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S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN WALT FROM LTGEN KRULAK.
MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY.

DEPLOYMENT OF REGIMENTAL HQ CO TO RVN (U).

A. CG III MAF 280720Z SEP

B. CINCPAC 292225Z SEP. — *attached*

1. THE REQUIREMENT EXPRESSED IN REF B FOR AN RLT (-) (REINF)
PRE-EMPTS CONSIDERATION OF HQ CO, 26TH MARINES IN RESPONSE TO REF A.
I AM SEPERATELY TAKING STOCK TO SEE WHAT PEOPLE AND EQUIPMENT CAN
BE GIVEN YOU QUICKLY FROM OTHER RESOURCES TO HELP FILL THE VOID.

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 TO RUMFS/COMNAVPHIL
 RUMGS/COMNAVMARIANAS
 RUMFKB/COMNAVFORV
 INFO RUAUBUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
 RUMNMF/CG III MAF
 RUMGUZ/COMSERVGRU THREE
 RUMFA/COMNAVBASE SUBIC
 RUMNNA/COMNAVSUPPACT DANANG
 RUMSHS/COMNAVSUPPACT SAIGON

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 C O N F I D E N T I A L
 FOR RADMS KOSSLER, BIRD AND WARD. INFO VADM HYLAND, LTGEN WALT,
 RADMS JANNEY AND SILKESON, CAPT 'S KING AND RATH.
 1. HAD PLANNED TRIP TO WESTPAC IN NOVEMBER TO COVER SEVENTH FLEET
 SCHEDULING CONFERENCE AND COMPREHENSIVE INSPECTIONS. AS A RESULT OF
 CHANGES TAKING PLACE RELATED TO OPERATIONS OF NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES,
 AND DEFERMENT OF INSPECTIONS TO SPRING, I FEEL THAT I SHOULD VISIT
 COMMANDS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AT EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY. CONSEQUENTLY

PAGE TWO RUHLHL 0326 C O N F I D E N T I A L
 I PROPOSE A TRIP WITH THE FOLLOWING TENTATIVE SCHEDULE, SUBJECT
 CONCURRENCE ALL CONCERNED AND TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS.

11 OCT, PM - ARRIVE CLARK
 12-14 OCT SUBIC/SANGLEY CALL ON COMNAVPHIL AND COMNAVBASE
 SUBIC. VISIT SERVPAC COMMANDS, ASHORE AND AFLOAT.
 14-15 OCT - DANANG
 16 OCT - ENROUTE TO SAIGON VIA CHU LAI, QUI NHON, CAM RAHN BAY
 17 OCT - VISIT NHA BE, AN THOI, AND OTHER BASES RECOMMENDED
 BY COMNAVFORV.
 18 OCT - CALLS AND CONFERENCES IN SAIGON
 19 OCT - ENROUTE SAIGON TO GUAM
 20-21 OCT CALL ON COMNAVMARIANAS AND VISIT SERVPAC COMMANDS.
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 ZEN/CG I FFORCEV/SA II CTZ
 ZEN/CG II FFORCEV/SA III CTZ
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 ZEN/CG 25TH INF DIV
 ZEN/CG 1ST AIR CAV DIV
 RUMSARF/CG 195TH INF BDE III CORPS
 RUMSAUA/SA IV CTZ
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 S E C R E T SPECAT 43924 FROM: J3 EXCLUSIVE
 FOR LIGS WALT, LARSEN, SEAMAN; MGS DEPUY, MEYAND, NORTON;
 BGS DESAUSSURE, DESOBRY; COL KELLY FROM MAJ GEN ROSSON
 SUBJ: VISIT OF MR. JOSEPH F. HOLT (S)
 REF: A. MACJ03 (S) MEMO, SUBJ: VISIT OF MR. JOSEPH F. HOLT (U),
 DATED 30 AUG 66.
 B. MACV MSG 40090, DTG 041102Z SEP 66 (S).
 C. MACV MSG 40147, DTG 050515Z SEP 66 (U).

PAGE 2 RUMSMA 2665U S E C R E T SPECAT
 D. MACV MSG 40284, DTG 061156Z SEP 66 (C).
 E. MACV MSG 41421, DTG 141050Z SEP 66 (C).

