

- ~~14. COMUSMACV 300057Z JUN69 (S) SPECAT LIMDIE CLOSFOLD
FORCE PLANNING ~~TURNOVER OF US INSTALLATIONS TO RVNAF~~~~
15. CG FMFPAC 020405Z JUL69 (U) *gp-4*
FOR QUILTER AND THRASH
ATTABOY & WELCOME ABOARD
16. CG AMERICAL 040730Z JUL69 (S) EYES ONLY *Group - not shown*
FOR RAMSEY FROM NICKERSON
RETENTION OF THE 1/101
- ~~17. COMTAIWANDEFCON/US 050403Z JUL69 (U)
FOR NICKERSON FROM COLLISON
PLAQUES NOT READY YET~~
- ~~18. NALCOMWESTRAC 050550Z JUL69 (U)
9TH MAB PASS TO THRASH
TRANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THRASH (OPR)~~
19. CTF 76 050820Z JUL69 (S) *gp-4*
FOR COAD INFO DULACKI & OFFEEN FROM ROSENBERG
ARG BRAVO OPS (U)
- XX
20. C/S MACV 060421Z JUL69 (C) *group-4*
TOWNSEND TO ALL
DISCUSSIONS WITH NEWS MEDIA REGARDING RULES OF ENGAGEMENT
21. CG 3d MARDIV 060851Z JUL69 (S) *gp-4*
GSW TO MAJGEN JONES
- ~~22. COMNAVFORV 060953Z JUL69 (S) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE
FOR NICKERSON FROM ZIMWALT
ICFZ SPT RESPONSIBILITIES (I INTEND SEND FOR MSC TO COMUS 9JUL)~~
23. CG THIRD MARDIV 070500Z JUL69 (C) EXCLUSIVE *gp-4*
FOR NICKERSON FROM JONES
FAREWELL CEREMONY FOR 9TH MARINES
- ~~24. COMNAVFORV 070921Z JUL69 (S) ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
FOR NICKERSON AND BONNER FROM ZIMWALT
MOVE OUT OF DANANG EXPEDITIOUSLY (MOODE)~~
25. CMC 071126Z JUL69 (S) NOFORN SPECAT *gp-4*
FOR ABRAMS INFOR BUSE & NICKERSON FROM CHAPMAN
POSSIBLE EXPANSION OF VNMC

26. C/S MACV 080937Z JUL69 (C) EYES ONLY *Group-4*
BAUTZ TO DOOLEY, HUFFMAN, JOHNSON & MACKMULL
SECURITY FOR LOC'S: SECURITY FOR DEFENSE OF CIV CONTRACTORS.
- ~~27. COMNAVFORV 090757Z JUL69 (S) PERSONAL FOR
FOR NICKERSON AND BONNER FROM ZUMWALT
MOVE OUT OF DANANG EXPEDITIOUSLY (MOODE)~~
28. COMUSMACV 091214Z JUL69 (C) *gp-4*
FOR NICKERSON, CORCORAN, EWELL, & WETHERILL FROM TOWNSEND
QUERY TO COMMANDERS ON CACHES DECLINE
29. CMC 091824Z JUL69 (C) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE *gp-4*
FOR NICKERSON FROM WALT
CHARGES AGAINST BGEN TOAN
- ~~30. CTF 76 100318Z JUL69 (C)
FOR DULACKI FROM ROSENBERG
STORM FORCED ME SOUTH -- WON'T SEE YOU TODAY -- SECRETS TO QUITE~~
- ~~31. CTF 78.1.1 100725Z JUL69 (U) FOR
FOR DOOLEY FROM INFO FIANAGAN FROM CHANDLER
OUTLANDS ITINERARY FOR 14 & 15 JUL~~
32. C/S MACV 110640Z JUL69 (C) EYES ONLY *gp-4*
TOWNSEND TO ALL
CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM
33. CMC 102342Z JUL69 (C) SPECAT MCEO *Group-4*
FOR NICKERSON AND BUSE FROM CHAPMAN
KEN WELLS VISIT -- WANTS BRIEF -- ARR 4 OR 5 AUG -- FOR 10 DAYS --
34. USS SANCTUARY 110318Z JUL69 (U) EYES ONLY
FOR NICKERSON FROM JONES
POLICY CONCERNING REDEPLOYMENT OF COMPANY COMMANDERS
35. CMC 121445Z JUL69 (S) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE/MCEO *Group-4*
FOR BUSE AND NICKERSON FROM WALT
TOAN
- ~~36. CG THIRD MARDIV 121700Z JUL69 (C) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR
FOR NICKERSON FROM JONES
PERS ASST TO DLT 9 & CHAPMAN, BUSE & DULAK (Duffy & Strip)~~
- ~~37. COMPHIBFORSEVENTHFLT 111530Z JUL69 (S) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE
FOR MCCAULEY, RANDOLPH, DODSON, COAN, DEBEY, BRINGLE, SMITH,
ZUMWALT AND NICKERSON FROM ROSENBERG
FORCE PLANNING / REDEPLOYMENT~~
38. COMNAVFORV 130345Z JUL69 (C) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE *Group-4*
FOR NICKERSON AND BONNER FROM ZUMWALT
CON STRUCTION PROGRAM

39. C/S MACV 130848Z JUL69 (S) EYES ONLY *Group - 4*
TOWNSEND TO ALL
UNRESOLVED QUESTIONS ON FORCE PLANNING
40. COMNAVFORV 131010Z JUL69 (S) EYES ONLY *Group - 4*
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM VIETNAM
QUOTES YATES MSG TO BROWN 130738Z JUL69 -- SAME SUBJ.
- ~~41. COMNAVFORV 130857Z JUL69 (S)
FOR NICKERSON AND DONNER FROM ZUMWALT
REDUCTION OF NAVY LEASED SPACE IN DNC (REPLACED MOORE)~~
- ~~42. CG FMFPAC 150227Z JUL69 (S)
FOR NICKERSON, INFO THRASH FROM BUSE
CONCURRENCE WITH PROPOSAL CONTAINED CG III MAF 050210Z JUL69 (S)
(FORCE PLANNING)~~
43. C/S MACV 150307Z JUL69 (S) *Group - 4*
FOR NICKERSON FROM TOWNSEND
CJCS CINCPAC, COMUSMACV WILL VISIT IFFV AND III MAF 18JUL69
44. C/S MACV 150319Z JUL69 (S) *Group - 4*
FOR NICKERSON FROM TOWNSEND
VISIT OF CJCS
45. C/S XXIV CORPS 150856Z JUL69 (S) *Group - not shown*
INFO DOOLEY FROM BOLLING
VISIT OF CJCS
46. CG FMFPAC 151943Z JUL69 (C) *Group - 4*
SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR NICKERSON INFO THRASH, MCCUTCHEON FROM BUSE
OPERATIONAL IMPACT OF BUDGET REDUCTIONS (C)
47. COMUSMACV 161145Z JUL69 (C) *Group - 4*
EYES ONLY FOR NICKERSON FROM ABRAMS
1970 GUIDELINES
48. SSO MACV 171108Z JUL69 (C) *Group - not shown*
EYES ONLY
NATION BUILDING IN RVN
49. CNO 171304Z JUL69 (C) *Group - 4*
FOR HYLAND, BRINGLE ZUMWALT, WEISNER, NICKERSON, KAUFFMAN, SMITH
AND COLE FROM MOORER
WESTPAC VISIT OF CNO
- ~~50. CG FMFPAC 160107Z JUL69 (S)
SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR VAN BYZIN AND NICKERSON FROM BUSE
FORCE PLANNING~~

1. COMUSMACV 160634Z JUL69 (TS) EYES ONLY *GROUP NOT SHOWN*
FOR NICKERSON FROM ABRAMS
BRIEFING AND MEETING WITH CJCS
- ~~2. COMNAVFORV 181029Z JUL69 (TS) EXCLUSIVE
FOR NICKERSON FROM ZUMWALT
VIETNAMIZING THE WAR~~
- ~~3. SSO MACV 181400Z JUL69 (TS) SENSITIVE EYES ONLY
FOR NICKERSON FROM TOWNSEND
FORCE PLANNING~~
4. CG FMFPAC 211944Z JUL69 (TS) EXCLUSIVE FOR MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
INFO NICKERSON FROM BUSE *GP-4*
PROV MAG-39 PROGRAM SIX SPACES (U)
- ~~5. CG FMFPAC 232345Z JUL69 (TS) SPCAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO
FOR DOOLEY FROM WILSON
FRP AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONFERENCE AT CAMP SMITH 28-29 JULY~~
6. COMUSMACV 241136Z JUL69 (TS) EYES ONLY *GP-4*
ABRAMS TO ALL
NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT
7. COMNAVFORV 251115Z JUL69 (TS) EYES ONLY *GP-4*
ZUMWALT TO ALL
NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT
- ~~8. CMC 260007Z JUL69 (TS) SPCAT MCEO
FOR BUSE INFO NICKERSON, TURACH AND HOFFMAN FROM VAN PYZIN
FRP FIRST LAM BN~~
- ~~9. ADMIN FMFPAC 270925Z JUL69 (TS) SPCAT EXCLUSIVE
FOR BUSE FROM FONTANA
FRP RECEIVED FROM GEN BUSE'S AIDE~~

1. ~~CG FMPTAC FWD 100020Z JUL69 (U)
FOR HISE INFO VAN RYEN, FONTANA AND DOOLEY FROM CARRETON
FRANS OF MCEN DOWMAN~~
2. ~~COMSEVENTHFLT 171120Z JUL69 (C)
FOR NICKERSON FROM BRINGLE
ATTEND MORNING BRIEF 19JUL69~~
3. C/S MACV 220409Z JUL69 (C) *Group-4*
FOR NICKERSON FROM VANDEHEY
JULY COMMANDERS' WIEU
4. ~~COMUSMACV 220810Z JUL69 (C) EYES ONLY
FOR ZAIS INFO NICKERSON FROM ABRAMS
I WILL VISIT DUT CEREMONY ON 25 JUL~~
5. ~~CG XXIV CORPS 230635Z JUL69 (C) EYES ONLY
FOR ABRAMS INFO NICKERSON FROM ZAIS
RESPONDS TO MACV 220810Z ABRAMS VISIT TO DUT CEREMONY~~
6. CG XXIV CORPS 240550Z JUL69 (U) EYES ONLY
FOR NICKERSON FROM ZAIS
SHIPMENT OF 232 POWER TILLERS FOR THUA THIEN PROVINCE
7. COMSEVENTHFLT 261344Z JUL69 (C) *gp-4*
FOR ANDERSON & NICKERSON, INFO BAUMBERGER, WISNER, FREEMAN AND
RUDEEN FROM BRINGLE
VISIT --- 19-26AUG69
8. CG XXIV CORPS 270341Z JUL69 (S) EYES ONLY *Group - not shown*
FOR NICKERSON FROM ZAIS
VISIT OF COMUS TO XXIV CORPS HQS
9. COMCRUDESFLT 11 241634Z JUL69 (C) *gp-4*
FOR BRINGLE, INFO BAUMBERGER, WEISNER, NICKERSON, FREEMAN AND
RUDEEN FROM ANDERSON
RELIEF OF COMCRUDESGRUSEVENTHFLT (U)---- PROPOSED VISITS
10. ~~CG XXIV CORPS 290915Z JUL69 (U) EYES ONLY
FOR NICKERSON FROM ZAIS
HAPPY BIRTHDAY~~
11. CG XXIV CORPS 290736Z JUL69 (C) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE *Group-4*
FOR NICKERSON FROM ZAIS
IMPROVEMENT OF RVNAF LOGISTICS SYSTEM

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12. CG FIRST MARDIV 300922Z JUL69 (S) SPECAT EXCLUSIVE *group-4*
FOR NICKERSON FROM SIMPSON
BLT 1/26 SEARCHED NPFF'S
 13. COMUSMACV 301254Z JUL69 (C) EYES ONLY *gp-4*
FOR NICKERSON FROM TOWNSEND
VISIT NEIL STAEBLER
 14. CMC 301632Z JUL69 (C) *gp-4*
FOR BUSE AND NICKERSON FROM VAN RYZIN
MINE=BOOBY TRAP DETECTION DOGS

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CHANGE OF COMMAND

1. FOR MGEN QUILTER: AS YOU COMPLETE YOUR ASSIGNMENT AS
 COMMANDING GENERAL, FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, YOU HAVE MY
 APPRECIATION AND CONGRATULATIONS FOR YOUR ADMIRABLE PERFOR-
 MANCE OF A VITAL AND HIGHLY RESPONSIBLE TASK. YOUR EXCELLENT
 JUDGEMENT, SUPERIOR LEADERSHIP AND UNSWERVING DEVOTION TO DUTY
 HAVE BEEN TANGIBLY REFLECTED BY THE WING'S SUPERIOR COMBAT
 PERFORMANCE AND OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CAUSE OF
 FREEDOM IN SOUTH VIETNAM. BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESS IN YOUR NEXT
 ASSIGNMENT.

2. FOR MGEN THRASH: CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ASSIGNMENT AS
 COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING AND
 WELCOME TO THE FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC. I HAVE EVERY CON-
 FIDENCE THAT UNDER YOUR ABLE GUIDANCE THE FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT

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 WING WILL CONTINUE ITS CHARACTERISTIC ACCOMPLISHMENT OF ITS
 MYRIAD OF VITAL TASKS. BEST WISHES. LTGEN HUSE

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 TO LTG NICKEGSON CG III MAF DANANG RVN
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S E C R E T ACD 635 EYES ONLY SECTION ONE OF TWO
 REFERENCE: A. MY MSG, SUBJ: RETENTION OF THE 1/101 BDE, DTG
 281029Z JUN 69

B. YOUR MSG, SUBJECT AS ABOVE, DTG 011344Z JULY 69

1. (S) THIS MESSAGE TRANSMITS OUM PLAN OF OPERATIONS BY BRIGADE FOR COMBAT OPERATIONS TARGETED AGAINST SPECIFIC ENEMY LOCATIONS AS INDICATED BY OUR MOST RELIABLE INTELLIGENCE SOURVES. WHERE POSSIBLE, I HAVE GIVEN A TIME ESTIMATE, KNOWING THAT THE SITUATION

MAY CHANGE, REQUIRING SOME ADJUSTMENT. THIS IS FOLLOWED BY A RESUME OF PACIFICATION EFFORTS PRESENTLY IN OPERATION PLUS THOSE BEING PLANNED. IT SHOULD BE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT DETAILED PLANS FOR PACIFICATION OR MAJOR MOVES IN THAT DIRECTION WILL TAKE TIME BECAUSE OF THE MANY PERSONALITIES, PROGRAMS AND HEADQUARTERS INVOLVED. NEVERTHELESS, MY STAFF IS CONTINUING TO WORK WITH ALL ELEMENTS IN PUTTING TOGETHER A DEFINITIVE PROGRAM THAT WILL PROVIDE DIRECTION FOR ALL CONCERNED.

