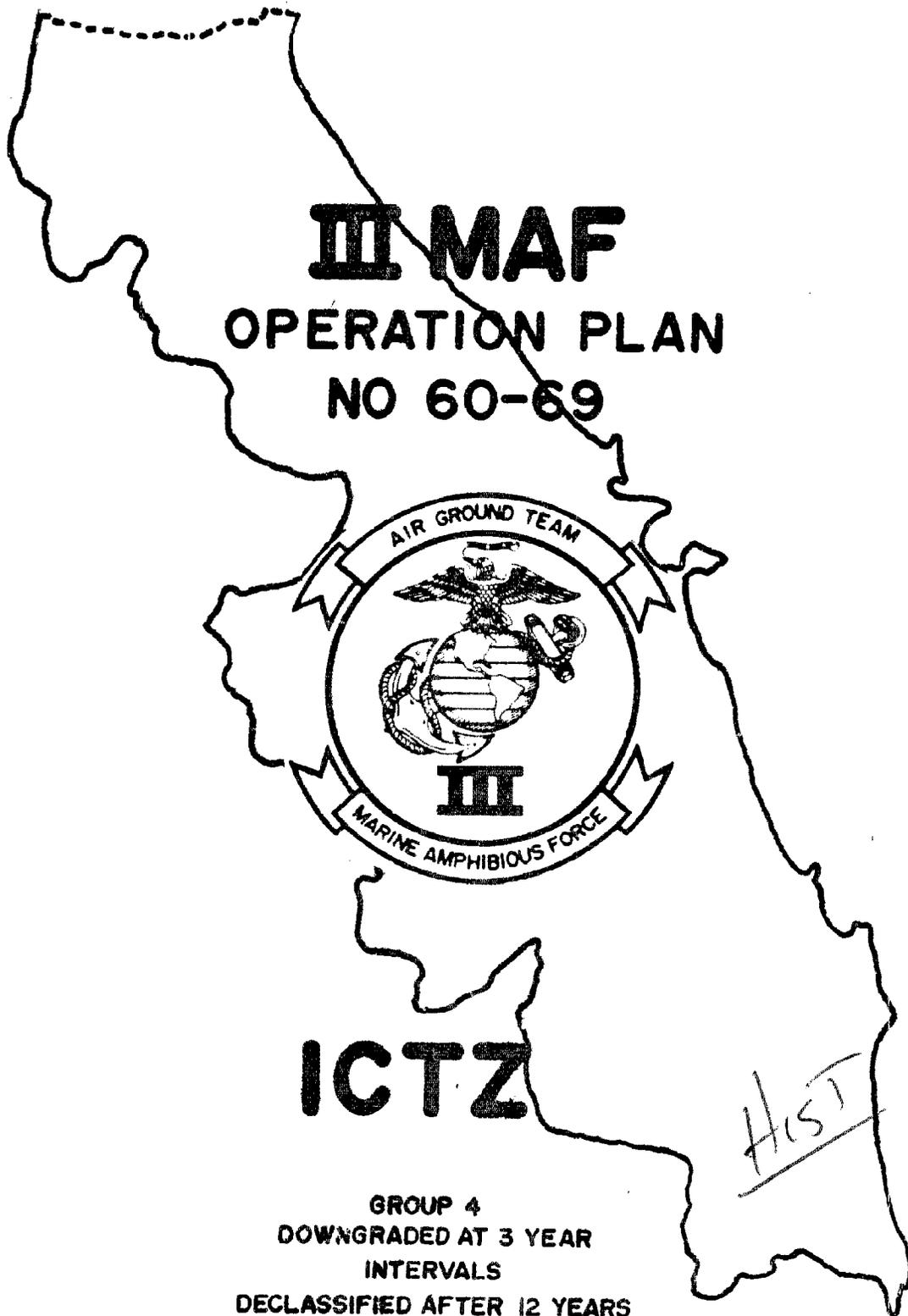


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Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

Current ISUMS and PIRs.

b. Friendly Forces

(1) COMUSMACV: Furnishes emergency and evacuation planning assistance and provides forces, transportation, and facilities to assist the Chief, U.S. Diplomatic Mission in the emergency care, protection and relocation or evacuation of U.S. noncombatants and designated aliens from the Republic of Vietnam (RVN).

(2) 7th AIR FORCE

(a) Provides air transportation for movement of noncombatant evacuees to relocation areas, secondary and major assembly areas, safe havens and/or evacuation ports, as directed by COMUSMACV through the Traffic Management Agency (TMA).

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(b) Utilizes opportune airlift to expedite the movement of noncombatants in coordination with TMA.

(3) 366th TACTICAL FIGHTER WING

(a) Establishes and operates secure passenger terminal to handle manifesting and control enplaning procedures for evacuees at DANANG Air Base.

(b) Supports with personnel, facilities, and equipment as required.

(4) U.S. ARMY VIETNAM: Supports COMUSMACV with personnel, facilities, and equipment as required.

(5) U.S. NAVAL FORCES VIETNAM

(a) Is prepared to assist in noncombatant evacuation operations as directed by COMUSMACV.

(b) Is prepared to establish and operate secure facilities to manifest and embark passengers on shipping at the major assembly ports of Danang and Chu Lai.

(6) RVN MILITARY AND NATIONAL POLICE FORCES: May assist in the protection of U.S. noncombatants, and designated aliens.

c. Attachments and Detachments. Annex A (Task Organization).

d. Assumptions

(1) That commitment of MACV resources to support this evacuation plan in the form of forces and other required support from US/FWMAF commands in ICTZ not currently OPCON CG III MAF, will be authorized by higher headquarters.

2. MISSION

CG III MAF/Senior Advisor, I Corps/I Corps Coordinator continues military operations and, on order of COMUSMACV, conducts evacuation of noncombatants from ICTZ.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations. Annex B (Concept of Operations).

b. XXIV Corps/Northern Zone Coordinator, ICTZ

(1) Continue assigned mission.

