

12. CINCPAC 150528Z AUG68 (TS) *gp-3*
HAVE FEAR
- ~~3. LMG STILWELL 211650Z AUG68
STILWELL TO ABRAMS AND CUSHMAN
RECAP OF 3/1 RAID INTO DMZ~~
35. 7TH AF TAN SON NHUT 220830Z AUG68 *gp-4*
EXPLOITATION OF HAVE FEAR
46. GEN ABRAMS 230116Z AUG68 *gp-4*
EXPLOITATION OF HAVE FEAR PROJECT
57. LGEN STILWELL 090415Z SEP68 *gp-not shown*
stilwell to cushman
CLANDESTINE OPN CONDUCTED WONDER BEACH
68. GEN ABRAMS 091025Z SEP68 *gp-4*
ABRAMS TO ALL
ENEMY KNOWS ABOUT ARC LIGHTS
79. CG FMFPAC 110025Z SEP68 (MCEO) *gp-3*
SINGLE MANAGEMENT - BUSE TO CHAPMAN & CUSHMAN
810. CG FMFPAC 112237Z SEP68 *Group-1*
BUSE TO CUSHMAN
SAS
921. MGEN GETTYS 130045Z SEP68 *Group-not shown*
GETTYS TO CUSHMAN
REVIEW OF PROCEDURES HANDLING ARC LIGHTS
1022. GEN ABRAMS 170911Z SEP68 *gp-not shown*
ABRAMS TO ALL CDRS
SCHEDULES CDRS CONF AT MACV 1030 on 20SEP68
1113. GEN ABRAMS 250957Z SEP68 *gp-not shown*
ABRAMS TO CUSHMAN INFO STILWELL
SETS MEETING ON PLANNING GROUP FOR 29Sep68 "CONTINGENCY"
1224. GEN ABRAMS 261424Z SEP68 *gp-not shown*
ABRAMS TO CUSHMAN INFO STILWELL
AUTHORITY GRANTED TO DISCLOSE LIMITED PORTIONS OF "CONTINGENCY"
INFO TO OTHER STAFF MEMBERS
1325. MGEN SHAEFER 282358Z SEP68 *gp-4*
SHAEFER TO ANDERSON INFO SCHWEITER
APPROVES ADDED ADDRESS ON "CONTINGENCY", BUT LIMITS KNOWLEDGE
TO INDIVIDUAL FIELDS AND NOT BASIC BACKGROUND
1426. MG TOWNSEND 050940Z OCT 68 *gp-not shown*
TOWNSEND TO ANDERSON & SCHWIETHER
ADDITIONAL ACCESS LIST AT MACV FOR "CONTINGENCY"

- 15~~21~~. GEN ABRAMS 120351Z OCT68 *Gp - not shown*
 ABRAMS TO CUSHMAN & STILWELL
 INFO NEEDED ASAP ON ACTIVITIES IN NICTZ
- 16~~18~~. LTG STILWELL 120820Z OCT68 *Gp-4*
 STILWELL TO CUSHMAN INFO ABRAMS
 ANSWERS ABOVE MSG
- 16-~~A~~-----COMUSMACV 182330Z OCT68 (TS-*Gp-4*)
- 17~~15~~. GEN ABRAMS 280207Z OCT68 (TS) *Gp - not shown* FOR CUSHMAN EX-LIMDIS)
 ABRAMS TO CUSHMAN
 DECISION BEHIND MOVE OF 1ST CAV DIV (AMBL)
- 18~~28~~. GEN ABRAMS 010302Z NOV68 *Gp - not shown*
 ABRAMS TO ALL
 JOINT U.S./GVN DECISION ON HALT IN BOMBING
- 19~~21~~. COMUSMACV 031210Z NOV68 (TS SENSITIVE) *Gp-1*
 ABRAMS TO ALL
 BOMBING HALT
- 20~~22~~. CG FMFPAC 132231Z NOV68 (MCEO) *Gp-4*
 BUSE TO WALT INFO CUSHMAN
 T-DAY PLANNING (U)
- 21~~25~~. CMC 160017Z NOV68 ~~XEM~~ (MCEO) *Gp-3*
 WALT TO BUSE INFO CUSHMAN
 T-DAY PLANNING
- 22~~24~~. GEN ABRAMS 211056Z *Gp-1*
 SPECIAL RECONNAISSANCE AUTHORITY
- 23~~25~~. MGEN SCHWEITER 221142Z NOV68 *Gp - not shown*
 SPECIAL RECONNAISSANCE AUTHORITY
- 24~~26~~. MGEN TOWNSEND 211252Z NOV68 *Gp-3*
 SPECIAL RECONNAISSANCE AUTHORITY
- 25~~27~~. COMUSMACV 220325Z NOV68 *Gp-1*
 PATROLS IN SOUTHERN HALF OF DMZ
- 26~~28~~. LTG STILWELL 221824Z NOV68 *Gp - not shown*
 INITIAL DMZ PATROLS
- 27~~29~~. LTGEN STILWELL 231115Z NOV68 *Gp - not shown*
 SPECIAL RECONNAISSANCE AUTHORITY
- 28~~30~~. GEN ABRAMS 230436Z NOV68 *Gp-1*
 SPECIAL RECONNAISSANCE AUTHORITY
- 29~~31~~. CG XXIV CORPS 250850Z NOV68 *Gp-4*
 IVY TREE - SPECIAL RECONNAISSANCE AUTHORITY
- 30~~32~~. LTG STILWELL 281728Z NOV68 (TS) *Gp - not shown*
 STILWELL TO GOODPASTER CUSHMAN INFO DAVIS
 CAPTURE OF SECOND PRISONER IN DMZ

31/33. CG XXIV CORPS 020550Z DEC68 *gp-1*
 CUSHMAN FROM STILWELL
 DMZ OPERATIONS - LARGE SCALE

32/34. LTG STILWELL 121705Z DEC68 *gp-not shown*
 STILWELL TO ABRAMS CUSHMAN INFO DAVIS
 ARVN DMZ PATROLLING

~~35. COMUSMACV 230636Z DEC68 (TC) EYES ONLY
 ABRAMS TO CUSHMAN & STILWELL
 ARVN DMZ PATROLLING~~

36/36. CG THIRD MARDIV 290200Z DEC68 (TS) *gp-1*
 DAVIS TO STILWELL INFO CUSHMAN
 POSSIBLE IMPENDING NVA OFFENSIVE IN DMZ AND NICTZ AREA

- 1 ~~50.~~ MGEN GETTYS 160827Z AUG68 (S) *Group - not shown*
GETTYS TO CUSHMAN
ASSESSMENT OF CURRENT ENEMY SITUATION
- 2 ~~1.~~ CG FIRST MARDIV 160855Z AUG68 (S) *Group - 4*
YOUNGDALE TO CUSHMAN
ASSESSMENT OF CURRENT ENEMY SITUATION
- 3 ~~2.~~ CG FMAW 160905Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *Group - 4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 4 ~~3.~~ LTG STILWELL 161635Z AUG68 (S) *Group - not shown*
STILWELL TO CUSHMAN INFO ABRAMS
RECAP OF 2ND ARVN REGT DMZ RAID
- 5 ~~4.~~ CG FMAW 171725Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *gp - 4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 6 ~~5.~~ CG FMFPAC 172218Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *Group - 4*
BUSE TO CUSHMAN INFO CHAPMAN
PROPOSED DEPLOYMENT ADJUSTMENT NOTIFICATION (DAN)
- 7 ~~6.~~ GEN ABRAMS 180223Z AUG68 (C) *Group - not shown*
ABRAMS TO CUSHMAN INFO STILWELL
ATTACKS ON 2/12 CAV 16 AUG CAUSES CONCERN
- 8 ~~7.~~ GEN ABRAMS 180902Z AUG68 (S) *Group - not shown*
ABRAMS TO MILDREN, VETH, CUSHMAN, & BROWN
GUIDANCE ON US FORCES STRENGTH ACCOUNTING IN SVN
- 9 ~~8.~~ CG THIRD MARDIV 182140Z AUG68 (S) *Group - 4*
STILWELL INFO CUSHMAN FROM DAVIS
DECREASE IN MANEUVER BNS AVAILABLE TO THE 3D MARDIV
- 10 ~~9.~~ GEN ABRAMS 181158Z AUG68 (S) *gp - not shown*
ABRAMS TO BUNKER, BERGER, BROWN, CUSHMAN, AND OTHERS
SITREP PROVIDED GEN WHEELER (THE LONG ONE)
- 11 ~~10.~~ CG FMAW 190035Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *gp - 4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 12 ~~11.~~ CG 1ST AIR CAV DIV 190003Z AUG68 (S) *gp - 4*
IREY FOR MILDREN
AIRCRAFT REPAIR PARTY RESUPPLY
- 13 ~~12.~~ CG FMAW 191215Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *gp - 4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 14 ~~13.~~ CG FMFPAC 192137Z AUG68 (C MCEO) *gp - 4*
SPECAT DAILY REPORT

- 15 ~~14~~. CG XXIV CORPS 200358Z AUG 68 (S) *gp-4*
STILWELL TO DAVIS INFO CUSHMAN
DECREASE IN MANEUVER BNS AVAIL TO 3D MARDIV (S)
- 16 ~~15~~. CG FMAW 201615Z AUG 68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 17 ~~16~~. CG FMFPAC 210212Z AUG 68 (C) *gp-4*
COL SMITH TO BGEN ANDERSON
SILVER STAR RECOMMENDATION FOR LGEN LAM
- 18 ~~17~~. CG FMAW 211000Z AUG 68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
ROUTINE INPUT - SPECAT DAILY REPORT CHANGE IN REPORTING TIMES
- 19 ~~18~~. CG FMAW 211230Z AUG 68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 20 ~~19~~. CMC 211434Z AUG 68 (S) *gp-4*
CHAPMAN TO BUSE AND CUSHMAN
REDEPLOYMENT OF BLT 27 FROM RVN
- ~~21~~ ~~20~~. GEN ABRAMS 230106Z AUG 68 (S) *gp-4*
ABRAMS TO ALL
ARC LIGHT DIVERSIONS
- 22 ~~21~~. GEN ABRAMS 230113Z AUG 68 (S) *Group - not shown*
ABRAMS TO MILDREN, VETH, CUSHMAN & BROWN
MILITARY STRENGTH/SPACE CEILING
- 23 ~~22~~. CG XXIV CORPS 230230Z AUG 68 *gp-4*
STILWELL TO BROWN INFO ABRAMS
& CUSHMAN
EXPLOITATION OF HAVE FEAR
- 24 ~~23~~. CG FMAW 230256Z AUG 68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 25 ~~24~~. CG FMAW 231406Z AUG 68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 26 ~~25~~. LTG STILWELL 240430Z AUG 68 (S) *gp - not shown*
STILWELL TO SHAEFER, INFO CUSHMAN
POSSIBLE EFFECTS OF HALT IN BOMBING
- 27 ~~26~~. CG FMAW 240840Z AUG 68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 28 ~~27~~. COMUSMACV 241045Z AUG 68 (C) *gp-4*
~~XXXXXXXX~~ CORCORAN TO ANDERSON, KALERGIS, HUNT, AND HAZAM
OPERATIONAL REPORTING

- 29 28. CMC 241809Z AUG68 (C MCEO) *gp-4*
 CHAPMAN TO CUSHMAN AND BUSE
 WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE
- 30 29. ADMINO CINGPAC 242045Z AUG68 (S) *gp-3*
 WHITE BIRCH
- 31 30. CG FMFPAC 242144Z AUG68 (S) *gp-4*
 BUSE TO CHAPMAN INFO BUSE
 DEPLOYMENT OF BLT 27 FROM VIETNAM
- 32 31. CG FMAW 250910Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
 ROUTINE INPUT
- 33 32. GEN ABRAMS 251358Z AUG68 (S) *group - not shown*
 ABRAMS TO CUSHMAN
 DISAGREES IN PROVISION OF EXTRA TROOPS TO GEN LAM
- 34 33. DET 1 620 TCS DEA 250745Z AUG68 (S) *gp-4*
 FOR MBGEN MCLAUGHLIN
 HAVE FEAR
- 35 34. CG FMAW 261415Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
 ROUTINE INPUT
- 36 35. CMC 261908Z AUG68 (S) *gp-4*
 CHAPMAN TO WEBSTER
 RLT-27
- 37 36. GEN ABRAMS 270204Z AUG68 (S) *group - not shown*
 ABRAMS TO CUSHMAN
 SENSORS FOR DANANG BARRIER PROJECT
- 38 37. CG FMAW 271325Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
 ROUTINE INPUT
- 39 38. CG FMFPAC 280131Z AUG68 (S) *gp-4*
 BUSE TO CUSHMAN
 RETENTION OF ARG/SLF HELICOPTERS IN-COUNTRY
- 40 39. CG FMFPAC 280255Z AUG68 (C) *gp-4*
 BUSE TO ALL MARCORPS CG'S I CORPS
 ANALYSIS OF THE EXECUTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTION
- 41 40. CG FMAW 281025Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
 ROUTINE INPUT
- 42 41. CG THIRD MARDIV 281414Z AUG68 (S) *group-4*
 DAVIS TO STILWELL & CUSHMAN
 HOSTILE ARTILLERY/ROCKET THREAT
- 43 42. CG THIRD MARDIV 281820Z AUG68 (S) *group-4*
 DAVIS TO CUSHMAN
 LIGHT AIRCRAFT

- 27-4544 CG FMAW291040Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 30-4445 CMC 291907Z AUG68 (S) *group-3*
MGEN ANDERSON TO BUSE INFO CUSHMAN
IGLOO WHITE/DUEL BLADE/DUCK BLIND CONF
- 37-4546 CG FMFPAC 300009Z AUG68 (C MCEO) *gp-4*
BUSE TO CUSHMAN
NONAPPROPRIATED FUNDING FOR R&R CENTERS
- 3E-4647 CTF 76 301404Z AUG68 (C) *group-4*
LACY TO BGEN WILLIAMS
FLAGSHIP AVAILABLE
- 33-4748 CG XXIV CORPS 301447Z AUG68 (S) *group-4*
STILWELL TO DAVIS INFO CUSHMAN
HOSTILE ARTILLERY/ROCKET THREAT
- 37-4849 CG FMAW 302045Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 35-4950 LTG ROSSON 302127Z AUG68 (U)
MISSING HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS
- 3E-5051 CTG 70.8 311525Z AUG68 (C) *gp-4*
HOFFMAN FROM MOORE
WILL BE ABOARD III MAF TO DISCUSS NGFS
- 37-252 COMSEVENTHFLT 311319Z AUG68 (C) *group-4*
BRINGLE TO CUSHMAN
ACCEPTS LUNCHEON INVITATION
- 38-233 CG FMAW 311540Z AUG68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 39-354 CG XXIV CORPS 010150Z SEP68 (C) *gp-4*
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ STILWELL TO CUSHMAN
HUE FLOAT BRIDGE
- 40-435 COMSEVENTHFLT 011100Z SEP68 (U)
BRINGLE TO TOMPKINS
ADDRESS OF EXERCYCLE
- 41-556 CG FMAW 011315Z SEP68 (S MCEO) *gp-4*
ROUTINE INPUT
- 42-557 LTG STILWELL 011433Z SEP68 (S) *group - not shown*
STILWELL TO CUSHMAN
DISPLACEMENT OF MARINE FORCES - HOTEL

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FOR FMFPAC F-039

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FM COMSEVENTHFLT
TO CG III MAF

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

FOR LTGEN CUSHMAN FROM VADM BRINGLE

1. I ACCEPT WITH PLEASURE YOUR INVITATION TO LUNCH
AT III MAF TOMORROW. I WILL ARRIVE AT YOUR HQ QTRS
IN MY HELO AT 011150H.

2. WARM REGARDS.

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III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE

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IIIMAF FORM 5216 (REV 3-68)

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P 0922Z ZFF-1
 TO LT GEN CUSHMAN CG III MAF DANANG
 ZEM

UNCLAS E F T O EYES ONLY JCS 09895 AUG 68.

1. KNOWING OF THE MANY REQUIREMENTS CONFRONTING YOU I AM RELUCTANT TO SURFACE ANOTHER. ON THE OTHER HAND, I AM FACED WITH A PROBLEM CONCERNING NON-RECEIPT OF CERTAIN PERSONAL ITEMS SHIPPED FROM DANANG CONCERNING WHICH I WOULD BE EXTREMELY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.

2. ITEMS IN QUESTION CONSIST OF UNIFORMS, CIVILIAN CLOTHES, BOOTS, A FEW MOMENTOS AND PERSONAL PAPERS PACKED IN AT LEAST TWO WOODEN BOXES AND ONE FOOTLOCKER ON THE DAY OF MY DEPARTURE, 31 JULY. PRESUMABLY, THESE WERE TO HAVE BEEN SHIPPED BY AIR ON THE FOLLOWING DAY OR SOON THEREAFTER. AS MATTERS STAND, HOWEVER, THE SHIPMENT HAS NOT ARRIVED IN THE WASHINGTON AREA, NOR HAS ANY DOCUMENTATION THEREON BEEN RECEIVED. LT GRISSOM AND STAFF SERGEANT CLARK SHOULD BE AWARE OF ARRANGEMENTS MADE TO REMOVE THE CONTAINERS FROM THE TRAILER FOR SHIPMENT.

3. IN THAT I HAVE AN IMMEDIATE NEED FOR A GOOD MANY OF THE ITEMS CONCERNED, I WOULD HOPE THAT A TRACER ON THE SHIPMENT COULD BE INITIATED FROM YOUR END. AGAIN, I'LL BE MOST APPRECIATIVE OF ANYTHING YOU CAN DO.

4. CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OUTSTANDING JOB YOU AND III MAF ARE DOING IN CONNECTION WITH THE CURRENT SITUATION OVER THERE.

0 5. WARMEST REGARDS.

SSO NOTE: DELIVER DURING DUTY HOURS.
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S E C R E T SPECAT FOR MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
 FOR MAR CORPS EYES ONLY
 FOR CMC CODE (AA-1)
 FOR FMFPAC (F-057)

1. DATA FROM USMC GROUND UNITS
 A. PERIOD COVERED - FROM 281941H TO 291960H AUGUST 68
 B. (1) 176
 (2) 26
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J. (1) (A) 63 (B) 44

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K. (1) A (3) INCLUDES 42 AIRBORNE AIRCRAFT SORTIES

1 (2) 2 USMC TVSUUSMC, TGT PRI

3 USA TO USMC, TGT PRI

4 USA TO USMC, ACFT MALFUNCTION

2 USA TO USA, ACFT MALFUNCTION

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REF: A. SECRET MSG 4629D YOUR HQ, DTG 251414Z AUG 68
 SUBJECT AS ABOVE
 B. CONFIDENTIAL MSG THIS HQ, DTG 250100Z AUG 68, SUBJ:
 ALLOCATION OF 8" HOW AMMO (U)

1. (S) I AGREE WITH YOUR ANALYSIS OF THE VA ARTILLERY
 THREAT AGAINST NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE AND SHARE YOUR
 CONCERN. THE FOLLOWING MEASURES TO ENHANCE COUNTERBATTERY
 CAPABILITIES HAVE BEEN TAKEN IN LAST FEW DAYS.

A. INCREASED OBSERVATION AIRCRAFT AVAILABILITY. THE
 ALLOCATION OF ARMY O-1 AIRCRAFT AND AIRCRAFT AVAILABILITY ARE
 UNDERGOING STAFF REVIEW AT THE PRESENT TIME. PENDING RESULTS
 OF THIS REVIEW, FOUR O-1 AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN BASED AT DONG HA
 FOR THE USE BY THE 108TH ARTY GP. SCHEDULES HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED
 BY THE 108TH ARTY GP TO PROVIDE CONTINUOUS DMZ COVERAGE BETWEEN

PAGE 2 RUMLEPA 6639 S E C R E T
 0800 HRS AND 1900 HRS DAILY.

B. INCREASED 8" HOWITZER AMMUNITION ALLOWANCE. SUFFICIENT
 8" HOWITZER AMMUNITION TO SUSTAIN COUNTERBATTERY OPERATIONS WILL
 CONTINUE TO BE PROVIDED. AN ADDITIONAL 2,000 ROUNDS OF THIS
 AMMUNITION WAS ALLOCATED TO THE 108TH ARTY GP FROM XXIV CORPS
 RESOURCES FOR THIS PURPOSE DURING THE LAST ALLOCATION PERIOD AND
 A REQUEST HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO HIGHER HEADQUARTER FOR AN
 ADDITIONAL 2,000 ROUNDS FOR THE CURRENT PERIOD.

C. ADDITIONAL HEAVY ARTILLERY. HEAVY ARTILLERY REQUIREMENTS
 AND POSITIONING HAVE BEEN RESTUDIED. BY SEPARATE ACTION AND AS
 AN INTERIM MEASURE, WE ARE REQUESTING ASSIGNMENT OF AN ADDITIONAL
 8" BATTERY TO THE 108TH ARTY GP.

D. ASSIGNMENT OF HEAVY CRUISER TO THE DMZ AREA. IT HAS
 BEEN AND CONTINUES TO BE THE POSITION OF THIS HEADQUARTERS THAT
 A MINIMUM OF FOUR NAVAL GUNFIRE SHIPS, INCLUDING ONE CRUISER,
 ARE REQUIRED TO SUPPORT XXIV CORPS OPERATIONS. EFFORTS TO
 ACHIEVE THIS LEVEL OF SUPPORT WILL BE CONTINUED.

E. ARCLIGHT. INTENSIFIED INTELLIGENCE EFFORTS WILL BE
 DIRECTED AGAINST POSSIBLE COUNTERBATTERY TARGETS TO INSURE
 ACQUISITION OF SUFFICIENT HARD INTELLIGENCE TO SUPPORT ARCLIGHT
 OPERATIONS.

