

1. ~~CG III MAF 180356Z JUN69 (S)~~
~~FORCE PLANNING~~
2. ~~CG III MAF 191246Z JUN69 (S)~~
~~FOR WILSON FROM DOOLEY~~
~~PASSES III MAF 191242Z JUN69 (S) FORCE PLANNING~~
3. ~~CG III MAF 200226Z JUN69 (U)~~
~~FOR TOWNSEND FROM NICKERSON~~
~~VISIT OF MR ADAMS TO III MAF~~
4. ✓ CG III MAF 201316Z JUN69 (C) *GP-4*
FOR JONES FROM NICKERSON
MALARIA PREVENTION
5. ✓ CG III MAF 230028Z JUN69 (C) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE - *IN F/ADR-41*
FOR ALL III MAF COMDRS FROM NICKERSON"
RACIAL TENSION
6. ✓ CG III MAF 230358Z JUN69 (C) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE *GP-4*
FOR STILWELL, SOMPSON, JONES, QUILTER, RAMSEY & WRIGHT FROM
NICKERSON
COMMANDERS' DISCUSSIONS WITH NEWSMEN
7. ~~CG III MAF 270116Z JUN69 (C) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE~~
~~FOR ZUMWALT FROM NICKERSON~~
~~ICBZ COMMON SUPPORT WE NEED MACV 231616Z REF YR PROPOSED MCG~~
8. ✓ CG III MAF 270525Z JUN69 (U)
FOR BUSE FROM NICKERSON
HOSTILE FIRE PAY FOR ADJUDGED PRISONERS
9. ✓ CG III MAF 290120Z JUN69 (S) EYES ONLY *GP-3*
FOR ZAIS FROM NICKERSON
PROVIDE INFO ON CASUALTIES AT BERCHTESGADEN & TOMOHAWK TO THIS HQS
10. ~~CG III MAF 230028Z JUN69 (C) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE~~ *GP-4*
IN F/ADR-41 ~~FOR ALL ICBZ COMDRS FROM NICKERSON~~
~~RACIAL TENSION~~
11. ✓ CG III MAF 302302Z JUN69 (U)
~~IN F/ADR-41~~ FOR BEHRENS & ROSENBERG FROM NICKERSON
CHANGE OF COMMAND "ATTABOY & WELCOME ABOARD"
12. ~~CG III MAF 010412Z JUL69 (C)~~
? ~~FOR ZUMWALT FROM NICKERSON~~
~~ICBZ COMMON SUPPORT (U)~~

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 TO RUMHAFPA/CG THIRD MARDIV
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

PERSONAL FOR WGEN JONES FROM LTJEN NICKERSON

MALARIA PREVENTION (U)

1. (U) THE CONTINUING HIGH INCIDENT RATE OF MALARIA WITHIN THE THIRD MARDIV IS OF INCREASING CONCERN TO ME. WHILE I KNOW YOU SHARE THIS CONCERN, THE TIME HAS COME WHEN MAXIMUM EFFORTS MUST BE MADE AT ALL ECHELONS TO ENFORCE ALL KNOWN PREVENTIVE MEASURES. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MSG IS TO APPRAISE YOU OF THE FACTS AS I SEE THEM.

2. (C) IN ORDER THAT YOU FULLY UNDERSTAND THE SCOPE OF THE PROBLEM, MALARIA CASES REPORTED DURING THE MONTH OF MAY IN THE FOUR U. S. DIVISIONS IN IOTE WERE AS FOLLOWS:

A. THIRD MARDIV	598
B. AMERICAN DIV	186

PAGE TWO RUMHAFPA 2858 C O N F I D E N T I A L FOR

C. FIRST MARDIV 83

D. 101ST AB DIV 29

3. (C) IN ADDITION TO MY OBVIOUS DESIRE TO KEEP MY TROOPS HEALTHY, I MEASURE THIS NUMBER OF CASES IN THE THIRD MARDIV AS EQUIVALENT TO THE LOSS OF THE COMBAT CAPABILITY OF THREE RIFLE COMPANIES DURING THE MONTH OF MAY.