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- (2) Arrange to notify and move U.S. noncombatants and designated aliens to Secondary Assembly Point at Phu Bai, on order.
- (3) Arrange for the reception and care of U.S. noncombatants and designated aliens at Phu Bai airfield while they await transportation.
- (4) Provide emergency medical care at Phu Bai within capability and coordinate medical evacuation from Phu Bai as required.
- (5) Provide this headquarters (Attn: DC/S Plans) with a quarterly report of the number and classification of U.S. noncombatants and designated aliens in NICTZ. Report due to arrive this headquarters five days prior to the end of each quarter. First report due 25 Jun 69 See Annex B (Concept of Operations).

c. 1ST MARINE DIVISION/SUB ZONE COORDINATOR CENTRAL SECTOR, ICTZ

- (1) Continue assigned mission.
- (2) Arrange, in coordination with Deputy CORDS and 3d MP Bn, to notify and move U.S. noncombatants and designated aliens from the Central Sector, ICTZ (Ref h) to major assembly area at Danang Airbase on order.
- (3) Be prepared to provide, on request, one rifle company (REIN) to 1st MP Bn for employment in Danang.

d. NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY, DANANG

- (1) Provide secure emergency billeting, messing, and medical care for a period of up to two weeks for noncombatants temporarily relocated in the China Beach Area. Relocated noncombatants may include as many as 50 women and children.
- (2) Establish and operate secure facilities to manifest and embark passengers on shipping at the major assembly ports of Danang and Chu Lai.
- (3) Support Americal Division, as required, in billeting and messing of temporarily relocated noncombatants at Chu Lai.
- (4) Receive and store for an indefinite period of time the personal effects, hold baggage, and household goods of noncombatant evacuees.

e. AMERICAL DIVISION/SOUTHERN SUB ZONE COORDINATOR, ICTZ

- (1) Arrange to notify and move U.S. noncombatants and designated aliens to the Major Assembly Area at Chu Lai, on order.
- (2) Arrange for the reception and care of U.S. noncombatants

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and designated aliens at Chu Lai airfield while they await transportation.

(3) Provide emergency medical care at Chu Lai within capability and coordinate medical evacuation from Chu Lai as required.

(4) Provide this headquarters with a quarterly report of the number and classification of U.S. noncombatants and designated aliens in the Southern Sector, I Corps Tactical Zone. Report due to arrive this headquarters five days prior to the end of each quarter. First report due 25 Jun 69 See Annex B (Concept of Operations).

(5) Provide this headquarters (Attn: DC/S Plans) with a quarterly report on the capacity of buildings and facilities designated for the emergency billeting of noncombatants. The report will list the capacities of buildings/facilities under the following categories:

Case I. In Case I, buildings and facilities are used at considerably less than maximum capacity and accommodations provided are somewhat comparable to those now used by noncombatants. Duration of occupancy is estimated to be one to three weeks.

Case II. In Case II, maximum use is made of all buildings and facilities. Accommodations are austere and crowded. Duration of occupancy is estimated to be not more than seven days.

f. 1st Marine Aircraft Wing

(1) Establish and operate Major Assembly Airfield and secure passenger terminals, to handle manifesting and enplaning procedures, at Chu Lai.

(2) Establish and operate secure passenger terminal to handle manifesting and enplaning of evacuees at Phu Bai Airfield.

(3) Be prepared to provide organic aircraft, as the tactical situation permits, to transport noncombatants and designated aliens to Phu Bai, Chu Lai and Danang.

(4) Coordinate with Danang Airbase commander and commanders concerned the activities of the various terminal facilities located at and/or utilizing Danang Airbase.

g. Force Logistic Command

(1) Arrange for the reception and care of noncombatants and designated aliens at Danang Airbase.

h. 1st Military Police Battalion

(1) Continue assigned mission. See reference (1).

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(2) Be prepared to employ on order, one rifle company (Rein) from the 1st MarDiv in security role in areas designated by the 3d MP Bn

1. 3d MP Bn

(1) On order, notify and make arrangements to move U.S. non-combatants and designated aliens, less CORDS employees, in the Danang Sector as defined in reference (1) to the major assembly areas at Danang Airbase.

(2) Support Dep CORDS, I Corps by providing security detachments to assist in the evacuation of U.S. noncombatants and designated aliens from the city of Danang as required.

(3) Be prepared to assist FLC by providing guides for evacuees at Danang Airbase as required.

(4) Coordinate with 1st Marine Division and FLC to ensure passage of noncombatants evacuated from 1st Marine Division area (Central Sector) to Major Assembly Area at Danang Airbase.

(5) Support NSA Danang by providing Security Detachments at the China Beach billeting area.

(6) Be prepared to provide and arrange for emergency medical care and security for U.S. civilians and designated aliens in the Danang Sector.

(7) Provide this headquarters (Attn: DC/S Plans) in coordination with NSA, Deputy CORDS, Deputy Senior Advisor and MAG 16, a quarterly report on the capacity of buildings and facilities in Marble Mountain and Danang designated for the emergency billeting of noncombatants. The report will list the capacities of buildings/facilities under the following categories:

Case I. In Case I, buildings and facilities are used at considerably less than maximum capacity and accommodations provided are somewhat comparable to those now used by noncombatants. Duration of requirement is estimated to be one to three weeks.

Case II. In Case II, maximum use is made of all buildings and facilities. Accommodations are austere and crowded. Duration of requirement is estimated to be not more than seven days.

Report due to arrive this headquarters five days prior to the end of each quarter. First report due 25Jun69.

