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FROM: CG THIRD MARDIV (REIN)  
 TO: CG XXIV CORPS  
 INFO: CG III MAP

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//SECRET - SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR RASPING (C)//

TACTICAL COVER AND DECEPTION OPERATIONS (C)

A. CG THIRD MARDIV (REIN) 130022Z MAY 69 (S)

B. TELCON MAJ THOMAS XXIV CORPS - LTCOL COOK THIRD MARDIV OF  
 162115H MAY69 (U).

1. (S) REFERENCE A REQUESTED PERMISSION TO CONDUCT C AND D OPERATIONS. FURTHER INFORMATION ON PLANS FOR C AND D OPERATION AS REQUESTED BY REFERENCE B ARE HEREBY SUBMITTED.

2. (S) DETAILED CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS:

A. ON D-DAY, 1-HOUR FOLLOWING NORMAL ARTY/AIR PREP OF LZ, ACTUAL HELICOPTER MOVEMENT TO LZ AND INSERTION OF DIVISION REINFORCED RECON TEAM. SIMULATED LANDING OF AN INFANTRY BN CONTINUES INCLUDING LIFT OF DUMMY ARTY BTRY AND EXTERNAL DUMMY LIFTS OF SUPPLIES. SIMULTANEOUSLY AN ACTUAL MOTORIZED/MECHANIZED TASK FORCE BEGINS OPERATIONS ALONG ROUTE 9 TOWARD KHE SANH AREA, BUT DOES NOT ENTER SIMULATED AO.

B. MANIPULATIVE AND SIMULATIVE COMMUNICATIONS DECEPTION IS EMPLOYED BY ACTUAL BN COMMAND/COMMUNICATIONS GROUP LOCATED NEAR LZ. COMMUNICATIONS ON ALL NORMAL NETS ARE MAINTAINED AND

ACTIONS OF A BN CONDUCTING SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS WILL BE SIMULATED. SUPPORTING ARMS EMPLOYED IN AREA TO ADD REALISM.

C. COMMUNICATIONS TRAFFIC AND EMPLOYMENT OF SUPPORTING ARMS CONTINUE THROUGH SIMULATED LIFT OUT OF THE BN ON D+2. MOTORIZED/MECHANIZED TASK FORCE RETURNS SIMULTANEOUSLY.

D. REINFORCED RECON TEAM EMPLACES SENSORS AND IS EXTRACTED DURING SIMULATED LIFT OUT OF BN.

3 (S) OBJECTIVE OF OPERATION. TO DECEIVE AND MISLEAD THE ENEMY AND TO ENTICE HIM INTO A REACTION TO FALSE INFORMATION CAUSING HIM TO MASS HIS FORCES AND CREATE A LUCRATIVE TARGET FOR ATTACK BY SUPPORTING ARMS AND OR GROUND FORCES.

4. (S) REACTION ANTICIPATED. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE ENEMY MAY REACT BY MOVING A REGIMENTAL SIZED FORCE INTO THE AREA. U. S. UNITS OPERATING IN THE GENERAL AREA WERE ATTACKED ON TWO OCCASIONS WITHIN THE PAST MONTH. INTELLIGENCE INDICATES THE ENEMY HAS THE CAPABILITY OF MASSING UP TO TWO REGT. AGAINST THIS SIMULATED BN. THIS OPERATION MAY ALSO DELAY, OR CAUSE PREMATURE COMMITMENT OF ELEMENTS OF THE 304TH NVA DIV.

5. (S) PLANS FOR EXPLOITATION. TARGETS IN THE AREA DURING THE OPERATION CAN BE ACQUIRED BY THE REINFORCED RECON TEAMS OPERATING NEAR THE ZL AND BY AERIAL OBSERVERS. IN ADDITION TO THESE TWO MEANS AND SUBSEQUENT TO THE OPERATION, SENSORS CAN ACQUIRE TARGETS FOR A PERIOD OF 10 DAYS. THE FOLLOWING

REACTIONS TO ACQUIRED TARGETS ARE AVAILABLE.

