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**C O N F I D E N T I A L** PERSONAL FOR GENERAL WESTMORELAND FROM  
 LTGEN WALT.

1. ON 28 AND 29 JANUARY, MY PROVOST MARSHALL MADE A TOUR OF ALL THE KNOWN BLACKMARKET AREAS IN THE CITY OF DANANG. FROM HIS OBSERVATIONS A NOTICEABLE REDUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF U.S. MANUFACTURED MATERIAL ON SALE WAS APPARENT. IT APPEARS THAT THE SOURCES OF SUPPLY OF EXCHANGE TYPE ITEMS IS BEING DRIED UP. U.S. CIGARETTES ARE STILL AVAILABLE BUT IN MUCH LESS QUANTITY. BOTTLES OF U.S. WHISKEY APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN BOTTLES WHICH WERE DISCARDED WHEN THEY WERE EMPTIED AND REFILLED WITH LOCALLY MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS. IT WAS ALSO NOTICED THAT THERE WERE SOME TIDE SOAP POWDER BOXES WHICH HAD BEEN REFILLED WITH SOME OTHER TYPE OF SOAP. THESE ARE ALL INDICATIONS THAT THESE ITEMS ARE DIFFICULT FOR THE BLACK-MARKETEER TO PROCURE.
2. THERE STILL APPEARS TO BE A LARGE AMOUNT OF CIVIC ACTION COMMODITIES OF THE TYPE DISTRIBUTED LAST FALL, I.E. LARGE

PAGE TWO RUMSDN 2271 **C O N F I D E N T I A L**  
 BOTTLES OF MICRIN AND LISTERINE MOUTHWASH, STRIPE TOOTHPASTE, AND BUBBLE BATH. U.S. RATIONS OF MOST TYPES, PARTICULARLY "C" RATIONS, BOTH IN INDIVIDUAL CANS AND BY THE CASE, ARE STILL AVAILABLE; HOWEVER, THESE ARE IN MUCH SHORTER SUPPLY THAN THEY WERE THREE MONTHS AGO.

3. THERE ARE MANY TELEVISION SETS FOR SALE IN THE ELECTRONIC SHOPS, BUT THEY ARE ALMOST ALL OF JAPANESE MANUFACTURE; THE FEW U.S. MODELS DID NOT APPEAR TO BE THE TYPE SOLD BY THE EXCHANGE. APPARENTLY THE OPERATION OF THE AFRTVS HAS CREATED A LOCAL DEMAND FOR TELEVISION RECEIVERS.
4. IT APPEARS THAT OUR EFFORTS TO REDUCE THE BLACKMARKET BY DRYING UP THEIR SOURCE OF SUPPLY IS SUCCEEDING.

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UNCLAS E F T O PERSONAL FOR LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT.

1. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT COLONEL THOMAS M. FIELDS, USMC, BE AWARDED THE LEGION OF MERIT FOR SERVICE AS SET FORTH IN THE FOLLOWING CITATION:

FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OUTSTANDING SERVICES AS THE III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE INFORMATIONAL SERVICES OFFICER IN THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM WHILE ENGAGED AGAINST THE INSURGENT COMMUNIST (VIET CONG) FROM 1 FEBRUARY 1966 TO 8 FEBRUARY 1967. THROUGHOUT THIS ASSIGNMENT, COLONEL FIELDS EXHIBITED SUPERIOR PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE, EXCEPTIONAL QUALITIES OF CHARACTER, RESOURCEFULNESS IN PLANNING, COORDINATING, AND SUPERVISING THE OPERATIONS OF THE III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE COMBAT INFORMATION BUREAU, DANANG, VIETNAM. HE FULLY EXPLOITED THE CAPABILITIES OF THE FORCE INFORMATION SECTION AND COORDINATED THE INFORMATIONAL SERVICES ACTIVITIES OF THE 1ST MARINE DIVISION, FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, 3D MARINE DIVISION, AND THE FORCE

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 LOGISTIC COMMAND. THROUGH PERSONAL STUDY AND ASTUTE EVALUATION OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE COMBAT INFORMATION BUREAU, HE DIRECTED A REORGANIZATION TO PRODUCE THE EFFECTIVE AND CONSTANT FLOW OF MORE THAN 2700 TIMELY NEWS RELEASES, TOGETHER WITH PHOTOGRAPHS, COVERING THE MARINE CORPS OPERATIONS IN VIETNAM. ADDITIONALLY, UNDER HIS EXPERT DIRECTION AND GUIDANCE, APPROXIMATELY, 50,000 HOME TOWN NEWS RELEASES WERE PRODUCED FOR INDIVIDUAL MARINES. BY SHEER FORCE OF PERSONALITY AND EXEMPLARY CONDUCT, HE ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED OUTSTANDING PRESS RELATIONS WITH APPROXIMATELY 2,000 PROMINENT CORRESPONDENTS REPRESENTING THIRTY OR MORE FREE WORLD COUNTRIES. HE REPEATEDLY ESCORTED NEWSMEN TO OBSERVE AND REPORT ON THE MARINE CORPS OPERATIONS THROUGHOUT THE I CORPS TACTICAL ZONE, PROVIDING THEM WITH MATERIAL SUPPORT, ENCOURAGEMENT, AND ACCURATE BACKGROUND INFORMATION. THROUGH HIS ATTENTION TO DETAIL AND HIS EXTENSIVE PERSONAL EFFORTS IN THE FIELD OF PRESS RELATIONS, HE MADE AN UNPARALLELED CONTRIBUTION TO THE PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE MARINE CORPS COMBAT AND CIVIC ACTION PROGRAM IN VIETNAM. BY HIS OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP, JUDGMENT, AND INSPIRING DEVOTION TO DUTY THROUGHOUT, COLONEL FIELDS UPHELD THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

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COLONEL FIELDS IS AUTHORIZED TO WEAR THE COMBAT "V".

2. PREVIOUS DECORATIONS INCLUDE THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, NAVY  
COMMENDATION MEDAL WITH COMBAT "V", REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM MEDAL  
OF HONOR.

3. REQUEST REPLY IN TIME TO PERMIT PRESENTATION OF AWARD  
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PERSONAL FOR LTGEN. KRULAK FROM LTGEN. WALT

1. CDR. GLEN FORD EXPECTS TO PROCEED FROM SAIGON TO HAWAII ON OR ABOUT 5 FEB ENROUTE TO CONUS. HE IS CONCERNED ABOUT HIS INITIAL CONTACTS WITH THE PRESS, SOME POSSIBLY HOSTILE, AT HAWAII & CONUS AND HAS REQUESTED THAT LTCOL JIM WILLIAMS OF III MAF CIB ACCOMPANY HIM. I BELIEVE FORD'S PRIMARY CONCERN IS POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO HIS PROFESSIONAL IMAGE IF HE CANNOT SPEAK AUTHORITATIVELY ON NAMES, PLACES AND CONDITIONS HE ENCOUNTERED IN RVN. HE DESIRES BACKUP IN THIS AREA.

