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Subj: Approval to visit Hong Kong 21-23 Mar 67~~
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Exec to LtGen L. W. WALT, Astor Hotel, Kowloon, Hong Kong
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- ~~44. CG III MAF 250942Z Mar 67 (UNCLAS)
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Accomplishments of III MAF units along the DMZ

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PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT
 FOLLOWING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN NORTHERN I CORPS SINCE
 27 FEB:

A. PRAIRIE II STATISTICS

ENEMY KIA - 329 CONFIRMED 244 PROBABLE

FRIENDLY KIA - 44 WIA-247

WPNS CAPTURED - 33 CREW SERVED OF WHICH 28 WERE 60/82MM MORTARS
 18 INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS

LARGE NUMBER OF MINES AND ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT
 ACTION CONTINUES AT A REDUCED PACE.

B. GIO LINH

OVER 800 RDS 82MM MORTAR FIRE RECEIVED SINCE 25 FEB. FRIENDLY
 FORCES SUSTAINED 3 WIA, INCLUDING 1 MED. EVAC. POSITIONS WELL DUG
 IN AND HEAVILY WIRED.

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C. KHE SANH (NIGHT 2-3 MARCH)

5 RDS 82MM MORTAR RECEIVED 0130 FOLLOWED BY 65 RDS AT 0345.

USMC CASUALTIES 2 KIA, 3 WIA, 1 CH-46 SEVERELY DAMAGED BUT
 REPAIRABLE; 1 CH-46 DAMAGED, REPAIRABLE LOCALLY; 1 UN-1E SLIGHTLY
 DAMAGED AND REPAIRED; 1 GENERATOR DAMAGED.

D. BOMBING OF LANG VII. (021515 MAR)

ESTIMATED CIVILIANS 100 KILLED, 175 WOUNDED. INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY.

PRESENCE OF FRAGMENTS FROM WEAPONS NOT USED BY IIX MAF AIRCRAFT
 AND OTHER PRELIMINARY EVIDENCE POINTS STRONGLY TO NO REPEAT NO
 USMC INVOLVEMENT. FOLLOWING RELIEF ACTIONS TAKEN BY IIX MAF FORCES:

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 WEATHER PERMITTED, 031130 MAR.

(3) APPROXIMATELY 140 TOTAL EVACUATED. MAXIMUM SUPPORT RENDERED
 IN SUPPORT OF CIVILIANS IN FORM OF FOOD, SHELTER, CLOTHING,
 MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND MEDICAL TREATMENT. THE SITUATION IS WELL
 UNDER CONTROL.

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There are all that have been brought out so far. There may be others.

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PERSONAL FOR COL KELLY FROM LTGEN WALT.

OPERATION BLACK JACK 23

1. I WAS INFORMED AT 1830 THIS DATE OF THE PLANS FOR CONDUCT OF OPERATION BLACKJACK23, BY LTCOL PARMLE. WHILE I STILL HOLD ONLY SKETCHY DETAILS OF THE OPERATION, IT IS APPARENT IT IS SIZEABLE IN SCOPE, INVOLVES EXTENSIVE ACTIVITIES WITHIN I CORPS AREA, AND HAS ALREADY INCLUDED CERTAIN PREPARATORY ACTIONS BY ELEMENTS OF THE US SPECIAL FORCES TEAM AT BATO.

2. COMUSMACV HOLDS ME RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL MILITARY OPERATIONS CONDUCTED UNDER US AUSPICES WITHIN I CORPS. BECAUSE OF THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES I DESIRE TO BE INFORMED IN ADVANCE OF ALL OPERATIONS PLANNED BY SPECIAL FORCES, OR ANYONE ELSE, WITHIN MY AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY. IN THIS INSTANCE, ONLY BECAUSE OF THE SHORT TIME REMAINING BEFORE EXECUTION OF THE PLAN AS I UNDERSTAND IT, AM I APPROVING ITS EXECUTION AND WILL BE PREPARED TO SUPPORT IT. TO DO

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OTHERWISE WOULD BE UNFAIR TO THE TROOPS PARTICIPATING AND VOID THE HARD PREPARATORY WORK THEY HAVE ALREADY PUT FORTH TO MAKE THEMSELVES READY.

3. HEREAFTER I EXPECT TO BE INFORMED IN ADVANCE OF PLANS FOR CONDUCT OF OPERATIONS IN MY AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY; AND I EXPECT TO BE SO INFORMED IN TIME TO RENDER A PROPER DECISION THAT IS FAIR TO THE TROOPS PARTICIPATING.

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**S E C R E T PERSONAL FOR GEN WESTMORELAND FROM LTGEN WALY
OPERATIONS IN CONCERT WITH 1ST CAVDIV VICINITY I CORPS- II CORPS
BORDER**

1. LTGEN LARSEN HAS PROPOSED A COORDINATED OPERATION ALONG OUR COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN QUANG NGAI AND BINH DINH AGAINST THE 22ND NVA REGT BY 1ST MARDIV AND 1ST CAVDIV FORCES. HE HAS FURTHER REQUESTED CLEARANCE FOR 1ST CAV FORCES TO OPERATE IN SOUTHERN QUANG NGAI AS FAR NORTH AS E-W GRID LINE 30 IN THE EASTERN SECTOR OF THE BORDER AREA. TIME FRAME OF PROJECTED OPERATIONS WAS TO HAVE BEEN IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

2. CG I CORPS HAS BEEN FOLLOWING CLOSELY THE SITUATION IN QUANG TIN PROVINCE IN THE HIEP DUC-THANG BINH-QUE SON AREA AND ENEMY ACTIVITIES THEREIN. HE HAS STRONGLY URGED THAT WE PARTICIPATE IN A COMBINED OPERATION COMMENCING AS SOON AS OUR FORCES CAN BE POSITIONED, AGAINST THE THIRD NVA REGIMENT WHICH WE BELIEVE TO BE LOCATED THERE, BECAUSE OF THE EXPOSED POSITION OF THE QUANG TIN PROVINCIAL CAPITAL.

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AND THE QUE SON DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, I HAVE CONCLUDED THAT MY COURSE OF ACTION BETWEEN THE TWO CONFLICTING REQUIREMENTS MUST LIE IN SUPPORTING GEN LAM AND HIS I CORPS EFFORTS. I HAVE THEREFORE RELUCTANTLY INFORMED CG IFFORV THAT WE DO NOT HAVE THE FORCES TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY WITH 1ST CAVDIV IN THIS INSTANCE.

3. THE REQUESTED CLEARANCE FOR 1ST CAVDIV TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS INTO SOUTHERN QUANG NGAI AS OUTLINED IN PARAGRAPH ONE ABOVE HAS HOWEVER BEEN GRANTED BY CG I CORPS THROUGH SI MARCH AND NOTIFICATION MADE TO CG IFFORV.

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 OPERATIONS ALONG I CORPS/II CORPS BOUNDARY.