A. ATTACK OF TARGETS BY UP TO 4 BATTALIONS OF ARTY.

B. ATTACK OF TARGETS BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT.

C. EMPLOYMENT OF BN SIZED REACTION/EXPLOITATION  
FORCE SUPPORTED BY TANK COMPANY.

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1. CMC 262130Z MAY69 (S) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE MCEO *Group-4*  
FOR BUSE INFO NICKERSON & QUILTER FROM VAN RYZIN  
OV-10A EMPLOYMENT (S)
- ~~2. NAVCOMSTA STRAN 270835Z (U)  
REQD VIA MEXICO  
SAM PRIGER PANAMA WANTS TO VISIT GEN NICKERSON~~
- ~~3. CG FORCE WARDIV 270740Z MAY69 (U)  
FOR DOOLLY FROM STODSON  
HERE ARE MY COMMENTS ON CG'S COLLECT IN SEA BICER.~~
- ~~4. COMNAVFORV 270805Z MAY69 (S) EYES ONLY  
FOR ARLAND, HINLAND, NICKERSON & ZILMANN  
FORCE REDUCTION LOSS OF FOUR CR ENIS~~
5. CG FIRST MAW 280715Z MAY69 (C) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE/MCEO *Gr-4*  
FOR BUSE INFO NICKERSON FROM QUILTER  
FUTURE AVAILABILITY OF HELICOPTER (UH-1L) IN WESTPAC
6. CMC 282317Z MAY69 (C) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE *group-4*  
FOR BUSE INFO NICKERSON FROM WALT  
ALLEGATIONS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION (Baltimore AERO-AMERICAN Newspaper)
7. CG AMERICAL DIV 300950Z MAY69 (S) EYES ONLY *3 Gr - not shown*  
FOR NICKERSON FROM BETTYS  
FORCES TO REMAIN ON BARR ISLAND -- LIST<sup>n</sup> ALTERNATIVES
8. CG FMFPAC 311934Z MAY69 (S) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE MCEO *Gr-4*  
FOR CHAPMAN INFO NICKERSON FROM BUSE  
OV-10A EMPLOYMENT (S) "HERES TEXT OF MSG I SENT TO HYLAND"
9. C/S MACV 311026Z MAY69 (U) EYES ONLY  
FOR NICKERSON FROM TOWNSEND  
USE OF DAPSONE IN MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLIAXIS
- ~~10. TPA NKP THAT 020515Z JUN69 (C)  
FOR YOUNGDALE FROM COL BRATE  
RE YOUR VISIT, GEN DYAS WILL BE COMB, BUT I'LL HOST 4 Jun~~
11. CG FMFPAC 030047Z JUN 69 (S) NOFORN MCEO *Gr 4*  
RELOCATION OF 1ST ANTRAC BN
- ~~12. CG TPA NKP THAT (S) 030310Z JUN 69  
FOR YOUNGDALE FROM BRATE  
CON CUR IN REQ TO ADD DWIER~~
- ~~13. COMNAVFORV 030610Z JUN69 (C)  
PERSONAL FOR NICKERSON INFO BONNER FROM ZILMANN  
LOIS COMMON SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITIES CONCERN OF HAVING ARMY BELIEVE  
NAVY IN COMMON SUPPORT ROLE IN 1982~~







SECRET

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INFO RUYPSYD/CG III MAF

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S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY FROM LGEN VAN RYZIN TO LGEN BUSE, INFO TO LGEN NICKERSON AND MGEN QUILTER

OV-10A EMPLOYMENT (S)

A. COMNAVFORV 180623Z MAY69 (S)

B. ADMIN CINCPACFLT 212111Z MAY69 (S)

C. CMC 102154Z JUL68

1. (S) CMC IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE RAMIFICATIONS OF LABELLING THE OV-10A AS A "DIRECT CLOSE AIR SUPPORT" (REF A) AND DISCUSSING EMPLOYMENT IN A "DIRECT STRIKE ROLE" (REF B). REF C EMPHASIZED THE NEED FOR INSURING THE OV-10 IS LIMITED TO THE OBSERVATION, CONTROL AND OTHER UTILITY MISSIONS AND TO AVOID ANY CONNOTATION THAT THIS AIRCRAFT IS AN ATTACK VEHICLE FOR USE IN STRIKE MISSIONS.
2. (S) REQUEST YOU APPROACH THE SUBJECT WITH ADM HYLAND AND VADM ZUMWALT TO APPRISE THEM OF POSSIBLE FUTURE ADVERSE

PAGE TWO RUEBHOA2989 S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE HCEO FROM LGEN VAN RYZIN TO LGEN BUSE, INFO TO LGEN NICKERSON AND MGEN QUILTER RAMIFICATIONS AND THE NEED TO WALK THE TIGHT ROPE IN SEMANTICS IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE AIRCRAFT TO EMPLOY ITS LIGHT ARMAMENT YET AVOID THE ATTACK AIRCRAFT CONNOTATIONS. BEST REGARDS.

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From: Deputy Commanding General

To: *C/S*

Subj: *CP*



*This is the end -!!  
 8-UH-1L to be  
 assigned as Navy  
 CAC page when we  
 are crying for birds.  
 How do you like being  
 screwed by your  
 Navy flying friends!!*

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 FM CG FIRST MAW  
 TO RUMMFA/CG FMFPAC  
 INFO RUMMAFA/CG III MAF  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L  
 FOR FMFPAC F-025

SPECAT EXCLUSIVE MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY FOR LTGEN BUSE INFO LTGEN  
 NICKERSON FROM MGEN QUILTER

- A. USPD-UH-1L HELICOPTER OF 30 APR 1968 (NOTAL)  
 B. ADMIN COMNAVAIRPAC 120315Z APR 1968 (NOTAL)  
 1. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO INDICATE THE FUTURE AVAILABILITY  
 OF THE UH-1L HELICOPTER IN WESTPAC AND TO SUBMIT FOR YOUR CONSIDERA-  
 TION A PROPOSAL FOR TWO OF THESE HELICOPTERS TO PROVIDE HELO LIFT  
 FOR THE CG III MAF IN LIEU OF THE UH-1E.  
 2. REF A STATES THAT OSD HAS APPROVED PROCUREMENT OF EIGHT UH-1L  
 HELICOPTERS FOR DELIVERY IN DEC 69 TO SUPPORT WESTPAC NAVY COMMANDS  
 AS FOLLOWS: CTF-116 (RIVERINE)-FOUR; CTF-117 (MOBILE RIVERINE)-TWO;  
 AND THIRD NC BRIGADE-TWO. REF B (OBTAINED FROM COMTHIRDNCB) DISCUSSES  
 THESE ASSIGNMENTS AND PROPOSES ALTERNATIVE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT

PAGE TWO RUMMFA 0119 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE M C E O  
 TO LTGEN BUSE INFO LTGEN NICKERSON FROM MGEN QUILTER  
 SITES. RELATIVE TO THE SUPPORT FOR THE THIRD NCB UH-1L HELICOPTERS,  
 CMAP DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF USN DETACHMENT AT DANANG OR MARBLE  
 MOUNTAIN; ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE WAS NAF CAM RANH BAY.