2. I BELIEVE THIS ASSIGNMENT COULD BE ADEQUATELY FILLED BY HAVING A KNOWLEDGEABLE MARINE OFFICER MEET HIM ON ARRIVAL AT HAWAII AND CONUS AND PERFORM THIS FUNCTION. PREFER NOT TO SEND WILLIAMS TO CONUS FOR THIS PURPOSE. UNODIR I INTEND TO CONVEY THIS DECISION TO CDR FORD.

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**S E C R E T** PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT  
 A. SUMMARY OF KHE SANH CONTACT 26-27 JAN 67.

1. AT 261745H RECON TEAM LOCATED AT XD 672529 OBSERVED TEN ENEMY  
 VARMED WITH AK47S APPROACHING THEIR POSITIONS. TEAM HELD ITS FIRE  
 UNTIL ALL WERE IN THE KILLING ZONE AND OPENED FIRE. RESULTS TEN EN  
 KIA (CONF). IMMED TEAM RECD HEAVY A/W FIRE FROM XD 668528 FROM AN  
 EST 35 EN. EN CLOSED WITH PATROL, TWO MEMBERS OF TEAM WERE WOUNDED  
 BY SA FIRE. TEAM REQUESTED EXTRACTION. REACTION FORCE ALERTED. TWO  
 HUEYS AND TWO CH34S WERE DISPATCHED. CH 34S ATTEMPTED TO EXTRACT  
 TEAM AND ONE H-34 WAS HIT APPROX 17 TIMES BY .30 CAL .50 CAL AND  
 A/W FIRE. AIRCRAFT HAD TO ABORT AND RETD SAFELY TO KHE SANH.  
 REACTION FORCE WAS COMMITTED BUT WAS UNABLE TO GET INTO ZONE DUE TO  
 HEAVY FIRE. ONE CH46 RETURNED TO KHE SANH TO UNLOAD ITS TROOPS. THE  
 CH46 THEN ATTEMPTED EXTRACT TEAM, BUT WAS SHOTDOWN BY HEAVY A/W FIRE.  
 THE CH46 BURNED BUT THE CREW OF FOUR ESCAPED WITH ONE WIA FROM

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S/A FIRE, AND JOINED TEAM IN THE LZ. THE REMAINING CH46 ATTEMPTED  
 TO INSERT ONE HALF THE REACTION FORCE AT 261914H. WHILE IN THE  
 LZ IT RECD SEVERAL HITS AND LOST POWER. THE CREW OF FOUR AND THE  
 REACTION FORCE OF SIXTEEN JOINED THE TEAM AND THE OTHER CREW MEMBERS  
 IN THE PERIMETER. BY THIS TIME THE EN HAD MOVED IN CLOSE TO THE PERI-  
 METER, AND WERE THROWING HAND GRENADES. AT 261945H TWO CH46S ARRIVED  
 KHE SANH FROM DONG HA AND LIFTED THE REST OF THE REACTION FORCE.  
 FLARESHIP AND FIXED WING ON STATION AT 262000H. AT 262030H A CH46 LOST  
 PWR WHILE APPROACHING THE LZ-CRASHED AND BURNED 200M NORTH OF THE OTHER  
 DOWNED HELOS. THE FOUR MEMBERS OF THE CREW AND THE REACTION FORCE OF  
 FIFTEEN ESCAPED WITH ONLY ONE WIA BUT WERE SEPARATED INTO TWO GROUPS  
 AND COULD NOT JOIN UP WITH THE OTHERS IN THE LZ.

2. AT 262230H A CH46 BRINGING AMMO FROM DONG HA COLLIDED WITH A  
 HUEY PARKED OFF THE SIDE OF THE KHE SANH RUNWAY. BOTH AIRCRAFT WERE  
 DESTROYED BUT THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES. VISIBILITY AT THE TIME  
 WAS EXTREMELY POOR DUE TO GROUND FOG. AT 270308H A CH34 COMPLETED  
 MEDEVAC OF TWO WIA: ONE CRITICAL CONDITION. AT 270540H TEAM REPORTED  
 ENEMY MOVEMENT TO THE EAST GETTING CLOSER. AT 270715H HEAVY EN  
 CONTACT (EST COMPANY). FORCE TOOK ONE KIA AND FOUR WIA. 270830H  
 COMMENCED EMERGENCY EXTRACTION OF ELEMENTS. FIXED WING STRIKES

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COVERED EXTRACTION WHICH WAS COMPLETED 0937H. TOTAL USMC CASUALTIES:  
ONE KIA AND NINE WIA (IFMAW) EN KIA: TEN (CONF) TOTAL EN CASUALTIES  
UNK. TOTAL A/C LOSSES 4 H-46, ONE HUIE.

3. THIS ACTION STEMMED FROM A DEEP RECON EFFORT, A PORTION OF THE  
DELIBERATE AND CONTINUOUS RECON PATTERN WITH WHICH YOU ARE FAMILIAR.  
I CONSIDER BOTH 3D MARDIV AND FIRST WING PARTICIPANTS DID A FIRST  
RATE JOB UNDER EXCEEDINGLY DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES. NOT TO BE  
OVERLOOKED ALSO ARE THE ARMY 175MM GUN PEOPLE WHO DISPLACED 2 WPNS  
FROM CAMP CARROLL TO TON SON LAM UNDER COVER OF DARKNESS AND WERE  
THEREBY ABLE TO PROVIDE ARTY SUPPORT WHEN IT WAS SORELY NEEDED.

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A. CG III MAF 261630Z JAN 67

1. REVISE CASUALTY FIGURES PARA 1 F REF A TO:
 

USMC KIA	15
WIA	36 (25 EVAC)
ENEMY KIA	76 CONFIRMED
KIA	50 PROBABLE
  2. SWEEP OF AREA 2 JAN RESULTED IN NEGATIVE CONTACT.
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PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LGEN KRULAK FROM LGEN WALT

1. FOLLOWING IS RECAP OF ACTION OF 2/5 COMMENCING ABOUT 260900H.
  - A. CO F RECEIVED HEAVY SMALL ARMS AND MORTAR FIRE WHILE CROSSING STREAM APPROX 260900H VICINITY (AT 976523.) SEVEN MARINES WERE WOUNDED IN THIS ENCOUNTER. F AND H CO COMPLETED STREAM CROSSING AND PURSUED ENEMY TO WEST.
  - B. FIXED WING AIR AND O1 AIRCRAFT WERE EMPLOYED, SIGHTED ENEMY MORTAR POSITION AND DESTROYED IT.
  - C. BY 1430 BOTH COMPANIES HAD MOVED TO NW AND WERE RECEIVING HEAVY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM VICINITY (AT 956525.) ENEMY CONTACT ESTIMATED AT ONE BATTALION.
  - D. SPARROW HAWK LAUNCHED AT 261430H IN COORDINATION WITH TANKS TO (AT 948528) AT 261550H SECOND SPARROW HAWK LAUNCHED FROM AN HOA TO (AT 956500) AND MOVED NORTH AND BLOCKING POSITION (AT 952513).

