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~~X. DCEN DOOLEY'S HANDWRITTEN NOTES ON TELECON W/GEN WILSON RE
RLT-3 TO CONUS. NOTES OF 4, 5, 7 & 10 OCT.~~

Y. ✓ CG THIRD MARDIV 070330Z OCT69 (S) LIMDIS EYES ONLY *gp-4*
FOR BUSE INFO NICKERSON, CARNEY & DWYER FORM JOENS
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THIRD MARIDV DEPARTURE CEREMONY (RESPONDS TO 070330Z ABOVE)

A. ✓ CG III MAF 101440Z OCT69 (C) *gp-4*
FOR JONES INFO WILSON FROM DOOLEY
RETURN OF RLT-3 TO CONUS

B. ✓ CG FMFPAC 112101Z OCT69 (C) *gp-4*
DESTINATION OF DEPLOYING UNITS/12 MONTH TOUR
FOR DOOLEY FR WILSON

C. ✓ CG III MAF 231300Z OCT69 (TS) EYES ONLY *gp-4*
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FORCE PLANNING

D. ✓ CG III MAF 270530Z OCT69 (TS) EYES ONLY *gp-4*
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FORCE PLANNING

REF A CG III MAF 231300Z OCT 69

1. ON 26 OCT ONE OF MY PLANNERS ATTENDED A STAFF MEETING
AT MACV HEADQUARTERS IN CONNECTION WITH POSSIBLE 100,000 MAN
REDUCTION DURING THE FIRST HALF OF CY 70.2. MACV PLANNERS HAVE DEVELOPED TWO OPTIONS TO ACHIEVE
THIS DRAWDOWN DIFFERING SOMEWHAT FROM THEIR INITIAL PLANNING
ALTERNATIVES AS REPORTED TO YOU IN REF A. THE THREE ORIGINAL
ALTERNATIVES HAVE BEEN DISCARDED.

3. THE TWO OPTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

OPTION 1

ARMY	1ST INF DIV	
	BDE 4TH INF DIV	
	SVC SPT	

	SUBTOTAL	30,600
USMC	ALL	54,600
USN	ELMTS	11,200
USAF	ELMTS	3,600

TOTAL		100,000
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OPTION 2

ARMY	1ST INF DIV	
	23D INF DIV (AMERICAL)	
	4TH INF DIV	
	199TH LIB	
	BDE 9TH INF DIV	
	SVC SPT	

	SUBTOTAL	86,900
USMC	RLT-26	
	SVC SPT	

	SUBTOTAL	7,500
USN	ELMTS	2,000
USAF	ELMTS	3,600

TOTAL		100,000
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4. MACV PLANNERS INTEND TO BRIEF COMUSMACV ON THESE TWO
OPTIONS ON THE 3D OR 4TH OF NOV. THEIR CURRENT INTENTION IS TO
RECOMMEND OPTION 1 TO COMUSMACV.

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T O P S E C R E T/EYES ONLY/FOR LT GEN BUSE FROM LT GEN NICKERSON
FORCE PLANNING (U)

1. (IS) ON 20 AND 21 OCT 1969 ONE OF MY PLANNERS ATTENDED A STAFF MEETING AT MACV HEADQUARTERS. A QUERY HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY COMUSMACV FROM JCS CONCERNING THE FEASIBILITY OF A 100,000 MAN REDUCTION COMMENCING ON 1 JAN 1970 TO BE COMPLETED BY 30 JUNE 1970.

2. (IS) BASED ON THIS QUERY MACV PLANNERS HAVE BEGUN WORK ON SEVERAL ALTERNATIVE COURSES OF ACTION TO ACCOMPLISH THIS REDUCTION IF AND WHEN IT COMES. OF THE 3 ALTERNATIVES CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION, IT APPEARED THAT MACV PLANNERS WERE LEANING TOWARD ALTERNATIVE A. THE 3 ALTERNATIVES BEING CONSIDERED ARE AS FOLLOWS:

ALTERNATIVE A	
ARMY FIRST INF DIV	17.5
23D INF DIV	21.0
4TH INF DIV	18.0
199TH LIB	5.5
SVC SPT	31.2
NAVY ELMTS	2.0
AF ELMTS	3.6
USMC ELMTS	1.2

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ALTERNATIVE B	
ARMY FIRST INF DIV	17.5
SVC SPT	14.2
NAVY ELMTS	10.0
AF ELMTS	3.6
USMC ALL	54.7

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ALTERNATIVE C	
ARMY 4TH INF DIV	18.0
SVC SPT	13.7
NAVY ELMTS	10.0
AF ELMTS	3.6
USMC ALL	54.7

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3. (IS) THE ABOVE REFLECTS INITIAL PLANNING ESTIMATES ONLY AND IS NOT FIRM. THE ARMY COMBAT ELEMENTS IN ALT A CONSTITUTE ALL MAJOR ARMY COMBAT UNITS NOT SLATED FOR THE RESIDUAL FORCE. ARMY SERVICE SUPPORT ELEMENTS MAKE UP THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TOTAL OF OTHER UNITS LISTED AND 100,000. THE AIR FORCE FIGURE WILL BRING THEM DOWN TO THEIR RESIDUAL FORCE LEVEL. THE MARINE CORPS FIGURE IS THE SAME AS PHASE 3 IN ORIGINAL PLANNING.