4. (C) THERE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE ANY EASY ANSWER TO MALARIA PREVENTION. C-P IN ITSELF DOES NOT DO THE JOB. FOR EXAMPLE, A RECENTLY COMPLETED STUDY CONDUCTED IN BOTH THIRD MARDIV AND THE 101ST AB DIV FOUND VERY LITTLE DIFFERENCE IN RECORDED AND CONFIRMED RATE (85 PERCENT) OF THOSE TAKING THE C-P PILL, YET DURING MARCH WHEN BOTH DIVISIONS WERE OPERATING IN AREAS OF SIMILAR MALARIA EXPOSURE, THE RATIO OF MALARIA CASES FROM THE THIRD MARDIV TO THOSE FROM THE 101ST AB APPROXIMATED TO 1. A COPY OF THIS STUDY HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO YOUR DIVISION SURGEON.

5. (C) THE STUDY DID HOWEVER IDENTIFY MARKED DIFFERENCES IN OTHER MALARIA PREVENTIVE MEASURES, ONE

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 OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT BEING THAT THE USE OF SPRAYS
 AND REPELLANTS WAS MUCH MORE PREVALENT IN THE 101ST
 AB. FURTHER COMPARISON BETWEEN THE THIRD AND FIRST
 MARDIVS INDICATES A SIMILAR SITUATION WHERE OVER
 THE PAST 6 MOS (DEC - MAY) THE ISSUE RATE OF REPEL-
 LANT HAS BEEN ABOUT 50 PERCENT HIGHER TO THE FIRST
 MARDIV. IN THE CASE OF INSECTICIDE THE DIFFERENCE
 IS EVEN MORE MARKEDLY, ABOUT 100 PER CENT HIGHER.
 6. (U) THE STUDY ALSO INDICATED ROLLING DOWN OF
 SLEEVES AT NIGHT, THE USE OF MOSQUITO NETTING WHEN
 THE TACTICAL SITUATION PERMITS, AND EDUCATION COULD
 BE IMPROVED.
 7. (U) IN SUMMARY, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT WHILE THE
 PERCENTAGE OF THIRD MARDIV TROOPS TAKING C-P IS HIGH,
 IT COULD BE IMPROVED; THAT THE USE OF SPRAYS AND
 REPELLANTS IS LESS THAN DESIRABLE AND THEREFORE
 SHOULD BE VIGOROUSLY PROSECUTED AND THAT ROLLING
 DOWN SLEEVES AT NIGHT, USE OF MOSQUITO NETTING WHEN
 PRACTICABLE AND A VIGOROUS EDUCATION PROGRAM SHOULD
 BECOME THE MODUS OPERANDI OF THE THIRD MARDIV. ALSO

PAGE FOUR RHMMAFA 2858 C O N F I D E N T I A L FOR
 I WOULD HAVE NO HESITANCY IN USING MALARIA RATES AS
 A MEASURE OF COMMAND ABILITY.
 8. (U) AS I STATED EARLIER, THERE DOES NOT APPEAR TO
 BE AN EASY ANSWER TO THE MALARIA PROBLEM. IT CALLS
 FOR ALL ENCOMPASSING PROGRAM THAT WILL TAX IMAGINATION
 AND COMMAND ABILITY TO THE UTMOST. I URGE YOU
 PROMPTLY IMPLEMENT SUCH A PROGRAM IN THE THIRD
 MARDIV. BE ASSURED I STAND READY TO ASSIST IN ANY
 POSSIBLE WAY.

9. (U) WARM REGARDS.