2. (U) THE ENEMY SITUATION HAS NOT CHANGED SIGNIFICANTLY FROM THAT OUTLINED IN REFERENCED MESSAGE.

3. (S) COMBAT OPERATION:

A. THE 1/101 BDE IS NOW TARGETED AGAINST THE 1ST MF REGT, IN THE VICINITY OF BT2310, TO DESTROY THIS FORCE AND PREVENT IF FROM MOVING INTO THE COASTAL PLAIN TO DISRUPT PACIFICATION EFFORTS. AS THE SITUATION DEVELOPS AGAINST THE 1ST MF REGT REQUIRING ADDITIONAL UNITS, I WILL REINFORCE THE 1/101ST BDE WITH A BATTALION FROM THE 196TH BDE AND; OR AN ARVN BATTALION. THE DURATION OF THIS OPERATION IS ENTIRELY DEPENDENT UPON THE ENEMY SITUATION AND INTELLIGENCE.

B. THE 196TH BDE CONTINUES OPERATIONS IN ZONE WITH THE 3-21 INF PARTICULARLY TASKED TO FIND AND FIX THE 3DNVA REGIMENT. PRESENTLY THE 3-21 INF BATTALION IS OPERATING NORTH OF THE PHUOC CHAU AREA. EVIDENCE IS NOW POINTING TO THE 3D NVA REGT BEING LOCATED IN THIS AREA. IF THE INTELLIGENCE INDICATES, I INTEND TO IMPLEMENT THE 196TH BDE OPLAN 13-69 (OPERATION CLINTON GREEN) (U). THE PLAN CALLS FOR A THREE BATTALION FORCE (2 US AND 1ARVN). THE 1-46 INF BATTALION IS EARMARKED AS THE ADDITIONAL US BATTALION. THE PURPOSE OF THE OPERATION IS TO FIND, FIX AND DESTROY THE 3D NVA REGT. SUCH AN OPERATION WOULD TAKE US DEEPER INTO ENEMY TERRITORY AND FARTHER AWAY FROM AREAS THAT NEED ADDITIONAL PACIFICATION. AFTER CONSIDERING ALL FACTORS, I BELIEVE WE SHOULD GO AFTER THE 3D NVA REGT BEFORE WE USE ADDITIONAL FORCES FROM THAT AREA TO PACIFY IN THE COASTAL PLAIN. REMAINING FORCES ARE CONDUCTING COMBAT OPERATIONS ALONG BARRIER ISLAND/GL 1 AND IN THE QUETSON VALLEY AND HIEP DUC AREA TO ELIMINATE ENEMY FORCES THREATENING THESE AREAS.

C. THE 198TH BDE WILL CONDUCT A COMBINED OPERATION WITH AN ARVN BATTALION ON 3 JULY IN THE VICINITY OF BS3700. THE PRUPOSE OF THIS OPERATION IS TO FIND AND DESTROY THE 78TH ROCKET BATTALION AND ELEMENTS OF THE 406TH SAPPER BATTALION, BASE AREAS, AND CACHES SITES, A COMBINED OPEMATION IS NOW IN PROGRESS COMPOSED OF ONE US AND TWO ARVN BATTALIONS IN VICINITY OF BS4481 TARGETED AGAINST THE 21ST NVA REGT.

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D. THE 11TH INF BDE IS MOVING ONE BATTALION, WITH AN ARVN BATTALION, ON 5 JULY TO ESTABLISH A FSB AND PERMANENT PRESENCE WEST OF QUANG NGAI. AFTER THE FSB HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED AN ARVN BATTALION WILL REPLACE THE 11TH BDE BATTALION NEAR DUC PHO. THIS IS THE NORMAL OPERATIONAL AREA OF THE 22D NVA REGT AND QUANG NGAI PROVINCIAL BN'S. THE MISSION WILL BE TO FIND, FIX AND DESTROY THESE FORCES AND THEIR BASE AREAS, CACHES AND PROVIDE SECURITY TO THE AREA. THE REMAINDER OF THE 11TH BDE IS PRESENTLY TARGETED AGAINST THE 2D MF REGT IN THE VICINITY OF DUC PHO, WITH TWO BATTALIONS OPERATING AGAINST IDENTIFIED NVA UNITS ON THE COASTAL PLAIN, AND ONE BATTALION DEPLOYED TO THE WEST OF DUC PHO TO DESTROY THE LOGISTIC AND TRAINING BASE OF THE REGIMENT.

E. I WILL REQUEST THE SLF TO ASSIST ME IN CONDUCTING OPERATIONS ALONG THE COAST TO DESTROY THE 33TH AND 48TH LF BN'S AS SOON AS THE ENEMY SITUATION AND MY UNIT DISPOSITION WILL ALLOW.

4. PACIFICATION OPERATIONS:

A. (S) SITUATION: PACIFICATION EFFORTS IN QUANG TIN AND QUANG NGAI HAVE NOT ACHIEVED THE DEGREE OF SUCCESS ENJOYED BY OTHER PROVINCES IN RVN. TWO PRIMARY REASONS FOR THIS LACK OF SUCCESS HAVE BEEN THE PRESENCE OF MAJOR NVA AND MF FORMATIONS IN THE PROXIMITY OF PACIFICATION TARGET AREAS AND THE LOW TROOP DENSITY IN THE TAOI WHICH HAS PREVENTED THE COMMITMENT OF

REGULAR FORCES TO A PACIFICATION SUPPORT ROLE. ALTHOUGH MAJOR NVA AND MF UNITS ARE STILL ACTIVE IN THE TAOI, THE LOSSES THEY HAVE SUSTAINED HAS REDUCED THEIR OFFENSIVE CAPABILITY THEREBY CREATING A SITUATION WHICH WILL PERMIT AMERICAN OO REDEPLOY FORCES TO TAKE AN EVEN MORE ACTIVE R

E INDIRECT SUPPORT OF THE

PACIFICATION AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM WITHIN THE 12TH DTA.

B. (S) SELECTION OF PRIORITY TARGET AREAS: AN ANALYSIS OF THE PACIFICATION SIT

ATION AND INTELLIGENCE IN QUANG NGAI AND QUANG TIN PROVINCES CLEARLY REVEALS THAT QUANG NGAI HAS THE MORE URGENT NEED FOR ADDITIONAL FORCES TO ENERGIZE THE PROGRAM. RECENT HES REITS, ADVISOR EVALUATION AND OTHER DATA AVAILABLE IN OUR HEADQUARTERS SHOW QUANG NGAI HAS

JG BEHIND QUANG TIN. TWO PRIORITY TARGET AREAS HAVE BEEN SELECTED IN EACH PROVINCE. THESE AREAS WERE SELECTED AFTER REVIEWING GVN PLANS FOR PACIFICATION DURING THE 1969 PROGRAM, HES STATISTICS, EXISTING TROOP DENSITY, AND THE IMPACT THAT SUCCESS IN THESE AREAS WOULD HAVE ON THE PROVINCE AS A WHOLE.

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 FM MG RAMSEY CG AMERICAL DIV CHU LAI RVN
 TO LTG NICKERSON CG III MAF DANANG RVN
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S E C R E T ACD 635 EYES ONLY SECTION TWO OF TWO

(1) QUANG NGAI PROVINCE:

(A) PRIORITY TARGET AREA NR 1: NORTH OF QUANG NGAI CITY IN BINH SON AND SON TIN DISTRICTS, INCLUDING THE BATANGAN PENINSULA AREA. THE 48 LF BATTALION CONTINUES TO HAMPER PACIFICATION EFFORTS IN THIS AREA.

(B) PRIORITY TARGET AREA NR 2: IN MO DUC DISTRICT WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ALONG THE COASTAL AREA.

(2) QUANG TIN PROVINCE:

(A) PRIORITY TARGET AREA NR 1: THE COASTAL AREA IN THE VICINITY OF (BT2250) THE PRESENT OPERATIONAL AREA OF THE 72D LF BN.

(B) PRIORITY TARGET AREA NR 2: ALONG BARRIER ISLAND WHERE THE 70TH LF BN IS OPERATING. (BT3822)

C. (S) CONCEPT OF OPERATION:

(1) THE 2D ARVN DIVISION PRESENTLY HAS A BATTALION OPERATING EAST OF QL NR 1 IN THE VICINITY OF SON TINH-BINH SON DISTRICTS. AN ADDITIONAL ARVN BATTALION IS OPERATING IN VICINITY OF BS7852 EAST OF MO DUC IN THE NR 2 PRIORITY AREA.

(2) I INTEND TO DISCUSS WITH GEN TOAN THE POSSIBILITY OF PLACING AN ARVN BATTALION TO OPERATE IN THE VICINITY OF BT2250, THE PRIORITY NR 1 PACIFICATION TARGET AREA FOR QUANG TIN PROVINCE TO ASSIST IN PACIFICATION AND DESTROY THE 72D LF BN.

(3) ALONG NORTHERN BARRIER ISLAND A PERMANENT RF OUTPOST IS BEING ESTABLISHED TO SECURE THE SOUTHERN BANK OF THE SONG CAU DAI. THE 196TH BDE WILL HAVE AT LEAST ONE RIFLE COMPANY OPERATING IN THAT AREA. CONTINUOUS SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED SOUTH OF THE RIVER TO SUPPORT PACIFICATION OF THE QUANG TIN PRIORITY NR 2 PACIFICATION AREA AND TO FIND, FIX AND DESTROY THE 70TH LF BN.

(4) THE ACTIVITIES OF THE 1/101 BDE WILL ASSIST THE PACIFICATION OF THE AREA AROUND NUI YON, WEST OF TAM KY BY PROVIDING SECURITY FOR RF/PF FORCES OPERATING IN THIS AREA.

(5) THE 11TH BDE ESTABLISHMENT OF PERMANENT PRESENCE WEST OF QUANG NGAI, IN THE VICINITY OF THE "HORSESHOE" AREA, WILL DENY THE 22D NVA REGT AND QUANG NGAI PROVINCIAL BATTALIONS FREE ACCESS INTO QUANG NGAI. THE 193TH BDE IS CONDUCTING EXTENSIVE LAND CLEARING OPERATIONS ALONG THE NORTH BANK OF THE SONG TRA KHUC (WEST OF QUANG NGAI CITY) TO DESTROY ENEMY BUNKER AND TUNNEL COMPLEXES AND TO PREPARE LAND FOR REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT. THESE TWO OPERATIONS WILL GREATLY ASSIST THE PROVINCE CHIEF'S PACIFICATION PLANS FOR QUANG NGAI. ADDITIONALLY, THE 11TH BDE CONTINUES CLOSE COORDINATION AND COOPERATION WITH PROVINCE AND DISTRICT OFFICIALS AND FORCES FROM DUC PHO TO THE II CORP BOUNDARY IN AN ALL OUT EFFORT TO ELIMINATE VCI AND TO WIN THE SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLE FOR THE GVN. WHILE IT IS NECESSARY TO DESTROY THE MAIN ENEMY FORCES IN THIS AREA A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF THE COMBAT EFFORT OF THE 11TH BDE IS DIRECTED TOWARD COMBAT CORDON AND SEARCH AND AMBUSH OPERATIONS, UTILIZING GVN FORCES, TO ELIMINATE THE VCI AND LOCAL GUERILLAS. (163)

D. PACIFICATION DATA BASE: THE AMERICAL DIVISION IN CONJUNCTION WITH PROVINCE AND ARVN OFFICIALS IS EXPANDING OUR ALREADY COMPREHENSIVE PACIFICATION DATA BASE. THE DATA BASE, CONTAINS MORE COMPLETE INFORMATION CONCERNING ENEMY UNITS IN THE AREA, IDENTIFIED VCI, STATUS OF HAMLETS NOT UNDER GVN CONTROL, PRESENCE OF LIBERATION COMMITTEES, DETAILS OF THE GVN PACIFICATION PLAN, AND ANY OTHER AVAILABLE INFORMATION WHICH WOULD ASSIST IN THE SELECTION OF SPECIFIC TACTICAL TARGETS.

E. METHODS OF OPERATION:

(1) THE METHODS OF PACIFICATION SUPPORT ARE MANY AND VARIED. IT IS ESSENTIAL TO SECURE THE HAMLETS AND SEPARATE THE PEOPLE FROM THE VC. AFTER INITIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE ENEMY SITUATION IN EACH AREA, AMERICAL UNITS WILL OPERATE IN SMALL SIZE ELEMENTS DAY AND NIGHT TO:

(A) CONDUCT CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATIONS IN AND AROUND HAMLETS WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THOSE HAMLETS THAT HAVE NOT MET THE PACIFICATION GOALS FOR PHASE I AND THOSE TARGETED FOR UPGRADING DURING PHASE II. ELIMINATE THE VCI BY UTILIZING ALL GVN FORCES AVAILABLE.

(B) MAKE MAXIMUM UTILIZATION OF THE PIOC AND DIOC'S TO OBTAIN INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION, AND CONDUCT OPERATIONS WHICH UTILIZE THE SERVICES AND ABILITY OF THE PRU'S, NPFF, RF AND PF FORCES.

(C) CONDUCT EXTENSIVE PATROLLING AND AMBUSHING TO PREVENT THE VC FROM MOVING IN THE HAMLETS NIGHTLY.

(2) ALL AMERICAL ASSETS WILL BE EMPLOYED TO MOUNT AN ALL OUT EFFORT TO INDOCTRINATE THE PEOPLE AND WIN THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE GVN BY UTILIZING PSYOP (LEAFLETS, LOUDSPEAKERS, MOVIES), MEDCAPS, VITECAPS, VIP, SELF HELP PROJECTS, PLANTING IMPROVED RICE, SECURING LOC'S FOR COMMERCIAL USE, TRAINING RF/PF FORCES AND ASSISTING THEM IN ESTABLISHING OUTPOSTS.

F. COORDINATION CONTINUES WITH THE 2D ARVN DIVISION FOR DEPLOYMENT OF BATTALIONS AND WITH THE PROVINCE OFFICIALS FOR EMPLOYMENT OF RF/PF FORCES TO INSURE THAT RF/PF FORCES ARE IN A POSITION TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR AREAS AS PACIFICATION PROGRESSES.