1. (S) THIS HQ DESIRES SUMMARIES OF OBSERVATIONS MADE BY MR. JOSEPH F. HOLT DURING HIS RECENT FIELD VISITS. OBSERVATIONS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO US ARE MR. HOLT'S REMARKS RELATING TO PROBLEM AREAS OR TO AREAS IN WHICH HE FELT THERE WERE DEFICIENCIES. SUMMARIES SHOULD INCLUDE HIS STATEMENTS, BOTH FAVORABLE AND UNFAVORABLE, AND HIS REACTIONS, BOTH POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE, WHICH RELATE TO ANY US ACTIVITY OR AGENCY.

2. (S) REQUEST THAT SUMMARIES OF THE COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS MADE BY MR. HOLT WHEN HE WAS IN YOUR AREA BE FORWARDED TO COMUSMACV, ATTN: J33, MLT 11 OCT 66.

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BTSECRET SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN WALT FROM LTGEN KRULAK
MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY1. HAVE LEARNED THAT DURING SECDEF VISIT TO RVN, 10-13 OCT, HE
WANTS TO COME TO YOUR AREA AND DO THE FOLLOWING:

A. OVERFLY DMZ.

B. SEE, FROM THE AIR, THE TERRAIN IN NORTHWEST QUANG TRI.

C. VISIT III MAF HQ AND HEAR SUMMARIES ON PACIFICATION AND YOUR
CURRENT OPERATIONS.

2. HE ALSO WILL VISIT FIRST CAVDIV, 25TH INF DIV AND A CARRIER.

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 FM CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
 TO RUMFKF/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMFKF/THIRD MARDIV
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
 VISIT OF BRITISH NAVAL PARTY (U) FOR GENERAL PLATT
 1. WILL HAVE HELO AT 3RD MARDIV C.P. HELO PAD TO PICKUP
 COMODORE EMNBAR -NASWITH PLUS FOUR AT 071300Z.
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BTSECRET SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN WALT FROM LTGEN KRULAK
MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY1. I LEARN, FROM A SOURCE IN CONUS, THAT SOME ARMY OFFICERS IN
VIETNAM HAVE BEEN TELLING NEWSMEN THESE THINGS:A. THE MARINE'S EQUIPMENT IS ANTIQUATED AND WE ARE GRAVELY SHORT
OF SUPPLIES. THE ARMY, FOR EXAMPLE, HAS THE M-16; WHILE WE HAVE ONLY
OLD M-14'S.B. WE ARE SHORT OF ARTILLERY AND CONTINUALLY CALL ON THE ARMY FOR
HELP.

C. OUR INFANTRY BANTALIONS ARE AT ONLY HALF STRENGTH; -500 MEN.

D. III MAF HAS CONSISTENTLY BUCKED MACV'S DESIRE TO PUT AN ARMY
BRIGADE IN ICTZ.E. 90 PERCENT OF THE MARINE OFFICERS AND MEN THINK PACIFICATION IS NO
GOOD.2. THE ABOVE FOR YOUR INFO ONLY. I KNOW THERE IS LITTLE YOU CAN DO
ABOUT IT.

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SECRET SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN WALT FROM LTGEN KRULAK.
MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY.

1. I HAVE BEEN WRINGING OUT OUR RESOURCES TO SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE TO HELP YOU IN THE COMMAND AND CONTROL AREA. NEEDLESS TO SAY, T. BONES ARE PRETTY BARE. HOWEVER, THERE IS ONE AREA FROM WHICH WE CAN DERIVE SOME QUICK HELP. IT IS THE FIRST FA GROUP HEADQUARTERS. IT IS DUE TO ENTER RVN IN DECEMBER, AND IS IN OKINAWA NOW, AT REDUCED STRENGTH. WE ARE BUILDING IT UP TO STRENGTH, IN BOTH PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT, AND I AM REQUESTING AUTHORITY TO GET IT IN-COUNTRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

2. THIS IS A PRETTY ABLE OUTFIT. IT HAS 22 OFFICERS AND 127 ENLISTED COMMUNICATIONS, MT, AND AN OPERATION PLAT THAT INCLUDES FIRE DIRECT SURVEY AND METRO CAPABILITY.