2. (S) COUNTERBATTERY OPERATIONS WILL CONTINUE TO BE ACCORDED
 A HIGH PRIORITY IN THE ALLOCATION OF XXIV CORPS RESOURCES
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
 FOR BGEN WILLIAMS FROM RADM LACY
 A. CG NINTH MAB 280650Z AUG 68
 1. LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR VISIT.
 2. FACILITIES AND ACCOMMODATIONS MY FLAGSHIP AT YOUR DISPOSAL.
 3. WARM REGARDS.
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3	CG					<p>REMARKS</p> <p>MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY</p> <p>To CG - We are the only service that you concurred in the proposal.</p> <p>Shespy</p> <p>G-1 provide position to me on this matter.</p> <p>D.</p> <p>C/S: This contains very useful guidance and info for CG FMFPAC and I would assume the 2 MAR DIV + RLC CBs. Is it possible to pass to those CO's USMC eyes only?</p>
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C O N F I D E N T I A L. FOR LTJEN CUSHMAN FROM LTJEN BUSE,
MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY.

NONAPPROPRIATED FUNDING FOR R&R CENTERS (U)

A. CINCSARPAC 162048ZAU68 (PASEP)

B. COMNAVPAC 231219ZAU68 (PASEP)

C. COMUSMACV 270107ZAU68 (PASEP)

D. COMUSMACV 050617ZAU68

1. REFERENCES A, B AND C HAVE BEEN READDRESSSED FOR YOUR INFORMATION SINCE THEY DEAL ON A TOPIC WHICH MAY ULTIMATELY COST THE III MAF RECREATION FUND CONSIDERABLE MONEY. YOUR ATTENTION IS SPECIFICALLY INVITED TO REFERENCE C WHICH STATES THAT III MAF APPROVAL OF A PROPOSED COMUSMACV DIRECTIVE FOR PRORATING FUNDING OF R&R CENTERS IS ANTICIPATED, FOLLOWING A BRIEFING TO BE GIVEN TO III MAF ON 30 AND 31 AUG 68.

2. WHILE I AGREE IN PRINCIPLE WITH THE BASIC PROPOSAL TO PRORATE THE EXPENSES OF OPERATING R&R CENTERS, I DO BELIEVE THAT

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UNLESS WE PROCEED VERY WARILY IN THIS MATTER, WE WILL FIND OURSELVES IN A POSITION OF SURRENDERING EFFECTIVE CONTROL OF SIGNIFICANT MARINE CORPS RECREATION FUNDS. THIS MESSAGE ADDRESSES CERTAIN PITFALLS AS SEEN HERE AND PROVIDES GUIDANCE IN PURSUING THIS SUBJECT.

3. A COPY OF THE PROPOSED COMUSMACV DIRECTIVE IS HELD BY THIS HEADQUARTERS. A STUDY OF THAT DOCUMENT SHOWS THAT IT IS INADEQUATE FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS.

A. "OTHER JOINT SPECIAL SERVICES/MORALE AND WELFARE ACTIVITIES" ARE ILL-DEFINED. ANNEX B OF THE PROPOSED DIRECTIVE, IF LITERALLY INTERPRETED, WOULD EXCLUDE THE CHINA BEACH R&R FACILITY FROM JOINT SERVICE SUPPORT.

B. COMUSMACV HAS NO AUTHORITY TO DIRECT AREA COMMANDERS OPERATING R&R CENTERS TO SUBMIT ANY BUDGETS OR REPORTS. IF THIS PROPOSAL IS APPROVED, THE DIRECTIVE SHOULD BE ISSUED BY CINCPAC.

C. THE PROPOSED VOTING STRUCTURE IS UNACCEPTABLE. UNDER THE PROPOSAL, THE ARMY HAS TWO VOTES, WITH ONE EACH TO THE AIR FORCE, NAVY AND MARINES. WITH THEIR PENCHANT FOR UNIFORMITY, THE ARMY AND AIR FORCE COULD AND LIKELY WILL, JOIN TOGETHER TO FURTHER THEIR OWN COMMON GOALS. THIS, COMBINED WITH THE DEFI-

PAGE 3 RUKKM 5020 C O N F I D E N T I A L MCEP

NITION OF A QUORUM AND ADOPTION OF MAJORITY RULE, COULD SERVE AS A DISTINCT DISADVANTAGE TO NAVAL AND MARINE CORPS INTERESTS. IN THIS REGARD, NO ONE CAN COMMIT MARINE CORPS RECREATION FUNDS WITHOUT RECREATION COUNCIL ACTION AND SUBSEQUENT APPROVAL OF THAT ACTION BY THE COMMANDER ADMINISTERING THE FUND.

D. NO PROVISION IS MADE FOR DISSENT, FOR MINORITY REPORT, OR FOR SETTLEMENT IF ISSUES IN CONFLICT.

4. AS A RELATED MATTER, CINCUSARPAC HAS REQUESTED THAT IT BE GIVEN FULL MAJOR COMMAND SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITY FOR NON-APPROPRIATED WELFARE FUNDS OF USARV. IF THAT REQUEST IS APPROVED, CINCUSARPAC WOULD HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO WITHHOLD ALLOCATIONS FROM AND TO WITHDRAW SURPLUS FUNDS HELD BY USARV. A RESPONSIBLE STAFF MEMBER OF USARPAC INFORMED A MEMBER OF THIS STAFF THAT IF CINCUSARPAC'S REQUEST IS APPROVED AT DA LEVEL, THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNDING FOR R&R CENTER PROGRAMS WOULD "PROBABLY MIGRATE TO USARPAC". AGAIN REFERRING TO THE COMMONALITY OF ARMY AND AIR FORCE WELFARE FUND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS, IF THE USARPAC REQUEST IS APPROVED, IT IS ALMOST CERTAIN THAT CINCPACAF WILL BE GIVEN SIMILAR AUTHORITY, AND THAT PACAF WOULD WITHHOLD SOME FUNDS AT THAT LEVEL. AN IMPORTANT POINT IS THAT SHOULD

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 CINCPACAF BE GIVEN THE SAME AUTHORITY AS CINCUSARPAC HAS RE-
 REQUESTED, HE WOULD HAVE AUTHORITY TO WITHHOLD FUNDS WHICH, THOUGH
 INTENDED FOR MARINES, ARE ALLOCATED TO SEVENTH AIR FORCE FOR
 DISTRIBUTION. THERE IS A HISTORICAL PRECEDENT TO THAT DISTINCT
 POSSIBILITY, AS SHOWN BY COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE HELD AT THIS
 HEADQUARTERS. IF THE FUND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IS CHANGED AS
 USARPAC HAS REQUESTED, WE MAY WELL FIND OURSELVES IN A SITUATION
 WHERE USARPAC AND PACAF WILL HAVE COMPLETE AUTHORITY TO WITHHOLD
 AND DISBURSE SUCH FUNDS FOR R&R PURPOSES AS THEY ALONE MAY DE-
 SIRE, WITH NEITHER THE NAVY NOR THE MARINE CORPS HAVING A VOICE
 IN THE MATTER. IF WE ARE GOING TO JOINTLY FUND FOR ANY JOINT
 SPECIAL SERVICES PROGRAM, WE SHOULD THEREFORE INSIST THAT THE
 INITIATING DIRECTIVE BE ISSUED BY CINCPAC.
 5. MY OWN FEELINGS IN THE MATTER ARE THAT WE SHOULD PAY A FAIR
 SHARE OF R&R EXPENSES, SUBJECT TO RIGID BUDGETARY AND ACCOUNTING
 PROCEDURES. IN ADDITION, WE SHOULD INSIST ON THE FOLLOWING
 SAFEGUARDS:

- A. THAT NONAPPROPRIATED FUNDS ARE USED TO SUPPLEMENT, NOT REPLACE APPROPRIATED FUNDS.
- B. THAT NONAPPROPRIATED FUNDS ARE NOT USED TO MAKE IM-

PAGE 5 RUMKM 5020 C O N F I D E N T I A L M C E O
 PROVENIENTS TO REAL PROPERTY, NOR TO PURCHASE FURNISHINGS FOR
 R&R CENTERS.

- C. THAT NONAPPROPRIATED FUNDS ARE NOT USED TO PROCURE FOODSTUFFS OR OTHER PERSONAL NECESSITIES WHICH ARE NORMALLY THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL.
 - D. THAT THE EXPENDITURES FOR BEVERAGES AND ENTERTAINMENT FOR PERSONNEL ON R&R ARE REASONABLE.
 - E. THAT IN ALL CASES, THE BUDGET BE EXAMINED FROM A POSITION OF PRACTICAL LONG TERM ECONOMICS, NOT ONE OF CURRENT AFFLUENCE.
 - G. CINCUSARPAC AND CINCPACAF ARE SENDING REPRESENTATIVES TO THE R&R CONFERENCE CONVENED BY REFERENCE D. ALTHOUGH CINCPACFLT HAS ASKED COMNAVPHIL TO REPRESENT THAT COMMAND, A REPRESENTATIVE OF BUPERS WILL ALSO ATTEND. IN VIEW OF THOSE SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES, I AM SENDING A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THIS HEADQUARTERS TO THAT CONFERENCE.
- WARM REGARDS.

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S E C R E T

LIGHT AIRCRAFT

MAJGEN DAVIS SENDS FOR LTGEN CUSHMAN

1. SINCE THE CONFERENCE HOSTED BY FMAW EARLIER THIS MONTH ON VISUAL RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT, I HAVE CAREFULLY WATCHED THE EFFECT OF SHORTAGES OF VISUAL RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT AND LIGHT HELICOPTERS ON THE OPERATIONS OF THIS DIVISION. I AM AWARE THAT FMAW IS STAFFING THE CONCLUSIONS OF THIS CONFERENCE BUT I VIEW THIS PROBLEM AS BEING ONE OF SUCH GRAVITY THAT I WOULD FEEL REMISS IF I DID NOT STATE MY JUDGEMENTS AS ONE OF THE TWO SUPPORTED DIVISION COMMANDERS.
2. I KNOW FMAW IS PROVIDING ALL THE SUPPORT ITS RESOURCES PERMIT. I ALSO KNOW THIS SUPPORT IS UTTERLY INADEQUATE.
3. BECAUSE OF THE OVERLAPPING MISSION SPECTRUMS OF THE UH-1, LOH AND FIXED WING VR AIRCRAFT, REQUIREMENTS FOR THESE AIRCRAFT CANNOT

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BE CONSIDERED INDEPENDENTLY OF ONE ANOTHER. FOR EXAMPLE, THE BENEFITS OF THE EVENTUAL FORCE LEVEL OF 36 OV-10A TO THE VR EFFORT WILL BE LARGELY NEGATED DUE TO THE FORCE LEVEL REDUCTION OF 24 UH-1 WHICH WILL COMPEL THE OV-10A TO ASSUME MANY GUNSHIP MISSIONS.

4. THE ADVERSE EFFECTS OF THE LIGHT HELICOPTER/VR SHORTAGE ARE FLET IN SO MANY WAYS THAT A SUMMARY OF THE PROBLEMS THERE BY GENERATED MAY BE USEFUL. AMAONG THESE EFFECTS ARE:

- A. INADEQUATE VISUAL RECONNAISSANCE FLIGHT HOURS
- B. INADEQUATE PERSONAL MOBILITY AND RECONNAISSANCE FOR UNIT COMMANDERS
- C. GROSS INHIBITION OF GROUND RECONNAISSANCE DUE TO SHORTAGE OF UH-1 GUNSHIPS FOR PATROL INSERTS/EXTRACTS.
- D. UNDER UTILIZATION OF APD(SNIFFER) AND AIRBORNE NIGHT OBSERVATION DEVISES.
- E. EXCESSIVE USE AND THER FORE EXCESSIVE LOSSES OF MEDIUM HELICOTPERS PERFORMING MISSIONS BETTER ACCOMPLISHED BY LIGHT HELICOPTERS.
- F. INADEQUATE TACA/ARTY/NGF ADJUSTMENT

5. I AM NOT SURE THAT THE FULL EXTENT OF THE ADVERSE EFFECT OF THE LIGHT HELICOPTER SHORTAGE ON OUR TRANSPORT HELICOPTER IS

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Cmc jointly
created by
RumhVP*

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I think we all understand

*never use
our philosophy
to land 1st Div
wave in light
helos.*

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CLEARLY APPRECIATED BY ALL CONCERNED. FOR INSTANCE:

A. WE DO NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT LIGHT HELOS TO MAKE THE FIRST LANDING IN A NEW HLZ. THEREFORE, WE ARE FORCED TO RISK (AND SOMETIMES LOSE) TROOP CARRYING CH46.

B. THE CH46 IS TOO BIG FOR MANY RECON INSETS. ITS SIZE DENIES US MANY DESIRABLE PATROL HLZ'S. HELICOPTER LOSSES/DAMAGE WHILE PERFORMING THIS FUNCTION ARE HIGHER THAT NECESSARY.

C. MANY SMALL LIFTS ARE REQUIRED BY UNITS OF THIS DIVISION IN ITS MOBILE, WIDELY DISPERSED POSTURE. -ADEQUATE NUMBERS OF LIGHT HELICOPTERS WOULD PERMIT SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIES IN THE UTILIZATION OF THE LARGER TYPES.

6. I BELIEVE THAT ONLY A THOROUGH REAPPRAISSAL OF THE DEMANDS OF A MARINE DIVISON, ONCE ASHORE. FOR HELICOPTER AND LIGHT FIXED WING AIRCRAFT SUPPORT WILL PROVIDE THE BASIS FROM WHICH FUNDS FOR LONG TERM SOLUTION CAN BE SOUGHT. IN THE INTERIM, HOWEVER, I REGARD THE INADEQUACIES OF OUR PROGRAMMED RESOURCES AS A COMBAT EMERGENCY DEMANDING IMMEDIATE CORRECTIVE ACTION. IN MY VIEW THIS IS THE MOST GLARING FORCE STRUCTURE DEFICIENCY OF THE MARINE CORPS IN VIETNAM. IT IS COSTING UNNECESSARY CASUALTIES AND COMPELS US TO GO HAT IN HAND TO OUR ARMY FRIENDS FOR EVEN TRANSITORY RELIEF.

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7. I AGAIN MOST STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT WHATEVER ACTIONS ARE NECESSARY INCLUDING DIVERSION OF FUNDS/PERSONNEL SPACES FROM OTHER LESS URGENT PROJECTS, BE UNDERTAKEN TO PROVIDE A MINIMUM DAILY AVAILABILITY OF 16 LOH TYPE HELICOPTERS TO THIS DIVISION FOR VISUAL RECONNAISSANCE, COMMAND AND CONTROL AND THE OTHER MISSIONS DISCUSSED INT THE FOREGOING.

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16 for 1st Div makes 32 for minimum availability. Since the 10th has an availability of approx. 48% that means an on hand figure of about 32 for the 1st Div and if both divisions were equipped more than 64.

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ROUTE	SECTION	CODE	DATE		INITIAL	SUBJECT
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						HOSTILE ARTILLERY/ROCKET THREAT
3	CG					REMARKS CC - We will be the ultimate addressee to this request and I am gathering info on which to base a reply. G-3 is preparing for answer of JCV's request. It appears to me that your suggestion of another Thor is in order. A couple of mos. ago we requested an increase to 30 pods RTT/D but was denied the request. If another Thor is organized we should bring CTF-77 into it on a fully integrated well planned basis (DCS air) Rm @ 82.
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 TO RUMLESPA/CG XXIV CORPS PHB
 INFO RUMLESPA/CG III MAF DNG
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S E C R E T PERSONAL FOR LT. GEN STELLWELL AND LT GEN GUSMAN
 HOSTILE ARTILLERY/ROCKET THREAT
 A. CG THIRD MARDIV MSG 071252Z AUG 68
 1. THE HEAVY CASUALTIES INFLICTED BY HOSTILE ARTILLERY DURING
 THE PAST 48 HOURS IS EVIDENCE OF A STRONG AND AGGRESSIVE NVA
 ARTILLERY CAPABILITY IN AND NORTH OF THE DMZ AND A MATTER OF
 GREAT CONCERN. THE FIRES, PRIMARILY FROM 150MM GUNS, HAVE
 BEEN ACCURATE AND INTENSE. THEY HAVE BEEN DELIVERED SIMULTANE-
 OUSLY FROM SEVERAL POSITIONS LOCATED BETWEEN THE N-S GRID LINE
 CC AND CAP MUI LAY SECTOR INDICATING CENTRALIZED COMMAND AND
 CONTROL. THEY HAVE BEEN DIRECTED AGAINST FIXED INSTALLATIONS
 AS FAR SOUTH AS CUA VIET, DONG HA AND CAMP CARROLL AS WELL AS
 AGAINST FORCES IN THE FIELD IN THE KENTUCKY AND LANCASTER AO'S.
 THE LATTER IS EVIDENCE OF THE REESTABLISHMENT OF A SUBSTANTIAL
 FC CAPABILITY SOUTH OF THE DMZ. ADDITIONALLY RECENT INTELLIGENCE
 INDICATES THAT THE NVA HAVE INFILTRATED ROCKET ELEMENTS WHICH

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 APPEAR TO BE LOCATED IN THE AREA GENERALLY NORTHWEST AND
 WEST OF THE ROCK PILE. COLLECTIVELY THE FORE GOING DESCRIBES NVA
 ARTILLERY/ROCKET CAPABILITY AND RECENT ACTIVITY REPRESENTS AN
 INCREASED THREAT AND NEEDS ONLY TO BE COORDINATED WITH
 ENEMY GROUND ACTION TO PRODUCE A SERIOUS SITUATION.
 2. THE ELIMINATION OF THE NVA ARTILLERY/ROCKET CAPABILITY IS
 A MATTER OF THE HIGHEST PRIORITY. FOR THAT REASON I HAVE
 CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN A CLOSE WATCH OVER COUNTERBATTERY EFFORTS
 SUBSEQUENT TO THE ASSUMPTION OF THAT RESPONSIBILITY BY
 CORPS ARTILLERY. THE CLOSE COORDINATION AND COOPERATION BETWEEN
 THE DIVISION AND 108TH ARTILLERY GROUP HAS BEEN GRATIFYING. IT
 IS TYPIFIED BY THE RECENT DISPLACEMENT OF 3" HOWITZER PLATOONS
 TO A-3 AND A-4 TO COUNTER THE SHIFT OF NVA ARTILLERY FROM CAP
 MUI LAY SECTOR TO THE AREA NORTH AND NORTHWEST OF A-4. SINCE
 7 AUG 68, THE FIRES FROM THESE PLATOONS HAVE RESULTED IN 15
 GUNS DESTROYED AND 23 GUNS DAMAGED. SINCE OPN THOR, MARINE AND ARMY
 AO'S AND NGV SPOT TEAMS HAVE EMPLOYED AIR, ARTILLERY AND HEAVY
 NGF WEAPONS TO DESTROY 50 ARTILLERY WEAPONS AND DAMAGE 32 MORE.
 HOWEVER IN SPITE OF THESE SUCCESSES, THE RECENT HOSTILE ATTACKS
 BY FIRE INDICATE THAT THE NVA ARE CAPABLE OF SUSTAINING AN

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 ARTILLERY CAPABILITY THAT EQUALS OR PERHAPS SURPASSES OUR
 PRESENT COUNTERBATTERY EFFORTS.

3. TO COUNTER THE HOSTILE ARTILLERY/ROCKET THREAT, I AM AND WILL
 CONTINUE TO INSERT MOBILE FORCES WHENEVER AND WHEREVER
 RECONNAISSANCE AND OTHER INTELLIGENCE INDICATES THAT A TARGET
 EXISTS. AS YOU KNOW ONE OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE MULTI-BATTALION
 OPERATION THAT COMMENCED YESTERDAY IN THE NUI TIA PONG AREA IS TO
 ELIMINATE THE NIGHT ROCKET THREAT IN THAT AREA. IN ADDITION
 I URGE YOUR STRONG SUPPORT IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS TO IMPROVE
 THE COUNTERBATTERY EFFORTS BY CORPS ARTILLERY.

A. INCREASED OBSERVATION AIRCRAFT AVAILABILITY - ONE OF THE MOST
 IMPORTANT MEANS OF DETECTION AND DESTRUCTION OF HOSTILE
 WEAPONS IS THE AO. CURRENTLY THE DIVISION IS REALIZING ABOUT
 80 PERCENT OF A DAILY 60 HOUR REQUIREMENT UTILIZING TA-4F,
 OV-10A AND MARINE AND ARMY C-1 AIRCRAFT. ALTHOUGH UNABLE TO
 MEET DIVISION AO REQUIREMENTS IT HAS STILL BEEN NECESSARY TO
 UTILIZE A PORTION OF THESE A/C IN ATTACK OF ACTIVE HOSTILE
 ARTILLERY DUE TO THE URGENCY OF THE EXISTING SITUATION. AS TO THE
 108TH ARTILLERY GROUP, THE AVERAGE REALIZED HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT
 LESS, AND AT TIMES ONLY 50 PERCENT OF ITS DAILY 24 HOURS

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REQUIREMENT. THIS DAILY 24 HOURS REQUIREMENT WILL PROVIDE TWO
 AO'S ON STATION DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS. I BELIEVE THIS TO
 BE A BARE MINIMUM IN VIEW OF THE CURRENT THREAT AND THE LARGE
 AREA TO BE COVERED EXTENDING IN AND NORTH OF THE DMZ FROM
 NORTH OF THE LANCASTER AO TO THE CAP MUP LAY SECTOR.

