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ARG/SLF EMPLOYMENT

1. I DESIRE TO MAKE CLEAR MY POLICY REGARDING EMPLOYMENT OF THE ARG/SLF. FIRST AND FOREMOST, I WANT THE ARG/SLF USED IN AN AMPHIBIOUS ROLE IAW CURRENT DOCTRINE FOR AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS.
 2. US NAVAL SUPPORT OPERATIONS BY ELEMENTS OF THE SEVENTH FLT ARE BASED ON AGREEMENT BETWEEN CINCPACFLT AND COMUSMACV. ARG/SLF'S ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE TO III MAF FOR EMPLOYMENT AGAINST TIME SENSITIVE TARGETS AND AS CORPS RESERVE IAW APPROVED QUARTERLY EMPLOYMENT SCHEDULES.
 3. I DESIRE THAT FUTURE EMPLOYMENT OF THE ARG/SLF BE IN CONSONANCE WITH OUR AMPHIBIOUS DOCTRINE AND BE BASED ON BEST III MAF INTELLIGENCE ESTIMATES. GP-4
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**SECRET SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR GEN WESTMORELAND FROM
LIGEN CUSHMAN INFO MGEN TOMPKINS**

1. REEVALUATION OF ARTY SITUATION IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE RESULTS IN
THE FOLLOWING:

A. AT PRESENT EIGHT 175MM GUN TUBES ARE LOCATED AT DONG HA. THESE I
AGREE DO NOT TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE ENTIRE RANGE CAPABILITY FAN. HOWEVER,
THE MAJOR ARTILLERY THREAT TO OUR FORCES IN EASTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE
LIES EAST OF NS GRID LINE 10 AND IN THE CAP LAY AREA AND I CONSIDER THAT
WITH THE RANGE CAPABILITY OF THE ENEMY'S 130MM GUNS, PLUS THE FACT THAT
STROMS AND NVA CD GUNS AT CAP LAY MILITATE AGAINST MY RELYING COMPLETELY
ON NGF AS A FULL TIME SUBSTITUTE, IT IS NECESSARY THAT A MINIMUM OF FOUR
175MM GUNS BE MAINTAINED IN NE QUADRANT QUANG TRI PROVINCE, I.E., C-1
POSITION. THIS WAS PROVIDED FOR IN OUR DYEMARKER ORDER 13-67. COL JONES,
CO 108 FAG, CONCURS.

THERE ARE TEN 175MM GUNS CURRENTLY LOCATED AT CAMP CARROLL AND TWO

PAGE TWO RUMSAK 1399 **SECRET SPECAT EXCLUSIVE**

175MM GUNS AT THON SON LAM. FROM THESE POSITIONS, IT IS POSSIBLE TO MASS
FIRES IN SUPPORT OF KHE SAN AND IN THE AREA NORTH OF THE BEN HAI RIVER
OPPOSITE CON THIEN AND GIO LINH.

IN SUMMARY, TO PROVIDE MASSED FIRES AGAINST THE ENEMY'S CAPABILITY TO
MASS TROOPS AND FIREPOWER AGAINST ANY OF OUR DMZ POSITIONS THE FOLLOWING
DISPOSITION OF 175MM GUNS SEEMS OPTIMUM AND IS BEING MADE.

- A. FOUR - AT C-1 (C-1 TO BE COMPLETED BY 1 JAN)
- B. FOUR - AT EITHER C-3, C-2 OR CAM LO (ASAP)
- C. TEN - CAMP CARROL (CURRENTLY LOCATED)
- D. TWO - THON SON LAM (CURRENTLY LOCATED)

MY ESTIMATE OF THE ENEMY THREAT AND THE NUMBER OF OUR WEAPONS
AVAILABLE TO COUNTER THIS THREAT INDICATE THAT THE ABOVE DISPOSITION
REPRESENTS THE OPTIMUM COVERAGE THAT CAN BE OBTAINED UNDER PRESENT
CIRCUMSTANCES. FINALLY, THE MOBILITY OF THE 175 PERMITS EXPEDITIOUS
DISPLACEMENT TO COUNTER SHIFTS IN THE ENEMY THREAT.