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4. (TS) THE ARMY HAS INDICATED THAT THEY WILL HAVE A SHORTFALL OF OVER 10,000 IN THE SERVICE SUPPORT AREA IN ALT A. MACV PLANNERS ARE ATTEMPTING TO MAKE UP THIS SHORTFALL FROM THE ONLY 2 SOURCES AVAILABLE, THE NAVY AND THE MARINE CORPS. THEY HAVE ASKED US FOR FIGURES APPROXIMATING 2,000 ADDITIONAL SPACES SHORT OF REMOVING COMBAT UNITS. IF SHORTFALL STILL EXISTS, AND IT MOST CERTAINLY WILL, THE NEXT STEP WOULD BE TO REDEPLOY ADDITIONAL COMBAT UNITS.

5. PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT THE ABOVE INFO IS CLOSELY HELD HERE. I WOULD REQUEST THAT YOU PROTECT YOUR SOURCE. (C)

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PERSONAL FOR BGEN DOOLEY FROM BGEN WILSON
 GENERAL DESTINATION OF REDEPLOYING UNITS (U)

- A. CG FMFPAC 102014Z OCT 69 (U)
- B. OASD(PA) NEWS RELEASE NUMBER 785-69 OF 22 SEP 69
- C. CMC 111132Z OCT 69 (U)

1. (C) REF A WAS PREPARED BY FMFPAC ISO IN AN EFFORT TO PROVIDE THE TEXT OF REF B RELATIVE TO ANNOUNCEMENT OF GENERAL DESTINATION OF DEPLOYING UNITS. APPARENTLY OASD(PA) FAILED TO COORDINATE RELEASE OF REF B WITH EITHER CINCPAC OR MACVJ1. CINCPAC PAO WAS UNDER IMPRESSION THAT INFORMATION HAD NOT BEEN RELEASED, UNTIL COPY OF REF B DISCOVERED LATE 9 OCT. REGRET ABBREVIATED DISTRIBUTION OF REF A.

2. (U) REDUCTION OF TOURS REPORTED IN PARA 2 OF REF A WAS ANNOUNCED AS "VIETNAM TOURS"; HOWEVER, ALMAR PUBLISHED BY REF C PROVIDES FOR 365-DAY PORTAL-TO-PORTAL TOURS FOR ALL WESTPAC FMFPAC PERSONNEL. THIS HEADQUARTERS IS ISSUING AMPLIFYING IN-

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READ AS FOLLOWS:

'(4) FOR PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO FLEET MARINE FORCE
UNITS LOCATED IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC THE OVERSEA
TOUR WITHOUT DEPENDENTS IS 12 MONTHS (365 DAYS)
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From: Force Informational Services Officer
 To: Chief of Staff

Subj: DOD News Release

Encl: (1) OASD/PA News Release No. 785-69 of 22Sep69

1. Enclosure (1) is provided as requested.
2. Neither FISO nor MACOI is on the distribution list for OASD/PA news releases. Enclosure (1) was provided by one of our officers who periodically receives these releases from friends at the Pentagon. This release along with others was received today.
3. MACOI is being furnished a copy, and we will take steps to get on the official distribution list.

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PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR CUTS IN MARINE CORPS EXPENDITURES

Secretary of the Navy John H. Chafee today announced the following Marine Corps actions to achieve economies in current fiscal year expenditures:

- Deactivation of the 5th Marine Division with the exception of the 26th Regiment, which is in Vietnam.
- A reduction of approximately \$115 million in Marine Corps expenditures.
- An end-strength reduction of 20,300 Marines during Fiscal Year 1970.
- Plans to base on Okinawa and at Camp Pendleton, California, elements of the 3rd Marine Division being redeployed from Vietnam.

Elements of the 5th Marine Division to be deactivated, now stationed at Camp Pendleton, are the 27th Marines, the 28th Marines, elements of the 13th Marines (an artillery regiment), and supporting division units. The 5th Marine Division was reactivated in March, 1966, as part of the Vietnam build-up.