(8) Provide this headquarters with a quarterly report of the number and classification of U.S. noncombatants and designated aliens in Quang Nam (P). Report due to arrive this headquarters five days prior to the close of each quarter. First report due 25Jun69. See

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j. 7th PsyOps Bn, USA

- (1) Continue assigned mission.
- (2) Be prepared to provide public announcement/address support as required.
- (3) Make available the facilities of the Palace Hotel for emergency billeting when required.

k. U.S. Army Advisory Group, ICTZ

- (1) Continue assigned mission.
- (2) Be prepared to provide emergency billeting from present resources, i.e., MACV Officers Club, Danang Hotel and/or other buildings, if required.

l. Deputy CORDS

- (1) On order, notify and make arrangements to move U.S. non-combatants and designated aliens employed by CORDS in the Danang City area to the Major Assembly Area at Danang Airbase, and notify and make arrangements to move U.S. noncombatants and designated aliens in the Hoi An area to the MACV compound for further movement to Danang Airbase.
- (2) On request, provide within capabilities to XXIV Corps/Northern Zone Coordinator, Americal Division/Southern Sub Zone Coordinator and 3d MP Bn, necessary data and resources required for planning and execution of this plan.

m. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) This plan is effective for planning on receipt and for execution on order.
- (2) Direct liaison all concerned is authorized.
- (3) Continue normal operations.
- (4) Medical facilities will be used for their intended purpose only and will not be employed as holding or staging areas.
- (5) Upon implementation of this plan, passenger manifests for out-of-country evacuation will be submitted to Hq MACV (Attn: AG) with info copy this headquarters, by units operating air/water evacuation terminals by the most rapid means upon departure of ship/aircraft.

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(6) Supporting plans are required from XXIV Corps, 1st Marine Division, Americal Division, 1st MAF, FLG, 3d MP Bn, 1st MP Bn, USAAG, ICTZ and Deputy CORDS. Plans are to be submitted to this headquarters 30 days after receipt of this plan.

(7) See Annex C (Evacuation of Key Indigenous Personnel).

(8) This OPLAN supersedes III MAF OPLAN 60-68 of 16 April 1968, which may be destroyed without report.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

Annex D (Administration and Logistics).

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. Communications

(1) See reference (b).

(2) The organic communications facilities of the participating units/control agencies and the established radio and telephone system will be used to coordinate the evacuation within ICTZ.

b. Command Post

(1) III MAF/SA I Corps/I Corps Coordinator - Danang East.

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ANNEXES:

- A - Task Organization
- B - Concept of Operations
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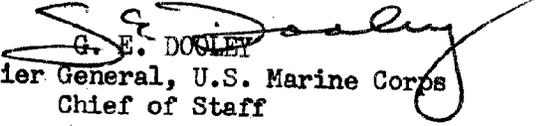
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3d MP Bn
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7th Psy Ops Bn, USA
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PSA Quang Ngai (P)US NAVAL FORCES VIETNAM (NSA DANANG)XXIV CORPS3d MarDiv (Rein)
101st Airborne Division (AM)SA I CORPSUSAAG, ICTZ
1st ARVN Div Adv Det
2nd ARVN Div Adv Det
Quang Da Spec Zone Adv Det

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Annex B (Concept of Operations) to Operation Plan 60-69

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1. SITUATION

- a. This plan is based upon and supports COMUSMACV OPLAN 60-69.
- b. At such time as the political and/or military situation in south Vietnam poses a significant threat to the security of U.S. and designated FW noncombatant personnel, their evacuation or relocation either within or outside ICTZ may be directed.
- c. As of Dec 1968 there were 5341 noncombatants in ICTZ eligible for evacuation. It is assumed that a decision to reduce or terminate programs in which US and designated FW noncombatant personnel are engaged will be concurrent with, or will precede, a decision to evacuate such personnel because of critical conditions.
- d. Those noncombatants who are performing militarily essential services such as communications, maintenance, transportation, and stevedoring services must be identified and retained as long as possible. This points up the need to be prepared for a "phased" evacuation of these specialists, as well as for a general evacuation.

2. MISSION

See basic Plan.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations

- (1) In emergency conditions, and upon request by the Chief of the U.S. Diplomatic Mission, COMUSMACV will exercise control over the evacuation operations.
- (2) Instructions to evacuate may be passed to noncombatants via AFRTV, paralleled by instructions via 3d MP Bn, Deputy CORDS and Zone/Sub Zone Coordinators. Noncombatants in the Hue-Phu Bai area will be assembled at the Phu Bai Airfield, a Secondary Assembly Point, for transportation to the Major Assembly Area at Danang Airbase. Noncombatants in the Chu Lai area will be assembled at the Major Assembly area located at the Chu Lai Air Base. Noncombatants in the Danang area will be assembled at the Major Assembly Area located at the Danang Air Base. From the Major Assembly Areas at Danang and Chu Lai, noncombatants will be airlifted either to Saigon, to relocation areas, or directly to the

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primary safe haven in the Philippines, or the secondary safe haven at Bangkok. Conditions may permit direct airlift from the Secondary Assembly Point at Phu Bai to relocation areas, bypassing the Major Assembly Area at Danang. The primary means for evacuation out of country is airlift. Commercial charter aircraft will be used, supplemented as necessary by USAF assets. The alternate method is sea lift using opportune lift and/or MSTs and PACFLT units which may be made available by CINCPAC to support MACV.

(3) An increased threat to the security of noncombatants in particular areas rather than on a country-wide basis may require the temporary relocation of noncombatants from insecure to secure areas. III MAF, Deputy CORDS, U.S. Army Advisory Group, U.S. Army/Air Force/Navy/FWMA Forces in ICTZ will assist in this relocation by assembling and transporting noncombatants to Danang Airfield, or Chu Lai, as appropriate, and by providing austere billeting, messing and medical support to noncombatants at these facilities.