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1. MY PRESENT PLANS WITH REGARD TO POSITION A-3 ARE:
 - A. WITHIN FORCE AND MATERIAL CAPABILITIES, FOCUS MAXIMUM EFFORT TOWARD COMPLETION OF POSITION A-3 PRIOR TO 22 DEC.
 - B. CONCURRENT WITH THIS CONSTRUCTION EFFORT, I HAVE DIRECTED/REQUESTED A FIRE SUPPORT PLAN TO PROVIDE MAXIMUM AIR/NGF/ARTY FIRES ON ENEMY ASSEMBLY/TROOP CONCENTRATION AREAS AND TARGETS WHICH CAN BRING FIRE TO BEAR ON POSITION A-3.
 - C. UPON COMPLETION OF POSITION A-3, ONE MARINE BATTALION WILL OCCUPY POSITION WHILE REMAINDER MARINE FORCES CURRENTLY DEPLOYED THIS VIC WILL BE WITHDRAWN FROM EXPOSED AREA.
 - D. I HAVE REQUESTED CG I CORPS TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE ONE ARVN BN TO SCREEN AND SECURE ACCESS ROAD FROM A-2 TO A-3 UNTIL AFTER 1 JAN.
 - D. SUBSEQUENT TO 1 JAN MARINE FORCES WILL CONTINUE TO OCCUPY

PAGE TWO RUMSAK 1154 S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR A-3 AND WILL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY ACCESS ROAD FROM A-2 TO A-3 WHILE ARVN BN REDEPLOYS TO THE EAST TO SCREEN AND SECURE INSTALLATION OF SPOS FROM SEA TO A-1 AND FROM FLOOD PLAIN TO A-2. ESTIMATE COMPLETION OF THIS PORTION OF THE OBSTACLE ABOUT 10 FEB 68.
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LTGEN CUSHMAN. MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY SECTION ONE OF TWO
A. CG FMFPAC 052218Z

1. MY REPLY TO AMB KOMER'S QUESTION TO CORDS DANANG IS QUOTED
BELOW: QUOTE

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A. FONECON AMBASSADOR KOMER - MR. CROSS 9NOV67

1. REF A REQ STUDY TO ASCERTAIN WAYS FOR INCREASED USE OF COMBINED
ACTION PLATOONS IN REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT. FOR PURPOSES OF
THIS STUDY, REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT IS DEFINED IN BROAD SENSE
AS ESTABLISHMENT OF GVN INFLUENCE IN HAMLET AND VILLAGES; OR
REESTABLISHMENT OF GVN INFLUENCE IN HAMLETS AND VILLAGES WHERE

PAGE TWO RUMSAK 0726 **C O N F I D E N T I A L** SPECAT EXCLUSIVE MCEO.
VC HAVE ELIMINATED THAT INFLUENCE. REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT IS
NOT DEFINED HEREIN AS THOSE ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN BY RD TEAMS
WHICH ARE TEMPORARILY LOCATED IN A GIVEN HAMLET.

2. COMBINED ACTION PLATOONS REPRESENT CONSIDERABLE INVESTMENT OF
AMERICAN RESOURCES TO ACCOMPLISH ONE BASIC MISSION--TERRITORIAL
SECURITY--THROUGH ONE PRINCIPAL MEANS--IMPROVEMENT OF RVN
POPULAR FORCES, WHOSE MAIN MISSION IS TERRITORIAL SECURITY.
DURING PAST TWO YEARS THE CAPS HAVE ACHIEVED AN ENVIABLE RECORD
IN THEIR BASIC MISSION AS STATED ABOVE. THE PF AND CAP MISSION
OF PROTECTING TERRITORY EXTENDS TO CERTAIN SPECIFIC AREAS WHICH
DIFFER ACCORDING TO LOCAL SITUATION. CAPS PROTECT LOCS; POPUL-
ATION CENTERS; AND BY EXTENSION, RD CAMPAIGN AREAS. THE CAPS, BY
THEIR EXISTENCE IN GIVEN AREAS, ALSO DENY THE VC ACCESS FOR
RECRUITMENT, TAXATION, PROPAGANDA, AND MILITARY STAGING. MOST
IMPORTANT OF ALL, CAPS HAVE DEMONSTRATED THEY WILL STAY AND THAT
VC WILL EVENTUALLY LOSE. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT 280,000 VIETNAMESE
HAVE BEEN PROVIDED CREDITABLE SECURITY THROUGH THIS PROGRAM; THE
GOAL FOR CY 67 IS TO PROVIDE THIS LEVEL OF SECURITY FOR 15 PERCENT
OF TOTAL POPULATION OF ICTZ.