B. INCREASED 8" HOWITZER AMMUNITION ALLOWANCE. THE CURRENT ASR
 FOR THE 1ST 8" HOW BTRY IS 18 R/T/D. THE 108TH ARTILLERY GROUP
 HAS FORWARDED A REQUEST FOR AN ADDITIONAL 20 R/T/D FOR THE
 FOUR HOWITZERS INVOLVED OR A TOTAL OF 2400 ROUNDS FOR THIS
 REPORTING PERIOD. THIS ADDITIONAL AMMUNITION IS REQUIRED IN
 ORDER TO ENJOY THE CONTINUED SUCCESS NOTED IN PARAGRAPH 2 ABOVE.

C. ADDITIONAL HEAVY ARTILLERY. THE GRAVITY OF THE CURRENT
 THREAT WARRANTS A REVIEW TO DETERMINE THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL
 HEAVY ARTILLERY. I BELIEVE THE REVIEW WILL INDICATE THAT
 CURRENT RESOURCES ARE MINIMUM IN VIEW OF THE THREAT, AND
 THAT ADDITIONAL HEAVY ARTILLERY IS REQUIRED COMMENSURATE WITH A
 CONCERTED EFFORT TO REDUCE THE THREAT AND THE WIDE AREA OVER
 WHICH THE COUNTERBATTERY RESOURCES MUST BE EMPLOYED.

D. ASSIGNMENT OF A HEAVY CRUISER TO THE DMZ AREA. REFERENCE A
 NOTED THE GAP IN THE COUNTERBATTERY POSTURE CREATED WITH DEPARTURE

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 OF USS BOSTON FROM THIS AREA ON 4 AUG 68. ALTHOUGH A HEAVY CRUISER
 HAS BEEN STATIONED IN THIS AREA TEMPORARILY, ITS CONTINUED
 AVAILABILITY IS CONSIDERED NECESSARY. A SIGNIFICANT HOSTILE
 ARTILLERY CAPABILITY CONTINUES IN THE CAP HUL LAY SECTOR, AND
 THE MINIMUM OF THREE HOURS REACTION TIME FROM THE HEAVY CRUISERS'
 PLANNED SOUTHERN STATION WITH THE SEA DRAGON FORCES IS
 INADEQUATE FOR A COUNTERBATTERY ROLE WHICH REQUIRES IMMEDIATE
 RESPONSIVENESS TO BE EFFECTIVE.
 E. ARCLIGHT. SEVERAL TARGETS ARE BEING NOMINATED DAILY
 AGAINST HOSTILE ARTILLERY LOCATIONS IN AND NORTH OF THE DMZ,
 HOWEVER RECENTLY NONE HAVE BEEN APPROVED. I BELIEVE THE
 CASUALTIES SUFFERED DURING THE PAST 48 HOURS INCREASES THE
 URGENCY FOR ARCLIGHT SUPPORT. I SOLICIT YOUR SUPPORT IN EFFORTS
 TO MAKE THIS URGENCY KNOWN AND CONSIDERED IN THE ARCLIGHT
 SELECTION PROCESS.

A. RICH DAVIS SENDS.

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ZEN/CG NINTH MAW
ZEN/CG FORLOGCOND (B010)

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C O N F I D E N T I A L. SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN CUSHMAN,
MGEN YOUNGDALE, MGEN DAVIS, MGEN GUILTER, BGEN
WEBSTER, BGEN WILLIAMS AND BGEN OLSON FROM LTGEN
BUSE

~~ANALYSIS OF THE EXECUTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTION (U)~~

1. THIS HEADQUARTERS IS CONDUCTING A MANAGEMENT
ENGINEERING ANALYSIS OF THE PRESENT EXECUTION OF ITS
RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEPLOYED UNITS IN THE PERSONNEL,
SPECIAL SERVICES AND POSTAL AREAS.

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2. DURING EARLY SEPTEMBER, MAJ D. B. CONE, 077941,
PROJECT OFFICER FOR THE ANALYSIS PROJECT WILL BE VISITING
VARIOUS COMMANDS TO ESTABLISH LIAISON AND TO CONDUCT
A PRELIMINARY SURVEY FOR THIS STUDY. REQUEST FURNISH
ASSISTANCE TO HIM DURING THE COURSE
OF THIS ANALYSIS.

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	DCG AIR					
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 P 280131Z AUG 68
 FM CG FMFPAC
 TO RUMSAK/CG III MAF

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SECRET SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LGEN CUSHMAN FROM LGEN
 BUSE.

RETENTION OF ARG/SLF HELICOPTERS IN-COUNTRY (U)

A. CG, III MAF 271330Z/AUG68 (S)

1. CONCUR IN YOUR PLANNED SCHEDULING AND EMPLOYMENT
 OF HMM-362 AND HMM-363 OUTLINED IN REF A, AND PRO-
 POSED MESSAGE TO COMSEVENTHFLT. BEST REGARDS.

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OO RUEOBHA RUMKM RUMSAK
 DE RUMSAV 092W 240151Z
 ZNY SSSSS
 O 271325Z AUG 68
 FM CG FIRST MAF
 TO RUEOBHA/CMC
 RUMKM/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSAK/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV
 BT

MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY

S E C R E T

FOR CG FMFPAC (F-034)
 FOR MAR CORPS EYES ONLY
 FOR CMC CODE (AA-1)

1. DATA FROM USMC GROUND UNITS
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- (3) 57
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 G. (1) 42
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 K. (1) 2
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 (4) 16

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L. (1) 0
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 (5) 0
 (6) 0
 (7) 10
 M. (1) K(3) ASRT DOWN, SORTIE DIVERTED BY TADC
 K(4) 4 USAF ACFT NO SHOW
 L(7) 4 SORTIES DIVERTED FROM VEHICLE TO CAMP
 CARROLL ASRT
 4 SORTIES NEG CONTROL DIVERTED BY TADC
 S 2 SORTIES BINGO FUEL
 2. DATE PROVIDED BY FIRST MAW
 A. (1) (A) 80
 (B) 83
 (2) 56
 (3) 64
 B. (1) 210
 (2) 44

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 C. (1) (A) 82 (B) 54
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 D. (1) 5
 (2) 31
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 F. (1) 0
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 (3) 0
 G. (1) 61
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 (3) 2
 I. (1) 0
 (2) 13
 (3) 0
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 J. (1) (A) 49 (B) 50
 (2) (A) 28 (B) 3
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 (4) (A) 3 (B) 0
 (5) (A) 0 (B) 0
 (6) (A) 0 (B) 0
 (7) (A) 0 (B) 30
 E. (1) A(3) INCLUDES 36 AIRBORNE ALERT SORTIES
 I(2) 7 USMC TO USMC, 1GT PRI
 5 USMC TO USMC, ASRT DOWN
 1 USMC TO USMC, NEG TGT

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HEADQUARTERS
III MARINE AMBIBIOUS FORCE

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IIIMAF FORM 5216 (REV 3-68)

OPERATION CODE X-ORIGINATOR A-ACTION/COGNIZANCE C-COMMENT/RECOMMENDATION I-INFORMATION S-SIGNATURE			FROM GEN ATRAMS COMUSMACV		DATE 27 AUGUST 1968	
			SERIAL#/CONTROL DATE 27020LZ		COPY# 1, 2, 3 OF COPIES RECD	
ROUTE	SECTION	CODE	DATE		INITIAL	SUBJECT
			IN	OUT		
						SECRET MAG 11561 EYES ONLY
3	CG					REMARKS OG - In accord we will be put we should await our results first i/keep 90
4	DCG			Has	Seen	
	DCG AIR					
2	C/S					
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S		271035N			
	G-1					
	G-2					
5	G-3	I			curd	
6	G-4	I	31 Aug 1968		curd	
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
	CORDS					
	EMB/TRANS					
	ENGR					
	H&S CO					
	INSP					
	MTO					
	OP ANAL					
	ORD					
	PSY OPS					
	SUPPLY					
	S&C					

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0 270234Z ZYH ZFF-1
FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV
TO LGEN CUSHMAN CG III MAF
ZEM

S E C R E T MAC 11561 EYES ONLY

REF: CG III MAF MSG DTG 230256Z AUG 68 (S)

(S) IN A RECENT DISCUSSION WITH GEN LAM, HE ASKED FOR SENSORS,
PRESUMABLY LINE SENSORS SUCH AS THE BALANCED PRESSURE SYSTEM,
FOR USE IN THE DEFENSE OF DA NANG. I HAVE NOT ANSWERED HIS REQUEST
YET. IN VIEW OF YOUR SIMILAR REQUEST BY ABOVE REFERENCE, PLEASE
ADVISE YOUR CONSIDERATIONS OF POSSIBLE ARVN AND ROK REACTION.
WILL WE BE PRESSED TO PROVIDE THEM THE SAME CAPABILITIES?

SSO NOTE: DELIVER IMMEDIATELY

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HEADQUARTERS
MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE

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TIME FORM 5216 (REV 3-68)

OPERATION CODE X-ORIGINATOR A-ACTION/COGNIZANCE C-COMMENT/RECOMMENDATION I-INFORMATION S-SIGNATURE			FROM CMC		DATE 27 AUG 68	
			SERIAL #/CONTROL DATE 261908Z AUG 68		COPY# 2 OF 6 COPIES RECD	
ROUTE	SECTION	CODE	DATE		INITIAL	SUBJECT
			IN	OUT		
	CG					REMARKS FOR
	DCG					
	DCB AIR					
2	C/S					
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S	I	270800H			
	G-1					
	G-2					
	G-3					
	G-4					
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
	CORDS					
	EMB/TRANS					
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	OP ANAL					
	ORD					
	PSY OPS					
	SUPPLY					
	SBC					

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T0008623
 PRTSZYUW RUEBHOA6345 2391919-SSSS--RHMMAFA.
 ZNY SSSSS
 P 261908Z AUG 68
 FM CMC
 TO RUHFMA/CG FMFPAC
 INFO RHMMAFA/CG III MAF
 RUWJNSA/CG MCRD SEIEGO
 RIABOL/CG FMFPAC (FWD)

BT

S E C R E T

DEPLOYMENT OF RL7 -27 FROM VIETNAM (S)

BGEN WEBSTER FROM GEN CHAPMAN

A. CMC 211434Z AUG 68

B. CG FMFPAC 242144Z AUG 68

1. REF (A) REQUESTED YOUR THOUGHTS CONCERNING SPECIAL CONSIDERATION TO THE FAMILIES OF RETURNING MARINES. REF (B) REPLIED TO REF (A), AND REQUESTED A HEADQUARTERS MARINE CORPS LIAISON OFFICER BE PRESENT AT MCRD SDIEGO ON 27 AND 28 AUG TO ASSIST IN RESOLVING PROBLEM AREAS THAT HAVE ARISEN TO DATE.
2. CONCUR WITH YOUR PLAN FOR HANDLING FAMILIES AND DEPENDENTS OF RETURNING MARINES.

PAGE TWO RUEBHOA6345 S E C R E T

3. AGREE WITH YOUR COMMENT ON THE NEED FOR A LIBERAL LIBERTY POLICY.

4. HEADQUARTERS MARINE CORPS LIAISON OFFICER IS COLONEL

L. E. FRIBOURG, WHO WILL ARRIVE IN SDIEGO PM OF 26 AUG.

WARM REGARDS.

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PP RUEBHOA
 DE RUMSAV 080W 2391430
 ZNY SSSSS
 O P 261415Z AUG 68
 FM CG FIRST MAW
 TO RUEBHOA/CMC
 RUHKM/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSAK/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV
 BT

SECRET FOR MAR CORPS EYES ONLY
 FOR CMC CODE (AA-1)
 FOR FMFPAC F-018

1. DATA FROM USMC GROUND UNITS
 A. PERIOD COVERED - FROM 241901H TO 251900H AUG 68.
 B. (1) 180
 (2) 16
 (3) 0
 (4) 0
 C. (1) 93
 (2) 75
 (3) 59

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- (4) 48
 (5) 84
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 (7) 36
 D. (1) 23
 (2) 36
 (3) 15
 (4) 5
 E. (1) 75
 (2) 4
 (3) 0
 (4) 0
 F. (1) 76
 (2) 76
 (3) 10
 (4) 66
 G. (1) 33
 (2) 33
 (3) 6
 (4) 4

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H. (1) 76
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 (3) 0
 (4) 0
 I. (1) 7
 (2) (A) 33
 (B) 8
 (C) 0
 (D) 0
 J. (1) 2
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 (6) 0
 K. (1) 0
 (2) 0
 (3) 11
 (4) 17
 L. (1) 0

PAGE FOUR RUMSAV 080W S E C R E T SPECAT

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 (3) 0
 (4) 1
 (5) 0
 (6) 0
 (7) 16
 N. (1) L (7) 2 SORTIES, BINGO FUEL
 4 SORTIES, NEG DROP
 6 SORTIES DIVERTED TO CAMP CARROLL ASRT
 2 SORTIES DIVERTED BY DASC
 2 SORTIES, NO CONTROLLER
 2. DATA PROVIDED BY 1ST MAW
 A. (1) (A) 86
 (B) 77
 (2) 46
 (3) 72
 B. (1) 249
 (2) 32
 (3) 0
 C. (1) (A) 91 (B) 45

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(3) (A) 0 (B) 0

D. (1) 19

(2) 27

(3) 0

E. (1) 34

(2) 10

(3) 0

(4) 2

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(7) 0

F. (1) 0

(2) 72

(3) 0

G. (1) 64

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(3) 6

I. (1) 0

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(3) 0

(4) 0

J. (1) (A) 56 (B) 45

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(3) (A) 0 (B) 0

(4) (A) 3 (B) 0

(5) (A) 0 (B) 0

(6) (A) 0 (B) 0

(7) (A) 0 (B) 32

K. (1) A(3) INCLUDES 38 AIRBORNE ALERT SORTIES.

I(2) 4 USMC TO USMC, TGT PRI

2 USMC TO USMC, ACFT MALFUNCTION

11 USMC TO USMC, ASRT DOWN

5 USMC TO USMC, NEG TGT

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	ROUTE	ACTION	DATE IN	DATE OUT	INITIAL	FROM DET 1 620 TCS DONG HA AB RVN
CG	2					SERIAL 250745Z AUG 68 COPY # 2 OF 6 COPIES RECEIVED
DCG	3		8/77		Rue	SUBJECT HAVE FEAR
DCG AIR	4					REMARKS eb - Report "Z" on the U70's. <i>Keep</i> FOR
C/S	2				a	
DC/S						
DC/S DM						
DC/S AIR						
G-1						
G-2						
G-3					copy	
G-4						
CEO						
S/S	1		26 Aug 68		JCA	
S/C						

LEGEND
 A- ACTION/COGNIZANCE
 C- COMMENTS
 I- INFORMATION

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PTTSZYUW RUMHCTA1477 2380000-SSSS--RUMUGRA.

ZNY SSSSS

DE RUMHPA 25 2380800

ZNY SSSSS

P 250745Z AUG 68

FM DET 1 620 TCS DONG HA AB RVN

TO RUMUFKA/7AF

RUMUFA/HQ MACV MASCA

INFO RUMHVP/3RD MAR DIV DONG HA RVN

RUMLPKK/24TH CORPS PHU BAI RVN

RUMUGRA/III MAF DA NANG RVN

RUWIKIA/ KIRTLAND AFB N MEX

BT

SECRET /ODC.

FOR: 7AF (IACD) B GVN MCLAUGHLIN. HQ MACV (MASCA) DR. MCMILLAN.

INFO: CG 3RD MAR DIV, CG 24TH CORPS, CG III MAF, AFWL. SUBJECT: HAVE FEAR. COL MUNYON SENDS. THIS MESSAGE IN THREE PARTS.

PART I

HAVE FEAR TERMINATED ACTIVITIES AND MOVED OUT OF CON THIEN ON 13 AUGUST. ON NIGHT OF 13 AUGUST AT DONG HA COL MUNYON WAS INSTRUCTED TO DISCONTINUE PLANS FOR RETURN TO ZI. THE CONCERN OVER THE UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS IN THE DMZ AS REPORTED ON IN THE 4-12 AUGUST HAVE FEAR PROGRESS REPORT, PROMPTED BRIEFINGS TO COMMANDING GENERALS MACV, 7TH AR FORCE, III MAF, 24TH CORPS. THE DECISION

PAGE 2 RUMHPA 25 SECRET

WAS MADE ON 17 AUGUST FOR HAVE FEAR PROJECT TO RETURN FOR TWO WEEKS. NO HAVE FEAR RANGE CAPABILITY EXISTS UNTIL ALIGNMENT EQUIPMENT IS SHIPPED FROM ZI APPROXIMATELY 27 AUG. A PLAN WAS DEVELOPED TO INTEGRATED HAVE FEAR SIGHTINGS WITH A MANPACK RADAR (AN/TQS-50) AT CON THIEN, SEARCH RADAR (AN/MPS-11) AT DONG HA, ASRT TPQ-10 AT CON THIEN AND THE FIREWATH NIGHT OBSERVATION DEVICE AT CON THIEN AND NOD AT ALPHA 3. CRITERIA FOR TRACKS AS FOLLOWS: A. UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT AS DESIGNATED BY JAZZY. B. TRACK CONSIST OF AT LEAST TWO DATA POINTS WITHIN 2 MINUTES. C. DATA POINT MUST HAVE MEASURED RANGE. D. TRACKS WITHIN 10 MILES OF CONTHIEN. E. AIRSPEEDS BELOW 180 MPH. F. ALL AZIMUTHS AND RANGES FROM CON THIEN. ONLY TRACKS SATISFYING CRITERIA WERE USED.

PART II

ON THE 18 OF AUGUST 2056-0202 HOURS LOCAL THE MPS-11 RADAR ACQUIRED THIRTEEN TRACKS BETWEEN 20 AND 70 DEGREES, 18 - 60 MILES PER HOUR AND AT A RANGE OF 4-10 NAUTICAL MILES. ATTEMPTS WERE MADE ON FIVE OF THESE OBJECTS TO PHOTOGRAPH USING RFARM NEGATIVE RESULTS. HAVE FEAR ACQUIRED SEVEN OBJECTS BETWEEN 346-31 DEGREES AND 2200-0013 HOURS LOCAL AT UNKNOWN RANGE. ATTEMPTS WERE MADE BY LTOL CEASAR, SCIENTIFIC ADVISOR'S OFFICE, MACV, TO PHOTOGRAPH THESE OBJECTS USING A RUBY LASER

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CAMERA. NEGATIVE RESULTS OTHER THAN LIGHTS WHICH ARE SAME OBSERVATIONS AS HAVE FEAR DETECTS THROUGH NOD AND VIDEO SYSTEM. ON 19 AUGUST THREE TRACKS WERE ESTABLISHED BY THE REPORTING AGENCIES BETWEEN AZIMUTH 323-41 DEGREES, AND 2051-0142 HOUR LOCAL. TRACK CHARACTERISTICS WERE 3-5 NAUTICAL MILES RANGE, 15-20 MILE PER HOUR. CORRELATION WAS OBTAINED BETWEEN HAVE FEAR AND THE TPA-50 RADAR ON TWO OCCASIONS, MPS-11 RADAR ON TWO OCCASIONS AND FIREWATCH ON ONE OCCASION. ON 20 AUGUST 11 TRACKS WERE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN 2049 AND 2155 HOURS LOCAL. TRACK CHARACTERISTICS WERE AZIMUTH 265-45 DEGREES, RANGE 1-10 NAUTICAL MILES, AIRSPEED 20-45 MILES PER HOUR. CORRELATION WAS OBTAINED ON SIX TRACKS BETWEEN HAVE FEAR AND THE MPA-11 RADAR. TWELVE PHOTO RECON FLIGHTS WERE ACCOMPLISHED AGAINST TARGETS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS PHOTO RECON PILOT REPORTED PASSED OVER AIRBORNE LIGHTS. THE MPS-11 RADAR ESTABLISHED AN ADDITIONAL FIVE

TRACKS. ON 21 AUGUST TWO TRACKS COULD BE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN 2006-0050 HOURS LOCAL. TRACK CHARACTERISTICS WERE AZIMUTH 8-48 DEGREES FROM CON THIEN, 20-40 MILES PER HOUR AND RANGE OF 5-12 NAUTICAL MILES. ATTEMPTS WERE MADE TO PHOTO THESE OBJECTS WITH RF-4 ON SEVEN OCCASIONS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. TWO ATTEMPTS WERE MADE TO PHOTOGRAPH A FRIENDLY HELICOPTER 2500 FEET BELOW PHOTO AIRCRAFT WITH

PAGE 4 RUMHPA 25 S E C R E T

NEGATIVE RESULTS. CORRELATION WAS ESTABLISHED BETWEEN HAVE FEAR AND THE MPS-11 RADAR ON ONE OCCASION. THE TPA-50 RADAR ESTABLISHED ONE OTHER TRACK. ON 22 AUGUST TWO TRACKS WERE ESTABLISHED 2000-0208 HOURS LOCAL. CORRELATION WAS OBTAINED BETWEEN HAVE FEAR AND THE MPS-11 RADAR ON ONE OCCASION. THE TPA-51 ESTABLISHED ONE SEPARATE TRACK. CHARACTERISTICS OF THESE TRACKS WERE AZIMUTH 360-22 DEGREES, RANGE 5-10 NMN 30-70 MPH. LTCOL KEASAR, MACSA, TOOK FOURTEEN ROLLS OF FILM USING RUB LASER CAMERS. RESULTS UNKNOWN. THE C-130 GUNSHIP MADE A NUMBER OF ORBITS ON THE CON THIEN AREA AND OBSERVED WITH NODS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. LTCOL KEASAR AND FIREWATCH BOTH USING NODS REPORTED A TOTAL OF FOUR PARACHUTE DROPS FROM OBJECTS AND BOTH OBSERVERS CONFIRMING ON AT APPROXIMATELY 0200, 23 AUG 1968. FIREWATCH REPORTS PARACHUTE DROP AT 2315 HOURS AT 38 DEGREES AND ESTIMATED SEVEN MILES, AND AT 2324 HOURS AT 32 DEGREES AT ESTIMATED 2 MILE RANGE. ON 23 AUGUST 1968 ONE TRACK WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE TPA-50 RADAR BETWEEN 2009-2353 HOURS LOCAL. CHARACTERISTICS OF THIS TRACK ARE 5-50 DEGREES AZIMUTH, 3-6 NM RANGE AND 50 MPN AIRSPEED. ON 24 AUGUST SIX TRACKS WERE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN 2000-2400 HOURS LOCAL. MPS-11 RADAR ESTABLISHED FOUR OF THESE TRACKS. ONE TRACK HAD TWO OBJECTS. ONE TRACK WAS CONFIRMED BY HAVE FEAR AND

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PAGE 5 RUMHPA 25 S E S R E T
 THEC-130 GUNSHIP AT APPROXIMATELY 2 MILES AFTER BEING VECTORED BY
 MPA-11 RAAR. TPS-50 RADAR COULD NOT OBSERVE THESE TRACKS BECAUSE
 OF BLIND SPOT CAUSED BY HAVE FEAR TOWER. ONE OTHER TRACK WAS ES-
 TABLISHED BY TPS-50 RADAR ONE POINT ESTABLISHER BY LOP FROM HAVE
 FEAR AT ALPHA FOUR AND ALPHA THREE. CHARACTERISTICS OF THOE
 TRACK WERE 300-47 DEGREE AZIMUTH, 1-10 NM RANGE ND 14-80 MPH
 AIR SPEED.