(4) To implement a "phased" evacuation or relocation, all noncombatants have been categorized in accordance with their essentiality to U.S. programs. Categories of noncombatants are as follows:

CATEGORY I. Those not essential to the continuation of vital U.S. Programs.

CATEGORY II. Those employed in U.S. Government programs which can be terminated without jeopardizing US/FWMAF military posture in SVN.

CATEGORY III. Those employed in military essential tasks, whose absence would affect seriously the continued conduct of military operations.

(5) These broad categories provide planning information for determining the number of noncombatants who would have to be moved under the varying degrees of threat. The situation existing at the time will determine the order of evacuation within each category. Within CATEGORY III it is assumed that those noncombatants such as communications and aircraft technician personnel who work at secure military sites alongside military personnel will be among the last to be evacuated and will probably remain as long as the U.S. Military performs the function which these personnel support. Policy and guidance with respect to retention of key civilians by the military in emergencies is as follows:

(a) The State-Defense Joint Statement concerning the protection and evacuation of U.S. noncombatants establishes responsibilities and procedures which will permit evacuation in an emergency. It does not state that civilians of interest to the military must be evacuated.

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(b) As a matter of policy, so far as noncombatant evacuation is concerned, key U.S. civilians of interest to the military may be retained in RVN in an emergency if they so elect. If they elect evacuation, however, they must be given priorities comparable to other U.S. noncombatants.

4. CONTROL OF EVACUATION OPERATIONS

a. Evacuation will be ordered by the Chief of the U.S. Diplomatic Mission. Evacuation operations in ICTZ will be controlled by CG III MAF/SA I Corps/I Corps Coordinator.

b. MACVJ-3 is charged with detailed supervision of MACV Evacuation Operations. The III MAF COC will serve this same function within ICTZ.

5. LIMITING FACTORS

It is possible, in the event of an emergency, that the need for execution could develop without warning. Under this circumstance, execution of offensive military operations takes priority over evacuation operations. Evacuation operations will be initiated at the earliest opportunity.

6. PROCESSING OF NONCOMBATANTS

If time permits, all evacuees will be processed through the E&E Processing Center in Saigon. Processing of evacuees outside the Saigon area will, in all cases, be limited to determination of eligibility and manifesting.

7. IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL

Noncombatants are to have in their possession a "Noncombatants Card" or their passport. The passport, noncombatants card, or any other identification to show their U.S. sponsorship (designated aliens) will suffice to make them eligible for evacuation. If identification cannot be produced and if in doubt, favor should be given to the individual.

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APPENDIX:

1 - Evacuation from Outlying Areas

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Appendix 1 (Evacuation from Outlying Areas) to Annex B (Concept of Operations) to Operation Plan 60-69

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1. GENERAL

The plan of evacuation is from the noncombatants' place of residence to the Secondary Assembly Point; then to the Major Assembly Areas on the coast. From there movement may be either to Saigon for out-processing, to relocation areas, or directly to safe havens -- as determined on the basis of the situation existing at the time.

2. EXECUTION

Noncombatants will be assembled and moved progressively from remote areas to Major Assembly Areas on the coast. As directed, noncombatants will be airlifted from Major Assembly Areas to either Saigon, relocation areas, or safe havens.

a. On order, noncombatants will be notified, assembled, and moved from place of residence to assembly sites as indicated below:

<u>Secondary Assembly Point</u>	<u>Major Assembly Area</u>
Phu Bai Airfield(for evacuation to)	Danang Airbase
	Chu Lai Airfield

b. XXIV Corps, 1st MAF and Americal Division

(1) Provide opportune airlift as required and as the tactical situation permits, to move noncombatants to Phu Bai and to Major Assembly Areas. Keep III MAF COC and 7th AF informed of all such airlifts. See Tabs A, B, and C to this appendix.

c. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Unless otherwise directed, baggage of air evacuees will be limited to 66 pounds per person.

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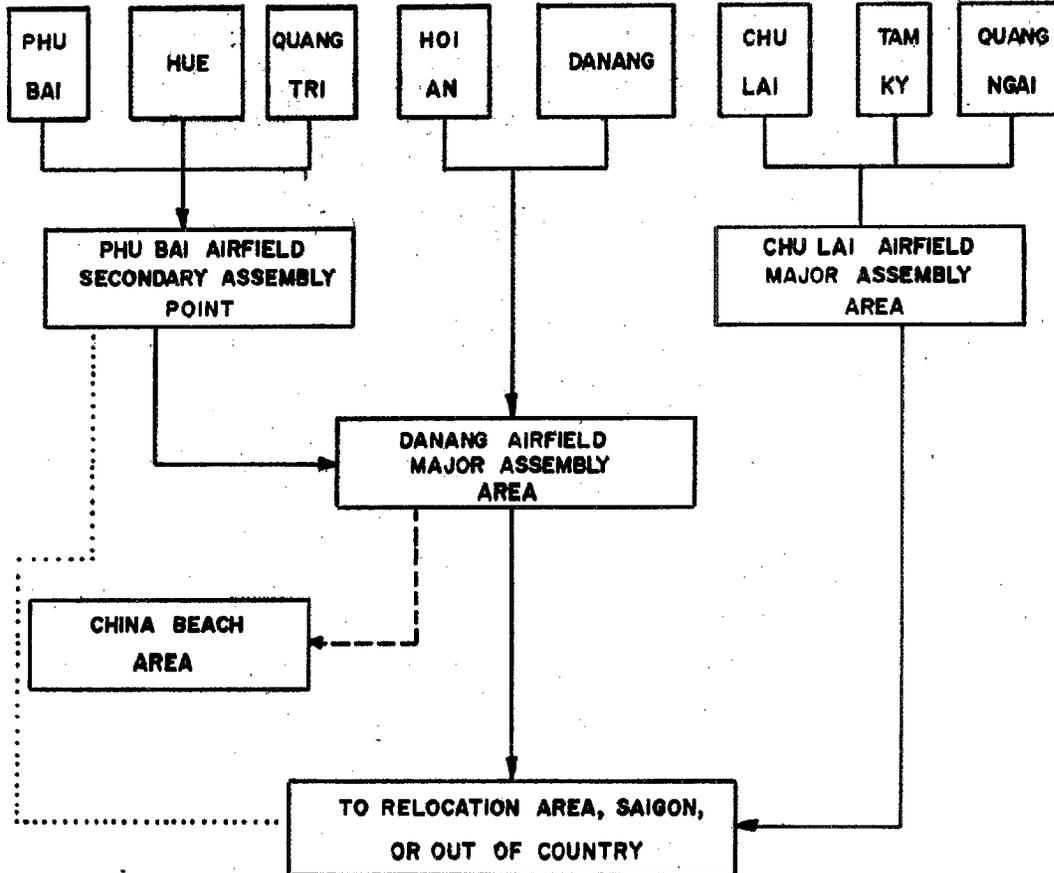
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Tab A (Evacuee Flow) to Appendix 1 (Evacuation from Outlying Areas) to Annex B (Concept of Operations) to Operation Plan 60-69



