT WILL SOON BE MOVED FROM HUE TO DANANG AND WILPL BE ESTABLISHED IN THE OFFICERS CLUB IN DANANG GARRISON. REGIONAL POLICE HQ FOR CENTRAL VIETNAM WILL ALSO MOVE FROM HUE TO DANANG.

D. THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF INTERIOR WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN AN OFFICE IN I CORPS HQ TO REPRESENT CENTRAL GOVT IN ICTZ. HE WILL NOT, HOWEVER BE GOVERNMENT DELEGATE NOR WILL LAM. LAM IMPLIED STRONGLY THAT THIS WAS A FACADE AND HE WOULD RETAIN DECISION MAKING POWER.

E. IN ANSWER TO A QUESTION ABOUT FUTURE OF GEN NHUAN, LAM WAS VAGUE BUT SAID QUOTE HE WILL NO GO TO JAIL END QUOTE.

F. LAM STATED THAT GEN DINH WAS IN SAIGON BUT WAS VAGUE AS TO

#26  
SECRET

SECRET

PAGE FIVE DDRE 092 S E C R E T

DETAILS; IN ANSWER TO QUESTION ABOUT DINH'S FUTURE HE SAID QUOTE HE WILL NOT GO TO JAIL YET END QUOTE.

G. LAM HAS BEEN PROMOTED ONE GRADE AS HAS GEN THANG AND DONG.

H. I CORPS STAFF PRESENTLY HAS ONLY 50 PER CENT OF ITS AUTHORIZED STRENGTH IN OFFICERS. BOTH LAM AND HIS C/S NGHI ARE CONCENTRATING ON REBUILDING AND REORGANIZING STAFF. THERE WILL BE INCREASED EMPHASIS ON RURAL RECONSTRUCTION AND PSYWAR.

I. LAM STATED HE WOULD NEED US AIRCRAFT IN NEAR FUTURE TO HELP HIM TRANSPORT DISSIDENTS FROM HUE TO II GIZ OR SAIGON. HE GAVE NO DETAILS.

GP-4

BT DIST: COPY 1 OF 3 FILE  
COPIES 2&3 OF 3 MAF

CG III MAF

O 201615Z/JUN

#26

SECRET

**SECRET** NOT RELEASEABLE TO  
FOREIGN NATIONALS

# EXCLUSIVE

O 201120Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO CMC  
CG FMFPAC  
BT

HAS BEEN SENT

**S E C R E T** NOFORN

EXCLUSIVE FOR GENERAL GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT  
1. FOLLOWING PERSONNEL CARRIED AS MIA RETURNED TO MILITARY CONTROL  
20 JUN 66.

A. ECKES, W. W. 2075934, LCPL, F BTRY 2D BN, 12TH MARINES  
MIA SINCE 12 MAY 66

B. DODSON, J. S. 1897567, SGT, C CO, 3D ENG BN, MIA SINCE 6 MAY 66  
2. BOTH MARINES WALKED IN TO FRIENDLY POSITIONS AT AN HOA VIC 876467  
EARLY AFTERNOON.

3. PRELIMINARY DEBRIEFING REVEALS FOLLOWING:

A. ECKES STATES CAPTURED DANANG TAOR ON 10 MAY 66

B. DODSON STATES CAPTURED DANANG TAOR ON 6 MAY 66

C. TWO MET IN POW FIELD CAMP GENERALLY SW DANANG. NO OTHER AMERICAN  
POW PRESENT THERE WERE SOME ARVN POW PRESENT.

D. MADE LONG TRIP SOUTH AND RETURNED ORIGINAL CAMP.

E. TAKEN ON ANOTHER TRIP WITH 3 GUARDS. ESCAPED APPROX 10 DAYS  
AGO AND WORKED THEIR WAY BACK TO FRIENDLY LINES

4. DODSON HOSPITALIZED, CONDITION FAIR. DEBRIEFING ECKES CONTINUES.

5. HAVE REQ AUTHORITY FROM COMUSMACV TO NOTIFY NOK OF CHANGE OF  
STATUS.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPIES 1&2 OF 2 COPIES -CG III MAF

*#2 burned  
4 double*

CG III MAF

O 201120Z/JUNE

CG III MAF

COPY 1 OF 2 COPIES

**SECRET**

CONFIDENTIAL

3DIV 929

DTG

////////// FOLL MSG FOR NAVCOMMOPNET ONLY //////////

OO RUABQL RUABS/ RUECEF RUECEM RUECW ALERDA RUMLBP RUMLML RUMABA  
 RUMSBJ RUMSMA RUMSPH RUEDJDF RUEGFC RUEGUC  
 DE RUWMMF 1839D 1711230  
 ZNY CCCCC  
 O 201230Z  
 FM CG THIRD MARDIV  
 TO RUECW/SECNAV  
 INFO RUECEM/CMCO  
 RUECEF/BUKED  
 RUHLHL/CINCPACFLT  
 RUEKDA/NMCC WASHDC  
 RUMSMA/COMUSMACV  
 RUMLBP/CG FMFFAC  
 ZEN/CG IINMAI  
 RUEGUC/COMTHREE  
 RUEGFC/COMFOUR  
 RUEDJDF/DIRFIRST MARCORDIST  
 RUEGFC/DIRFOURTH MARCORDIST  
 RUMSPH/NAVDISEFRAN  
 RUMSBJ/COMDR SECOND AIRDIV  
 RUMABA/USAF HCSF CLAR AB PHIL  
 RUABQL/CAMP BUTLER  
 RUABSR/H&SBN THIRD FSR  
 ZEN/TWELFTH MAG  
 ZEN/SECOND BN TWELFTH MAR  
 ZEN/THIRD ENGR BNC  
 BT

C O N F I D E N T I A L  
 PROGRESS REPORT CASE OF SGT JAMES STANLEY DODSON 1897567/1371 USMC  
 AND LCPL WALTER WILLIAM ECKES 2075934/2531 USMC

- A. MY 081446Z MAY 66
- B. MY 190050Z MAY 66
- 1. GEFS A AND B REFER. SUBJECT MARINES RETURN TO MILITARY CONTROL EARLY AFTERNOON 20JUN66 BOTH APPARENTLY WELL AND IN GOOD HEALTH. MARINES ALLEGEDLY ESCAPED FROM VIET CONG CAPTURE 12JUN66 AND MADE THEIR WAY BACK TO FRIENDLY DEFENSIVE POSITIONS THIS DATE.
- 2. THIS COMMAND INTENDS TO ALLOW SUBJECT MARINES TO RELEASE PER-

PAGE 2 GUWMMF 1839D C O N F I D E N T I A L  
 SONAL TELEGRAMS TO NOK AFTER OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION COMPLETED. REQ  
 AD 1SG.

3. FOR CMC: DETAILS AND CIRCUMSTANCES WILL BE SUBMITTED AFTER INTERRO-  
 GATION AND INVESTIGATION IS COMPLETED.

20

12

30  
CONFIDENTIAL  
#25

CG THIRD MARDIV

201230Z JUNE

MAR DE DIV 3 MR 774

P 200935Z

FM COC THIRD MARDIV

TO COC III MAF

BT

SECRET

SPOT REPORT

FOLLOWING PERSONNEL MISSING IN ACTION RETURNED 20 JUNE 66

ECKES, W.W. 2075934, LCPON - F BTRY 2D BN, 12TH MARINES

CAPTURED 12 MAY 1966

ESCAPED 12 JUNE 1966 WALKED IN 3D BN, 9TH MAR POSITIONS VICINITY  
OF 876467.

DODSON, J.S. 1897567, SGT - C COMPANY 3D ENGR BN

CAPTURED 6 MAY 1966

ESCAPED 12 JUNE 1966 WALKED IN 3D BN, 9TH MAR POSITIONS VICINITY  
OF 876467.

BT

NNNN

RESUME OF TELEPHONE CALL

DTG

201512H

3d MarDiv- 2100

All persons placing or receiving official telephone calls are requested to complete this form which will be placed in the journal for record purposes.

From: C/S ~~30~~ MITE 3DDIV

To: C/S / 6 MAY ENG

Resume of call:

Sgt DODSON, 4CORP ECKES WW  
(FO FIR 2/12 SINCE 12 MAY 1919)  
WALKED IN TO AN HQA W/CARJINES.  
SAID THEY HAVE BEEN W/K.  
WILL HAVE OFFICER MEET AND  
WARN. TAKE TO FIELD HOSP (C MEN  
ABOUT 1530)

ACTION:

(SIGNATURE)

RESUME OF TELEPHONE CALL

3d MarDiv- 2100

DTG

201655H

All persons placing or receiving official telephone calls are requested to complete this form which will be placed in the journal for record purposes.

From: C/S TO MAF

To: C/S 3D MARDI

Resume of call:

1. Turn Dodson and Ecker over to  
TO MAF 6-2.

2. TO MAF will report to MACV

3. DO NOT RELEASE ANYTHING  
UNTIL 3D MAF CLARS

\*

ACTION:



(SIGNATURE)

CG III MA  
DE DDKE 257 1710100  
ZNY EEEEE  
O 200100Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO YNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

(PERSONAL FOR)

24

UNCLAS E F T O  
PERSONAL FOR LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT  
RETENTION OF TRAINED PERSONNEL

HAS BEEN SENT

- A. CG FMFPAC LTR 1/GFF 1133 OF 31MAY 66
1. BY REF A YOU REQUESTED A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF OUR CURRENT PROGRAMS TO PROMISE THE RETENTION OF TRAINED OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MARINES.
  2. FROM THE H&S CO, III MAF VIEWPOINT THE CONVENTIONAL PROGRAMS FOR PROMOTION OF REENLISTMENTS ARE JUST GETTING UNDERWAY. AS YOU KNOW THIS CO WAS ACTIVATED IN MARCH AND HAS BEEN HANDICAPPED WITH PERSONNEL SHORTAGES. VIGOROUS PROGRAMS FOR IMPROVING RETENTION OF BOTH OFFICERS

PAGE TWO DDKE 257 UNCLAS E F T O

AND ENLISTED MEN WILL BE INITIATED IN JULY.

3. FROM A MAF-WIDE VIEWPOINT, CHIEFS OF STAFF OF III MAF COMMANDS HAVE MET TO DISCUSS THESE AREAS TO ENSURE FULL EXCHANGE OF IDEAS.

A. SOME AREAS THAT MERIT CONSIDERATION BY HIGHER ECHELONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(1) ALLOCATION OF ENLISTED ASSIGNMENT QUOTAS (TO INCLUDE SCHOOLS) TO MAJOR WESTPAC COMMANDS TO SERVE AS REENLISTMENT INCENTIVES.

(2) AUTHORIZATION TO PAY LUMP SUM REENLISTMENT BONUS IN VIET NAM WITHOUT APPLICATION TO HQMC.

(3) ADOPTION OF A DISTINCTIVE FIELD UNIFORM SUCH AS CAMOFLAGED UTILITIES.

(4) ADOPTION OF PROCEDURES WHICH WILL ENSURE THAT ALL MARINES HAVE ORDERS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FROM SVN.

(5) DEVELOP A PROGRAM WHEREBY III MAF COMMANDS COULD NOTIFY FMFPAC OF GOOD REENLISTMENT PROSPECTS WHO ARE TO BE ROTATED. FMFPAC IN TURN COULD ENSURE MAN'S NEXT CO WAS NOTIFIED TO ENABLE EFFECTIVE FOLLOW-UP.

(6) ADOPTION OF TRANSPORTATION PROCEDURES WHICH WILL ENSURE ARRIVAL IN CONUS NO LATER THAN THE END OF 13TH MONTH OF ALL ROTATEES:

B. SOME AREAS THAT WILL BE PURSUED WITHIN III MAF ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PAGE THREE DDKE 257 UNCLAS E F T O

(1) COMMAND ATTENTION TO THE PROBLEM TO INCLUDE RECOGNITION THAT LEADERSHIP ESPECIALLY AT LOWER LEVELS, IS THE CORE OF ANY EFFECTIVE PROGRAM TO PROMOTE RETENTION.

(2) EXPAND OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION BY ALL POSSIBLE MEANS TO INCLUDE MORE AND SPEEDIER AWARDS, AND HOMETOWN AND LOCAL NEWS RELEASES.

NOTIFY THE ROTATEES NEXT COMMAND.

(3) CONTINUE TO EXPAND THE R&R PROGRAM TO ENSURE ONE R&R PER TOUR FOR ALL HANDS.

(4) CONTINUE TO DEVELOP LOCAL RECREATION FACILITIES.

(5) IMPROVE PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING REPLACEMENTS ON ARRIVAL AND ROTATEES ON DEPARTURE.

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3 COPIES - FILE  
COPIES 2&3 OF 3 COPIES - MAF

COPY 3 OF 3

A2 burned  
4 Nov 68

CG III MAF

O 200100Z/JUNE

CG III MAF #24

SECRET

W

OO WND YYUA  
DE DDIE 982 172143Z  
ZNY 35555  
O 191430Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WND/CMC  
INFO YYUA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

SECRET

PERSONAL FOR GENERAL GREENE AND LTGEN KAULAK FROM LTGEN WALT  
1. FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL EVENTS DURING PERIOD  
182300H TO 192000H.

2. AT 182000H I CORPS REPORTED THE MAIN POINTS OF TRI QUANG'S  
SPEECH MADE ON 17 JUNE. TRI QUANG STATED THAT THE BUDDHISTS  
MUST CONTINUE THEIR STRUGGLE AND THAT HE WOULD CONTINUE HIS  
HUNGER STRIKE. TRI QUANG AUTHORIZED GENERAL STRIKES, LABOR  
STRIKES, BUDDHISTS SOLDIERS TO PUT DOWN THEIR WEAPONS, DEMON-  
STRATIONS BUT NOT RIOTS; TRI QUANG SAID NOT TO WORRY ABOUT

PAGE TWO DDKE 982 SECRET

TERRORISM OR PRISON; NOT TO BE WITH YANKEES OR BUY THEIR  
GOODS; BUDDHIST MONKS AND NUNS IN SAIGON WILL CONTINUE TO  
STRIKE.

3. AT 182115H I CORPS REPORTED FROM 1ST DIV (ARVN) THAT THERE  
ARE RUMORS OF THREATS AGAINST THE USAID BLDG IN QUANG TRI.  
ADVISORS TO 1ST REGT PLACED ONE COMPANY AROUND USAID  
FOR GREATER PROTECTION. BARBED WIRE AND BLOCKADE WAS PLACED  
IN STREET IN ORDER TO CONTROL TRAFFIC AND CHECK PERSONNEL.  
4. SENIOR ADVISOR OF QUANG

TRI SECTOR REPORTED AT 182000H THAT THERE ARE MANY BARBED  
WIRE ROADBLOCKS AT STREET INTERSECTIONS IN QUANG TRI. ALSO  
ONE LIEUTENANT (ARVN) AND AN NCS LIEUTENANT WERE BEATEN BY  
STRUGGLE FORCES WITH STICKS AND STONES.

5. AT 182000H I CORPS REPORTED ELEMENTS OF 1ST ENGINEER BN  
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TO BE PRO STRUGGLE WERE ORDERED TO TURN  
IN WEAPONS, AT 190300H THEY COMPLIED WITH THIS ORDER.

6. AT 190705H 4TH MAB AO REPORTED THAT HUE STREETS WERE  
AND NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED.

7. AT 190745H I CORPS REPORTED THAT USMC FORCES ARRESTED 69  
PERSONS AND CONFISCATED 13 WEAPONS IN HUE ON 13 MAY. 5TH

SECRET

PAGE THREE DDRE 982 S E C R E T

ABN BN SENT ONE COMPANY TO LONG THO TRAINING CENTER, WITH THE BN (-) REMAINING IN HUE. THE COMPANY ARRESTED 173 TRAINEES AND CADRE AT THE TRAINING CENTER AND CONFISCATED THEIR WEAPONS.

8. I CORPS REPORTED THAT AT 180150H 1ST ABN BN TROOPS ACCOMPANIED BY 10 APC'S MOVED TO THE TU DAN PAGODA (TD 762211). ABN TROOPS SEARCHED THE PAGODA AT 182300H FINDING NO "DRAFT DODGERS", AND CONTINUED TO OCCUPY PAGODA DURING MORNING OF 19 MAY.