5. IN PARA 3 ABOVE I MENTIONED THE POSSIBILITY OF FINDING, FIXING AND DESTROYING THE 1ST MFI AND 3D MVA REGT. YOUR MESSAGE, REF B, MENTIONED SUPPORT OF PACIFICATION EFFORTS. IN THIS REGARD, I CAN WITHDRAW THE 1-46 INF BN FROM THE LAMAR PLAIN AREA AND EMPLOY IT IN THE AREA NE OF QUANG NGAI CITY TO FIND, FIX AND DESTROY THE 4TH LF B AND ATTEMPT TO PACIFY THE AREA. IN DOING THIS, HOWEVER, I WOULD REDUCE OUR EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE THE 1ST MF AND 3D MVA REGTS.

6. REQUEST YOUR APPROVAL OF MY CONCEPT OF OPERATION TO INCLUDE FINDING, FIXING AND DESTROYING THE 1ST MF AND 3D MVA REGTS.

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S E C R E T

FOR COMMODORE COAD INFO BGEN DULACKI AND COL OFFEEN FROM ROSENBERG
 ARG BRAVO OPS (U)

1. REGRET FLAGSHIP SWING SOUTH TO CAH RANH AND VUNG TAU PREVENTS ME FROM BEING IN DANANG AREA ON YOUR ARRIVAL. HOWEVER, RECOMMEND YOU AND CTF 79.9 MEET WITH BGEN DUCACKI AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER ARRIVAL TO DISCUSS PROSPECTIVE OPERATIONS FOR ARG BRAVO.
2. LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON 11 JULY. WARM REGARDS

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C O N F I D E N T I A L MAC 8685 EYES ONLY
 SUBJECT: DISCUSSIONS WITH NEWS MEDIA REGARDING RULES OF
 ENGAGEMENT (U)

1. (C) RECENTLY A SENIOR U.S. OFFICER AND HIS ARVN COUNTERPART HELD A JOINT NEWS BRIEFING DURING WHICH THEY WERE ASKED SPECIFICALLY IF FIRE UPON THEIR INSTALLATIONS HAD ORIGINATED IN CAMBODIA AND IF THEY HAD RETURNED FIRE INTO CAMBODIA. THEY REPLIED ACCURATELY AND TRUTHFULLY THAT RETURN FIRES INTO CAMBODIA HAD BEEN MADE; HOWEVER, THEIR STATEMENTS WENT BEYOND THE APPROVED POLICY OF MERELY STATING THAT COMMANDERS HAVE THE INHERENT RIGHT TO RETURN FIRE IN DEFENSE OF THEIR POSITIONS. THEY SHOULD HAVE ANSWERED ALL OTHER SPECIFIC QUESTIONS WITH "NO COMMENT" AND THAT "RULES OF ENGAGEMENT ARE SOMETHING WHICH THE COMMAND DOES NOT DISCLOSE FOR OBVIOUS REASONS."
 2. (C) DCOMUSMAC HAS DIRECTED THAT COMMANDERS BE REMINDED TO INSTRUCT THEIR STAFF PERSONNEL AND SUBORDINATE COMMANDERS TO EXERCISE EXTREME CARE IN ANSWERING QUESTIONS WHICH DEAL WITH RULES OF ENGAGEMENT AND SPECIFICALLY WITH RETURNING FIRES INTO NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES. COMMANDERS, THEIR IOS, AND OTHER PERSONNEL WHO MAY BE EXPOSED TO THE PRESS SHOULD NOT HESITATE TO ANSWER "NO COMMENT," "THAT IS A SUBJECT BEYOND MY PURVIEW AND COMPETENCE," OR "OUR FORCES HAVE THE INHERENT RIGHT TO DEFEND THEMSELVES AND WHEN THEY ARE FIRED ON, THEY FIRE BACK." UNTIL THERE IS A CHANGE IN CURRENT POLICY, ANYTHING BEYOND FOREGOING STATEMENTS IS NOT REPEAT NOT AUTHORIZED.
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SUBJ: COMMAND INCIDENT REPORT

1. MAJ GEN WILLIAM K. JONES, USMC RECEIVED A GUNSHOT WOUND AT D OAG HA COMBAT BASE, THIS DATE, UNDER FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:

- A. TIME - APPROX 1240H, 6 JULY 1969
- B. PLACE - OUTSIDE GENERAL'S MESS ON WAY TO QUARTERS AFTER LUNCH.
- C. LOCATION - MISSILE ENTRY - WEB PORTION OF LEFT HAND BETWEEN THUMB AND INDEX FINGER. COURSE UNDER SKIN FOR SEVERAL INCHES AND RESULTING IN SLIGHT FRACTURE OF THIRD METACARPAL. BULLET APPARENTLY ENTERED AT TERMINAL VELOCITY.
- D. ACTION - FLOWN BY HELICOPTER TO 3D MEDICAL BATTALION. BULLET SUCCESSFULLY REMOVED BY SURGERY AND NO COMPLICATIONS ENCOUNTERED. PATIENT FLOWN TO HOSPITAL SHIP USS SANCTUARY SUBSEQUENT TO OPERATION FOR INITIAL CONVALESCENCE.
- E. INVESTIGATION - DIVISION PROVOST MARSHAL PERSONALLY CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION. INITIAL REPORT INDICATES UNKNOWN CALIBER FIRED FROM FOREIGN BOLT ACTION TYPE WEAPON.
- F. PROGNOSIS - EXCELLENT. RETURN TO DUTY WITHIN 7-14 DAYS.
- G. COMMAND - BRIG GEN FULLER ASSUMES COMMAND RELOCATES CP AT D HCR.

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EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN NICKERSON FROM MAJGEN JONES

3D MARDIV FAREWELL CEREMONY FOR 9TH MAR

1. I PLAN TO HONOR AND EXTEND FAREWELL TO THE 9TH MARINES, BY CONDUCTING A MASSING OF THE COLORS AND REVIEW ON THE MAG-39 PARKING RAMP FACILITY, QUANG TRI, ON A MORNING IN LATE JULY COINCIDING ROUGHLY WITH DEPLOYMENT OF THE REGIMENTAL COLORS FROM COUNTRY. I ESTIMATE THE CEREMONY WILL TAKE ABOUT AN HOUR.

2. PRELIMINARY PLANNING REFLECTS THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATION AND SEQUENCE FOR THIS CEREMONY.

A. ORGANIZATION

- (1) COMMANDER OF TROOPS: ADC, 3D MARDIV
- (2) DISTINGUISHED GUESTS: RANKING MILITARY COMMANDERS AND FLAG/GENERAL OFFICERS OF THE VARIOUS SERVICES IN I CORPS.
- (3) PARTICIPATING UNITS: NATIONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL COLOR GUARDS OF EACH REGIMENT/BATTALION, SEPARATE BATTALION OF THIS DIVISION AS WELL AS INVITED NAVY, ARMY, AND ARVN UNITS IN MY A C T O G E T H E R WITH COMMANDING OFFICERS AND SERGEANTS MAJOR OF REGIMENTS AND THE SEPARATE BATTALIONS.
- (4) MUSICAL ELEMENT: 3D MARDIV BAND

B. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- (1) ARRIVAL, ESCORT AND SEATING OF GUESTS
- (2) ADJUTANT'S CALL
- (3) COLORS MARCH ON
- (4) SOUND OFF
- (5) COMMAND PRESENTED TO COMMANDER OF TROOPS
- (6) REPORTS RECEIVED
- (7) COMMAND PRESENTED TO REVIEWING OFFICER
- (8) MUSICAL HONORS; GUN SALUTE
- (9) TROOP THE LINE
- (10) NARRATION: 9TH MAR HISTORY
- (11) COLORS PRESENTED
- (12) 9TH MAR COMMEMORATION
- (13) PRAYER
- (14) HYMN-"ETERNAL FATHER"
- (15) READING OF PRESIDENT THIEU'S LTR TO 3D MARDIV ON PERFORMANCE OF 9TH MAR
- (16) REMARKS BY CG, 3D MARDIV
- (17) INTRODUCTION AND REMARKS, REVIEWING OFFICER
- (18) PASS IN REVIEW
- (19) CEREMONY CONCLUDED; REFRESHMENTS

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3. THE EXACT DATE IS CURRENTLY NOT ESTABLISHED AND YOUR DESIRES AND RECOMMENDATIONS IN THIS REGARD ARE RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED.

4. AS YOU KNOW THE 9TH MAR (REIN) HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR THE NUC FOR OPERATIONS CONDUCTED IN OPERATION LANCASTER TROUSDALE AND TROUSDALE NORTH IN LATE 1968. ACTUAL PRESENTATION AT THIS CEREMONY WOULD BE EXTREMELY APPROPRIATE AND A MOST WELCOME AND TIMELY HIGHLIGHT TO THE OVERALL INTENT OF OUR HONORS AND FAREWELL TO THIS ILLUSTRIOUS REGIMENT. IN THIS REGARD, ANY ASSISTANCE YOU CAN GIVE ME IN ASCERTAINING THE STATUS OF THIS AWARD AND/OR EXPEDITING ITS PROCESSING WOULD BE MOST APPRECIATED.

5. FINALLY, WE WOULD BE HONORED IF YOU WOULD BE THE REVIEWING OFFICER AND MAKE A FEW REMARKS.

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EXCLUSIVE FOR GEN ABRAMS: INFO LTGEN BUSE, LTGEN NICKERSON;
FROM GEN CHAPMAN

POSSIBLE EXPANSION OF VMMC (C)

A. COMUSMACV MAC 8324 290350Z JUN 69.

B. COMUSMACV 37696 270420Z JUN 69 (SNF)

C. CMC 201830Z MAY 69 (SNF)

1. (C) REF A ADVISED THAT REF B INCLUDED AN ADDITIONAL 553 PERSONNEL
ABOVE THAT ADDRESSED IN REF C.

2. (S) THE SUPPORT PLEDGED IN REF C CAN AND WILL BE EXTENDED TO THE
ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL/UNITS IDENTIFIED IN REF A

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C O N F I D E N T I A L MAC 8758 EYES ONLY

SUBJ: SECURITY FOR LOC'S (U)

1. (:) THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION A PROBLEM OF MUTUAL CONCERN THAT HAS BEEN THE SUBJECT OF SEVERAL RECENT FRONT CHANNEL MESSAGES. THE PROBLEM IS THAT OF SECURITY FOR DEFENSE OF CIVILIAN CONTRACTORS EMPLOYED ON LOC PROGRAMS. I REALIZE THAT SOME OF THESE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUPPORT MAY CONFLICT WITH OTHER MISSIONS FOR WHICH FORCES HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED, AND THAT DEFENSE OF LOC'S IS THE IMPLICIT RESPONSIBILITY OF TERRITORIAL FORCES. HOWEVER, THE SUCCESS OF THE LOC PROGRAM REQUIRES THE INTEREST AND BACKING OF ALL CONCERNED.

2. (C) RECENT INCIDENTS AGAINST HIGHWAY SURVEY TEAMS, CONSTRUCTION SITES AND EQUIPMENT COMPOUNDS ARE CREATING DELAYS AND HALTING PROGRESS ON MANY PRIORITY LOC PROJECTS. ATTACKS HAVE INFLICTED CASUALTIES TO CONTACTOR PERSONNEL, DESTROYED EQUIPMENT, AND NECESSITATED THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR UNPRODUCTIVE MAN HOURS. EXAMPLES OF RECENT INCIDENTS INCLUDE:

A. ON 13 JUNE 69, A HIGHWAY DESIGN FIELD CREW CAME UNDER MORTAR, ROCKET AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE. THREE CIVILIAN PERSONNEL WERE INJURED.

B. ON 15 JUNE 69, AN EQUIPMENT COMPOUND WAS ATTACKED FOR A SECOND TIME. DAMAGE TO EQUIPMENT IS ESTIMATED AT \$100,000.

C. WORK HAS BEEN DELAYED ON FOUR SEGMENTS OF HIGHWAY BECAUSE OF INADEQUATE SECURITY. SURVEY TEAMS REMAINING AT THE SITES ARE COSTING \$1,000 PER DAY.

4. (C) OUR STUDIES INDICATE THAT IN ORDER TO EFFECTIVELY PROVIDE ADEQUATE SECURITY FORCES THE FOLLOWING STEPS ARE NECESSARY:

A. ARRANGEMENT FOR SECURITY MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH VIETNAMESE CHANNELS, I.E. CORPS, PROVINCE AND DISTRICT, WHEN RVNAF SECURITY IS TO BE EMPLOYED. PARALLEL NOTIFICATION THROUGH RVNAF AND U.S. ADVISORY CHANNELS IS MANDATORY.

B. COORDINATION TO PROVIDE FOR SECURITY MUST BE INSISTED UPON FROM THE MAJOR COMMAND TO THE LOCAL-LEVEL, AND MUST INVOLVE ALL INTERESTED AND RESPONSIBLE PARTIES.

5. (U) I BRING THIS URGENT MATTER TO YOUR INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION IN HOPE THAT WE CAN FACILITATE THE PROGRESS OF CRITICAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION WORK. NO REPLY EXPECTED.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L 40142 FOR LTG NICKERSON, LTG
CORCORAN, LTG EWELL, MG WETHERILL FROM MG TOWNSEND,

SUBJ: QUERY TO COMMANDERS ON CACHES' DECLINCE (U)

1. (C) DURING BRIEFING ON 8 JUL 69, COMUSMACV REQUESTED AN
ANALYSIS OF POSSIBLE REASONS FOR THE OVERALL GENERAL DECREASE IN
ENEMY CACHE DISCOVERIES.

2. (C) DATA AVAILABLE IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. NUMBER OF CACHES DISCOVERED.

CTZ	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
I	120	77	57	52	32	45
II	58	35	59	68	46	21
III	120	90	197	204	113	106
IV	12	12	12	9	11	4

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B. INDIVIDUAL/CREW SERVED WEAPONS (NUMBERS)

CTZ	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
I	573/43	775/122	598/57	914/68	710/79	110/18
II	110/24	32/9	22/4	13/2	6/0	0/0
III	255/51	555/112	285/66	711/109	121/38	244/69
IV	364/54	119/59	386/19	1283/47	72/2	81/10

C. INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS AMMUNITION (TONS)

CTZ	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
I	5.5	3.6	24.1	4.4	25.3	0.52
II	6.7	1.3	3.3	.2	.3	0
III	18.2	7.0	3.7	4.6	2.3	3.94
IV	34.1	1.1	.1	19.6	1.4	0.01

D. CREW SERVED WEAPONS AMMUNITION (TONS)

CTZ	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
I	54.0	459.4	259.2	47.1	54.0	7.13
II	13.1	10.3	2.9	1.7	.8	.07
III	61.4	33.7	84.4	26.8	32.4	18.28
IV	30.5	2.8	35.9	3.1	1.0	1.12

E. RICE IN TONS

CTZ	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
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I	417.5	18.7	444.5	96.4	72.1	67.34
II	136.8	7.4	426.4	125.6	43.5	57.48
III	253.1	597.8	45.6	168.1	258.2	118.3
IV	2.8	.7	12.2	.8	.1	.3

F. SALT IN POUNDS

CTZ	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
I	33,448	714	9,888	958	21,998	545
II	7,438	8	4,597	473	225	2,888
III	15,437	16,588	8	14,215	192,288	94,688
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3. (C) REQUEST YOU PROVIDE BY 17 JULY AN ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPLICATIONS OF THESE DATA AS THEY PERTAIN TO YOUR RESPECTIVE AREAS, PREFERABLY BY DTA IF CONVENIENT.