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DIRECT EVACUATION: _____
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Tab B (Priorities for Evacuation) to Appendix 1 (Evacuation from Outlying Areas) to Annex B (Concept of Operations) to Operation Plan 60-69

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1. GENERAL

The priority system described below will govern if it becomes necessary to invoke the use of priorities. Priorities based on documentation are listed in major categories. A priority designator will include a combination of a Roman numeral and a capital letter indicating major and minor priority categories assigned to each individual. Aliens for whom the U.S. has accepted responsibility in accordance with existing U.S. agreements will be afforded the same major and minor category consideration as U.S. evacuees. Personnel of relatively high priority may elect evacuation in a lower priority to avoid separating members of the same family group. Deviations from the priority system established are authorized as circumstances require. Medical evacuees will be assigned priorities on the advice of the senior Medical Officer present.

2. CATEGORIES

a. Major categories:

- I. American citizens with valid documentation.
- II. American citizens with expired documentation.
- III. American citizens with old or temporary documentation.
- IV. Alien members of American families.
- V. Official Aliens holding diplomatic or official passports.
- VI. Other aliens.

b. Minor categories:

- A. Pregnant women, with highest priority accorded those in the most advanced stage of pregnancy.
- B. Women with children and designated female sponsors of unaccompanied children under 18 years of age. Within this group, first priority will be given to mothers with the youngest children and second priority to those with the most children.

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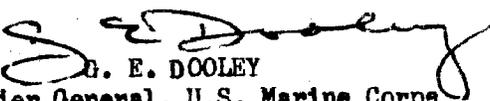
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- C. Aged and infirm. Persons over 65 may be considered as aged.
- D. Unaccompanied women over 18 years of age.
- E. Able bodied males.

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Tab C (Movement Planning Data) to Appendix 1 (Evacuation from Outlying Areas) to Annex B (Concept of Operations) to Operation Plan 60-69

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MOVEMENT PLANNING DATA

1. Secondary Assembly Point to Major Assembly Area:

FROM	TO	NO PAX	LBS BAGGAGE	EST SORTIES		ORIGIN & CLASS AIRFIELD
				C123	C130	
Phu Bai	Danang	184	12,144	3.7	2.3	Phu Bai - Fully Capable

2. Major Assembly Areas to In-Country Relocation Site:

FROM	TO	NO PAX	LBS BAGGAGE	EST SORTIES		AIR MILES	FLYING TIME (HRS:MIN)	
				C123	C130		C123	C130
Danang	Saigon	4254*	280,764	85.1	53.2	382	2:50	1:28
Chu Lai	Saigon	1087	71,742	21.7	13.6	330	2:27	1:16

3. Major Assembly areas to Philippines:

ORIGIN	NO PAX	LBS BAGGAGE	EST SORTIES				AIR MILES	FLYING TIME (HRS:MIN)			
			C130	C135	C141	DC8		C130	C135	C141	DC8
Danang	4254	280,764	53.2	57.5	31.7	25.8	791	2:49	1:39	1:50	1:21
Chu Lai	1087	71,742	13.6	14.7	8.1	6.6	817	2:55	1:42	1:54	1:35

ORIGIN	NO PAX	LBS BAGGAGE	EST SORTIES				AIR MILES	FLYING TIME (HRS:MIN)			
			C130	C135	C141	DC8		C130	C135	C141	DC8
Danang	4254	280,764	53.2	57.5	31.7	25.8	463	1:39	1:58	1:05	1:54
Chu Lai	1087	71,742	13.6	14.7	8.1	6.6	526	1:54	1:06	1:13	1:02

*Includes 184 PAX's from Phu Bai

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Annex C (Evacuation of Key Indigenous Personnel) to Operation Plan 60-69

Ref: (a) COMUSMACV ltr MACJ5 of 30Aug66; Annex L w/ch 1 (Evacuation of Key Indigenous Personnel) to MACV Operations Plan 60-68; Promulgation of (C) (NOTAL)

1. **GENERAL.** The enclosure to reference (a) is available from III MAF Assistant Chief of Staff G-2 on a need-to-know basis. It provides instructions for the evacuation of a special category of evacuees from ICTZ, and the instructions contained therein apply to Annex W MACV OPLAN 60-69. Annex W MACV OPLAN 60-69 will be published at a later date.

2. **EXECUTION**

a. **CG, III MAF (Representative).** The Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2 shall act in the capacity set forth in Appendix 1 to Annex L to MACV OPlan 60-68.

b. **Accomplishment.** The Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, on order of CG, III MAF, shall coordinate implementation of paragraph 2b of Appendix 2 to Annex L to MACV OPlan 60-68.