9. AT 182050H I CORPS REPORTED THAT UNKNOWN NUMBER OF DISIDENTS FROM FIRM ENGINEER BN HAVE TURNED IN WEAPONS.

10. AT 191145H 4TH MAJ LHO REPORTED THAT HUE IS 90 PERCENT CLEAR OF ALIANS.

11. AT 191645H DSA REPORTS THAT ABN BN (20 ABN) WHICH WAS EXPECTED TO GO FROM SAIGON TO QUANG TRI DID NOT ARRIVE. NO FURTHER WORD ON THIS MOVEMENT.

12. AT 191210H I CORPS G-2 REPORTED THAT STREET LEADING INTO QUANG TRI CITADEL BLOCKED BY ALIANS. NO KNOWN MEETINGS SCHEDULED. VISUAL RECON OF QUANG TRI REVEALED NORMAL CIVILIAN ACTIVITY AND NORMAL TRAFFIC.

13. CG III MAF VISITED DONG HA AND CAN LO AND AT

PAGE FOUR DDRE 982 S E C R E T

191830H HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH CO 2ND ARVN REGT AND COL TRUONG, ACTING CG 1ST ARVN DIVISION. FOLLOWING POINTS WERE MADE BY TRUONG:

(A) IT WILL TAKE ANOTHER WEEK TO CLEAN UP HUE AND WILL REQUIRE HOUSE TO HOUSE SEARCHING.

(B) ALL BUT 50 TROOPS OF 3D ARVN REGT ARE BACK WITH THEIR UNITS. THESE 50 TRIED TO ENTER HUE LAST NIGHT WITHOUT SUCCESS.

(C) BLACK PANTHER CO HAVE THEIR WEAPONS BACK. THEY ARE STILL SITTING AT HUE CITY AIRFIELD HELPING NEITHER SIDE.

(D) BUDDHIST CHAPLAINS ARE STILL GIVING TROUBLE EVEN AFTER THEY HAVE BEEN RELIEVED.

(E) TRI QUANG SPENDS THE DAYS IN THE HOSPITAL BUT LEAVES AT NIGHT FOR PLACES UNKNOWN. HE IS NEITHER SICK NOR HUNGRY.

(F) G-3 OF 1ST ARVN DIVISION SHOULD BE RELIEVED. GEN LAM HAS PROMISED TO DO THIS. IT IS BELIEVED HE COMPROMISES ALL DIVISION PLANS; HIS BROTHER IS A VC.

14. CG III MAF NOTED THAT ALIANS IN QUANG TRI AND DONG TRI WERE NOT IN THE ROADS BUT ALONGSIDE WHERE THEY WERE NOT OBSTRUCTING TRAFFIC. LOCAL DISTRICT CHIEF SAID THIS RESULTED

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE FIVE DDKE 982 S E C R E T  
FROM PEOPLE TRYING TO CARRY OUT ORDERS OF BONZES AND STILL NOT  
BE UNCOOPERATIVE WITH SVN.

15. AT 192031N I CORPS REPORTED THAT DURING AFTERNOON SOME MEMBERS  
OF THE 3D REGT (ARVN) TRIED TO GET INTO HUE AND RAN INTO PF AMBUSH  
SUSTAINING 1 KIA, 2 MIA. 36 MEMBERS OF THE 3D REGT ARE  
LOCATED IN AREA AROUND THE TRAINING CENTER. AN OPERATION IS  
SCHEDULED TO TAKE THEM INTO CUSTODY.

16. AT 191800H I CORPS REPORTED QUANG TRI IS  
QUIET, NO MEETINGS, NO DEMONSTRATIONS, FREE TRAVEL BETWEEN  
MACV COMPOUND AND RIVERVIEW COMPOUND; HUE IS QUIET. SVN  
TROOPS CONTINUE TO CLEAR SMALL STREETS OF ALTARS. ADVISORS  
EXPECT TO RETURN TO DIVISION ON 26 JUNE FOR NORMAL WORK.

17. TWO LCU'S WERE UNLOADED AT THE HUE RAMP. 317 TONS CARGO  
MOVED BY TRUCK TO PHU BAI WITHOUT INCIDENT.

18. DANANG QUIET THROUGHOUT PERIOD.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3  
COPIES 2-3 OF 3 COPIES

FILE  
MAF

SECRET

07 111 MAF

0 191440Z/JUN

+ 22

22

# 3 burned  
4 double

DE RUMMF 953 1700730  
ZNY EEEEE  
P 190730Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO CG FIRST MARDIV  
CG THIRD MARDIV  
CG FIRST MAW  
FLC  
BT

UNCLAS E F T O  
PERSONAL TO MAJGEN FIELDS, MAJGEN ROBERTSHAW AND MAJGEN KYLE  
AND COLONEL AXTELL  
COMBAT AWARDS

1. I AM CONVINCED THAT MANY ACTS OF INDIVIDUAL HEROISM GO UNRECOGNIZED AND THAT MANY PERSONNEL IN HEADQUARTERS, SERVICE AND COMBAT SUPPORT UNITS ARE WORTHY OF SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR EXCEPTIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AND SUSTAINED PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENT UNDER ADVERSE CONDITIONS. HERE IN III MAF WHERE THE "CAN DO" SPIRIT AND EXCEPTIONAL ACHIEVEMENT HAS BECOME COMMONPLACE, WE

PAGE TWO RUMMF 953 UNCLAS E F T O  
MUST ENSURE THAT NOTEWORTHY PERFORMANCES ARE NOT TAKEN FOR GRANTED.  
2. I REQUEST EACH OF YOU TO REVIEW YOUR STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES IN THIS AREA WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF GIVING MORE AWARDS AS WELL AS REDUCING THE APPARENT INEQUITIES AMONG UNITS RECENTLY POINTED OUT BY GEN KRULAK.  
BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 5 COPIES - FILE  
COPIES 2&3 OF 5 COPIES - MAF  
COPIES 4&5 OF 5 COPIES - FLC  
TAPE AND MAT - FIRST MAW

CG III MAF

P 190730Z/JUNE  
245

CG III MAF

0 181432Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WND/CAC  
YNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

**SECRET**

**S E C R E T**

PERSONAL FOR GENERAL GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT  
1. FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL EVENTS DURING PERIOD  
171800H-182000H.

2. AT 171800H I CORPS REPORTED THAT 200-400 TROOPS OF THE 3D  
REGIMENT WERE MOVING BY TRUCK AND FOOT TOWARD HUE. THEY WERE  
STOPPED 2KM NORTH OF AN HOA BRIDGE (NW CORNER OF HUE CITY) BY  
VNAF A1-H ACFT FIRING ROCKETS. ACFT REC'D NAVY GROUND FIRE  
FROM TROOPS. THEY CONTINUED TO MOVE SOUTH AND WERE STOPPED AT  
AN HOA BRIDGE BY FIRE FROM AIRBORNE TROOPS. AT 180530H I CORPS

PAGE TWO DDKE 881 **S E C R E T**

REPORTED THAT APPROXIMATELY 50 PER CENT OF THIS GROUP FROM 3D  
REGIMENT HAD RETURNED TO REG'L CONTROL. 50 PER CENT REMAINED 2  
KM NORTH OF AN HOA BRIDGE. PROVINCE CHIEF HAS POSITIONED TKS  
AT BRIDGE WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO FIRE IF THEY ATTEMPT TO CROSS  
BRIDGE.

3. AT 172115H, DEP SENICR ADV I CORPS REPORTED THAT GEN LAM  
REQUESTED THAT THE 1ST VVMG BN BE MOVED FROM TAN KY TO PHU BAI.  
APPROVAL FOR THIS MOVE WAS GIVEN BY JGS. MACV APPROVED USE OF  
U. S. AIRCRAFT.

4. AT 172200H, DEPUTY SENIOR ADVISOR REPORTED THAT 1ST DIV  
C/S, COL KHIEU, TOLD HIM THAT THE BUDDHIST CHAPLAIN OF THE 3D  
REGIMENT WAS BEHIND MUCH OF THE CONFUSION.

5. AT 172200H I CORPS REPORTED THAT DISTRICT INFORMANTS NOTIFIED  
ADVISORS THAT THE BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION OF QUANG TRI MET ON THE  
EVENING OF THE 16TH AND AGREED ON THE FOLLOWING POLICY:  
(A) ANTI-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES WOULD BE INITIATED IN QUANG TRI.  
(B) ALL CIVIL SERVANTS WOULD REFUSE TO GO TO WORK.  
(C) ALL BUDDHISTS WOULD STAY HOME AND PRAY.  
(D) THOSE WHO DID NOT FOLLOW THIS POLICY WOULD SUFFER CONSEQUENCES.  
TERRORIST SQUADS HAVE ALREADY BEEN FORMED.

PAGE THREE DDKE 881 **S E C R E T**

6. AT 180830H I CORPS REPORTED THAT AS OF 180745H:

(A) TRI QUANG STILL IN HOSPITAL.

(B) THERE WAS FIRING IN HUE AS AIRBORNE AND MARINES STARTED  
THEIR SEEP THROUGH THE CITADEL.

(C) BLACK PANTHER COMPANY HAS REFUSED TO JOIN EITHER SIDE.

180 OF THEM HAVE TURNED IN WEAPONS TO GOVERNMENT FORCES. MAJORITY  
OF COMPANY IS NOW AT HUE CITIDEL AIRSTRIP APPEARING TO ATTEMPT TO  
REMAIN NEUTRAL.

HAS BEEN SENT

Copy 2 of 3

**SECRET**

**SECRET**

7. AT 180845H I CORPS REPORTED THAT 1ST BN VNNC MOVED FROM TAM KY TO PHU BAI AIRSTRIP, WITH FIRST PLANE LOAD TOUCHING DOWN AT PHU BAI AT 180827H. AT 181430H THIS BN CLOSED HUE. CURRENT MISSION OF 2ND BN VNNC IS TO CLEAR THE AREA OF THE DIEU DE PAGODA BY 182400H.
8. AT 181010H 4TH MAR REPORTED THAT RADIO HUE BROADCAST THAT GEN NHUAN SAID THAT IF PEOPLE IN HUE DO NOT COMPLY WITH REGULATIONS THEY WILL BE SHOT. NO SPECIFICATIONS ON REGULATIONS WERE GIVEN.
9. AT 181045H I CORPS TOC REPORTED THAT 2ND REGT'L HQ AND 4TH BN, 2 REGT WERE RESTRICTED TO THEIR COMPOUND AS A MEANS OF CONTROLLING TROOPS.
10. AT 181145H ADVISORY TEAMS OF THE 1ST BN/3D REGT, 2ND BN/3D REGT AND 4TH BN/1ST REGT REJOINED THEIR UNITS.

PAGE FOUR DDKE 881 S E C R E T

11. AT 181145H C/S I CORPS TOLD DSA THAT A VN MARINE SENTRY OUTSIDE CITADEL AT HUE HAD HIS WEAPON TAKEN LAST NIGHT. HIS ASSAILANT WAS A VC. ACCORDING TO C/S I CORPS, A MILITARY COURT WILL BE HELD AND THIS VC WILL BE TIRED AND PUBLICLY EXECUTED, C/S STATED THAT OTHER VC WERE ALSO IN HUE.
12. AT ABOUT 1145 GEN LAM PHONED I CORPS. GO FROM SAIGON WHERE HE HAD GONE WITH GENERAL NHUAN. LAM STATED THAT COL TROUNG HAD BEEN APPOINTED ACTING CG OF THE 1ST ARVN DIVISION. TROUNG WAS CO OF AIRBOURNE BRIGADE THAT CAME TO DANANG FROM SAIGON 15 MAY. THERE IS NO WORD ON WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO NHUAN.
13. AT 181600H CO OC CAC 4TH MAR REPORTS THAT PROVINCE CHIEF OF THUA THIEN PASSED WORD TO PHU LOC DIST CHIEF THAT ALL ALTARS WOULD BE MOVED BY 181700H. OTHER DIST CHIEFS SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED THIS WORD. IN THE EVENT THAT BUDDHISTS DON'T COMPLY VILLAGE CHIEF AND PF ARE DIRECTED TO MOVE THE ALTARS. AT 182000H ICORPS REPORTS THAT IN QUANG TRI THERE WERE MORE ALTARS IN THE STREETS THAN PREVIOUSLY AND THESE ALTARS WERE SHIFTED IN DESIGN AND INTENSITY THROUGHOUT THE DAY. A LARGE DEMONSTRATION NUMBERING SEVERAL THOUSAND PEOPLE WAS HELD AT QUANG TRI BUT APPARENTLY NO INCIDENTS WERE REPORTED.

PAGE FIVE DDKE 881 S E C R E T

THE PROVINCE CHIEF OF QUANG TRI HAS HEARD RUMORS THAT STRUGGLE FORCE ELEMENTS MAY ATTACK USAID RESIDENCE TONIGHT. US ADVISORS AT THE REQUEST OF THE PROVINCE CHIEF HAVE PROVIDED TEAR GAS TO THE RF GUARDS.

14. C/S I CORPS ADVISED DSA THAT SAIGON WILL SEND THE 2D BN TO QUANG TRI TOMORROW. THE NORTH EDGE OF HUE CITADEL HAS NOT BEEN CLEARED THOUGH THE CITY IS APPROXIMATELY 60 PER CENT CLEARED OF ALTARS. THE ROAD TO 1ST DIVISION (ARVN) HEADQUARTERS AND TO AIRFIELD HAS BEEN CLEARED AND SECURED. ADVISORS WILL RETURN TO 1ST DIV (ARVN) HQTRS TOMORROW.

15. AT 181753H I CORPS G-2 REPORTED THAT COL NGO QUANG TRUONG HAD ASSUMED COMMAND AS NEW ACTING CG 1ST DIV (ARVN) AT 181630H IN HUE.

16. TWO LCU'S WERE UNLOADED AT HUE CITY RAMP. MARINE CONVOYS OPERATED FROM RAMP TO PHU BAI THROUGHOUT THE DAY WITHOUT INCIDENT.

17. DANANG WAS QUIET THROUGHOUT PERIOD.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3 COPIES - FILE  
COPIES 2&3 OF 3 COPIES - CG III MAF

CG III MAF

0 181432Z/JUNE

**SECRET**

CG III MAF

OO YVNA WND

DE DDKE 791 1681458

**SECRET**

ZNY SSSSS

O 171458Z

FM CG III MAF

TO WND/CMC

YVNA/CG FMFPAC

BT

**S E C R E T**

PERSONAL FOR GENERAL GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT

1. FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL EVENTS DURING PERIOD 162000H-172000H.

2. AT 170130H I CORPS REPORTED THAT ABOUT 60 DISSIDENT MEMBERS OF BLACK PANTHER CO ENGAGED THE RIOT POLICE IN A FIRE FIGHT LASTING ABOUT 20 MINUTES AT 161800H.

3. AT 162250H 1ST DIV (ARVN) G-2 ADVISOR REPORTED THAT BY 162250H ALL ELEMENTS OF THE 1ST AIRBORNE BN (ARVN) CLOSED HUE, THUS 2 AIRBORNE BNS, THE 1ST AND THE 5TH ARE IN HUE.

PAGE TWO DDKE 791 **S E C R E T**

4. AT 162310H 1ST DIV (ARVN) G-2 REPORTED THAT ALTARS ARE STILL IN STREETS EXCEPT FOR TRAN HONG DAO ST.

5. AT 162400H I CORPS REPORTS THAT ALL U. S. ADVISORS ARE IN MACV COMPOUND ON SOUTH SIDE OF HUE CITY. PERSONS AT MACV COMPOUND HEARD NO SHOOTING AT THIS TIME.

6. AT 170130H I CORPS REPORTS THAT AT 162250H COL TOAN C/G OF 1ST ARVN DIV IMPOSED A 24 HOUR CURFEW ON HUE. COL TOAN WAS ACTING AS COMMANDER OF TASK FORCE CONSISTING OF APC TROOP, TANK TROOP, AND RIOT POLICE.

7. AT 170705H I CORPS REPORTED THAT 100 TROOPS OF THE 2ND BATTALION, 3RD REGIMENT (ARVN) REFUSED TO GO ON OPERATION LAM SON 282. SENIOR ADVISOR OF THE 3RD REGT ORDERED THE ADVISORY TEAMS OF THE 2ND BN, 3RD REGIMENT TO RETURN TO THE 3RD REGIMENTAL CP.