A. YOUR 261010Z FEB67

B. MY 281354Z FEB67

1. I REGRET THE DELAY IN REPLYING TO YOUR MESSAGE, REF A. THE DELAY HAS BEEN OCCASIONED BY EXTENSIVE CONSIDERATION OF THE PROS AND CONS OF THE ACTIONS YOU PROPOSE.

2. AS INDICATED BY THE CLEARANCE FOR OPERATIONS TRANSMITTED BY REFERENCE B, I CONCUR IN YOUR PROPOSAL THAT 1ST CAVDIV BE PERMITTED TO MANEUVER INTO ICTZ AS FAR NORTH AS E-W GRID LINE 30, AND WISH 1ST CAVDIV GOOD HUNTING. I REGRETFULLY MUST DECLINE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR AN OPERATION ACTIVELY JOINING BOTH OUR FORCES AT THIS TIME. IN CONJUNCTION WITH MGEN LAM, CG I CORPS, AND BASED ON RECENT INTELLIGENCE I FIND IT NECESSARY THAT SUCH FORCES AS WE BOTH HAVE AVAILABLE IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE BE EMPLOYED IN ANOTHER AREA TO THE NORTH, BELIEVED OCCUPIED BY 3RD NVA REGT, GP-4

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SECRET PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AS DIRECTED BY PHONE CALL OF 28 FEB.

CURRENT ARTILLERY EMPLOYMENT IN PRAIRIE AREA TO INCLUDE DMZ AND NORTH OF DMZ.

1. THE PRESENT DEPLOYMENT OF ARTILLERY IN NORTHERN ICTZ, INCLUDING THAT EMPLOYABLE INTO AND NORTH OF THE DMZ IS PROVIDED FOR INFORMATION. INFO PRESENTED INCLUDES LOCATION, TYPE, MISSION, CONCEPT AND TYPE AND MAGNITUDE OF FIRES IS PRESENTED. WEATHER HAS SO FAR PRECLUDED DELIVERING OF OBSERVED FIRE AND OBSERVATION OF RESULTS OF FIRES DELIVERED IN AND NORTH OF THE DMZ.

CALIBER	NR TUBES	LOCATION
107MM (HOWAR)	6	BA LONG OP (YD 164402)
	6	DONG HA (ANTG SLF/BLT DEPLOYMENT)
105MM HOW (LVTH-6)	6	GUA VIET (YD 348695)
105MM HOW (SP)	6	DONG HA (YD 228603)

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	6	THOM SON LAM (YD 983542)
	6	CA LU OP (YD 211456)
105MM HOW (TWD)	6	GIO LINH OP (YD 210739)
	6	J.J. CARROLL (YD 066546)
	6	KHE SANH (YD 851415)
155MM HOW (SP)	4	DONG HA (YD 214597)
	2	CAM LO (YD 128589)
	4	J.J. CARROLL (YD 061546)
	2	THOM SON LAM (YD 984943)
155MM HOW (TWD)	2	KHE SANH (YD 851415)
175MM GUN (SP)	4	GIO LINH OP (YD 213741)
	6	J.J. CARROLL (YD 058543)
	2	THOM SON LAM (YD 983542)

2. THE MISSION OF ARTILLERY IN THE IMMEDIATE PRAIRIE AREA IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. ASSIGNED ARTILLERY SUPPORTS THE OVERALL EFFORT IN THE DEFENSE OF VITAL BASE AREAS, AIRFIELDS AND ANCILLARY FACILITIES AND THE CONDUCT OF OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE OPERATIONS IN THE DONG HA - CAM LO - THOM SON LAM AND KHE SANH AREAS, AND BY ITS MASS AND FLEXIBILITY MAKES POSSIBLE A STRONG POSTURE IN THE FACE OF A

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B. SUPPORTS COMBAT AND RECONNAISSANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN ASSIGNED
 RECON ZONES AND COVERS BY FIRE THE EXTENSIVE RECONNAISSANCE
 NETWORK ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT QUANG TRI PROVINCE.

C. PROVIDE FIRE SUPPORT, IN COORDINATION WITH ARVN ARTILLERY,
 FOR OPERATIONS EXECUTED WITH RVNAF IN ASSIGNED SECTORS.

D. SUPPORTS BY FIRE US/ARVN COMBAT OUTPOSTS, PROVINCE/DISTRICT
 CHIEF HQS AND RF/PT OUTPOSTS.

E. SUPPORTS BY FIRE THE REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

3. IN SUPPORT OF THE MISSION/ASSIGNMENTS OUTLINED PARA 2 ABOVE,
 22,489 MISSIONS EXPENDING 72,122 RDS ABL TYPES/ALL CALIBERS SINCE
 MIANG7. MISSION/TBT DATA AS FOLLOWS:

A. MISSIONS FIRED	OBS	UNOBS	K&I	TOTAL	MAF	ARVN
(1) 155 HOW	298	631	975	2104	2895	9
(2) 105 HOW	1024	6555	7616	15175	15113	62
(3) 4.2 MORT	54	925	810	1784	1783	1
(4) 175 GUN	99	3327		3426	3405	21
(5) TOTAL	1455	11638	9401	22489	22406	83
B. AMMO EXPENDED	ME	WP	ILL	TOTAL		

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(1) 155 HOW	6337	343	350	7030
(2) 105 HOW	45023	1813	2787	50423
(3) 4.2 MORT	4210	252	245	4707
(4) 175 GUN	9962			9962
(5) TOTAL	66332	2408	3382	72122

C. MISSIONS FIRED BY TYPE TARGET:

(1) INFILTRATION ROUTES	2,556
(2) HARBORING SITES	1,480
(3) SUSPECTED ASSEMBLY AREAS	1,584
(4) OP'S	797
(5) MORTAR POSITIONS	833
(6) DEFENSIVE POSITIONS	695
(7) WATER POINTS	315
(8) TOTAL	8,264

4. THE MISSION OF ARTILLERY FIRES IN AND NORTH OF THE DMZ, AS FIRED
 FROM CAMP CARROLL YD 053546 AND GIG BINH YD 213741 SUBSEQUENT TO
 25194Z, IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. TO AUGMENT AIR STRIKES AGAINST CLEARLY DEFINED MILITARY TARGETS
 IN THE DMZ AREA, PARTICULARLY AT NIGHT AND IN PERIODS OF BAD WEATHER

B. TO PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR LONG RANGE AERIAL RECONNAISSANCES BY

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ENGAGING ENEMY AT LONG RANGE TO DISCOURAGE THE USE OF THE DMZ AND THE AREA TO THE NORTH OF THE DMZ AS AN AA SITE.

C. TO INHIBIT THE USE OF THE DMZ AND AREA TO THE NORTH OF THE DMZ WITHIN THE RANGE OF ARTILLERY WEAPONS, AS A BUILD UP SITE BY SUSTAINED FIRE ON FORTIFIED POSITIONS, HARBORING SITES AND STORAGE AREAS.