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TO RUMFUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
INFO RUMFUV/COMPHIBGRP ONE
RUMSBB/COMNAVFORV
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PERSONAL TO VICE ADMIRAL HYLAND INFO RADM WULZEN, RADM WARD, LGEN WALT

1. VERTICAL REPLENISHMENT IN THE FLEET HAS BEEN SO SUCCESSFUL AS TO DEMONSTRATE THAT TWO CH-46 OPERATING FROM ONE OF OUR MODERN REPLENISHMENT SHIPS CAN DELIVER CARGO FASTER THAN A CVA CAN CLEAR IT FROM HER FLIGHT DECK. COMSERVPAC INDICATES THIS RATE IS OVER 120 TONS PER HOUR.
2. IN ORDER TO PROVIDE LOGISTIC SUPPORT IN VIETNAM, IN UNDEVELOPED PORT AREAS, INDUSTRY IS NOW LOOKING INTO QUOTE PROJECT EXPEDITE UNQUOTE WHICH WOULD UTILIZE FLYING CRANES TO OFFLOAD CONTAINERIZED CARGO FROM SPECIALLY CONFIGURED MERCHANT SHIPS. THIS IS BEING DISCUSSED AS A POSSIBILITY FOR USE IN VIETNAM BY JULY 67.
3. THE ATTRACTIVENESS AND MILITARY FLEXIBILITY OFFERED BY FAST HELICOPTER

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OFFLOAD FROM A SHIP AT SEA UNDER ANY WEATHER CONDITIONS TO AN UNDEVELOPED LOGISTIC SUPPORT AREA IS EVIDENT. I BELIEVE WE HAVE THE CAPABILITY FOR SUCH VERTICAL REPLENISHMENT TO THE BEACH IN THE FLEET TODAY IN THE NAVY-MARINE CORPS TEAM, AMPHIBIOUS SHIPS AND MARINE HELOS.

4. IT IS PROPOSED THAT AN EXPERIMENT BE CONDUCTED UTILIZING AN LPD LOADED WITH CARGO SPECIALLY CONFIGURED FOR HELO OFFLOAD FOR A TEST REPLENISHMENT AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY. NAVSUPPACT DANANG WOULD PALLETIZE THE CARGO AND LOAD THE LPD ALONGSIDE THE PIER. WHEN IN THE OFFLOAD AREA TWO MARINE CH-46 WOULD REPORT TO THE SHIP FOR CONTINUOUS EXTERNAL LIFT OFFLOAD TO THE DESIGNATED LOGISTIC SUPPORT AREA.
5. REALIZING THE SHORTAGE OF LPD IT WOULD APPEAR PRACTICABLE TO USE VANCOUVER FOR SUCH A TEST IF AND WHEN THE SLF IS COMMITTED AT DONG HA. NO EXTRA OFFLOAD OF VANCOUVER JUST FOR THE TEST WOULD BE NECESSARY. TEST CARGO WOULD BE ADAPTED TO THE SPACE REMAINING. THE TEST WOULD THEN BE CONDUCTED IN THE DONG HA AREA UNDER THE READY GROUP COMMANDER.
6. IF THIS CONCEPT IS CONSIDERED REASONABLE, ADVANCE LIAISON WOULD BE MADE WITH VANCOUVER IN ORDER TO DETERMINE SPEED OF DELIVERY OF CARGO TO FLIGHT DECK, MAXIMUM SIZE OF PALLETS WHICH CAN BE ACCOMMODATED IN VARIOUS ELEVATORS, ETC., AND ANY SPECIAL EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

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ABOARD SHIP TO HELP EXPEDITE GETTING CARGO TO FLIGHT DECK. LIAISON WILL BE MADE BY OTHER MEANS WITH SERVPAC AGENCIES TO LOCATE NETS AND TO DETERMINE PALLET SIZE AND LOAD LIMITS ON CH-46 EXTERNAL LIFTS.

7. REQUEST ADVISE IF ACCEPTABLE. INFORMAL LIAISON WILL THEN BE ESTABLISHED, AND ON DETERMINATION THAT THE LPD IS SUITABLE FOR THE TEST, OFFICIAL REQUEST WILL BE MADE.