3. SALIENT FACTORS FOR ASSIGNING TWO UH-1L HELICOPTERS FOR THE CG  
 III MAF ARE:  
 A. INCREASED PERFORMANCE THROUGH ADDITIONAL ENGINE POWER OF  
 THE UH-1L OVER THE UH-1E.  
 B. IMPROVED SAFETY PARAMETERS WITH THE INCREASED PERFORMANCE IN  
 MOVING THE CG III MAF AND HIGH RANKING DIGNITARIES THROUGHOUT I  
 CORPS AREA.  
 C. THIS WING COULD ACCEPT THE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITY.  
 THE UH-1L AIRFRAME IS NEARLY IDENTICAL TO THE UH-1E AND SUPPORT OF THE  
 T-53-L-13 ENGINE WOULD PRESENT NO PROBLEM SINCE THE AH-1G COBRA USES  
 THE SAME ENGINE.  
 D. THE UH-1L COULD BE ASSIGNED TO MAG-16 FOR BASING AND SUPPORT  
 E. TWO UH-1E'S CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO III MAF WOULD BECOME  
 AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT COMBAT OPERATIONS.  
 F. THE NAVY WOULD BE RELIEVED OF PROVIDING A NEW DETACHMENT IN  
 THE DANANG AREA.  
 G. HELICOPTER SUPPORT TO THE THIRD NCB WOULD CONTINUE TO BE

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PAGE THREE RUMLMHA 0119 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE  
M C E O FOR LTGENBUSE INFO LTGEN NICKERSON FROM MGEN QUILTER

PROVIDED BY THIS WING ON AN AS REQUIRED BASIS.

4. THE SIGNIFICANT ASPECT OF UH-1L HELICOPTER PROGRAM IS THAT CNO WAS ABLE TO ACQUIRE OSD APPROVAL FOR HELICOPTER ADMIN SUPPORT IN WESTPAC FOR CTF-116 AND 117 AND 3RD NCB.

5. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE UH-1L HELICOPTERS BEING ASSIGNED TO COMTHIRDNCB BE MISSION REALLOCATED AND TASKED FOR THE USE OF THE CG III MAF AND ASSIGNED TO THIS WING FOR MAINTENANCE AND BASE SUPPORT. COMNAVAIRPAC IS IN THE PROCESS OF FIRING THIS PROGRAM THEREFORE IT APPEARS THAT THIS IS THE OPPORTUNE TIME TO SUBMIT THIS PROPOSAL TO THE NAVY.

6. CG III MAF CONCURS.

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF

From: Chief of Staff

To: e s.

From:

*am preparing  
a letter for you  
to Sam Buse -  
enclosing*

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PAC -T- III MAF

P 282317Z MAY69

FM CMC

TO RUYNSYA/CG FMFPAC

INFO RUYPSYD/CG III MAF

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN BUSE AND LTGEN  
NICKERSON FROM LTGEN WALT SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS

SUBJ: ALLEGATIONS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

1. OFFICES OF BALTIMORE AFRO-AMERICAN NEWSPAPER CHAIN RECENTLY  
RECEIVED A LETTER SIGNED BY 105 MEMBERS OF 3D BN, 1ST MARINES.

TEXT OF LETTER FOLLOWS: QUOTE

N "WE THE BLACK MAN.

"WE THE BLACK MAN IN VIET NAM BEAR WITNESS TO THE  
EXISTENCE OF RACIAL PREJUDICE IN VIET NAM. THE CONTENTS OF  
THIS LETTER DESCRIBES THE SITUATION EXISTING IN 3/1 BN. WE,  
WHO SIGN HOLD EVIDENCE AS TO IT'S VALIDITY. WE BASE IT  
UPON OUR OWN OBSERVATIONS AND EXPERIENCES. WE DO SO IN  
HOPE OF ESTABLISHING BETTER RELATIONS AMONG MEN AND FREEDOM  
FOR ALL.

"THE AMERICAN BLACKMAN

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BUSE AND LTGEN NICKERSON FROM LTGEN WALT

IN VIET NAM:

"WE ,THE AMERICAN BLACK MEN SERVING IN VIET NAM, ADDRESS  
THIS LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA. WE URGE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS LETTER NOT ONLY FOR OUR OWN SAKES BUT  
FOR AMERICAS.

"OUR FUTURE THE BLACK MAN, IS PREDESTINED BUT AMERICA'S  
FUTURE STILL LIES IN THE HANDS OF ITS PEOPLE. WE SPEAK NOT  
TO AMERICA AS A WHOLE BUT TO EACH AMERICAN AS AN INDIVIDUAL.  
AMERICA'S SELF-DESTRUCTION GROWS NEAR DUE TO FAULTS OF ITS  
OWN INHABITANTS. WE ASK EACH AMERICAN INDIVIDUAL TO CAST HIS  
OWN EYES UPON HIMSELF, AND EVALUATE HIS OWN PERSON BEFORE  
CONSIDERING OUR LETTER. WE SEEK NO FAVORS OR GRATITUDE BUT  
ONLY TO SEEK JUSTICE IN ITS TRUE NATURE.

"REALIZE AMERICA IS ALREADY FAMILIAR WITH THE PROBLEM  
WE CONFRONT HER WITH; BUT STILL WE FIND IT NECESSARY TO BRING  
AWARENESS TO ITS EXISTENCE ONCE MORE, THE PROBLEM IS RACIAL  
PREJUDICE.