4. (U) ACKNOWLEDGE MACV 2114/2826 OR EAC 381.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN NICKERSON FROM
GEN VALT

CHARGES AGAINST BGEN TYAN:

1. (C) AP DISPATCHES FROM SAIGON REPORT GEN TYAN CHARGED WITH MISUSE OF COMBAT SUPPORT FUNDS, PROFITEERING AND PROVIDING GOVERNMENT TRANSPORTATION FOR DANANG BUSINESSMEN.
2. (C) WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFO YOU HAVE ON CIRCUMSTANCES, AND MORE IMPORTANT, YOUR ASSESSMENT OF IMPACT OF INCIDENT ON EFFECTIVENESS IN SECOND ARVN DIVISION AND SITUATION IN QUANG TIN AND QUANG NGAI PROVINCE.
3. (U) WARM REGARDS

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 LTG VEWELL CG II FFORCEV LONG BINH
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 MG MABRY ASST DCG USARV LONG BINH
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C O N F I D E N T I A L MAC 8929 EYES ONLY

SUBJECT: CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

1. DEPCOMUSMACV HAS ISSUED THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS:

A. IN THE LIGHT OF PRESENT PLANNING, REQUEST THAT ADDRESSEES CONTINUE TO REVIEW CLOSELY THE CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM IN RESPECTIVE AREAS. PROJECTS THAT CAN BE DONE WITHOUT OR ARE WISE TO HAVE ARE TO BE STOPPED, OR REDUCED IN SCOPE TO ABSOLUTE ESSENTIALS. AUSTERITY IS TO BE OBSERVED IN ORDER TO CONSERVE DWINDLING CONSTRUCTION FUNDS NEEDED FOR RVNAF IMPROVEMENT AND MODERNIZATION.

B. AS U. S. FORCES ARE REDUCED IN BASE AREAS, EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT IS TO BE MADE TO PROVIDE THE VACATED FACILITIES TO THE RVNAF IN ORDER TO CONSERVE MASF CONSTRUCTION FUNDS. THOSE FACILITIES TURNED OVER TO THE RVNAF ARE EXPECTED TO BE IN GOOD OPERATIVE CONDITION AND AS GOOD AS THOSE PROGRAMED UNDER THE FORCE STRUCTURE INCREASE PROGRAM.

C. IN ADDITION TO THE CONSTRUCTION REVIEW, A HARD LOCK IS REQUIRED AT CURRENT WORK BEING PERFORMED FOR OPERATIONAL SUPPORT OR MINOR NEW CONSTRUCTION TO BE SURE THAT OVER-BUILDING IS NOT REPEAT NOT BEING DONE.

2. WARM REGARDS.
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SSO NOTE: DELIVER DURING DUTY HOURS
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT-MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
 PERSONAL FOR L GEN NICKERSON FROM GEN CHAPMAN - SHOW COPY
 TO L GEN BUSE FRIDAY AM - DELIVER DURING WORKING HOURS ONLY
 VISIT OF DR KENNETH D WELLS, FREEDOM FOUNDATION VALLEY
 FORGE PA.

1. (C) KEN WELLS CALLED TODAY TO TELL ME THAT HE HAS BEEN
 INVITED TO SOUTH VIETNAM BY PRESIDENT THIEU, THE PURPOSE
 IS TO COUNSEL PRESIDENT THIEU ON BUILDING THE NATION THROUGH
 VOLUNTARY CIVIC YOUTH AND PATRIOTIC ORGANIZATIONS. MRS
 WELLS JTD GEN AND MRS. BRUCE CLARK WILL ALSO BE IN THE PARTY
 AND THEY WILL BE GUESTS OF THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT
 AND STAY IN PRESIDENT 'S HOME. THEY ARE LEAVING 2 AUGUST AND
 ARRIVE SAIGON EITHER NIGHT OF 4 AUGUST OR MORNING OF 5 AUGUST.
 HE ASKED THAT YOU BE APPRISED OF THE ABOVE AND FURTHER THAT

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 YOU BE ADVISED THAT HE DESIRES A BRIEFING BY YOU AS SOON AS HE
 ARRIVES. HE INDICATES THAT COL THIEU AT THE EMBASSY OF SOUTH
 VIETNAM IS TAKING CARE OF DETAILS. PARTY WILL REMAIN THERE
 FROM 00 DAYS TO TWO OR THREE WEEKS.

10 2. (C) SINCE HIS SCHEDULE WOULD APPEAR TO BE THE PROVINCE OF
 GVN SUGGEST YOU WORK THROUGH GEN LAM TO EFFECT THE ABOVE.
 AS YOU CAN BEST JUDGE THE PRACTICABILITY OF WHEN AND WHERE
 YOU MAY BRIEF HIM I LEAVE THAT TO YOU. WARM REGARDS.

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MGEN JONES SENDS
 FOR THE EYES ONLY OF LTGEN NICKERSON

1. I RESPECT AND APPRECIATE YOUR ADVICE AND AM CAREFULLY RECONSIDERING

MY THOUGHTS SET FORTH IN HANDWRITTEN MEMO.

2. DIFFICULTY TO OBTAIN CURRENT INFORMATION UPON WHICH TO PROJECT
 WHILE ABOARD SHIP

3. SITUATION NOT REPEAT NOT IRREVERSIBLE.

4. PRESENT PROGNOSIS CALLS FOR RETURN TO DONG HA 12 JULY

5. WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED.

MGEN JONES SENDS

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S E C R E T SPECAT-MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
 EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN NICKERSON AND LTGEN BUSE FROM GEN WALT.
 BGEN TOAN

A. CG III MAF 100746Z JULY

1. AMEMB SAIGON 111120Z TO STATE, INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK,
 CINCPAC, AMCONSUL DANANG, AMEMBASSY PARIS, AMEMBASSY
 VIENTIANE, POSSIBLE NOT HELD BY YOU IS QUOTED FOR INFO.

QUOTE:

"1. MINISTRY OF DEFENSE DECISION TO SUSPEND BRIG. GEN. NGUYEN
 VAN TOAN FROM DUTY WAS REPORTED JULY 10 BY AUTHORITATIVE SOURCES
 ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS. MINISTRY ACTION WAS RESPONSE TO
 INSPECTORATE ACCUSATION OF CORRUPTION REPORTED REFTEL.

2. AMCONSUL DANANG INFORMS US THAT SOURCES THERE INDICATE
 CORRUPTION CHARGES BY INSPECTORATE AGAINST TOAN CONCERN 1967
 INCIDENT INVOLVING ILLEGAL TRANSPORT OF CINNAMON IN ARMY TRUCKS.

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 RESPECTED DR. TRAN DINH NAM, WHO RECENTLY RESIGNED FROM
 INSPECTORATE FOR HEALTH REASONS, TOLD CONSUL GEN. TOAN AND
 EX-PROVINCE CHIEF DR. BUI HOANH HAD EVEN ORGANIZED A LARGE
 MILITARY OPERATION TO CLEAR ROAD FOR CINNAMON EVACUATION.
 (CINNAMON IS COLLECTED BY MONTAGNARDS IN INSECURE MOUN-
 TAINOUS AREAS.)

3. I CORPS COMMANDER LT. GEN. HOANG XUAN LAM, DIRECT
 SUPERIOR AND CLOSE FRIEND OF TOAN, STOUTLY DEFENDED TOAN IN
 CONVERSATION WITH CONSUL. LAM CLAIMED TOAN ONLY LEARNED ABOUT
 CINNAMON BEING TRANSPORTED IN EMPTY TRUCKS AFTER THE FACT,
 AND THAT 200,000 VNS WHICH TOAN ADMITTED TAKING WERE DISTRIBUTED
 TO TROOPS. AS ALLEGED PROOF OF TOAN'S INNOCENCE, LAM SHOWED
 CONSUL A 1967 LETTER IN WHICH TOAN INFORMED LAM AND JGS OF
 INCIDENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF MONEY TO TROOPS. LAM ALSO MENTIONED
 THAT ARMY INVESTIGATION TWO YEARS AGO CLEARED TOAN, AND NOTED
 HE HAS SUBSEQUENTLY BEEN PROMOTED TO BRIG. GEN.

4. DR. NAM, IN CONFIDENCE, TOLD CONSUL ARMY INVESTIGATION WAS
 WHITEWASH AND THAT NORMALLY ARMY FRIENDS COVER UP FOR ONE
 ANOTHER. NAM SAID COMMON PEOPLE IN I CORPS ARE PLEASED THAT
 SENIOR MILITARY OFFICER IS BEING "BROUGHT TO JUSTICE". DR. NAM

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ALSO TOLD CONSUL THAT LAM WENT TO SAIGON LAST WEEK TO DISCUSS
MATTER, PRESUMABLY WITH PRESIDENT THIEU.
5. COMMENT: EXTENT OF GENERAL LAM'S INVOLVEMENT IN THIS
AFFAIR IS DIFFICULT TO ASSESS. ON ASSUMPTION INSPECTORATE WOULD
NOT PRESS CASE OF THIS IMPORTANCE WITHOUT VERY GOOD EVIDENCE,
LAM'S SPIRITED DEFENSE OF TOAN MIGHT BE EXPLAINED IN SEVERAL
WAYS. LAM BEARS RESPONSIBILITY FOR HIS SUBORDINATE'S ACTIONS,
AND MIGHT REGARD ATTACK ON TOAN AS ULTIMATELY DIRECTED AT
HIMSELF, OR HE MIGHT SIMPLY BE DEFENDING OLD AND TRUSTED
SURORDINATE AND FRIEND. BUNKER END QUOTE.
2. PLEASE PROTECT OUR SOURCE AS FOREGOING MSG CARRIES A STATE DEPT.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE PERSONAL FOR
 LTGEN NICKERSON AND RADM BONNER FROM VADM ZUKWALT
 CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

A. COMUSMACV 110640Z JUL 69 (NOTAL)

1. (C) REF A EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO CLOSELY REVIEW THE CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM IN ORDER TO CONSERVE CONSTRUCTION FUNDS NEEDED FOR RVNAF IMPROVEMENT AND MODERNIZATION.

2. (U) THE PLAN TO PROVIDE FOR IMPROVEMENT AND MODERNIZATION OF RVNAF REQUIRES SUPPORTING FACILITIES. THE COST TO PROVIDE THESE FACILITIES EXCEEDS FUNDS PRESENTLY AVAILABLE.

3. (C) ASSISTANT SECDEF (I AND L) SCHEDULED TO BE IN-COUNTRY LATTER PART OF JULY. HE IS EXPECTED BY MACV TO CRITICALLY REVIEW CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF PARA 1.A AND 1.B OF REF A. ADVERSE RESULTS OF REVIEW WILL RESULT IN LOSS OF FUNDS AVAILABILITY. FOLLOWING PROJECTS ARE RECOMMENDED FOR SPECIFIC REVIEW TO ASCERTAIN THAT THEY CANNOT BE STOPPED OR CUT BACK IN SCOPE IMMEDIATELY:

PROJECT	DESCRIPTION
C-212	PHU BAI AIRFIELD IMPROVEMENTS
C-303	FIRST MEDICAL BATTALION HOSPITAL
C-501B	MARINE AIR TERMINAL AT DANANG
C-502	AIRCRAFT HIGH SPEED REFUELERS AT DANANG
C-527	PARALLEL T/W AT MARBLE MOUNTAIN
C-584	MAINTENANCE FACILITIES FOR FIRST MAW

NUMEROUS OTHER PROJECTS PROVIDING FOR ROADS, OPEN STORAGE, PARKING, COVERED STORAGE, COLD STORAGE AND OTHER UTILITIES.

4. (C) YOUR AGGRESSIVE PURSUANCE OF THE POLICY OF REF A IS URGENTLY NEEDED TO CONSERVE CONSTRUCTION FUNDS SO THAT WE CAN ASSURE REALIZATION OF VITAL FACILITIES FOR VNN AND VNMC ENHANCEMENT.

5. (C) YOU ARE PROBABLY WAY AHEAD OF ME BUT I NEED SOME SPECIFICS. THEREFORE, REQUEST ADVISE RESULTS OF YOUR REVIEW BY 20 JUL WITH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SPECIFIC PROJECT MODIFICATIONS/CANCELLATIONS. MY CONSTRUCTION FUNDING REP, CAPT SAUNDERS, WILL VISIT YOU 13-14 JULY WITH LOCAL DETAILS.

6. (U) WARM REGARDS

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 TO GEN BROWN CDR 7th AF TAN SON NHAT
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 VADM ZUMWALT COMNAVPAC SAIGON
 LTJG WICKERSON CG III MAF DANANG
 MG HARRY CDRS USARV LONG BINH

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S E C R E T MAC JCS EYES ONLY

SUBJECT: UNRESOLVED QUESTIONS IN FORCE PLANNING

1. IN CURRENT FORCE PLANNING COMPONENT COMMANDERS MAY HAVE UNRESOLVED QUESTIONS PECULIAR TO THE MACV COMPONENTS AND/OR THEIR PARENT (CINCPAC) COMPONENTS. SUCH QUESTIONS MAY PERTAIN TO CURRENT AND/OR LONG RANGE PLANNING.

2. IT IS REQUESTED THAT COMPONENT COMMANDERS HAVE THEIR PLANNERS (CURRENTLY WORKING WITH MACV PLANNERS) INTRODUCE ALL SUCH QUESTIONS (BOTH CURRENT AND LONG RANGE) INTO THE MACV PLANNING GROUP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOR RESOLUTION. THESE ARE TO INCLUDE ALL SUBJECTS ADDRESSED CONSIDERED NECESSARY FOR ADEQUATE PLANNING ON U.S. FORCES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, CURRENT AND LONG RANGE.

3. FOR GENERAL BROWN - THE FOREGOING SHOULD INCLUDE ALL SUBJECTS DISCUSSED WITH GENERAL BROWN AND ROSSON.

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SSO NOTE: DELIVER DURING DUTY HOURS.