Two regiments, the division headquarters and supporting units are involved in the redeployment of the 3rd Marine Division. The Fourth Marines, along with the division headquarters, will return to their home bases on Okinawa, where they will rejoin the Ninth Marines, who recently returned from Vietnam. The Third Marines will return to Camp Pendleton.

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A. DASD (PA) NEWS RELEASE NUMBER 785-69 OF 22 SEP 1969

B. COMUSMACV 070704Z/OCT69 (U)

C. CINCPAC 080346Z/OCT69 (S)

1. REFERENCE A IS QUOTED FOR INFORMATION:

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- - DEACTIVATION OF THE 5TH MARINE DIVISION WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE 26TH REGIMENT, WHICH IS IN VIETNAM.

- - A REDUCTION OF APPROXIMATELY \$115 MILLION IN MARINE CORPS EXPENDITURES.

- - AN END-STRENGTH REDUCTION OF 20,300 MARINES DURING FISCAL YEAR 1970.

- - PLANS TO BASE ON OKINAWA AND AT CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA, ELEMENTS OF THE 3RD MARINE DIVISION BEING REDEPLOYED FROM VIETNAM.

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2. AT A PENTAGON PRESS CONFERENCE CONDUCTED BY MR. JERRY FRIEDHEIM, DEPUTY ASD (PA), AT 101100Z OCT 69 IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT TOURS FOR MARINES IN RVN WILL BE REDUCED FROM 13 TO 12 MONTHS EFFECTIVE 1 NOVEMBER 1969. ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THE

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3. MACV COMMUNIQUE NUMBER 280-69 OF 7 OCT 69, CONTAINED IN REF B, ANNOUNCED DEPARTURE OF LAST ELEMENTS OF THE INITIAL GROUP OF 5,900 MARINES FROM RVN AND DELINEATES UNITS INVOLVED.

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 SUBJ: MACV COMMUNIQUE NUMBER 280-69 OF 7 OCT 1969
 THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ITEMS RELEASED
 TO NEWS CORRESPONDENTS IN SAIGON AT 1630H THIS DATE.

ABOUT NOON YESTERDAY A RECONNAISSANCE ELEMENT OF THE 1ST BRIGADE, U.S. 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION, 26 MILES NORTHWEST OF AN KHE, ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED COMPANH WITH SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE, SUPPORTED BY HELICOPTER GUNSHIPS. CONTACT CONTINUED FOR ABOUT AN HOUR UNTIL THE REMAINING ENEMY WITHDREW. THE TROOPERS FOUND THE BODIES OF 19 ENEMY SOLDIERS IN THE BATTLE AREA AND CAPTURED ONE INDIVIDUAL WEAPON. THERE WERE NO U.S. CASUALTIES.

TROOPERS OF THE 1ST BRIGADE, U.S. 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION (AIRMOBILE) ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED ENEMY SQUAD 16 MILES NORTH OF TRAY NINH CITY YESTERDAY MORNING. SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS EXCHANGED AND THE TROOPERS WERE SUPPORTED BY ARTILLERY AND HELICOPTER GUN-

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 SHIPS. CONTACT CONTINUED UNTIL MID-AFTERNOON, WHEN THE REMAINING ENEMY WITHDREW, LEAVING 12 BODIES BEHIND. U.S. CASUALTIES WERE ONE KILLED AND 11 WOUNDED.

LATER IN THE AFTERNOON HELICOPTER GUNSHIPS FROM THE AIR CAVALRY ELEMENT OF THE DIVISION OBSERVED AND ENGAGED SEVEN ENEMY SOLDIERS WEST-NORTHWEST OF SONG BE AND ABOUT THREE MILES FROM THE CAMBODIAN BORDER, KILLING ALL SEVEN. THERE WERE NO U.S. CASUALTIES.

AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME HELICOPTER GUNSHIPS OF THE AIR CAVALRY ELEMENT OF THE ARMORED CAVALRY SQUADRON OF THE U.S. 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION OBSERVED AND ENGAGED SIX ENEMY SOLDIERS SEVEN MILES SOUTHWEST OF DAI TIENG. TROOPS FROM A MECHANIZED ELEMENT OF THE 1ST BRIGADE OF THE DIVISION FOUND THE BODIES OF FIVE ENEMY SOLDIERS AND CAPTURED ONE INDIVIDUAL WEAPON IN THE AREA. THERE WERE NO U.S. CASUALTIES AND NO GROUND CONTACT.