D. TO INHIBIT ENEMY MOVEMENT OF MEN AND SUPPLIES SOUTH BY IMMEDIATE APPLICATIONS OF SUSTAINED FIRE ON OBSERVED ENEMY ACTIVITY.

(1) IN SUPPORT OF THE ABOVE, 196 MISSIONS HAVE BEEN FIRED EXPENDING 1387 ROUNDS OF 175MM AND 984 ROUNDS OF 105MM AMMUNITION AGAINST THE FOLLOWING CLEARLY DEFINED MILITARY TARGETS WITHIN AREA BOUNDED BY GRID LINES (YD 3684) TO (YD 1666), TO (YD 8988) TO (YD 9765).

5. EXTREME CARE HAS BEEN TAKEN NOT TO FIRE AT NON-MILITARY TARGETS. MILITARY TARGETS IN/NEAR BUILT UP CIVILIAN AREAS HAVE NOT RPT NOT BEEN FIRED ON. TARGETS FIRED ON TO DATE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

TARGET DESCRIPTION	105MM MISSION ROUNDS	175MM MISSION ROUNDS	TOTAL MISSION ROUNDS
A. ANTI-AIRCRAFT POSITIONS	37 286	40 312	77 598

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B. ANTI-AIRCRAFT AUTO-WEAPONS	9 164	14 111	23 275
C. COMMAND POSTS	- -	5 114	5 114
D. STAGING AREAS	- -	16 237	16 237
E. FORTIFIED POSITIONS	2 35	16 136	18 221
F. SOUTH BOUND CONVOYS	2 112	2 25	4 137
G. ARTILLERY POSITIONS	12 114	18 159	30 273
H. GRID SATURATION (TROOP CONCENTRATIONS)	- -	4 88	4 88
I. HARBOR SITES	12 223	1 5	13 228
TOTAL	74 984	116 1337	190 2321

6. TARGETING IS ACCOMPLISHED BY 111 MAW, 11 MAW, I CORPS AND 3D MARDIV ASSETS. TARGET LISTS ARE BEING CONTINUALLY UPDATED AND REVISED.

7. COORDINATION OF FIRES IS EFFECTED WITH 7TH AIR FORCE USING 3D MARDIV FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATION CENTER ASSETS AND 7TH AF AIRBORNE COMMAND POST.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PERSONAL FOR GEN WESTMORELAND FROM LTGEN WALT
 I AM MOST PLEASED TO REPORT THAT A ROUGH RIDER CONVOY CONSISTING OF
 68 VEHICLES TRAVERSED ROUTE NINE FROM DONG HA TO KHE SANH AND RETURN ON
 27 MAR 67 WITHOUT INCIDENT. INCLUDED IN THE CARGO WAS 3500 POUNDS OF
 RICE AND A LARGE QUANTITY OF CLASS IV AND V.
 SINCE KHE SANH HAD BEEN ISOLATED TO VEHICLE TRAFFIC FOR OVER TWO YEARS,
 I CONSIDER THE RESTORATION OF NATIONAL ROUTE NINE TO SERVICE TO BE AN
 EVENT OF GREAT TACTICAL, LOGISTICAL, AND ECONOMIC SIGNIFICANCE.
 PARTICULARLY GRATIFYING TO ME IS THE SUPREME EFFORT, PROFESSIONAL
 COMPETENCE AND ENGINEERING SKILL DISPLAYED BY THE ELEVENTH ENGR BN
 WHICH COMPLETED THE STRETCH FROM CALU TO KHE SANH IN ONLY TWO WEEKS.
 IT IS MY INTENTION TO CONTINUE IMPROVEMENTS TO ROUTE NINE AND RUN
 AN APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF CONVOYS.

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PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN WALT
 STONER 63A WEAPONS SYSTEM EVALUATION

1. INTERIM REPORT AT THE END OF PHASE XI TRAINING IS SUBMITTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION;
2. CO L, 3/1; 1ST PLAT, CO B, 1ST RECON BN; AND 3RD PLAT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO WERE DESIGNATED TEST UNITS AND SIX HOURS OF INST WERE CONDUCTED FOR ALL DESIGNATED TEST PERS PRIOR TO THE RECEIPT OF THE STONER 63A WPN ON 19FEB67.
3. THE FOLLOWING MARINES WERE TRAINED:
 - A. L/3/1 - 5 OFF 158 ENL
 - B. RECON UNITS - 2 OFF 42 ENL
 - R. RECON UNITS RECEIVED 21 HRS OF ADDITIONAL INST AND THE INF UNIT RECEIVED 16 1/2 HRS.
5. THE FOLLOWING AMMO TRAINING ALLOW WERE ESTABLISHED:

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- A. RIFLE & CARBINE - 210 RDS (RECON ELEMENTS FIRED 360)
- B. AUTOMATIC RIFLE - 500 RDS
- C. LIGHT & MEDIUM MGS - 1000 RDS
6. DURING THE TRNG PHASE, 66,120 RDS OF 5.56MM AMMO WERE EXPENDED.
7. I HAVE JUST SPENT AN HOUR AND A HALF WITH L/3/1 DISCUSSING WITH THEM THEIR EXPERIENCES WITH THE STONER SYSTEM TO DATE. GENERALLY SPEAKING, THEIR ACCEPTANCE OF THE WPN IS EXCELLENT. THEY HAVE HAD SOME MALFUNCTIONS BUT RELATIVELY FEW IN NUMBER EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF THE MGS WHERE THE MALFUNCTION IS CAUSED BY THE TRACER AMMO WHICH HAS LESS POWDER THAN THE BALL AMMO AND CONSEQUENTLY DOES NOT ACTUATE THE RECOIL MECHANISM WITH THE FORCE NECESSARY FOR PROPER FUNCTIONING. ANOTHER AREA OF DIFFICULTY HAS BEEN IN THE REMINGTON MANUFACTURED AMMO, LOT NO. 5150. THERE SEEMS TO BE QUITE A VARIANCE IN THE HARDNESS IN THE PERCUSSION CAP IN THIS LOT WHICH HAS CAUSED SOME DIFFICULTY. WE HAVE ELIMINATE THIS LOT OF AMMUNITION FROM THE TEST AND ARE NOW USING LAKE CITY WFGD AMMO WHICH DOES NOT HAVE TRACERS BUT HAS BALL AMMO THAT HAS PROVED TO BE EXCELLENT AND THERE HAVE BEEN PRACTICALLY NO STOPPAGES IN SEVERAL THOUSAND RDS THEY HAVE FIRED. SOME DIFFICULTY WAS ALSO ENCOUNTERED WHEN THEY WERE OPERATING IN

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VERY SANDY AREAS AND THEY HAD TOO MUCH LUBRICATION ON THEIR WPNS. THEY HAVE FOUND THAT IF THEY FIRE THEIR WEAPONS PRACTICALLY DRY, THEY OPERATE SATISFACTORILY--EVEN IN SANDY TERRAIN.