" THE SAME RACIAL PREJUDICE THAT HAS BEEN PREVALENT IN AMERICA  
SINCE BIRTH, YET AFTER OVER 300 YEARS IT IS STILL PRESENTS IN  
VIET NAM, RACIAL PREJUDICE EXISTS ONLY IN THE MINDS OF THE

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PAGE THREE RUEBH0A4121 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN BUSE AND LTGEN NICKERSON FROM LTGEN WALT AMERICAN PEOPLE. IT IS AN INTANGIBLE EVIL THAT LURKS INSIDE OF MANS BRAIN CAUSING HIM TO DISCRIMINATE AND REBEL AGAINST HIS OWN KIND. WE FIND ITS PRESENCE IS NOT ONLY IN OUR OWN BATTALION BUT IN ALL OF SOUTH VIETNAM. WE FIND OURSELVES FREQUENTLY CONFRONTED WITH PREJUDICE HERE IN 3RD BN. 1ST MARINES.

"ANY OPPOSITION WE OFFER IN DEFENSE SERVES ONLY AS A CATALYST CAUSING IT TO BECOME MORE AGGRESSIVE DUE TO ITS NATURE, IT CAN ONLY BE MORE DESTROYED BY ITS MAKER, THE WHITE MAN. ITS APPROACH IS THAT OF THE (BEAST), THE CORRUPTED AMERICAN WHITE MAN, AND WE THE BLACK MAN ARE IT'S CONTENDERS. BEFORE THE BLACK MAN CAN BE RECOGNIZED AS AN AMERICAN THE ELIMINATION OF THIS PRODUCT MUST TAKE PLACE. WE LEAVE THE SOLUTION TO YOU, THE AMERICAN INDIVIDUAL, BUT WILL REMAIN RESTLESS UNTIL SOME RESULTS ARE SHOWN TOWARD THIS SOLUTION.

"RACIAL PREJUDICE EXISTING IN 3RD BN 1ST MARINES IS WELL PROTECTED BY THE BEASTS. TO A MAN WHO HAS NEVER BEEN SUBJECTED TO PREJUDICENESS TO HIM IT IS SHOCKING AT WHAT HE WITNESSES WITH OUR BATTALION.

"OUR CAUSE ISN'T TO ACCUSE OR JUSTIFY ANYONE'S ACTIONS BUT TO BRING AWARENESS TO THEIR ACTIONS. WE DO THIS IN HOPE THAT

PAGE FOUR RUEBH0A4121 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN BUSE AND LTGEN NICKERSON FROM LTGEN WALT MEASURES WILL BE TAKEN TO SUBDUE THIS PROBLEM AND PREVENT ITS OCCURRENCE IN THE FUTURE.

"DUE TO RACIAL PREJUDICE HERE IN VIET NAM THE BLACK MAN IS BEING SUBJECTED TO UNNECESSARY DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE BEASTS. WE FIND OURSELVES STEADILY ABUSED AND HARASSED BY THE BEASTS. OUR LIVES ARE PLAYED WITH AS IF WE WERE THINGS OR TOYS, INSTEAD OF HUMANS. AS A RESULT OF THESE RIDICULOUS AN OUTRAGEOUS ACTS PERFORMED BY THE BEASTS MANY BLACKMEN ARE SERVING OVERTIME IN VIETNAM. DURING THIS TIME, THEY ARE RETURNED TO CONFRONT WITH THE ENEMY WHEN THEY SHOULD BE BACK IN AMERICA. THOSE WHO AREN'T PHYSICALLY OR MENTALLY FIT ARE ALSO SENT OUT TO CONFRONT WITH THE ENEMY. THOSE WHO ARE ACCEPTED AS UNFIT FOR COMBAT, REMAIN IN THE REAR ONLY FOR HARASSMENT AND TO BE SUBJECTED TO UNNECESSARY DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS. IN ANY EVENT OF CRIMES COMMITTED IN OUR BATTALION THE BLACK MAN IS FIRST LOOKED UP ON AS A CRIMINAL. HE IS GUILTY BEFORE THE CRIME HAS BEEN COMMITTED. HE SEEMS TO BE A STEADY LAWBREAKER BUT DOESN'T STAND A FAIR CHANCE TO PROVE HIS INNOCENCE.

"WE BLACK MEN ARE UNDER THE WHITE MAN'S LAW IN VIET NAM. WE SEE THE WHITE MANS LAWS AS LAWS WE HAD NO CHOICE IN MAKING

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 LTGEN BUSE AND LTGEN NICKERSON FROM LTGEN WALT  
 CONTRARY TO THIS WE LIVE BY THEM AS WELL OR IF NOT BETTER THAN  
 HE DOES HIMSELF. WE SEE HIS LAWS BEING ENFORCED AT DIFFERENT  
 TIMES ON CERTAIN PEOPLE. HE USES US AS HIS PERSONAL TARGETS.  
 WE FIND HIS LAWS ARE TO FLEXIBLE THAT THEIR TRUE MEANING IS  
 NEVER EMPHASIZED BUT STRIPPED AWAY. WE SEE HIM USING THESE  
 LAWS TO HIS OWN ADVANTAGE WE FINE ONLY ONE INTERPRETATION  
 OF RIGHT-BUT THE BEASTS HAVE MANY INTERPRETATIONS OF RIGHT.  
 THEIR LAWS CAN BE CHANGED AND ADDITIONS RENDERED AT ANY TIME.  
 THEIR LAWS SEEM TO BE AN ESCAPE ROUTE FOR ALL THE WRONG THEY  
 DO. WHEN WE ENFORCE HIS LAWS, RIGHT IS STILL SACRIFICED FOR  
 WRONG. OR A COMPROMISE IS MADE BETWEEN THE TWO. BUT NEVER IS  
 RIGHT RIGHT OR WRONG WRONG, THE LAWS ARE A FRONT THEREFORE  
 SO ARE HIS LIFE AND HIS BELIEFS. HOW CAN JUSTICE PREVAIL  
 IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF PRETENSE?