TWO MORE UNITS DEPARTED THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM TODAY AS PART OF PRESIDENT NIXON'S ANNOUNCED PHASE II REDEPLOYMENT OF 35,000 TROOPS. THE 283RD OD (AMMUNITION) COMPANY, AND ARMY RESERVE UNIT FROM NEBRASKA, DEPARTED CHI LAI FOR FORGES AIR FORCE BASE, KAN. THE UNIT WILL BE INACTIVATED AT DEARBORN FOOT RILEY, KAN. AND RECONSTITUTED IN THE ARMY RESERVE AT ITS HOME STATION IN

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THE 10TH SIGNAL COMPANY, AND ARMY NATIONAL GUARD UNIT FROM BRUCE ISLAND, DEPARTED FROM GIEN HOA AIR BASE FOR LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, BOSTON, AND WILL LATER RETURN TO THE CONTROL

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OF THE STATE OF RHODEYSLAND AT ITS HOME STATION OF EAST GREENWICH
 BRITON AFTER A BRIEF STAY AT FORT DEVENS, MASS.

EARLY THIS MORNING THE LAST ELEMENTS OF THE INITIAL GROUP
 OF 5,900 MARINES DEPARTED THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, SLIGHTLY
 OVER 3,000 OF THE 5,900 PERSONNEL WERE AIRLIFTED TO OKINAWA FOR
 INDIVIDUAL ASSIGNMENTS WITH THE 9TH MARINE AMPHIBIOUS BRIGADE.
 THE REMAINING 2,900 MARINES DEPARTED FOR THE UNITED STATES.

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A SMALL SHIP-BORNE CADRE OF APPROXI-
 MATELY 500 KEY PERSONNEL, ALL THE MARINES RETURNING TO THE UNITED
 STATES HAVE COMPLETED 12 TO 15 MONTHS IN VIETNAM. APPROXIMATELY
 1,000 PERSONNEL DEPARTED BY AIR, WHILE ABOUT 3,900 DEPARTED BY
 SHIP.

IN CONNECTION WITH THIS MOVEMENT, THE FOLLOWING UNITS
 WERE REDUCED TO CADRE FOR THE MOVEMENT ONLY AND HAD THEIR EQUIP-
 MENT LOADED ABOARD SHIPS OF THE U.S. SEVENTH FLEET, ALONG WITH
 APPROPRIATE RECORDS AND COLORS. THE UNITS WILL LATER BE RECON-

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 SITUATED IN THE UNITED STATES.

3RD MARINE REGIMENT

1ST BATTALION, 12 MARINE REGIMENT

COMPANY B, 11TH ENGINEER BATTALION

COMPANY L, 3RD MEDICAL BATTALION

COMPANY A, 3RD RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION

COMPANY B, 3RD MOTOR TRANSPORT BATTALION

COMPANY B, 9TH MOTOR TRANSPORT BATTALION

COMPANY B, 3RD SHORE PARTY BATTALION

3RD BRIGADE COMPANY

MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 205

EMBARKATION OF THESE UNITS WAS MADE FROM DA NANG AND IN
 NORTHERN I CORPS.

ALSO COMPLETING ITS DEPARTURE WAS MARINE ALL-WEATHER 44-
 YACHT SQUADRON 633 (VMA(AW)-633). THE SQUADRON, OF ABOUT 300 MEN,
 DEPARTED FROM CHI LAO TO THE MARINE CORPS AIR STATION, IWAKUNI,
 JAPAN.

ALL OF THE MARINE UNITS WERE PART OF PRESIDENT NIXON'S
 ANNOUNCED PHASE II REDEPLOYMENT OF 35,000 TROOPS,
 DURING THE 24-MONTH PERIOD WHICH ENDED AT 0800 TODAY, 21

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INDIRECT FIRE ATTACKS WERE REPORTED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. FIVE
 OF THE ATTACKS WERE AGAINST U.S. UNITS OR INSTALLATIONS, SIX OF
 THE 21 ATTACKS CAUSED CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE. U.S. CASUALTIES
 WERE TWO WOUNDED WITH NO CASUALTIES.

U.S. PILOTS FLEW 370 TACTICAL AIR STRIKE SORTIES IN THE
 REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM YESTERDAY. AIR FORCE PILOTS FLEW 186,
 MARINE CORPS PILOTS FLEW 10 AND NAVY AVIATORS LOGGED 20 SORTIES.
 SEVENTY-EIGHT IMMEDIATE SORTIES WERE FLOWN, 12 OF WHICH SUP-
 PORTED TROOPS IN CONTACT.