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FM COMNAVFORV

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PERSONAL FOR VADM BAUMBERGER AND LTG NICKERSON FROM ZUMWALT

QUOTE

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FM BG YATES SGM VIETNAM

TO GEN BRONN CDR 7TH AF

VADM ZUMWALT COMNAVFORV SGM VIETNAM

MG MARRY ACTING DCG USARV LB VIETNAM

ZEN/CG CO ROY J-4 SGM VIETNAM

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SECRET MAC 9832 EYES ONLY

SUBJECT: MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM VIETNAM

1. RECENT COMMUNICATIONS FROM JCS AND DOD POSE SOME HARD TO ANSWER QUESTIONS CONCERNING OUR ON-GOING CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM AND THAT PLANNED FOR THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. AS AN EXAMPLE I'M CHARGED WITH ANSWERING THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS BEFORE SECRETARY SHILLITO ASD(I&L) ON 23 JULY.

A. TO WHAT EXTENT HAS CURRENT PROGRAM BEEN CURTAILED TO ELIMINATE ALL BUT MOST CRITICAL OPERATIONAL AND RVNAF MODERNIZATION NEEDS?

B. TO WHAT EXTENT ARE RVNAF MODERNIZATION FACILITY REQUIREMENTS BEING ACCOMMODATED BY REPROGRAMMING OF CURRENTLY HELD RESOURCES?

C. TO WHAT EXTENT CAN RVNAF MODERNIZATION FACILITY REQUIREMENTS BE SATISFIED BY U.S. FACILITIES?

2. THE BIG QUESTION IS WHY WE NEED MORE MONEY AT THIS LATE DATE AND WHY CAN'T WE FUND MORE RVNAF ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS WITH FUNDS PRESENTLY HELD EITHER UNPROGRAMMED, UNOBLIGATED OR PROGRAMED TO ON-GOING CONSTRUCTION. THE APPROACH IS A HARD LINE AND OUR ANSWERS MUST BE ACCURATE AND FULLY JUSTIFIED. DURING THE NEXT FEW DAYS I WILL BE TALKING TO YOUR ENGINEER STAFF ASKING FOR THEIR HELP IN PREPARING OUR ANSWERS. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HELP IN PROVIDING ADVICE THRU THESE OFFICERS. SPECIFICALLY UNDER SCRUTINY ARE THE PRODUCTS SUBMITTED BY THE RECENT "PRIORITY LIST OF MILCON PRODUCTS" SUBMITTED BY COMUSMACV MSGS 30646 DTG 221051Z MAY AND 35769 DTG 171056Z JUNE. YOUR REVIEW OF THOSE PROJECTS TO SEE WHICH ARE SOFT AND CAN BE ELIMINATED OR THOSE THAT CAN BE FUNDED WITH FUNDS NOW HELD WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

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 INFO LTG ZAIS CG XXIV CORPS PHU BAI
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SECRET EYES ONLY ADDRESSEES MAC 9094

1. CJCS, CINCPAC, COMUSMACV WILL VISIT IFFV AND III MAF ON FRIDAY, 18 JULY 1969. EACH WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MINIMUM OF ONE AIDE. THERE WILL ALSO BE ONE MACV ESCORT, MAKING A MINIMUM PARTY OF SEVEN. THERE WILL BE A MINIMUM OF 2 AIRCRAFT.

2. SCHEDULE PROPOSED AS FOLLOWS:

A. DEPART S

IGON 0900.

B. ARRIVE NHA TRANG, GO TO IFFV HEADQUARTERS, AND HAVE

BRIEFING BY IFFV AND DISCUSSION WITH CG IFFV ;

C. DEPART NHA TRANG SO AS TO ARRIVE DANANG NLT 1200 HOURS, IN TIME FOR LUNCH WITH CG, III MAF.

D. LUNCH WITH CG, III MAF AND CG XXIV CORPS.

E. AFTER LUNCH, A COMBINATION III MAF/XXIV CORPS BRIEFING.

F. AFTER BRIEFING, SHORT VISIT WITH GENERAL LAM.

G. DEPART DANANG FOR SAIGON AS SOON AFTER 1530 AS POSSIBLE AND IN ANY EVENT NOT LATER THAN 1600.

3. REQUEST ADDRESSEES COORDINATE AS NECESSARY.

4. CJCS DESIRES NO REPEAT NO PRESS CONFERENCE OR INTERVIEWS.

9. REQUEST CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT OF THIS MESSAGE TOGETHER WITH ANY QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, OR RECOMMENDATIONS.

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 MG WETHERILL CG DMAC CAN THO
 LTG ZAIS CG XXIV CORPS PHU BAI
 INFO AMEMB SAIGON
 MG MABRY ACTG DCG USARV OONG BINH
 VADM ZUMWALT COMNAVFORV SAIGON
 MG JONES VC 7AF
 ZEN/COL TAYLOR CO USAHAC SAIGON
 ZEM

SECRET MAC 9097 EYES ONLY
 SUBJECT: VISIT OF CJCS (S)

REFERENCES: A. MACV DIR 1-5, DATED 26 APR 67 WITH CHANGE 2,
 B. MACV DIR 382-6, DATED 1 DSC 67L ITH CHANGE 1.
 C. MACV DIR 332-13, DATED 14 APR 69.
 D. MACV MESSAGE 40907 DTG 142555Z JUL 69 (S)

C.8. 1. (S) PROVISIONS OF REFERENCES A, B, AND C APPLY TO SUBJECT VISIT .
 BECAUSE OF CURRENT SECURITY CLASSIFICATION OF THIS VISIT
 COORDINATION WITH RVNAF COUNTERPARTS IS TO BE DELAYED TO AS
 LATE AS POSSIBLE, AND THEN ONLY REPEAT ONLY A NEED TO KNOW
 BASIS.

S3 2. (U) LIGHT FIRE TEAM PROTECTION AND ESCORT AIRCRAFT ARE
 REQUIRED FOR AIRMOVES.

93/ade 3. (S) THE FOLLOWING GUIDANCE IS PROVIDED FOR THE PLANNING
 REQUIRED BY REFERENCE 2:

A. AIRCRAFT TRANSPORTING VISITING DIGNITARIES TO A SITE WILL
 REMAIN AT THAT SITE FOR RETURN FLIGHT OR EMERGENCY EVACUATION.

B. EVACUATION PRIORITY IS :

- (1) CJCS.
- (2) CINCPAC.
- (3) COMUSMACV.
- (4) OTHERS.

93 4. (U) REQUEST INFORMATION COPIES OF THE PLANS REQUIRED BY REFERENCE
 2 BE FORWARDED TO REACH THIS HEADQUARTERS, ATTN:
 MACJ15, LT 161030N JUL 69, BY THIS CHANNEL.
 GP-4

SSO NOTE: DELIVER DURING DUTY HOURS
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O 150856Z ZYH ZFF-6 ZFF-3
FM BG BOLLING CS XXIV CORPS PHB
TO MG TOWNSEND CS MACV SGN
INFO BG DOOLEY CS III MAF DNG
ZEM

S E C R E T PHB 1331 EYES ONLY

1. YOUR MESSAGE MAC 9094, DTG 150307Z JUL 69, PERTAINING TO VISIT OF CJCS, CINCPAC, AND COMU MACV, HAS BEEN RECEIVED THIS HEADQUARTERS.
2. ALSO RECEIVED MESSAGE MAC 9097, DTG 150319T JUL 69, WHICH PRESCRIBES SECURITY MEASURES TO BE TAKEN REGARDING THE VISIT AND REQUIRES THE SUBMISSION TO YOUR HEADQUARTERS OF SECURITY PLANS. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT PARTY WILL NOT VISIT XXIV CORPS AO, THIS HEADQUARTERS WILL NOT BE INVOLVED IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SECURITY PLANS UNLESS SUPPORT IS SOLICITED FROM HEADQUARTERS, III MAF.

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3	CG			16 July	NTD	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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 P 151943Z JUL 69
 FM CG FMFPAC
 TO RKNMFA/CG III MAF
 INFO RUMMHA/CG FIRST NAW (P624)
 RUMDCA/CMC
 BT

C O N F I D E N T I A L SPAGAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN NICKERSON,
 INFO MAJGEN THRASH AND MAJGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM LTGEN BUST.

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OPERATIONAL IMPACT OF BUDGET REDUCTIONS (C)

A. COMUSMACV 11135Z/JUL 69 (C)

1. (U) FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING ANTICIPATED
 FY-70 FLIGHT HOUR FUNDING DEFICIENCIES IS PROVIDED AS
 BACKGROUND TO ASSIST YOU IN RESPONDING TO REF A.

2. (C) ON 28 JUNE, COMNAVAIRPAC ADVISED OF THE
 NECESSITY TO LIMIT AIR OPERATIONS BECAUSE OF FUNDING
 LIMITATIONS. THESE LIMITATIONS ARE EXPECTED TO BE
 APPLICABLE TO ALL MAJOR FUNCTIONAL AREAS FINANCED BY
 OMI AND FUNDS. WITH REGARD TO FLIGHT OPERATIONS, WE
 ARE ANTICIPATING A REDUCTION OF ABOUT 20 PERCENT FROM

PAGE TWO RUMHMA2369 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPAGAT WOOD EXCLUSIVE
 FY-69 PERFORMANCE LEVELS. FLIGHT HOUR CONSTRAINTS
 HAVE ALREADY BEEN PLACED ON THIRD NAW, FIRST MARRIC,
 AND, WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF CINCPACFLT, NINTH MAB.
 HOWEVER, FIRST NAW POSES A SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT PROBLEM.
 CONSEQUENTLY, JOHNNIE HYLAND WAS ADVISED THAT
 INASMUCH AS I DO NOT HAVE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF
 FIRST NAW, THE REDUCTION OF FIRST NAW'S FLIGHT HOUR
 PROGRAM BY CG, FMFPAC WOULD NOT BE PROPER SINCE THE
 OPERATIONAL IMPACT WOULD BE SIGNIFICANT, AND THAT,
 OBVIOUSLY, ANY REDUCTION IN FLYING HOURS FOR UNITS
 IN COMBAT SHOULD BE MADE ONLY WITH THE FOREKNOWLEDGE
 OF THE OPERATIONAL COMMANDERS CONCERNED. SUBSE-
 QUENTLY, JOHNNIE ASKED JACK MCCAIN TO DISCUSS THE
 MATTER OF A REDUCTION IN MARINE CORPS SEA FLYING HOURS
 WITH ABRAMS. THE SUBJECT OF THE OPERATIONAL
 IMPACT OF BUDGET REDUCTIONS HAS BEEN NOW ADDRESSED BY CINCPAC
 TO ALL PACOMSERVIVE COMPONENTS AND COMUSMACV.
 3. (C) AN APPROVED FLIGHT HOUR PROGRAM OR FUNDS FOR
 FY-70, HAVE NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED FROM COMNAVAIRPAC.
 HOWEVER, ALL INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE MAGNITUDE OF

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 FLIGHT HOUR REDUCTION FOR FIRST MAW WILL BE IN THE
 NEIGHBORHOOD OF 20 PERCENT FROM FY-69 LEVELS.

A. INFORMATION BASED ON A LOCAL STATISTICAL
 EVALUATION WAS RECENTLY PROVIDED BY THIS HQ TO
 COMNAVAFIPAC AS FOLLOWS IN ASSESSING THE IMPACT OF
 PROPOSED REDUCTIONS:

QUOTE: ASSUMING THE TEMPO OF SEA AIR OPERATIONS
 REMAINS THE SAME AND BASED ON AN ACROSS-THE-BOARD
 19 PERCENT REDUCTION IN WESTPAC FY-69 FLIGHT HOURS,
 THE FOLLOWING SHORTFALLS WILL ACCRUE:

(1) LOSS OF 17,021 FIXED WING ATTACK SORTIES
 DELIVERING 27,249 TONS OF ORDNANCE.

(2) LOSS OF 54,177 HELICOPTER TASKS LIFTING 6,136
 TONS OF CARGO, AND 157,832 PAX.

(3) LOSS OF 10,071 TACTICAL TRANSPORT SUPPORT
 SORTIES CARRYING 35,162 TONS OF CARGO AND 197,813 PAX.
 THE TOTAL EFFECT OF FY-70 FLIGHT HOUR REDUCTION ON
 CURRENT TACTICS AND OPERATIONS CANNOT BE FULLY
 ASSESSED AT THIS TIME; NEVERTHELESS, ANTICIPATED FLIGHT
 HOUR SHORTFALLS WILL BE OF MAJOR SIGNIFICANCE AND

PAGE FOUR RUHHFWA2369 C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT NCEO EXCLUSIVE
 CANNOT BE CONCURRED WITH. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS REQUESTED
 THAT THE MINIMUM BIIPAC FY-70 FUNDING BE PROVIDED AT
 THE FY-69 LEVELS SUBJECT TO FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN
 SEA. UNQUOTE.

B. THE FOREGOING WILL GIVE YOU THE BENEFIT OF ONE
 ASSESSMENT. HOWEVER, IN THIS REGARD, THE DETERMINATION
 OF OPERATIONAL IMPACT MUST BE LEFT FOR YOU TO DECIDE.
 THEREFORE, THERE IS NO NECESSITY TO HOLD TO THE ABOVE
 QUOTED FIGURES IN RESPONDING TO HACV.

4. (U) AN ASSUMED ANNUAL FUNDING PROGRAM FOR O&M, MC
 AND OMC-PROVIDED O&M, N WILL BE PROVIDED BY SEPARATE
 MESSAGE TO ASSIST YOU IN EVALUATING IMPACT IN OTHER
 AREAS OF OPERATIONS. WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED. WARM
 REGARDS.

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 FM ABRAMS COMUSMACV
 TO NICKERSON III MAF
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 EWELL II FFORCEV
 WETHERILL DMAC
 INFO ZUMWALT COMNAFORVO
 JONES 7TH AF
 YABRY USARV
 ZEM

OT O P S E C R E T MAC 9173 EYES ONLY

DURING THE MEETING AND BRIEFING WITH GENERAL
 WHEELER I HOPE THAT IN ADDITION TO WHATEVER ELSE YOU GIVE
 THE CHAIRMAN YOU WILL PROVIDE HIM WITH A PERSPECTIVE OF WHAT
 YOUR OWN TROOPS AND THOSE YOU ADVISE ARE ACTUALLY DOING
 AND WHY. GIVE HIM YOUR VIEW OF HOW ALL THAT IS GOING ON
 FITS TOGETHER TO GET DONE WHAT MUST GET DONE IN YOUR CORPS AREA.

SSO NOTE: DELIVER IMMEDIATELY
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P 101145Z ZFF-1 ZFF-4
 FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV SAIGON
 TO LTG NICKERSON CG III MAF DA NANG
 ZEM

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SUBJECT: 1970 GUIDELINES U

REFERENCES A. CG (II MAF MESSAGE DTG 291436Z MAY 69 (C).