3. **COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS**

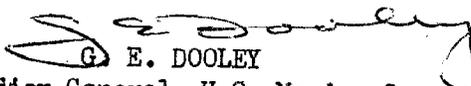
a. **Security guidance.** The procedures set forth in reference (a) and its enclosure shall be meticulously observed.

b. **Stowage.** Reference (a) shall be stowed in a proper security container under the custody of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2.

c. **Disclosure.** Access to reference (a), its enclosure, and the information contained therein shall be strictly controlled by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2. A disclosure record shall be attached to reference (a).

d. **Classification guidance.** The phrase "evacuation of key indigenous personnel" is classified Confidential. See paragraph 6 of Appendix 1 to Annex L to MACV OPlan 60-68 for unclassified transmission.

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Annex D (Administration and Logistics) to Operation Plan 60-69

- Ref: (a) Force0 Ph000.5B (SOP for Logistics)
 (b) MACV Directive 700 -1, 13May65 (Levels of Supply)
 (c) MACV Directive 40-5, 27Nov67 (Medical Services U.S. and FWMA Forces, in the Republic of Vietnam)
 (d) MACV Directive 638.1, 18Apr68 (Deceased personnel, Disposition of Deceased)
 (e) MACV Directive 55-4, 11Jun66 (Combined Movement System in RVN)

1. INFORMATION. Since logistic implications play a predominant part in the basic plan, it is oriented, almost in its entirety, towards providing logistic and personnel handling guidance. Consequently, certain information which would normally be included in this annex has already been addressed. This is particularly true in Annex B (Concept of Operations) where the Appendixes and Tabs cover the evacuation process in detail. This has been done in order to consolidate, as much as possible, the requirements placed upon subordinate III MAF commands, U.S. Army Advisory Group, Naval Support Activity, Danang, Zone/Sub Zone Coordinators and Deputy CORDS.

2. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Annex is to deal primarily with those technical aspects of administration and logistics not covered elsewhere in the plan.

3. CONCEPT

a. Because of the unstable situation associated with conditions requiring execution of this plan, logistic planning must include all considerations implicit in a safe and orderly movement of noncombatants. Transportation, food, billeting, and medical care may be required for an undetermined period of time until noncombatants are returned to their assigned duty area or permanent relocation out of country is completed.

b. Subordinate units and Naval Support Activity logistic support plans will provide for prepositioning of minimum amounts of food, supplies, and equipment to care for noncombatants. Plans will include the resupply of these items in the event the temporary relocation should last longer than the planned two weeks and will also make provision for adequate supplies of potable water throughout.

c. Normal logistic support will be as specified in reference (a). Provision of supplies in kind will be in accordance with section 3732 of

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the revised statute, 41 USC 11, AR 37-20, Navy Comptroller Manual Vol II, para O32010-4, AFR 177-16, as required, to overexpend for the furnishing of clothing, subsistence, fuel, quarters, transportation, or medical and hospital supplies.

d. Levels of Supply:

(1) Naval Support Activity, Danang is authorized to pre-stock a three day level of those items required in support of this plan which are not readily available in sufficient quantities to provide adequate support.

(2) Reference (b) applies.

e. Medical care and hospitalization will be in accordance with reference (c) and as prescribed elsewhere in this plan.

f. Policies and procedures for the disposition of remains are set forth in reference (d).

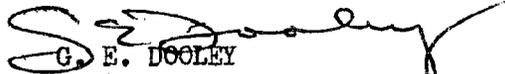
g. Headquarters III MAF will be prepared to provide a disbursing team at Danang if required.

h. This headquarters requests additional airlift as prescribed in reference (e) when the requirement exceeds available airlift capability.

4. The tabulation shown below represents the distribution of noncombatant U.S. and Third Country Nationals in ICTZ and is furnished for planning. Figures are subject to change and tabulations will be revised accordingly.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Cat I</u>	<u>Cat II</u>	<u>Cat III</u>	<u>Total</u>
Danang	866	1042	2162	4070
Chu Lai	21	167	899	1087
Phu Bai	4	110	70	184
Totals	891	1319	3131	5341

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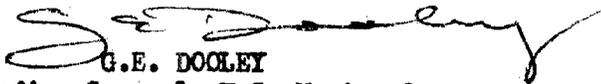
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DSA I CORPS	8
7TH PSYOP BN	1
1ST MP BN	3
3D MP BN	3
CG III MAF	10
DEPUTY CORDS	10
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CMC	3
CINCPAC	1
CINCPACFLT	1
COMUSMACV	1
CG USARV	1
CG 7TH AF	5
CG FMFPAC	2
COMNAVFORV	2
CG FMFPAC (FWD)	1
US CONSULATE DNG	2
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(4) U. S. Army Vietnam: Supports COMUSMACV with personnel, facilities, and equipment as required.

(5) U. S. Naval Forces Vietnam

(a) Is prepared to assist in noncombatant evacuation operations as directed by COMUSMACV.

(b) Is prepared to establish and operate secure facilities to manifest and embark passengers on shipping at the major assembly port of Danang and Chu Lai.

(6) RVN Military and National Police Forces: May assist in the protection of U. S. noncombatants, and designated aliens.

c. Attachments and Detachments. Annex A (Task Organization).

d. Assumptions. That commitment of MACV resources to support this evacuation plan in the form of forces and other required support from US/PWMAF commands in ICIZ not currently OPCON CG, III MAF, will be authorized by higher headquarters.

2. MISSION

1st Marine Aircraft Wing continues military operations and on order establishes and operates a Major Assembly Airfield at Chu Lai and secure passenger terminals, to handle manifesting and enplaning of evacuees, at Chu Lai and Phu Bai Airfields. 1st MAF will provide transportation with proper coordination for the safe evacuation of noncombatants and designated aliens to Chu Lai, Phu Bai and Danang as directed.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations. Annex B (Concept of Operations).

b. Marine Aircraft Group 11

(1) Provide C-117D aircraft and sufficient crews for the transportation of noncombatants and designated aliens as directed by CG 1st MAF until the termination of the emergency.