\* IN 3/1 BATTALION WE HAVE A WATCH ACTION COMMITTEE WHOSE  
 RESPONSIBILITY IS TO BRING FORTH COMPLAINTS AND PROBLEMS  
 CONCERNING RACIAL PREJUDICE. THE COMMITTEE IS COMPOSED OF A  
 BLACK MAN FROM EACH COMPANY WITHIN THE BATTALION. HE CONFRONTS  
 THE EXECUTIVE PROBLEMS AND THEY ARE DISCUSSED. AS FOR A  
 SOLUTIONS TO THESE PROBLEMS WE SEE THAT MORE ATTENTION IS  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L S P E C I A L E X C L U S I V E F O R L T G E N B U S E A N D L T G E N N I C K E R S O N F R O M L T G E N W A L T . F I N A L S E C T I O N O F T W O S E C T I O N S T A K E N T O W A R D T H E I R C O N C E A L M E N T . T H E O F F E N D E R O R M A I N P E R S O N R E S P O N S I B L E I S I G N O R E D , T H E O F F E N D E D I S R E C O N C I L I A T E D . A N Y M E A N S O F R E H A B I L I T A T I O N I S L O S T A N D T H E O F F E N D E R I S L E F T F R E E T O R E P E A T A N O T H E R O F F E N S E .

"WE SEE REASONS USED AS MEANS OF JUSTIFYING AN OFFENSE. JUSTIFICATION OF AN OFFENSE ISN'T POSSIBLE, FOR REASONS ARE FOR DETERMINING WHY AN ACT IS DONE AND THE NATURE OF THE OFFENSE AND NOT ITS VALIDITY OR VOID.

"WE THE BLACK MEN IN VIET NAM DO NOT SEEK JUSTIFICATION FOR OUR OWN ACTIONS BUT SO SOLEMNLY BELIEVE THEM. OUR ACTIONS WE CAN'T SAY ARE OUR WILL BUT IS A RETALIATION TOWARD THE BEASTS. THIS RETALIATION IS A BUILT-IN REFLEX WHICH SERVES AS OUR ONLY DEFENSE AGAINST THE BEASTS.

PAGE TWO RUEBHQA4133 C O N F I D E N T I A L S P E C I A L E X C L U S I V E F O R L T G E N B U S E A N D L T G E N N I C K E R S O N F R O M L T G E N W A L T .

"ACCORDING TO THE BEASTS WE KNOW NO RIGHT WE ARE ONLY CONNECTED WITH WRONG, THEREFORE OUR ACTIONS ARE CONSIDERED WRONG. ANY COMPROMISE ONLY STRAYS FURTHER AWAY FROM THE TRUTH. WE CAN'T BE AMERICAN SOLDIERS OR TROOPERS WHEN WE AREN'T RECOGNIZED AS MEN, WE CAN NO LONGER SACRIFICE OUR LIVES FOR A COUNTRY THAT DOESN'T STAND FOR WHAT IT REPRESENTS. WE CAN'T FIGHT ANY LONGER FOR AN INDEPENDENCE THAT WE DON'T HAVE OURSELVES. WE CAN NO LONGER OBEY LAWS THAT ARE PHONY; LAWS THAT CAN BE CHANGED AN INTERPRETED ANYWAY THAT FITS THE SITUATION AT HAND. WE CAN NO LONGER LISTEN TO THE FOUL WORDS THE BEASTS SPEAK OF AS AIDING US WHEN WE SEE NO RESULTS. WE CAN'T CLAIM TO BE AMERICAN BUT JUST BLACK MEN. WE NO LONGER SERVE AMERICA WITH PRIDE AND HONOR BUT ONLY FIGHT BECAUSE THE BEASTS CONFRONT US WITH ONE OTHER ALTERNATIVE WHICH WOULD ONLY ADD TO THE PROBLEM.

"HOWEVER IF NO SOLUTION IS BROUGHT FORTH SOON WE BLACK MEN WILL NO LONGER CONFRONT AMERICA WITH IT'S PROBLEM BUT WILL SEEK OUR SOLUTION WHETHER IT MEANS OUR LIVES OR THE WHITE MANS. (BEASTS)!!!!!! WE SHALL HAVE OUR MANHOOD; OR THE EARTH WILL BE LEVELED BY OUR ATTEMPTS TO GAIN IT.

"WE URGE ALL WHO READ THIS TO GIVE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO OUR

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 LTGEN BUSE AND LTGEN NICKERSON FROM LTGEN WALT  
 SAYINGS. WE REALIZE THAT THERE ARE SOME WHITE MEN WHO ARE ON  
 OUR SIDE. BUT THEN THERE IS THE BEASTS WHO IS THE ONE TO FALL.  
 AND FALL HE SHALL." UNQUOTE

2. MANAGING EDITOR OF BALTIMORE AFRO-AMERICAN AGREED TO  
 WITHHOLD PUBLICATION FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK PENDING  
 RECEIPT OF INFO FROM NGMC.

3. REQUEST YOU INVESTIGATE AND PROVIDE REPORT TO REACH THIS  
 HQ NOT LATER THAN 3 JUN.

WARM REGARDS.