B. DISCUSSION BETWEEN GEN ROSSON AND LTG NICKERSON,
 10 JUL 69.

C. COMUSMACV MESSAGE 36080 DTG 190140Z JUN 69. (C).

D. CG III MAF MESSAGE DTG 041419Z JUL 69 (C).

1. (U THIS IS IN REPLY TO REFERENCE A.

2. (C) MACV IS IN GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH THE BASIC THRUST OF THE THUA THIEN PLAN TO INCLUDE THE POSSIBLE ADJUSTMENT OF ADVISORY AND PROGRAM EFFORTS TO COINCIDE WITH THE PROSPECT OF A BASIC CHANGE IN THE SITUATION IN THE PROVINCE.

3. (C) ALTHOUGH MACV HAS THE COPY OF THE THUA THIEN PLAN FORWARDED FROM COLONE L BOWEN TO AMBASSADOR COLBY, DETAILED COMMENTS FROM III MAF ARE NEEDED.

4. (C) THE FOLLOWING ARE SOME POTENTIAL PROBLEM AREAS WHICH MAY REPRESENT ULTIMATE LIMITATIONS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN, AND UPON WHICH COMMENTS ARE REQUESTED:

A. ON 26 MAY 1969 THE AREA SECURITY PRINCIPLES REFERRED TO IN THE THUA THIEN PLAN WERE PROMULGATED AS MACV POLICY IN THE FORM OF THE MACV STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES PLAN. MACV IS CONSULTING WITH CPDC AND JGS WITH THE AIM OF INCORPORATING THE AREA SECURITY CONCEPT WITH THE 1970 PACIFICATION PLAN AND AB 145. UNTIL SOME DECISIONS COME OUT OF THESE CONSULTATIONS, THE THUA THIEN INITIATIVES SHOULD NOT GO OUTSIDE OF THE GUIDELINES OF THE AREA SECURITY PRINCIPLES; HOWEVER, THERE IS NO REPEAT NO REQUIREMENT THAT ALL ASPECTS OF THE PRINCIPLE BE RIGIDLY APPLIED.

DO NOT REPEAT NOT LET ANY OF OUR PEOPLE GET SET IN CONCRETE ON THIS

B. THUA THIEN PROPOSALS WHICH RUN CONTRARY TO THE GVN CONSTITUTION AND RELEVANT LAW ARE TO BE AVOIDED. SPECIFICALLY, ELECTION OF DISTRICT CHIEFS IS NOT REPEAT NOT PROVIDED FOR IN THE GVN CONSTITUTION DELEGATION OF ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES TO DISTRICTS, WHICH ARE NOT POLITICAL ENTITIES, NEED TO BE CAREFULLY RESEARCHED TO ENSURE AGREEMENT WITH

C. IT SHOULD BE ASSUMED THAT THE THUA THIEN PLAN WILL BE IMPLEMENTED ONLY WITH CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED ASSETS. THERE APPEARS TO BE LITTLE LIKELIHOOD THAT ADDITIONAL POLICE FORCES ABOVE THE CURRENT AUTHORIZATION WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM NATIONAL RESOURCES IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. THE CURRENT NATIONAL PLAN TO SHIFT PERSONNEL FROM RVNAF TO NATIONAL POLICE WILL BRING EXISTING POLICE ELEMENTS ONLY UP TO AUTHORIZED STRENGTH. LIKEWISE, THE RESTRUCTURING OF THE DISTRICT ADVISORY TEAM PROPOSED BY THE PLAN REQUIRES FURTHER STUDY.

D. THE THUA THIEN PLAN ASSIGNS THE OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY IN TARGET DISTRICTS TO THE NPFF AS A REPLACEMENT FOR THE RF. EMPLOYMENT IN THIS MANNER IS IN CONFLICT WITH CURRENT ROLES AND MISSIONS OF THE NPFF. THE NEED TO EMPLOY NPFF IN RF ROLES IN THESE AREAS NEEDS FURTHER EXAMINATION. SUCH ACTION COULD RESULT IN EXCESSIVE THINNING OF RF IN THE TARGET DISTRICTS.

3. GVN INITIATIVE IS A PREREQUISITE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL PROPOSALS EXCEPT THE RESTRUCTURING OF DISTRICT ADVISORY TEAMS. NOTHING AS YET HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM GVN BY MACV. JGS REPORTS ON THIS ARE ALSO NEGATIVE. ACCORDINGLY, YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS TO GENERAL LAM TO FORWARD HIS COMMENTS AND REQUESTS TO THE CPDC FOR ANY SPECIAL SUPPORT NEEDED IS MOST APPROPRIATE FOR GETTING THIS OPERATION MOVING. ONCE CPDC ACTS THERE SHOULD BE SPECIFIC VIETNAMESE IDEAS TO WHICH MACV CAN READILY GIVE SUPPORT.

6. MACV INTERPOSES NO OBJECTIONS, EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THE FOREGOING TO YOUR WORKING WITH GVN COUNTERPARTS TO OBTAIN APPROVAL FOR IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE THUA THIEN PLAN. THE MACV STAFF IS PREPARED TO WORK CLOSELY WITH JGS AND GVN COUNTERPARTS ON THE DISTRICT COMMANDER'S REQUEST WHEN IT IS RECEIVED BY THEM.

NOTE: DELIVER DURING DUTY HOURS

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 FM SSO MACV
 TO SSO IFFV
 COMNAVFORV
 AFSSO 7AF
 CG III MAF
 R 170416Z ZFF-6 ZFF-3
 FM ADM MCCAIN CINCPAC
 TO GEN BESSON JLRB WASH
 INFO GEN WHEELER CJCS
 ZEN/GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV
 LT GEN HUTCHIN ADMIN CINCPAC
 ZEM

C O N F I D E N T I A L MAC 9213 EYES ONLY
 GOLF 4 FOR ADMIN CINCPAC
 REF A. JLRB 151445Z JUL 69

1. REF A REQUESTED THE JLRB BE FURNISHED WITH SPECIFIC PROBLEMS AND ISSUES ON SUPPORT TO PACOM FREE WORLD FORCES AND NATION BUILDING IN RVN.
2. DURING GEN MCLAUGHLIN'S RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH YOU IN WASHINGTON, HE INDICATED THAT SPECIFIC PROBLEM AREAS CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE FOR JLRB REVIEW WOULD BE FORWARDED IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE. INCLUDED IN THIS SUBMISSION WILL BE PROBLEMS AND ISSUES ON SUPPORT TO PACOM FREE WORLD FORCES AND NATION BUILDING IN RVN. I ANTICIPATE THIS SUBMISSION SHOULD REACH YOU ON OR ABOUT 26 JULY. UPON RECEIPT OF THE ABOVE AND OTHER INPUTS FROM THE SERVICES AND COMUSMACV, I WILL BE HAPPY TO HOST YOUR FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACTION TEAM FOR DETAILED DISCUSSIONS AT CINCPAC WHEN YOU DEEM SUCH A VISIT APPROPRIATE.
3. WARM REGARDS.

SSO NOTE: IFFV FOR MG MABRY, COMNAVFORV FOR VADM ZUMWALT
 7AF FOR MG JONES, III MAF FOR LTG NICKERSON PER C/S MACV
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 INFO RUHGSF/COMSEVENTHFLT
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 RUMWGA/COMNAVPHIL
 RUMUGKD/COMNAVFORV
 RUADLBA/COMNAVFORJAPAN
 RUMFZFF/COMCARDIV FIVE
 RHMAFA/CG III MAF
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
 FOR ADMIRAL HYLAND, INFO VICE ADMIRAL BRINGLE, VICE ADMIRAL
 ZUMWALT, VICE ADMIRAL WEISNER, LIEUTENANT GENERAL NICKERSON,
 REAR ADMIRALS KAUFFMAN, SMITH AND COLE FROM MOORER.

1. (C) IT APPEARS THAT MY SCHEDULE IS SHAPING UP SO THAT I CAN GET AWAY FOR ABOUT A TEN DAY VISIT TO WESTPAC AND AM TENTATIVELY THINKING IN TERMS OF THE ITINERARY OUTLINED BELOW FROM 25 AUGUST TO 4 SEPTEMBER.
2. (C) MY PRIMARY OBJECTIVE IS TO VISIT FLEET AND SHORE

PAGE TWO RUENAAA1433 C O N F I D E N T I A L
 ACTIVITIES AND DISCUSS LOCAL PROBLEMS WITH NAVY PERSONNEL.
 REQUEST MINIMUM SOCIAL ACTIVITIES CONSISTENT WITH PROTOCOL.
 3. (C) WOULD APPRECIATE A DETAILED SCHEDULE AND ANY COMMENTS YOU MIGHT HAVE ON THE BELOW ITINERARY: (ALL TIMES LOCAL)

ETA	PLACE	ETD
ORIG	ANDREWS AFB	251110
251535	HICKAM AFB	260900
271230	ANDERSEN AFB	271600
271845	SANGLEY PT	281100
281130	CUBI PT	281400
281615	SAIGON	300830
301230	DANANG	310850
310930	TF 77	020850
020930	DANANG	020945
021545	ATSUGI	040900
032140	ELMENDORF AFB	032340
041110	ANDREWS AFB	TERM

TRAVEL BY LOCAL AIR TRANSPORTATION AFTER ARRIVAL IN SAIGON AND WOULD DEPART DANANG ON 2 SEPTEMBER BY

PAGE THREE RUENAAA1433 C O N F I D E N T I A L
 VC-135. ALL OTHER TRAVEL BY VC-135.

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 TO RUEBHOA/CMC
 INFO RHMAFA/CG III MAF
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T O P S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR GEN CHAPMAN INFO
 LTGEN NICKERSON FROM LTGEN BUSE. MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY.
 DELIVER DURING WORKING HOURS ONLY
 PROV MAG-39, PROGRAM SIX SPACES (U)
 A. CG III MAF 190502Z/JUL69 (TS)
 B. USMC DEPLOYMENT OF FORCES PROGRAM LISTING FOR
 SEASIA OF 22JUN69 (S)
 C. CG FMFPAC LTR SER: 001614 OF 2APR69 (S)
 1. (S) REF (A) CITED PROBLEMS ATTENDANT TO PROV MAG
 39 BEING INCLUDED IN THE REVISED PROGRAM SIX TROOP
 LIST FOR RVN, AS REFLECTED IN REF (B), AND REQUESTED
 APPROPRIATE ACTION TO DELETE PROV MAG 39 FROM THE
 APPROVED TROOP LIST AND REASSIGN THE PROGRAM SIX SPACES
 AUTH TO OTHER FRN'S.
 2. (S) PROV MAG 39 WAS AUTH AS A TEMPORARY UNIT TO BE

PAGE 2 RUHFMA3335 T O P S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO
 SUPPORTED BY A DRAW DOWN ON 1ST MAW MANNING LEVEL
 AUTHORIZATIONS. ADDITIONALLY, RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
 MODIFICATION OF THE PREVIOUS DOD PROGRAM SIX TROOP
 LIST FOR RVN, AS CONTAINED IN REF (C), SUPPORTED THIS
 POSITION BY NOT RECOMMENDING THAT PROV MAG 39 BE INCLUDED
 AS A DOD AUTH UNIT OR BE AUTH ANY PROGRAM SIX SPACES.
 3. (S) I SHARE NICK'S CONCERN OVER THE POSSIBILITY
 THAT REDEPLOYING PROV MAG 39 TO OKINAWA AND SUBSEQUENTLY
 DISBANDING IT TO FORM 1ST MAW HQ (REAR) COULD RESULT IN
 LOSS OF THE SPACES INVOLVED. FURTHER, I FEEL THAT WE
 SHOULD AVOID, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, THE NECESSITY FOR
 MODIFICATION OF NICK'S PLANNING FOR FORMATION OF A 1ST
 MAW HQ (REAR), WHICH IS CURRENTLY INCORPORATED IN MACV
 FORCE REDUCTION PLANNING FOR A SECOND REDEPLOYMENT
 INCREMENT.
 4. (S) TO FACILITATE RESOLUTION OF THIS PROBLEM IN THE
 SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME AND TO REDUCE TO A MINIMUM THE
 LIKELIHOOD OF MACV ATTEMPTING TO USE THE SPACES CON-
 CERNED TO MEET OTHER THAN MARINE REQUIREMENTS (AS OCCUR-
 RED IN CONNECTION WITH REDEPLOYMENT OF 2D LAAM BN), I

PAGE 3 RUHFMA3335 T O P S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO
 BELIEVE IT ADVANTAGEOUS TO START REQUIRED ACTION AT THE
 TOP RATHER THAN IN THE MIDDLE. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RE-
 REQUESTED THAT HQMC INITIATE, ON AN EXPEDITE BASIS, AN
 APPROPRIATE DEPLOYMENT ADJUSTMENT NOTIFICATION TO IM-
 PLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN PAR 2 OF REF
 (A). WARM REGARDS.

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 4. (C) FOR SAIGON VISITS DESIRE CALLS ON GENERAL
 ABRAMS, AMBASSADOR BUNKER AND APPROPRIATE RVN OFFICIALS.
 ALSO WOULD LIKE TO VISIT CAM RANH BAY ENROUTE DANANG.
 FOR JAPAN PORTION DESIRE CALLS ON AMBASSADOR MEYER,
 ADMIRAL ITAYA AND ADMIRAL UCHIDA IF POSSIBLE.
 5. (C) I WILL HAVE A PARTY OF ABOUT EIGHT. WOULD
 WELCOME CINCPACFLT REPRESENTATIVE IF YOU DESIRE TO
 SEND ONE ALONG. CARRIE WILL NOT ACCOMPANY ME.
 6. (U) LOOKING FORWARD WITH PLEASURE TO VISITING
 WITH YOU ALL. WARM REGARDS. MOORER

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 LTG NICKERSON CG III MAF
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 LTG ZAIS CG XXIV CORPS
 LTG CORCORAN CG I FFV
 LTG EWELL CG II KPV
 MG WETHERILL CG DMAC IV CTZ

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SUBJECT: JULY COMMANDERS' WIEU (U)

1. (C) A COMMANDERS' WIEU WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, 26
 JULY 1969 AT 0900 HOURS.

2. (C) COMUSMACV REQUESTS THAT THE DEPCORDS OF THE CTZ'S
 ALSO ATTEND THE WIEU. GP -4.