3. THE RD TEAMS ESTABLISH OR REESTABLISH GVN INFLUENCE IN HAMLETS

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PAGE THREE RUMSAK 0726 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE MCEO AND VILLAGES FOR A SPECIFIC LIMITED TIME. IN RD TERMS, THAT INFLUENCE IS MEASURED IN QUALITY AND DURABILITY OF GVN INFLUENCE RD TEAMS LEAVE BEHIND I.E., ELECTED OFFICIALS, PUBLIC WORKS. TEACHERS, HEALTH WORKERS, LAND REFORM AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS FOR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. PERMANENT MEASURE OF RD IS WHETHER OR NOT THESE GVN SERVICES ARE ESTABLISHED IN THE HAMLETS AND FUNCTION EFFECTIVELY.

4. CAPS OBVIOUSLY CANNOT PRODUCE THESE ESSENTIAL GVN SERVICES, BUT THEY CAN PROVIDE A SECURITY UMBRELLA UNDER WHICH SUCH TASKS COULD BE ACHIEVED. IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE TO BRING GVN TECHNICAL SERVICES AT PROVINCE LEVEL TO OPERATE IN HAMLETS WHERE CAPS ARE LOCATED AND TO TRAIN IN PLACE PERMANENT HAMLET CADRE IN VARIOUS TECHNICAL SPECIALTIES. INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF CAP UNITS COULD ASSIST IN PROCESS IF QUALIFIED BUT CAPS THEMSELVES WOULD NOT ORGANIZATIONALLY BE CONNECTED WITH GVN EFFORT.

5. THE CAP PROGRAM ALSO CAN AND DOES PROVIDE INDIRECT SUPPORT TO EFFORTS OF RD TEAMS THEMSELVES. WHEN A CAP IS LOCATED ADJACENT TO AN RD HAMLET THE COORDINATED SECURITY INCREASES OPPORTUNITIES FOR EFFECTIVE RD TEAM OPERATIONS. THIS ASPECT WAS IMPORTANT IN RECENTLY COMPLETED PLANNING FOR PLACEMENT OF LATEST INCREMENT

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PAGE FOUR RMYAMC 0726 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE MCEO OF CAPS.

6. FOLLOWING PARAS COMPARE FUNCTIONS OF CAP WITH ELEVEN CRITERIA OF AP DOI MOI AND ASSESS POSSIBLE DEGREE OF PARTICIPATION BY CAPS.

CRITERION NUMBER 1: IDENTIFICATION AND DESTRUCTION OF THE VC INFRASTRUCTURE. DISCUSSION: A PRIMARY MISSION OF COMBINED ACTION PROGRAM IS, "TO DESTROY THE VC INFRASTRUCTURE WITHIN THE HAMLET AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY." EACH CAP MAINTAINS A "BLACK LIST" CONTAINING DATA ON KNOWN AND SUSPECTED VC. CAPS ALSO CONDUCT ACTIVE PATROLLING AND AMBUSHES WHICH BECOME CONTROL MEASURES OVER FAMILIES OF COMMUNITY. THE CAPS MAINTAIN SKETCHES OF HAMLET AND VILLAGE AREAS INCLUDING BUILDINGS, DEFENSIVE POSITIONS, AND TOPOGRAPHICAL FEATURES. CENSUS TAKING, FIXING CURFEW HOURS AND THE CHECK POINT SYSTEM ARE FUNCTIONS OF GVN AND NOT THAT OF AMERICANS.

CRITERION NUMBER 2: ELIMINATION OF CORRUPT HAMLET AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS. DISCUSSION: THIS FUNCTION IS ESSENTIALLY CENSUS GRIEVANCE AND NOT IN THE PURVIEW OF U.S. PERSONNEL.