(2) Provide coordination with commanders concerned with activities of various terminals located at and/or utilizing Danang Airbase.

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- (1) Provide C-117D aircraft and sufficient crews for the transportation of noncombatant and designated aliens as directed by CG 1st MAW until the termination of the emergency.
- (2) Establish and operate a Major Assembly Airfield at Chu Lai and secure passenger terminals, to handle manifesting and enplaning of evacuees.
- (3) Provide security for Chu Lai Airbase in accordance with ground defense plans.

d. Marine Aircraft Group 13

- (1) Provide C-117D aircraft and sufficient crews for the transportation of noncombatants and designated aliens as directed by CG 1st MAW until the termination of the emergency.
- (2) Be prepared to supplement MAG-12 with additional security personnel as required; and, provide security for Chu Lai Airbase in accordance with ground defense plans.

e. Marine Aircraft Group 16

- (1) Provide, as directed by CG 1st MAW, transport helicopters for the relocation of noncombatants and designated aliens until the termination of the emergency.
- (2) Provide C-117D aircraft with sufficient crews for the transportation of noncombatants and designated aliens as directed by CG 1st MAW until the termination of the emergency.

f. Marine Aircraft Group 36

- (1) Provide, as directed by CG 1st MAW, transport helicopters for the relocation of noncombatants and designated aliens until the termination of the emergency.
- (2) Provide C-117D aircraft with sufficient crews for the transportation of noncombatants and designated aliens as directed by CG 1st MAW until the termination of the emergency.
- (3) Provide security for the Phu Bai Airfield as outlined in ground defense plans.

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- (4) Establish and operate secure passenger terminals to handle manifesting and enplaning of evacuees at Phu Bai Airfield.
- (5) Coordinate with XXIV Corps Northern Zone Coordinator, ICTZ who is responsible for reception, care and medical aid of evacuees at Phu Bai.

g. Provisional Marine Aircraft Group 39

Provide, as directed by CG 1st MAW, transport helicopters for the relocation of noncombatants and designated aliens until the termination of the emergency.

h. Marine Wing Service Group 17

Provide C-117D aircraft with sufficient crews for the transportation of noncombatants and designated aliens as directed by CG 1st MAW until the termination of the emergency.

i. VMGR-152, Sub Unit 1, Danang

Provide KC-130F aircraft for the relocation of noncombatants and designated aliens as directed by CG 1st MAW, until the termination of the emergency.

j. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) This plan is effective for planning on receipt and for execution on order.
- (2) Direct liaison all concerned is authorized.
- (3) Continue normal operations.
- (4) Upon implementation of this plan, passenger manifests for out-of-country evacuation will be submitted to this headquarters (Attn: G-4) from units operating air evacuation terminals by the most rapid means upon departure of the aircraft.

ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

Continue operations with present established system.

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5. **COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- a. Communications. The organic communications facilities of the participating units/control agencies and the established radio and telephone system will be used to coordinate the evacuation within ICTZ.
- b. Command Post. 1st MAW G-3/TADC.

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ANNEXES:

- A - Task Organization
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1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

- MAG-11
- MAG-12
- MAG-13
- MAG-16
- MAG-36
- PMAG-39
- MWSG-17
- VMGR-152 SUB UNIT 1

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ANNEX B (Concept of Operations) to Operation Plan 60-69

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1. SITUATION

- a. This plan is based upon and supports III MAF OPLAN 60-69.
- b. At such time as the political and/or military situation in South Vietnam poses a significant threat to the security of U. S. and designated FW noncombatant personnel, their evacuation or relocation either within or outside ICTZ may be directed.
- c. As of December 1968 there were 5341 noncombatants in ICTZ eligible for evacuation. It is assumed that a decision to reduce or terminate programs in which U. S. and designated FW noncombatant personnel are engaged will be concurrent with, or will precede, a decision to evacuate such personnel because of critical conditions.
- d. Those noncombatants who are performing militarily essential services such as communications, maintenance, transportation, and stevedoring services must be identified and retained as long as possible. This points up the need to be prepared for a "phased" evacuation of these specialists, as well as for a general evacuation.

2. MISSION

See basic plan.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations

- (1) In emergency conditions, and upon request by the Chief of the U. S. Diplomatic Mission, COMUSMACV will exercise control over the evacuation operations.
- (2) Instructions to evacuate may be passed to noncombatants via AFRTV, paralleled by instructions via 3d MP Bn, Deputy CORDS and Zone/Sub Zone Coordinators. Noncombatants in the

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Hue/Phu Bai area will be assembled at the Phu Bai Airfield, a Secondary Assembly Point, for transportation to the Major Assembly Area at Danang Airbase. Noncombatants in the Chu Lai area will be assembled at the Major Assembly area located at the Chu Lai Air Base. Noncombatants in the Danang area will be assembled at the Major Assembly Area located at the Danang Air Base. From the Major Assembly Areas at Danang and Chu Lai, noncombatants will be airlifted either to Saigon, to relocation areas, or directly to the primary safe haven in the Philippines, or the secondary safe haven at Bangkok. Conditions may permit direct airlift from the Secondary Assembly Point at Phu Bai to relocation areas, bypassing the Major Assembly Area at Danang. The primary means for evacuation out-of-country is airlift. Commercial charter aircraft will be used, supplemented as necessary by USAF assets. The alternate method is sea lift using opportune lift and/or MSTs and PACFLT units which may be made available by CINCPAC to support MACV.