PILOTS KILLED SEVEN ENEMY SOLDIERS, TRIGGERED TEN SEC-
 ONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND IGNITED FOUR FIRES. THEY ALSO DESTROYED

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OR DAMAGED 161 FORTIFICATIONS, 156 BUNKERS AND 15 ENEMY SAMBANS.
SINCE YESTERDAY'S COMMUNIQUE THERE HAVE BEEN EIGHT B-52
MISSIONS DOWN IN THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM BY STRATEGIC AIR COM-
MAND AIRCREWS. THE TARGETS WERE LOCATED IN PHUOC LONG AND BINH
LONG PROVINCES AND CONTAINED ENEMY ACTIVITY, BASE CAMPS, BUNKER
COMPLEXES, WEAPON POSITIONS, STORAGE AND STAGING AREAS. THE
CLOSEST MISSION TO SAIGON WAS FLOWN IN BINH LONG PROVINCE 65
MILES NORTH-NORTHWEST OF THE CAPITAL CITY.
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 FROM RGEN DOOLEY
 RETURN OF RL1-3 TO COMUS

A. CG THIRD MAF 081715Z OCT69
 B. CG THIRD MAF 081721Z OCT69

1. REFS A AND B REFER. IN ADDITION TO THE GUIDANCE
 CONTAINED IN REFS A AND B, THE FOLLOWING ARE NOTES THAT
 HAVE BEEN TRANSMITTED OVER THE TELEPHONE AMONG THE
 THREE OF US AND HAVE BEEN COMPILED FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

A. CHC HAS RECOGNIZED THE DIFFICULTIES OF OBTAINING
 THE 330 RL1 PEOPLE AND HAS TAUGHT A COMPROMISE SOLUTION.
 IT IS NECESSARY THAT RL1-3 PERSONNEL ONLY BE LOADED IN
 THE FIRST PLANE AND INCLUDE COL SINLIK, SGTMAJ DUDEV
 AND THE COLOR GUARD.

B. THE SECOND PLANE CAN INCLUDE ANYONE RETURNING
 TO COMUS FROM THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION.

C. FOLLOWING IS GUIDANCE CONCERNING
 PERSONNEL APPEARANCE:

(1) ALL INDIVIDUALS WILL BE IN DUNGAREES;
 STARCHED AND ALL OF THE SAME TYPE. (PERSONNEL SHOULD
 CARRY ONE SET OF STARCHED DUNGAREES ON HANGER ABOARD
 PLANE AND CHANGE SHORTLY PRIOR TO LANDING AT EL TORO.)

(2) HELMETS, GREEN SIDE OUT, WILL BE WORN.
 AFTER THE CEREMONY THEY WILL BE PICKED UP BY REPS OF
 THE 5TH MARDIV. (CG 3D MAF RECOMMENDS THAT PERSONNEL
 CARRY A DUNGAREE COVER IN THEIR GEAR -- WILL BE WORN
 AFTER STEEL HELMETS HAVE BEEN TURNED IN.)

(3) RECOMMENDED THAT ACCOMMODATIONS FOR
 SHAVING ABOARD THE AIRCRAFT BE ARRANGED.

(4) PERSONNEL WILL BE FORMED INTO TWO
 COMPANIES OF 15 MEN EACH ON EACH OF THE AIRCRAFT.

(5) COMPANY GUIDONS OR BATTALION COLORS ARE
 NOT REQUIRED-- REGIMENTAL COLORS ARE.

(6) RIFLES WILL BE PROVIDED BY MCAS EL TORO
 TO THE COLOR GUARD UPON ARRIVAL.

(7) THERE WILL BE NATIONAL TV COVERAGE FOR
 THE ENTIRE CEREMONY. PERFORMANCE OF OUR MARINES WILL
 BE OF THE HIGHEST STANDARDS WITH REGARD TO PERSONAL
 APPEARANCE AND MILITARY BEARING.
 WARM REGARDS.

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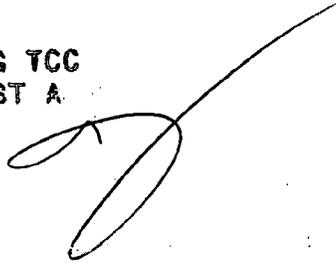
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CEREMONY HONORING RETURN OF RLT-3 TO CONUS(C)

A. ADMIN FMFPAC 012135Z OCT 69

B. ADMIN FMFPAC 022109Z OCT 69

1. (C) REF A TASKS 3D MAW TO PROVIDE HONORS FOR RETURNING RLT-3.

REF B ESTABLISHED BLOCK TIMES FOR RLT-3 CARRIES.