8. AT 170815H I CORPS PASSED 1ST DIV (ARVN) REPORT THAT 44 TROOPS OF 1ST BN, 3RD REGIMENT (ARVN) ALSO REFUSED TO GO ON LAM SON 282 THIS MORNING.

9. 170945Z I CORPS REPORTS THAT THE 1ST VMC BN WAS UNAVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS IN QUANG TIN DUE TO THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN HUE.

**(PERSONAL FOR)**

HAS BEEN SENT

**SECRET**

Copy 3 of 3

**SECRET**

PAGE THREE DDKE 791 S E C R E T

10. AT 171055H I CORPS REPORTED THAT 2 BUSES LOADED WITH VN CIVILIAN WORKERS ENROUTE TO THE 9TH RUU WERE ATTACKED BY MEMBERS OF THE STRUGGLE FORCES. ATTACKERS USED CLUBS, STICKS, AND STONES AND HEAVILY DAMAGED ONE BUS. ONE BUS WAS LEFT OUTSIDE THE MACV COMPOUND, THE OTHER MADE IT BACK INSIDE. THERE WERE NO REPORTED INJURIES.

11. AT 171120H I CORPS REPORTS THAT 100 TROOPS WITH WEAPONS FROM LONG THO TRAINING CENTER (PF) WENT OVER TO THE STRUGGLE FORCE IN HUE.

12. AT 171205H I CORPS REPORTED 1ST ARVN DIVISION HAD LOST CONTROL OF THE FIRST ENGR BN(-), APPROX. ONE-THIRD OF THE BLACK PANTHER CO, AND AT LEAST 500 OTHER TROOPS. BUDDHIST SENTIMENT WITHIN THE FIRST DIV APPEARS TO BE SO DEEP THAT IT CANNOT BE RELIED UPON TO SECURE HUE OR TO CONDUCT EFFECTIVE OPNS AGAINST THE VC. MUTINIOUS ACTS BY SOLDIERS HAVE OCCURED TACTICAL MOVES. THE EXTREME RESTRAINT EXERCISED BY THE GVN OVER THE PAST THREE WEEKS MAY HAVE BEEN REGARDED BY THE DISSIDENTS AS WEAKNESS IT APPEARS BUDDHISTS WILL MAINTAIN ALTAR OBSTACLES UNTIL OVERCOME BY FORCE OR THEY RECEIVE ORDERS FROM THE HUE BUDDHIST LEADERS.

PAGE FOUR DDKE 791 S E C R E T

13. AT 171230H I CORPS REPORTED THAT OF THE 100 TROOPS WHO WENT OVER TO STRUGGLE FORCE THIS MORNING (171120H) 80 RETURNED TO LONG THO TRAINING CENTER.

14. AT 171230H I CORPS REPORTED THAT 34 PER CENT OF ONE BN, AND 26 PER CENT OF ANOTHER WERE DEPLOYED IN OPERATION LAM SON 282. UNITS ARE CONSIDERED INEFFECTIVE. MORALE IS LOW; ATTITUDE POOR. THE TROOPS CROSSED THE LOD AND MOVED 1.500 METERS, THEN A NUMBER OF THEM STOPPED AND REFUSED TO GO ANY FURTHER.

15. AT 171520H 3RD MARDIV REPORTED MARTIAL LAW HAD BEEN DECLARED IN HUE AS OF 161800H. UNCONFIRMED REPORT STATES RADIO HUE HAS BEEN BROADCASTING THAT THE CITY IS UNDER MARTIAL LAW SINCE 171200H.

16. AT 171615H I CORPS REPORTED COL TROUNG IS NOW THE CMDR IN HUE. HE HAS 2 ABN BN'S 1 APC TROOP, THE RIOT POLICE, AND THE TANKS FROM 1/7 UNDER HIM. 2D VNMC BN AND ANOTHER APC TROOP ENROUTE TO HUE FROM DIEN BAN.

17. AT 171700H I CORPS PASSED REPORT FROM 1ST DIV (ARVN) G-2 ADVISOR THAT SIX TRUCKS WITH ARMED TROOPS WERE PICKING UP ALTARS FROM THE ROAD SOUTHWEST SIDE OF HUE TOWARD THE RR BRIDGE IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 748214).

PAGE FIVE DDKE 791 S E C R E T

18. AT 1800H I CORPS REPORTS 2D VNMC BN AND 2/4 CAV (APC TROOP) HAVE ARR HUE.

19. NO UNLOADING AT HUE BUT CARGO WAS MOVED BY CONVOY FROM HUE RAMP TO PHU BAI

20. DANANG QUIET THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD.

P-4

T

1ST: COPY Q 1 OF 3 COPIES - FILE  
COPIES 2&3 OF 3 COPIES - CG III MAF

**SECRET**

III MAF

O 171498Z JUNE

CG III MAF

WV DD KE557  
OO YVNA  
DE DDKE 744 1681000  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 171000Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO YVNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

SECRET

(PERSONAL FOR

#18  
19

SECRET

PERSONAL FOR LT GEN KRULAK FROM LT GEN WALT  
OPERATION KANSAS

A. CG III MAF 160740Z

1. IT WAS MY INTENTION TO LAUNCH A COORDINATED HELIBORNE ASSAULT ON 18JUN IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONCEPT CONTAINED REFERENCE A.
2. GEN LAM HAS ADVISED ME THAT HE HAS HAD TO DEPLOY THE 2D VNMC BN FROM DIEN BAN (BT 065581) TO HUE. THIS BN WAS EARMARKED AND IN POSITION FOR KANSAS. LAM HAS REQUESTED AN ADDITIONAL BATTALION FROM SAIGON BUT DOES NOT EXPECT IT TO BE AVAILABLE BEFORE 21JUN. FURTHER,

PAGE TWO DDKE 744 SECRET

LAM HAS ONLY ONE RANGER BATTALION AND ONE VNMC (5TH) IN DANANG. IF HE NEEDS ADDITIONAL FORCES IN HUE OR DANANG, HE WOULD HAVE TO USE 1ST VNMC BN NOW AT TAM KY. THIS BN ALSO POSITIONED FOR KANSAS. IN VIEW OF THIS LAM DESIRES TO POSTPONE KANSAS ASSAULT UNTIL 21JUN. I HAVE AGREED.

3. THE TIME BETWEEN NOW AND 21JUN WILL BE USED FOR AN EXTENSIVE RECON EFFORT WITH THE OBJECT OF MORE CLEARLY DEFINING MAJOR VC/NVA TROOP DISPOSITIONS IN KANSAS AREA AND IN BRINGING SUPPORTING ARMS TO BEAR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY. THIS WOULD BE A CONTINUATION OF THE EXTREMELY WELL CONCEIVED AND EXECUTED OPERATIONS OF 1ST MARDIV/1ST MAW ON 15-16 JUNE.

4. IN THE MEANTIME, WE WILL BE READY TO EXPLOIT RAPIDLY WITH UP TO 4 USMC AND 3 VN BATTALIONS ANY OPPORTUNITIES PRESENTED BY THE VC/NVA IN KANSAS AREA.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3 COPIES - FILE  
COPIES 2&3 OF 3 COPIES - CG III MAF

CG III MAF

O 171000Z/JUNE

COPY 3 OF 3 COPIES

CG III MAF

HAS BEEN SENT

#2 burned  
4 Nov 68

SECRET

#19

Ref: 17/04553/RK

# HAS BEEN SENT

TO CG 1ST MARDIV  
ZEM

SECRET NOFORN

PERSONAL FOR MAJGEN FIELDS FROM LGEN WALT

1. GEN LAM INFORMS ME THAT HE HAS HAD TO DEPLOY A VNMC BN TO HUE THAT WAS EAR MARKED FOR OPN KANSAS. HE HAS REQUESTED AN ADDITIONAL BN FROM SAIGON BUT DOES NOT EXPECT IT TO BE AVAILABLE UNTIL 21 JUNE. FURTHER LAM NOW HAS ONLY ONE BN REMAINING IN DANANG. IF THERE WERE TROUBLE IN DANANG HE WOULD HAVE IMMEDIATELY DEPLOYED THE VNMC BN NOW IN TAM KY WHICH IS ALSO EAR MARKED FOR KANSAS. IN VIEW OF FOREGOING LAM DESIRES TO POSTPONE KANSAS TO 21 JUNE. I HAVE AGREED TO THIS.

2. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE TIME BETWEEN NOW AND 21 JUNE BE USED FOR AN EXTENSIVE RECON EFFORT WITH THE OBJECT OF MORE CLEARLY DEFINING MAJOR VC/NVA TROOP DISPOSITIONS IN THE KANSAS AREA AND BRINGING SUPPORTING ARMS TO BEAN ON THE GAPS OF OPPORTUNITY. THIS WOULD BE A CONTINUATION OF YOUR EXTREMELY WELL CONCEIVED AND EXECUTED OPNS OF 15-16 JUNE.

3. IN THE MEANTIME, OF COURSE, YOU SHOULD BE READY TO EXPLOIT RAPIDLY ANY OPPORTUNITIES PRESENTED BY A VC/NVA ATTACK ON OUTPOSTS IN THE

KANSAS AREA.

GP-3

225

#17

**SECRET**

(PERSONAL FOR)

W

OO WWND YNA  
DE DDKE 691 167140Z  
ZNY SSSSS  
G 161402Z  
FM CG III MAP  
TO WWND/CMC  
INFO YNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

**HAS BEEN SENT**

**S E C R E T**

PERSONAL FOR GENERAL GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT

1. FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL EVENTS DURING PERIOD 152000H-162000H.

2. AT 152330H I CORPS REPORTED THAT THE 5TH AIRBORNE BN MOVED INTO HUE. TWELVE APC MOVED TO VICINITY OF HUE RADIO STATION.

3. AT 160615H I CORPS REPORTS THAT ALL U. S. ADVISORS TO ARVN UNITS IN HUE HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN TO MACV COMPOUND EXCEPT FOR ONE U. S. ADVISOR WHO REMAINED AT DIV TOC.

PAGE TWO DDKE 691 **S E C R E T**

4. AT 160620H I CORPS REPORTED THAT RIOT POLICE WERE STARTING TO REMOVE ALTARS FROM HUE STREETS. PEOPLE WERE GATHERING IN GROUPS THROUGHOUT THE CITY, SOME BURNING TIRES.

5. AT 160930H I CORPS REPORTED THAT 500-1000 PERSONS, MOSTLY BOY AND GIRL SCOUTS MOVING SOUTH ON ROUTE 1 TOWARD HUE FROM HAMLETS 11 KM NW OF HUE, REACHING DIEN DE PAGODA AT 161145H.

6. AT 161020H I CORPS REPORTED THAT ABOUT 100 ARMED ARVN MEDICAL TROOPS GATHERED IN 1ST DIV COMPOUND WITH BANNERS SAYING "WE WILL FIGHT THE VC AND DEFEND THE BUDDHISTS TO OUR LAST DROP OF BLOOD". C/S, 1ST DIV TALKED TO THE TROOPS AND PURSUADED THEM TO DISPERSE. HOWEVER AT 161530H A GROUP OF ABOUT 250 UNARMED TROOPS WITH BUDDHIST FLAGS AND A BANNER WERE BACK. ONE HUNDRED ARMED TROOPS UNDER DIVISION CONTROL WERE ALSO PRESENT. OFFICERS IN DIV HQ WERE CARRYING PISTOLS AND WEARING HELMETS. THE ARMED TROOPS WERE DISMISSED AND A FEW JOINED THE DISSIDENT UNARMED TROOPS. THE GROUP OF TROOPS GREW TO ABOUT 450. THE C/S 1ST DIV (ARVN) COULD NOT PERSUADE THEM TO DISBAND. BUT SHORTLY THEREAFTER THE TROOPS MARCHED AWAY FROM THE 1ST DIV HQ TO PCN HIC.

Copy 2 of 3

**SECRET**

#15

**SECRET**

PAGE THREE DDKE 691 S E C R E T

7. AT 161442H 4TH MARINES REPORTED VN FORMING HUMAN BLOCKADES AT THREE LOCATIONS ON HIGHWAY 1 BETWEEN QUANG TRI AND HUE.
8. AT 161618H I CORPS REPORTED THAT 3000 PEOPLE WERE GATHERING AT THE DIEU DE PAGODA AT HUE. CROWD PLANNED TO MARCH FROM THE PAGODA TO PROVINCE HQ.
9. AT 161620H I CORPS PASSED A 1ST DIV (ARVN) REPORT THAT RADIO HUE ANNOUNCED THAT RIOT POLICE WOULD BEGIN SEARCHING ALL PERSONS ON ROADS LEADING TO HUE.
10. AT 162000H I CORPS REPORTED THAT ALL AIRCRAFT WERE EVACUATED FROM HUE TO PHU BAI STARTING AT 161635H.
11. AT 161645H I CORPS REPORTED THE 1ST ARVN ENGINEER BN IN HUE HAS CLOSED ITS GATES AND PUT UP A SIGN SAYING "WE ARE NOW FIGHTING FOR THE BUDDHISTS". CP OF ENGINEER BN IS 7 KM SOUTH OF HUE IN NAM HOA AREA.
12. AT 161655H I CORPS REPORTED 5TH AIRBORNE BN, COMMANDED BY COL TOAN, IS DEPLOYED IN CITY FROM (YD 768228) TO (YD 764223). TROOPS FIRED GAS GRENADES AT A CROWD OF 2000 PEOPLE LOCATED VIC (YD 763232).
13. AT 161805H I CORPS REPORTED THAT AT 161745H THE BLACK PANTHER COMPANY HAS RETURNED TO HUE AND WAS ENGAGED IN A FIRE

PAGE FOUR DDKE 619 S E C R E T

FIGHT. RIOT POLICE REQUESTED THAT US PERSONNEL STAY OFF HUE STREETS.

14. AT 161825H I CORPS REPORTED THAT 1ST AIRBORNE BN IS READY TO MOVE FROM DONG DA TO HUE WITH BN CDR AND CP ALREADY UNDER WAY.
15. AT THE REQUEST OF LT. COL KHOA, THUA THIEN PROVINCE CHIEF, THERE WAS NO UNLOADING AT THE HUE RAMP BY USMC AND NO USMC CONVOYS PASSING THROUGH HUE TODAY.
16. NO CHANGE IN DANANG SITUATION.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3 COPIES - FILE  
COPIES 2-3 OF 3 COPIES - CG III MAF

**SECRET**

#15

**SECRET**

NOT RELEASABLE TO  
FOREIGN NATIONALS

(Personal)

W

OO WND YNA  
DE DDKE 602 1661448  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 151449Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WND/CMC  
YNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

**HAS BEEN SENT**

**SECRET** NOFORN

PERSONAL FOR GENERAL GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT  
1. FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL EVENTS DURING PERIOD  
142000-152000H

2. 142000H, ASST G-2 ADV, HUE REPORTED THAT AT 1600 BUDDHIST  
MONKS ACCUSED AMERICAN SOLDIERS OF DESTROYING 3 ALTARS ENROUTE  
TO PHU BAI. SIGNS WERE DISPLAYED SAYING "DOWN WITH THE AMERICAN  
SOLDIERS WHO DESTROY BUDDHIST ALTARS"

4. DURING NIGHT, 14-15 JUNE THE 1/3 BATTALION MOVED FROM HUE  
TO THE VICINITY OF AN HOA BRIDGE ORIENTED TO THE NORTH WEST

PAGE TWO DDKE 602 **SECRET**

(AWAY FROM HUE.) IT WAS REPORTED THAT MOVEMENT WAS A COUNTER  
A VC THREAT. ADVISOR FEELS MOVE IS TO AVOID TROUBLE IN HUE.  
MILITARY UNITS REMAINING IN HUE ARE 2/3 BATTALION, ONG DA  
BATTALION, 101ST ENGINEER BATTALION AND SERVICE UNITS OF 1ST DIVISION  
5. AT 0825, SECTOR S-2 ADV, QUANG TRI REPORTED ONE BUDDHIST  
ROAD BLOCK THAT CITY. HE WAS ALLOWED TO PASS. ALSO BUDDHIST  
IN QUANG TRI WAS TOLD BY BUDDHISTS TO STAY HOME FROM WORK OR HIS  
HOUSE WOULD BE BURNED.

6. ITOC REPORTED THAT BETWEEN 0145 AND 0200 A GROUP OF PEOPLE  
WERE BEATING DRUMS AND PANS AND HAD FIRES GOING OUTSIDE 1ST  
DIV GATE. GATE GUARD REINFORCED; CROWD DISPERSED.