8. THE MEN SAY THEY PARTICULARLY LIKE THE WPN BECAUSE OF ITS LIGHTNESS IN WEIGHT, ITS BALANCE, ITS EASE OF HANDLING AND ITS POINTING CHARACTERISTICS. THEY WERE ESPECIALLY HIGH IN PRAISE OF THE PERFORMANCE OF THE WEAPON ON FULL AUTOMATIC. THEY SAID IT WAS EASY TO HOLD ON TARGET AND WAS VERY EFFECTIVE WHEN IT HIT THE ENEMY. SO FAR, THEY HAVE HAD 18 KILLS WITH THE STONER WPN.

9. THERE DOES SEEM TO BE EXCESSIVE WEAR ON SOME OF THE BOLTS. THE COMPANY COMMANDER CONTRIBUTES THIS TO THE SANDY TERRAIN THAT THEY HAVE BEEN OPERATING IN. HOWEVER, I FEEL IT COULD BE TOO SOFT A METAL. THERE HAVE BEEN OCCASIONS WHERE SUFFICIENT SAND BLOWN INTO THE RECEIVER HAS CAUSED THE WPN TO MALFUNCTION.

NCOs WHO ARE WORKING AS THE ARMOR EXPERTS WITH THIS TEST FEEL THAT A GREATER TOLERANCE IN THE MOVING PARTS WOULD ELIMINATE THE SAND DIFFICULTIES. I THINK THIS IS CONJECTURE.

10. A VERY CAREFUL RECORD IS BEING KEPT OF EVERY ROUND FIRED AND EVERY MALFUNCTION EXPERIENCED. I FEEL NOW THAT THE PROSPECTS ARE GOOD FOR A FAVORABLE SHOWING BY THIS WPN IN ALL CONFIGURATIONS, AND

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IF WE CAN GET THE AMMO DEFICIENCIES REMEDIED, THE STONER SYSTEM SHOULD BE MOST ACCEPTABLE AS A COMBAT WPN SYSTEM FOR THE MARCORPS. VERY RESPECTFULLY, LEV.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PERSONAL FOR MGEN'S NECKERSON, HOCKMUTH, ROBERTSHAW, AND BGEN HERBOLD FROM LTGEN WALT. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AWARDS IN CASES OF CASUALTIES INVOLVING MULTIPLE AMPUTATIONS.

1. AS YOU ARE WELL AWARE, IN VIEW OF THE NATURE OF THIS WAR, WE HAVE A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF CASUALTIES INVOLVING MULTIPLE AMPUTATIONS. DURING THE PERIOD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THESE INJURIES, EVERY EFFORT WITHIN OUR POWER SHOULD BE EXERTED TO ENCOURAGE THE INDIVIDUALS. THIS IS THE TIME THAT MEANINGFUL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS WHICH THESE MEN HAVE MADE WILL BE MOST EFFECTIVE, BOTH FOR THEIR WELFARE AND THE MORALE OF THE FORCE.
2. UNLESS THERE ARE OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS WHICH ARE MOST APPARENT, I DESIRE, AS A MATTER OF POLICY, THAT THESE MEN BE

PAGE TWO RUMSDN 1960 C O N F I D E N T I A L. RECOMMENDED FOR A COMBAT AWARD. THE AWARD MAY BE FOR HEROIC OR MERITORIOUS SERVICE AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE AND SHOULD BE THE HIGHEST AWARD CONSISTENT WITH GOOD JUDGMENT. THE RECOMMENDATION SHOULD BE MADE BY MESSAGE WHICH STRESSES THE URGENCY IN AN ATTEMPT TO HAVE THE AWARD APPROVED FOR PRESENTATION PRIOR TO MEDICAL EVACUATION OUT OF COUNTRY. INASMUCH AS EVACUATION USUALLY OCCURS WITHIN A WEEK TO TEN DAYS, THE UTMOST SENSE OF URGENCY MUST PREVAIL.

3. I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT I WILL RECEIVE YOUR COMPLETE COOPERATION AS ALWAYS, IN THIS MATTER. REGARDS LEW,

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PERSONAL FOR LTGEN LARSEN FROM LTGEN WALT
 EXTENSION OF ICTZ AREA OF OPERATIONS THRU APRIL 67

- A. CG I FFORV 151245Z MAR 67
- B. CG III MAF 311346Z JAN 67
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1. REF A REQUESTED THAT THE CURRENT AREA OF OPERATIONS IN S. QUANG NGAI WHICH WAS APPROVED BY REFERENCE B AS MODIFIED BY REF C, BE EXTENDED THROUGH APRIL.
2. APPROVAL OF YOUR INITIAL REQUEST FOR AN AREA OF OPERATIONS IN SOUTHERN QUANG NGAI WAS BASED ON THE EXPECTATION THAT OPERATION PERSHING WOULD ESTABLISH SIGNIFICANT CONTACTS WITH ENEMY FORCES; THAT THESE FORCES WOULD PROBABLY SEEK THE SANCTUARY OF THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN OUR TWO CORPS AREAS; AND THAT IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE FOR 1ST CAV DIV TO BE FREE TO PURSUE WHATEVER CONTACTS IT COULD ESTABLISH.

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- THE EXPECTED ACTIONS HAVE NOT MATERIALIZED, AND EXCEPT FOR TWO MINOR INSTANCES, THE AUTHORITY TO ENTER ICTZ HAS NOT BEEN REQUIRED.
3. BY REF D COMUSMACV HAS APPROVED CONSTRUCTION OF A C-130 CAPABLE AIRFIELD AT CHI TRUNG (BS 8939) IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE, AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A CIDG CAMP IN THE SAME AREA IN THE SAME TIME FRAME. THESE ACTIONS WILL HAVE THE EFFECT OF INCREASING THE LEVEL OF BOTH III MAF AND I CORPS ACTIVITY IN SOUTHERN QUANG NGAI.
 4. IN LIGHT OF THE FOREGOING, AND AFTER DISCUSSION WITH GEN LAM THE REQ FOR EXTENSION OF THE AUTHORIZED AREA OF OPS THROUGH APR IS NOT APPROVED. SHOULD HOWEVER YOUR OPS IN NORTHERN BINH DINH LATER INDICATE A NEED FOR AUTHORITY TO OPERATE AGAIN IN ICTZ A REQ FOR SAME WILL BE MOST EXPEDITIOUSLY ACTED UPON. I AM CONFIDENT THAT THIS ARRANGEMENT WILL BE ENTIRELY ADEQUATE AND WILL PERMIT EXPLOITATION OF WHATEVER CONTACTS MAY SUBSEQUENTLY BE DEVELOPED.
 5. I HOPE TO BE PRESENT AT THE 1ST CAV DIV CHANGE OF GND CEREMONY ON 1 APR, ALTHOUGH TACTICAL MATTERS, VIP VISITS OR BOTH MAY PREVENT IT. I WILL BE HAPPY TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER FURTHER WITH YOU AT THAT TIME, IF YOU WISH.