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A. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS IS AS FOLLOWS:

1. ARRIVAL OF SECNAV (OR UNDER SECNAV) AND CMC (OR ACMC). HONORS TO BE RENDERED UPON DEBARKING AIRCRAFT 30 MIN PRIOR TO RLT 3 ETA.
2. MAC FLT H-11 ARRIVES WITH RLT-3 MAIN BODY. FLT H-12 FOLLOWS WITH REMAINDER RLT-3 PERSONNEL APPROX FIVE MIN LATER. UPON DEBARKING, CO RLT-3 WILL BE GREETED AT PLANESIDE BY SECNAV (OR UNDER SECNAV) AND CMC (OR ACMC).
3. RLT-3 TROOPS ASSEMBLE IN FORMATION.
4. CO RLT-3 ASSUMES POSITION INF FORMATION.
5. NARRATIVE OF COMBAT HISTORY OF RLT-3.
6. CO RLT-3 PRESENTS COMMAND TO CG 5TH MARDIV.
7. CG 3DMAW INTRODUCES CMC (OR ACMC)
8. CMC (OR ACMC) WELCOMES RLT-3 AND INTRODUCES SECNAV (OR UNDER SECNAV).
9. SECNAV (OR UNDER SECNAV) WELCOMING ADDRESS
10. BAND SOUNDS ATTENTION. 3D MAW HONOR GUARD SALUTES RLT-3. ALL ORGANIZATIONAL COLORS DIP WHILE BAND AND DRUM AND BUGLE TEAM PLAY MAR CORPS HYMN.
11. CEREMONY CONCLUDES, VIP'S DEPART, RLT-3 PERSONNEL COMMENCE PROCESSING
12. REMARKS;

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A. CG'S 3D MAW AND COMCABWEST HOST LUNCHEON AT MCAS 40' CLUB

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FOR VISITING DIGNITARIES AND RLT-3 OFFICERS, (TIMES TO BE ANNOUNCED), SGT'S MAJ 3D MAW, COMCABWEST AND 5TH MARDIV GREET AND ASSIST

RLT-3 SNCO'S

B. REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT PROCESSING CENTER FOR ALL

RLT-3 PERSONNEL;

C. UNIFORMS:

1. RLT-3: UTILITIES/HELMET (GREEN SIDE OUT)
2. 5TH MARDIV TROOP HANDLERS: UTILITIES
3. HONOR GUARD: SUMMER SERVICE 'C' WITH RIBBONS, (SHORT SLEEVES)
4. MILITARY GUESTS: SUMMER SERVICE 'C' WITH RIBBONS (SHORT SLEEVE)

13. LOCATION AND FIRMATIONS: CEREMONY WILL BE IN FRONT OF BLDG SIX, (PRESIDENTIAL RAMP AREA) PRESS, RADIO, TELEVISION AND OTHER NEWS MEDIA WILL BE LOCATED IN RESERVED AREA, GUEST SEATING LOCATED TO PERMIT FULL VIEWING OF CEREMONY, RLT-3 WILL BE FORMED IN TWO COMPANY-SIZE UNITS, RLT-3 COLOR GUARD CENTERED BETWEEN THESE UNITS, THE 3D MAW HONOR GUARD WILL FACE TOWARDS RLT-3 AND BE FLANKED BY THE 3D MAW BAND AND THE 5TH MARDIV DRUM AND BUGLE TEAM, ALL MIL UNITS WILL BE

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ENCOMPASSED BY ORGANIZATIONAL COLORS OF THE 3D MAW, MCAS EL TORO AND THE 5TH MARDIV.

14. DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS RLT-3 PARTICIPATION BY SEPARATE MESSAGE.

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CEREMONY HONORING RETURN OF RLTC-3 TO CONUS(C)

A. ADMIN FMFPAC 012135Z OCT 69

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C. CG THIRD MAW 081715Z OCT 69

1(C) IAW REF A AND B, THIRD MAW TASKED TO PROVIDE PLANESIDE

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CEREMONY FOR RLTC-3 ON ARRIVAL CONUS, REF C APPLIES.

2.(C) FOLLOWING SEQUENCE OF EVENTS PERTAINS TO PARTICIPATION OF
RLTC-3 IN ARRIVAL CEREMONY.

A. HONORS FOR DISTINGUISHED GUESTS 13OCT69 THIRTY MIN PRIOR
TO ETA OF RLTC-3.

B. FIFTH MARDIV DRUM AND BUGLE TEAM PERFORMS

C. PLANESIDE: DISTINGUISHED GUESTS MEET CO RLTC-3 TROOPS
ASSEMBLE IN PRE-MARKED POSITIONS FACING HONOR GUARD (TROOP
HANDLERS ASSIST). ALL HAND BAGGAGE WILL BE PLACED IN GUARDED
CARTS AT PLANESIDE-INDIVIDUALS MARK ALL HAND CARRIED EFFECTS.

D. TROOPS WILL BE FORMED IN TWO COMPANY SIZED UNITS 25 MAN
FRONT AT CLOSE INTERVAL SIX RANKS IN DEPTH. RLTC-3 COLOR
GUARD CENTERED BETWEEN UNITS AT NORMAL INTERVAL FOLLOWED BY
BN COLORS (2D ROW) AND GUIDONS (3D ROW).