7. AT 0840 3RD MARDIV REPORTED THAT AN AUSTRALIAN MAJOR AND A  
NEWSPAPERMAN WITNESSED A MARINE IN A TRUCK KNOCK DOWN SEVERAL  
BUDDHIST STATUES WITH A POLE AT 141630H AT YD 82218 (25000  
METERS SE OF HUE), AND STEAL A BUDDHIST FLAG. THE UNITED BUDDHIST  
ASSOCIATION SENT AN OFFICIAL PROTEST TO THE SENIOR MILITARY ADVISOR  
IN HUE.

8. HUE REMAINED QUIET TODAY WITH MORE ITEMS CLUTTERING THE STREET  
INCLUDING SOME SHELTER TENTS. MAJORITY OF ADVISORY PERSONNEL  
OPERATED FROM THE MACV COMPOUND. TRAVEL TO DIVISION HEADQUARTERS

**SECRET**

Copy 2 of 3

#14

**SECRET**

PAGE THREE DDKE 602 S E C R E T

WAS RESTRICTED TO HELICOPTERS. MARINE CONVOYS OPERATED TO AND FROM THE LCU UNLOADING SITE WITHOUT ANY REPORTED INCIDENT.

9. I CORPS G-2 REPORTED AT 1123 THAT THE GOV'T'S DEMAND FOR "STRUGGLE FORCES TO RETURN TO THE GOV'T" HAS BEEN EXTENDED ONE WEEK FROM 140600H.

10. COLONEL LOAN STATED TO DSA, I CORPS, THAT PEOPLE OF HUE HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO REMOVE ALTARS FROM THE STREETS. IF THIS IS NOT ACCOMPLISHED BY 1700, MANY POLICE WILL MOVE THEM. HE FURTHER STATED HE EXPECTS TO COLLECT 2,000 UNAUTHORIZED WEAPONS IN HUE. HE REPORTED THAT POLICE HAD MOVED ALTARS YES YERDAY TO PERMIT PASSAGE OF MARINE CONVOYS BUT THEY HAD BEEN PUT BACK IN THE STREETS.

11. SEN ADV 1ST ARVN DIV REPORTED THAT GENERAL TH MET WITH GENERAL LAM FROM 1200 TO 1300 IN HUE. SUBJECT OF MEETING UNKNOWN.

12. AT 1230, ARVN LNO TO 4TH MARINES REPORTED THAT 1ST ARVN DIV C/S WAS RELIEVED TODAY. NAME OF RELIEF UNK. I CORPS HAS UNCONFIRMED REPORTS ON RELIEF OF C/S.

13. AT 1355, A MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED FROM THE 3RD DIVISION OF 150 VC OPERATING IN VILLAGES EAST OF HUE (TO 80/245) IN SUPPORT OF BUDDHIST FORCES AND TRYING TO TURN VILLAGERS AGAINST US.

14. THICH TRI QUANG IN A RADIO BROADCAST TODAY ASKED FOR A

PAGE FOUR DDKE 602 S E C R E T

NUMBER OF PEOPLE TO STAND BY THE ALTARS IN HUE. IT APPEARED THAT FEW PEOPLE RESPONDED TO THIS REQUEST.

15. I CORPS REPORTED AT 151520H THAT THE 5TH AIRBORNE BN OF THE AIRBORNE TASK FORCE LOCATED IN DONG DA IS SCHEDULED TO MOVE INTO HUE TONIGHT WITH MISSION OF RIOT SUPPRESSION.

16. STREETS OF QUANG TRI CONTINUE TO BE CLOGGED WITH ALTARS AND TABLES

17. DANANG WAS NORMAL.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3 COPIES - FILE  
COPIES 2-3 OF 3 COPIES - CG III MAF

CG III MAF

O 151448Z JUNE

**SECRET**

#14

SECRET

OO WWND YVNA  
DE DDKE 480 1651332  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 141332Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WWND/CMC  
YVNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

13  
#3 burned  
4 Nov 68

SECRET

PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT.

SUBJ: ICTZ POLITICAL SITUATION TO 142000Z

1. COL LOAN ARRIVED IN HUE EVENING 13 JUNE WITH 300 ADDITIONAL RIOT POLICE, BRINGING TOTAL RIOT POLICE STRENGTH IN HUE TO 650. IT IS REPORTED THAT LOAN WILL GIVE STRUGGLE GROUP 24 HOURS (140600-150600) TO RALLY. IF THEY COME IN DURING THIS PERIOD THEY WILL RECEIVE NO PUNISHMENT. AIRBORNE TROOPS AVAILABLE IN PHU BAI IF ASSISTANCE NEEDED. TANKS AND APC'S ARE LOYAL TO GVN.
2. AT 141100H, 3D MARDIV REPORTED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

PAGE TWO DDKE 480 SECRET  
RECEIVED FROM HUE LNO:

- A. AT 0800H 300 STUDENTS GATHERED IN FRONT OF STRUGGLE GROUP HQ'S. AFTER A SHORT SPEECH, THEY ALL TURNED AND QUOTE CHARGED END QUOTE THE 7TH CAVALRY CP. THEY REACHED THE WIRE, STOPPED AND DISPERSED.
- B. COL LAM, CO 1ST REGT, WILL REPLACE MR. THUI AS PROVINCE CHIEF OF QUANG TRI. COL LAM WILL RETAIN PSN AS REGT COMMANDER. THE SEARCH FOR OFFICIALS LOYAL TO GVN IS RESULTING IN A NUMBER OF OFFICERS HAVING TO WEAR SEVERAL HATS.
3. AT 141615H, I CORPS REPORTED THAT HUE WAS FULL OF ALTARS; THAT MACV PERSONNEL WORKED FROM THE COMPOUND AND WERE UNABLE TO GET TO DIVISION HEADQUARTERS. CONCERTINA WIRE WAS PLACED ACROSS THE MAIN ROAD THAT ENTERS THE CITADEL ON 13 JUNE. ALL ROADS TO THE CITADEL WERE BLOCKED.
4. USMC CONVOYS WERE ABLE TO PASS FROM THE HUE RAMP TO PHU BAI WITH THE HELP OF ARVN NATIONAL POLICE. THE POLICE MOVED ALTARS SO THAT VEHICLES COULD PASS.
5. MAJOR UNLOADING EFFORT AT HUE RAMP TODAY. USS MATHEWS (AKA) OFF LOADED OUTSIDE BAR AT RIVER MOUTH. NINE LCM-6 LOADS AND 2 LCU LOADS MOVED TO HUE. WILL CONTINUE TO OFF LOAD USS MATHEWS

SECRET

4 of 4

#13

**SECRET**

DURING NIGHT.

6. SITUATION IN DANANG:

A. HAYOR CUONG REPORTED ON 15 MAY THAT HE HAD NOT YET BEGUN ARRESTING CIVILIAN STRUGGLE FORCE LEADERS. HE FIRST INTENDED TO APPREHEND VIET CONG ELEMENTS. HE STATED THAT HE HAD A COMPLETE LIST OF V. C. AGITATORS AND OTHER CADRE. ACCORDING TO CUONG HE MUST WAIT TO MOVE AGAINST V. C. UNTIL HE GETS ADDITIONAL POLICE TRAINED FOR THIS SORT OF WORK. AFTER HE GETS V. C. HE WILL BEGIN PICKING UP STRUGGLE GROUP LEADERS.

B. ACCORDING TO CUONG ONE COMPANY OF DANANG POLICE HAS BEEN SENT TO SAIGON FOR "RETRAINING". HE HOPES TO HAVE THEM REPLACED BY A COMPANY OF SAIGON POLICE.

C. CUONG REPORTED THAT HE HAS ASSURANCE FROM LOCAL VN MARINE COMMANDER THAT ADEQUATE SECURITY FORCES WILL REMAIN IN DANANG UNTIL THERE IS NO LONGER POSSIBILITY THEY MIGHT BE NEEDED. CUONG ADMITTED THIS IS PROBABLY SEVERAL WEEKS AWAY.

D. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH DANANG IS VIRTUALLY NORMAL ON SURFACE EXCEPT FOR BARBED WIRE NEAR TINH HOI AND PHO FA PAGODAS IT APPEARS FROM CUONG'S COMMENTS THAT NEITHER V. C. WHO INFILTRATED CITY NOR CIVILIAN STRUGGLE LEADERS HAVE YET BEEN APPREHENDED. IT ALSO

PAGE FOUR DDKE 480 S E C R E T

APPEARS THAT LOCAL SECURITY FORCES ARE NEITHER STRONG ENOUGH NOR TRUSTWORTHY ENOUGH TO GUARANTEE LAW AND ORDER. IF THIS IS TRUE THEN IT IS QUITE CERTAIN THAT VN MARINES AND OTHER OUTSIDE SECURITY ELEMENTS WILL BE REQUIRED IN DANANG AT LEAST UNTIL STRUGGLE COMPLETELY FINISHED IN HUE.

7. AT 141815H, I CORPS REPORTED THAT THE 5TH VONG BATTALION WILL MOVE BY CONVOY FROM QUANG NGAI TO DANANG ON 15 JUNE.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3 COPIES - FILE

COPIES 2-3 OF 3 COPIES - CG III MAF

CG III MAF

O 141332Z JUNE

CG III MAF

**SECRET**

LAST REPORT  
JW

(PERSONAL FILE)

HAS BEEN SENT

OO WWND YNA  
DE DDKE 260 1631524  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 121524Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WWND/CMC  
YYNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

S E C R E T NOFORN

PERSONAL FOR GENERAL GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT  
POLITICAL SITUATION ICTZ AS OF 122000H.

1. AT 0845H, 4TH MARINES REPORTED CONVOY ARRIVED AT PHU BAI FROM HUE RAMP AFTER BEING ESCORTED BY ARVN WHO MOVED ALIARS OUT OF WAY THEN REPLACED THEM AS CONVOY PASSED.
2. SEVERAL INCIDENTS REPORTED OF ALIARS BEING ACCIDENTALLY OVERTURNED.
3. AT 2030 3D MAR DIV REPORTED THAT RIOT POLICE ARE PRECEEDING U. S. CONVOYS REMOVING ALIARS AND THEN REPLACING THEM IN

PAGE TWO DDKE 260 S E C R E T NOFORN

THE STREET. CONVOYS ARE STILL BEING RESTRICTED TO 2AND 1/2 TON TRUCKS.

4. OPN FLORIDA SECURED AT 120800H

GP-4  
BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3 - FILE  
COPIES 2-3 OF 3 COPIES - CG III MAF

CG III MAF

O 121524Z/JUNE

CG III MAF

2 of 3

SECRET  
#12

**SECRET**

WV DDKE156  
CO WWD YNA  
DE DDKE 212 1621452  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 111452Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WWD/CMC  
YNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

**S E C R E T** NOFORN

PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT.

1. THE FOLLOWING SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OCCURRED DURING THE PERIOD 102200 JUN TO 112200 JUN.
2. AT 110800H I CORPS REPORTED THAT THE FIELD POLICE IN HUE SPENT THE NIGHT IN A POLICE CAMP IN THE VICINITY OF THE NATIONAL POLICE STATION. (5 BLOCKS SOUTH OF THE MACV COMPOUND).
3. AT 110815H, I CORPS REPORTED A MEMORIAL SERVICE WAS SCHEDULED AT DIEU DE PAGODA IN HUE FOR THICH QUANG DUC WHO IMMOLATED SELF IN SAIGON ON 11 JUNE 1966. AFTER THE SERVICE, A MARCH WAS TO BE MADE

PAGE TWO DDKE 212 **S E C R E T** NOFORN

TO TU DAN PAGODA DISPLAYING ANTI-U.S. AND ANTI-GVN SLOGANS.

4. AT 110955H, I CORPS REPORTED 1000 PERSONS WERE AT THE DIEU DE PAGODA WITH THE CROWD GROWING. NO POLICE WERE IN EVIDENCE. ANTI GVN AND ANTI-US BANNERES WERE OBSERVED.
5. AT 111408H, I CORPS REPORTED 5000 PERSONS ATTENDED THE MEMORIAL AT THE PAGODA. DEMONSTRATION DESCRIBED AS QUIET AND ORDERLY. NO POLICE IN THE AREA. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF ALTARS, ETC, BLOCKING THE STREETS.
6. AT 111600H, 3D MARDIVISION REPORTED AN ARVN CONVOY PASSED NAMO BRIDGE, (AT 9284) TRAVELING NORTH. CONVOY CONSISTED OF 5 TRUCKS LOADED WITH 135 TROOPS ARMED WITH CARBINES AND BAR'S.
7. 112100H. ALTARS CONTINUE TO BLOCK STREETS OFCITYWHE ALTARS ARE PLACED STRATEGICALLY ON THE ROADS IN THE CITY AND ON THE ROAD FROM HUE RAMP AND COL CO RAMP TO PHU BAI. TRUCKS UP TO 2 1/2 TONS CAN MAKE THE PASSAGE BUT DRIVING IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT. 1ST ARVN DIV HAS ADVISED THAT NO TRUCKS LARGER THAN 2 1/2 TONS ATTEMPT TO NEGOTIATE THE ROADS.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3      FILE  
COPIES 2&3 OF 3      MAF

CG III MAF

O 111452Z/JUNE66

**SECRET**

END

3 of 3

#11

**SECRET**

**NOT RELEASEABLE TO  
FOREIGN NATIONALS.**

*(Handwritten mark)*

W DDKE087  
OO WWND YNA  
DE DDKE 112 1611510  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 101510Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WWND/CMC  
YNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

**S E C R E T** NOFORN SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS  
PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT

1. FOLLOWING ARE THE SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING PERIOD 092200H  
TO 102200H.

2. AT 092230H, RADIO HUE BEGAN REQUESTING THAT PEOPLE CLEAR STREETS  
AND SUPPORT GOVERNMENT. BY 100800H, HIGHWAY 1, EXCEPT FOR HUE RR  
BRIDGE WAS REPORTED CLEAR FROM PHU BAI TO PK-17. HOWEVER, AT 100809H  
4TH MARINES REPORTED ROADS IN HUE STILL CONTAINED ALTARS ALTHOUGH  
VEHICLES UP TO 2 1/2 TONS COULD PASS WITH CARE, AND THE ROUTE FROM  
PHU BAI TO THE LCU RAMP WAS PASSABLE.

PAGE TWO DDKE 112 **S E C R E T** NOFORN

3. AT 100925H, CG 3D MARDIV REPORTED THAT AN AIRCRAFT WITH 40 ARVN  
RIOT CONTROL TROOPS ABOARD HAD LANDED AT THE HUE-PHU BAI AIRFIELD  
FOR RIOT CONTROL DUTY HUE. COL. DONG, ARVN IOC, STATED THAT 3 COS OF  
RIOT POLICE HAD BEEN REQUESTED BY GEN LAM FROM SAIGON. BY ABOUT  
1000H, 1 C-46 AND 12 C-47S, WITH AN ESTIMATED 300 TROOPS HAD LANDED  
AT PHU BAI. 4TH MAR REPS WHO TALKED WITH THEM STATED THAT THE TROOPS  
SAID THEY WERE THERE FOR RIOT DUTY IN HUE. THEY WERE ARMED WITH  
CLUBS AND SHIELDS, TEAR GAS GRENADES AND FOOD AND EQUIPMENT  
FOR SEVERAL DAYS.

4. AT 1130, THE TROOPS LOADED ABOARD 9 TRUCKS AND DEPARTED FOR HUE,  
PASSING THE DONG DA TRAINING CENTER AT 1200. BY 1335, THEY HAD AR-  
RIVED IN HUE AND WERE BILLETED AT THE POLICE CAMP VIC YD 752210,  
WITH THE CITY CALM.

5. AT 101250H, THE HUE RADIO STATION STARTED ANNOUNCEMENTS ON THE  
"VOICE OF BUDDHIST SALVATION" TELLING OF ARRIVAL OF THE RIOT POL-  
ICE AND AT 1340H, SCHEDULING A 1600 MEETING OF THE "SPECIAL YOUTH  
COMMITTEE" AT PHAN DAI. BY 1540, BUDDHISTS WERE REPORTED TO BE RE-  
PLACING ALTARS IN THE STREET, WITH MONKS WITH LOUDSPEAKERS DIRECT-  
ING THE MOVEMENT. AT 1545, AN ARMY TRUCK PASSING A TABLE CAUSED PA-  
NES TO FALL OFF AND AT 1550 A MILITARY TRUCK HIT AN ALTAR AND KNOCK-

**SECRET**

**SECRET**

**NOT RELEASABLE TO  
FOREIGN NATIONALS.**

PAGE THREE DDKE 112 S E C R E T NOFORN  
ED IT OVER. APOLOGY ACCEPTED.