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IN A RECENT PHONE CONVERSATION WITH COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE
 CORPS HE EXPRESSED TO ME HIS INORDINATE PRIDE IN THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS
 DURING THE PAST MONTH OF THE XII MAF UNITS ALONG THE DMZ, ALONG THE
 SONG THU BON (2/5) AND "18 CLICKS SOUTH OF HO DUC" (3/7). HE
 ASKED THAT I CONVEY HIS COMPLIMENTS TO THOSE HEROIC, DEDICATED
 UNITS WHO HAVE ACHIEVED THIS MAGNIFICENT RECORD. PLEASE PASS
 THIS MESSAGE TO OUR DESERVING MARINES, ADDING TO IT MY OWN PROFOUND
 PERSONAL PRIDE AND APPRECIATION FOR THEIR WILLINGNESS AND PROFESSIONAL
 ABILITY TO ADD THESE LUSTROUS PAGES TO THE BOOK OF MARINE CORPS
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 ENEMY ATTACKS ON DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS

1. AS WE HAVE KNOWN FOR SOME TIME THE REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT CAMPAIGN IS A MENACE TO ENEMY OBJECTIVES, AND AS SUCH IS MARKED FOR STEPPED UP GUERRILLA ATTACK. WE NOW HAVE INDICATIONS OF MORE AGGRESSIVE TREND IN THE SAME DIRECTION AGAINST A KEY POINT IN THE RD STRUCTURE, THE DISTRICT/SUB-SECTOR HEADQUARTERS.
 2. IN THE PAST WEEK FOUR MAJOR ATTACKS HAVE BEEN MADE IN ICTZ AGAINST JUST SUCH INSTALLATIONS.

A. ON 7 MARCH QUONG DIEN DISTRICT (YD 680340), THUA THIEN PROVINCE ATTACKED BY MORTAR AND 57 MM RR. FIRE. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES 5 KILLED (INCL DIST CHIEF) 30 WOUNDED.

B. 11 MARCH THUONG DUC DISTRICT (ZC 150 535) QUANG NAM PROVINCE ATTACKED BY MORTAR, SMALL ARMS AND SACHEL CHARGES. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES 9 KILLED (INCL POLICE CHIEF), 12 WOUNDED (INCL DIST CHIEF). HQ BUILDING COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY SACHEL CHARGES.

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C. 11 MARCH PHU THU (YD 954154) THUA THIEN PROVINCE. ATTACKED BY MORTARS, RPG-2 ROCKET FIRE AND EST EN COMPANY. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES 33 KILLED INCL 3 US ADVISORS, 2 WOUNDED AND 2 MISSING. HQ BLDG COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY MORTAR AND SACHEL CHARGES.

D. 13 MARCH HIEU NHON (BT 165574). ATTACKED BY MORTAR, SACHEL CHARGES AND EST EN COMPANY. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES 19 KILLED (INCL 1 US ADVISOR, DIST CDR AND SON; AND THE FAMILY EMPLOYED BY ADVISOR TEAM). 17 WOUNDED (INCL 4 US ADVISORS. HQ BUILDING COMPLETELY DESTROYED, AS WAS ADJOINING HOUSE OCCUPIED BY ADVISOR TEAM. THREE ADDITIONAL MORTAR ATTACKS WERE MADE IN THE SAME PERIOD ON OTHER DISTRICT HQ WITH MINOR EFFECT.

3. IT MAY BE ARGUED THAT THESE ACTS ARE THOSE OF A DESPERATE ENEMY, BUT THIS DOES NOT ALTER THE FACT THAT THE ATTACKS ARE MOST DIFFICULT TO COUNTER, EVEN MORE IMPORTANT, THEY LEAVE DRAMATIC PSYCHOLOGICAL EVIDENCE THAT THE MAJOR SYMBOL OF GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY IN THESE AREAS. THE DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS HAS BEEN DESTROYED; THE RUINS ARE THERE FOR ALL TO SEE. I CONSIDER THIS PSYCHOLOGICALLY UNACCEPTABLE.

4. I HAVE THEREFORE CONCURRED WITH CG I CORPS THAT THE DESTROYED HEADQUARTERS BUILDINGS MUST BE IMMEDIATELY REBUILT, AND HAVE PROMISED ALL REASONABLE ASSISTANCE. THE VIETNAMESE WILL PERFORM THE

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 REBUILDING JOB, OF COURSE, BUT WILL REQUIRE MATERIEL ASSISTANCE FROM US. THIS I HAVE PLEDGED TO PROVIDE. LOCAL OCO OFFICIALS HAVE CONCURRED AND USAID ASSISTANCE HAS BEEN ASSURED. ALL THREE HEADQUARTERS ARE IN PROCESS OF REPLACEMENT.
 5. TO COUNTER FUTURE ATTACKS OF THE VITAL DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, CONTINGENCY PLANS BEING PREPARED FOR EACH SUCH HEADQUARTERS TO PROVIDE FOR IMMEDIATE REINFORCEMENT AND REACTION IN EVENT OF ATTACK THIS BEING DONE ON COORDINATE BASIS BY BOTH US AND ARVN FORCES, AND EMPLOYING ASSETS OF EACH. IN EACH OF THESE ATTACKS THE PF HAVE STOOD THEIR GROUND AND HAVE FOUGHT BRAVELY AND AS RESULT HAVE TAKEN HEAVY CASUALTIES. NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES AS LOCAL SECURITY NEED MORE EMPHASIS. IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT ARVN ARE BEING URGED MOST STRONGLY TO CONDUCT VIGOROUS LOCAL RECONNAISSANCE AND AMBUSHES IN VICINITY OF THESE KEY INSTALLATIONS. THE REACTION BY ARVN FORCES TO THESE ATTACKS HAS RANGED FROM EXCELLENT TO POOR. WE ARE PRESENTLY PLACING GREAT EMPHASIS ON BOTH SECURITY AND REACTION FORCES. THE PERSONNEL IN THESE ATTACKS HAVE INCLUDED A COMBINATION OF NVA, MAIN FORCES AND GUERRILLA. THE TERRORIST ASPECTS HAVE BEEN EMPHASIZED - GOUGED EYES, CUT THROATS AND PRISONERS KILLED WITH HANDS TIED BEHIND THEIR BACKS. WE ARE EXPLOITING THESE IN PSY WAR OPS.

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 VERY RESPECTFULLY, LEW.
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VISIT OF SENATOR HARRY F. BYRD JR

A. CNO 111649Z MAR 67

1. WILL BE DELIGHTED TO SEE SEN BYRD AND TO WELCOME HIM TO
I CORPS.

2. WE ARE ALWAYS HAPPY FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW MEMBERS
OF CONGRESS WHAT THE NAVY-MARINE CORPS TEAM IS DOING AND HOW
WE ARE DOING IT.