E. CO RLTC-3 ASSUMES POSITION IN FRONT OF COLOR GUARD (POSITION
PRE-MARKED)

F. RLTC-3 AND HONOR GUARD CALLED TO PARADE REST DURING NARRATION
TO FOLLOW.

G. NARRATION OF RLTC-3'S COMBAT HISTORY.

H. UPON COMPLETION OF NARRATION, GEN DWYER MARCHES TO POSITION

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SIX PAGES IN FRONT OF CO RLT-3 TO RECEIVE THE COMMAND.
 I. CO RLT-3 CALLS CMD TO ATTN, ORDERS 'PRESENT ARMS', RLT CO,
 COMPANY CMDRS RENDER HAND SALUTE-GUIDON BEARERS AND RLT-3'S
 ORGANIZATIONAL COLORS DIPPED, PRESENTS CMD TO CG 5TH MARDIV.
 J. APPROPRIATE MUSIC.
 K. CO, RLT-3 COMMANDS 'ORDER ARMS', PARADE REST.
 L. BGEN DWYER RETURNS TO GUEST SEATING AREA.
 M. CG, 3D MAW INTRODUCES CMC (OR ACMC), CMC (OR ACMC) COMMENTS,
 INTRODUCES SECNAV (OR UNDER SECNAV), SECNAV (OR UNDER SECNAV)
 COMMENTS.
 N. AT CONCLUSION OF COMMENTS BAND SOUNDS 'ATTENTION', ALL MIL
 UNITS COME TO POSITION OF ATTENTION.
 O. HONOR GUARD CMDR ORDERS; 'HONOR GUARD, ALL COLORS, PRESENT ARMS'.
 P. RLT-3 RECEIVES THIS HONOR AT ATTENTION WHILE THE BAND RENDERS
 MARINE COPRS HYMN.
 Q. HONOR GUARD CMDR COMMANDS; 'ORDER ARMS', CMDR RLT-3
 SALUTES HONOR GUARD CMDR, CEREMONY ENDS.
 R. VISISTION DIGNITARIES DEPART.
 S. CO, RLT-3 CALLS FOR SENIOR TROOP HANDLER TO MARCH RLT-3
 PERSONNEL TO TERMINAL AREA FOR PROCESSING.

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 T. CO, RLT-3 AND OFFICERS PROCEED TO TERMINAL AREA FOR
 PROCESSING.

3. (C) AMPLIFYING INFORMATION:
 A. UNIFORM-CLEAN STARCHED UTILITIES WITH HELMET (GREEN SIDE OUT)
 TROUSERS BLOUSED.
 B. THIRD MAW WILL PROVIDE RIFLES AND APPROPRIATE WEB GEAR FOR
 UNIT COLOR GUARDS AND COLOR BEARERS.
 C. REQUEST NAME/RANK OF RETURNING RLT-3 OFFICER PERSONNEL BE
 PROVIDED THIS HDQTRS EARLIEST.

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SUBJ: THIRD MARINE DIVISION DEPARTURE CEREMONY

1. SUBJECT CEREMONY IS SCHEDULED FOR 071030H NOV 69 IN A FIRST MAW HANGAR AT DANANG. III MAF MARINES ENTHUSIASTICALLY CONTRIBUTING TOWARD MAKING THIS A TRULY INSPIRING, DIGNIFIED, AND APPROPRIATE TRIBUTE TO THE RECORD OF THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION SINCE 8 MARCH 1965. GUEST LIST WILL INCLUDE NUMEROUS HIGH RANKING ARVN AND U.S. MILITARY LEADERS. PRESS, RADIO, AND TV COVERAGE ARRANGED.
2. DUE TO SPACE AND PERSONNEL LIMITATIONS, THE GOITS OF THE CEREMONY WILL CENTER ON THE MASED BATTALION AND REGIMENTAL ORGANIZATIONAL COLORS. NO PARTICULAR REGIMENT WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED. EVEN THOUGH ON 7 NOVEMBER THE 9TH MARINES WILL BE ON OKINAWA AND THE 3D MARINES IN CONUS, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THEY BE RECOGNIZED FOR THE CONSIDERABLE PART THEY PLAYED IN THE FOUR-AND-A-HALF YEARS OF COMBAT HISTORY BEING COMMEMORATED.
3. ACCORDINGLY, APPROVAL IS REQUESTED

FOR THE USE OF
 THE BATTALION AND REGIMENTAL COLORS OF RLI-9 AND OF
 RLI-3 (AFTER THE EL TORO CEREMONY) FOR THE SUBJECT
 CEREMONY. APPROPRIATE SAFEGUARDS WILL BE TAKEN TO
 INSURE THE SECURITY OF THE COLORS IN TRANSIT TO AND
 FROM THE PARENT UNITS. BY SENDING 3RD MARINES COLORS
 BY COURIER FROM OKINAWA ON 8 NOVEMBER, THEY WILL REACH
 FIFTH MEF PRIOR TO 10 NOVEMBER. NO PERSONNEL ARE
 REQUIRED AND NO EXTRA EXPENSE TO THE GOVERNMENT IS
 INVOLVED.