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E. CONTACT CONTINUED FOR REST OF AFTERNOON. COMPANIES F AND H CONSOLIDATED AT 262235. 1ST SPARROW HAWK RETRACTED TO VICINITY (AT 928528) AT DARK AND 2D SPARROW HAWK RETRACTED AN HOA SAME TIME.

F. CASUALTIES AS OF 262300H USMC 16 KIA 45 WIA. ENEMY 72 KIA CONFIRMED 65 KIA PROBABLE.

2. CONTACT BELIEVED TO BE WITH R-20 BN. SPORADIC CONTACT CONTINUES. AREA TO BE SWEEP AGAIN AT FIRST LIGHT.

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MEMORANDUM

FROM: CHIEF OF STAFF III MAF 24 Jan 67.  
FOR: C.G.

*Proposed personal  
to Gen. Westmoreland  
inviting him to visit  
I Corps Advisory Staff.  
For Approval.*

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1. DURING OUR DIS  
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APPRECIATE THIS AN  
TO SAY. THESE BRI  
CIVILIAN EFFORT.  
2. I HAVE COMMITTE  
REAR ADMIRAL TOM W  
3. I PROPOSE THAT  
DAY OR DAYS OF NEXT  
AT DANANG, YOU SHO  
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SECRET FOR GEN WESTMORELAND FROM LTGEN WALT  
 SPECIAL REPORT - THONG DUC CIDG/USAF CAMP PATROL REPORT.

1. THIS SPECIAL REPORT IS PROVIDED BECAUSE IT REPRESENTS A CLASSICAL EXAMPLE OF A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL SMALL UNIT MULTI-LATERAL OPERATION EMPLOYING A VARIETY OF SUPPORTING ARMS TO MAXIMUM ADVANTAGE.
2. THE OPERATION BEGAN AT 210400 WHEN A PATROL DEPARTED THE CAMP ON A ONE DAY SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION INTO G.S. ZC 2054. THE STRENGTH OF THE PATROL WAS 120 CIDG, TWO LLDB AND FOUR USAF PERSONNEL.
3. A SIGNIFICANT CONTACT WAS MADE AT APPROXIMATELY 211330 IN G.S. ZC 2055 WITH A FORCE ESTIMATED TO BE TWO PLATOONS OF LOCAL FORCE VC AND ONE COMPANY MAIN FORCE VC. THE CONTACT RESULTED IN TWO CIDG WIA, FIVE VC KIA (CONF). A REACTION FORCE OF APPROXIMATELY 130 CIDG/RF AND PF WERE COMMITTED FROM THE CAMP AND JOINED THE PATROL AT APPROXIMATELY 211630 VICINITY ZC 194543. MIKE FORCES WERE MOVED INTO THE CAMP FROM DANANG BY HELICOPTER AND CV2 TO PROVIDE FOR CAMP DEFENSE. THE REACTION FORCE MADE NO CONTACT ENROUTE. THE COMBINE FORCE THEN DISPLACED TO G.S. ZC 1753

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4. AT FIRST LIGHT BLOCKING FORCES WERE ESTABLISHED AT ZC 195535 AND ZC 205537. THE MAIN STRENGTH WAS THEN USED TO PUSH TO THE EAST. AT 221200 THE MANEUVER FLUSHED OVER 40 VC INTO THE OPEN VALLEY AT APPROXIMATELY ZC 209541 WHEN THEY WERE OBSERVED BY A USAF FAC AND TAKEN UNDER USMC AND ARVN ARTILLERY FIRE AND AIR STRIKES. CONCURRENT WITH THIS ACTION, A USMC COMPANY OPERATING TO THE EAST OF THE CIDG/USAF OPERATION WAS ALERTED AND MOVED TOWARDS THE SCENE. THEY WERE IN THE VICINITY OF AT 833554 AND RECEIVED ENEMY S/A FIRE FROM THE VICINITY OF AT 833533. S/A AND ARTILLERY FIRE WERE RETURNED. THE AREA WAS THEN SWEEPED.
5. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES IN THE USMC CONTACT. ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE 15 KIA CONFIRMED, FIVE KIA PROBABLE, AND ONE VC CAPTURED. TWO K-44 CARBINES, ONE THOMPSON SMG, ONE US M-1 CARBINE, THREE CHICOM GRENADES AND MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS WERE CAPTURED. ENEMY CASUALTIES FROM THE CIDG/USAF CONTACT WERE 49 KIA (CONF), FOUR WIA (CONF) AND FIVE DETAINEES. FOUR INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS WERE CAPTURED ALONG WITH 113 CHICOM GRENADES, 20 GAS MASKS, 21 KHAKI UNIFORMS AND TWO LBS OF DOCUMENTS. DESTROYED WERE 25 SAMPANS, 16,000 LBS OF VARIOUS FOODSTUFFS AND 12 BUNKERS. TOTAL FRIENDLY CASUALTIES WERE THREE CIDG WIA.

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6. TOTAL ENEMY: 64 VC KIA CONFIRMED, FIVE KIA PROBABLE, FOUR WIA CONFIRMED, ONE VCC AND FIVE DETAINEES.

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- 1. ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES FOR PERIOD 1-JAN -30JUN67 REMAIN THE SAME
- 2. ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES FOR PERIOD 1 JUL-31 DEC 67.

CARE SELF HELP KITS AND SPECIAL PURCHASES	76,750.00
SCHOOL PROGRAM	20,000.00
SCHOOL PROGRAM (CHAPLAINS)	10,000.00
MISCELLEOUS	20,000.00
DETAINEE COMFORT KITS	2,000.00
COMBINED ACTION COMPANIES	1,000.00
TOTAL	129,750.00

- 3. BALANCE AS OF 29 DEC 66 - \$55,510.00 INCLUDES ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES THROUGH 30 JUN 67.
- 4. ADDITIONAL FUNDS REQUIRED TO SUPPORT CA PROGRAM THROUGH 31 DEC67 -

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\$74,240.00

- 5. THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT RICE FOR "COUNTY FAIR" OPERATIONS CAN BE PURCHASED WITH AIX FUNDS. THUS A SAVINGS OF \$30,000.00 WOULD BE REALIZED DURING PERIOD 1 JUL - 31 DEC 67.