3. WILL DO ALL IN OUR POWER TO MAKE SEN BYRD'S TRIP BOTH
INTERESTING AND PROFITABLE. WARM REGARDS. LEW

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FIRST MARDIV ASSN SCHOLARSHIP FUND DRIVE

1. BY LTR OF 14 FEB TO ALL CO'S, SGTMAJ, AND 1STSGTS, CG FIRST MARDIV INITIATED A DRIVE WITH OBJECTIVES OF 100 PERCENT MEMBERSHIP IN THE DIV ASSOCIATION AND SUPPORT FOR THE ASSN SCHOLARSHIP FUND IN AMT OF \$100,000.
2. DIV ASSN CONSULTED AFTER DRIVE PLANNED FOR INFO ON ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THOSE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ASSN MEMBERSHIP AND REPLY RECEIVED THAT CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION, BUT NOT HONORARY ASSN MEMBERSHIP, NECESSARY IN VIEW PROVISIONS CHARTER OF ASSN AND INCOME TAX IMPLICATIONS.
3. DIV SGTMAJ WAS APPOINTED TO DIRECT THE DRIVE AND HE HAS HELD

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CONFERENCES WITH SENIOR NCO'S OF THE DIV. IT HAS BEEN MADE CLEAR THAT THIS DRIVE, LIKE OTHER SIMILAR ONES, IS TO BE SUPPORTED BY ONLY VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS. WHILE THE DRIVE HAS JUST STARTED, MUCH ENTHUSIASM HAS BEEN SHOWN BY BOTH SENIOR NCO'S AND MEN. IN FACT ONE UNIT IN DANANG AREA, NOT ATTACHED TO DIV, TENDERED UNSOLICITED CONTRIBUTION BEFORE DRIVE COMMENCED BASED ON VERBAL INFO THAT DRIVE WAS TO BE HELD BY DIV UNITS. I BELIEVE MOST EVALUATE THIS AS A WORTHY AND GOOD THING TO SUPPORT AND THAT THEY WANT TO BE A PART OF IT.

4. TO ASSURE PROPER ACCOUNTING AND HANDLING OF THE FUNDS RECEIVED, THE AREA AUDITOR HAS DEVELOPED A DIRECTIVE FOR APPROVAL WHICH CONTEMPLATES THAT SERGEANTS MAJOR AND FIRST SERGEANTS RECEIVE AND RECEIPT FOR ALL CONTRIBUTIONS, SUBMIT A WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT (WITH SUPPORTING COPIES OF THE RECEIPTS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS), AND MAINTAIN A LOG OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AND DELIVERED TO THE CUSTODIAN OF THE FUND. SGTMAJ OF HQBN AND SGTMAJ 7TH MAR, BOTH HIGHLY COMPETENT AND RELIABLE SENIOR NCO'S, ARE CUSTODIANS FOR DANANG AND CHU LAI TAOR'S RESPECTIVELY. BANK ACCOUNT ESTABLISHED BY AREA AUDITOR IN SAIGON AND FUND WILL BE AUDITED BY AREA AUDITOR. THIS IS A MISCELLANEOUS NONAPPROPRIATED FUND UNDER PARA 7002.3 OF

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SPECIAL SERVICES MANUAL, UNTIL CHECK FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUND IS DELIVERED TO DIV ASSN AT JUL REUNION IN MIAMI.

5. OFFICER AND NCO LEADERSHIP IS UNIFORMLY GOOD THROUGHOUT FIRST MARDIV AND CARE WILL BE EXERCISED TO INSURE THAT NO COERCIVE OR PRESSURE PRACTICES ARE USED.

6. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE DRIVE WILL RUN FROM 1 MAR TO 15 JUL. AT PRESENT AND PROJECTED STRENGTH OVER THIS FOUR AND ONE-HALF MONTHS, CONTRIBUTIONS OF ABOUT \$1 PER MAN PER MONTHLY PAYDAY WILL CAUSE DIV TO ACHIEVE SCHOLARSHIP FUND GOAL. EARLY CONTRIBUTIONS APPEAR TO BE BRINGING ABOUT \$5 TO \$10 FROM OFFICERS, ABOUT \$5 FROM SENIOR NCO'S AND ABOUT \$3 FROM SGT/BELOW. CO'S AND NCO'S ARE THUS OPTIMISTIC THAT THE FUND GOAL WILL NOT ONLY BE EASILY ACHIEVED, BUT THAT THE DRIVE ITSELF WILL HAVE A FAVORABLE IMPACT ON MORALE OF THE COMMAND.

7. BOTH MAJGEN NICKERSON AND I ARE FULLY AWARE OF THE WIDELY PUBLICIZED CONGRESSIONAL CONCERN OVER ALLEGATIONS OF PRESSURE, COERCION, AND GENERALLY UNSAVORY PRACTICES IN SOME GOVERNMENT AGENCIES DURING THE CONDUCT OF CHARITABLE FUND DRIVES AND SAVINGS BOND PROGRAMS. MAJGEN NICKERSON HAS ASSURED ME THAT SUCH PRACTICES WILL NOT BE CONDONED IN THIS SOLICITATION AND THAT ALL CO'S UNDERSTAND

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THAT PARTICIPATION MUST BE ABSOLUTELY VOLUNTARY. WHILE THERE IS ALWAYS DANGER OF OVERZEALOUS CONDUCT IN SUCH AFFAIRS, THE POSITIVE COMMAND INTEREST EVIDENT IN THIS CASE OFFERS THE BEST INSURANCE AGAINST SUCH CONDUCT. VERY RESPECTFULLY, LEW.

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PERSONAL FOR GEN GREENE AND LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN VALT
 THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL (DTG 091452Z) TO GEN WESTMORELAND IS
 RETRANSMITTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION: QUOTE. DEVELOPMENTS IN
 NORTHERN QUANG TRI

A. III MAF COC MSG 081433Z

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1. AIRLIFT OF ARVN AIRBORNE BATTALIONS WAS EXECUTED TODAY UNDER
 EXCEEDINGLY ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS IN A THOROUGHLY PROFESSIONAL
 FASHION. BY 1410 THE FIRST TWO BATTALIONS HAD LANDED AT DONG NA
 AND THE THIRD WAS WELL ON ITS WAY. AT THAT TIME, INCOMING AIRCRAFT
 WERE DIVERTED TO HUE-PHU BAY FOR FURTHER TRANSPORTATION TO DONG NA
 BY SURFACE MEANS. THEY ARE TO COMPLETE THE MOVEMENT BY ROUGH RIDER
 CONVOY.