WARM REGARDS. RADM WESCHLER.

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I O P S E C R E T LIMDIS 0721 OCT 66

FOR GEN WESTMORELAND FROM AMB SULLIVAN

REF MSG 45195 FM MACCOC12

1. (TS) THANKS FOR YOUR MESSAGE RE ARTILLERY SUPPORT FOR BV33.
2. (TS) IN PRINCIPLE, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE SUCH A PLAN DEVELOPED. HOWEVER, BEFORE PROCEEDING, WE WISH TO DISCUSS WITH LAO GENERAL STAFF.
3. (U) WILL ADVUME YOU RESULTS THESE CONSULTATIONS SOONEST

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1. SINCE RECEIVING YOUR REQUEST FOR ANOTHER BGEN I HAVE STUDIED THE PROBLEM MYSELF, AND HAVE DISCUSSED IT WITH GENERAL GREENE. OUR COMBINED VIEW IS THAT THE PRESENT DISTRIBUTION WITHIN FMFPAC IS CORRECT, AND HE ADDS THAT NONE ARE IMMEDIATELY FORTHCOMING FROM OTHER SOURCES.

2. EVEN SO, CMC IS STILL HOPEFUL THAT HE WILL GET MORE GENERALS - AND SOON. APPARENTLY HIS RECENT DISCUSSIONS ON THE SUBJECT WITH SENATOR STENNIS WERE ENCOURAGING FOR ACTION ON THE GENERAL BILL BEFORE ADJOURNMENT OF CONGRESS. SHOULD THIS MATERIALIZE, I AM CONFIDENT THAT HE WILL PROVIDE THE ADDITIONAL GENERAL.

3. NEW SUBJECT. I AM COMING OUT ON A TRIP, TO BE IN RVN 30 OCT - 2 NOV. LET ME KNOW IF THERE IS ANYTHING I CAN BRING YOU. REGARDS.

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S E C R E T
VERTICAL REPLENISHMENT SUPPORT (U)
PERSONAL TO RADM WESCHLER INFO RADM WULZEN, RADM WARD, LTGEN WALT FROM
VADM HYLAND

A. YOUR 111340Z OCT 66

1. THE ART OF VERTICAL REPLENISHMENT HAS PROVEN TO BE HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL IN SUPPLYING SEVENTHFLT SHIPS WITH THEIR LOGISTIC REQUIREMENTS. THIS TECHNIQUE IS ALSO EMPLOYED, OF COURSE, BY THE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE WHERE VERTICAL ENVELOPEMENT HAS PROVEN EQUALLY SUCCESSFUL IN THE LANDING OF MEN AND SUPPLIES OVER THE BEACH. THUS AN EXPANSION OF THIS TECHNIQUE BY DEVELOPING A CONCEPT OF SUPPLYING UNDERDEVELOPED PORT AREAS IN VIETNAM SUCH AS DONG HA BY VERTICAL REPLENISHMENT FROM THE SEA HAS CONSIDERABLE MERIT AND WARRANTS EARLY EVALUATION.

PAGE TWO RUMFUL 013 S E C R E T

2. THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONDUCT AN EXPERIMENT WITH THE VANCOUVER FROM THE ARG IF AND WHEN THE SHIPS COMMITTED IN THE DONG HA AREA APPEARS FEASIBLE: HOWEVER, THE SEPARATION OF THE VANCOUVER FROM THE OTHER UNITS OF THE ARG FOR THIS EXPERIMENT MUST BE DEPENDENT ON THE TACTICAL SITUATION AND THE VANCOUVER MUST REMAIN IN A PROPER CONDITION TO REASSUME HER ARG ROLE IN A TIMELY MANNER IF REQUIRED.

3. I AM QUITE WILLING FOR YOU TO UNDERTAKE PRELIMINARY PLANNING WITH COMPHIBGRU ONE OR HIS DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE AND FOR YOU TO SUBMIT AN OFFICIAL REQUEST IF THE PLANNING INDICATES THAT A TEST IS FEASIBLE. I FURTHER RECOMMEND THAT YOU ALSO INVESTIGATE THE FEASIBILITY OF USING AN LSD VICE AN LPD IN THIS ROLE.