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**C O N F I D E N T I A L** PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE, INFO LTGEN KRULAK  
 AND MGEN NICKERSON FROM LTGEN WALT

VISIT BY MR REED AND MR DAUGHERTY, LAWYERS FOR KEENAN

1. MR. REED AND MR. DAUGHERTY, ACCOMPANIED BY ESCORT OFFICER, LTCOL  
 HADEN, CALLED ON CG, 1ST MARDIV AT 1315 TODAY.

2. THEY STATED THAT THEY HAD BEEN SHOWN EVERY COURTESY BY THE MARINE  
 CORPS AND IT WAS DEEPLY APPRECIATED; THEY HAD BEEN SHOWN EVERYTHING  
 THEY COULD POSSIBLY WANT TO ASSIST THEM IN REPRESENTING KEENAN IN  
 HIS APPEAL; AND THEY FELT, AS A RESULT OF THEIR VISIT, THEY HAVE  
 GAINED A MUCH BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT OUR COUNTRY IS TRYING TO  
 DO HERE.

3. THEY ASKED MGEN NICKERSON NOT TO ACT ON THE KEENAN CASE UNTIL HE  
 HAD CONSIDERED THE BRIEF WHICH THEY WILL SEND TO HIM. GEN  
 NICKERSON TOLD THEM HE WOULD CONSIDER THEIR BRIEF PROVIDED IT WAS

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 SUBMITTED WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME. THEY REPLIED THAT IT WOULD  
 BE FORWARDED TO HIM IN 10 TO 14 DAYS. CG, 1ST MARDIV ASSURED THEM  
 HE WOULD REVIEW THE CASE CAREFULLY AND IN ITS ENTIRETY. WHEN REED  
 AND DAUGHERTY STARTED TO DISCUSS THE FACTS OF THE CASE, CG 1ST  
 MARDIV TOLD THEM HE COULD NOT DISCUSS THE FACTS, BECUASE HE HAD  
 NOT READ THE RECORD OF TRIAL AND SUCH DISCUSSION WOULD, THEREFORE,  
 BE INAPPROPRIATE.

4. ESCORT OFFICER REPORTS THAT DURING RETURN TO III MAF, BOTH LAWYERS  
 MADE HIGHLY COMPLEMENTARY REMARKS CONCERNING MGEN NICKERSON AND HIS  
 ATTITUDE TOWARD HIS RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

5. MR ROBERT OHMAN, ASSOCIATED PRESS, ASKED CIB IF HE COULD INTERVIEW  
 MR. REED AND MR. DAUGHERTY. THEY WERE INFORMED OF THE REQUEST AND  
 STATED THEY HAD NOT SOUGHT CONTACT WITH THE PRESS HERE, BUT  
 WOULD SEE HIM. THEY ASKED THAT LTCOL HADEN BE PRESENT. HE STATED HE  
 WOULD BE, IF THEY WOULD EXPLAIN TO THE REPORTER THAT HE WAS PRESENT  
 AT THEIR REQUEST.

6. IN SUMMARY THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WERE COVERED BETWEEN MR. OHMAN  
 AND KEENAN'S ATTORNEYS. NO ATTEMPT IS MADE TO QUOTE EXACTLY. SHORTLY  
 AFTER THE INTERVIEW BEGAN, MR. DAUGHERTY, THE YOUNGER OF THE TWO,  
 BECAME SPOKESMAN:

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A. THE LAWYERS EXPLAINED THAT LTCOL HADEN WAS THERE AT THEIR REQUEST. HADEN MADE CLEAR HE WOULD LEAVE IF THEY DESIRED A PRIVATE CONVERSATION. THE LAWYERS STATED THEY HAD BEEN GIVEN EVERY CONSIDERATION HERE WERE GRATEFUL TO DOD AND PARTICULARLY TO THE MARINE CORPS FOR THE MANY COURTESIES EXTENDED. THEY WERE ALLOWED TO SEE EVERYTHING THEY ASKED TO SEE AND WERE GIVEN ANYTHING THEY ASKED FOR. THEY WERE ALLOWED TO REVIEW BOTH RECORDS OF TRIAL, ALTHOUGH THE SECOND TRIAL RECORD WAS NOT IN FINAL FORM. THEY WERE ALLOWED TO INTERVIEW KEENAN'S SQUAD.

B. WHEN ASKED IF THEY HAD VISITED THE SCENE, THEY STATED THEY HAD NOT BUT THE MARINE CORPS HAS BEEN PREPARED TO TAKE THEM THERE. THEY FELT THE DANGER TOO GREAT TO EVERYONE CONCERNED AND PHOTOS PROVIDED BY MARINE CORPS OF THE SCENE SERVED THEIR PURPOSE.

C. OHMAN ASKED IF THEY WERE SATISFIED WITH THE MILITARY COUNSEL. THEY STATED THEY WERE VERY SATISFIED WITH OLSON, THAT HE WAS A FINE YOUNG MAN AND A VERY COMPETENT ATTORNEY. THEY HAD TALKED WITH HIM SEVERAL TIMES. NOTE: MR OHMAN WAS SURPRISED TO LEARN THAT MARINE COUNSEL WAS A LAWYER.

D. THE LAWYERS STATED THERE HAD BEEN NO STAR CHAMBER PROCEEDINGS AS CLAIMED IN THE PRESS. THEY SAID SUCH A CHARGE IS RIDICULOUS. THE COURT WAS OPEN AND THE PRESS WAS FREE TO ENTER. DAUGHERTY WAS PARTI-

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ULARLY EMPHATIC ON THIS POINT. HE STATED KEENAN GOT AS FAIR A TRIAL AS HE WOULD HAVE GOTTEN IN ANY CIVILIAN COURT. HE EMPHASIZED THIS AND STATED THEIR APPEAL WOULD BE BASED ON CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES THAT MANY LAWYERS COULD DISAGREE ON.

E. WHEN ASKED IF THEY THOUGHT THE CASE WAS TRIED IN AN ACCELERATED MANNER, THEY REPLIED THAT AS FAR AS THEY COULD DETERMINE THERE WAS NO SPEED UP NOR DELAY. HE WAS TRIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH MILITARY PROCEDURES. THEY EMPHASIZED AGAIN THAT THEIR APPEAL WOULD NOT BE BASED ON PROCEDURES, BUT ON CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES ABOUT WHICH ANY TWO LAWYERS MIGHT DISAGREE.

F. WHEN ASKED IF THEY THOUGHT KEENAN GOT A FAIR TRIAL, THEY REPLIED THEY WEREN'T QUESTIONING THE FAIRNESS OF THE TRIAL.

G. THEY STATED THEY HAD SEEN GEN NICKERSON AND HAD TOLD HIM THEY WANTED TO FILE A BRIEF FOR HIS CONSIDERATION. HE HAD TOLD THEM HE WOULD CONSIDER IT SO LONG AS THEY FILED IT PROMPTLY. THEY WERE GOING BACK AND WORK NIGHT AND DAY TO GET IT BACK HERE, BECAUSE THEY WERE CONVINCED GEN NICKERSON IS A FAIR MAN.