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From: FMF PAC (GEN WILSON)To: III MAF (ATTN GEN DOOLEY)

Resume of call: General Platte would like the answers to the questions below at the earliest, preferably today. Regarding the 3/1 incident.

1. Commanders opinion as to whether 105 marines signed the letter.

2. Racial composition and rank of the Watch and Action Committee of 3/1.

Note: Gen Wilson will call Gen Dooley later today. He does not believe Gen Dooley will have the answers by then but wanted him to have the questions before then so Gen Dooley could start obtaining the information

ACTION B GEN DOOLEY.

John T. Carroll  
(SIGNATURE)

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF

From: Chief of Staff

5/31/69

To:

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Note cgs  
comment

Noted

Discussed a Lam meeting  
today.

Lam said RF Co available

later - but Cb still

would like Amuro

Contribution - I talked

to Sen Gettys today

C. E. DOOLEY

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NAF FORM 5216 (REV 3-68)

OPERATION CODE			FROM		DATE	
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ROUTE	SECTION	CODE	DATE		INITIAL	SUBJECT
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3	CG	I			N	REMARKS ① ITEM with Lt Col Lee & BG LEE Best to get a ROKMC Box south but problem is the boundary change - <u>time</u> it takes. We look like fools to get it switched N. & then S. almost immediately. N
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 FM MG GETTYS CG AMCAL DIV  
 TO LTG NICKERSON CG III MAF  
 ZEM

S E C R E T ACD 500 EYES ONLY

SUBJ: BARRIER ISLAND

REF: A. III MAF MSG 267404Z MAY 69, SAME SUBJ

B. III MAF MSG 280332Z MAY 69, SAME SUBJ

1. (S) REF A REQUESTS AMERICAL TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT PRESENCE ON BARRIER ISLAND VIC BT 1954 NLT 22 JAN TO ASSURE UNINTERRUPTED FLOW OF RIVER TRAFFIC ALONG THE SONG CUA DAI AND TO PREVENT VC/VCI ACTIVITY ADJACENT TO THE SOUTH BANK OF THE RIVER. REF B CHANGED THE NLT DATE TO 10 JUN 69.

2. (C) REQUEST YOU RECONSIDER THIS CONCEPT IN VIEW OF THE PRESENT TACTICAL SITUATION IN THE AMERICAL TAOI, THE INCREASE IN ENEMY STRENGTH THROUGHOUT OUR AREA, AND THE CONTINUING ENEMY THREATS TO TAM KY, BINH SON, QUANG NGAI, MO DUC, AND DUC PHO.

3. (S) THE EFFECTIVE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THIS MISSION FROM ENTIRELY WITHIN AMERICAL RESOURCES WILL REQUIRE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW FSB AND THE COMMITMENT OF AT LEAST TWO RIFLE COMPANIES. ONE COMPANY WOULD BE REQUIRED TO SECURE THE FSB AND PATROL THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY AND THE OTHER COMPANY WOULD CONDUCT SUSTAINED OPERATION TO DESTROY ENEMY UNITS THREATENING THE SECURITY OF THE SONG CUA DAI. IT WOULD ALSO BE NECESSARY TO COMMIT DS ARTILLERY OR 4.2 IN MORTARS TO THE NEW FSB TO HAVE COMPLETE COVERAGE OF THE AREA.

4. (S) AFTER A THOROUGH REVIEW OF MY PRESENT DISPOSITIONS I CAN FIND NO AREA WHICH COULD SAFELY SUSTAIN A REDUCTION IN TROOP DENSITY AND NO UNIT WHICH IS IN A POSITION TO COMMIT TWO COMPANIES TO ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW FSB AND AREA OF OPERATION. ALSO, AS YOU HAVE DISCUSSED, OUR GOAL SHOULD BE ONE OF ENCOURAGING ARVN OR PROVINCIAL COMMITMENT TO NEW GOALS AND OBJECTIVES IN THE AREA IN ORDER TO SCALE DOWN U.S. COMMITMENTS WHICH ARE ALREADY OVEREXTENDED.

A. THE LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED AREA OF OPERATION FALLS WITHIN THE COMBINED OZ OF THE 196TH INF BDE AND THE 1-1 CAV. THE 1-1 CAV IS THE ONLY RESERVE I POSSESS AND IT IS CURRENTLY POSTURED TO PROTECT TAM KY AND TO REACT TO CONTINGENCIES IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE. ADDITIONALLY, THE CONTEMPLATED MISSION IS BETTER PERFORMED BY INFANTRY ELEMENTS RATHER THAN CAVALRY. IF CAVALRY WERE USED THEY WOULD REQUIRE INFANTRY AUGMENTATION. LIKEWISE, THE 196TH INF BDE AND ITS FOUR BATTALIONS ARE COMPLETELY COMMITTED IN A LARGE OZ TO SECURE THE HIEP DUC PACIFICATION EFFORT, THE QUE SON VALLEY, THE AVENUES OF APPROACH TO TAM KY, AND TO ASSIST 1ST BDE, 101ST ABN DIVISION IN DESTRUCTION OF SIGNIFICANT ENEMY FORCES IN THE LAMAP PLAIN OZ. THE 196TH INF BDE IS ALSO POSTURING FOR POSSIBLE INITIATION OF PHASE II OF OPERATION PIERCE VALLEY. ALSO, THE BRIGADE COMMANDER IS CURRENTLY WORKING ON A STUDY TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF FIXED BASES, THEREBY RELEASING FORCES TO PROVIDE SOME VITALLY NEEDED TACTICAL FLEXIBILITY IN HIS AREA. THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW FSB WOULD FRUSTRATE OUR EFFORTS TO REDUCE THOSE FORCES ALREADY TIED TO FIXED BASES AND THUS DERROGATE OUR ABILITY TO MASS FORCES AGAINST ENEMY STRENGTH, WHICH AS YOU KNOW, IS CONSIDERABLE THROUGHOUT THE AMERICAL TAOI.