6. AT 1105H, GEN VIEN ARRIVED AT DANANG AND WAS MET BY GEN VALT AND GEN LAN. THEY PROCEEDED TO PK-17 BY HELO WHERE THEY MET GEN NHUAN AT HIS FIELD CP FOR OPERATIONS DOAN KET. THEY WERE BRIEFED BY 1ST ARVN DIV STAFF AFTER WHICH GEN VIEN GAVE A VIGOROUS SPEECH WHICH WAS BRIEFLY TRANSLATED AS BEING AN EXHORTATION FOR ALL OFFICERS TO GET OUT OF POLITICS AND TO GET BACK TO FIGHTING THE VC. AFTER THIS BRIEFING, A VISIT WAS PAID 4TH MARINES CP AND THEN TO THE FIELD CP'S OF THE ABN REGT AND THE 2D BN 1ST MARINES. FOLLOWING THIS THE ENTIRE PARTY MOVED TO GEN NHUAN'S CP AT HUE WHERE AN IMPRESSIVE BRIEFING WAS GIVEN LT COL DO OF THE 7TH ARVN CAV REGT. THE SUBSTANCE OF HIS BRIEFING IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. ON 1 JUNE THE 7TH ARMED CAV REG'T WAS AT QUANG TRI AND WAS ADVISED THAT IT WAS TO MOVE ON HUE. MUCH TIME WAS SPENT IN PREPARING FOR THE MOVE AND IN ARMING THE SOLDIERS' SPIRIT-EXPLAINING TO THEM ABOUT THE POLITICAL SITUATION AND WHAT WAS HAPPENING IN HUE. THIS WAS DONE IN ORDER TO AVOID CONFUSION WHEN THE TROOPS CARRIED OUT THEIR MISSION WHICH WAS TO RESTORE SECURITY AND ORDER IN HUE.

B. ON 2 JUNE AT 0800 THE ORDER WAS RECEIVED TO MOVE THE ENTIRE REGIMENT TO HUE WHERE THEY ARRIVED AT 1100H. THEN THEY WERE ORDERED TO

PAGE FOUR DDKE 112 S E C R E T NOFORN  
ESTABLISH A SECURITY FORCE FOR HUE CONSISTING OF:

- 7TH ARMD CAV REGT - 1ST BN 1ST INF
- TRAINEE BN OF DONG HA TR CENTER
- 1ST ADVANCE CO 1ST ARMORED PROPAGANDA CO.
- COMMANDER (LTCOL DO)

THE MISSION OF THIS FORCE TO COOPERATE WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCY, THUA THIEN PROVINCE, AND RESUME SECURITY AND ORDER IN HUE CITY; SUPPORT THE THUA THIEN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE IN POLICE OPERATIONS; COORDINATE FORCES.

C. ON 4 JUNE AT 1100H THE FORCE SIEZED THE CITY COUNCIL OFFICE AT 55 TRAN HUNG DAO WHICH HAD BEEN THE HQ OF THE STRUGGLE FORCES. ALSO ON 4 JUNE THE SECURITY FORCES CAPTURED:

- 45 SOLDIERS WITHOUT ORDERS
- 7 DESERTERS
- 20 YOUTH OF MILITARY SERVICE TIME (AGE)

D. ON 5 AND 6 JUNE 3/7 AND 2/7 REJOINED THE 7TH CAV REGT. 3/7 CAME FROM DANANG AS ESCORT FOR 60 TONS OF FOODSTUFF.

E. ON 6 JUNE A POLICE OPERATION WAS CONDUCTED IN AREA NEAR GIA HOI BRIDGE RESULTING IN THE CAPTURE OF 27 ILLEGAL DWELLERS. ON 6 JUNE A PRESS CONFERENCE WAS CALLED BY THE COMMANDER TO PRESENT

**SECRET**

**SECRET**

**NOT RELEASEABLE TO  
FOREIGN NATIONALS.**

PAGE FIVE DDKE 112 S E C R E T NOFORN

ATION IN THE CITY TO THE PEOPLE. THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PRESS CONFERENCE WAS BROADCAST OVER THE BUDDHIST RADIO AND THEY ADVISED THE BUDDHISTS TO PLACE THEIR ALTARS IN THE STREETS. THE ALTARS WERE PLACED IN THE STREETS AND THEY BLOCKED ALL MILITARY CONVOYS. IF ASKED THAT THEY BE MOVED TO THE SIDE WITHOUT RESULTS.

F. ON 8 JUNE TF RECEIVED ORDERS TO CLEAR THE ROAD FROM PHU BAI TO PK 17FOR CONVOY. BUDDHISTS REFUSED TO MOVE ALTARS. TEAR GAS WAS USED WITHOUT RESULTS. ON THE NIGHT OF 8TH AND ON THE 9TH THE ROAD FROM PHU BAI TO ANCO WAS CLEARED BY 3/7 AND 2/3 TO PERMIT ABN REGT TO MOVE TO OPERATIONAL AREA. ON 9 JUNE, ALL UNITS MOVED TO THEIR OPERATIONAL AREAS WITH MUCH TROUBLE AND ONE-HALF DAY'S DELAY.

G. UP TO 9 JUNE THE FOLLOWING WERE CAPTURED:

1. 123 SOLDIERS WITHOUT ORDERS
2. 9 DESERTERS
3. 23 YOUTHS WITHOUT PAPERS
4. 7 VC CADRE (CAPTURED DISTRIBUTING LEAFLETS IN MARKET)
5. 595 WEAPONS, AS FOLLOWS:
  - A. 19 AR'S
  - B. 59 SMG
  - C. 46 M-1'S

BT

**SECRET**

#10

**SECRET**

**NOT RELEASABLE TO  
FOREIGN NATIONALS.**

W DDKE088  
OO WUND YVNA  
DE DDKE 113 1611510  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 101510Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WUND/CMC  
YVNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

**S E C R E T** NOFORN FINAL SECTION OF TWO SECTIONS  
PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LIGEN KRULAK FROM LIGEN WALT

D. 471 CARBINES

E. 473 GRENADES

F. 10,112 SMALL ARMS AMMO

PSY WAR ACTIVITIES WERE CONDUCTED WITH PLANES AND SOUND TRUCKS  
NOTIFYING THE PEOPLE OF THE SITUATION AND REQUESTING THEM TO ASSIST  
THE MILITARY IN IDENTIFYING THE VC ELEMENTS THAT HAD INFILTRATED  
THE BUDDHIST ELEMENTS. ON 9 JUNE ONE RADIO STATION (IKWA) BEGAN  
OPERATING ON BEHALF OF GOVERNMENT FORCES.

PAGE TWO DDKE 113 **S E C R E T** NOFORN

1. THE SPIRIT OF THE TROOPS IS IMPROVING. THEY REALIZE THEIR DUTY  
IN THE MILITARY ALTHOUGH THE BUDDHISTS CHAPMANS CALL FOR THEM TO  
LAY DOWN THEIR ARMS. THE TROOPS HAVE BEEN VERY POLITE IN ATTEMPTING  
TO GET THE PEOPLE TO MOVE THE ALTARS.

IT WAS LTCOL DO'S OPINION THAT THE PEOPLE PLACED THE ALTARS IN  
THE STREETS FOR FEAR OF RETALIATION IN THEIR DAILY LIVES. HE THINK  
THE VAN HADN BUDDHISTS WERE MISTAKEN IN CONVINCING THE PEOPLE THAT  
THE TROOPS OF KY AND THIEU WOULD BREAK THEM DOWN.

7. AS OF 2200 ALTARS WERE STILL IN STREETS OF HUE AND BETWEEN HUE  
AND PHU BAI.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 10F3 MAF FILE  
COPIES 2&3 OF 3 COPIES

MAF

101510Z

O

CG III MAF

JUN

**SECRET**

**SECRET**

*W*

W DDKE026  
OO WUND YVNA  
DE DDKE 993 160144Z  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 091442Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WUND/CMC  
YVNA/CG FMPPAC  
BT

**S E C R E T** NOFORN

PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT  
1. FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT EVENTS FROM 090200 - 092200H  
2. AT 0800H, 4TH MARINES REPORTED CONVOY BLOCKED BY OBSTACLES.  
ARVN CONVOY LOCATED VIC (YD 642289) (2 MILES SOUTH OF PK-17)  
AND USMC LOCATED JUST SOUTH OF CITY OF HUE, AS A RESULT OF  
THE BUDDHIST ROAD BLOCKS, OPN FLORIDA WAS POSTPONED INDEFINITELY  
AND THE 4TH MARINES CONVOY RETURNED TO THE PHU BAI AREA.  
4. AT 1000, I CORPS REPORTED THAT VC PAMPHLETS PERTAINING TO  
A TRUCE WERE IN FACT DISTRIBUTED IN THE 3D ARVN REGIMENT AREA.

PAGE TWO DDKE 993 **S E C R E T** NOFORN.

5. AT 0930, I CORPS REPORTED THAT THE VILLAGE CHIEF AND POLICE  
CHIEF OF LOC HAI VILLAGE WERE ARRESTED BY VN MARINE. THE VN  
MARINES THEN MOVED NORTH TO MYGIA VILLAGE, DISARMING PEOPLE ALONG  
THE WAY. THEY TOOK TO 50-70 POLITICAL PRISONERS. AT 1145H SAME  
TROOPS WERE BELIEVED ORDERED TO LANG CO BRIDGE BY GEN LAM. VN  
MARINES WERE STILL AT LANG CO BRIDGE AT 1305H. THEY DEPARTED  
BRIDGE AT 1400H. LATER REPORT INDICATES ONE COMPANY OF MARINES  
DEPARTED HAI VON PASS BY ROAD AND ONE COMPANY LEFT DANANG BY RVN  
SMALL CRAFT. BOTH COMPANIES FROM 2D BN VMMC WHICH IS STILL  
LOCATED IN DANANG.

6. GENERAL LAM REDEFINED ARVN OBJECTIVES IN OPERATION DOANHET-  
(FLORIDA) AND ORDERED THE OPERATION TO BEGIN AT 1300 HOURS. GENERAL  
LAM WAS UNABLE AT THAT TIME, TO ASSURE MOVEMENT OF AMMUNITION AND  
COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT FROM HUE AND PHU BAI TO OPERATIONAL  
AREA. BUDDHISTS WERE SITTING ON RUGS BEFORE ALTARS IN FRONT OF  
RAILROAD BRIDGE AND ALL ALONG THE ROAD BETWEEN RAILROAD BRIDGE  
AND PK 17. CONVOYS COULD NOT USE ROADS INTO OPERATIONAL AREA.  
7. FOUR ARVN BATTALIONS JUMPED OFF IN OPERATION DOANHET-1  
(FLORIDA) BETWEEN 1400 AND 1430. TWO USMC BATTALIONS JUMPED OFF  
AT 1430. UNITS INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION WERE 1ST AND 2D M/B

**SECRET**

3 of 3

# 8

**SECRET**

PAGE THREE DDKE 993 S E C R E T NOFORN  
BATTALIONS, 1/1 AND 1/2 BATTALIONS, TWO USMC BATTALIONS AND 1ST VN  
MARINE BATTALION IN RESERVE. NO CONTACT WITH VC HAS BEEN REPORTED.  
8. I CORPS REPORTED THAT THICH TRI QUANG HAS STARTED A HUNGER  
STRIKE IN FRONT OF A TEMPLE IN HUE. STATES HE WILL CONTINUE  
UNTIL HE RECEIVES AN ANSWER FROM PRESIDENT JOHNSON REGARDING  
HIS SUPPORT OF THIEU AND KY. SPOKESMAN FOR THICH TRI QUANG  
STATED QUANG HAD ASKED ALL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AND SOLDIERS NOT  
TO OBEY THEIR SUPERIORS WHILE HE WAS ON HUNGER STRIKE. A SPOKESMAN  
ALSO ASKED UNKNOWN PERSONS IN THE 1ST ARVN DIV COMPOUND TO SCHEDULE  
A PRESS CONFERENCE FOR QUANG SOMETIME TODAY.  
9. LTCOL KHOA HAS MOVED HIS CP IN WITH COLONEL TOAN IN AREA IN  
FRONT OF MAIN FLAGPOLE OF IMPERIAL CITY ON THE NORTH BANK OF THE  
RIVER IN HUE. KHOA HAS RECEIVED AND IS ASSEMBLING A ONE KW RADIO  
TRANSMITTER AT THE CP. IT IS PLANNED TO START BROADCASTS TONIGHT  
TO PEOPLE IN HUE.  
10. DEMONSTRATORS ARE EXPECTED IN QUANG NGAI TONIGHT OR TOMORROW.  
INCIDENTS SIMILAR TO DANANG AND HUE ARE EXPECTED  
11. AT 1730, THE ROAD BETWEEN PK17 AND PHU BAI APPEARED USABLE FOR  
TRUCK TRAFFIC. THE ALTARS HAVE BEEN MOVED INTO ONE TRAFFIC LANE  
ALONG THAT ROUTE. A SMALL CONVOY MOVED FROM PHU BAI TO HUE THIS

PAGE FOUR DDKE 993 S E C R E T NOFORN  
AFTERNOON LED BY APC'S. IN THE REMAINDER OF HUE, VEHICULAR  
TRAFFIC WAS AT A STANDSTILL WITH ALTARS PLACED DOWN THE CENTER OF  
THE STREETS. THE RAILROAD BRIDGE REMAINED BLOCKED AT 1730.  
12. I CORPS TOC REPORTED THAT AS OF 091800H THE STREETS IN HUE AND  
SLUTH TO PHU BAI WERE STILL CLUTTERED WITH BUDDHIST RELIGIOUS  
ARTICLES. HOWEVER, ROADS ARE PASSABLE BY 2 1/2 TON TRUCKS.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OR 3 FILE  
COPIES 2&3 OF 3 COPIES MAF

CG 111 MAF

C 091442Z/JUN68

**SECRET**

#8

SECRET/NOFORN

W DDKE 963  
OO WWND YNA  
DE DDKE 927 1591404  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 081404Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WWND/CMC  
INFO YNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

SECRET NOFORN

PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE INFO LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT

1. ON THE EVENING OF 7 JUNE, LEAFLETS WERE DISTRIBUTED IN THE CITY OF HUE INSTRUCTING THE PEOPLE TO GATHER AROUND THE ALTERS IN ORDER TO PREVENT USMC CONVOYS FROM MOVING THROUGH THE CITY. THE LEAFLETS WERE SIGNED BY THE BUDDHIST CHAPLAIN FOR GENERAL NHUAN.
2. ALSO ON 7 JUNE (APPROX 2300) THE BATTALION COMMANDER OF THE 1/3 REGIMENT ORDERED HIS TROOPS TO REMOVE THE ALTERS BLOCKING THE ROADS IN HUE, CAPTAIN DAT REPORTED HIS MEN REFUSED TO REMOVE THE ALTERS FROM THE STREETS. CAPTAIN DAT STATED HE CONSIDERS THE ENTIRE HUE

PAGE TWO DDKE 927 SECRET NOFORN  
POLICE FORCE INEFFECTIVE.

3. AT 080745H I CORPS REPORTED THAT THE SAIGON TASK FORCE LOCATED AT DANG DA TRAINING CENTER WOULD REMAIN AT THAT LOCATION UNTIL ORDERS WERE GIVEN BY I CORPS COMMANDER TO MOVE.

4. AT 0915H, 1ST DIVISION (ARVN) REPORTED ROAD AND ALTER CONDITIONS IN HUE HAD NOT CHANGED.

5. AT 081005H, I CORPS REPORTED THAT GEN LAM WAS ADVISED THE SITUATION IN HUE WAS NOT IMPROVED AND THAT IT WAS IN FACT, WORSE. THERE ARE MORE STATUES IN THE STREETS AND MORE PEOPLE MILLING IN THE STREETS. THE NEW POLICE CHIEF OF HUE SAYS THAT THE NATIONAL POLICE ARE COMPLETELY IN EFFECTIVE AND REFUSE HIS ORDERS. GEN LAM ALSO ADVISED THAT THE 1ST DIVISION BUDDHIST CHAPLAIN HAS DIRECTED THE BUDDHIST CHAPLAINS TO ENCOURAGE THE SOLDIERS TO PARTICIPATE IN DEMONSTRATIONS. GEN LAM WAS FURTHER ADVISED THAT THE TROOPS FROM 1/3 ARVN HAD REFUSED AN ORDER FROM THEIR CO TO REMOVE THE STATUES FROM THE STREETS OF HUE.