H. QUESTIONED CONCERNING HOW KEENAN FEELS NOW AND ON HIS PRESS INTERVIEW, THEY OFFERED NO COMMENT.

I. WHEN ASKED IF THEY FELT THE TRIP HAD BEEN WORTHWHILE, THEY REPLIED

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IT WAS. AS CIVILIANS, THEY DIDN'T FEEL THEY COULD HAVE PROPERLY REPRESENTED KEENAN WITHOUT SEEING WHAT WAS HAPPENING HERE.

J. MR OHMAN TOLD LTCOL HADEN, IN PRIVATE, THAT BECAUSE OF THE GREAT INTEREST IN THE KEENAN CASE IN THE U.S., HIS OFFICE WAS GOING TO REQUIRE THEM TO COVER THE TRIALS OF ANY SIMILAR CASES. OHMAN OBSERVED THAT HE FOUND COURT PROCEEDINGS VERY BORING.

7. MR. DAUGHERTY, MR REED, AND LTCOL HADEN WILL DEPART FOR OKINAWA TOMORROW, 24 JANUARY, BY MARLOG. BOOKING FROM CAMP BUTLER TO CONUS HAS BEEN REQUESTED. VERY RESPECTFULLY, LEW  
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**C O N F I D E N T I A L** PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE INFO LTGEN KRULAK  
 AND MGEN NICKERSON. FROM LTGEN WALT.

VISIT OF MR REED AND MR DAUGHERTY, LAWYERS FOR KEENAN FAMILY

1. MESSRS REED AND DAUGHERTY AND ESCORT, LTCOL HADEN, ARRIVED  
 DANANG 182300H LOCAL. MET BY FORCE LEGAL OFFICER AND LEGAL  
 OFFICER 1ST MARDIV. BILLETED III MAF BOQ.

2. MORNING OF 19JAN REVIEWED RECORD OF PRETRIAL INVESTIGATION.  
 VISITED KEENAN AT III MAF BRIG. KEENAN SIGNED WRITTEN STATEMENT  
 THAT HE DESIRED REED AND DAUGHERTY AS HIS COUNSEL ON APPEAL.  
 THEY LEFT FOR CHU LAI BY GOVT AIR AT 1530. MET BY ASST DIV  
 LEGAL OFF, 1ST MARDIV, LTCOL ZORACK. SMOOTH RECORD OF KEENAN'S  
 FIRST TRIAL AND ROUGH RECORD OF SECOND TRIAL MADE AVAILABLE FOR  
 THEM TO READ. KEENAN'S APPOINTED DEFENSE COUNSEL, MAJ. C.W.  
 OLSON, WAS PRESENT AND THEY HAD SEVERAL CONFERENCES.

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3. 20JAN THEY WERE TRANSPORTED TO 7TH MAR CP WHERE ESCORT SQUAD  
 WAS AVAILABLE TO TAKE THEM TO SCENE OF CRIME. IT WAS EXPLAINED  
 TO MR REED AND MR DAUGHERTY THAT THERE WAS STILL VC ACTIVITY IN  
 THE AREA AND THEY SHOULD UNDERSTAND THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY OF SOME-  
 ONE IN THE PARTY BEING HIT. THEY STATED THEY WOULD NOT  
 WANT TO RISK HAVING A MARINE HURT ON SUCH A MISSION AND THAT  
 OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN AT THE SCENE AND AN AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH  
 OF THE AREA WOULD SERVE THEIR NEEDS. PHOTOGRAPHS WERE CLEARED  
 BY G-2 AND COPIES PROVIDED TO THE VISITORS. AT 7TH MARINES CP,  
 REED AND DAUGHERTY INTERVIEWED SIX MEMBERS OF THE SQUAD WHO HAD  
 BEEN PRESENT WITH KEENAN ON PATROL WHEN OFFENSES OCCURRED. ONE  
 MEMBER OF THE PATROL HAS SINCE BEEN WOUNDED AND WAS NOT AVAILABLE.  
 INTERVIEWS WERE CONDUCTED IN PRIVATE. NO COMMAND REPRESENTATIVE  
 WAS PRESENT. THEY WANTED TO TALK TO THE PSYCHIATRIST WHO HAD  
 EXAMINED KEENAN. THE DOCTOR IS ON R&R.

4. UPON RETURN TO TASK FORCE XRAY CP, THEY WERE SHOWN COURT  
 ROOM WHERE KEENAN WAS TRIED AND OBSERVED A PORTION OF A TRIAL  
 IN PROGRESS. THEY INTERVIEWED THE CID INVESTIGATOR WHO MADE  
 THE PRELIMINARY INQUIRY AND LTCOL ZORACK, WHO CONDUCTED THE  
 FORMAL PRETRIAL INVESTIGATION. THEY LISTENED TO THE TAPE OF

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 KEENAN'S INTERVIEW WITH THE PRESS. THEY TALKED WITH LUCZKO'S COUNSEL WHO DECLINED TO LET THEM INTERVIEW LUCZKO. MAJ. OLSON, PIATKOWSKI'S COUNSEL, AGREED TO ALLOW THEM TO TALK WITH PIATKOWSKI SO LONG AS HE, OLSON, WAS PRESENT. THEY EXPRESSED NO DESIRE TO DO SO. REED AND DAUGHERTY HAVE TWICE EXPRESSED FULL SATISFACTION WITH MAJ. OLSON'S HANDLING OF THE CASE AND STATED THAT HE IS A VERY COMPETENT LAWYER.

5. REED AND DAUGHERTY REQUESTED STATISTICS ON THE NUMBER OF CASES TRIED, NATURE OF OFFENSES, RESULTS OF TRIAL, ETC. THEY WERE TOLD THESE ARE NOT AVAILABLE.

6. THEY RETURNED TO DANANG AT 211230H LOCAL AND VISITED KEENAN. A PROJECTED VISIT TO SAIGON ON 22JAN WAS CANCELLED AT THEIR REQUEST. ALL ARRANGEMENTS HAD BEEN MADE. COL TOM FIELDS SECURED THE NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF THE ASSISTANT EDITOR OF THE SAIGON POST, A MR PICCARDO, FOR THEM. AFTER TALKING WITH PICCARDO ON THE TELEPHONE, THEY STATED IT WOULD NOT BE NECESSARY TO GO TO SAIGON. THEY ARE SCHEDULED TO SEE MGEN NICKERSON ON MONDAY AND TO DEPART DANANG FOR OKINAWA ON TUESDAY, 24JAN. THEY HAVE ON MANY OCCASIONS EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN RECEIVED. THEY HAVE BEEN ASKED REPEATEDLY IF THERE IS ANYTHING

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 ELSE THEY DESIRE. THE ANSWER HAS BEEN NO. TO KNOWLEDGE OF ESCORT OFFICER THEY HAVE HAD NO CONTACT WITH THE PRESS OTHER THAN THEIR TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH MR. PICCARDO MENTIONED ABOVE. NO ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE TO PREVENT SUCH CONTACT. THEY HAVE NOT REQUESTED IT.