CRITERION NUMBER 3: REJUVENATION OF HAMLET MORALE. DISCUSSION: CAPS ALREADY ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, PROVIDE MILITARY TRAINING, ESTABLISH ALARM SYSTEMS, SPONSOR SPORTS AND COMMUNITY SPIRIT. HOWEVER, MAJORITY

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PAGE FIVE RUMSAK 0726 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE MCEO OF FUNCTIONS UNDER THIS CRITERION ARE VIETNAMESE RESPONSIBILITIES; EDUCATION OF CHILDREN, ENCOURAGING USE OF THE VIETNAMESE LANGUAGE IN SONG AND SPEECH, ENCOURAGING DRAFT AGE YOUTHS TO REGISTER, ETC. CRITERION NUMBER 4: ESTABLISH POPULAR GOVERNMENT AND SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS. DISCUSSION: CAP MARINES SHOULD NOT BECOME DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN HAMLET ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION. CRITERION NUMBER 5: ORGANIZATION OF THE VILLAGE DEFENSE. DISCUSSION: THESE TASKS COINCIDE WITH THE PRIMARY MISSIONS OF THE CAPS: ORGANIZING, TRAINING, PREPARING VILLAGE DEFENSES. CRITERION NUMBER 6: IMPROVE LITERACY. DISCUSSION: WHILE THE CAPS DO ASSIST IN BUILDING SCHOOL ROOMS AND DISTRIBUTING BOOKS, THEY ARE NOT LINGUISTICALLY SCHOOLED AND TRAINED NOR SHOULD AMERICAN PERSONNEL BECOME INVOLVED IN THIS PROGRAM WHICH ATTEMPTS TO ORIENT THE PEOPLE TOWARD THE GVN. CRITERION NUMBER 7: ELIMINATE DISEASE AND UNSANITARY CONDITIONS. DISCUSSION: CAP MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE HAMLET BY THE ATTACHED CORPSMAN HAS BEEN EMINENTLY SUCCESSFUL. SOME 24,000 VIETNAMESE ARE TREATED WEEKLY BY THESE CORPSMEN. THE MARINES ENCOURAGE PERSONAL HYGIENCE BY EXAMPLE AND ADDITIONALLY ASSIST IN WELL DIGGING, IRRIGATION DITCH CLEANING AND ASSIST THE HAMLET MIDWIFE OR NURSE.

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PAGE SIX RUMSAK 0726 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE MCEO HOWEVER, THE SINGLE NAVY CORPSMAN CANNOT ALSO BE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY HEALTH ADMINSTRATOR AND MEDICAL AUTHORITY. SUCH ARE BEYOND HIS SCOPE AND ABILITIES. CRITERION NUMBER 8: DEVELOPMENT LAND REFORM. DISCUSSION: CAP NOT TECHNICAL QUALIFIED. CRITERION NUMBER 9: DEVELOP AGRICULTURE AND HANDICRAFT INDUSTRIES. DISCUSSION: THE CAP IS PREPARING TO ASSIST IN THE 4-I PROGRAM IN I CORPS, EXPERIMENTING WITH NEW VARIETIES OF RICE AT CAP HAMLETS, AND ESTABLISHING TRUCK FARMS, ETC. TO INCREASE THIS EFFORT WOULD REQUIRE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, TRAINING, AND LANGUAGE SUPPORT. CRITERION NUMBER 10: IMPROVE COMMUNICATIONS. DISCUSSION: CAPS CURRENTLY AID THE VILLAGERS IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF ROADS, PATHS, AND THE LIKE BUT TO ESTABLISH POST OFFICES AND RADIO SYSTEMS IS BEYOND THEIR TECHNICAL RESOURCES. CRITERION NUMBER 11: MERITORIOUS TREATMENT OF COMBATANTS. DISCUSSION: THE FIRST VIETNAMESE SOLDIER TO BE DECORATED BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WAS A CAP POPULAR FORCE SOLDIER AND SINCE THEN OTHERS HAVE FOLLOWED. HOWEVER, GVN MUST TAKE LEAD IN RECOGNITION OF ITS OWN PEOPLE. 7. CAPS ARE ALREADY PLAYING A HIGHLY USEFUL ROLE IN RD IN ICTZ

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN KRULAK FROM LTGEN CUSHMAN, MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY FINAL SECTION OF TWO PRINCIPALLY BY PROVIDING CLIMATE OF SECURITY AND DENYING VC ACCESS TO POPULATION IN HAMLETS WHERE THEY ARE LOCATED BUT ALSO IN HELPING WITH SOME OF THE RD CRITERIA.