WARM REGARDS.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L 45864 FOR LTGEN WALT

FROM LTGEN HEINTGES

SUBJ: AN HOA INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX (U)

1. (U) IN THE TEMPORARY ABSENCE OF GENERAL WESTMORELAND, I AM RESPONDING TO YOUR SECRET MESSAGE 092720Z, SUBJECT: AN HOA INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX (U).

2. (C) IN LOOKING INTO THIS MATTER, I FIND THAT THE MINISTER OF ECONOMICS REQUESTED DEFERMENTS FOR 43 EMPLOYEES AT THE AN HOA COMPLEX ON 30 SEP 66. OF THESE 43 EMPLOYEES, 29 ARE CLASSIFIED AS ENGINEERS; 6 HAVE BEEN REFUSED DEFERMENTS TO DATE AND WILL BE CALLED UP FOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING IN DEC 1966.

3. (C) THE MINISTER OF ECONOMICS DID NOT REQUEST FURTHER DEFERMENT OF MR. CAN. SINCE THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMICS IS THE AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR INITIATING A REQUEST FOR DEFERMENT FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE AN HOA INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX, INTERVENTION BY COMUSMACV OR THE EMBASSY IS CONSIDERED INAPPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME.

PAGE TWO RUMSMA 2670K C O N F O F I D E N T I A L

4. (C) SHOULD MR. HOANG KINH, GENERAL DIRECTOR OF THE AN HOA COMPLEX AND NANG SON COAL MINE PERSUADE THE MINISTER OF ECONOMICS TO REQUEST A DEFERMENT FOR MR. CAN BEYOND DEC 66, AN EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO OBTAIN APPROVAL.

5. (U) YOU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OF THIS MATTER AS INFORMATION IS MADE AVAILABLE TO THIS HEAD-QUARTERS.

6. (U) THE EMBASSY CONCURS IN THIS MESSAGE.

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1. A FEW ITEMS OF INTEREST.
2. THE COMMANDANT HAS BEEN ASSURED THAT THE USMC GENERAL OFFICERS LEGISLATION WILL GET ACTION THIS SESSION, AND THAT IT HAS AN EXCELLENT CHANCE OF PASSING.
3. UNDERSECRETARY OF THE NAVY BALDWIN, HEADED WEST IN NOVEMBER, IS INTERESTED IN ALL ASPECTS OF OUR LOGISTICS POSTURE AND IN REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENTS. CNO, WHO WILL VISIT LATE THIS MONTH, IS GOING TO BRING UP THE QUESTION OF WHY IT WOULD NOT BE BETTER TO PUT OUR NEXT A6A SQUADRON ABOARD A CARRIER THAN TO DEPLOY IT TO FIRST MAW.
4. FALL-OUT OF SECDEF VISIT TO RVN, WHICH CAN AFFECT US:
 - A. THERE IS A GENERAL ATTITUDE AGAINST MAJOR PERSONNEL INCREASES. SECDEF, SHARP AND WESTMORLAND - EACH FOR DIFFERENT REASONS - ALL CALUMULATE THAT PLANNED 1967 INCREASES MAXIMA; EVEN THOSE MAY NOT ALL BE ATTAINED.
 - B. SECDEF SEES THE NEED FOR ANOTHER JET FIELD - IN THE NORTH. HUE PHU BAI, AT PRESENT, HAS THE MOST VOTES.
 - C. THEY ARE GOING TO PUT MORE MONEY AND EFFORT INTO BUILDING UP PORT CAPABILITIES AT HUE AND DONG HA.
 - D. SECDEF WANTS TO BASE B-52'S IN-COUNTRY ALTHOUGH USAF OPPOSES IT. AMONG HIS THOUGHTS ARE REPLACEMENT OF OUR ALUMINUM STRIP AT CHU LAI WITH A B-52 STRIP. I DOUBT IF IT WILL MATERIALIZE.
 - E. HE EXPRESSED GROSS DISSATISFACTION WITH PROSECUTION OF REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT, AIMED MAINLY AT THE WAY THE US CIVILIAN SIDE HAD HANDLED IT. THE LOGICAL RESULT - AND ONE WHICH SEEMS INEVITABLE TO ME - IS THAT MACV WILL GET THE JOB. IN THAT THE MARINES HAVE CONSISTENTLY LED THE WAY, WE CAN EXPECT MACV TO LEAN ON MARINE EXPERTISE AND EXPERIENCE. WESTMORELAND HAS ALREADY ASKED ME FOR TWO SPECIFIC PEOPLE (NOW IS CONUS) IF HE GETS THE JOB.