7. FURTHER REPORT WILL FOLLOW THEIR VISIT WITH MGEN NICKERSON.  
 VERY RESPECTFULLY, LEW

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 USMCR/CARE FUNDS**

1. BASED ON AVERAGE DONATIONS TO SUBJ FUND, AND ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES FOR CY67, IT APPEARS THE FUND BALANCE AS OF 31DEC67 WILL BE APPROXIMATE \$5700.00.
  2. I AM THEREFORE SENDING GEN DRAKE A TESTIMONIAL FOR USE IN THE FUND DRIVE, AND A RECOMMENDATION TO YOU THAT A FILM PORTRAYING THE MANY USES OF THE FUND FOR CIVIC ACTION PROJECTS BE PRODUCED.
  3. COPIES OF BOTH LETTERS WILL BE PROVIDED LTGEN KRULAK.
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**SECRET PERSONAL FOR GEN WESTMORELAND FROM LTGEN WALT  
OPERATIONS IN SOUTHERN QUANG NGAI (U)**

**A. COMUSMACV 130328Z**

1. REFERENCE A HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND MY STAFF IS PRECEEDING TO DEVELOP PLANS FOR OPERATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED THEREIN.

2. IN CONNECTION WITH THE OPERATIONS FOR WHICH WE ARE TO PLAN HOWEVER THERE ARE SEVERAL POINTS WITH RESPECT TO THE EFFECTS OF SUCH AN OPERATION ON PROJECTED AND APPROVED ICTZ PLANS WHICH I SHOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT:

A. AS YOU RECALL, OUR SUPPORT FOR THE ARVN REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR 1967 INVOLVES THE RELOCATION OF CERTAIN USMC BATTALIONS IN ORDER TO FREE CERTAIN ARVN BATTALIONS FOR THEIR PRIMARY ROLE OF SUPPORT FOR THE RD PLAN. THESE REALIGNMENTS OF FORCES WILL BE COMPLETED INSOFAR AS USMC BATTALIONS ARE CONCERNED ON 30 JANUARY, AND SHORTLY THEREAFTER BY THE ARVN UNITS. THESE PLANS HAVE BEEN MOST CAREFULLY FORMULATED IN CLOSE COORDINATION WITH CG I CORPS AT MY LEVEL AND WITH HIS DIVISION

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COMMANDERS BY THE COMMANDING GENERALS OF BOTH THE 1ST AND 3D MARINE DIVISIONS.

B. AFTER THE REALIGNMENTS REFERRED TO ABOVE ARE COMPLETED THE DISPOSITIONS OF BOTH OUR FORCES WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

(1) IN QUANG TRI/THUA THIEN PROVINCES		
ARVN BNS	MISSION	LOCATION
4 BNS	RD	QUANG TRI (2) HUE (2)
5 BNS	SECURITY	GIO LINH (1) DONG HA (1) Q-TRI CITY (1) PK 17 (1) PHU LOC (1)
2 BNS	MOBILE RES	AS REQD (2)
1 BN	TRAINING	TRNG CTR (1)
USMC BNS	MISSION	LOCATION
3 BNS (PLUS RECON BN)	DEFENSE	VIC DMZ
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 ARVN BNS MISSION  
 6 BNS (4 BNS 5 REGT) RD  
 (1 BN 2D ARVN DIV)  
 (1 RF BN)

LOCATION  
 NATL PRIORITY AREA

USMC BNS MISSION  
 7 BNS AREA CONTROL /  
 RD SPT

LOCATION  
 DANANG TAOR

(3) IN QUANG TIN / QUANG NGAI PROVINCES  
 ARVN BNS MISSION  
 4 BNS RD

LOCATION  
 TAM KY (2)  
 QUANG NGAI CITY (2)  
 HILL 169 (VIC TAM KY) (1)  
 HILL 29 (VIC THANG BIN) (1)  
 MO DUC (1)

3 BNS SECURITY

3 BNS MOBILE RES  
 1 BN TRAINING  
 (1 BN RD  
 USMC BNS MISSION  
 4 BNS AREA CONTROL

AS REQD  
 TRAINING CTR  
 QUANG NAM)  
 LOCATION  
 CHU LAI

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1 BN AREA CONTROL  
 3 ROKMC BNS AREA CONTROL

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 CHU LAI

C. I BELIEVE YOU WILL AGREE WITH ME THAT THE LEVEL WITH RESPECT TO USMC FORCES, OF FORCES LEFT IN THE DMZ AREA IS AN ABSOLUTE MINIMUM. A REGIMENT IS REQUIRED TO EXERT CONTROL OVER THE CO BI - THANH TAN / STREET WITHOUT JOY AREA. I CAN SPARE ONLY A BATTALION FOR THIS JOB BUT FEEL THE AREA MUST BE COVERED AT LEAST TO THAT EXTENT. 2 BNS MUST BE RETAINED IF CONTROL OVER THE PHU BAI TAOR IS TO BE MAINTAINED. IN THE SOUTH, THE DANANG TAOR SIMPLY CANNOT BE REDUCED. 1ST MARDIV FORCES THERE ARE COMMITTED EXTENSIVELY AND IN CLOSE CONCERT WITH ARVN REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS. THE NUMBER OF ENEMY CONTACTS IN THIS AREA PRECLUDES THE DIVERSION OF ANY OF THESE UNITS TO OTHER MISSIONS. THE SAME SITUATIONS OBTAINS WITH RESPECT TO CHU LAI. THE FOUR USMC AND 3 ROKMC BNS THERE ARE THE MINIMUM REQUIRED, AND AGAIN ARE CLOSELY INVOLVED IN THE RD EFFORT.

D. WITH RESPECT TO ARVN FORCES, THE ABOVE TABULATION APPEARS SUCH AS TO PRECLUDE AVAILABILITY OF FORCES ON THE SCALE CONTEMPLATED IN REF A. THE VIETNAMESE MARINE TASK FORCE NOW IN I CORPS IS PART OF THE NATIONAL GENERAL RESERVE, AND CANNOT BE COUNTED ON BY CG I CORPS WITHOUT ASSURANCES FROM JGS; ONLY OTHER FORCES AVAILABLE IN I CORPS ARE THE THREE RANGER BATTALIONS, WHICH CONSTITUTE THE ONLY CORPS RESERVE AVAILABLE

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TO THE CORPS COMMANDER TO COUNTER ANY EMERGENCY THREAT WHICH MIGHT OCCUR THROUGHOUT HIS 175 MILE LONG AREA.