PART III

RADAR HAS VERIFIED UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS IN THE DMZ NORTH OF
 CON THIEN. IT APPEARS THESE OBJECTS ARE OPERATING MORE AND MORE
 WITHOUT LIGHTS, THUS HAVE FEAR HAS NO CAPABILITIES TO DETET AND
 RANGE. IT IS REQUESTED THAT HAVE FEAR BE ALLOWED TO PLAN FOR RE-
 TURN TO ZI 1 SEP 1968. CONTACT COL MUNYON, DET 1, 620 TCS, DONG
 HA, EXT 130.

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MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE

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II MAF FORM 5216 (REV 3-68)

OPERATION CODE X- ORIGINATOR A- ACTION / COGNIZANCE C- COMMENT / RECOMMENDATION I- INFORMATION S- SIGNATURE			FROM GEN ABRAMS		DATE 25 AUGUST 68	
			SERIAL# / CONTROL DATE 251358		1, 2, 3, 4 COPY# OF COPIES REC'D	
ROUTE	SECTION	CODE	DATE		INITIAL	SUBJECT EYES ONLY
			IN	OUT		
3	CG					<p>REMARKS</p> <p>We tried to help you down on our side of the fence - failed. Looks like he will have to convince Gen View.</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p>
	DCG					
	DCG AIR					
7	C/S				<i>[Signature]</i>	
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S		252330H		<i>[Signature]</i>	
	G-1					
	G-2					
	G-3			8/25	<i>[Signature]</i>	
	G-4					
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
	CORDS					
	EMB/TRANS					
	ENGR					
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	SUPPLY					
	S&C					

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O 251358Z ZYH ZFF
FM GEN ABRAMS
TO LTG CUSHMAN
ZEM

S E C R E T MAC 11508 EYES ONLY

I HAVE KEPT ABREAST OF THE SITUATION IN SOUTH VIETNAM OVER THE PAST DAYS IN DETAIL. IN MY JUDGEMENT THERE ARE ADEQUATE FORCES US/FW/ARVN IN I CORPS TO MEET WHATEVER THE ENEMY DOES AND TO INFLICT TERRIBLE ATTRITION UPON HIM AND MAINTAIN AN OFFENSIVE APPROACH. I DO NOT AGREE TO SENDING REENFORCEMENTS TO I CORPS.

SSO NOTE: DELIVER IMMEDIATELY

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00 RUEBHOA
 DE RUMSAV 067W 2381000
 ZNY SSSSS
 O P 25 09 10Z AUG 68
 FM CG FIRST MAW
 TO RUEBHQA/CMC
 RUHKM/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSAK/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV
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S E C R E T FOR MAR CORPS EYES ONLY.
 FOR CMC CODE AA-1
 FOR FMFPAC F-021

1. DATA FROM USMC GROUND FORCES
 - A. PERIOD COVERED FROM 231901H TO 241900H AUGUST 68.
 - B. (1) 158
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 - C. (1) 94
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- (4) 54
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- (6) 43
- (7) 44
- D. (1) 45
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- E. (16) 68
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- F. (1) 48
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 (4) 40
- G. (1) 38
 (2) 6
 (3) 4
 (4) 0

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H. (1) 48

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I. (1) 14

(2) (A) 32

(B) 4

(C) 0

(D) 0

J. (1) 0

(2) 101

(3) 49

(4) 4

(5) 0

(6) 0

K. (1) 1

(2) 0

(3) 0

(4) 23

L. (1) 0

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(3) 0

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(5) 0

(6) 0

(7) 17

M. (1) L(7) - 17 SORTIES DIVERED FROM VERGEL DASC
TO CAMP CARROLL ASRT

2. DATA PROVIDED BY FIRST MAW

A. (1) (A) 90

(B) 78

(2) 56

(3) 68

B. (1) 257

(2) 35

(3) 0

C. (1) (A) 91 (B) 45

(2) (A) 0 (B) 33

(3) (A) 0 (B) 0

D. (1) 10

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 (6) (A) 0 (B) 0
 (7) (A) 0 (B) 33
 K. (1) A(3) INCLUDES 42 AIRBORNE ALERT SORTIES.
 I(2) 2 USMC TO USMC, TGT PRI
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 1 USMC TO USMC, ASRT DOWN
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3	CG					REMARKS
3	DCG		8/16		PLT	
	DCG AIR					
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 INFO RUMUGRA/CG III MAF
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S E C R E T FOR GEN CHAPMAN INFO LTGEN CUSHMAN MAJGEN
 ENGLISH AND BGEN WEBSTER FROM LTGEN BUSE
 DEPLOYMENT OF RLT 27 FROM VIETNAM (S)

A. CMC 211434Z AUG 68
 B. DRAFT REPORT OF RLT 27 REDEPLOYMENT CONFERENCE DTD
 6 AUG 68

1. REF (A) STATED YOUR APPROVAL OF REF (B) AND REQUESTED THOUGHTS CONCERNING SPECIAL CONSIDERATION TO THE FAMILIES OF RETURNING MARINES SHOULD THEY DESIRE TO BE PRESENT AT THE TIME OF RETURN.
2. PRESENT PLANS ARE THAT THE DEPENDENTS INFORMATION OFFICE REQUESTED IN PARA H TOPIC 18 OF REF (B) WILL PROVIDE ALL POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE TO THE DEPENDENTS OF

PAGE 2 RUHHFMA4251 **S E C R E T**
 RETURNING MARINES. THIS INCLUDES SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR SEATING AT THE PARADE, A TIMELY FLOW OF INFORMATION TO ENSURE THAT DEPENDENTS ARE INFORMED AS TO THE STATUS OF THE RETURNING MARINES AND THE PROVISION OF TRANSPORTATION FOR DEPENDENTS FROM THE EL TORO AND CAMP PELDLETON AREA TO THE PARADE AND RETURN.

3. ONE ASPECT NOT DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY BUT WHICH IS OF CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE IS THE NEED FOR A LIBERAL LIBERTY POLICY FOR RETURNING MARINES DURING THE PERIOD OF TIME BETWEEN THE ARRIVAL OF THE RETURNING MARINES AT SAN DIEGO AND THE PARADE, PARTICULARLY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DEPENDENTS PRESENT AT THE TIME OF RETURN. THIS WILL BE RESOLVED WITH CG MCRD SAN DIEGO.
4. NEW BUT RELATED SUBJECT: THIS HEADQUARTERS WILL PROVIDE A LIAISON OFFICER TO BE PRESENT AT MCRD SAN DIEGO ON 27 AND 28 AUG TO ASSIST IN RESOLVING PROBLEMS THAT MAY HAVE ARISEN THUS FAR. THE PRESENCE OF A LIAISON OFFICER FROM HEADQUARTERS MARINE CORPS TO MCRD SAN DIEGO DURING THIS TIME PERIOD WOULD BE OF ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING YOUR IDEAS AND WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

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R 242045Z AUG 68

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RUEOJFA/JCS

RUEFHQA/CSAF

RUMHMA/FMFPAC

RUEBMA/CNC

RUMHBA/CINCPACAF

RUMHQA/CG III MAF

RUMHVP/CG THIRD MARDIV

RUMKIA/AFUL KIRTLAND AFB NMEX

RUMUFA/7AF TAN SON NHUT

RUEDBAA/AFSC

RUMHMA/CG/PCV

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HAVE FEAR (U)

A. CINCPAC MSG DTG 150528Z AUG 68

B. CSAF MSG DTG 201909Z AUG 68

PAGE 2 RUHHQA3274 SECRET LINDIS WHITE BIRCH

1. REF A REQUESTED TWO WEEK EXTENSION OF HAVE FEAR TEAM IN
 SUN FOR USE IN UFO IDENTIFICATION. REF B APPROVED EXTENSION HAVE
 FEAR FOR TWO WEEKS AS REQUESTED REF A.

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3	CG					<p>WASHINGTON POST</p> <p>REMARKS - Here we go again</p> <p>MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY</p> <p>EXCLUSIVE</p> <p>CIB Copy #1 [Signature] 30 Aug 68</p> <p>28</p>
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P 241809Z AUG 68
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR L GEN CUSHMAN AND
L GEN BUSE FROM GEN CHAPMAN. MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY- DELIVER
DURING WAKING HOURS.

1. THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE WAS PRINTED IN THE WASHINGTON POST
OF 24 AUG 68. QUOTE: "VILLAGERS LOST BATTLE OF CAMLE,
CAMLE, SOUTH VIETNAM, AUG 23 (UPI)- THE VIETCONG BEGAN THE BATTLE
BEFORE DAWN, HURLING SATCHEL CHARGES OF DYNAMITE INTO VILLAGE
HUTS IN CAMLE AND FOLLOWING UP WITH ROCKETS AND SMALL ARMS
FIRE.

BY DAYBREAK, U.S. MARINES AND SOUTH VIETNAMESE RANGERS WERE
ROLLING THROUGH THE VILLAGE IN ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS, DRIVING
THE ENEMY BEFORE THEM.

IN A FEW HOURS, IT WAS OVER. THE VILLAGE LAY BURNING. THE
BATTLE'S REAL LOSERS WERE THE PEASANTS WHO LIVED IN THIS HAMLET
BORDERING THE U.S. AIR BASE AT DANANG.

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PAGE TWO RUEBHOA5913 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT MCEO
 MARINE GUNNERY SGT. BILL COLLOTON OF CHICAGO SAW ONE VILLAGER
 VANISH IN A ROCKET EXPLOSION, AND SEVERAL CHILDREN KILLED WHEN
 A ROCKET SHATTERED THEIR HOME.

AS THE MARINES AND RANGERS ADVANCED, THEY DROPPED GRENADES
 INTO THE BUILDINGS. ONE WOUNDED CIVILIAN WAS KILLED BY AN AMERICAN
 GRENADE LOBED INTO HIS HOME. NAVY HOSPITAL CORPSMAN ALAN
 GERRISH OF WOBURN, MASS, SAID HE SAW TWO CIVILIANS KILLED AND
 FOUR YOUNG GIRLS WOUNDED BY AN ALLIED GRENADE.

"YOU HEAR A NOISE AND YOU THROW A GRENADE", HE SAID.
 "YOU DON'T WAIT TO FIND OUT WHO IT IS."

CPL. DAVID PFULGRADT OF WESTERN MO, ADDED: "WE HAVE TO WORRY
 ABOUT OUR OWN SAFETY FIRST. CIVILIANS COME SECOND."

WITH EACH LULL IN TH FIRING, GROUPS OF CIVILIANS RAN FROM
 THEIR HOMES, CARRYING THEIR BELONGINGS AS THEY HEADED INTO
 DANANG.

ONE ELDERLY MAN REFUSED TO LEAVE. REPEATEDLY, HE DOUSED HIS
 HUT WITH BUCKETS OF WATER, CLIMBING A LADDER AND CAJOLING MARINES
 INTO PASSING THE WATER TO HIM.

WITH SCORES OF HUTS BLAZING, OTHERS IN RUINS AND THE
 REST SHOWING THE SCARS OF ROCKET AND SHELL FRAGMENTS, MARINES

PAGE THREE RUEBHOA5913 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT MCEO
 AND RANGERS HELPED THEMSELVES TO BEER AND SODA THEY FOUND IN
 ABANDONED HOMES.

AT ONE POINT, AS THE TEMPERATURES SOARED, AN OLD MAN CAME OUT
 OF HIS HOME WITH A GLASS OF BEER IN EACH HAND AND OFFERED THEM TO
 THE AMERICANS.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS ASAP IN ORDER TO ANSWER
 INQUIRIES WHICH I AM CERTAIN WILL BE RAISED BY THRUST OF THE
 ARTICLE. WARM REGARDS.

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4	DCG						
	DCG AIR						
2	C/S						
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FM COMUSMACV
TO UHNSA/III MAF DANANG
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VMSG/SA IV CORPS CAN THO
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
FOR: BG ANDERSON, BG KALERGIS, COL HUNT, AND COL HAZAM FROM MG CORCORAN
SUBJ: OPERATIONAL REPORTING SUP
1. (C) STRINGENT, DAILY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN LEVIED ON
COMUSMACV BY HIGHER AUTHORITY.
THIS HEADQUARTERS RECEIVES YOUR WEEKLY FORECASTS OF
OPERATIONS, COMBAT SUMMARIES AND SPOT REPORTS. HOWEVER, IT IS
RECOGNIZED THAT YOUR FORECASTED OPERATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO DAILY
CHANGE, INFLUENCED BY THE EXIGENCIES OF THE BATTLE.
2. (C) IN ORDER TO GIVE CURRENT REPORTS, FLAVORED BY THE RATIONALE
OF THE RESPECTIVE MAJOR FIELD COMMANDERS, IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU
FORWARD NIGHTLY OVER THE COC CIRCUIT A FORECAST OF THE NEXT DAY'S
COMBAT OPERATIONS. THIS REPORT SHOULD CONTAIN ANY PROJECTED

OO UHNSA 455V **C O N F I D E N T I A L**
REDEPLOYMENTS OF UNITS, ATTACKS, AND OTHER PLANS FOR COUNTERING
ANTICIPATED ENEMY ACTIONS. IN SHORT, WE NEED INFORMATION ABOUT
YOUR PLANNED ACTIONS, IN ADDITION TO YOUR ROUTINE REPORTS OF WHAT
HAS BEEN DONE, WHICH WE NOW RECEIVE.
3. WE IT IS FURTHER REQUESTED THAT YOUR REPORTS REACH MACV COC
BY 0600H EACH DAY.

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S E C R E T SPECAT FOR MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
 FOR FMFPAC F-016

FOR CMC CODE (AA-1)

1. DATA FROM USMC GROUND UNITS

A. PERIOD COVERED FROM 221901H
 TO 231900H AUG 68

B. (1) 154

(2) 13

(3) 0

(4) 0

C. (1) 120

(2) 30

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(3) 57

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(5) 84

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(7) 44

D. (1) 45

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(4) 7

E. (1) 73

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F. (1) 36

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 (7) 9

M. (1) L(7) 6 SORT DIV BY TADC
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 2 SORT DIV TO CAMP CARROLL ASRT
 2. DATA PROVIDED BY 1ST MAW

A. (1) (A) 88
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B. (1) 224
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(6) (A) 0 (B) 0

(7) (A) 0 (B) 33

K. (1) A(3) INCLUDES 28 AIRBORNE ALERT SORTIES

I(2) 11USMC TO USMC TGT PRI

2 USMC TO USMC ACFT MALFUNCTION

2 USMC TO USMC NEG TGT

2 USMC TO USMC NEG CONTROL

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 FM LTG STILWELL CG XXIV CORPS
 TO MG SHAEFER J5 MACV
 INFO LTG CUSHMANHCG III MAF
 ZEM

S E C R E T PHB 1243 EYES ONLY

1. THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ARE SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO YOUR QUERY WHILE VISITING HQ, XXIV CORPS ABOUT THE IMPACT OF CESSATION OF BOMBING NORTH OF THE DMZ UPON XXIV CORPS OPERATIONS. IT IS ASSUMED THAT I N

THE EVENT OF A COMPLETE HALT TO BOMBING IN NORTH VIETNAM, NAVAL GUN FIRE AND ARTILLERY FIRE COULD CONTINUE IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF THE DMZ, IF THIS ASSUMPTION IS INVALID THE ADVERSE EFFECTS WOULD BE EXACERBATED.

2. IN THE EVENT OF A HALT EOF THE BOMBING IN NORTH VIETNAM THE FOLLOWING COULD OCCUR:

A. THE BUILDUP OF ENEMY PERSONNEL, SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT WOULD BE EXPEDITED. ENEMY PERSONNEL WOULD HAVE HIGHER MORALE, BETTER HEALTH AND FEWER NON-COMBAT CASUALTIES BECAUSE OF THE AVOIDANCE OF AIR ATTACKS AND THE RIGORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE LONGER INFILTRATION ROUTES THROUGH THE JUNGLE AREAS.

B. THE ENEMY COULD MASS HEAVY ARTILLERY SUPPORT JUST NORTH OF THE BIEN HAI RIVER TO INCLUDE HEAVIER ARTILLERY WEAPONS THAN HERETOFORE EMPLOYED, SUCH AS THE 203MM GUN HOWITZER AND THE 210MM GUN. IN SUCH AS EVENT HIS ARTILLERY FANS WOULD INCLUDE QUANG TRI COMBAT BASE AND QUANG TRI CITY.

C. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT CAPABILITIES COULD BE CONCENTRATED JUST NORTH OF THE DMZ AND UNDER PROTECTION OF MASSIVE ARTILLERY SUPPORT COULD DISPLACE SOUTH OF THE DMZ ENMASSE.

D. THE ENEMY COULD POSITION HIS TACTICAL AIRCRAFT AND HELICOPTER BASES FURTHER SOUTHWARD FACILITATING SURPRISE ATTACKS INTO THE HUE/DA NANG AREA.

E. THE ENEMY COULD MASS HIS FORCES, INCLUDING HIS AVAILABLE ARMORED FORCES, JUST NORTH OF THE DMZ WITH LIMITED PROBABILITY OF DETECTION AND DESTRUCTION OF THESE FORCES UNTIL THEY WERE EMPLOYED AGAINST US AND ARVN FORCES SOUTH OF THE DMZ WITH ATTENDANY SURPRISE EFFECT CONTRIBUTING

TO AN UNNECESSARILY LARGE NUMBER OF FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

3. THE POSSIBLE MASSIVE BUILDUP OF ENEMY GROUND FORCES TO INCLUDE ARMOR, ARTILLERY AND ANTI-AIRCRAFT COMPONENTS WITH UNHAMPERED LOGISTICS SUPPORT COUPLED WITH THE FAVORABLE OPERATING ENVIRONMENT PRESENTED TO HIS AIR FORCES COULD DEGRADE THE MILITARY CAPABILITIES OF XXIV CORPS IN SEVERAL IMPORTANT AREAS:

A. THE FRIENDLY COUNTER BATTERY PROGRAM WOULD LOSE ITS EFFECTIVENESS BECAUSE IT IS DEPENDENT TO A LARGE EXTENT ON AERIAL OBSERVERS WHO COULD NOT SURVIVE IN THE HOSTILE ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENVIRONMENT WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF TACTICAL AIR AND B-52 STRIKES TO SUPPRESS AND DESTROY THE ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT WEAPONS. THE EFFECTIVENESS OF HIGH SPEED RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT INCLUDING PHOTOGRAPHY RECONNAISSANCE WOULD BE SIMILARLY ATTENUATED. (24)

B. THE CONSTRUCTION AND EXPANSION OF THE DUEL BLADE POSITION WOULD BE SERIOUSLY HAMPERED AND ITS EFFECTIVENESS WOULD BE DECREASED PROPORTIONATE TO THE ENEMY BUILDUP.

C. OUR ABILITY TO CONDUCT AIR MOBILE OPERATIONS WOULD BE SEVERELY RESTRICTED BY THE ENEMY'S ABILITY TO BRING ANTI-AIRCRAFT WEAPONS SOUTH OF THE DMZ AND TO RESPOND TO OUR AIR ASSAULT OPERATIONS WITH MASSIVE ARTILLERY FIRES. LOSSES OF FRIENDLY PERSONNEL AND HELICOPTERS COULD BE EXPECTED TO BE HEAVY.

D. THE ENEMY EFFORTS TO INTERDICT OUR VITAL LOGISTICS BASES AT CUA VIET AND DONG HA WOULD BE GREATLY ENHANCED. CONCEIVABLY THE CAPABILITY OF THESE IMPORTANT FACILITIES COULD BE REDUCED TO THE POINT WHERE THE FORCES PRESENTLY DEPLOYED IN THE 3D MARINE DIVISION AREA WOULD NO LONGER BE LOGISTICALLY SUPPORTABLE.

E. OUR COMMAND AND CONTROL INSTALLATIONS SUCH AS THE 3D MARINE DIVISION HQ AT DONG HA COULD BECOME UNTENABLE AND WOULD HAVE TO DISPLACE SOUTHWARD BEYOND ENEMY ARTILLERY RANGE.