6. AT 081019H, DEPUTY SENIOR ADVISOR REPORTED GEN LAM WAS ENROUTE TO PHU BAI.

7. AT 081025H, I CORPS G-2 REPORTED THE FOLLOWING INTERCEPTED MESSAGE OF BUDDHIST RADIO-HUE. QUOTE WHEN WE STOP BROADCASTING WITHOUT FIRST HAVING TOLD THE PEOPLE, THAT WILL MEAN WE HAVE BEEN ATTACKED AND THE

SECRET/NOFORN

2 of 3

#7

SECRET/NOFORN

PAGE THREE DDKE 927 S E C R E T NOFORN

PAGODAS DESTROYED. BUDDHIST SOLDIERS SHOULD DO THE FOLLOWING: GATHER AROUND FLAG POLE IN 1ST DIVISION COMPOUND AND LET AMERICANS, KY, AND HIS TROOPS KILL YOU; SOLDIERS NOT IN DIV. HQ. GATHER AROUND RESPECTIVE FLAG POLES WITH INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS AND LET AMERICANS, KY, AND HIS TROOPS KILL YOU. ALL THE BUDDHIST SOLDIERS ARE DETERMINED TO FIGHT VC AND TO DIE FOR OUR RELIGION WITH RESOLUTION. BUDDHIST SOLDIERS GUARDING STREETS GATHER AT THE NEAREST ALTAR AND SIT DOWN TO PRAY AND AGAIN LET AMERICANS, KY, AND HIS TROOPS KILL YOU. END QUOTE 8. AT A MEETING AT 1130 AT HUE PHU BAI GEN LAM MET WITH CG, 1ST DIV, EGEN ENGLISH AND OTHERS. GENERAL LAM STATED THAT HE INTENDS TO CONDUCT AN OPERATION TOMORROW, AT ALL COSTS, AND DIRECTED THAT POLITICAL PROBLEM WILL NOT PREVENT TROOP MOVEMENTS THROUGH HUE ENROUTE TO THE OPERATION; IF FORCE MUST BE USED, TO INCLUDE SHOOTING, IT WILL BE DONE.

9. AT 081320H 3D DIVISION COC REPORTED THAT THE 1ST ARVN ANNOUNCED THAT 3/7 APC(-) 2 INFANTRY COMPANIES AND LCAL SOLDIERS WOULD BEGIN TO CLEAR A ROUTE THROUGH HUE SO THAT USMC VEHICLES COULD TRAVEL BETWEEN THE CAUSEWAY, THE LCU RAMP, AND THE PHU BAI TAOR.

10. AT 081513H, 3D DIVISION COC REPORTED A USMC CONVOY ENROUTE FROM DONG HA TO CO BI THANH TAN AREA WAS BEING LED BY ARVN WHO WERE SUP-

PAGE FOUR DDKE 927 S E C R E T NOFORN

POSED TO CLEAR THE ROAD OF RELIGIOUS ARTIFACTS. I CORPS ADVISORY GROUP REPORTED THAT GENERAL LAM HAD ORDERED GEN NHUAN TO FLY TO DONG HA AND DIRECT CO OF 2D REGT TO PROVIDE CLEARING FORCE. CONVOY CLOSED CO BI THANH TAN AREA AT 1620H.

11. AT 081727H, I CORPS REPORTED THAT A CONVOY HAD DEPARTED HUE AT 1630H CONSISTING OF ARVN APC'S AND USMC SUPPLY TRUCKS. DESTINATION WAS PHU BAI. THE APC'S WERE ABLE TO WEAVE IN AND AROUND STATUES, HOWEVER TRUCKS WERE STOPPED. AT 1805H, THE CONVOY WAS STILL REPORTED STOPPED 12 KILOMETERS NORTH OF PHU BAI.

12. AT 081810H, I CORPS REPORTED THAT TRICH TRI QUANG WAS LOCATED IN FRONT OF THE PROVINCE HQ AND THAT HE HAD STATED THAT HE WAS STARTING A HUNGER STRIKE THAT WOULD CONTINUE UNTIL HE WAS ANSWERED BY JOHNSON, KY, OR THIEU.

13. AT 2030H 3D MARDIV REPORTED THAT CONVOY ENROUTE TO PHU BAI WAS BEING LED BY A MONK. CONVOY EXPECTED TO CLOSE MOMENTARILY. NO INDICATION AS TO WHETHER STATUES WILL BE MOVED BY BUDDHISTS, ARVN OR WILL REMAIN IN PLACE.

14. ONLY SIGNIFICANT EVENT IN DANANG OCCURRED AT 2145H, 7 JUNE. AN M-26 GRENADE WAS THROWN AT ARMED FORCES POLICE GATE SENTRIES IN DOWNTOWN DANANG BY TWO UNKNOWN PERSONS. TWO MP'S WERE SLIGHTLY INJURED

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 4 FILE  
COPIES 2-4 OF 4 COPIES MAF

CG III MAF 0 081404Z/JUN66

SECRET/NOFORN

#7

SECRET

(PERSONAL FOR)

VV DDKE915  
OO WND YNA  
DE DDKE 846 1581522  
ZNY SSSSS  
O 071522Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WND/CNC  
INFO YNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

HAS BEEN SENT

SECRET NOFORN

PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE INFO LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT  
1. FOLLOWING SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OCCURED 07000H TO 07200H.  
2. 070800 I CORPS ADV REPORTED BUDDHISTS PLACING TABLES AND  
RELIGIOUS OBJECTS IN STREETS OF DANANG, AS MORNING WENT ON MORE  
TABLES WERE PLACED IN STREETS UNTIL MUSEUM AND T PIER AREAS  
COMPLETELY BLOCKED OFF AND BLOCKADE BEGAN TO SPREAD TOWARD CENTER OF  
CITY. BY 071100H TRAFFIC CONDITIONS HAD DETERIORATED TO POINT WHERE  
CG III MAF RESTRICTED TRAFFIC IN DANANG FOR ALL VEHICLES LARGER THAN  
3/4 TON. UNLOADING WAS STOPPED AT DANANG PIERS. AT 071130H, DSA

PAGE TWO DDKE 846 SECRET NOFORN

I CORPS REPORTED THAT GEN LAM HAD ORDERED ALTARS TO BE CLEARED FROM  
THE STREETS IMMEDIATELY. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, CIVILIAN POLICE BACKED  
BY POLITICAL POLICE AND VNNC, UNDER COL YEN, STARTED TO CLEAR STREETS  
OF DANANG. ONE INCIDENT OF SA FIRE AT AN NSA JEEP ON DANANG STREET  
WAS REPORTED. ALSO A UPI PHOTOGRAPHER WAS ARRESTED BY ARVN FORCES  
IN DANANG, WHO WERE REMOVING STATUES. HE WAS RELEASED AT 1530.  
AT 1540, SITUATION IN DANANG HAD IMPROVED TO EXTENT THAT CG III MAF  
LIFTED RESTRICTIONS ON TRAFFIC.

3. IN HUE AND QUANG TRI THE ALTARS WHICH HAD BEEN PLACED IN STREETS  
YESTERDAY WERE STILL IN PLACE TODAY. AT 071134H, EAST OF HUE CITADEL  
A US ARMY TRUCK COLLIDED WITH A TABLE AND STATUE WHEN THE TRUCK TRIED  
TO AVOID A BICYCLIST. THE TWO SOLDIERS IN THE JEEP PICKED UP THE  
TABLE AND THE INCIDENT PASSED WITHOUT TROUBLE. 1ST ARVN DIV USED  
LOUDSPEAKERS AND LEAFLET DROPS IN AN EFFORT TO GET ALTARS REMOVED.  
THIS DID NOT WORK. AT 1715 REPORT WAS RECEIVED THAT GEN LAM WAS  
GOING TO USE POLICE TO REMOVE ALTARS. SO FAR, THIS LATTER MOVE HAD  
NOT BEEN IMPLIMENTED, AND THE STATUES REMAINED IN HUE STREETS.

4. AT 0640 AN AIRLIFT IN U.S. AIRCRAFT OF TWO ARVN ABN BNS (1ST  
AND 5TH) AND A VNNC BN WAS COMMENCED FROM DANANG TO PHU BAI. THE

CG III MAF

O 071522Z/JMM

CG III MAF

303

SECRET

#6

FORCES WERE TO PARTICIPATE IN OPERATION FLORIDA DOAN KET. THEY CLOSED AT PHU BAI AT 1400. THE TWO ABN BNS MOVED TO DONG-DA TRAINING CENTER AND VN MARINES REMAINED AT PHU BAI.

5. BECAUSE OF BLOCKING OF ROADS IN HUE AREA, THE DECISION REACHED AT 1715 BY CG I CORPS AND CG III MAF TO POSTPONE FLORIDA/DOAN KET FOR 24 HOURS. NEW H-HOUR IS 090800H.

6. AT 071740, ARVN FORCES SEARCHED A PAGODA IN HOI AN SEIZING 35 PEOPLE, TWO CARBINES, 2 GRENADES, 1 PISTOL AND A MIMEOGRAPH MACHINE. TWO OF THOSE ARRESTED WERE A BUDDHIST MONK AND THE OPERATIONS OFFICER OF NATIONAL POLICE OF HOI AN.

7. A LETTER WAS RECEIVED FROM MAJOR TROUNG QUI LAM, PHYSICIAN CHIEF OF DUY TAN MILITARY HOSPITAL THANKING CG III MAF FOR ASSISTANCE RENDERED DURING RECENT STRUGGLE BY NAVY MEDICAL ELEMENTS. BLOOD TO PATIENTS, EMERGENCY EVACUATIONS OF PATIENTS WITH HEADWOUNDS, AND ASSISTANCE IN TREATMENT WERE ESPECIALLY APPRECIATED.

8. GEN NHUAN RETURNED FROM SAIGON WITH GEN LAM DURING THE MORNING AND HAS RETURNED TO 1ST ARVN DIVISION IN HUE.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3 COPIES - FILE COPY  
COPIES 2&3 OF 3 COPIES - CG III MAF

**SECRET**

DE DDKE 753 1572214  
ZNY SSSSS  
P 062214Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WWD/CMC  
YVNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

**PERSONAL FOR** (5)

**S E C R E T** SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS  
PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK  
NOTES TAKEN ON GENERAL WESTMORELAND'S COMMANDERS CONFERENCE  
HELD AT NHA TRANG AT 0900 ON 5 JUNE 1966.

1. GENERAL WESTMORELAND OPENED THE CONFERENCE BY SAYING THAT IT WOULD BE DIVIDED INTO THREE PARTS. THE FIRST PART WOULD BE A DISCUSSION BY MR. HABIB, AMBASSADOR'S POLITICAL ADVISOR, OF THE POLITICAL DISTURBANCES THAT HAVE OCCURRED IN VIETNAM DURING THE PAST MONTH. THE SECOND PART WOULD BE A DISCUSSION BY GENERAL WESTMORELAND OF THE STRATEGY TO BE EMPLOYED IN

PAGE TWO DDKE 753 **S E C R E T**

MILITARY OPERATIONS DURING THE SOUTHWESTERN MOONSON SEASON. THE THIRD PART WOULD BE AN EXCHANGE OF TACTICAL IDEAS AND LESSONS LEARNED BY THE FORCE COMMANDERS.

2. IN HIS DISCUSSION OF THE POLITICAL PROBLEM MR. HABIB PRAISED THE UNITED STATES MILITARY FOR THE STABILIZING ROLE IT HAD PLAYED DURING THAT PERIOD, AND SAID THAT WITHOUT THIS STABILIZING FORCE HE WAS SURE THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN A GREAT DEAL MORE BLOODSHED AND A LOT MORE DAMAGE DONE.

HE STATED THAT THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE GOVERNMENT NOW WAS TO PLAN FOR A CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY AND THAT THE GOVERNMENT FELT THAT ON MAY 15TH IT DID NOT CONTROL A SUBSTANTIAL PART OF THE COUNTRY BECAUSE OF THE STRUGGLE FORCES OPPOSITION. HE SAID THAT HE BELIEVED THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAD EXAGGERATED THIS ABSENCE OF CONTROL IN ORDER TO HAVE AN EXCUSE TO MORE PROPERLY ASSERT IT'S AUTHORITY ON IT'S POLITICAL OPPOSITION. HE STATED THAT THE ATTACK ON DANANG HAD PROVED THE GOVERNMENT'S ABILITY TO ASSERT ITS AUTHORITY, BUT IT ALSO, AT THE SAME TIME, CAUSED THE OPPOSITION TO REALIZE THAT THE GOVERNMENT WAS WILLING AND CAPABLE OF USING SUCH FORCE WHENEVER NECESSARY AGAINST ANY OPPOSITION THAT MIGHT GET IN ITS WAY.

HAS BEEN SENT

#2 burnes  
4/20/68

**SECRET**

3 of 3

#5

**SECRET**

PAGE THREE DDKE 753 S E C R E T

THE GOVERNMENT, HE FELT, HAD NOT ALLOWED THE UNITED STATES TO KNOW OF ITS PLANNED ATTACK ON DANANG BECAUSE HAD THE U.S. KNOWN ABOUT IT THEY UNDOUBTEDLY WOULD HAVE TRIED TO STOP IT.

HE EXPLAINED HOW THE BUDDHISTS WERE DEVIDED INTO TWO FORCES, THE MODERATES AND THE MILITANTS AND THAT THESE TWO FORCES WERE NOW IN CONFLICT AGAINST EACH OTHER AND IT IS STILL TOO EARLY TO DETERMINE WHICH ONE WILL WIN.

HE STATED THEY HAD A STORMY MEETING AS LATE AS JUNE 4TH WITH APPARENTLY NO AGREEMENT. THE MODERATE GROUP, OF COURSE, IS HEADED BY TAM CHAU; THE MILITANT GROUP HEADED BY TRI QUANG.

MR. HABIB THEN WENT ON TO DISCUSS THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE DIRECTORATE AND EXPLAINED HOW THE NEW DELEGATES WERE TO BE CHOSEN. HE ENDED BY STATING THAT THE FOLLOWING IS THE POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

A. THAT IT PREFERS TO KEEP THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT IN POWER IF POSSIBLE UNTIL ELECTIONS CAN BE HELD.

B. THE U.S. WOULD PREFER THAT THE MODERATE BUDDHIST FACTION WOULD PREDOMINATE.

C. THE U.S. HE BELIEVES WILL INSIST THAT AN ELECTION BE HELD. FROM THEN ON IT WILL BE

PAGE FOUR DDKE 753 S E C R E T

NECESSARY TO PLAY IT BY EAR.

D. WE WILL CONTINUE TO TRY TO TEACH MODERATION TO EXTREMISTS.

E. WE WILL TRY TO PERSUADE THE GOVERNMENT NOT TO SHOOT PEOPLE WHO DON'T AGREE WITH IT.

F. WE WILL NOT MEDIATE, BUT WE WILL TRY TO GET THE OPPOSING FORCES TOGETHER TO TALK, AS HAS RECENTLY BEEN DONE IN I CORPS.

G. WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF ABANDONING THE GOVERNMENT. WE WOULD PREFER THAT THE GOVERNMENT, ON AN EXPANDED BASIS, SHOULD CONTINUE ON TOWARDS AN ELECTION.

3. IN SUMARIZING THE POLITICAL PROBLEMS, GENERAL WESTMORELAND STATED THAT WE MUST REALIZE THAT WE ARE DEALING WITH AN

ADOLESCENT NATION AND WE MUST EXPECT POLITICAL TROUBLES.

HE FEELS THAT THE ENTIRE PICTURE OF POLITICAL TURMOIL HAS BEEN BLOWN GREATLY OUT OF PROPORTION BY AMERICAN NEWSMEN. HE BELIEVES THAT WE IN SOUTH VIETNAM LOOK AT IT IN A MORE PROPER PERSPECTIVE.