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F. IN A NOTE TO ME YESTERDAY, SECDEF EXPRESSED MUCH ENTHUSIASM FOR THE SERGEANT SQUAD LEADER WHO BRIEFED HIM AT DONG HA. MCNAMARA IS NOT GIVEN TO THIS SORT OF EFFUSION. LEW, WILL YOU PLEASE CONGRATULATE THE SERGEANT FOR ME?

5. PERSONNEL PROSPECTS DO NOT LOOK TO GOOD. WE HAVE SCRAPED UP A FEW NCOs FROM THE SECURITY FORCES, CG MCB CAMPEN IS SCREENING THE STAGING REGT, WE ARE FINDING A FEW EXTRA PILOTS HERE AND THERE AND OMC HAS DIRECTED FMFLANT TO GIVE US A FEW HUNDRED EXTRA PEOPLE. BUT, ALL TOLD, I SEE NO PROSPECT OF QUANTUM IMPROVEMENT IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE; A COUPLE DAYS OF DISCUSSION WITH THE HQMC MANPOWER EVALUATION TEAM GAVE ME NO FEEL THAT THEY ARE GOING TO COME UP WITH ANYTHING EARTH SHAKING, NO AMOUNT OF TALK OBSCURES THE FACT THAT THE INPUT HAS JUST NOT FULFILLED OUR NEED. ONE THING WE CAN DO FOR OURSELVES IS GET MORE OVERSEAS EXTENSIONS, IF ANY OF YOU HAVE IDEAS ON HOW I CAN HELP IN THIS ENDEAVOR, TELL ME.

6. THE STENNIS PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE'S ROVING TROUPE WILL BE OUT TO SEE YOU ALL. AS LAST YEAR, THEIR ATTENTION WILL BE FOCUSED UPON MATERIAL ADEQUACY, SUPPLY RESPONSIVENESS, PERSONNEL CONDITIONS AND MORALE. SAM SHAW WILL BE WITH THEM AND, OF COURSE, WILL INTERPOLATE.

7. CHRISTMAS. - LAST YEAR WE PAID THE PERSONNEL FREIGHT FOR CHRISTMAS. - THOSE MARINES OUTBOUND WERE HELD IN CONUS FOR LEAVE, WITH A CONSEQUENT SHORTAGE OF RETURN TRANSPORT, WHICH CAUSED SOME RETURNEES NOT TO MAKE IT HOME BY CHRISTMAS. I THINK WE HAVE THIS UNDER CONTROL THIS TIME. I NOTE THAT EL TORO DID NOT MEET THE DEADLINE ON THE CHRISTMAS CATALOGS. PLEASE COME UP ON THE AIR RIGHT AWAY IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH. I AM WORKING ON A SCHEME TO HAVE A LITTLE GIFT FOR EVERY MARINE IN A HOSPITAL ON XMAS DAY. THERE ARE DISTRIBUTION PROBLEMS, WHICH WE CAN DISCUSS WHEN I VISIT LATER THIS MONTH. AM LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL. REGARDS.