F. SIMILARLY QUANG TRI COMBAT BASE IF BROUGHT WITHIN RANGE OF ENEMY ARTILLERY WOULD HAVE TO BE ABANDONED OR INCREASED CASUALTIES IN PERSONNEL AND AIRCRAFT ACCEPTED. PRESENT MEDICAL FACILITIES WOULD HAVE TO BE EXPANDED TO COMPENSATE FOR THE GREATER NUMBER CASUALTIES.

4. IN ADDITION TO THE MILITARY EFFECTS THERE WOULD BE SERIOUS ECONOMIC AND PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS UPON THE CIVILIAN POPULATION OF THE AREA:

A. THE ENEMY WOULD HAVE GREATER FREEDOM OF ACTION FOR HIS GROUND OPERATIONS AND THROUGH TERRORIST ACTIVITIES COULD INTIMIDATE AND COERCE THE CIVILIAN POPULATION OR FORCE THEM TO DISPLACE SOUTHWARD EXACERBATING THE REFUGEE PROBLEM. FURTHER ATTEMPTS TO DISPLACE THESE PEOPLE WILL ERODE MORALE STILL FURTHER AND CONVINCING MAY THAT THEY ARE COOPERATING WITH THE WEAKER SIDE IN THE CONFLICT.

B. DOUBT COULD WELL ARISE ABOUT THE US WILL TO DEFEND SOUTH VIETNAM AND THE ABILITY TO PROTECT THE CIVILIANS IN THIS AREA.

C. NVA/VC FORCES WOULD CONTROL A HIGHER PERCENTAGE OF THE HARVEST IN THE AREA WHICH IN ITSELF WOULD BE LESSENER BY THE INCREASED TEMPO OF COMBAT OPERATIONS.

D. AT BEST US AND ARVN INITIATIVES IN REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT AND PACIFICATION WOULD BE CURTAILED AND THE ENEMY'S SUPERIOR FIRE CAPABILITY WOULD PRECLUDE RESETTLEMENT OF REFUGEES IN THE NORTHERN DISTRICTS.

5. IN SUMMARY IT IS CONCEIVABLE THAT A BOMBING HALT NORTH OF THE DMZ WOULD PERMIT THE ENEMY TO GAIN THE MILITARY INITIATIVE IN THE AREAS JUST SOUTH OF THE DMZ UNLESS ADDITIONAL MANEUVER FORCES, HEAVY ARTILLERY AND AIR ASSETS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE FREE WORLD MILITARY ASSISTANCE FORCES. THE INTENSITY OF GROUND COMBAT COULD BE EXPECTED TO INCREASE AND GREATLY INCREASED US/ARVN CASUALTIES MUST BE EXPECTED. THE GVN WOULD BE EFFECTIVELY DENIED CONTROL OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION IN THE NORTHERN DISTRICTS AND MORALE AND SUPPORT FOR OUR CAUSE WOULD BE SERIOUSLY ERODED.

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 ZNY SSSSS
 O P 231406Z AUG 68
 FM CG FIRST MAW
 TO RUEBHOA/CMC
 RUHKM/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSAK/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV
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S E C R E T FOR MAR CORPS EYES ONLY
 FOR CMC CODE(AA-1)
 FOR FMFPAC F-039

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J. (1) 4

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M. (1) L (7) 2 SORT TO CAMP CARROL ASRT

1 SORT DIV TO VICE SQUAD

2 SORT BINGO FUEL

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A. (1) (A) 86

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B. (1) 22 PCI

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 K. (1) A (3) INCLUDES 38 AIRBORNE ALERT SORTIES
 I (2) 8 USMC TO USMC TGT PRI 1 USA TO USMC TGT PRI
 1 USMC TO USMC ACFT MALFUNCTION
 2 USMC TO USMC WX
 5 USMC TO USMC ASRT DOWN
 1 USMC TO USMC NEG CONTROL GP-4
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OO RUEBHOA
 DE RUMSAV 013W 2360325
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O P 230256Z AUG 68

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RUMKM/CG FMFPAC

RUMSAK/CG III MAF

INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV

RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV

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FOR CMC CODE (AA-1)

FOR FMFPAC F-008

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G. (1) 18

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M. (1) L (7) - 5 SORTIES, NO SHOW
6 SORTIES, DIVERTED TO TADC, NO TACA AVAIL.

2. DATA PROVIDED BY FIRST MAW

A. (1) (A) 83

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(3) 52

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 1 USMC TO USA, TGT PRI
 1 USMC TO USMC, ACFT MALFUNCTION
 2 USMC TO USMC, ASRT DOWN
 1 USA TO USA, ASRT DOWN
 2 USMC TO USMC, NEG COMM
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			IN	OUT		
3	CG					EXPLOITATION OF HAVE FEAR
4	DCG		8/23		PK	REMARKS FOR FLASH
5	DCG AIR				PK	
2	C/S				PK	
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S		231130		PK	
	G-1					
	G-2		Has Copy			
10	G-3		Has Copy			
	G-4					
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
	CORDS					
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0000ZZ RUMUGRA
 DE RUMLBPA 3880 2360234
 ZNY SSSSS
 Z 230230Z AUG 68
 FM CG XXIV CORPS PHB
 TO RUMUFKA/CMDR 7TH AF TSN
 INFO RUMUHFA/COMUSMACV SGN
 RUMHVP/CG 3D MAR DIV DGH
 RUMUGRA/CG III MAF DNG
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S E C R E T F L A S H 05248
 PERSONAL FOR GEN BROWN FROM LTG STILWELL, INFO GEN ABRAMS AND LTG
 CUSHMAN

SUBJECT: EXPLOITATION OF HAVE FEAR
 REF: 7TH AF MSG (TS) DTG 220830Z AUG 68; SUBJECT AS ABOVE.
 WE STAND TO DEPLOY GROUND WATCH ELEMENT FORWARD OF CON THIEN
 WHEN AND IF DESIRED. DETAILED ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE COORDINATED
 BETWEEN 3D MAR DIV AND YOUR REPRESENTATIVE (COLONEL HENDERSON).

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			IN	OUT		
3	CG					REMARKS We have called a meeting re this problem. V. Respy [Signature]
4	DCG					
	DCG AIR					
2	C/S					
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S		23/NOV			
6	G-1		8	8/24		
	G-2					
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	G-4					
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
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	SUPPLY					
	S&C					

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0 230113Z ZYH ZFF-1
FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV
TO LTG MILDREN DCG USARV
RADM VETH COMNAVFORV
LTG CUSHMAN CG III MAF
GEN BROWN CDR 7TH AF
ZEM

S E C R E T MAC 11373 EYES ONLY

REF: A. MAC 11165

B. CINCPAC 210512Z AUG 68 (C) (PASEP)

1. (S) IN REF A, COMMANDERS WERE DIRECTED TO GIVE CLOSE PERSONAL ATTENTION TO COMPONENT ACTIONS REQUIRED TO REMAIN BELOW THE MILITARY STRENGTH/SPACE CEILING. IN IMPLEMENTING THESE ACTIONS, I DESIRE THAT THE COMBAT STRENGTH OF OUR COMBAT AND ADVISOR ELEMENTS BE MAINTAINED AT AUTHORIZED LEVELS AND THAT NO SACRIFICES BE MADE IN THESE AREAS. NECESSARY STRENGTH REDUCTIONS MUST BE MADE ELSEWHERE.
2. (S) REF B CONTAINS FURTHER GUIDANCE AND OTHER POSSIBLE COURSES OF ACTION RELATIVE TO THE MILITARY STRENGTH/SPACE CEILING PROBLEM. YOU WILL BE TASKED SOONEST TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE MACV REPLY

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			IN	OUT		
3	CG					REMARKS 23 120 2 H G-3 - We must continue to emphasize this to our subordinate commands. Yes - put out Info passed to G-3 231535H G/S Follow up Magout 250946Z Aug JCS 20 F
4	DCG		8/24		Rues	
5	DCG AIR					
2	C/S					
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
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	G-2					
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	G-4					
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
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	EMB/TRANS					
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	SUPPLY					
	S&C					

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O 230100Z ZYH ZFF-3
 FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV
 TO GEN BROWN CDR 7AF
 LTG MILDREN DCG USARV
 LTG CUSHMAN CG III MAF
 LTG PEERS CG I FFV
 MG KERWIN CG II FFV
 MG ECKHARDT SA IV CORPS
 RADM VEITH COMNAVFORV
 INFO MG WILLIAMS CG 1ST AVN BDE
 ZEM
 S E C R E T MAC 11372 EYES ONLY
 SUBJ: ARC LIGHT DIVERSIONS.

1. (S) THE NUMBER OF ARC LIGHT SORTIES THAT HAVE BEEN DIVERTED AS A RESULT OF AIR CRAFT BEING IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE TARGETS AT OR NEAR RELEASE TIMES IS OF GREAT CONCERN. ANY LOSS OF THIS FIRE POWER ON HIGH PRIORITY TARGETS IS DETRIMENTAL TO THE SCHEME OF MANEUVER OR BATTLE PLAN, AND IS UNACCEPTABLE.

2. (S) THE LATEST OCCURRENCE WAS ON 22 AUGUST WHEN A TOTAL OF SIX B-52'S HAD TO BE DIVERTED FROM HIGH PRIORITY TARGETS IN III CORPS. ON ONE STRIKE THREE B-52'S WERE DIVERTED WHEN A C7A ENTERED THE TARGET BOX. ANOTHER STRIKE LOST THE FIREPOWER OF THREE B-52'S WHEN A HELICOPTER WAS PICKED UP ON RADAR NEAR THE TARGET.

3. (S) THE CURRENT PROCEDURES, IF PROPERLY ADHERED TO, PROVIDE SUFFICIENT NOTIFICATION TO AIRCREWS TO PRECLUDE SUCH OCCURRENCES. THIS NOTIFICATION COMES IN THE FORM OF A VOICE BROADCAST FROM THE GCI SITE IN THE AREA OF THE B-52 STRIKE AND IS MADE TWENTY MINUTES PRIOR TO THE TARGET TIME. THE RADIO FREQUENCY SPECTRUM IS WELL COVERED ON THESE BROADCASTS TO ENSURE CONTACT WITH AIRCRAFT OF ALL SERVICES. PROPER MONITORING OF TACTICAL/NON TACTICAL FLIGHT FOLLOWING AND EMERGENCY FREQUENCIES BY AIR CREW MEMBERS MUST BE EMPHASIZED IN ORDER TO CURTAIL THESE VIOLATIONS.

4. (S) MOST OF THE HELICOPTERS AND LIGHT AVIATION OPERATING IN THE BATTLE AREAS IS ASSIGNED TO, OR IN SUPPORT OF, THE GROUND FIELD COMMANDERS. YOU NOMINATE THE ARC LIGHT TARGETS, AND IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO COORDINATE YOUR TROOP MANEUVERS AND HELICOPTERS TO OBTAIN THE MAXIMUM RESULTS FROM THE B-52 STRIKES

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5	DCG AIR					
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	D C/S DM					
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	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	S&C					

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 ZNY TTTT ZOK JPCCO
 Z 22083Z AUG 68
 FM 7AF TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
 TO RUMSAGK/LTG STILWELL CG XXIV CORPS PHU BAI
 INFO/ZEN GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV
 RUMSAK/LTG CUSHMAN CG III MAF DA NANG
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T O P S E C R E T / C. FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY.

SUBJECT: EXPLOITATION OF HAVE FEAR

REFERENCES: A. PHB 1227 TOP SECRET, DTG: 2115Z AUG 68.

B. COMUSMACV 24248 TOP SECRET, DTG: 182135Z AUG 68.

1. APPRECIATE SUGGESTED VERIFICATION STEPS INVOLVING POSITIONING INFANTRY ELEMENT OR USE OF A COBRA FIRE TEAM, BUT SUGGEST THESE STEPS NOT BE TAKEN YET.
2. AS YOU KNOW, ON THE NIGHTS OF 18, 19, 20, 21 AUGUST DETECTION EQUIPMENT IN PLACE AT CON THIEN AND THE CRP RADAR AT DONG HA (WATER BOY) ALL TOGETHER OBSERVED 98 UNIDENTIFIED TRACKS. WHILE MANY OF THE OBSERVATIONS WERE MADE BY MORE THAN ONE FACILITY OR EQUIPMENT, HAVE FEAR DID SEE 47 OBJECTS, HAVE PACK REPORTED 15, WATER BOY CARRIED 34, WHILE TWO WERE SEEN BY FIRE WATCH AND OTHER MODS. SOME OF

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THE TRACKS WERE NORTH OF THE DMZ AND OVER WATER.

3. IN AN EFFORT TO VERIFY ENEMY HELICOPTER OPERATIONS, PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT MAINTAINED AN AIR ALERT OVER DONG HA FROM 2000 THROUGH 2200 HOURS EACH NIGHT. THIRTY-FOUR PHOTO RUNS OF UNIDENTIFIED TRACKS WERE MADE BY THE RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT WHICH WERE VECTORED BY WATER BOY WITH HAVE PACK RADAR PROVIDING DETAILED GUIDANCE TO POSITION THE PHOTO AIRCRAFT OVER THE UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS. QUALITY OF PHOTOGRAPHY OBTAINED WAS ADEQUATE TO RECORD PRESENCE OF HELICOPTER; HOWEVER, DETAILED PI HAS NOT FOUND ANY HELICOPTERS.

4. IT IS PLANNED TONIGHT, 22 AUGUST, TO POSITION AN AC-130 GUNSHIP WITH ITS SENSORS (INFRA-RED VIEWER AND TWO NIGHT OBSERVATION DEVICES) FLARE CAPABILITY AND GUNS (FOUR 20MM AND FOUR 7.62 MINI-GUNS) ON AIR ALERT IN THE DONG HA AREA UNDER CONTROL OF THE CRP IN A FURTHER EFFORT TO IDENTIFY OBJECTS SEEN AT NIGHT BY HAVE FEAR FROM CON THIEN.

5. WHILE I AM NOT OPTIMISTIC THAT THE AC-130 WILL PROVE ANYTHING, I DO BELIEVE ITS FIRE POWER IS ADEQUATE AND I KNOW THE COORDINATION AND CONTROL OF ONE GUNSHIP BY WATER BOY WILL BE SIMPLER WITHOUT INVOLVING COBRA FIRE TEAMS. I WOULD HOPE

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THAT CLEARANCE FOR THE AC-130 TO FIRE CAN BE OBTAINED PROMPTLY IF A TARGET IS ACQUIRED VISUALLY THROUGH THE AID OF FLARES.

6. SHOULD THE AC-130 EFFORT PROVE FRUITLESS, I WOULD SUGGEST WE THEN CONSIDER USE OF THE INFANTRY ELEMENT YOU HAVE OFFERED.

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	C/S					
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
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	ADJ					
	S&C					

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O 230116Z ZYH ZFF-3
FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV
TO LTG STILWELL CG XXIV CORPS
INFO GEN BROWN CDR 7AF
LTG CUSHMAN CG III MAF
ZEM

T O P S E C R E T MAC 11374 EYES ONLY
SUBJECT: EXPLOITATION OF HAVE-FEAR PROJECT
REF: A. PHB 1227 DTG 211650Z AUG 68 (TS)
B. COMUSMACV 182135Z AUG 68 (TS)

1. YOUR MESSAGE (REFERENCE A) AND VIEWS, THIS SUBJECT, APPRECIATED. I AGREE THAT POSITIVE ACTIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN TO VALIDATE THE HAVE-FEAR IDEADOUTS.
 2. GENERAL BROWN WILL BE IN COMMUNICATION WITH YOU CONCERNING PROCEDURES TO ACCOMPLISH THIS OBJECTIVE. YOUR EFFORTS IN SUPPORT OF THE AIR DEFENSE COMMANDER SHOULD ALSO BE OF SIGNIFICANCE IN THE PROGRESS OF THE HAVE-FEAR/ MAN-PACK RADAR EVALUATION (REFERENCE B). PROPOSED USE OF COBRA TEAM SUBJECT TO DECISION OF AIR DEFENSE COMMANDER.
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			SERIAL# / CONTROL DATE 211434Z AUG 68		COPY# 2 OF 6 COPIES RECD	
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			IN	OUT		
3	CG					REMARKS
4	DCG		8/23		Ruel	
	DCG AIR					
2	C/S				@	
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S		220730H		JLW	
	G-1	INFO			COPY	
	G-2					
	G-3	COG			COPY	
	G-4					
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
	CORDS					
	EMB/TRANS					
	ENGR					
	H&S CO					
	INSP					
	MTO					
	OP ANAL					
	ORD					
	PSY OPS					
	SUPPLY					
	S&C					

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 RTTSZYUW RUEBHOA4134 2341446-SSSS--RUMUGRA.
 ZNY SSSSS
 R 211434Z AUG68

FM CMC
 TO RUHFMA/CG FMFPAC
 INFO RUMUGRA/CG III MAF
 RUWJNSA/CG MCRD SDIEGO
 RUABQL/CG FMFPAC (FWD)

BT

S E C R E T

DEPLOYMENT OF RLT 27 FROM VIETNAM (S)
 FOR LTGEN BUSE, LTGEN CUSHMAN, MAJGEN ENGLISH AND
 BGEN WEBSTER FROM GEN CHAPMAN

1. I HAVE APPROVED THE DRAFT REPORT OF RLT 27 REDEPLOYMENT
 CONFERENCE DTD 6AUG68. THE REPORT INDICATES MUCH THOUGHT
 HAS BEEN GIVEN TO PROCESSING AND HANDLING THESE RETURNING
 MARINES SO AS TO EXPEDITE THEIR TRIP HOME. I NOTE ALSO THAT
 YOU HAVE PERSONALLY ADDRESSED THE ISSUE OF SPECIAL HANDLING
 AND ARE FULLY AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF ENSURING THAT
 EVERYTHING POSSIBLE IS DONE FOR THESE MARINES TO RECOGNIZE
 AND COMPENSATE FOR THE DELAYS WHICH WILL NECESSARILY
 ARISE BECAUSE OF THE CEREMONIES.

PAGE TWO RUEBHOA4134 S E C R E T

2. I WOULD ALSO LIKE, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, TO ENSURE SPECIAL
 CONSIDERATION TO THE FAMILIES OF THESE MARINES SHOULD THEY DESIRE
 TO BE PRESENT AT THE TIME OF RETURN. THESE CONSIDERATIONS
 INCLUDE ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRAVEL, BILLETING AND TIMELY INFORMATION.
 ANY THOUGHTS YOU HAVE IN THIS AREA WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

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			SERIAL NO/CONTROL DATE 211230Z AUG 68		COPY# 1 OF 4 COPIES RECD	
ROUTE	SECTION	CODE	DATE		INITIAL	SUBJECT
			IN	OUT		
14	CG				le	REMARKS MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
	DCG					
	DCG AIR					
2	C/S				ca	
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S		220720H		su	
	G-1					
	G-2					
	G-3					
	G-4					
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
	CORDS					
	EMB/TRANS					
	ENGR					
	H&S CO					
	INSP					
	MTO					
	OP ANAL					
	ORD					
	PSY OPS					
	SUPPLY					
	S&C					

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OO RUEBHOA
 DE RUMSAV 087W 2341300
 ZNY SSSSS
 O P 211230Z AUG 68
 FM CG FIRST MAW
 TO RUEBHOA/CMC
 RUHQM/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSAK/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV

BT

S E C R E T FOR MAR CORPS EYES ONLY SECTION ONE OF TWO
 FOR CMC CODE (AA-1)
 FOR FMFPAC F-031

1. DATA FROM USMC GROUND UNITS
 A. PERIOD COVERED FROM 191901H TO 201900H AUGUST 68.
 B. (1) 186
 (2) 16
 (3) 0
 (4) 0
 C. (1) 124
 (2) 80
 (3) 49

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- (4) 63
 (5) 98
 (6) 34
 (7) 55
 D. (1) 46
 (2) 18
 (3) 10
 (4) 15
 E. (1) 80
 (2) 7
 (3) 2
 (4) 0
 F. (1) 63
 (2) 63
 (3) 12
 (4) 51
 G. (1) 40
 (2) 5
 (3) 12
 (4) 6

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H. (1) 63
 (2) 0
 (3) 0
 (4) 0
 I. (1) 8
 (2) (A) 48
 (B) 2
 (C) 0
 (D) 0
 J. (1) 0
 (2) 128
 (3) 54
 (4) 0
 (5) 0
 (6) 0
 K. (1) 0
 (2) 0
 (3) 8
 (4) 11
 L. (1) 2

PAGE FOUR RUMSAV 087W S E C R E T SPECAT

(2) 0
 (3) 2
 (4) 0
 (5) 2
 (6) 0
 (7) 14
 M. (1) L(7) - 6 SORTIES, NEG TGE
 2 SORTIES, BAD COMM
 2 SORTIES, NEG DROP
 2 SORTIES, BINGO FUEL
 2 SORTIES, TACA
 2 DATA PROVIDED BY FIRST MAW
 A. (1) (A) 82
 (B) 85
 (2) 38
 (3) 70
 B. (1) 220
 (2) 55
 (3) 0
 C. (1) (A) 84 (B) 45

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PAGE FIVE RUMSAV 087W S E C R E T SPECAT

(2) (A) 0 (B) 41

(3) (A) 0 (B) 0

D. (1) 30

(2) 8

(3) 0

E. (1) 32

(2) 6

(3) 0

(4) 0

(5) 0

(6) 0

(7) 0

F. (1) 0

(2) 70

(3) 0

G. (1) 67

(2) 3

(3) 2

(4) 0

(5) 0

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(6) 0

(7) 0

H. (1) 10

(2) 0

(3) 6

I. (1) 0

(2) 16

(3) 0

(4) 0

J. (1) (A) 56 (B) 24

(2) (A) 23 (B) 18

(3) (A) 0 (B) 0

(4) (A) 3 (B) 2

(5) (A) 0 (B) 0

(6) (A) 0 (B) 0

(7) (A) 0 (B) 41

K. (1) A (3) - INCLUDES 30 AIRBORNE ALERT SORTIES.

I (2) - 4 USMC TO USMC, TGT FRI

2 USMC TO USMC, ACFT MALFUNCTION

2 USMC TO USMC, WEATHER

BT

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OO RUEBKOA
DE RUMSAV 088W 2341300
ZNY SSSSS
O P 211230Z AUG 68
FM CG FIRST MAW
TO RUEBHOA/OMC
RUHIM/CG FMFPAC
RUMSAK/CG III MAF
INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV
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SECRET FOR MAR CORPS EYES ONLY

FINAL SECTION OF TWO

6 USMC TO USMC, ASST
2 USMC TO ROKMC, TGT PRI
GP-4

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OPERATION CODE X-ORIGINATOR A-ACTION/COGNIZANCE C-COMMENT/RECOMMENDATION I-INFORMATION S-SIGNATURE			FROM CG FIRST MAW		DATE 21 AUG 68	
			SERIAL#/CONTROL DATE 211000Z AUG 68		COPY# 1 OF 4 COPIES RECD	
ROUTE	SECTION	CODE	DATE		INITIAL	SUBJECT
			IN	OUT		
	CG					REMARKS MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
	DCG					
	DCG AIR					
2	C/S				<i>[Signature]</i>	
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S		220730H		<i>[Signature]</i>	
	G-1					
	G-2					
	G-3					
	G-4					
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
	CORDS					
	EMB/TRANS					
	ENGR					
	H&S CO					
	INSP					
	MTO					
	OP ANAL					
	ORD					
	PSY OPS					
	SUPPLY					
	S&C					

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SECRET

PP RUHKM
 DE RUMSAV 057W 2341115
 ZNY SSSSS
 P 211000Z AUG 68
 FM CG FIRST MAW
 TO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV
 INFO RUHKM/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSAK/CG III MAF
 BT

S E C R E T SPECAT FOR MAR CORPS EYES ONLY
 FOR FMFPAC F-022

SPECAT DAILY REPORT (U)

A. CG FIRST MAW 100934Z AUG 68

B. CG FMFPAC 192137Z AUG 68

1. REF A REQ AUTH TO CHG RPT PERIOD OF SPECAT DAILY RPT TO
 0001H TO 2400H VICE 1901H-1900H. REF B APPROVED THIS REQ.
 2. ACCORDINGLY, INTEND TO COMMENCE NEW REPORT PERIOD EFFECTIVE
 010001H - 012400H SEP 68. TO AVOID LOSS OF DATA, REPORT FOR
 31 AUG 68 WILL COVER PERIOD 301901H THRU 312400H AUG 68.
 ALL RPTD SUBSEQUENT TO THIS PERIOD WILL REFLECT 0001H - 2400H
 DAILY.