3. REFERENCE A CALLS FOR A COMMITMENT OF 5 USMC AND FOUR ARVN BNS FOR SOME PERIOD OF TIME BETWEEN MAY AND SEPTEMBER. I SUBMIT THAT THE BREAKDOWN SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH TWO ABOVE ILLUSTRATES THE FULL COMMITMENT OF ICTZ FORCES IN THE SAME TIME FRAME. VIRTUALLY ALL FORCES LISTED ARE CRITICALLY COMMITTED TO THE REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT TASK. IT IS POSSIBLE TO CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS ON AN INTERMITTENT BASIS AS INTELLIGENCE OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES AND OUR OWN CAPABILITIES PERMIT; THAT IS WE CAN PRACTICE ECONOMY OF FORCE IN ONE AREA WHILE WE HIT THE ENEMY IN ANOTHER. THIS IS NOT THE CASE IN THE RD SUPPORT JOB. WE MUST STAY AT IT 24 HOURS A DAY UNTIL IT IS DONE. ONCE EMBARKED ON IT WE WILL BE HARD PUT TO DISCONTINUE IT UNLESS WE ACCEPT VERY HIGH RISK OF UNDOING WHAT WE HAVE ALREADY GAINED.

4. IN SHORT, I AM PROCEEDING WITH PLANS FOR OPERATIONS IN SOUTHERN QUANG NGAI AS YOU HAVE DIRECTED IN REFERENCE A, BUT I MOST STRONGLY URGE THAT THIS OPERATION NOT BE CONDUCTED, SINCE IT WILL HAVE TO BE DONE AT THE EXPENSE OF THE RD EFFORT WE HAVE PRESSED THE ARVN TO UNDERTAKE FOR SO LONG.

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MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY**

**EVIDENCE OF MAIN FORCE UNITS PARTICIPATING IN GUERRILLA WARFARE**

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**D. INTERROGATION REPORT, BUI VAN THANG, 3NOV66**

**E. INTERROGATION REPORT, TRAN VAN BANG, 15DEC66**

**D. INTERROGATION REPORT, VO TAN, 22DEC66**

**E. INTERROGATION REPORT, HO VAN THANG, 29DEC66**

**F. INTERROGATION, NGUYEN THU, 30DEC66**

**G. CAS REPORT NR FVS 14,366 29DEC66**

**H. JTAD INFO REPORT, 24DEC66**

**1. REF A REQUESTED SPECIFICS RE EVIDENCE OF VC DRAWING PERSONNEL  
FROM THEIR MAIN FORCE UNITS TO PARTICIPATE IN GUERRILLA WARFARE.**

**2. REFS B THRU H REFLECT REEMPHASIS AND INTENSIFICATION OF THE ENEMY'S  
GUERRILLA EFFORTS, PARTICULARLY IN THE MORE HEAVILY POPULATED AREAS, AND  
USE OF MAIN FORCE UNITS IN SUPPORT OF GUERRILLAS AND/OR IN GUERRILLA  
ACTIVITIES, AS WELL AS INDICATIONS OF VC RECRUITMENT DIFFICULTIES.**

**PERTINATE EXTRACTS FOLLOW:**

**A. REF B: CAPTIVE BUI VAN THANG, 1ST SNIPER SQUAD, TECHNICAL PLATOON  
(UNK SUBORDINATION) STATES THAT THE MISSION OF HIS UNIT WAS TO ENLIST  
AND TRAIN GUERRILLA SNIPERS.**

**B. REF C: RALLIER TRAN VAN BANG, A HAMLET GUERRILLA, STATED THAT ON  
14DEC HE WAS IN A TRAINING AREA IN WHICH THERE WERE 40 NVA. G-2  
COMMENTED: THE PRESENCE OF NVA TROOPS IN THE TRAINING CAMP INDICATES  
THAT POSSIBLY NVA TROOPS ARE TRAINING GUERRILLA FORCES.**

**D. REF D: RALLIER VO TAN, Q 14 UNIT, STATED THAT THERE WERE 13 NVA  
SOLDIERS IN HIS UNIT, LOCATED IN MY HOA (H), THAT OPERATED WITH THE  
UNIT. THESE MEN WERE NOT ADVISORS BUT TRAINED SOLDIERS.**

**D. REF E: CAPTIVE HO VAN THANH, 2D PLT, 4TH CO, 804TH BN STATED THAT  
THE 2D PLT, 4TH CO AND THE 2D CO WERE LOCATED IN LANG VIEN (V) (YD 923  
210), WHERE THEY COOPERATED WITH GUERRILLA UNITS AND LOCAL FORCES OF PHU  
LOC (D) IN ANTI ARVN OPERATIONS AND TO PROTECT THE HARVEST IN THIS AREA.**

**E. REF F: CAPTIVE NGUYEN THU, 2D CO, 804TH BN, STATES THAT WHILE LOCATED  
IN LANG VIEN (V) (YD 923210) HIS COMPANY RECEIVED ORDERS TO MOVE INTO THE  
LOWLAND OF PHONG DIEN (D) TO COOPERATE WITH LOCAL GUERRILLAS IN  
COUNTERING ATTACKS AND SUPPORTING VILLAGES IN PHU LOC (D) DURING THE  
FARMING SEASON.**

**F. REF G IS AN FVS REPORT THE SUBJECT OF WHICH IS REPORTED PLAN FOR**

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REORGANIZATION OF VIET CONG MILITARY FORCES." IT STATES, IN PART, "THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF SVN HAS DECIDED TO REPLACE TROOPS IN LOWER ECHELONS WITH THOSE FROM HIGHER ECHELONS."

G. REF H IS A JTAD REPORT WHICH STATES, IN PART, THAT A MAIN FORCE COMPANY DEPLOYED IN HA NHAN (V) XUYEN TRA SUBDISTRICT (BT 121547) HAD THE MISSION TO SUPPORT LOCAL GUERRILLA OPERATIONS:

3. FRIENDLY FORCES OPERATING IN AREAS FORMERLY CONTAINING ONLY GUERRILLAS HAVE RECENTLY ENCOUNTERED UNITS SHOWING EXPERTISE AND TRAINING BEYOND THE NORMAL GUERRILLA CAPABILITY. AFTER THESE ENGAGEMENTS, WEAPONS COMMONLY CARRIED BY MAIN FORCE UNITS WERE DISCOVERED. EXAMPLES:

A. CIDG CONTACT AT THUONG DUC ON 20DEC INITIALLY WAS WITH TWO PLATOONS OF GUERRILLAS WHO LET PATROL FORWARD AND THEN BROKE CONTACT. WHEN CONTACT WAS REESTABLISHED, CHARACTER OF ENEMY CHANGED SO THAT USSF ADVISORS REMARKED ON MANEUVER AND FIRE DISCIPLINE OF APPARENTLY NEW ENEMY.

B. ARVN 21ST RANGER BN CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED VC SQUAD SOUTH OF CHINOOK AREA ON 1JAN RESULTED IN TWO VC KIA AND TWO VCC, VCC WERE LOCAL GUERRILLAS. DOCUMENT TAKEN FROM ONE OF KIA INDICATED HE HAD BEEN PSY WAR OFFICER OF 1ST CO, 804TH BN.