B. IN SUMMARY CAPS CAN:

- (1) IDENTIFY AND ELIMINATE THE VC INFRASTRUCTURE.
- (2) COMPOSE "BLACK LISTS".
- (3) ESTABLISH PROTECTIVE MEASURES OVER HAMLET THROUGH PATROLLING.
- (4) MAINTAIN SKETCHES OF HAMLET AND VILLAGE AREAS INCLUDING BUILDINGS, DEFENSIVE POSITIONS, TOPOGRAPHICAL FEATURES.
- (5) ENCOURAGE SANATION BY MEDACPS AND PERSONAL EXAMPLE.

A. CAPS CAN IN PART:

- (1) ASSIST IN COMMUNITY PROJECTS.
- (2) ASSIST IN HAMLET MILITARY TRAINING
- (3) ESTABLISH ALARM SYSTEMS.

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- (4) SPONSOR SPORTS EVENTS.
 - (5) ORGANIZE, TRAIN, AND PREPARE HAMLET DEFENSES.
 - (6) ASSIST IN BUILDING CLASSROOMS AND DISTRIBUTING BOOKS.
 - (7) ASSIST IN WELL DIGGING, IRRIGATION DITCH CLEANING, AND OTHER CIVIC ACTION TYPE PROGRAMS.
 - (8) ASSIST IN DEVELOPING AND MAINTAINING VILLAGE LINES OF COMMUNICATION.
 - (9) ENCOURAGE RECOGNITION OF COMBATANTS AND THEIR FAMILITES.
- B. CAPS REQUIRE TECHNICAL HELP FOR:
- (1) PURSUING AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENTS.
 - (2) FOR ESTABLISHING 4-T PROGRAM.
 - (3) DEVELOPMENT OF HANDICRAFTS ON A LARGE BASIS.
 - (4) EXPANDING COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM.
- C. CAPS CANNOT:
- (1) ENGAGE IN CENSUS GRIEVANCE.
 - (2) DEVOTE FULL TIME TO PUBLIC SANITATION.
 - (3) ENTER ACTIVELY INTO HAMLET AND VILLAGE POLITICAL AFFAIRS.

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2. JOHN CHAISSON HAS THUS FAR BEEN UNABLE TO LOCATE A MACV STUDY PER SE. WARM REGARDS.

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A. CG III MAF 011216Z DEC 67

1. AS RESULT OF RANDOM INSPECTION OF RIFLES FROM 3 BNS OF 1ST
 MARDIV, 55 PERCENT (406 OF 737) REPLACED DUE TO PITTED CHAMBERS.
 BY REF A I HAVE DIRECTED IMMEDIATE INSPECTION AND REPLACEMENT AS
 REQ ALL REMAINING 1ST INCREMENT RIFLES. REPLACEMENT OF RIFLE DOES
 NOT MEAN THAT IT IS UNSERVICEABLE. PITTED CHAMBER, HOWEVER,
 INCREASES PROBABILITY OF EXTRACTION MALFUNCTIONS.

2. ON 1 DEC 67, REPORTER FROM BALTIMORE SUN CONTACTED THIS HQ
 WITH GARBLED VERSION OF THE ABOVE INSPECTION IN WHICH HE CLAIMED

PAGE TWO RUMSAK 0310 S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR
 THAT 50 PERCENT OF RIFLES OF CERTAIN UNITS HAD BEEN REPLACED UNDER
 COMBAT CONDITIONS DUE TO MALFUNCTIONS. HE CLAIMED HIS INFORMATION
 WAS BASED ON A CONVERSATION HE HAD WITH 2 MARINES AT UNDISCLOSED
 TIME AND PLACE. FORCE ISO TALKED WITH THIS REPORTER AND GAVE HIM
 FACTS OF THE CASE.

3. IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE SUCH INCIDENTS IN FUTURE, AND TO MAIN-
 TAIN CONFIDENCE IN WEAPON, IT IS DESIRED THAT PREVENTIVE PURPOSE
 OF CURRENT INSPECTION/REPLACEMENT PROGRAM SET FORTH IN REF A BE
 FULLY DISSEMINATED TO ALL MARINES OF YOUR COMMANDS.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN KRULAK
 FROM LTGEN CUSHMAN

1. RECENT POSITIVE OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL ACTIONS AND COMMENTS LEAD ME TO BELIEVE THAT MACV HAS TOTALLY DISCOUNTED THE COMBINED ACTION PROGRAM.
2. ON 23NOV THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR COMBINED ACTION PROGRAM WENT TO SAIGON AS AN INVITED LECTURER TO GIVE THE COMBINED ACTION PROGRAM BRIEFING FOR THE SECOND TIME AT THE JUSPAO ADVISORS ORIENTATION BRIEFING, A HIGH LEVEL MONTHLY MACV SCHOOL DESIGNED TO PROVIDE HIGH RANKING CIVILIAN AND MILITARY OFFICIALS WITH A SURVEY OF CORDS PROGRAMS IN VIETNAM.
3. HE WAS ADVISED THAT AMB KOMER HAD CALLED FROM WASHINGTON EXPRESSLY TO ORDER THAT THE COMBINED ACTION PROGRAM BRIEFING BE CANCELLED. THE BRIEFING WAS THEREFORE CANCELLED BY THE CORDS TRAINING OFFICER.
4. A COMBINED ACTION PROGRAM HQ STAFF OFFICER WHO WAS ATTENDING

PAGE TWO RUMSAK 0144 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR THE FULL WEEKS COURSE, WAS EARLIER IN THE WEEK TOLD IN OPEN SESSION BY THE SENIOR MACV RF/PF ADVISOR IN REPLY TO A QUESTION ON THE COMBINED ACTION PROGRAM IN THE PF TRAINING CLASS, THAT MACV HAD STUDIED THE PROGRAM AND FOUND IT TO BE A FINE ONE BUT TOO EXPENSIVE IN MANPOWER.

5. AMB KOMER EARLIER ASKED CORDS DANANG TO STUDY THE COMBINED ACTION PROGRAM IN LIGHT OF ITS HIGH EXPENSE IN MANPOWER. THE STUDY WAS CONDUCTED AND MESSAGE REPLY MADE BUT IT APPEARS OBVIOUS THAT SAIGON HAS ALREADY CONCLUDED THAT THE COMBINED ACTION PROGRAM IS TOO EXPENSIVE TO CONTINUE.

6. SEVERAL OTHER UNOFFICIAL COMMENTS RECEIVED BY CREDITABLE SOURCES POSITIVELY INDICATE THAT COMUSMACV DISAPPROVES OF THE COMBINED ACTION PROGRAM AND ESPECIALLY ITS FURTHER EXPANSION.

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A. COMUSMACV 11469 DTG 280712Z NOV 67

- 1. REF A (BY OTHER MEANS) REFERS
- 2. IT IS MY OPINION THAT CURRENT INFLUX OF REFUGEES IS DUE TO TWO BASIC CAUSES:

(A). TERRORISM AND TAXATION BY ENEMY HAVE INCREASED DUE TO CONTINUED MILITARY PRESSURE WHICH DENIED ENEMY FOOD PROCUREMENT OPPORTUNITY DURING HARVEST SEASON. FURTHER, BASE POPULATION SUBJECT TO ENEMY TAXATION HAS DECREASED RESULTING IN HEAVIER DEMANDS ON THOSE UNDER VC INFLUENCE.

(B) AN UNKNOWN PERCENTAGE OF REFUGEES ARE LEAVING HOMES TO AVOID BATTLEFIELD HAZARDS. OF THESE SOME WILL RETURN AFTER OPERATION TERMINATES.

- 3. MAJORITY OF REFUGEES ARE LEAVING THEIR HOMES VOLUNTARILY WHEN OPPORTUNITY IS PRESENTED.

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4. TO ESTABLISH FACTUAL BASIS TO BE USED DURING SENATOR KENNEDY'S VISIT, I HAVE REQUESTED CG I CORPS TO CONDUCT INTERVIEWS OF A LARGE SAMPLING OF REFUGEES TO DETERMINE THEIR STATED CAUSE FOR TURNING TO THE GVN.

5. TO TAKE ANY ACTION TO REDUCE FLOW OF REFUGEES VOLUNTARILY LEAVING VC AREAS OF INFLUENCE WOULD BE INCONSISTENT WITH OUR OFTEN STATED GOAL OF WINNING THE PEOPLE AS OPPOSED TO WINNING TERRAIN.

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