3. FOR CG FIRST MARDIV AND CG THIRD MARDIV: REQ YOU PROVIDE

PAGE TWO RUMSAV 057W S E C R E T SPECAT
 SPECAT DAILY RPT DATA AS SHOWN PARA 2 ABOVE. INFO TO BE RE-
 CEIVED THIS HQS (ATTN G-3) PHONE 223 NLY 1000 DAILY SUBSE-
 QUENT DAY FOR EACH RPT.

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BT

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EXCLUSIVE

PP RUMUGRA
DE RUHNFMA3583 2340212
ZNY CCCCC
P 210212 Z AUG 68
FM CG FMFPAC
TO RUMUGRA/CG III MAF
BT

CONFIDENTIAL SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR BGEN ANDERSON
FROM COL P.M. SMITH, DEPUTY C/S, FMFPAC
1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF SECNAV LTR NDBDN/JJC/LJ
SER: 6131 OF 31JUL68 TO CHIEF OF NAVAL PERSONNEL.

QUOTE:
SUBJ: SILVER STAR MEDAL; RECOMMENDATION FOR
ENCL: (1) COMUSMACV LTR MAGAG-PD OF 2MAY68 WITH
ENCL AND ENDS

1. THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY, AFTER CONSIDERING THE
RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN ENCLOSURE (1), APPROVES
THE AWARDING OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL TO LIEUTENANT
GENERAL HOANG XUAN LAM, 46/201568, ARMY OF THE
REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, SIGNED CHARLES F. BAIRD, UNDER
SECRETARY OF THE NAVY.

UNQUOTE,
GP-4
BT

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III MAF 2100/1 (REV. 11-66)

CG	AFC	CS	DC/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT.	ADJ.	CHAP.	CEO
CIB	COC	DENT. O.	EMB.	ENGR.	FD. SERV.	HQ. COMDT.	INSP.	LEGAL	MTO	POSTAL	PROTOCOL	PMO
PSY. OPS.	SPL. SERV.	SUP.	SURG.									#17

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			SERIAL# / CONTROL DATE 201615Z AUG 68		COPY# 1 OF 4 COPIES RECD	
ROUTE	SECTION	CODE	DATE		INITIAL	SUBJECT
			IN	OUT		
	CG					REMARKS MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
	DCG					
	DCG AIR					
2	C/S				Q	
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S		8/21		JM	
	G-1					
	G-2					
	G-3					
	G-4					
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
	CORDS					
	EMB/TRANS					
	ENGR					
	H&S CO					
	INSP					
	MTO					
	OP ANAL					
	ORD					
	PSY OPS					
	SUPPLY					
	S&C					

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OO RUEBHOA
 DE RUMSAV 126W 2331738
 ZNY SSSSS
 O P 201615Z AUG 68
 FM CG FIRST MAF
 TO RUEBHOA/CMC
 RUHKM/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSAK/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV
 BT

S E C R E T FOR MAR CORPS EYES ONLY SECTION ONE OF TWO
 FOR CMC CODE AA-1
 FOR FMFPAC F-043

1. DATA FROM USMC GROUND UNITS
 A. PERIOD COVERED FROM 181901H TO 191900H AUGUST 68.
 B. (1) 165
 (2) 18
 (3) 0
 (4) 0
 C. (1) 129
 (2) 77
 (3) 51

PAGE TWO RUMSAV 126W S E C R E T SPECAT

- (4) 48
 (5) 71
 (6) 39
 (7) 42
 D. (1) 30
 (2) 31
 (3) 5
 (4) 15
 E. (1) 68
 (2) 11
 (3) 2
 (4) 0
 F. (1) 64
 (2) 64
 (3) 12
 (4) 52
 G. (1) 12
 (2) 20
 (3) 14
 (4) 12

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PAGE THREE RUMSAV 126W S E C R E T SPECAT

H. (1) 52

(2) 12

(3) 0

(4) 0

I. (1) 8

(2) (A) 32

(B) 6

(C) 0

(D) 0

J. (1) 4

(2) 114

(3) 49

(4) 0

(5) 0

(6) 0

K. (1) 1

(2) 0

(3) 6

(4) 11

L. (1) 0

PAGE FOUR RUMSAV 126W S E C R E T SPECAT

(2) 0

(3) 0

(4) 0

(5) 0

(6) 0

(7) 16

M. (1) L (7) 8 SORTIES DIVERTED

4 SORTIES TO TADC, NO TAC(A)

4 SORTIES BINGO FUEL

2. DATA PROVIDED BY FIRST MAW

A. (1) (A) 80

(B) 84

(2) 38

(3) 51

B. (1) 187

(2) 66

(3) 0

C. (1) (A) 84 (B) 45

(2) (A) 0 (B) 41

(3) (A) 0 (B) 0

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PAGE FIVE RUMSAV 126W S E C R E T SPECAT

D. (1) 30
 (2) 8
 (3) 0
 E. (1) 30
 (2) 6
 (3) 0
 (4) 2
 (5) 0
 (6) 0
 (7) 0
 F. (1) 0
 (2) 51
 (3) 0
 G. (1) 46
 (2) 1
 (3) 0
 (4) 4
 (5) 0
 (6) 0
 (7) 0

PAGE SIX RUMSAV 126W S E C R E T SPECAT

H. (1) 16
 (2) 3
 (3) 2
 I. (1) 2
 (2) 19
 (3) 0
 (4) 0
 J. (1) (A) 58 (B) 25
 (2) (A) 19 (B) 18
 (3) (A) 0 (B) 0
 (4) (A) 3 (B) 0
 (5) (A) 0 (B) 0
 (6) (A) 0 (B) 0
 (7) (A) 0 (B) 41
 K. (1) A(3) INCLUDES 34 AIRBORNE ALERT SORTIES
 I(1) 2 USMC TO USMC, TGT PRI
 I (2) 4 USMC TO USMC, TGT PRI
 2 USA TO USMC, TGT PRI
 2 USMC TO USMC, ACFT MALFUNCTION
 5 USMC TO USMC, ASRT DOWN
 BT

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OO RUEBHOA
 DE RUMSAV 127W 2331738
 ZNY SSSSS
 O P 201615Z AUG 68
 FM CG FIRST MAW
 TO RUEBHOA/CMC
 RUHNM/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSAK/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV

BT

S E C R E T FOR MAR CORPS EYES ONLY FINAL SECTION OF TWO
 4 USMC TO USMC, NEG TGT
 2 USMC TO USMC, NEG CONTROLLER
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IIIAF FORM 5216 (REV 3-68)

OPERATION CODE			FROM		DATE	
X-ORIGINATOR A-ACTION/COGNIZANCE C-COMMENT/RECOMMENDATION I-INFORMATION S-SIGNATURE			CG XXIV CORPS PHB		29 AUG 68	
			SERIAL#/CONTROL DATE			
			209558Z AUG 68		COPY# 2 OF 6 COPIES RECD	
ROUTE	SECTION	CODE	DATE		INITIAL	SUBJECT
			IN	OUT		
	CG					REMARKS For CG - previously you still well completed misunderstood you. I believe our msg sets the record straight FOR [Signature]
	DCG					
	DCG AIR					
	C/S					
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S		201430H		ger	
	G-1					
	G-2	INFO			copy	
	G-3	COG			copy	
	G-4					
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
	CORDS					
	EMB/TRANS					
	ENGR					
	HQS CO					
	INSP					
	MTO					
	OP ANAL					
	ORD					
	PSY OPS					
	SUPPLY					
	SBC					

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SECRET**FOR**

OO RUMUGRA
 DE RUMLBPA 158 2330400
 ZNY SSSSS
 O 200358Z AUG 68
 FM CG XXIV CORPS PHB
 TO CG 3RD MAR DIV DGH
 INFO: CG III MAF DNG
 BT

S E C R E T AVII-DCG 05204

PERSONAL FOR MGEN DAVIS; INFO LTGEN CUSHMAN
 SUBJ: DECREASE IN MANEUVER BNS AVAILABLE TO THE 3RD MAR DIV (S)
 REF: CG, 3RD MAR DIV 181140Z AUG 68, SUBJ: DECREASE IN MANEUVER
 BNS AVAILABLE TO 3RD MAR DIV(S)

1. (S) PERSONALLY DISCUSSED THIS SUBJECT WITH LT GEN CUSHMAN FOLLOW-
 ING C OF C CEREMONY AT CAMP EVANS 19 AUG. IN COURSE OF THE DIS-
 CUSSION, IT WAS BROUGHT OUT THAT THE THIRD BN, FIRST MARINES,
 ALREADY HAD JOINED FIRST MAR DIV AND THAT INCLUDING THE SECOND BN,
 THIRD MARINES, AS PART OF THE MOVE OF THE REMAINING TWO BNS OF THE
 FIRST MARINES TO FIRST MAR DIV WOULD REDUCE THIRD MAR DIV TO ONLY
 EIGHT ORGANIC MANEUVER BNS. GEN CUSHMAN STATED THAT IT WAS HIS
 INTENTION THAT ONLY THE TWO REMAINING BNS OF THE FIRST MARINES WERE
 TO BE MOVED TO FIRST MAR DIV. FURTHER, THAT THE LATTER OF THE TWO
 DATES DISCUSSED WAS SATISFACTORY.

PAGE TWO RUMLBPA 158 S E C R E T

2. (S) IN VIEW OF THIS DISCUSSION WITH LT GEN CUSHMAN, YOU ARE AD-
 VISED TO PLAN ON MOVING THE TWO BNS OF THE FIRST MARINES TO FIRST
 MAR DIV IN THE LATTER PART OF THIS MONTH AND TO PLAN ON RETAINING
 THE SECOND BN, THIRD MARINES, AS AN ORGANIC ELEMENT OF THIRD MAR DIV.
 LT GEN STILWELL SENDS
 GP-4

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PP RUMHAW RUMUGRA RUMHLA RUMHVP
 ZNDE RUMKFMA 3355 2322137Z
 ZNY CCCCC
 P 192137Z AUG 68
 FM CG FMFPAC
 TO ZEN/CMC
 RUMHAW/CG FIRST MAW
 INFO RUMUGRA/CG III MAF
 RUMHLA/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMHVP/CG THIRD MARDIP
 BT

MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY

CONFIDENTIAL SPECAT MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY.
 FOR CMC CODE AA-1.
 SPECAT DAILY REPORT (U)
 A. CG FIRST MAW 190934Z/AUG68
 B. CMC 152256Z/AUG68 (NOTAL)
 1. REF A REQUESTED AUTHORITY TO CHUNGE REPORTING PERIOD
 OF THE SPECAT DAILY REPORT TO 0301 - 2400H VICE 1901 - 1900H.
 2. FOR CG FIRST MAW: REQUEST CONTAINED IN REF A
 APPROVED.
 3. FOR CMC: THIS RESPONDS TO REF B.
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CG	AFC	CS	DC/S	G-1	G-2	G-3	G-4	G-5	COMPT.	ADJ.	CHAP.	CEO
CIB	COC	DENT. O.	EMB.	ENGR.	FO. SERV.	HQ. COMOT.	INSP.	LEGAL	MTO	POSTAL	PROTOCOL	PMO
PSY. OPS.	SPL. SERV.	SUP.	SURG.								#14	

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			SERIAL# / CONTROL DATE 191215Z AUG 68		COPY# 1 OF 4 COPIES RECD	
ROUTE	SECTION	CODE	DATE		INITIAL	SUBJECT
			IN	OUT		
	CG					REMARKS MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
	DCG					
	DCG AIR					
7	C/S				<i>Q</i>	
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S				<i>Jm</i>	
	G-1					
	G-2					
	G-3					
	G-4					
	G-5					
	G-6					
	ADJ					
	CAP					
	CORDS					
	EMB/TRANS					
	ENGR					
	H&S CO					
	INSP					
	MTO					
	OP ANAL					
	ORD					
	PSY OPS					
	SUPPLY					
	S&C					

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PP RUEBHOA RUHKM RUMSAK
 DE RUMSAV 087W 232,925
 ZNY SSSSS
 P 191215Z AUG 68
 FM CG FIRST MAW
 TO RUEBHOA/CMC
 RUHKM/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSAK/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV
 BT

S E C R E T SPECAT FOR MARCORPS EYES ONLY
 FOR CMC COKE AA-1
 FOR FMFPAC (F-035)

I. DATA FROM USMC GROUND UNITS

A. PERIOD COVERED - FROM 171900H TO 181900H AUG 68.

B. (1) 176

(2) 59

(3) 2

(4) 0

C. (1) 115

(2) 66

(3) 49

PAGE TWO RUMHAW 087W S E C R E T SPECAT FOR FMARCORPS EYES ONLY

(4) 38

(5) 77

(6) 41

(7) 28

D. (1) 17

(2) 40

(3) 9

(4) 3

E. (1) 46

(2) 23

(3) 0

(4) 0

F. (1) 87

(2) 87

(3) 28

(4) 58

G. (1) 75

(2) 3

(3) 8

(4) 0

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PAGE THREE RUMHAW Ø87W S E C R E T SPECAT FOR MARCORPS EYES ONLY

- H. (1) 86
- (2) 0
- (3) 0
- (4) 0
- I. (1) 14
- (2) (A) 56
- (B) 26
- (C) 0
- (D) 0
- J. (1) 2
- (2) 130
- (3) 97
- (4) 0
- (5) 0
- (6) 0
- K. (1) 1
- (2) 0
- (3) 4
- (4) 14
- L. (1) 0

PAGE FOUR RUMHAW Ø87W S E C R E T SPECAT FOR MARCORPS EYES ONLY

- (2) 0
- (3) 0
- (4) 0
- (5) 4
- (6) 0
- (7) 4
- M. (1) L (7) 4 SORT NO CONTROLLER
- 2. DATA PROVIDED BY 1ST MAW
- A. (1) (A) 83
- (B) 85
- (2) 32
- (3) 44
- B. (1) 184
- (2) 60
- (3) 0
- C. (1) (A) 84 (B) 45
- (2) (A) 0 (B) 41
- (3) (A) 0 (B) 0
- D. (1) 3
- (2) 29

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- J. (1) (A) 65 (B) 26
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- (4) (A) 3 (B) 0
- (5) (A) 0 (B) 0
- 6) (A) 0 (B) 0
- (7) (A) 0 (B) 41
- K. (1) A(3) INCLUDES 22 AIRBORNE ALERT SORTIES
- I(2) 1 USMC TO USMC, TGT PRI
- 7 USA TO USMC, TGT PRI
- 1 USA TO USMC, ACFT MALFUNCTION
- 9 USMC TO USMC, WX
- 7 USMC TO USMC, ASRT DOWN
- 4 USMC TO USMC, NEG CONTROLLER

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DE RUMLEPP 0001 232675Z
 RNY 0555H

0 190005Z AUG 68 ZFF-1
 FM CG 1ST AIR DIV DEW CAMP EVANSRVN
 TO RUMUCDA/CG USARV LBN RVN
 RUMUCDA/CG PCV PHU BAI RVN
 RUMUCDA/CG III MAF DA NANG RVN
 RUMUCDA/CG 325TH GS (P) CAMB TYN RVN
 RUMUCDA/CG AVE MAINT MGT TSN RVN
 DT

FOR

S E C R E T AVDAQL 0F2321
 FM BG 1ST AVF FOR LTG MELDREN

SUBJ: AIRCRAFT REPAIR PARTY RESUPPLY (U)
 REF: A. 1ST ADD SECRET MSG AVDAQL 0F2233, DTG 100250Z AUG 68,
 SUBJECT SAME AS ABOVE.

B. 1ST ADD SECRET MSG AVDAQL-A 0F2219 DTG 081226Z AUG 68
 SUBJ: AIRCRAFT MATERIAL READINESS.

1. (S) BY REFERENCE A I ADVISED THAT THE DOWNWARD TREND THAT HAS
 OCCURRED IN RECEIPT OF AIRCRAFT REPAIR PARTS IS DEVELOPING A CRIT-
 ICAL SITUATION. FOR EXAMPLE: USING THE 1ST SIX (6) MONTHS OF
 1968 AS A BASE THE FOLLOWING IS THE TREND FOR JULY AND AUGUST.

1-15 JULY- RECEIPTS DOWN 7 PERCENT
 16-31 JULY-RECEIPTS DOWN 22 PERCENT
 1-8 AUG-RECEIPTS DOWN 39 PERCENT.

DURING THIS PERIOD THE NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING EOP REQUESTIONS
 INCREASED FROM A LOW OF 456 ON 13 JULY TO 689 ON 8 AUGUST. PRIORITY
 ASSISTANCE WAS URGENTLY REQUESTED IN INCREASING THE FLOW OF AIRCRAFT
 REPAIR PARTS TO THE 1ST ADD.

2. (S) DURING THE PERIOD 9-17 AUGUST, 60,965 POUNDS WERE RECEIVED
 THROUGH NORMAL CHANNELS, A DROP OFF OF 370%. IN AN ATTEMPT TO AL-
 LEVIATE THE SITUATION AN ADDITIONAL 38,962 POUNDS OF PARTS WERE
 LISTED BY ORGANIC CH-47'S FROM QUI NHON DURING THE PERIOD. THIS
 SOLUTION IS UNSATISFACTORY EXCEPT ON A DIRE EMERGENCY BASIS. THREE
 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN VIETNAM HAS SHOWN THAT AN AVERAGE OF 10,000
 POUNDS OF AIRCRAFT PARTS ARE REQUIRED DAILY TO MAINTAIN A SATISFACTORY
 SUPPLY STATUS.

3. (C) PARA 2 OF REF B REQUESTED FORMAL APPROVAL OF OUR EXISTING
 PAW-1 TRANSCEIVER CIRCUIT AS A PERMANENT PART OF THE 1ST ADD SUPPLY
 NET BETWEEN AITH TC DN, CED BEACH AND ANNG SAIGON. ON 16 AUG 68
 THIS CIRCUIT WAS REMOVED BY MACV.

4. (C) REQUEST PRIORITY ASSISTANCE IN INCREASING THE FLOW OF AIR-
 CRAFT REPAIR PARTS TO THE 1ST ADD AND IN REESTABLISHING THE PAW-1
 TRANSCEIVER CIRCUIT TO PERMIT EXPEDITIOUS TRANSCIVING OF TO AIR
 EOP REQUESTIONS.