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TO RUMLBPA/CG XXIV CORPS

RUMLMAA/CG FIRST MARDIV

RUMHVPA/CG THIRD MARDIV

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RUMLLIA/CG AMERICAL DIV

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

SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN STILWELL, MGEN SIMPSON, MGEN JONES,
MGEN QUILTER, MGEN RAMSEY, MGEN WRIGHT FROM LTGEN NICKERSON
COMMANDERS' DISCUSSIONS WITH NEWSMEN

1. RECENT NEWS STORIES CONCERNING MILITARY ACTIONS
IN I CORPS HAVE CAUSED REPERCUSSIONS IN CONUS. IN
ORDER NOT TO EXACERBATE FURTHER THE SITUATION, COM-
MANDERS ARE URGED TO USE EXTREME CAUTION IN DISCUS-
SIONS WITH NEWSMEN AND TO REFRAIN FROM EXPRESSING
OPINIONS TO HYPOTHETICAL, THERORETICAL OR SPECULATIVE
QUESTIONS ON TACTICS EMPLOYED OR TO BE EMPLOYED IN

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A GIVEN SITUATION.

2. FURTHER, THERE IS NOTHING TO BE GAINED IN REBUTTING
COMMENTS MADE BY PERSONS IN CONUS--OTHER THAN TO
PROVIDE MORE AMMUNITION TO THOSE WHO WISH TO PROLONG
THE CONTROVERSY.

3. THE ABOVE IS NOT MEANT TO DISSUADE OR DISCOURAGE
COMMANDERS FROM TALKING WITH NEWSMEN - FOR THIS IS
NOT MY INTENTION BY A LONG SHOT. HOWEVER, I DO
BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD LIMIT OUR DISCUSSION TO THOSE
AREAS INVOLVING PAST DEEDS, PAST ACCOMPLISHMENTS,
AND CURRENT MILITARY ACTIVITIES OF OUR UNITS.

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FOR LTGEN BUSE FROM LTGEN NICKERSON

1. THE CURRENT AUTHORIZATION OF HOSTILE FIRE PAY FOR ADJUDGED PRISONERS EXCEPT THOSE SENTENCED TO TOTAL FORFEITURE OF PAY, CONFINED IN A COMBAT ZONE IS CONSIDERED TO BE BOTH INEQUITABLE AND UNDUPLY COSTLY.
2. IN THE III MAF BRIG ALONE, APPROXIMATELY 200 PRISONERS DRAW HOSTILE FIRE PAY FOR A TOTAL OF \$13,000 PER MONTH. THIS COST APPEARS TO BE TOTALLY UNJUSTIFIED IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT THESE PRISONERS ARE HINDERING OUR EFFORTS BY REQUIRING THE EMPLOYMENT OF ALREADY SCARCE RESOURCES TO MAINTAIN THEM IN CONFINEMENT.
3. ADDITIONALLY IT IS CONSIDERED INEQUITABLE THAT THESE PRISONERS CONTINUE TO DRAW HOSTILE FIRE PAY WHEN THEY HAVE BEEN FOUND GUILTY OF MISCONDUCT IN A COMBAT ZONE. MANY OF THESE PRISONERS ARE CONSIDERED TO BE SO UNRELIABLE THAT TO ARM THEM WOULD BE UNWISE IN THE CASE OF ATTACK.
4. FOR THESE REASONS IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO REQUESTING A CHANGE TO THE DOD MILITARY PAY AND ALLOWANCES ENTITLEMENT MANUAL TO PRECLUDE THE PAYMENT OF HOSTILE FIRE PAY TO ADJUDGED PRISONERS CONFINED IN A COMBAT ZONE.

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FM CG III MAF
TO SSO XXIV CORPS
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S E C R E T EYES ONLY FOR LT GEN ZAIS FROM LT GEN NICKERSON
1. COMUS HAS REQUESTED THAT WE PROVIDE HIM
INFORMATION CONCERNING QUOTE THE CAUSE OF EXCESSIVE FRIENDLY
LOSSES AND CASUALTIES INCURRED IN RECENT ENEMY
ATTACKS AT FSB'S TOMAHAWK AND BERCHTESGADEN UNQUOTE.
2. WILL YOU PLEASE PROVIDE INFO TO THIS HQS AT THE EARLIEST
PRACTICABLE DATE.