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 FM LTG ZAIS CG XXIV CORPS
 TO LTG WICKERSON CG III MAF
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1. I AM SENDING YOU A MESSAGE THROUGH NORMAL ELECTRICAL CHANNELS SOLICITING YOUR ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING, PROBABLY ON AN INFORMAL BASIS, FOR THE SHIPMENT BY LIST OF SOME 232 POWER TILLERS FOR THUA THIEN PROVINCE.
2. THERE IS BACKGROUND TO THIS REQUEST WHICH CANNOT APPROPRIATELY BE MENTIONED IN THE FRONT CHANNEL MESSAGE. COLONEL THAN HAS SHOWN GREAT INITIATIVE IN ARRANGING FOR THE 39 MILLION PIASTERS REQUIRED FOR THE PURCHASE. HIS PEOPLE HAVE UNDERTAKEN A SERIES OF TRIPS TO SAI-GON AND NOW HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE THE BUY IN JAPAN. IF WE CAN ASSIST IN THE TRANSPORTATION OF THESE TRACTORS FROM JAPAN TO THE LST RAMP AT IAN BY THE SAVINGS TO THUA THIEN PROVINCE WILL BE APPROXIMATELY 1.5 MILLION PIASTERS -- WHICH CAN BE POURED BACK INTO THE PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL FARM MACHINERY.
3. MY STAFF HAS BEEN EXPLORING POSSIBLE WAYS OF SHIPPING THESE TRACTORS WITH U.S. RESOURCES. THE SHIPMENT OF THE ORIGINAL SIX (ON HAND SINCE EARLY THIS YEAR) WAS MADE BY THE AIR FORCE, BUT IT IS APPARENT THAT SUCH A LARGE SHIPMENT AS THIS CANNOT BE ACCOMPLISHED BY AIR. OUR TRANSPORTATION PEOPLE INFORM ME THAT THERE ARE OCCASIONAL LST RUNS BETWEEN JAPAN AND RVN, AND IT STRIKES ME THAT THE US NAVY COULD MAKE A SIGNIFICANT CIVIC ACTION CONTRIBUTION IF IT WERE TO DEDICATE ONE HALF OF AN LST LOAD FOR THIS PROJECT -- EITHER IN INCREMENTS OR AS A BULK SHIPMENT.
4. WE DO NOT PROPOSE TO MOVE ANY FURTHER ON THIS PROJECT WITHOUT YOUR APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT WAS MENTIONED TO MR. FIRFER WHEN HE VISITED HERE ON 22 JULY, AND IF YOU SUPPORT THE IDEA, WE SHALL CONTINUE TO EXPLORE WAYS OF CONTACTING THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE THE DECISIONS REGARDING SHIPMENTS OF THIS NATURE.
5. TO ASSURE THAT YOU ARE APPRISED OF ALL THE BACKGROUND, I HAVE ASKED MY G-5, COLONEL PROCTOR, TO CONTACT YOUR G-5. THERE IS A DEGREE OF URGENCY TO THIS PROJECT, BECAUSE COLONEL THAN IS ANXIOUS TO EMPLOY THIS EQUIPMENT DURING FALL PLANTING. I BELIEVE THAT HIS INITIATIVE IS WORTH SUPPORTING IF SUCH SUPPORT CAN BE ARRANGED EITHER ON A FORMAL OR AN INFORMAL BASIS. COLONEL THAN IS SEEKING DELIVERY PRIOR TO 1 NOVEMBER.

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 INFO LTG MILDREN DCGUSARV LONG BINH VIETNAM
 ZEM

TOP SECRET MAC 9547 EYES ONLY

SUBJECT: NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT (U)

1. (TS) I HAVE BEEN QUERIED BY HIGHER AUTHORITY AS TO THE VALUE OF NAVAL SHORE BOMBARDMENT OF TARGETS IN SVN.
 2. (C) YOUR SPECIFIC COMMENTS ON THE NEED FOR AN EFFECTIVENESS OF NGFS ARE REQUESTED ON A PRIORITY BASIS, FOR INCORPORATION INTO A RESPONSE TO THIS REQUEST.
 3. (U) YOUR RESPONSES ARE REQUESTED NLT 261200H JULY.
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 TO GEN ABRAMS, COMUSMACV
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 LTG EWELL, CG II FFORCEV
 MG WETHERILL, CG DMAC
 LTG MILDREN, DCG USARV
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 NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT (U)

1. (TS) VALUE OF NGFS VARIES AMONG THE FOUR CTZ'S. I AND II CTZ ARE BORDERED BY RELATIVELY DEEP WATER ALONG THE COAST PERMITTING NGFS COVERAGE OUT TO NEAR MAXIMUM GUN RANGES. III AND IV CTZ ARE GENERALLY BORDERED BY SHALLOW WATER WHICH LIMITS BOTH EFFECTIVE RANGES AND TARGET AREAS. HOWEVER, IN ALL NAVIGABLE AREAS NGFS REPRESENTS A FLEXIBLE MOBILE CAPABILITY WITH LONG STAY TIME AND IS THUS PARTICULARLY VALUABLE IN APPLYING FORCE TO TARGETS INACCESSIBLE TO ARTILLERY. I DEFER TO INFO ADDEES FOR EFFECTIVENESS EVALUATIONS IN THEIR AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY.
2. (TS) NGFS HAS FREQUENTLY PLAYED A VITAL ROLE IN THE PROTECTION OF SHIPPING TRANSITING THE RSSZ. PRIOR TO ACQUISITION OF THE VNMC ARTILLERY, IT REPRESENTED THE ONLY SURFACE SUPPORTING ARM AVAILABLE. CURRENTLY, NGFS IS COMPLEMENTING OTHER SUPPORTING ARMS IN OUR INCREASED COMBINED EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE SHIPPING ATTACKS. AS PART OF THE VIETNAMIZATION OF THE WAR EFFORT, CONTINUED AVAILABILITY OF NGFS REPRESENTS ONE MEANS OF PROVIDING SUPPORT TO THE RVNAF AT A RELATIVELY LOW INVESTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND ZERO INCREASE IN IN-COUNTRY SPACES. ADDITIONALLY, NGFS REPRESENTS A SURGE CAPABILITY OF CONCENTRATED FIREPOWER TO REACT TO ANY INCREASED ENEMY ACTIVITY ALONG OR NEAR THE SVN COAST, ESPECIALLY AT THE DMZ.

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

FOR RADM ANDERSON AND LTGEN NICKERSON INFO VADM BAUMBERGER,
 VADM WISNER, RADM FREEMAN AND RADM RUDDEN, FROM BRINGLE

A. COMCRUDESFLT ELEVEN 241634Z JUL 69

1. CONCUR WITH THE ADVANCE VISIT DISCUSSED IN REF A. BASED ON
 THE PRESENT SCHEDULE THE FOLLOWING ROUGH ITINERARY IS PORPOSED:

TIME	PLACE
19-22 AUG	SUBIC BAY - VISIT CTG 77 AND NAVCOMSTA SYIL
23-24 AUG	SUBIC BAY - VISIT CTG 70.8 AND ST. PAUL
25 AUG	VISIT III MAF; THEN PROCEED TO YS TO RON
26 AUG	VISIT CTG 77.0; THEN TO OKLAHOMA CITY FOR BRIEFING

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26 OR 27 AUG RETURN TO SUBIC

2. OKLAHOMA CITY IS SLATED TO ARRIV ON SPECOPS ON 26 AUG. LOOK
 FORWARD TO YOU VISITING WITH US ON YS. WE WILL LAY ON THE REST OF
 THE TRANSPORTATION WHEN YOUR ITINERARY BECOMES FIRM. PLEASE ADVISE
 IF WE CAN BE OF ANY ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE.

3. FOR LTGEN NICKERSON: REQUEST ADVISE IF VISIT BY COMCRUDESFLT
 ELEVEN WILL BE CONVENIENT WITHIN TIME FRAME CITED.

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 FM LTG ZAIS CG XXIV CORPS
 TO LTG NICKERSON CG III MAF
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S E C R E T PHB 1421 EYES ONLY
 SUBJECT: VISIT OF COMUSMACV TO XXIV CORPS HEADQUARTERS
 REF: A. COMUSMACV 32267, DTG 30110 Z MAY 69 (PASEP).

B. III MAF MSG, DTG 240550Z JULY 69.

1. IN COMPLIANCE WITH REFERENCED MESSAGES, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED:

A. COMUSMACV EXPRESSED, THROUGHOUT HIS VISIT, AN INTEREST IN THE VCI. HE WAS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN CASES WHERE VCI WERE BEING REPORTED EITHER BY AGENTS OR BY CITIZENS WITHIN HAMLETS AND VILLAGES. HE INDICATED THAT EVERY EFFORT MUST BE MADE TO DENY THE OPPORTUNITY OF NVA POLITICAL ORGANIZERS OR VC TO CONTACT LOCAL CIVILIANS WITH POLITICAL PROPAGANDA.

B. COMUSMACV MADE REFERENCE TO THE ROAD LEADING FROM QUANG TRI TO GIA DANG RESETTLEMENT PROJECT AND EXPRESSED HIS SUPPORT FOR ON-GOING EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE ROAD SYSTEM THROUGHOUT THE CORPS AREA AS A STIMULUS FOR THE ECONOMY.

C. GENERAL ABRAMS ALSO PLACED EMPHASIS ON THE REQUIREMENT FOR EVALUATION BY COMMANDERS OF THE SENSOR PROGRAM, INDICATING THAT CONSIDERABLE MONEY HAD BEEN DEVOTED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS SYSTEM. HE DIRECTED THAT A DILIGENT EFFORT BE MADE TO DETERMINE WHETHER IT IS PRODUCING RESULTS FOR UNITS IN THE FIELD.

D. WHILE AT FSB CURRAHEE, GENERAL ABRAMS SPECIFICALLY ASKED WHETHER THE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION WAS RECEIVING ADEQUATE SUPPORT IN B-52 STRIKES. HE INDICATED THAT HE WAS SATISFIED WITH THE INTELLIGENCE THAT HAD BEEN DEVELOPED AND EMPHASIZED THE REQUIREMENT TO "DUMP BOMBS ON ENEMY LOCATIONS".

E. (ALONG SIMILAR LINES, COMUSMACV DISCUSSED THE NEED TO BRING RVNAF INTO THE ARC LIGHT PICTURE. HE MADE REFERENCE TO BEN HET, INDICATING THAT AN ARVN CAPABILITY TO REQUEST ARC LIGHTS DURING THE SIEGE OF THAT INSTALLATION WOULD HAVE MADE THE PROBLEM EASIER TO RESOLVE. HE STATED THAT HE INTENDED TO DEVELOP PROCEDURES WHEREBY RVNAF WOULD RECEIVE B-52 SUPPORT IN THE FUTURE.

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F. DURING THE FLIGHT TO THE HUE CITADEL, GENERAL ABRAMS DISCUSSED THE NEED FOR US FORCES TO RECOGNIZE THAT THEIR PRIMARY ROLE IS THE PROTECTION OF THE POPULACE AND THAT ALL OF OUR ACTIONS, WHEREVER THEY TAKE PLACE, ARE DESIGNED TO ACCOMPLISH THIS MISSION. HE STATED THAT HE WANTS MILITARY COMMANDERS TO DESCRIBE THEIR ACTIVITIES ALONG THIS GENERAL LINE, WITH EACH ACTIVITY BEING RELATED TO THE REQUIREMENT TO PACIFY THE COUNTRYSIDE.

G. IN DISCUSSIONS NEAR THE END OF THE VISIT, COMUSMACV EMPHASIZED THE REQUIREMENT FOR A COMBINED EFFORT, TO INCLUDE THE EFFECTIVE USE OF RF, PF, POLICE, AND ARVN -- ALL WORKING TOGETHER TOWARD A COMMON GOAL. RESPONDING TO GENERAL LAM'S STATEMENT THAT IT IS DIFFICULT TO HAVE ALL AT THE SAME TIME, GENERAL ABRAMS INDICATED THAT THIS SHOULD BE A GOAL FOR WHICH WE AIM.

2. I HAVE INITIATED ACTION TO ASSURE THAT EACH OF THE AFOREMENTIONED EXPRESSIONS OF POLICY ARE BEING ADDRESSED AT BOTH COMMAND AND STAFF LEVEL, AND I PROPOSE TO MEET WITH ALL OF THE COMMANDERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SPECIFIC GUIDANCE REGARDING THE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL ABRAMS.

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

FOR VICE ADM BRINGLE INFO VICE ADM BAUMBERGER, VADM WEISNER, LT.
 GEN. NICKERSON, RADM FREEMAN, RADM RUDDEN FROM ANDERSON
 RELIEF OF COMCRUDESGRUSEVENTHFLT (U)

A. COMFIRSTFLT 112046Z JUL 69 NOTAL

1. REF A PROGRAMS ORIGINATORS STAFF TRANSIT TO WESTERN PACIFIC IN
 LONG BEACH CGN9 ARRIVING SUBIC 27 AUGUST. THROUGH COORDINATION
 WITH RADM RUDDEN, ARRANGEMENTS ARE IN PROGRESS FOR ADVANCE PARTY
 OF CERTAIN KEY STAFF OFFICERS TO ACHIEVE EARLY UPDATE IN SEVENTH
 FLEET OPERATIONS AND EFFECT AN ORDERLY RELIEF OF COMCRUDESGRU
 SEVENTH FLT.

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2. IN ADDITION TO FOREGOING PROGRAM, IT WILL BE MOST BENEFICIAL FOR
 ME TO ENGAGE IN DISCUSSIONS/BRIEFINGS IN CURRENT SEVENTH FLEET
 OPS/POLICIES WITH PRINCIPAL COMMANDERS PRELIMINARY TO RELIEF OF
 COMCRUDESGRU SEVENTH FLT. TO THIS END, PROPOSE AN ITINERARY IN
 PERIOD 19-27 AUGUST VISITING CTG 77, CTG 77.0, CG 3RD MAF, COMSEVEN-
 THFLT AND NAVCOMSTA PHIL TERMINATING WITH CTG 70.8. IN THIS CONNECT-
 ION, ARRANGEMENTS ARE IN PROGRESS FOR FULL SUIT OF BRIEFINGS AT
 CINCPACFLT DURING LONG BEACH IN PORT PERIOD PEARL.

3. DESIRE YOUR CONCURRENCE IN PROPOSED VISITS AND REQUEST DATE
 APPROPRIATE FOR VISIT WITH YOU IN SOUTH CHINA SEAS AREA. MY
 RESPECTS AND WARM REGARDS.

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SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTG NICKERSON

SUBJ: CONTINUED IMPROVEMENT OF RVNAF LOGISTICS SYSTEM

A. NY 280836Z JUL 69(C)

1. THE IMPACT OF CURRENT AND POTENTIAL WITHDRAWAL OF US UNITS FROM NICTZ AND RESULTING ESTIMATES AND PLANS CLEARLY POINTED UP THE NEED TO IMPROVE THE RVNAF LOGISTICS SYSTEM TO ASSUME INCREASED RESPONSIBILITY AND EVENTUALLY TO BECOME SELF-SUFFICIENT. OUR CONCEPT FOR THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THE XXIV CORPS TASKS OF ACCELERATED PACIFICATION AND COMBAT OPERATIONS WITH REDUCED US FORCES HAS AS AN OBJECTIVE THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE RVNAF LOGISTIC SYSTEM.