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ALLOCATION OF GROUND MUNITIONS VIETNAM (U)

A. JCS 241948Z PASEP

1. REF A ADVISED THAT THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FAVORS THE POSITION THAT COMUSMACV SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALLOCATIONS OF GROUND MUNITIONS MADE AVAILABLE TO ALL FORCES WITHIN VIETNAM. THIS WOULD INCLUDE ALL RESOURCES IN-COUNTRY AS WELL AS THOSE DESIGNATED FOR SHIPMENT AND IN TRANSIT. COMUSMACV HAS BEEN TASKED BY REF A TO STATE HIS POSITION IN EXERCISING THIS RESPONSIBILITY, TO INCLUDE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF COMPLETE STOCK LEVELS, ALLOCATIONS FOR EXPENDITURE, ANTICIPATED RECEIPTS AND CONSUMPTION ALLOCATIONS AND TRANSFERRING ASSETS ON HAND BETWEEN FORCES AS NECESSARY. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT COMUSMACV WILL BE AUTHORIZED BY CINCPAC TO REPLY DIRECT TO JCS, AND IT IS LIKELY THAT CG III MAF MAY BE INVITED TO COMMENT TO COMUSMACV.

2. THE REQUIREMENT FOR FUTURE DELIVERY TO SPECIFIC LOGISTIC COMPLEXES FOR CLASS V, AS DETERMINED BY COMUSMACV, WOULD HAVE SERIOUS AND UNFAVORABLE IMPACT ON THE PRESENT MARCOR SYSTEM OF SUPPORT. THIS IMPACT COULD EXTEND FROM A MEASURE OF CONTROL OVER THE FEW ARMY CRITICAL ITEMS OF CLASS V PREVIOUSLY REPORTED BY COMUSMACV SOURCES TO THE COMPLETE SPECTRUM OF RESPONSIBILITY AND CONTROL OUTLINED IN PARA ONE ABOVE. IN THE EVENT THAT COMMENT ON CLASS V ALLOCATIONS ARE SOLICITED BY COMUSMACV, THE FOLLOWING BASIC IDEAS COULD UNDERLINE YOUR REPLY:

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A. LOGISTIC SUPPORT IS A SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY. THE DELEGATION OF THIS RESPONSIBILITY FOR CLASS V TO ANOTHER SERVICE IN COMPETITION FOR THE USE OF THESE ASSETS IS BASICALLY UNSOUND.

B. THE JCS PROPOSAL IS CONTRARY TO THE CMC POSITION CONCERNING COMMON ITEMS OF SUPPLY FOR FORCES IN VIETNAM.

C. NO OBJECTION IS INTERPOSED TO STANDARDIZING CLASS V REPORT FORMATS PROVIDING THE REPORTS ARE FORWARDED THROUGH SEVICE CHANNELS. UNIFIED COMMANDERS CAN BE FURNISHED COPIES IF DESIRED.

4. SHOULD THIS HEADQUARTERS BE INVITED TO COMMENT, THE RESPONSE WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING POINTS IN ADDITION TO THE ESSENCE OF PARA THREE ABOVE:

A. FMFPAC RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CLASS V EXTEND WELL BEYOND THE SHORES OF VIETNAM. THE CINCPAC RESERVE MISSIONS VESTED IN NINTH MAB AND FIRST MAR BRIG MUST BE PROTECTED, AND CONTINGENCY MOUNT OUT ASSETS AS WELL AS TRAINING AMMO MUST BE PROVIDED FOR OTHER FMFPAC UNITS. ALTHOUGH COMUSMACV ALLOCATIONS OF GROUND MUNITIONS MAY BE RESTRICTED TO RESOURCES IN COUNTRY AND THOSE DESIGNATED FOR SHIPMENT AND IN TRANSIT, IT IS NOT DEEMED POSSIBLE TO SPLIT OUT RVN ASSETS FROM TOTAL FMFPAC CLASS V SUPPORT WITHOUT SERIOUS DAMAGE TO THE OVERALL FABRIC OF THE SUPPORT STRUCTURE. EXAMPLES IN THIS CONNECTION ARE OPERATIONAL RESERVE CLASS V STOCKS AFLOAT FOR THE SLF AND ALLOWANCES FOR THE ROTATING BLT 'S

B. THE FORCE WIDE NEED FOR GROUND AMMO CLEARLY SUPPORTS THE NEED FOR MANAGEMENT CONTROLS AT THIS HQ, WITH RESOLUTION OF SHORTAGES CONTROLLED THROUGH SERVICE CHANNELS AT THE WASHINGTON LEVEL.

5. AM ADVISED THAT CMC INTENDS TO OPPOSE THE JCS IDEA VIGOROUSLY.

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