2. DIVERSION OF AIRCRAFT NECESSITATED BY RAPIDLY DETERIORATING

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RUNWAY CONDITION AT DONG NA. CONTINUATION OF MONSOON SEASON HAS NOT
 PERMITTED EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE TO KEEP UP WITH HEAVY USAGE. RESULT
 IS THAT FIELD HAS HAD TO BE CLOSED TO C-130 TYPE TRAFFIC. OTHER
 TRAFFIC WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO BE CAREFULLY CONTROLLED. A MORE
 DETAILED REPORT WILL BE PROVIDED WHEN MORE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE.
 3. IN THE MEANTIME, PROVISIONS FOR LOGISTIC SUPPORT ARE BEING MADE
 INCLUDING INCREASED USE OF OVER THE ROAD MOVEMENTS, AND INCREASED
 WATER BORNE SHIPMENTS. IN THIS CONNECTION, INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE
 LST RAMP AND THE DREDGING OPERATION AT THE MOUTH OF THE CUA VIET
 RIVER WILL BE COMPLETED ON SCHEDULE, AND CAN BE USED COMMENCING
 15 MARCH.

4. TACTICAL PLANS FOR EXPLOITATION OF THE AIRLIFT COMPLETED TODAY
 ARE COMPLETED, AND WILL FOLLOW GENERALLY THE CONCEPT SET FORTH IN
 REF A. IF THE WEATHER CONTINUES BAD, AS EXPECTED, THE EFFORT WILL BE
 MADE ENTIRELY BY SURFACE MEANS; IF IT LIFTS, A PREFERRED ALTERNATE
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 SUPPORT FROM THE CRUISER CANBERRA CONTAINED IN REF B. EVEN WITHOUT
 THESE ASSETS, AND DESPITE EXPECTED BAD WEATHER, WE HOPE TO CATCH

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SOME SIGNIFICANT ELEMENTS OF NVA FORCES WE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE ARE IN THE AREA.

6. RECENT ENEMY ACTIVITY IN NORTHEASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE HAS BEEN DOMINATED BY UNUSUALLY HEAVY MORTARING OF GIO LYNH AND CON THIEN AND THE ROCKET MORTAR ATTACK OF CAMP CARROLL, AS WELL AS THE SOUTHWARD MOVEMENT OF THE 612TH NVA REGT.

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VERY RESPECTFULLY, LEW.

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 DEVELOPMENTS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI

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1. AIRLIFT OF ARVN AIRBORNE BATTALIONS WAS EXECUTED TODAY UNDER EXCEEDINGLY ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS IN A THOROUGHLY PROFESSIONAL FASHION. BY 1410 THE FIRST TWO BATTALIONS HAD LANDED AT DONG HA AND THE THIRD WAS WELL ON ITS WAY. AT THAT TIME, INCOMING AIRCRAFT WERE DIVERTED TO NUE-PHU BAI FOR FURTHER TRANSPORTATION TO DONG HA BY SURFACE MEANS. THEY ARE TO COMPLETE THE MOVEMENT BY ROUGH RIDER CONVOY.

2. DIVERSION OF AIRCRAFT NECESSITATED BY RAPIDLY DETERIORATING RUNWAY CONDITION AT DONG HA. CONTINUATION OF MONSOON SEASON HAS NOT PERMITTED EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE TO KEEP UP WITH HEAVY USAGE. RESULT IS THAT FIELD HAS HAD TO BE CLOSED TO C-130 TYPE TRAFFIC. OTHER TRAFFIC WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO BE CAREFULLY CONTROLLED. A MORE

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DETAILED REPORT WILL BE PROVIDED WHEN MORE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE

3. IN THE MEANTIME, PROVISIONS FOR LOGISTIC SUPPORT ARE BEING MADE INCLUDING INCREASED USE OF OVER THE ROAD MOVEMENTS, AND INCREASED WATER BORNE SHIPMENTS. IN THIS CONNECTION, INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE LST RAMP AND THE DREDGING OPERATION AT THE MOUTH OF THE CUA VIET RIVER WILL BE COMPLETED ON SCHEDULE, AND CAN BE USED COMMENCING 15 MARCH.

4. TACTICAL PLANS FOR EXPLOITATION OF THE AIRLIFT COMPLETED TODAY ARE COMPLETED, AND WILL FOLLOW GENERALLY THE CONCEPT SET FORTH IN REF A. IF THE WEATHER CONTINUES BAD, AS EXPECTED, THE EFFORT WILL BE MADE ENTIRELY BY SURFACE MEANS; IF IT LIFTS, A PREFERRED ALTERNATE EMPLOYING HELICOPTERS WILL OF COURSE BE USED.

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 A. UNCLAS NEWS FILE 03/5 FOR AFRTS BROADCAST 031749Z MAR 67
 1. YOUR STRONG UNEQUIVOCAL STAND IN SUPPORT OF U. S. AIR,
 ARTILLERY AND NAVAL BOMBARDMENTS OF NORTH VIETNAM HAS THE
 SINCERE AND DEEP APPRECIATION OF THE ENLISTED MEN AND OFFICERS
 OF III MAF.
 2. WE THANK YOU FOR GOING TO THE HEART OF THE MATTER HONESTLY,
 SIMPLY, AND DIRECTLY AS OUR COMMANDER AND FORTHRIGHT SPOKESMAN.
 IT IS WHAT WE HAVE LONG SINCE LEARNED TO EXPECT FROM YOU, BUT
 WE WANTED YOU TO KNOW YOU HAVE OUR FULL SUPPORT AND WARM
 ADMIRATION. VERY RESPECTFULLY, LEB
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 1. AS YOU HAVE STATED IN YOUR MESSAGE, IT IS NECESSARY TO RESOLVE
 THE QUESTION OF AREA COORDINATOR IN THE CURRENT TASK FORCE X-RAY
 AREA, PRIOR TO MOVEMENT OF PROJECT OREGON FORCES TO ICTZ.
 2. I CONCUR IN YOUR RECOMMENDATION AND WILL INSURE THAT IN DIRECTIVES
 TO FOLLOW ON EXECUTION OF OREGON, THE TASKS OF AREA COORDINATOR
 WILL BE PASSED FROM CG TASK FORCE X-RAY TO A DESIGNATED MARINE
 OFFICER OF APPROPRIATE RANK AT CHU LAI.
 3. VERY BEST REGARDS.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PERSONAL FOR CMC OFFICE IN RESPONSE
 TO CMC PHONE CALL 28728. FROM LTCOL DALL.

SUBJ: SUPPORT OF REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT

1. IN THE ICTZ THE ARVN IS PROVIDING TWELVE BNS IN DIRECT
 SUPPORT OF THE 1967 RD CAMPAIGN. ONE REGIONAL FORCE (RF)
 BN UNDER ARVN CONTROL IS ALSO IN DIRECT SUPPORT. TWO BNS
 EACH ARE DEPLOYED IN THE PROVINCES OF QUANG TRI, THUA
 THIEN, QUANG TIN, AND QUANG NGAI. FOUR ARVN BNS AND THE
 RF BN ARE DEPLOYED IN NATIONAL PRIORITY AREA IN QUANG NAM
 PROVINCE. ALL UNITS ARE TO PLACE BY 15 JANUARY, WITH
 EXCEPTION OF ONE BN UNDER GOING FORMAL RD TRAINING. THIS
 WILL BE THE STATUS UNTIL THE FORMAL TRAINING IS COMPLETED
 FOR TWO REMAINING BNS ON 9 APRIL (THIS IS ACCOMPLISHED ON
 ROTATIONAL BASIS). ALL OTHER BNS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF RD
 HAVE COMPLETED THEIR FORMAL TRAINING.