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 RUMLNHA/CG FIRST MAF DNG RVN
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 ZEN/COMDR THIRD MCB DNG RVN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN STILWELL,
 MGEN WRIGHT, MGEN SIMPSON, MGEN JONES, MGEN GUILIER, MGEN RAMSEY,
 MGEN FEELEY, MGEN GUNN, RADN BONNER, RADN BILLON, COL ROBERTS,
 COL REMWANZ FROM LTGEN NICKERSON
 RACIAL TENSION

PAGE TWO RHMMAFAS137 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR
 1. OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS INCIDENTS INVOLVING RACIAL OVERTONES
 HAVE INCREASED. NOT ONLY HAS THE NUMBER OF INCIDENTS GROWN LARGER
 BUT ALSO THE SEVERITY OF THE VIOLENCE INVOLVED.
 2. SEVERAL TRENDS ARE DEVELOPING OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO COMMANDERS.
 A. MOST INCIDENTS INVOLVING LARGE NUMBERS OF TROOPS
 OCCUR DURING THE EARLY HOURS OF DARKNESS AND USUALLY IN CON-
 JUNCTION WITH THE OPERATION OF CLUBS.
 B. MOST INCIDENTS ARE SPARKED BY VERBAL ABUSE INITIATED
 BY CAUCASIANS OR DISPLAYS OF BLACK POWER SALUTES OR SLOGANS
 BY NEGROES.
 C. A MAJOR EFFORT IS BEING CONDUCTED BY A FEW AGITATORS
 OR INSTIGATORS TO UNDERMINE ALL ASPECTS OF AUTHORITY. THIS INCLUDES
 NOT ONLY MILITARY REGULATIONS AND ORDERS BUT ALSO
 CUSTOMS AND TRADITIONS. THESE INSTIGATORS TAKE PRIDE IN
 THEIR POOR MILITARY RECORDS AND THEIR ABILITY TO CREATE
 DISCONTENT AND UNREST.
 3. ALL COMMANDERS ARE DIRECTED TO REVIEW CURRENT PRACTICES
 AND PROCEDURES DEVELOPED TO REDUCE RACIAL TENSION AND TO
 PLACE INCREASED EMPHASIS ON WATCH/ACTION COMMITTEES AT THE
 LOWEST POSSIBLE LEVEL. AREAS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE CONTINUE

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PAGE THREE RHMAFAS137 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR
 TO BE; ONE, THE ABILITY TO KEEP AN OPEN LINE OF COMMUNICATION
 SO THAT ALL GRIEVANCES CAN BE AIRED; AND TWO, THE MAINTENANCE
 OF SUPERVISION OVER TROOPS DURING NON-WORKING PERIODS,
 ESPECIALLY IN REAR OR MORE SECURE AREAS, TO INCLUDE GREATLY
 EXPANDED EMPHASIS ON ORGANIZED UNIT RECREATIONAL, SPECIAL SERVICE
 AND ATHLETIC PROGRAMS.

4. FOR THOSE UNDER III MAF COMMAND, I INTEND TO
 HAVE A SHORT DISCUSSION ON THIS SUBJECT AT THE
 NEXT COMMANDERS CONFERENCE ON 13 JULY. I CONSIDER
 IT TO BE ONE OF THE MAJOR PROBLEMS FACING US IN
 THE MONTHS AHEAD AND WE MUST TAKE POSITIVE STEPS
 TO COME TO GRIPS WITH THIS PROBLEM. I WOULD
 APPRECIATE YOUR THOUGHTS AT THAT TIME.

5. MEANWHILE, I WOULD CAUTION ALL NOT TO OVERREACT
 TO INCIDENTS THAT OCCUR, BUT TO PREPARE A CALM,
 DELIBERATE, PLAN OF ACTION TO STIFLE THIS
 GROWING UNREST.