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B. THE 198TH INF BDE WITH 3 BATTALIONS REMAINS COMMITTED TO THE DEFENSE OF CHU LAI AND THE RUSSELL BEACH AO AS WELL AS OPERATING AGAINST THE 21ST REGT. WHICH, ACCORDING TO INTELLIGENCE REPORTS, IS WELL FORWARD IN OUR AREA AND DISPOSED TO ATTACK BINH SON, SON TINH, OR QUANG NGAI.

C. THE 11TH INF BDE WITH 4 BATTALIONS IS DEPLOYED IN THE SOUTH TO INTERDICT APPROACH ROUTES TO THE POPULATION CENTERS OF MO DUC AND DUC PHO. THE BRIGADE IS ALSO COMMITTED TO AREA SECURITY FOR QL 1 UPGRADING ACTIVITIES. THE 2D MF REGIMENT IS DISPOSED WELL FORWARD IN THIS AREA TO THREATEN DUC PHO. ALSO, SINCE PACIFICATION PROGRESS IN THIS AREA IS SLOW, THE 11TH BDE IS HEAVILY COMMITTED TO ASSIST GVN FORCES IN ENHANCEMENT OF THAT EFFORT.

5. (S) IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE SITUATION I WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT SEVERAL ALTERNATE COURSES OF ACTION, IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE, FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION;

A. QUANG DA SZ LEAVE ONE ARVN BATTALION ON BARRIER ISLAND UPON TERMINATION OF CURRENT OPERATIONS TO MAINTAIN THE PERMANENT PRESENCE REQUIRED. THIS ALTERNATIVE APPEARS MOST DESIREABLE SINCE THE UNIT IS ALREADY IN POSITION. AN ARVN BATTALION WOULD ALSO BE BETTER ABLE TO COORDINATE WITH THE PROVINCIAL FORCES AND RAG UNITS OPERATING ALONG THE SONG CUA DAI.

B. EXTEND THE CURRENT AO OF THE 2D ROK MAJ BDE SOUTH OF THE SONG CUA DAI AND HAVE THEM ESTABLISH THE REQUIRED PERMANENT PRESENCE. THE ADVANTAGE OF THIS ALTERNATIVE IS THAT ONE UNIT WOULD HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR BOTH SIDES OF THE RIVER.

C. ESTABLISH THE REQUIRED PRESENCE WITH RF FORCES INITIALLY SUPPORTED BY AMERICAL. AFTER THE RF UNITS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED IN THE AREA AND A FORWARD OPERATING BASE BUILT, AMERICAL FORCES WOULD WITHDRAW BUT WOULD FREQUENTLY CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN THE AREA IN SUPPORT OF THE RF.

6. (S) IN CONCLUSION LET ME SAY THAT I COMPLETELY AGREE WITH THE NECESSITY FOR ESTABLISHING A PERMANENT PRESENCE ON NORTHERN BARRIER ISLAND. OUR GOALS WILL NEVER BE ACHIEVED IN THAT AREA UNTIL IT IS CLEAR TO THE ENEMY THAT WE INTEND TO DOMINATE AND PACIFY THE REGION

SSO NOTE: DELIVER DURING WAKING HOURS  
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MEMORANDUM

FROM: CHIEF OF STAFF III MAF

FOR: C. 2

6/1/69

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The Navy Squadron  
in the Delta is  
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Light attack -

Technically speaking,  
the Navy is not  
operating the  
aircraft as  
anything other than  
they intend to  
employ it - light  
attack.

We can try but  
they may not buy  
our arguments.

Suggest we  
leave it between  
Highland & Council

G. E. DOOLEY

*Doyle*

HEADQUARTERS  
III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE

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ROUTE	SECTION	CODE	DATE		INITIAL	SUBJECT SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR
			IN	OUT		
3	CG	1	1 June 69			REMARKS THIS DOCUMENT IS UNDER CONTROL AND MUST BE RETURNED TO FORCE SBC WITHIN 7 DAYS. PLEASE INDICATE ACTION/DISPOSITION ON THIS ROUTE SHEET.
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S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR GEN CHAPMAN, INFO  
 LTGEN NICKERSON, FROM LTGEN BUSE. MARINE CORPS  
 EYES ONLY. DELIVER ONLY DURING WAKING HOURS.

1. I SENT FOLLOWING "EYES ONLY" MSG TO ADM HYLAND, WHO RETURNED  
 FROM WASHINGTON YESTERDAY REGARDING THE OV-10.

QUOTE:

OV-10A EMPLOYMENT (S)

A. COMNAVFORV 180623Z/MAY69 (S)

B. ADMIN CINCPACFLT 212111Z/MAY69 (S)

1. (S) REF A IN PART REFERS TO EMPLOYING THE OV-10A IN A  
 DIRECT STRIKE ROLE WHILE REF B MENTIONS THE OV-10A AS A  
 DIRECT CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AIRCRAFT.

2. (S) THE MARINE CORPS HAS, FROM THE OUTSET, BEEN CON-  
 CERNED WITH THE LONG RANGE IMPLICATIONS OF ATTRIBUTING  
 A DIRECT STRIKE/CLOSE AIR SUPPORT ROLE TO THE OV-10A.