HE FURTHER STATED THAT HE BELIEVES THAT THE PRESENT MILITARY GOVERNMENT, MAY HAVE DETERMINED TO PUSH UPWARD YOUNG OFFICERS IN ORDER TO APPEASE THE "YOUNG TURKS" AMBITIONS, AND DEVELOP YOUNG LEADERS FOR THE COUNTRY.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT WILL URGE THESE YOUNG

**SECRET**

**SECRET**

PAGE FIVE DDKE 753 S E C R E T

OFFICERS TO BE DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANTS, HONEST, AND TRUSTWORTHY IN ALL RESPECTS, THE GOVERNMENT HAS STATED THAT IT'S GOING TO INSIST ON STRONG DISCIPLINE IN ITS ARMED FORCES. COMMANDERS WILL BE ORDERED TO CARRY OUT THEIR DIRECTIVES OR TAKE THE CONSEQUENCES OF BEING RELIEVED AND DISCIPLINED. BUDDHIST CHAPLAINS WILL BE TAKEN OUT OF THE CHAIN OF COMMAND POSITION THAT THEY HAVE ASSUMED TODAY. HE STATED THAT GENERAL CO WAS TO MAKE A SPEECH TODAY IN WHICH HE WOULD ISSUE A DIRECTIVE SAYING THAT ALL STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN DEMONSTRATIONS, AND WERE NOT ATTENDING REGULAR CLASSES, WOULD BE INDUCTED INTO THE SERVICE. THEIR FIVE YEAR EXEMPTION AS STUDENTS WOULD BE CANCELLED; THEY WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO GO TO EITHER NCO SCHOOL OR OFFICERS SCHOOL IN THE SERVICE. GENERAL WESTMORELAND FURTHER STATED THAT IT'S HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT ALL U.S. FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF HUE UNIVERSITY WERE TO BE CUT OFF. HE BELIEVES THAT THESE TWO ACTIONS PROBABLY WOULD CAUSE THE UNIVERSITY TO CLOSE AND IT'S SUGGESTED THAT IT MIGHT BE TURNED INTO A VETERANS HOSPITAL.

4. GENERAL WESTMORELAND THEN SPOKE ON SUBJECTS OF COMMAND INTEREST INCLUDING HIS STRATEGY FOR THE SOUTHWESTERN MOONSON SEASON. HE STATED THAT HE BELIEVES THESE NEXT FEW MONTHS, UP UNTIL THE 1ST BT

**SECRET**

**SECRET**

PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK  
OF NOVEMBER, WILL BE THE MOST CRITICAL IN THE WAR SO FAR, AND  
THAT WE KNOW THAT THE ENEMY NOW HAS 150 MANEUVER BATTALIONS IN  
SOUTH VIETNAM. SIX OF THESE ARE NVA. HE STATED THAT THE ENEMY  
HAS BEEN BUSY PREPARING THE LOGISTICS OF THE BATTLE FIELD AND DURING  
THESE LAST FEW MONTHS HE HAS BEEN LAYING LOW TO BUILD UP HIS  
RESOURCES. THE GENERAL PREDICTS THAT BIG BATTLES WILL BE FOUGHT  
IN II, III AND IV CORPS DURING THE MONTHS OF JULY AND AUGUST.  
HE STATED THAT IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT WE MIGHT HAVE LARGE FORCES ATTACK

PAGE TWO DDKE 754 S E C R E T

IN I CORPS IN THE NORTHERN TWO PROVINCES DURING THIS SAME PERIOD  
IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE POLITICAL TURMOIL, HE FEELS  
THAT THERE IS A CHANCE THAT THE ENEMY MIGHT TRY FOR A STRATEGIC  
SUCCESS IN THESE TWO PROVINCES. HE FEELS, HOWEVER, THAT THE MAIN  
EFFORT OF THE ENEMY WILL BE IN THE HIGHLAND AREA WHERE HE HAS BEEN  
BUILDING UP HIS FORCES IN PREPARATION FOR SUCH AN ATTACK.

5. GENERAL WESTMORELAND SPOKE OF THE GREAT VALUE OF THE SLF TO OUR  
MILITARY EFFORTS IN SOUTH VIETNAM. HE STATED THAT IT WAS AN EXTREMELY  
WELL ORGANIZED, HEAVILY ARMED, MOBILE AND HARD HITTING FIGHTING  
FORCE THAT COULD BE USED FOR REINFORCEMENT WHEREEVER NECESSARY ALONG THE  
COAST LINE. HE SPOKE OF IT BEING USED TO REINFORCE BOTH THE ROK  
AND U.S. ARMY FORCES AS WELL AS THE MARINE FORCES IN I CORPS.

6. HE STATED THAT HE WANTS ALL FORCE COMMANDERS TO USE THE MINIMUM  
NUMBER OF TROOPS ON SECURITY MISSIONS AND TO HAVE THE MAXIMUM FORCE  
AVAILABLE TO ATTACK MAIN FORCES AND NVA FORCES WHEN THEY WERE DISCOVERED  
HE SPOKE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING THE ROADS OPEN SO USE COULD BE  
MADE OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC FOR LOGISTIC SUPPORT IN ORDER TO SAVE THE  
HELICOPTERS. HE URGED ALL FORCE COMMANDERS TO MAKE MAXIMUM USE OF  
"BUSH MASTER" OPERATIONS, WHICH CONSIST PRIMARILY OF FRIENDLY FORCES

PAGE THREE DDKE 754 S E C R E T

AMBUSHING ON ENEMY LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS. HE ALSO URGED THAT  
MAXIMUM MILEAGE BE GAINED WITH THE USE OF THE RF & PF FORCES; HE  
FELT THAT THEY HAVE GREAT POTENTIAL BOTH IN THE SECURITY AND OFFENSIVE  
ROLES. HE URGED THAT FORCE COMMANDERS START A SPECIAL CAMPAIGN  
AGAINST V.C. TAX COLLECTORS, ESPECIALLY THE TAX COLLECTION POINTS  
WHICH THEY ESTABLISH ON CERTAIN HIGHWAYS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. HE  
URGED THAT WE USE MORE OF OUR COMBAT ENGINEERS TO DO ROAD WORK TO  
INCREASE THE MOBILITY OF OUR COMBAT FORCES. FINALLY, HE STATED THAT  
HE IS GOING TO TRY TO GET PERMISSION FOR FORCE COMMANDERS TO AWARD U.  
S. DECORATIONS TO DESERVING ARVN COMBAT PERSONNEL AT THE SAME TIME  
THAT THE GOVERNMENT DECORATES OUR U.S. PERSONNEL. HE FEELS THAT THIS  
WOULD HAVE A GOOD EFFECT ON THE MORALE OF THE ARVN FORCES.

7. DURING THE EXCHANGE OF IDEAS BY THE FORCE COMMANDERS, MAJOR  
GENERAL DEPUY DESCRIBED A LARGE "COUNTY FAIR" OPERATION WHICH HE  
HAS JUST HELD WHICH WAS EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL. HIS FORCE SURROUNDED  
A VILLAGE WHICH CONTAINED A TOTAL OF 6,000 PEOPLE AND THEY ENDED UP  
WITH OVER 300 THAT THEY DETAINED, CONSISTING OF VC, DESERTERS,  
DRAFT DODGERS, AND COMMUNIST PARTY ORGANIZERS. DEPUY SAID HE THOUGHT  
THE "COUNTY FAIR" IDEA WAS GREAT AND HE APPRECIATED THE FACT THAT THE III

**SECRET**

**SECRET**

PAGE FOUR DDKE 754 S E C R E T  
MAF HAD DEVELOPED IT.

8. FOLLOWING THIS, GENERAL WESTMORELAND COMPLIMENTED III MAF ON HAVING DEVELOPED THE "COUNTY FAIR" OPERATION AS WELL AS OTHER CIVIC ACTION PROCEDURES. HE ASKED ME TO EXPLAIN MY FEELINGS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE GUERRILLA TO ALL COMMANDERS PRESENT, AND AS TO HOW DIFFICULT IT WAS FOR THE VC. TO REPLACE THE GUERRILLA. HE INDICATED THAT HE CONCURRED IN THIS FEELING. HE ALSO COMPLIMENTED III MAF ON THEIR USE OF RECONNAISSANCE UNITS WHICH HAD THE CAPABILITY OF CALLING IN SUPPORTING ARMS FIRE ON ENEMY TARGETS. HE SAID HE BELIEVED THAT THIS WAS A VERY EFFECTIVE TECHNIQUE AND HE HOPED THAT THE OTHER FORCE COMMANDERS WOULD TRY IT. HE ASKED ME TO GIVE MY EVALUATION OF THE EFFECT OF THE POLITICAL TURMOIL ON MILITARY OPERATIONS IN I CORPS. I TERMINATED THIS BY ASKING FOR HIS ASSISTANCE IN GETTING RID OF THE PRESENT 1ST DIVISION COMMANDER, IN ORDER THAT WE MIGHT GET THE PROBLEMS IN HUE SETTLED.

9. DURING HIS CLOSING REMARKS, GENERAL WESTMORELAND ASKED THE FORCE COMMANDERS TO URGE THE PERSONNEL OF THEIR COMMANDS TO SEND THEIR MONEY HOME OR TO BUY SAVINGS BONDS OR IN SOME OTHER WAY GET THEIR MONEY OUT OF COUNTRY SO THAT THEY WOULD NOT HAVE A CHANCE TO USE IT IN THE LOCAL MARKETS, THEREBY REDUCING THE IMPACT ON THE LOCAL ECONOMY. HE

PAGE FIVE DDKE 754 S E C R E T

URGED THAT ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL BE MOVED OUT OF THE URBAN AREAS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. HE STATED THAT SAIGON IS NO LONGER AN R&R CENTER AND PERSONNEL GOING TO SAIGON WILL GO THERE ONLY ON BUSINESS. HE URGED ALL FORCE COMMANDERS TO KEEP A CLOSE WATCH ON BLACK MARKET OPERATIONS AND OTHER MALPRACTICES AND TO CONTINUE THEIR TROOP INDOCTRINATION AND INFORMATION PROGRAMS TO ENSURE THAT EVERY MAN KNOWS WHY WE ARE HERE AND WHAT OUR MISSION IS. HE FINISHED BY COMPLIMENTING FORCE COMMANDERS ON THE JOB THEY ARE DOING AND URGED THAT THEY CONTINUE ON ALONG THE SAME LINES.

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3 COPIES - FILE  
COPIES 2&3 OF 3 COPIES - MAR

CG III MAF

P 0622147/JUNE

CG III MAF

**SECRET**

**CONFIDENTIAL**

MESSAGE FORM - CONFIDENTIAL  
3d MarDiv - 2100/1

WV DDKE 799  
OO WWND YVNA  
DE DDKE 667 1561436  
ZNY CCCCC  
O 051436Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WWND/CMC  
YVNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

**C O N F I D E N T I A L**

PERSONAL TO GEN GREEN AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT

1. POLITICAL SITUATION HAS QUIETED DOWN TO EXTENT THAT  
DAILY MSGS NO LONGER WARRANTED.

2. WILL RESUME DAILY REPORTS IF CONDITIONS CHANGE.

GP-4

BT

DIST: FILE COPY 1 OF 3  
MAF COPIES 2&3 OF 3

CG III MAF 0 051436Z

NNNN

3 of 3

**CONFIDENTIAL**

# 4

**SECRET**

VV DDKE885  
OO YYNA  
DE DDRE 969 1575332  
ZNY 88888  
O 060332Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TOYYNA/CG FMFPAC  
BT

#2 based  
4 doules

SECRET SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS  
PERSONAL FROM LOEN WALT FOR LOEN KRULAK  
TENTATIVE OBSERVATIONS BY HQMC LOGISTICAL EVAL TEAM PRESENTED AT TIME  
OF DEPARTURE SVN.

1. NGEN YOUNGDALE DURING HIS DEBRIEFING PRIOR TO DEPARTURE MADE THE  
TENTATIVE OBSERVATIONS, SET FORTH BELOW. HE STATED THAT THESE  
OBSERVATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL EVALUATION AND REFINEMENT AS THE  
REPORT IS FINALIZED. THE OBSERVATIONS WILL BE DESCRIBED AS PRESENTED  
FOLLOWED BY MY COMMENTS.
2. CONCEPT- PUSH SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE FUNCTIONS AS FAR FORWARD AS

PAGE TWO DDKE 696 S E C R E T  
POSSIBLE.

COMMENT: CONCUR. MAINTENANCE CAPABILITIES OF EACH FLSS ARE BEING  
EXPANDED TO ASSUME A 4TH ECHELON CAPABILITY ON A SELECTIVE BASIS.  
OVER-FLOW WORK PLUS THAT WHICH IS BEYOND IN-HOUSE CAPABILITY IS  
EVACUATED TO 3RD FSR. EXPANSION OF 4TH AND INTRODUCTION OF LIMITED  
5TH ECHELON BY 3RD FSR PLUS CONTRACT WORK IN JAPAN AND OKINAWA FOR  
SPECIFIC END ITEM OVERHAUL PROGRAMS IS ALSO IN CONSONANCE WITH THIS  
CONCEPT. A PARALLEL SITUATION PREVAILS IN THE BUILD UP OF THE STOCK  
OF SUPPLIES AT 3RD FSR. FURTHER EXTENSION OF SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE  
FUNCTIONS FORWARD ARE CONTINGENT UPON OUR CAPABILITY TO STAFF THE  
ORGANIZATIONS AND PROVIDE ADEQUATE FACILITIES, I.E., WAREHOUSES,  
SHOP SPACE, OPEN STORAGE AND HAND STAND.

3. REDESIGNATION OF UNITS.

A. DESIGNATE 3RD FSR AS A FIELD DEPOT UNDER THE COMMAND OF FMFPAC;  
FIELD DEPOT TO BE STAFFED WITH MILITARY PERSONNEL ON AN ACCOMPANIED  
TWO YEAR TOUR PLUS A SIZABLE NUMBER OF PERMANENT CIVIL SERVICE  
PERSONNEL; DEPOT WOULD BE EXTENSION OF STOCK FUND (SAME AS BARSTOW)  
IN LIEU OF OPERATING FROM A SOURCE OF O&M FUNDS.

B. DESIGNATE FLSS'S AS FSR'S.

COMMENT: ITEM A: (FLC) THE PROPOSAL TO DESIGNATE THE 3RD FSR AS A

**SECRET**

373

#3

**SECRET**

PAGE THREE DDKE 696 S E C R E T

FIELD DEPOT ACCOMPANIED BY LONG TOUR STAFF ASSIGNMENTS IS BEYOND MY JURVIEW.

COMMENT: ITEM B: NO OBJECTION AS LONG AS MISSIONS REMAIN ESSENTIALLY THE SAME.

4. FORCE LOGISTICS COMMAND: TWO COURSES OF ACTION WERE OFFERED.

A. FLC CONTINUE TO FUNCTION AS PRESCRIBED IN CURRENT DIRECTIVES.

EACH FLSC WOULD BE ASSIGNED IN A DIRECT SUPPORT ROLE FOR EACH DIVISION.

B. INCORPORATE FUNCTIONS PERFORMED BY FLC STAFF INTO THE MAF STAFF.

HIS IS BASED ON PREMISE THAT CG III MAF HAS A BETTER CONTROL AND RESPON THROUGH HIS STAFF AS COMPARED WITH OPERATING VIA A SUBORDINATE COMMAND.

COMMENT: THE CONCEPT AND CURRENT ACTIVITIES OF THE FORCE LOGISTIC COMMAND HAVE PROVEN THEMSELVES TO BE WELL SUITED FOR THE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT OF III MAF UNITS OPERATING IN I CORPS TACTICAL ZONE. I DO NOT BELIEVE IT TO BE DESIRABLE NOR FEASIBLE FOR A STAFF AGENCY OF III MAF TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FLC HEADQUARTERS.