C. CIDG CONTACT AT THUONG DUC ON 6JAN REPORTED BY USSF AS BEING A PLATOON OF NVA.

4. THERE IS NO DOUBT IN MY MIND THAT THE GUERRILLA IS HURTING JUST AS MUCH AS THE NVA MAIN FORCE/LOCAL FORCE UNITS. WHETHER THE ENEMY HAS IN FACT REVERSED TO SOME EXTENT HIS PREVIOUS UPGRADING POLICY (I.E. RECRUIT FOR GUERRILLAS AND UPGRADE GUERRILLAS TO LOCAL FORCE AND LOCAL FORCE TO MAIN FORCE) AND IS NOW EMPLOYING MAIN/LOCAL FORCE UNITS IN SUPPORT OF GUERRILLA OPERATIONS AND/OR AS GUERRILLAS IS STILL NOT FIRM ESTABLISHED. HOWEVER, I BELIEVE THERE IS AMPLE EVIDENCE TO SUGGEST THIS POSSIBILITY. MOREOVER, IT MAKES SENSE FROM AN ENEMY POINT OF VIEW. WHEREAS HE HAS ALMOST INVARIABLELY TAKEN A BEATING IN CONVENTIONAL GROUND OPERATIONS, HE HAS ENJOYED A MODICUM OF SUCCESS IN HIS GUERRILLA EFFORTS. IN SHORT, I BELIEVE WE CAN EXPECT TO SEE MORE NVA MAIN FORCE/LOCAL FORCE UNITS ENGAGING IN GUERRILLA TYPE OPERATIONS IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

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DEVELOPMENT OF USMACV LOGISTIC INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS CAPABILITY

A. COMUSMACV LTR MACJ 44 UNDATED SAME SUBJECT.

1. ON 4 JAN TWO OFFICERS AND THREE CONTRACT SYSTEMS ANALYSTS ARRIVED UNANNOUNCED FROM HQ MACV STATING DESIRE TO VISIT LOGISTIC SUPPORT UNITS AT WORKING LEVEL TO DETERMINE RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE DATA AND VALIDITY OF CURRENT REPORTS. THEY EXHIBITED COPY OF LETTER REF A WHICH THEY STATED HAD BEEN SIGNED 3 JAN 67 BY ROSSON; BURNED COPY THEREOF BEING AIRMAILED YOUR HQ TODAY.

2. REF A STATES IN ESSENCE:

A. RVN LOGISTIC SYSTEM NOW OVERTAKING DEFICIENCIES AND PRODUCING LOGISTIC DATA: SUCH DATA REQUIRED BY MACV TO JUSTIFY REQUIREMENTS FOR PORTS, AIRFIELDS, LOC'S, STORAGE FACILITIES.

B. MACJ-4 AUGMENTED BY PLANNING RESEARCH CORP CONTRACTOR TO DEVELOP VALID PLANNING FACTORS. CONTRACTOR REVIEWING REPORTS AND REPORTING

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PROCEDURES THROUGHOUT VIETNAM TO IDENTIFY EXISTING DATA FOR THIS RESEARCH TO AVOID NEED FOR NEW REPORTS.

3. THIS HQ ADVISED TEAM OF IMPROPRIETY OF ENTERING INTO CG FMFPAC / CINCPACFLT AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY, AND IMPROPRIETY OF COMING UNANNOUNCED TO DO BUSINESS OF SUBSTANCE. TEAM HAS DEPARTED AND WILL WAIT UNTIL THIS HQ HAS RECEIVED OFFICIAL REQUEST FOR VISIT FROM MACV.

4. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS, AS APPROPRIATE.

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PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

A. MACV DIR 95-4, 28 JUN 66

1. DURING YOUR VISIT TO THIS HQ ON 23DEC66 YOU SUGGESTED THAT A PSYOP CAMPAIGN AGAINST NVA FORCES IN OR NORTH OF THE DMZ BE DEVELOPED TO INCLUDE POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RADIO STATION BUILT FOR THIS PURPOSE.

2. THIS COMMAND IS PREPARED TO CONDUCT A LEAFLET PSYOP CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE NVA SOLDIER IN OR NORTH OF THE DMZ IF AUTHORITY TO FLY IN THAT AREA IS GRANTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF A. ALSO REQUEST ADVISE ANY AERIAL LEAFLET OPERATIONS BEING CONDUCTED OR PLANNED IN THAT AREA BY OTHER COMMANDS.

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3. CONSIDER USE OF MASS COMMUNICATION MEDIA FOR PROPAGANDA AND INFORMATION PROGRAMS AGAINST NVA HIGHLY DESIRABLE. HOWEVER, CONSIDER USE OF RADIO TO BROADCAST PROPAGANDA TO THE NVA SOLDIERS IN OR NORTH OF THE DMZ WOULD NOT BE PARTICULARLY EFFECTIVE DUE TO THE FOLLOWING:

A. BELIEVE FEW RADIO RECEIVERS IN HANDS OF NVA SOLDIERS.  
 B. COMMANDERS WOULD NOT PERMIT SOLDIERS TO LISTEN TO U.S. STATIONS.

4. RECEIVERS COULD BE AIR DROPPED TO NVA TROOPS, HOWEVER THIS CONSIDERED UNDESIRABLE DUE TO POSSIBLE TACTICAL USE BY ENEMY. ALSO, DO NOT BELIEVE SOLDIERS WOULD BE PERMITTED TO RETAIN RECEIVERS IF DROPPED.

5. IN ADDITION THERE ARE PRESENTLY TWO VOICE OF FREEDOM AND ONE VOICE OF AMERICA RADIO STATIONS IN NORTHERN PROVINCES I CORPS UNDERSTOOD TO BE BROADCASTING INTO NVN WHICH COULD BE UTILIZED TO BROADCAST PROPAGANDA TO NVA SOLDIERS.

6. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE THERE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE A REQUIREMENT FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A TACTICAL RADIO STATION IN I CORPS TO BROADCAST PROPAGANDA TO THE NVA SOLDIER. HOWEVER, IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOUR HQ COORDINATE WITH APPROPRIATE AGENCIES IN

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SAIGON TO ENSURE PROGRAMMING EXISTING STATIONS INCLUDE PROPAGANDA  
AIMED AT NVA SOLDIERS.

7. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, CERTAIN ELEMENTS OF THE NVA UNITS  
IN OR NORTH OF THE DMZ COULD BE REACHED BY GROUND LOUDSPEAKERS  
WITH RANGE OF 15 KILOMETERS. REQUEST ADVISE EXISTANCE OF SUCH  
A SYSTEM, AVAILABILITY, AND SUITABILITY FOR FIELD OPERATIONS.

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