PAGE 2 RUHHFMA5474 S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO  
 ASSOCIATING SUCH MISSIONS WITH THE OV-10A COULD WELL  
 HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON FUTURE NAVY AND MARINE AIR-  
 CRAFT PROGRAMS. AS YOU KNOW, PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED  
 WITH RETAINING MODERN HIGH PERFORMANCE ATTACK AND  
 FIGHTER AIRCRAFT IN SUFFICIENT QUANTITIES TO SUPPORT CURRENT  
 AND FUTURE OPERATIONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN EXPERIENCED WITH OSD.  
 BECAUSE OF THIS, WE ARE CONCERNED THAT INTIMATING THE OV-10A  
 CAN SATISFACTORILY PERFORM THE CLOSE AIR SUPPORT  
 ROLE MIGHT COMPOUND THESE PROBLEMS, AND COST US HIGH  
 PERFORMANCE SEATS IN THE POST VIETNAM AUSTERE ATMO-  
 SPHERE THAT IS SURE TO PREVAIL.

3. (S) THE MARINE CORPS HAS EMPHASIZED THAT THE  
 OV-10A WAS INTRODUCED TO FULFILL BASIC MISSIONS OF  
 TACTICAL VISUAL AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE AND OBSERVATION,  
 TACTICAL AIR CONTROLLER AIRBORNE (TAC(A)), LIAISON,  
 AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY, AERIAL DELIVERY AND HELO ESCORT.  
 MARINE REQUIREMENTS FOR HEAVIER OV-10A ARMAMENT,  
 E.G., SUU-11 AND 20MM GUN PODS, HAVE DEVELOPED PRIMAR-  
 ILY FROM NEED FOR MORE EFFECTIVE SUPPRESSIVE FIRE

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WHILE DELIVERING 2.75 MARKING ROCKETS ON TAC(A)  
MISSIONS.

4. (S) UNDERSTAND THAT GAME WARDEN OV-10A'S WERE  
PROCURED AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR UNAVAILABLE HELICOPTER  
GUNSHIPS AND AS SUCH WERE NOT INITIALLY INTENDED TO  
FILL THE CLASSIC FIXED WING DIRECT STRIKE/CLOSE AIR  
SUPPORT ROLE, SO IMPORTANT TO THE NAVY-MARINE AIR  
GROUND TEAM. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT GAME WARDEN OV-10A'S  
COULD BE APTLY DESCRIBED AS A LIGHTLY ARMED HELICOPTER  
GUNSHIP SUBSTITUTE EMPLOYED PRIMARILY AGAINST LIGHT  
FLEETING TARGETS. USE OF SUCH DESCRIPTION WOULD HELP  
TO AVOID CONNOTING MISSION SIMILARITY WITH OUR FIXED  
WING JET ATTACK INVENTORY.

5. (S) SINGLE MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS ARE OBVIOUS ON  
OV-10 AS ATTACK AIRCRAFT VIS-A-VIS OBSERVATION AIRCRAFT.

6. (S) IF YOU AGREE IT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE TO PROVIDE  
THIS RATIONALE TO BUD ZUMWALT AT THE NEXT OPPORTUNITY,  
AND ASK HIS ASSISTANCE IN SOFT PEDALING OV-10A EMPLOY-  
MENT AS AN ATTACK AIRCRAFT.

UNQUOTE.

2. HYLAND ASSURED ME THIS MORNING HE WOULD PASS WORD TO ZUMWALT.

3. WARM REGARDS.

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 FM HQ TOWNSHEND COFS MACV SAIGON  
 TO LTG NICKERSON CG III MAF DA NANG  
 ZEM

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UNCLAS E F T O MAC 6956 EYES ONLY  
 SUBJECT : USE OF DAPSONE IN MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS  
 1. REFERENCES.

- A. CG III MAF MSG DTG 240400Z MAY 69.
- B. LETTER, OFFICE OF SURGEON, MACV , SUBJECT: CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS OF MALARIA, DATED 14 MARCH 1969.
- C. BUMED MSG DTG 061740Z MAY 69.
- D. MACV DIRECTIVE 40-11, 3 OCT 67 WITH CHANGES 1 AND 2.

2. YOUR DECISION TO EXEMPT ALL MARINE CORPS AND NAVY PERSONNEL IN YOUR COMMAND FROM TAKING DAPSONE MALARIA CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS (REF A), AND THE GUIDANCE ON SUBJECT FROM BUMED (REF C) ARE ACKNOWLEDGED. REF A IS CONSIDERED AS REPLY TO PARA 5, REF B.

3. CONSIDERABLE OPERATIONAL EXPERIENCE SINCE 1965 BY US ARMY, AUSTRALIAN, KOREAN, THAI, AND VIETNAMESE UNITS, INDICATES THAT ADDITION OF DAILY DAPSONE TO THE WEEKLY CHLOROQUINE-PRIMAQUINE CHEMOPROPHYLAXIS DOES REDUCE THE INCIDENCE OF FALCIPARUM MALARIA. IN EACH CASE SUCCESS WITH DAPSONE IN CONTROLLING EPIDEMIC MALARIA LED TO ADOPTION OF THE DRUG FOR ROUTINE PROPHYLAXIS. IN VIEW OF THIS, IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT USARV PLANS TO CONTINUE USE OF DAPSONE DAILY WITH US ARMY UNITS.

SSO NOTE: DELIVER DURING DUTY HOURS  
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