5. STOCK LEVELS (NOW 85 DAYS PIPE LINE).

A. 1ST RESUPPLY SHOULD BE MOVED FORWARD TO OKINAWA.

B. 2ND AND 3RD RESUPPLY WOULD REMAIN CONUS SUBJECT TO BEING CALLED FORWARD AT THE REQUEST OF CG III MAF OR THEFPAC.

COMMENT: IT DOES NOT SEEM DESIRABLE AT THIS TIME TO DISPLACE THE

PAGE FOUR DDKE 696 S E C R E T

COMPLETE 1ST RESUPPLY TO OKINAWA; 3RD FSR IS PROCESSING A VERY HIGH VOLUME OF REQUISITIONS AND SUPPLIES. ONLY THOSE SUPPLIES THAT ARE IDENTIFIED BY CURRENT FSR DEFICIENCIES SHOULD BE SHIPPED FROM CONUS INTO THE LOGISTICAL PIPE LINE. IT IS SUBMITTED THAT RWR'S SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO RESPOND TO BOTH IMMEDIATE AND STOCK REQUIREMENTS.

6. SERVICE BATTALION- THE SERVICE BATTALIONS ORGANIC TO THE DIVISION SHOULD BE ACTIVATED ON A SELECTED FUNCTIONAL COMPONENT BASIS.

A. CITED TWO EXAMPLES WHERE OTHER DIVISION UNITS HAVE ADSORBED FUNCTIONS OF A SERVICE BATTALION, I.E.

(1) HEADQUARTERS BATTALION UTILIZED NOW TO TEMPORARILY HOLD SOME MATERIAL

AWAITING THE PUBLISHING OF A DISTRIBUTION DIRECTIVE BY THE STAFF OF THE DIVISION.

(2) EMPLOYMENT OF THE SHORE PARTY BATTALION IN ROLE OF STAFFING LOGISTIC SUPPORT UNITS FOR SHORT TERM TACTICAL OPERATIONS.

7B. RATIONALE THAT OVER THE LONG RANGE (CONSIDERING A FIVE TO TEN YEAR POSTURE IN WESTPAC OPERATING WITH THE CURRENT TROOP LIST) THE IDENTITY AND REQUIREMENT FOR A SERVICE BATTALION MAY BE LOST.

COMMENT: CONCUR WITH THE PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE SERVICE BATTALIONS ON A SELECTED FUNCTIONAL BASIS TO THE DIVISION. AN ORGANIC LOGISTICS ORGANIZATION IS REQUIRED BY THE DIVISION ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS. THE ABSENCE

**SECRET**

**SECRET**

PAGE FIVE DDKE 006 S E C R E T

OF THE SERVICE BATTALION LEAVES THE DIVISION COMMANDER WITHOUT A SUPPLY AND 3RD ECHELON MAINTENANCE CAPABILITY WITHIN HIS COMMAND.

7. ECHELONS OF MAINTENANCE -THERE IS A REQUIREMENT FOR A STUDY AND REVIEW OF THE CATEGORIES OF ECHELONS OF MAINTENANCE AS A DIRECT RESULT OF CURRENT PRACTICES.

COMMENT: NO OBJECTION TO SUCH A STUDY AND REVIEW. THIS TOPIC WAS NOT ADEQUATELY DISCUSSED TO PROVIDE A FULL UNDERSTANDING AS TO THE RATIONALE OF THE COMMITTEE. ONE COMMENT WAS MADE INDICATING THAT FLSC'S WERE OPENING UP ENGINES AND OTHER SOPHISTICATED COMPONENTS UNDER FIELD CONDITIONS WITHOUT ADEQUATE REPLACEMENT PARTS AND REQUIRED TOOLS TO PERFORM THE TASK. IT WAS INDICATED THIS 4TH ECHELON TYPE MAINTENANCE SHOULD BE EVACUATED TO OVERHAUL REPAIR FACILITIES THAT PROVIDE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND ARE ADEQUATELY EQUIPPED WITH SPECIAL TOOLS. I HAVE BEEN ASSURED BY FLC THAT THE ONLY 4TH ECHELON TASKS THAT ARE UNDERTAKEN ARE THOSE WHERE FLSC'S POSSESS QUALIFIED TECHNICIANS AND EQUIPMENT TO SATISFACTORILY COMPLETE THE REPAIR JOB. OF COURSE, IT WOULD BE MORE DESIRABLE TO WORK IN DEPOT-TYPE FACILITIES BUT THESE ARE NOT AVAILABLE NOR ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL. WHEN PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES BECOME AVAILABLE, COMPLETE 4TH ECHELON MAINTENANCE SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED IN COUNTRY. 5TH ECHELON SHOULD BE PERFORMED IN

**SECRET**

#5

**SECRET**

DD FORM 136  
CG FYNA  
CG DDKE 697 157832  
FM 58888  
TO CG III MAF  
CG FYNA/CG DMFPAC  
BT

**S E C R E T** FINAL SECTION OF TWO SECTIONS  
PERSONAL FROM LGEN WALT FOR LGEN KRULAK  
ON OKINAWA.

8. LOW DENSITY END USE ITEMS- THE METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION AND NUMBER OF SUPPLY POINTS TO BE UTILIZED FOR LOW DENSITY END ITEMS BE REVIEWED WITH THE VIEW OF CONSOLIDATING ALL BACK UP SUPPORT AT ONE PAC LOCATION I.E. BARSTOW. USE DIRECT DELIVERY TO USING UNITS, I.E. LAAGS (RADAR SETS), MACS (RADAR SETS), ENGR (SPECIAL EQUIPMENT) AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE ONE TO THREE END ITEMS AUTHORIZED.

PAGE TWO DDKE 697 **S E C R E T**

COMMENT: THIS PROPOSAL IS ONE THAT MERITS SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. SIMPLY STATED, THE DEMAND HISTORY COULD BE FED INTO THE SYSTEM AT FLSG/FSR LEVEL FOR ACCOUNTING PURPOSES. THE REQUISITIONS WOULD BE IMMEDIATELY PASSED BARSTOW FOR DIRECT DELIVERY TO THE CUSTOMER. BARSTOW COULD KEEP THE FSA IN WESTPAC INFORMED OF THE STOCK LEVELS ON SELECTED ITEMS BY TIMELY REPORTS IN ORDER THAT COMMANDERS COULD BE KEPT INFORMED OF SUPPLY STATUS ON THESE ITEMS.

9. 3RD FSR- SUGGESTED CONSIDERATION OF A 30-DAY MORATORIUM TO ASSIST IN PROVIDING THE WHEREWITHALL TO SPEED UP THE CURRENT REWAREHOUSING PROGRAM AND TO REMOVE THE RECEIPTS AND TRACER BACKLOGS.

COMMENT: THE TEMPORARY UNCOUPLING OF THE SUPPLY PIPE LINE BY BY PASSING OKINAWA AND GOING DIRECT TO BARSTOW WOULD RESULT IN A 30-DAY SHUT DOWN OF THE CURRENT FLOW OF SUPPLIES TO RVN. ANY REDUCTION IN INPUT WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE OBLIGATIONS WHILE CONCURRENTLY THE DEADLINE RATE WOULD IMMEDIATELY RISE. IF 3RD FSR REQUIRES ASSISTANCE TO REDUCE ITS BACKLOG, IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT SPECIAL ASSISTANCE IN WHATEVER FORM IS REQUIRED BE PROVIDED. THE PRODUCTION EFFORT IN MAINTENANCE AND SUPPLY SUPPORT MUST NOT BE CURTAILED. SP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 3 FILE  
COPIES 2 & 3 OF 3 CG III MAF

CG III MAR 0 060322 JUNE 66

RJNW

**SECRET**

SECRET

*W*  
*#3 burned*  
*4/10/68*

W DDKE 859  
OO WWND YNA  
DE DDKE 745 157144G  
ZNY EEEEE  
O 061446Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WWND/CMC  
INFO YNA/CG FMFPAC  
EXO

SECRET NOFORN

PERSONAL FOR GENERAL GREENE INFO LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT

1. FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL EVENTS OF 6 JUNE
2. POLITICAL TURBULENCE HAS REVIVED; PERSONAL REPORT CONSIDERED WARRANTED.
3. AT 1125H, INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT CG 1ST DIVN ARVN HAD BEEN GIVEN ORDERS TO REPORT TO I CORPS HQRS. INFORMATION ALSO RECEIVED THAT GENERAL NHUAN AND GENERAL LAM WOULD DEPART FOR SAIGON AT APPROXIMATELY 1200H. GENERALS LAM AND NHUAN DEPARTED FOR SAIGON AT 1315H IN A VNAF C-47. C/S I CORPS SAYS THEY ARE EXPECTED TO

PAGE TWO DDKE 745 SECRET NOFORN

RETURN TO DANANG LATER TONIGHT.

4. AT APPROXIMATELY 061630H, III MAF RECEIVED A REPORT THAT TRICH TRI QUANG HAD ANNOUNCED OVER HIS PERSONAL RADIO STATION THAT UNKNOWN PERSONS HAD ENTERED DIEU DE PAGADA AND HAD BROKEN STATUES AND TORN DOWN LOUD SPEAKERS. HE ASKED ALL OF THE FAITHFUL TO TAKE THEIR FAMILY ALTARS AND PLACE THEM IN THE STREETS SO U.S. AND GOVERNMENT TROOPS COULD DESTROY THEM. HE WAS QUOTED AS SAYING QUOTE AMERICANS DO NOT LIKE BUDDHA. COMMUNISTS DO NOT LIKE BUDDHA. THEREFORE, AMERICANS ARE COMMUNISTS UNQUOTE.
5. BY 061600H REPORTS WERE RECEIVED THAT TRUCK TRAFFIC IN HUE WAS STYMIED, JEEPS COULD NEGOTIATE THE STREETS AROUND THE FAMILY ALTARS BUT TRUCK TRAFFIC WAS IMPOSSIBLE. FIRST REPORTS INDICATED THAT 1ST DIV ARVN WOULD NOT RESPOND TO REQUEST OF I CORPS ADVISORY GROUP FOR ASSISTANCE; HOWEVER BY 061630H INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED THAT COL NGHI C/S I CORPS HAD CONTACTED COLONEL DO, CO 7TH CAV AND THAT SOLDIERS WERE GOING TO PICK UP ALTARS IF THE PEOPLE DID NOT REMOVE THEM AND TAKE THEM BACK TO THE HOUSES.
6. AT 061830H I CORPS ADVISORY GROUP REPORTED THAT COL NGHI HAD RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM GENERAL LAM IN SAIGON INSTRUCTING HIM TO DO NOTHING AT THIS TIME AND LET THE PEOPLE

*4/4*

SECRET

#2

**SECRET**

ONE THREE DUNE 197 5 2 0 R 21 NUPORN  
DEMONSTRATE. LAM IS BRINGING LEAFLETS WHICH WILL ANNOUNCE THAT  
ARMED FORCES WILL  
PROTECT ANY RELIGIOUS CENTER; THE ARMED FORCES WILL PROTECT ALL  
RELIGIOUS PEOPLE WITH NO DISTINCTION.  
7. AT 1930H I CORPS ADVISORY G-2 REPORTED THAT BUDDHISTS IN  
QUANG TRI WERE SETTING FAMILY ALTARS IN THE STREETS.  
8. 3RD MARDIV AND SA 1ST ARVN DIVISION ORDERED ALL MILITARY  
TRAFFIC TO CEASE. UNLOADING OPNS AT HUE CITY AND COS CO RAMP  
WERE HALTED SINCE TRUCKS COULD NOT GET BY FAMILY ALTARS.  
9. AS OF 2145H, REPORTS INDICATE FAMILY ALTARS STILL IN  
STREETS OF HUE AND QUANG TRI

GP-4

BT

DIST: COPY 1 OF 4 FILE  
COPIES 2-4 OF 4 COPIES MAF

CG III MAF 0 061446Z JUNE 66

**SECRET**

#2

SECRET/NOFORN

*Handwritten signature*

*Handwritten symbol*

ZNY SSSSS  
O 041452Z  
FM CG III MAF  
TO WWD/CMC  
INFO YNA/CG FMCCAG  
BT

SECRET NOFORN

PERSONAL FOR GENERAL ERNE INFO LTGEN KHULAN FROM LTGEN WALT

1. THE FOLLOWING SIGNIFICANT EVENTS HAVE OCCURRED DURING THE PERIOD 032200H TO 042200H
2. AT 040000H THE SENIOR ADVISOR, PHU THUAN PROVINCE REPORTED THAT THE PROVINCE CHIEF QUOTED CG 1ST ARVN DIVISION AS SAYING QUOTE NO UNITS WILL GO INTO HUE TONIGHT, ALSO, NO UNITS IN 11TH DTA WILL MOVE FROM PRESENT LOCATIONS WITHOUT ORDERS FROM CG 1ST DIVISION UNQUOTE.
3. AT 0430 A BUDDHIST (CHALE) COMMITTED SELF-IMMOLATION IN QUANG TRI

PAGE TWO DDKE 578 SECRET NOFORN.

- HE WAS KNOWN AS THICH TAN HAN (ALSO VAN HUU TY). HE IS REPORTED TO LEFT THREE LETTERS FOR PREMIER KY, HIS FAMILY AND HIGH BUDDHIST IN HUE. AT 0945 THERE WAS A MEETING IN THE MAIN PAGODA IN QUANG TRI ATTENDED BY AN ESTIMATED 4,000 PEOPLE IN COMMEMORATION OF SUICIDE.
4. GEN LAM WITH SA FLEW TO HUE AT 0845 TO CHECK SITUATION IN 11 DIA AND TO DISCUSS FORTHCOMING OPERATIONS. PRIOR TO LAM LEAVING HIS CP, COL LOAN AND LTCOL HUNG (VNAF) ARRIVED FOR A 25 MINUTE CONFERENCE. LAM CIRCLED HUE FOR ABOUT 30 MINUTES BEFORE LANDING IN PARK NORTH OF RIVER WHERE ARMORED UNITS WERE ASSEMBLED. HE MET WITH GEN NHUAN, COL TOAN, AND COL KYOA. THE CONY WAS QUIET WITH LITTLE TRAFFIC MOVING. SHOPS WERE OPEN. GEN LAM WAS GIVEN A GENERAL BRIEFING AT DIV HQ. LAM AND NHUAN APPEARED FRIENDLY THROUGHOUT. LAM RETURNED TO DANANG AT 1130.
5. AT 0920 BLACK PANTHER CO REPORTED REOCCUPYING POSITIONS IN COMPOUND NEAR HUE AIRFIELD (REF 748280).
6. AT 0930 200 - 250 PEOPLE REPORTED MARCHING ON USAID BUILDING IN HUE WERE STOPPED BY ARVN BEFORE REACHING BUILDING.
7. ARVN CONVOY DEPARTED DANANG FOR HUE AT 0750; AT HAI VAN PASS AT 0845. AT 1015, HUNG COMPANY AT LANG CO BRIDGE REPORTED CONVOY PASSING SMOOTH WITH THREE VNAF A/C CIRCLING OVERHEAD AS CONVOY

2 of 3

SECRET/NOFORN #1

SECRET/NOFORN

PAGE THREE DDKE 573 S E C R E T NOFORN  
ESCORT.

8. AT 1140 1100 REPORTED ARVN CONVOY OF 25 TRUCKS, HEADING SOUTH THROUGH A VAN PASS, STOPPED BY UNIDG ARVN 006 ORDERED CONVOY PASSED; ORDER OBEYED.

9. AT 1215, SA 1ST ARVN DIV REPORTED POSITIONS OF ARVN FORCES IN HUE ALMOST COMPLETE. CITY DIVIDED INTO FOUR TACTICAL SECTORS.

10. AT 1245 CONVOY FROM DANANG (3.7) ARRIVED AT HUE.

11. AT 1255 I CORPS G-2 REPORTED A HUE UNIVERSITY FACULTY MEMBER WAS BEATEN BY A CROWD IN QUANG TRE MARKET PLACE. NO FURTHER INFORMATION.

12. ARVN CONVOYS CONTINUED TO MOVE FREELY BETWEEN HUE AND DANANG DURING AFTERNOON.

13. A MEETING IS PLANNED AT I CORPS HQ AT 0900 ON 5 JUNE, WITH ATTENDANCE AS FOLLOWS: GEN LAM, GEN BRIDEN, SA 1ST ARVN DIV, SAC 2D ARVN DIV, PROVINCE CHIEFS OF I CORPS WITH ADVISORS, AND G-5 AND ADVISOR. SUBJECT OF MEETING IS MILITARY SITUATION AND PACIFICATION PROGRAM.

14. SITUATION IN DANANG AND HUE AN URGENT.

OP-4

BT

03 III VAF

0 041 022/JUNE

02 III VAF

#1

SECRET/NOFORN