- (3) An increased threat to the security of noncombatants in particular areas rather than on a country-wide basis may require the temporary relocation of noncombatants from insecure to secure areas. III MAF, Deputy CORDS, U. S. Army Advisory Group, U. S. Army/Air Force/Navy/FWMA Forces in ICTZ will assist in this relocation by assembling and transporting noncombatants to Danang Airfield, or Chu Lai, as appropriate, and by providing austere billeting, messing and medical support to noncombatants at these facilities.
- (4) To implement a "phased" evacuation or relocation, all noncombatants have been categorized in accordance with their essentiality to U. S. programs. Categories of noncombatants are as follows:

CATEGORY I. Those not essential to the continuation of vital U. S. programs.

CATEGORY II. Those employed in U. S. Government programs which can be terminated without jeopardizing US/FWMAF military posture in SVN.

CATEGORY III. Those employed in military essential tasks, whose absence would affect seriously the continued conduct of military operations.

- (5) These broad categories provide planning information for determining the number of noncombatants who would have to

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be moved under the varying degrees of threat. The situation existing at the time will determine the order of evacuation within each category. Within CATEGORY III ** is assumed that those noncombatants such as communications and aircraft technician personnel who work at secure military sites alongside military personnel will be among the last to be evacuated and will probably remain as long as the U. S. Military performs the function which these personnel support. Policy and guidance with respect to retention of key civilians by the military in emergencies are as follows:

- (a) The State-Defense Joint Statement concerning the protection and evacuation of U. S. noncombatants establishes responsibilities and procedures which will permit evacuation in an emergency. It does not state that civilians of interest to the military must be evacuated.
- (b) As a matter of policy, so far as noncombatant evacuation is concerned, key U. S. civilians of interest to the military may be retained in RVN in an emergency if they so elect. If they elect evacuation, however, they must be given priorities comparable to other U. S. noncombatants.

4. CONTROL OF EVACUATION OPERATIONS

- a. Evacuation will be ordered by the Chief of the U. S. Diplomatic Mission. Evacuation operations in ICTZ will be controlled by CG III MAF/SA I Corps/I Corps Coordinator.
- b. MACVJ-3 is charged with detailed supervision of MACV Evacuation Operations. The III MAF COC will serve this same function within ICTZ. 1st MAW G-4 will keep III MAF and 7th AF informed of all airlifts.

5. LIMITING FACTORS

It is possible, in the event of an emergency, that the need for execution could develop without warning. Under this circumstance, execution of offensive military operations takes priority over evacuation operations. Evacuation operations will be initiated at the earliest opportunity.

6. PROCESSING OF NONCOMBATANTS

If time permits, all evacuees will be processed through the E&E Processing Center in Saigon. Processing of evacuees outside the Saigon area will, in all cases, be limited to determination of eligibility and manifesting.

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7. IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL

Noncombatants are to have in their possession a "Noncombatants Card" or their passport. The passport, noncombatants card, or any other identification to show their U. S. sponsorship (designated aliens) will suffice to make them eligible for evacuation. If identification cannot be produced and if in doubt, favor should be given to the individual.

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APPENDIX

1 - Evacuation from Outlying Areas

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Appendix 1 (Evacuation from Outlying Areas) to Annex B (Concept of Operations) to Operation Plan 60-69

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1. GENERAL

The plan of evacuation is from the noncombatants' place of residence to the Secondary Assembly Point; then to the Major Assembly Areas on the coast. From there movement may be either to Saigon for out-processing, to relocation areas, or directly to safe havens - as determined on the basis of the situation existing at the time.

2. EXECUTION

Noncombatants will be assembled and moved progressively from remote areas to Major Assembly Areas on the coast. As directed, noncombatants will be airlifted from Major Assembly Areas to either Saigon, relocation areas, or safe havens.

- a. On order, noncombatants will be notified, assembled, and moved from place of residence to assembly sites as indicated below:

SECONDARY ASSEMBLY POINT

Phu Bai Airfield (for evacuation to)

MAJOR ASSEMBLY AREAS

Danang Airbase

Chu Lai Airfield

- b. MAG-11, 12, 13, 16, 36, PMAG-39, MWSG-17, and VMGR-152 Sub Unit 1

- (1) Provide opportune airlift as required and as the tactical situation permits, to move noncombatants to Phu Bai and to Major Assembly Areas. Keep 1st MAW G-4 informed of all such airlifts.

c. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Unless otherwise directed, baggage of air evacuees will be limited to 66 pounds per person.

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Tab A (Priorities for Evacuation) to Appendix 1 (Evacuation from Out-lying Areas) to Annex B (Concept of Operations) to Operation Plan 60-69

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1. GENERAL

The priority system described below will govern if it becomes necessary to invoke the use of priorities. Priorities based on documentation are listed in major categories. A priority designator will include a combination of a Roman numeral and a capital letter indicating major and minor priority categories assigned to each individual. Aliens for whom the U.S. has accepted responsibility in accordance with existing U.S. agreements will be afforded the same major and minor category consideration as U.S. evacuees. Personnel of relatively high priority may elect evacuation in a lower priority to avoid separating members of the same family group. Deviations from the priority system established are authorized as circumstances require. Medical evacuees will be assigned priorities on the advice of the senior Medical Officer present.

2. CATEGORIES

a. Major categories:

- I. American citizens with valid documentation.
- II. American citizens with expired documentation.
- III. American citizens with old or temporary documentation.
- IV. A's members of American families.
- V. Official aliens holding diplomatic or official passports.
- VI. Other aliens.

b. Minor categories:

- A. Pregnant women, with highest priority accorded those in the most advanced stage of pregnancy.
- B. Women with children and designated female sponsors of unaccompanied children under 18 years of age. Within this group, first priority will be given to mothers with the youngest children and second priority to those with the most children.

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- C. Aged and infirm. Persons over 65 may be considered as aged.
- D. Unaccompanied women over 18 years of age.
- E. Able bodied males.

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