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 FM CG III MAF
 TO SSO XXIV CORPS
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 I O P S E C R E T EYES ONLY
 FOR LTGEN STILWELL FROM LTGEN NICKERSON



FOLLOWING MESSAGE PASSED FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

0 241036Z
 FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV SAIGON VIETNAM
 TO LTGEN NICKERSON CG III MAF DA NANG VIETNAM
 ZEM
 I O P S E C R E T MAC 838? EYES ONLY
 SUBJECT: RULES OF ENGAGEMENT - DMZ (U)
 REFS: A. COMUSMACV 34945 DTG 131125Z JUN 69 (S)
 B. CG, III MAF DTG 101020Z JUN 69 (S)
 C. CG, III MAF LTR DTG 11 JUN 69 (TS)

1. (TS) REFERENCE A PROVIDES COMUSMACV ROE FOR DMZ. REFERENCE B IS CG, III MAF'S REQUEST TO FIRE UNOBSERVED ARTILLERY FIRES INTO THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF THE DMZ. REFERENCE C IS CG, III MAF'S RATIONALE FOR REQUEST AT REFERENCE B.
2. (TS) I SHARE YOUR CONCERN FOR THE RISING CASUALTY RATE CAUSED BY ENEMY INDIRECT FIRES FROM WITHIN THE DMZ. AUTHORITY TO PERMIT UNOBSERVED FIRES INTO THE SOUTHERN DMZ IS BEING SOUGHT BY MACV.
3. (TS) IN THE INTERIM, REQUEST THAT YOU CONTINUE TO UTILIZE ALL EFFECTIVE MEASURES WITHIN THE CURRENT ROE AND EXPLORE ANY NEW IDEAS THAT MIGHT BE DEVELOPED TO HELP IN REDUCING FRIENDLY CASUALTIES FROM ENEMY INDIRECT FIRE ATTACKS.

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 MGEN QUILTER, MGEN RAMSEY, MGEN JONES, MGEN WRIGHT, FROM
 LTGEN NICKERSON

COMMAND AND CONTROL IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS (U)

1. (TS) FOLLOWING MESSAGE IS QUOTED FOR YOUR INFO:

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FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV SAIGON VIETNAM
 TO GEN BROWN CDR 7TH AF TSN SAIGON VIETNAM
 LTG NICKERSON CG III MAF DA NANG VIETNAM
 LTG CORCORAN CG I FFORCEV NHA TRANG VIETNAM
 LTG EWELL CG II FFORCEV LONG BINH VIETNAM
 VADM ZUMWALT COMNAVFORV SAIGON VIETNAM
 MG WETHERILL CG DMAC CAN THO VIETNAM
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SUBJECT: COMMAND AND CONTROL IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS (U)

REF: CINCPAC MSG DIG 220201Z JUN 69 (TS) (NOTAL)

1. (TS) REFERENCE CONTAINS BROAD GUIDANCE TO PACOM COMMANDERS
 AND STATES THAT ACTIONS ARE BEING TAKEN TO IMPROVE EXISTING
 PROCEDURES IN ORDER TO ENSURE EXPEDITIOUS REACTION TO EMERGENCY
 SITUATIONS SUCH AS THAT INVOLVING THE EC 121 SHOOTDOWN ON 15 APR,
 AS AUTHORIZED BY CURRENT ROE FOR SEA. THESE IMPROVEMENTS ARE
 BEING DEVELOPED TO ENSURE IMMEDIATE REACTION BY FORWARD OPERA-
 TING FORCES WITHOUT WAITING FOR SPECIFIC GUIDANCE FROM HIGHER
 AUTHORITY.

2. PARAGRAPH 2 OF REFERENCE IS QUOTED AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE. PENDING IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW PROCEDURES OR CHANGES TO
 EXISTING PROCEDURES, I REQUEST THAT YOU, AND YOUR SUBORDINATE
 COMMANDERS, TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTION IN RESPONSE TO ANY SHORT-
 DURATION, HOSTILE CRISIS SITUATION WHICH REQUIRES A US DEFENSIVE
 REACTION AND FOR WHICH YOU HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO SUPPORT:

A. INSURE THERE IS COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING WITHIN YOUR COMMAND
 OF THE CURRENT ROE.

B. MOVE AND EMPLOY IMMEDIATELY ANY FORCES UNDER YOUR OPERA-
 TIONAL CONTROL THAT ARE CAPABLE OF ASSISTING ANY OTHER US FORCES
 WHICH INDICATE THAT THEY ARE UNDER ATTACK OR UNDER THREAT OF
 IMMEDIATE ATTACK. 2(1)