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PP RUEBHOA
 DE RUMSAV 003W 2320100
 ZNY SSSSS
 P 190035Z AUG 68
 FM CG, FIRST MAF
 TO RUEBHOA/CMC
 RUHKM/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSAK/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV
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MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY

S E C R E T SPECAT FOR MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
 FOR CMC CODD AA-1
 FOR FMFPAC (F-001)

1. DATA FROM USMC GROUND UNITS
 A. PERIOD COVERED - FROM 161900H TO 171900H AUG 68.
 B. (1) 126
 (2) 23
 (3) 0
 (4) 0
 C. (1) 119
 (2) 76
 (3) 49

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- (4) 70
 (5) 109
 (6) 27
 (7) 30
 D. (1) 40
 (2) 8
 (3) 6
 (4) 3
 E. (1) 53
 (2) 4
 (3) 0
 (4) 0
 F. (1) 50
 (2) 50
 (3) 10
 (4) 40
 G. (1) 18
 (2) 9
 (3) 23
 (4) 0

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 (3) 0
 (4) 0
 I. (1) 13
 (2) (A) 27
 (B) 15
 (C) 0
 (D) 0
 J. (1) 6
 (2) 70
 (3) 62
 (4) 0
 (5) 0
 (6) 0
 K. (1) 0
 (2) 0
 (3) 56
 (4) 6
 L. (1) 0

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 (4) 1
 (5) 0
 (6) 0
 (7) 10
 M. (1) K(3) 31 SORT CANX AND DIV BY TADC
 25 SORT CANX FOR WX
 L(7) 4 SORT BINGO FUEL
 2 SORT DIV NEG TGT
 4 SORT DIV BY TADC
 2. DATA PROVIDED BY 1ST MAW
 A. (1) (A) 70
 (B) 72
 (2) 22
 (3) 32
 B. (1) 166
 (2) 30
 (3) 0
 C. (1) (A) 84 (B) 44

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D. (1) 3

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(3) 0

G. (1) 30

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(4) 0

(5) 0

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(7) 0

H. (1) 9

(2) 0

(3) 2

I. (1) 2

(2) 9

(3) 0

(4) 0

J. (1) (A) 46 (B) 24

(2) (A) 21 (B) 18

(3) (A) 0 (B) 0

(4) (A) 3 (B) 0

(5) (A) 0 (B) 0

(6) (A) 0 (B) 0

(7) (A) 0 (B) 30

K. (1) A(3) INCLUDES 22 AIRBORNE ALERT SORTIES

I(1) 2 USMC TO USMC, TGT PRI

I(2) 2 USMC TO USMC, TGT PRI

3 USMC TO USMC, ACFT MALFUNCTION, 3 USMC TO USMC, ASRT DOWN GP-4

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II MAF FORM 5216 (REV 3-66)

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3	CG					REMARKS For CG sent out an alert msg This Rm. Rogers G
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	C/S					
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
1	S/S		190645			
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	G-2					
	G-3					
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	G-6					
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	CAP					
	CORDS					
	EMB/TRANS					
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	ORD					
	PSY OPS					
	SUPPLY					
	SBC					

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0 181158Z ZPD ZYM ZFF-1
 FM GEN ABRAMS, COMUSMACV
 TO AMB BUNKER, ANEMB, SAIGON
 AMB BERGER, ANEMB, SAIGON
 GEN BROWN, CDR, 7TH AF
 RADM VETH, COMNAVFORV
 LTG CUSHMAN, CG III MAF
 LLTG MILDREN, DCG USARV
 LTG PEERS, CG I FFV
 LTG STILWELL, CG XXIV CORPS
 MG ECKHARDT, SA IV CORPS
 MG KARWIN, CG II FFV

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SECRET MAC 11157 EYES ONLY
 IN RESPONSE TO AN INQUIRY FROM GENERAL WHEELER, I
 PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

QUOTE:

1. DURING THE NIGHT OF 17-18 AUGUST THE ENEMY LAUNCHED
 ATTACKS OF VARYING INTENSITY IN SEVERAL AREAS OF SOUTH
 VIETNAM. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EACH ATTACK BY CTZ FOLLOWS:

A. I CTZ

(1) ON 15 AUG, 20 KM SE OF PHU BAI, ENEMY SAPPERS
 PENETRATED THE POSITION OF W/1/13 (USMC). THE ENEMY FORCE
 ATTEMPTED TO DESTROY THE 155S AND 4.2S THERE. THE 155S AND
 4.2S ARE STILL OPERABLE. INITIAL RESULTS: FRD: 12 KIA,
 25 MIA; EN: SEVEN KIA. THE ENEMY FORCE HAS NOT BEEN
 IDENTIFIED, BUT MAY BE ELEMENTS OF THE 4TH NVA REGT.

(2) WHILE NOT CLEAR, THERE MAY HAVE BEEN A PRE-
 MATURE ATTACK IN I CTZ ON 15 REPEAT 16 AUGUST. AT 011H 16
 AUG, TWO COMPANIES OF 2/12TH CAV IN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS
 16 KM SSE OF QUANG TRI CITY, RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 100-200
 RND OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE FOLLOWED BY A GROUND ATTACK.
 APPROXIMATELY 15 SAPPERS PENETRATED THE CAV PERIMETER AND
 PLACED SATCHEL CHARGES AGAINST BUNKERS AND VEHICLES. RESULTS:
 FRD: 13 KIA, 56 MIA; EN: 17 KIA, TWO PW. THE PWS IDENTIFIED
 THEIR UNITS AS THE 10TH SAPPER BN, 7 TH FRONT. ELEMENTS OF THE
 812TH REGT 7TH FRONT MAY ALSO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE ATTACK.

B. II CTZ

(1) AT 0525 HOURS ON 18 AUG THE DAK SEANG SF CAMP
 CAME UNDER A MORTAR AND GROUND ATTACK. THE ENCOUNTER
 TERMINATED 2 1/2 HOURS LATER WHEN THE ENEMY WITHDREW. RESULTS:
 FRD: THREE MIA; ENEMY: 27 KILLED AND 6 DETAINED. THE ENEMY
 FORCE HAS NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED.

(2) AT 0500 HOURS ON 18 AUG, THE 26TH PF PLATOON,
 LOCATED 10 KM NE OF BAN ME THUOT WAS ATTACKED BY AN UNKNOWN
 SIZE ENEMY FORCE. INITIAL RESULTS: FRD: TWO KILLED;
 ENEMY: THREE KILLED. THE ENEMY FORCE WAS NOT IDENTIFIED.

(3) AT 0205 HOURS ON 18 AUG A PF PLATOON AND A
 RD TEAM, LOCATED 12 KM ESE OF PHU MY WERE ATTACKED BY AN
 ESTIMATED ENEMY COMPANY. INITIAL RESULTS: FRD: TWO KIA,
 EIGHT MIA AND ONE MIA; EN: EIGHT KIA. THE ENEMY UNIT WAS
 NOT IDENTIFIED.

C. III CTZ

(1) AT 180118 ZUG THE ENEMY LAUNCHED AN ATTACK ON LOC NINH DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, THE NEARBY SPECIAL FORCES CAMP, AND ON THE CITY ITSELF. THE ENEMY FORCE IS ESTIMATED TO BE ABOUT ONE BATTALION, PROBABLY FROM THE 141ST REGIMENT. ENEMY CASUALTIES ARE 40 KIA, FRIENDLY CASUALTIES WERE: US -9 WIA; ARVN-4 KIA, 20 WIA. THE TOWN IS CLEAR OF THE ENEMY AND THE SITUATION IS STABLE. FRIENDLY FORCES IN LOC NINH ARE 1 US CAVALRY TROOP, 5 COMPANIES OF FR/PF/CIDG. AN ARVN RCM TROOP FROM THE ARVN 5TH DIVISION IS ENROUTE.

(2) QUAN LOI RECEIVED 25 ROUNDS OF 75MM RECOILLESS RIFLE FIRE. A US INFANTRY BATTALION IS HERE.

(3) THE SIGNAL INSTALLATION AT NUI BA DEN WAS ATTACKED. CASUALTIES: US-7 KIA, 30 WIA; ENEMY: UNKNOWN.

(4) A US UNIT MADE CONTACT TODAY JUST WEST OF DAU TIENG, AN ENEMY BODY COUNT OF 50 WAS OBTAINED.

XKTL TAY NINH CITY WAS THE LOCATION OF THE MOST SERIOUS OF ALL ATTACKS LAUNCHED LAST NIGHT. ELEMENTS OF THE 275TH REGIMENT (9TH DIV), 273D REGIMENT (9TH DIV), AND THE D-14 AND D-16 BATTALIONS PARTICIPATED. THE ATTACK HERE WAS FORECAST BY THE PROVINCE CHIEF ON 17 AUG. THE ATTACKS WERE SUCCESSFULLY CONTAINED EXCEPT ON THE SOUTHERN EDGE OF TAY NINH CITY. HERE THE ENEMY OVERRAN A PF OUTPOST AND HAS PENETRATED INTO THE SOUTHWESTERN AND SOUTHEASTERN PARTS OF THE CITY. AS OF 1600 TODAY, THE PROVINCE CHIEF ESTIMATES THAT THE ENEMY HAS ABOUT A BATTALION IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE TOWN, AND JUST OUTSIDE TAY NINH CITY TO THE WEST FROM TOWN. FOUR PF COMPANIES AT 181230 AUG (LOCAL) BEGAN A CLEARING OPERATION WHICH PROGRESSED ONLY A SHORT DISTANCE. THESE COMPANIES HAVE NOW BEEN REPLACED BY A US COMPANY FOR THE NIGHT. THE PROVINCE CHIEF FORECASTS AN EVEN STRONGER ENEMY ATTACK TO BE LAUNCHED TONIGHT (18-19 AUGUST). THE US 25TH DIV HAS POSITION 2 BNS EACH MINUS A COMPANY AT THE SOUTHEASTERN AND SOUTHWESTERN ENDS OF THE CITY. AN CASUALTIES HERE WERE 150 KIA AND 13 POW'S. THE 25TH LOST 1 KIA AND 31 WIA.

(5) KATUM WAS ATTACKED BY FIRE AT 130145. THE COMPOUND WAS PENETRATED BY 130345. THE ENEMY WAS REPELLED AND BY 151130 THE CAMP WAS CLEAR. CASUALTIES-FRIENDLY 28 KIA-ENEMY 35 KIA.

D. IV CTZ: AT 172130H AUG, IN PHONG DINH PROVINCE, SIX KM SOUTH OF CAN THO, AN ESTIMATED COMPANY ATTACKED THE C-1 NAI OP WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE AND 30 RDS OF 8-40 ROCKET FIRE. CONTACT WAS BROKEN BY THE ENEMY AFTER THE OP WAS REINFORCED. RESULTS: FRIENDLY: THREE WOUNDED; ENEMY: UNKNOWN.

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2. BY ANALYSIS OF THESE ENEMY ACTIONS FOLLOW:

A. THE ENEMY HAS MADE AN ABRUPT CHANGE IN THE PATTERN OF HIS ACTIVITY. THE "LULL" HAS ENDED FOR THE PRESENT. CONSIDERING FORCES COMMITTED TO ATTACK AND THE VARIETY OF ATTACKS IT IS MY VIEW THAT THE THIRD OFFENSIVE HAS BEEN INITIATED. HOWEVER, I DO NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE PRUDENT PUBLICLY TO IDENTIFY HIS ATTACKS AS HIS "THIRD OFFENSIVE" UNTIL WE HAVE AT LEAST ANOTHER DAY OR SO TO OBSERVE THEM.

B. WE ARE IN GOOD SHAPE EVERYWHERE IN THE COUNTRY EXCEPT IN TAY NINH CITY. WE HAVE GOT TO GET THE ENEMY OUT OF THIS TOWN AND PROMPTLY. I HAVE SO INSTRUCTED GENERAL K RWIN.

C. IN OUR VIEW AN IMPORTANT PURPOSE OF THE ATTACKS OF LAST NIGHT-AND THIS IS PARTICULARLY TRUE IN III CTZ - IS TO ATTRACT OUR FORCES FROM CRITICAL AREAS TO LESS CRITICAL AREAS. WE ANTICIPATE FURTHER ATTACKS ON SECONDARY OBJECTIVES TONIGHT OR TOMORROW IN SEVERAL PLACES IN THE COUNTRY.

UNQUOTE

SSO NOTE: DELIVER IMMEDIATELY..

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PP RUMLBPA RUMUGRA
 DE RUMHVP 3818D 2311140
 ZNY SSSSS
 P 181140Z AUG68
 FM CG THIRD MARDIV
 TO RUMLBPA/CG TWENTY FOURTH CORPS
 INFO RUMUGRA/CG THIRD MAF
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S E C R E T

PERSONAL FOR LT GEN STILWELL INFO LT GEN CUSHMAN
 DECREASE IN MANEUVER BNS AVAILABLE TO THE 3D MARDIV
 1. PRESENT INDICATIONS THAT THE 3D MARDIV IS TO BE SUB-
 STANTIALLY REDUCED IN EFFECTIVENESS IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS
 GIVES ME CAUSE FOR CONCERN. THE SECOND BN, THIRD MARINES
 HAS BEEN ALERTED THROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE CHANNELS
 THAT IT WILL FLY TO THE DA NANG AREA ON 22 AUG. THERE ARE
 OTHER INDICATIONS THAT TWO ADDITIONAL BATTALIONS OF THE FIRST
 REGIMENT WILL BE MOVED PRIOR TO THE FIRST OF SEPTEMBER. THESE
 MOVES FOLLOW ON THE HEELS OF THE LOSS OF THE THIRD BN, FIRST
 MARINES IN MAY AND THE SECOND BN, 26TH MARINES EARLIER THIS
 MONTH.
 2. THE AVAILABILITY OF THE FIRST BRIGADE OF THE 5TH MECH DIVISION

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WILL NOT OFFSET THE ABOVE LOSSES. FURTHER, THE BRIGADE IS
 NOT SCHEDULED TO BE FULLY OPERATIONAL PRIOR TO 1 SEPTEMBER.
 3. IT IS OBVIOUS THAT A SEVERE DRAW DOWN OF 3D MARDIV
 CAPABILITY AT THIS TIME WILL SERIOUSLY LIMIT MY ABILITY
 TO MAINTAIN THE PRESENT FLEXIBLE, MOBILE POSTURE WHICH I
 FEEL IS NECESSARY IF I AM TO CONTINUE THE EFFECTIVE
 SUPPRESSION OF ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA.
 4. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE STRENGTH WITHIN THE PRESENT 3D
 MARDIV AO BE MAINTAINED AT NOT LESS THAN 12 U.S. MANEUVER BNS
 (9 USMC INF BNS PLUS 1ST BKE, 5TH MECH DIV OR EQUIVALENT)
 SO LONG AS THE ENEMY THREAT REMAINS AT CURRENT LEVELS.
 MAJGEN R. G. DAVIS SENDS

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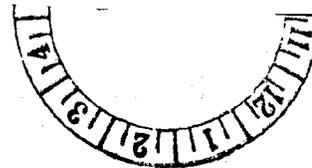
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						SECRET MAC 11165 EYES ONLY
3	CG					REMARKS For CG. Will have G-3 prep brief you further on this matter if you desire. Mazay Yes, please J. G-3 for action as above G-3 informed Briefed 25 Aug 68 JMA
4	DCG					
	DCG AIR					
2	C/S					
	D C/S					
	D C/S DM					
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	PSY OPS					
	SUPPLY					
	S&C					

SECRET #8

0 180902Z ZYH ZFF-1
 FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV
 TO LTG MILDREN DCG USARV
 RADM VETH COMNAVFORV
 LTG CUSHMAN CG III MAF
 GEN BROWN CDR 7TH AF
 ZEM



S E C R E T MAC 11165 EYES ONLY

REF: JCS 7302 DTG 152243Z AUG 68 (C) (PASEP)

1. (S) REFERENCE PROVIDES EXPLICIT GUIDANCE ON US FORCES STRENGTH ACCOUNTING IN SVN AND OUTLINES VARIOUS COURSES OF ACTION THAT CAN BE TAKEN BY THE COMPONENTS TO ENSURE THAT THEIR CHARGEABLE MILITARY STRENGTH DOES NOT EXCEED THEIR ESTABLISHED MILITARY SPACE AUTHORIZATION. UPON RECEIPT OF CINCPAC MESSAGE ON THIS SUBJECT, COMPONENTS WILL BE TASKED TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE MACV REPLY.
2. (S) I WAS BRIEFED 17 AUG ON THE OVERALL MACV STRENGTH/SPACE CEILING STATUS PROJECTED THROUGH THE COMPLETION OF PROGRAM 6 DEPLOYMENTS. IT APPEARS THAT APPROPRIATE ACTIONS ARE BEING TAKEN NOW BY THE COMPONENTS OR ARE PLANNED FOR THE FUTURE TO REMAIN BELOW THE MILITARY CEILING. HOWEVER, CLOSE PERSONAL ATTENTION MUST BE GIVEN TO THIS CRITICAL MATTER TO ENSURE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE FOLLOWING ON-GOING ACTIONS NECESSARY TO REMAIN BELOW YOUR CURRENT MILITARY SPACE AUTHORIZATION:
 - A. REDUCE TDY TO OR BELOW PLANNED LEVEL.
 - B. IMPLEMENT CIVILIANIZATION PROGRAM AS SCHEDULED.
 - C. MONITOR PROJECTED UNIT ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES CLOSELY.
 - D. ACCOMMODATE ALL FORCES IN-COUNTRY INTO THE FORCE STRUCTURE OR REDEPLOY AS APPROPRIATE.
 - E. MONITOR PERSONNEL LOSS AND REPLACEMENT FLOW.
 - F. ENSURE ACCURACY OF STRENGTH ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES.
3. (S) THIS SUBJECT WILL BE DISCUSSED IN MORE DETAIL AT THE MACV FORCE DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE ON 20 AUGUST AND YOUR REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD BE PREPARED TO PRESENT ANTICIPATED PROBLEM AREAS AND RECOMMENDED SOLUTIONS.

SSO NOTE: DELIVER DURING DUTY HOURS
 PRECEDENCE FOR TRANSMISSION ONLY

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3	CG					<p>CONFIDENTIAL, MAC 11111, EYES ONLY</p> <p>REMARKS</p> <p>For CB -</p> <p>It appears that you were psychic on this one. G-3 is in process of dropping may you requested this AMF</p> <p>and we need one to a be.</p> <p>Done</p> <p>9.</p>
4	DCG					
	DCG AIR					
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	ORD					
	PSY OPS					
	SUPPLY					
	S&C					

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O 180223Z ZYH ZZP-3
FM GEN ABRAMS, COMUSMMCV
TO LTG CUSHMAN, CG III MAF
INFO LTG STILLWELL, CG XXIV CORPS
ZEM :

C O N F I D E N T I A L MAC 11144 EYES ONLY
(C) THE ATTACKS ON 2/12 CAV ON 16 AUGUST AND W/1/13 MARINES ON 18
AUGUST HAVE CAUSED ME SOME CONCERN. THE ABILITY OF THE ENEMY TO
PENETRATE THE DEFENSIVE PERIMETERS COULD BE INDICATIVE OF A LACK
OF VIGILANCE, FAILURE TO PATROL AT NIGHT AND GENERAL RELAXATION OF
REQUIRED DEFENSIVE MEASURES. I DESIRE THAT YOU LOOK INTO THE SITUATION
EXISTING BEFORE AND DURING THESE ATTACKS TO DETERMINE IF THE ABOVE
INDICATIONS ARE IN FACT TRUE. THIS IS NO TIME TO LET OUR GAURD DOWN.
YOU WILL TAKE THOSE MEASURES YOU DEEM NECESSARY TO ENSURE ALERTNESS
AND READINESS FOR COMBAT AT ALL TIMES.

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3	CG					REMARKS EXCLUSIVE FOR MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY <i>G-3 Service comments</i> <i>[Signature]</i>
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PP RUEBHOA RUMUGRA
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 ZNY SSSSS
 P 172218Z AUG 68
 FM CG FMFPAC
 TO RUMUGRA/CG III MAF
 INFO RUEBHOA/CMC
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S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LT GEN CUSHMAN, INFO
 GEN CHAPMAN FROM LT GEN BUSE. MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
 DELIVERY DURING WORKING HOURS.
 PROPOSED DEPLOYMENT ADJUSTMENT NOTIFICATION (DAN)
 MC-68-102(U)

A. COMUSMACV 151117Z/AUG68 (S)

1. THE MACV PARTIAL CONCURRENCE ON THE PROPOSED DAN CONTAINED
 IN REFERENCE A, REQUIRES A THOROUGH EXAMINATION OF
 ALL ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS AVAILABLE TO THE MARINE
 CORPS. THESE COVER THE SPECTRUM FROM IDENTIFYING
 TRADE-OFF SPACES FOR THE OTHER TWO SQUADRONS, AS
 PROPOSED BY MACV, TO WITHDRAWING ONE SQUADRON FROM
 RVN. ALTHOUGH THE CINCPAC STAFF POSITION ON THE
 MACV RECOMMENDATION IS NOT FIRM, EXPERIENCE
 INDICATES THAT CINCPAC WILL PROBABLY SUPPORT THE

PAGE 2 RUHMFMA 3189 S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO
 MACV RECOMMENDATION.

2. IN CONSIDERING THE ALTERNATIVES THE
 FOLLOWING FACTORS ARE SIGNIFICANT: THE EXTENDED
 MARINE CORPS MANPOWER SITUATION, MARINE CORPS AVIATOR
 SHORTAGE AND INCREASING PRESSURES FOR FURTHER
 REDUCTION OF DEFENSE EXPENDITURES.
 3. AT FIRST GLANCE, WITHDRAWAL OF ONE SQUADRON FROM
 RVN APPEARS TO BE A PREFERRED COURSE OF ACTION.
 HOWEVER, THIS COURSE OF ACTION IS NOT WITHOUT
 SIGNIFICANT INHERENT DANGERS. FOR EXAMPLE: MACV
 COULD, BASED ON THE MACV INTEGRATED FORCE REQUIREMENTS
 PRIORITY LIST, PROPOSE TO UTILIZE MARINE SPACES THAT
 WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR TRADE-OFF UPON WITHDRAWAL OF
 A SQUADRON TO MEET NON-MARINE CORPS REQUIREMENTS. ALL
 ALTERNATIVES MUST BE SUBJECT TO MICROSCOPIC CONSIDER-
 ATION.