2. YOU WILL RECALL THAT A COMBINED LOGISTICS OFFENSIVE PLAN DEVELOPED BY MACV STAFF IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE RVNAF JGS WAS DISCUSSED AT THE RECENT COMUSMACV COMMANDERS CONFERENCE. THIS

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PLAN ALSO HAS AN OBJECTIVE THE IMPROVEMENT OF RVNAF LOGISTIC OPERATIONS.

3. PRIOR TO RELEASE OF THE REFERENCED MESSAGE I DISCUSSED THE CONTENTS WITH THE CG 1ST ARVN DIVISION. GENERAL TRUONG AGREED WITH THE MESSAGE BUT EXPRESSED ONE PRIMARY AREA OF CONCERN IN ATTAINING THE OBJECTIVE OF A SELF-SUFFICIENT RVNAF LOGISTIC SYSTEM IN NICTZ. THIS AREA OF CONCERN CENTERS AROUND THE SLOW RESPONSE OF THE I CORPS AREA LOGISTICS COMMAND TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE 1ST ARVN DIVISION AND THUA THIEN AND QUANG TRI PROVINCE FORCES.

4. THIS CONCERN RESULTED IN MY GUIDANCE TO US COMMANDERS THAT THE IMPROVEMENT MUST BE A GRADUAL DEVELOPMENT AND MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED WITH THE COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING THAT OPERATIONS MUST NOT SUFFER FOR LACK OF LOGISTICAL SUPPORT TO RVNAF UNITS, BUT AT THE SAME TIME THE RVNAF SYSTEM SHOULD BE USED WITHIN ITS CAPABILITY.

5. YOUR ASSISTANCE IN IMPROVING THE RESPONSIVENESS OF I CORPS AREA LOGISTIC COMMAND TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE 1ST ARVN DIVISION AND THE TWO NORTHERN PROVINCES IS THEREBY SOLICITED.

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SUBJ: CONTINUED IMPROVEMENT OF RVNAF LOGISTICS SYSTEM (U)

A. MACV DIRECTIVE 701-1C

1. (C) A REVIEW OF LOGISTIC SUPPORT OPERATIONS OF RVNAF UNITS IN NICTZ REVEALS MUCH PROGRESS AND THAT THE RVNAF LOGISTIC SYSTEM IS BECOMING MORE AND MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF RVNAF FORCES; HOWEVER, THERE IS STILL A CONSIDERABLE DEPENDENCE ON THE US LOGISTICS SYSTEM, TO PREPARE FOR THE TIME WHEN THE RVNAF LOGISTIC SYSTEM WILL ASSUME THE ENTIRE RESPONSIBILITY. RVNAF MUST PARTICIPATE FULLY WITHIN CAPABILITY, IN ALL TYPES

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OF LOGISTIC SUPPORT OPERATIONS. THE ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE IS ONE OF MAKING THE RVNAF LOGISTIC SYSTEM A SELF-SUFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE OPERATION.

2. (C) TO ACCOMPLISH THIS OBJECTIVE:

A. US COMMANDERS AND STAFFS AT ALL LEVELS MUST BE KNOWLEDGEABLE OF THE ORGANIZATION, FUNCTION, AND LIMITATIONS AND CAPABILITIES OF THE RVNAF LOGISTICS SYSTEM.

B. PRIOR TO EMPARKING ON A COMBINED OPERATION, THE US UNIT COMMANDER MUST INSURE THAT THE OPERATION PLAN IS COMPLEMENTED BY AND ADEQUATE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT PLAN THAT UTILIZES ALL ASPECTS OF RVNAF LOGISTICS SUPPORT TO FULL CAPABILITY IN SUPPORT OF RVNAF FORCES.

C. THE IMPROVEMENTS MUST BE GRADUAL DEVELOPMENT AND MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED WITH THE COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING THAT COMBAT OPERATIONS MUST NOT SUFFER FOR LACK OF LOGISTICAL SUPPORT TO RVNAF UNITS, AS A PRACTICAL MEASURE. THE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT PLAN DEVELOPMENT FOR EACH COMBINED OPERATION MUST CONTAIN PROVISIONS FOR RESUPPLYING RVNAF FROM US LOGISTICAL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES UNDER TACTICAL EMERGENCY CONDITIONS.

D. US COMMANDERS AND STAFFS FROM WHOM SUPPLIES ARE REQUESTED BY

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RVNAF SHOULD CONSULT WITH THE US ADVISOR TO THE RVNAF UNIT. US ADVISORS HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED NOT TO PROVIDE NOR SEEK US LOGISTIC SUPPORT UNTIL THE RVNAF HAS EXHAUSTED RVNAF LOGISTIC SOURCES.

3. (U) IN ORDER TO CONTINUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE BALANCED RESPONSIVE LOGISTIC SYSTEM WITHIN RVNAF YOUR AID IS SOLICITED IN HELPING TO MAKE RVNAF SELF-SUSTAINING AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE.

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SECRET SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN. NICKERSON FROM MAJGEN
SIMPSON

REPORT OF INCIDENT INVOLVING NPFF (S)

1. (S) I HAVE JUST LEARNED AND ACTED ON A MOST REGRETTABLE INCIDENT INVOLVING A DETACHMENT OF NATIONAL POLICE FIELD FORCES.

2. (S) AS YOU KNOW BLT 1/26 IS TEMPORARILY ASHORE AND OPERATING IN THE DIVISION TAOR UNDER OPCON OF 1ST MARINES. BECAUSE OF HIGH CIVILIAN POPULATION DENSITY OPERATIONS WITH NPFFS ARE ALMOST A DAILY OCCURRENCE. THESE NORMALLY TAKE THE FORM OF SMALL CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATIONS BASED ON A VARIETY OF INTELLIGENCE INCLUDING PHOENIX. NORMAL PROCEDURE IS FOR USMC TO PROVIDE THE CORDON AND NPFF TO DO THE SEARCH. THESE HAVE BEEN REASONABLY SUCCESSFUL AND HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED WITH INCREASING FREQUENCY IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS AND WITH FEW DIFFICULTIES AS FAR AS USMC VS PFS ARE CONCERNED. THEY ARE VITAL TO OUR PACIFICATION EFFORTS SINCE INDEED THEY WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT NPFFS.

3. (S) ONE SUCH OPERATION WAS SCHEDULED FOR 23-25 JULY BY 1ST MARINES. USMC UNIT WAS BLT 1/26. NPFF WERE BILLETED AT CP 1/26.

OPERATION WAS CONDUCTED WITHOUT DIFFICULTY HOWEVER PERSONNEL OF 1/26 CONDUCTED A COMPLETE "SHAKE DOWN" OF ALL MEMBERS OF NPFF'S PRIOR TO THEIR DEPARTURE. THIS WAS UNDERTAKEN AFTER MANY MARINES REPORTED PILFERAGE. SHAKE DOWN WAS AUTHORIZED BY CO 1/26 - THEN LTCOL KLIEFOTH, SINCE RELIEVED.

4. (S) THE SHAKE DOWN DID RECOVER MANY ITEMS OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY SUCH AS CANVAS COTS, RUBBER MATTRESSES, SEVERAL CASES OF "C" RATIONS AND 782 GEAR. A PISTOL AND WATCH SUPPOSED TO BE STOLEN WERE NOT RECOVERED. HOWEVER, 30 M-16 MAGAZINES, 10 PONCHOS AND 3 PONCHO LINERS PROPERLY BELONGING TO THE NPFF DETACHMENT WERE TAKEN MUCH, OF COURSE, TO LATTER'S DISWAY.

5. (S) THE BARE OUTLINE OF THIS CAME TO ME BY PHONE LATE LAST NIGHT FROM CO 1ST MARINES WHO HAD HIMSELF JUST LEARNED OF THE INCIDENT AND HAD ALREADY LAUNCHED AN INVESTIGATION. THIS MORNING I TRIED TO CONTACT LTCOL TIN, PROVINCE CHIEF, BUT LEARNED THAT HE WOULD NOT BE AVAILABLE ANYTIME TODAY. AT 0900 I SENT CO 1ST MARINES TO HOI AN. HE HAD A LENGTHY AND QUITE SATISFACTORY CONFERENCE WITH COMMANDER DIEM WHO HEADS NPFF FOR QUANG NAM. DIEM ACCEPTED OUR REGRETS AND SAID THERE WAS NO REASON WHY WE SHOULD NOT CONTINUE TO WORK. DIEM SAID HE WOULD PICK UP THE WATCH AND PISTOL. HE ALSO APOLOGIZED FOR THE CONDUCT OF HIS PEOPLE. THE PROPERTY

*Colonel by Pres Thier
Pres. several days ago.*

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ILLEGALLY TAKEN FROM NPFF HAS BEEN RETURNED. A DETACHMENT OF NPFF IS JOINING 1ST MARINES THIS AFTERNOON FOR A 3 DAY OPERATION. I HOLD A FULL WRITTEN REPORT FROM CO 1ST MARINES.

6. (S) OUR EXPERIENCE IN JOINT OPERATIONS SHOWS THAT PILFERAGE BY OUR FRIENDS IS NOT UNCOMMON. HOWEVER THE SOLUTION ADAPTED BY BLT 1/26 IS TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE AND WILL UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES BE REPEATED. OUR INSTRUCTIONS WHICH ARE NOW BEING RE-EMPHASIZED TO ALL HANDS ARE TO THE EFFECT THAT ANY IMPROPER CONDUCT OR UNSATISFACTORY DUTY BY NPFF BE REPORTED TO THE U.S. ADVISER, IF PRESENT, IF NOT TO THE UNIT CO. IF REMEDIAL ACTION IS NOT FORTHCOMING THE MATTER IS REFERRED HERE AND I OR MY REPRESENTATIVE WILL DEAL WITH APPROPRIATE PROVINCE OFFICIALS.

7. (S) I REGRET THIS INCIDENT WHICH DAMAGES OUR RELATIONS WITH OUR VN COUNTERPARTS. ALL POSSIBLE REMEDIAL ACTION WILL BE TAKEN.

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From: Chief of Staff

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SUBJECT: VISIT OF NEIL STAEBLER

REF: YOUR 300615Z JUL 69

1. THIS MESSAGE CONCERNS THAT PORTION OF YOUR MESSAGE ABOUT MR. STAEBLER'S VISIT TOMORROW. THE OTHER PROBLEMS YOU MENTIONED WILL BE ADDRESSED SEPARATELY.
2. YOUR CONCERN OVER SHORT NOTIFICATION AND LACK OF GUIDANCE IS APPRECIATED. WE WERE ALSO UNAWARE OF MR. STAEBLER'S TRAVELS.
3. INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THE EMBASSY IS AS FOLLOWS:
 - A. MR. STAEBLER'S TRAVELS ARE SPONSORED BY THE EMBASSY.
 - B. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE AND THE DEMOCRATIC STUDY GROUP OF THE COMMITTEE OF 100.
 - C. PURPOSE OF VISIT IS TO OBSERVE THE POLITICAL ORGANIZATION AND ACTIVITIES IN VIETNAM IN CONNECTION WITH THE CURRENT POLITICAL MOBILIZATION INITIATIVE. THIS IS REPORTEDLY A FACT FINDING TOUR FOR THE DEMOCRATIC STUDY GROUP.
 - D. USE OF GOVERNMENT AIR IS AUTHORIZED FOR MR. STAEBLER.
 - E. HE DOES NOT HAVE A SECURITY CLEARANCE.
 - F. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT ANOTHER III MAF GENERAL OFFICER RECEIVE MR. STAEBLER IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO DO SO. IF DINNER IS NOT POSSIBLE DUE TO SHORT NOTICE, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS LUNCH OR A CALL AND UNCLASSIFIED BRIEFING.
 - G. IF IN YOUR JUDGEMENT A CALL ON LTG LAM SHOULD NOT

OR CANNOT BE ARRANGED, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS IT BE ARRANGED FOR THE MAYOR OF DANANG.

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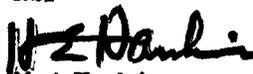
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**STAFF SECRETARY
III MAF**2 Aug 1969**MEMORANDUM****FOR:** Chief of Staff

1. In reference to kennels, the PMO reports no problems due to the increase number of dogs. Two ten dog runs will be completed prior to 17Aug69. The PMO is working closely with III MAF G-3 Action Officer on this matter.

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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 VAN RYZIN
 MINE/BOOBY TRAP DETECTION DOGS (U)
 A. III MAG MSG 270120Z JULY 1969
 1. (C) THE MARINE CORPS, WITH THE US ARMY, IS PROCURING 28
 MINE/BOOBY TRAP DETECTION DOGS. THE DOGS WILL BE TRAINED
 IN 4 INCREMENTS WITH THE MARINE CORPS. CURRENTLY PLANNED TO
 RECEIVE DOGS IN THE 2D AND 4TH INCREMENTS. UNDER THIS PLAN 14
 DOGS WITH HANDLERS WILL DEPLOY IN BOTH THE 3RD AND 4TH QUARTERS
 OF FY70.
 2. (C) IN RESPONSE TO REF A MAJGEN METZGER ATTENDED A MEETING
 WITH LTGEN BETTS, CHIEF OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, USA,
 IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THE DEPLOYMENT OF THE SUBJECT DOGS.
 FOLLOWING COURSES OF ACTION WILL BE EVALUATED:

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 A. THE MARINE CORPS RECEIVE THE 14 DOGS IN PHASE ONE
 IN LIEU OF THE ARMY. THIS WILL PROGRAM 14 DOGS TO BE DEPLOYED
 6 WEEKS IN ADVANCE.
 B. AS ALTERNATIVE THE MARINE CORPS AND ARMY WILL
 SHARE EQUALLY IN ALL PHASES OF THE DOG PROGRAM. THIS
 ALTERNATIVE WILL PROGRAM 7 DOGS TO BE DEPLOYED 6 WEEKS
 EARLIER WITH THE REMAINING 21 BEING PROGRAMMED IN 6
 WEEK INCREMENTS.
 3. (C) BASED ON OUR POSITION THAT ALLOCATION MUST BE ON NEED,
 LTGEN BETTS, THROUGH A BACK CHANNEL MSG, WILL REQUEST
 MACV TO REVIEW TOTAL MINE/BOOBY TRAP INCIDENTS IN SVN WITH
 A VIEW TOWARD ALLOCATING DOGS IN AREAS WHERE NEED IS
 GREATEST WITHOUT REGARD TO SERVICE.
 4. (C) IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, SUGGEST YOU MAKE KNOWN TO MACV
 YOUR CONCERN AND THE IMMEDIATE NEED FOR DOGS IN THE III MAF.

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