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2. THERE HAVE BEEN INDICATIONS AND CONCRETE EXAMPLES
 WHICH LEAD ME TO BELIEVE THAT THE ARVN UNITS ARE EXECUTING
 THEIR DUTIES IN THIS NEW ROLL IN A SATISFACTORY MANNER.

3. THE BATTALIONS IN SUPPORT OF CAMPAIGN IN NATIONAL
 PRIORITY AREA IN QUANG NAM HAVE READILY ADAPTED THEMSELVES
 TO THEIR MISSION. FOR EXAMPLE, TWO BATTALIONS ARE ENGAGED
 IN CLEARING AREAS HEAVILY POPULATED WITH VIET CONG SYM-
 PATHIZERS, AND INFESTED WITH MINES AND BOOBY TRAPS. LOCAL
 MARINE UNIT COMMANDER IS HIGH IN HIS PRAISE OF THEIR SMALL
 UNIT NIGHT OPERATIONS. ARVN ENGINEERS ARE BUSILY ENGAGED IN
 BUILDING RELOCATION CAMPS FOR REFUGEES. EVEN MORE IMPORTANT
 THAN WHAT THEY ARE DOING IS THE SINCERE ENTHUSIASM THEY ARE
 DISPLAYING IN THEIR DAILY TASKS.

4. I PERSONALLY HAVE OBSERVED TWO BATTALIONS UNDERGOING
 THIS TRAINING AND WAS FAVORABLY IMPRESSED. THEIR CIVIC
 ACTION TRAINING WAS REAL "ON THE JOB" TRAINING, CONDUCTED IN
 LOCAL HAMLETS. THEY COMPLETED ESSENTIAL PROJECTS FOR THE
 PEASANTS, SUCH AS CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS, BRIDGES AND WELLS.
 IN ONE INSTANCE A LOCAL VILLAGE CHIEF EXPRESSED HIS APPRE-
 CIATION ON BEHALF OF HIS PEOPLE FOR THE ASSISTANCE OF THE

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 ARVN. THE CHIEF STATED THAT THIS WAS THE FIRST OCCASION
 THAT ANYTHING HAS BEEN DONE FOR THE WELFARE BY EITHER THE
 GVN OR ARVN.

5. THE CORPS COMMANDER, MAJOR GENERAL LAM HAS LET IT BE
 KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE CORPS THAT HE CONSIDERS THIS TASK
 MOST IMPORTANT AND HE IS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE MISSION
 OF SUPPORTING THE RD CAMPAIGN.

6. INTEGRATED IN THIS CAMPAIGN WITH THE ARVN ARE THE
 POPULAR FORCES (PF) AND REGIONAL FORCES (RF). IN THE ICTZ
 THERE ARE 29 RF COMPANIES AND 184 PF PLATOONS ENGAGED
 IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF RD CAMPAIGN. ALL WERE IN PLACE BY
 15 JANUARY. A FORMAL TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THESE UNITS WILL
 COMMENCE 6 MARCH. THIS WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY MOBILE
 TRAINING TEAMS ON A ROTATIONAL BASIS.

7. THE US MARINES ARE INTIMATELY INVOLVED IN SUPPORTING
 THOSE ARVN FORCES IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF RD. TWO MARINE BNS
 AND FOUR REINFORCED COS DIRECTLY RELIEVED SIX ARVN BNS IN
 SIX DIFFERENT LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE ICTZ. ADDITIONALLY,
 MARINES ALSO RELIEVED A CIDG UNIT, WHICH IN TURN RELIEVED

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 AN ARVN BN THEREBY, FREEING A TOTAL OF SEVEN ARVN BNS FOR
 SUPPORT OF RD. IN ADDITION TO CARRYING OUT THEIR NORMAL
 OPERATIONS, MARINE UNITS HAVE PARTICIPATED IN PLANNING
 FOR SPECIFIC SUPPORT OF RD OPERATIONS. THIS INCLUDES
 PLANNING FOR QUICK REACTION FORCES, ARTILLERY, AND CLOSE
 AIR SUPPORT DIRECTED TO IMPROVING THE SECURITY OF THOSE
 AREAS IN WHICH THE EMPHASIS ON RD IS PLACED. THE CACS
 ARE MAKING A CONSIDERABLE AND VITAL CONTRIBUTION IN
 SUPPORT OF RD; THERE ARE FORTY CACS NOW LOCATED IN THE
 NATIONAL AND PROVINCE PRIORITY AREAS. THEIR EFFORTS
 RESULT NOT ONLY IN THE IMPROVEMENT OF LOCAL SECURITY AND
 INCREASED EFFICIENCY OF THE POPULAR FORCES, BUT THEIR
 EMPHASIS ON LOCAL CIVIC ACTION IS HAVING A GREAT IMPACT.
 EXTENSIVE MARINE OPERATIONS AGAINST GUERRILLAS IN GENERAL
 AREAS OF INITIAL EMPHASIS ON THE RD EFFORT ARE DECREAS-
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 ULATION. FOR EXAMPLE IN SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS AGAINST
 GUERRILLAS SINCE 1 JANUARY TO 23 FEB MARINES HAVE KILLED
 1962 CONFIRMED, 1988 PROBABLE; AND CAPTURED 308. MARINES
 HAVE ALSO EXPANDED THEIR CIVIC ACTION PROGRAM. FOR EXAMPLE

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 IN JANUARY 109,248 VIETNAMESE RECEIVED MEDICAL TREATMENT
 VERSUS 82,183 IN DECEMBER 1966; ACTIVE MEDCAP TEAMS INCR-
 EASED FROM 220 TO 250; MEDICAL TRAINEES INCREASED
 23 TO 54; ENGLISH CLASSES FROM 170 TO 265; THE TOTAL
 VIETNAMESE ASSISTED INCREASED FROM 111,733 TO 143,311.
 SINCE 1 JANUARY GREATER EMPHASIS IS BEING PLACED ON SUCH
 LONG RANGE PROJECTS AS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF LIVESTOCK,
 AGRICULTURAL, AND FISHERY COOPERATIVES, ALL DESIGNED TO
 IMPROVE THE LOCAL ECONOMY, AND PAVE THE WAY FOR SUCCESSFUL
 NATION BUILDING.

6. IN SUMMATION IT IS A LITTLE PREMATURE TO PRESENT AN
 ACCURATE EVALUATION AND FORECAST OF ARVNS PERFORMANCE
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