4. TO ASSIST IN DETERMINING THE BEST COURSE OF
 ACTION, OR OPTION AVAILABLE, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR
 COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS SOONEST. WARM REGARDS.

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PP RUHKM RUEBHOA RUMSAK
 DE RUMSAV 097W 2301935
 ZN SSSSS
 P 171725Z AUG 68
 FM CG FIRST MAW
 TO RUEBHOA/CMC
 RUHKM/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSAK/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMSAK/CG FIRST MARDIV
 RUMSAK/CG THIRD MARDIV
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S E C R E T SPECAT MARCORPS EYES ONLY

1. DATA FOR USMC GROUND UNITS

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B. (1) 159
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 C. (1) 119
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 E. (1) 56
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- (3) 0
- (4) 0
- I. (1) 15
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- I. (B) 15
- (C) 0
- (D) 0
- J. (1) 0
- (2) 117
- (3) 54
- (4) 0
- (5) 0
- (6) 0
- K. (1) 2
- (2) 0
- (3) 2
- (4) 15
- L. (1) 0
- (2) 0
- (3) 0

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- (4) 0
- (5) 0
- (6) 0
- (7) 14
- M. (1) L (7) 2 SORTIES RTN TO BASE
- 2 SORTIES DID NOT WORK
- 2 SORTIES DIV TO VANDEGRIFT DASC
- 8 SORTIES DIV TO CAMP CARROLL ASRT
- K (3) 2 SORTIES DIV BY TADC
- 2. DATA PROVIDED BY 1ST WING
- A. (1) (A) 82
- (B) 81
- (2) 24
- (3) 60
- B. (1) 194
- (2) 53
- (3) 0
- C. (1) (A) 84 (B) 41
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 (3) 0
 G. (1) 54
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H. (1) 14
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 (2) 14
 (3) 0
 (4) 0
 J. (1) (A) 58 (B) 22
 (2) (A) 21 (B) 18
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 (1) (1) 2 USMC TO USMC TGT PRI
 (1) (2) 4 USMC TO USMC TGT PRI
 4 USMC TO USMC ACFT MALFUNCTION
 6 USMC TO USMC WX

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IMAF FORM 5216 (REV 3-68)

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O 161635Z ZYH ZFF-1
 FM LTG STILWELL
 TO GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV
 LTG CUSHMAN CG III MAF
 ZEM

S E C R E T PHB 1191 EYES ONLY
 SUBJECT: 2D ARVN REGT DMZ RAID

1. GIVEN YOUR STRONG SUPPORT OF SUBJECT OPERATION AND THE SIGNIFICANT RESULTS IT ATTAINED, YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING WRAP-UP, SUPPLEMENTING AND LENDING COLOR TO OUR SITREPS.
2. THE OPERATION WAS CONCEIVED BY COLONEL GIAI (A REMARKABLE OFFICER) AND MAJOR DUNG, COMMANDERS OF THE 2D ARVN REGT AND 11TH ARMORED REGIMENT, RESPECTIVELY. OBJECT WAS TO DESTROY THE 1ST BN, 138TH NVA REGIMENT WHICH GIAI HAD DETERMINED (VERY ACCURATELY AS EVENTS WERE TO PROVE) TO BE POSITIONED IN A RECTANGLE BOUNDED BY THE SOUTHERN TRACE OF THE DMZ - JONES CREEK- BEN HAI RIVER - SANDY RIDGE HALFWAY BETWEEN JONES CREEK AND SEACOAST. SCHEME OF MANEUVER WAS TO LAUNCH TANK/ MECH INFANTRY FORCE ACROSS DMZ IN FULL DARK, PROCEED 2 TO 3 KMS NORTH ALONG BEACH, TURN WEST, ENVELOP ENEMY POSITIONS AND ATTACK DUE SOUTH. PARTICIPATING UNITS WERE 1INF BN, 2M113 TROOPS, 1 M-41 TROOP AND 2 USMC TANK PLATOONS, ORGANIZED INTO FOUR CROSS REINFORCED TASK FORCES. WHILE WE LAID ON AIR AND COUNTERBATTERY SUPPORT, DETAILED PLANNING AND CONTROL WERE WHOLLY ARVN.
3. TASK FORCE CROSSED LD AT 150400, MOVED UP BEACH, AND REACHED NORTHERN LIMIT OF ADVANCE, UNDETECTED, AT DAWN. MECH INFANTRY CROSSED AND DESCENDED FROM RIDGE TO COMPLETE TURNING MOVEMENT AND LEAD ELEMENTS PROMPTLY BECAME MIREN IN LOW, SWAMPY GROUND. MEANWHILE, TANKS DEPLOYED ON RIDGE TO COVER MOVEMENT, FOUND BEAUCOUP NVA IN GUNSIGHTS (APPARENTLY OBLIVIOUS TO PRESENCE OF ATTACKING FORCE AND EATING BREAKFAST ON TOP OF BUNKERS). MARINE TANK PLATOON LEADER DESCRIBED SUBSEQUENT ACTION TO COMUSMACV AS "TURKEY SHOOT"; AND GAVE ME OFFICIAL ESTIMATE OF 179 KILLS, 70 PROBABLES. THIS SUCCESS NOT KNOWN TO COLONEL GIAI/MAJOR DUNG UNTIL MUCH LATER. THUS, FROM ARVN STANDPOINT, INITIAL ACTION WAS ABORTIVE, AS FOR NEXT THREE HOURS ALL ATTEMPTS TO NEGOTIATE TERRIAN, EAST TO WEST, INTO OBJECTIVE AREA WERE UNAVAILING. #4(1)

4. BUT THEY DIDN'T QUIT, DESPITE CONSIDERABLE INCOMING WHICH BEGAN AT MIDMORNING, FROM ONE OR MORE ENEMY ARTILLERY BATTERIES. (FORTUITOUSLY, WHILE ATTEMPTING TO ADJUST COUNTER-BATTERY FIRES ON ENEMY ARTILLERY, A MACV DIRECTED ARC LIGHT ENVELOPED AND EFFECTIVELY SILENCED THE HOSTILE BATTERY- TO THE GREAT AMAZEMENT OF THE ARVN COMMANDER). MAJOR DUNG LED THE ENTIRE TASK FORCE SOUTH ACROSS THE DMZ AND THEN TURNED NORTH TO ATTACK HIS OBJECTIVE FRONTALLY. THIS TIME, THE TANKS COULD NOT NEGOTIATE TERRAIN AND THE MECH INFANTRY PROCEEDED WITHOUT THEM. HEAVY CONTACT WAS MADE AT MID AFTERNOON WITH ENEMY IN WELL PREPARED POSITIONS; AND A BUNKER TO BUNKER FIGHT ENSUED. THE ENEMY BATTALION HEADQUARTERS AND WEAPONS COMPANY POSITIONS WERE OVERRUN. THE ADVANCE CONDUCTED HALF-WAY THROUGH THE OBJECTIVE AREA BEFORE BEING HALTED IN ORDER TO BE CLEAR OF DMZ BY DARK. DURING AFTERNOON ACTION, LARGE NUMBERS OF ENEMY FLED NORTH AND WEST AND WERE ENGAGED BY OBSERVED ARTILLERY FIRE AND TAC AIR.
5. ARVN ATTACKING UNITS BROUGHT BACK, AMONG OTHER BOOTY, THREE 82MM MORTARS, TWO 12.7MM MACHINE GUNS, THREE RECOILESS RIFLES, THREE 60MM MORTARS AND SIX LIGHT MACHINE GUNS. ARVN BODY COUNT WAS 115 PLUS A CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE OF 50 KILLED BY AIR AND ARTILLERY. UNAWARE OF THE CARNAGE INFLECTED EARLIER BY THE TANK UNITS, COLONEL GIAI MANFULLY REPORTED MISSION AS ONLY 50 PERCENT ACCOMPLISHED. IN THIS CONNECTION, IT IS WORTH NOTING THAT THE ARVN ARTILLERY COMMANDER ALTERNATELY MONITORED AND JAMMED THE NVA ARTILLERY NET THROUGHOUT THE DAY; AND AT 1700 HOURS HEARD A REPORT TO THE 138TH REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS THAT THE 4TH COMPANY (HEAVY WEAPONS) HAD BEEN DESTROYED.
6. ARVN LOSSES IN THE ENGAGEMENT, PRIMARILY AS A RESULT OF ARTILLERY AND MINES, WERE THREE KIA AND 48 WIA; ONE LIGHT TANK DESTROYED AND FOUR M113 DAMAGED. THERE WERE NO U. S. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES; ONE M578 (LVTR) WAS DESTROYED AND FOUR OTHER TRACKS DAMAGED.
7. THE FIRST BATTALION, 138TH NVA REGIMENT WAS, ACCORDING TO CAPTURED LOG READOUT THIS AFTERNOON, TO HAVE ATTACKED SOUTH ACROSS DMZ LAST NIGHT; IT WILL DO NO ATTACKING FOR SOME TIME TO COME. MEANWHILE, THE MORALE OF THE 2D ARVN REGIMENT HAS NEVER BEEN HIGHER. IT WAS A GOOD DAYS WORK.

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M. ((1) L (7) 2 SORTIES TOO LATE TO WORK
 1 SORTIE TO TADC
 2 SORT DIVERTED - NO CONTROLLER

2. DATA PROVIDED BY 1ST MAW

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C. (1) (A) 84 (B) 41
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- (2) 53
- (3) 0
- G. (1) 41
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PAGE SIX RUMSAV 071W S E C R E T S P E C A T

- H. (1) 20
- (2) 0
- (3) 4
- I. (1) 2
- (2) 22
- (3) 0
- (4) 0
- J. (1) (A) 52 (B) 23
- (2) (A) 23 (B) 16
- (3) (A) 0 (B) 0
- (4) (A) 3 (B) 0
- (5) (A) 0 (B) 0
- (6) (A) 0 (B) 0
- (7) (A) 0 (B) 41
- K. (1) A(3) INCLUDES 40 AIRBORNE ALERT SORTIES
- I(1) 2 USA TO USMC, TGT PRIORITY
- I(2) 8 USMC TO USMC, TGT PRIORITY
- 5 USMC TO USMC, ACFT MALFUNCTION
- 6 USMC TO USMC, ASRT DOWN
- 3 USA TO USA, ASRT DOWN GP-4

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II MAF FORM 5216 (REV 3-66)

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R 160855Z
 FM CG FIRST MARDIV
 TO CG III MAF
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MGEN YOUNGDALE SENDS FOR LTGEN CUSHMAN

A. YOUR 151345Z AUG 68

1. IN REPLY TO REF A, THE FOLLOWING IS AN APPRAISAL OF THE QUALITY OF ENEMY TROOPS OPPOSING FIRST MARDIV.

A. MAIN FORCE/NVA UNITS:

(1) MOST UNITS HAVE NUCLEUS OF WELL TRAINED PERSONNEL. HOWEVER THE ENEMY HAS SUFFERED EXTENSIVE LOSSES OVER PAST FOUR MONTHS, AND AVAILABLE INFORMATION INDICATES REPLACEMENTS ARE BEING BROUGHT DOWN FROM NVN WITH RELATIVELY LITTLE TRAINING. INDICATIONS ARE THAT AVERAGE AGE AND THUS EXPERIENCE OF REPLACEMENTS HAS DROPPED APPRECIABLY. MANY REPORTS INDICATE ENEMY PERSONNEL AS YOUNG AS 13 OR 14.

(2) ENEMY TROOPS APPEAR TO BE BETTER EQUIPPED THAN EVER, WITH AMPLE QUANTITIES OF AK-47S AND RPG-2 AND RPG-7 LAUNCHERS ON HAND AS WELL AS AMMUNITION. MOST SIGNIFICANT SHORTAGES ARE FOOD AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES, LACK OF WHICH HAS ADVERSELY AFFECTED HEALTH AND MORALE. MORALE IS FAIR AT BEST.

(3) OFFICERS AND NCOs CONTINUE TO BE DEDICATED TO THEIR CAUSE AND HIGHLY MOTIVATED. THE AVERAGE SOLDIER, HOWEVER, SEEMS DISILLUSIONED TO SOME EXTENT THOUGH OBEDIENT AND RESIGNED TO HIS FATE.

B. LOCAL FORCE UNITS: THESE UNITS HAVE APPARENTLY NOT YET RECOVERED FROM THE DISASTER OF TET. THOUGH MOST UNITS HAVE BEEN BROUGHT BACK UP TO STRENGTH THEY DO NOT APPEAR TO HAVE ATTAINED THEIR PRE-TET LEVEL OF COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS. LOCAL REPLACEMENTS ARE NOT AS EASY TO OBTAIN, AS EVIDENCED BY REPORTS OF INCREASED NVA MEMBERSHIP IN LF UNITS. MORALE IS GENERALLY LOW DUE TO FOOD AND MEDICINE SHORTAGES, REPEATED LOSSES AND TO CONFLICTS BETWEEN NVA AND LOCAL VC PERSONNEL. TRAINING OF LOCAL FORCE PERSONNEL IS POOR TO FAIR, WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF SAPPER ELEMENTS. THESE PERSONNEL ARE GENERALLY WELL TRAINED.

2. NOTWITHSTANDING ENEMY DEFICIENCIES, THEY ARE STILL CAPABLE OF EFFICIENTLY EXECUTING CAREFULLY PLANNED AND REHEARSED OPERATIONS. THIS CAPABILITY ALSO REFLECTS AN ENEMY WEAKNESS, IN THAT CHANGES IN FRIENDLY DISPOSITIONS OR UNEXPECTED FRIENDLY ACTIVITY CAN EASILY DISRUPT ENEMY ATTACK PLANS OR FORCE HIM TO ABORT PLANNED ATTACKS.

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 FM MGEN GETTYS, CG AMERICAL DIVISION
 TO LTGEN CUSHMAN, CG III MAF
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S E C R E T ACD 911 EYES ONLY
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REFERENCE: MSG DTG 151345Z AUG 68

1. (S) AT THE PRESENT TIME THERE ARE NO POSITIVE INDICATORS THAT A QUALITATIVE DETERIORATION OF ENEMY FORCES HAS OCCURRED. THE LAST MAJOR CONTACT WITH NVA FORCES, IN WHICH HE CHOSE TO FIGHT, WAS IN MAY OF THIS YEAR. WHILE THESE CONTACTS DID NOT INVOLVE THE OFFENSIVE MANEUVERS OF MAJOR ENEMY FORCES, HE TENACIOUSLY DEFENDED POSITIONS FROM WHICH HE COULD CONDUCT STAND-OFF FIRE ATTACKS AGAINST LZS CENTER AND EAST. EXCEPT FOR THE 1/1 CAV CONTACT ON 23 JULY, IN WHICH 68 NVA WERE KILLED, THERE HAS BEEN NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT WITH NVA UNITS. IT MUST BE NOTED THAT THE NVA UNIT THE 1/1 CAV CONTACTED WAS CONTINUALLY ATTEMPTING TO FLEE THE BATTLEFIELD; AND THE BODYCOUNT IS HIGH ONLY BECAUSE THE CAV UNIT WAS ABLE TO MANEUVER BEHIND THE ENEMY. SO, IT CAN BE SAID WITH A HIGH DEGREE OF ACCURACY THAT THE ENEMY HAS BEEN AVOIDING CONTACT WITH AMERICAL FORCES. THE SPECULATION AS TO HIS REASON FOR CHOOSING THIS COURSE OF ACTION RANGES FROM HIS BEING INEFFECTIVE TO BEING EVASIVE IN ORDER TO CONSERVE HIS FIGHTING STRENGTH FOR MAJOR IMPENDING OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS.

2. (S) THE ONLY ENEMY UNITS THAT HAVE ELECTED TO ENGAGE FRIENDLY FORCES, AND THEN AT HIS CONVENIENCE, ARE THE LOCAL FORCE UNITS. THEY HAVE CONCENTRATED THEIR EFFORTS ON CAP/RF/PF UNITS AND REFUGEE CENTERS AND ENGAGED INFANTRY UNITS ONLY WHEN THE INFANTRY WERE IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE LOCAL FORCE UNIT'S BASE AREAS. COMMAND AND CONTROL OF THE LF UNITS REMAINS GENERALLY EFFECTIVE AS INDICATED BY HIS ABILITY TO CONCENTRATE COMPANIES, TO ATTACK CAP TEAMS, AND HARASS HAMLETS AND DISTRICT TOWNS AS WELL AS THE EFFECTIVE EMPLOYMENT OF MINES AND BOOBY TRAPS.

3. (S) ALMOST ALL NVA CAPTURED OR KILLED SINCE 1 MAY HAVE BEEN WELL EQUIPPED AND ARMED AND GENERALLY ARE HEALTHY. THERE ARE OF COURSE EXCEPTIONS, BUT IT WOULD BE PREMATURE TO CONCLUDE THAT MOST OF THE NVA WERE UNHEALTHY. WHILE A FEW PWS HAVE INDICATED LACK OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND A HIGH RATE OF MALARIA IN RESPECTIVE UNITS, LARGER NUMBERS INDICATE MEDICAL SUPPORT, TO INCLUDE MALARIA SUPPRESSANTS, IS ADEQUATE.

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4. (S) THE QUALITY OF TRAINING OF THE REPLACEMENTS RECEIVED SINCE THE TET OFFENSIVE HAS PROBABLY BEEN LOWER THAN THAT OF THE PRE-TET NVA SOLDIER. HOWEVER, SINCE THE ENEMY HAS BEEN ABLE TO AVOID CONTACT FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD HE HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TRAINING TO HIS REPLACEMENTS. I FEEL THAT WHEN THE AMERICAL DIVISION DOES GAIN DECISIVE CONTACT WITH THE NVA UNITS WE WILL FIND THAT HIS TACTICS, MORALE, SUPPLY, FIREPOWER AND AGGRESSIVENESS WILL PROBABLY APPROACH THAT DISPLAYED DURING THE TET OFFENSIVE. HIS TACTICS, CITING BUT ONE EXAMPLE WHEN HE INITIATED CONTACT, ARE SOUND: A UH1H FROM 1/1 CAV WAS DOWNED BY SIX AA MGS WHEN FRIENDLY FORCES WERE DUPED INTO ATTEMPTING TO EXTRACT AN INDIVIDUAL

WAVING A WHITE FLAG. THIS WAS OBVIOUSLY A WELL-PLANNED RUSE DEvised BY THE ENEMY TO CAPITALIZE ON THE DAILY AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE OF THE VALLEY NORTHEAST OF HAU DUC.

5. (S) RECRUITING FOR LOCAL FORCE UNITS AND IRREGULARS HAS BEEN BY FORCEFUL CONSCRIPTION. THERE HAVE BEEN NO CURRENT REPORTS OF INDIVIDUALS

OR GROUPS LEAVING GVN CONTROL FOR THE ENEMY SIDE. ONE INTERESTING POINT IS AN INCREASING NUMBER OF REPORTS OF FEMALES BEING USED IN VC UNITS. MOST OF THE UNITS MENTIONED ARE TRANSPORTATION UNITS HOWEVER.

6. (S) NVA UNITS STILL DISPLAY GOOD DISCIPLINE AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR POLICE OF THE BATTLEFIELD - PARTICULARLY IN THE 1/1 CAV CONTACT ON 23 JULY, WHEN VERY FEW INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS WERE FOUND. THERE HAVE BEEN NO MASS DEFECTIONS OF NVA UNITS UNDER THE TERMS OF THE CHIEU HOI PROGRAM. HOWEVER, SOME PW DO REPORT STRINGENT RULES AND SEVERE PUNISHMENT FOR HAVING OR PICKING UP CHIEU HOI LEAFLETS.

7. (S) IN SUMMARY, I DO NOT FEEL THAT THE ENEMY FORCES HAVE GREATLY DETERIORATED; BUT HAVE IN FACT, BEEN ABLE TO RESUPPLY AND ACCEPT REPLACEMENTS. HIS SUCCESS IN AVOIDING MAJOR CONTACTS REVEALS THE EXISTENCE OF EFFECTIVE COMMAND AND CONTROL AS WELL AS DISCIPLINE AMONG THE TROOPS. CURRENT ENEMY UNIT LOCATIONS INDICATE THAT AMERICAL DIVISION FORCES HAVE KEPT THE ENEMY OFF BALANCE BY USE ON B-52 STRIKES, TACTICAL AIR STRIKES, ARTILLERY FIRE, AND SPOILING GROUND ATTACKS. A THIRD OFFENSIVE STILL APPEARS QUITE LIKELY ALTHOUGH THERE ARE NO INDICATIONS THAT THE ENEMY HAS INTRODUCED ANY NEW WEAPONS SYSTEMS INTO HIS CURRENT INVENTORY IN THE AMERICAL AREA.

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 A. CG THIRD MARDIV MSG DTG 131310Z AUG 68
 1. REF A IS A THIRD MARDIV EVALUATION REPORT OF HAVE
 FEAR EQUIPMENT DURING THE PERIOD 4-12 AUG 1968.
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 2. OF PARTICULAR INTEREST IS THE REPORTED TRACKING OF UNIDENTI-
 FIED FLYING OBJECT IN VICINITY OF HAVE FEAR EQUIPMENT.
 A. REQUEST INFORMATION REGARDING POSSIBLE CORRELATION
 BETWEEN HAVE FEAR AND ANY RADAR SIGHTINGS THAT MIGHT HAV
 BEEN RECORDED.
 B. REQUEST COMMENT ON EXTENSION OF HAVE FEAR EMPLOY-
 MENT TO ASSIST IN IDENTIFICATION AND DESTRUCTION OF UFO.
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 3. DESIRE TO UTILIZE HAVE FEAR TO AID IN IDENTIFICATION OF
 UFO'S. REQUEST COMMENT ON TWO WEEK EXTENSION OF HAVE FEAR IN SVN.
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