C. REPORT IMMEDIATELY AND SIMULTANEOUSLY TO HIGHER HEAD-
 QUARTERS TO INCLUDE CINCPAC AND TO LATERAL HEADQUARTERS OF ALL
 SERVICES, DETAILS OF ANY REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE AND ACTION BEING
 TAKEN. USE IMMEDIATE OR HIGHER PRECEDENCE. THE UNIT AGAINST
 WHOM THE HOSTILE ACTION IS DIRECTED WILL REACT WITHIN THE CURRENT
 RULES OF ENGAGEMENT, WILL REQUEST APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE AS
 AVAILABLE FROM LATERAL UNITS AND WILL REPORT IN ACCORDANCE WITH
 EXISTING DIRECTIVES. END QUOTE.

3. (TS) THE QUOTED PARAGRAPH ABOVE IS PROVIDED FOR YOUR INFOR-
 MATION AND ACTION AS APPROPRIATE. IT OBVIOUSLY WAS NOT MEANT TO
 APPLY TO THE MACV IN-COUNTRY COMBAT SITUATION, BUT RATHER TO INCI-
 DENTS COMPARABLE TO THE EXAMPLE IN PARAGRAPH 1, ABOVE. WE ARE TO
 BE READY TO REACT TO CRISIS SITUATIONS INVOLVING FORCES OR
 UNITS OF OTHER PACIFIC COMMANDS.

4. (TS) ADDRESSEES ARE AUTHORIZED TO MOVE AND EMPLOY FORCES
 UNDER THEIR OPERATIONAL CONTROL TO ASSIST US FORCES UNDER ATTACK
 OR UNDER THREAT OF IMMEDIATE ATTACK. IN ANY INSTANCE WHERE THIS
 INVOLVES US FORCES NOT UNDER THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF USMACV,
 THE DECISION WILL BE MADE BY ADDRESSEES ONLY AND MACV HEADQUARTERS
 NOTIFIED IMMEDIATELY. IF THE SITUATION PERMITS, AND
 DELAY WILL NOT JEOPARDIZE THE SAFETY OF THE THREATENED US FORCE
 OR UNIT, COMUSMACV CONCURRENCE WILL BE SOUGHT ON THE CONTEMPLATED
 ACTION.

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2. (TS) I WISH TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE DECISION REFERRED TO IN PARA
 4 IS MY RESPONSIBILITY AND WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE DELEGATED.

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CHANGE OF COMMAND

1. FOR RADN BEHRENS: ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR DEPARTURE,
 ALL III MAF JOINS ME IN EXTENDING HEARTFELT APPRECIATION
 FOR YOUR EFFORTS IN FURTHERING THE CAUSE OF FREEDOM IN
 THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM. UNDER YOUR INSPIRING LEADER-
 SHIP NEW CHAPTERS WERE ADDED TO THE ALREADY ILLUSTRIOUS
 HISTORY OF OUR NAVY/MARINE CORPS AMPHIBIOUS FORCE TEAM
 IN COMBAT AGAINST THE COMMUNIST ENEMY FORCES. OPERATIONS
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EXPERIENCE OF YOUR TWO TOURS AS CTF 76, TO YOU AND YOUR
 EXCELLENT STAFF OF PHIBGRU-ONE, FAIR WINDS AND SMOOTH
 SAILING.

2. FOR RADN ROSENBERG: OUR HEARTIEST WELCOME
 ABOARD TO YOU AND YOUR PHIBGRU-THREE STAFF.
 I AM SURE YOU WILL FIND YOUR TOUR BOTH CHALLENGING
 AND REWARDING. EACH NEW DAY HERE SEES CONTINUING
 PROGRESS IN OUR EFFORTS TO ASSIST THE PEOPLES
 OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM IN DEFEATING THE
 COMMUNIST AGRESSORS AND IN BUILDING A STRONG,
 VIABLE NATION OF FREE PEOPLE. I WILL BE LOOKING
 FORWARD TO SEEING YOU.

LIEUTENANT GENERAL H. NICKERSON JR.

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