4. IF APPROVAL IS GRANTED, DIRECT LIAISON WITH INTERESTED COMMANDS IS ALSO REQUESTED.

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1. OPERATIONS
A. CURRENT OPERATIONS (U). CONTACT IN ICTZ CON-
TINUED AT A LOW LEVEL OF 26 SEPTEMBER. EIGHTY-SIX
ENEMY WERE KILLED AND ONE PW, 32 DETAINEES AND 23
WEAPONS WERE CAPTURED. ARVN LOSSES WERE FOUR KIA AND
19 WIA. US/PWMAF LOSSES WERE 23 WIA(ES) AND ONE WIA.
(S).

B. FORCE PLANNING (U). CMC 261743Z/SEP69 (S)
PROVIDES INFO IN RESPONSE TO OUR MSG, 240121Z/SEP69
(S). REQ CONFIRMATION OF NUMBERS OF AUTHORIZED PER-
SONNEL IN CMC PROPOSED EAST/MID PAC RLT AND DISPOSI-
TION OF PERM FMF UNITS LOCATED AT CAMP PENDLETON.
COMMENT: MSG APPM VD FMFPAC RECOMMENDATION AS TO

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DISPOSITION OF FMF UNITS BY ASSIGNING THEM TO 5TH MEB. (S).

2. LOGISTICS.
A. KEYSTONE CARDINAL (U): VMA (AW)-533 270720Z/SEP69 (S)
REPORTS AN INITIAL AIRLIFT REPORT FOR ONE C-130 A/C FOR THE
MOVEMENT OF THE ADVANCE PARTY OF VMA (AW)-533 (27 PERS, 297
CUFT OF CARGO) FROM RVN TO IWAKUNI ON 28 SEP 1969. THIS IS
THE FIRST UNIT TO MOVE UNDER PHASE II REDEPLOYMENT (KEYSTONE
CARDINAL). (S).
B. SPECIAL AIRLIFT REQUEST (U): ADMIN FMFPAC 270317Z/SEP69 (C)
REQUESTED CANCELLATION OF 3RD MARDIV UNSCHEDULED SPECIAL AIRLIFT
REQUEST FOR 1050 PAX QUANG TRI TO NAMA 28-29 SEP 69. SUBJ
REQUEST HAD NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN CINCPAC APPROVED COMMON SERVICE
AIRLIFT REQUIREMENTS AND HAD A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON PACAF
TACTICAL AIRLIFT MANAGEMENT BY CINCPAC (CHWTO). THIS HQ WAS
UNABLE TO PROVIDE ANY VALIDATION OF REQUIREMENT OR PACAF OR
CINCPAC IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE SAME PAX WERE ALREADY
SCHEDULED TO MOVE BY MAC CHANNEL/SAAM DURING EARLY OCT. FURTHER,
FONECON INFO FROM III MAF REVEALED THAT THE REQUEST FROM 3D MAR-
DIV WAS ERRONEOUS IN THAT "SPECIAL AIRLIFT" WAS MEANT TO BE
"MAC SAAM" AND THAT THE MEANING OF SPECIAL AIRLIFT (PACAF

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 TACTICAL RESOURCES) WAS NOT UNDERSTOOD AND INADVERTENTLY PASSED
 BY III MAF TO WESTERN TRANSPORTATION OFFICE BRANCH SAIGON.
 ADDITIONAL MAC CHANNEL ACFT COULD BE RESCHEDULED TO
 ACCOMPLISH REQUIREMENT IF DESIRED AND REQUESTED.
 UTILIZATION OF VMGR-152 COULD ALSO BE EMPLOYED OR UTILIZATION OF
 SPECIAL TACTICAL AIRLIFT (PACAF) OVER LONGER TIME-FRAME.
 CG III MAF 271620Z/SEP69 (S) ARRIVED 271030W/SEP69. ORIGIN OF
 PERS, REASONS FOR EARLY STAND-DOWN AND RELATIONSHIP WITH EMB
 UNIT II AND IIA NOT UNDERSTOOD; HOWEVER, FOLLOWING TRANSPORTA-
 TION ASPECTS APPLY:

(1) IF MAF PLACES A SPECIAL MISSION AIRLIFT REQUEST UTILIZ-
 ING PACAF ASSETS FOR 1050 PAX, PACAF WILL ATTEMPT TO PLACE
 ACFT AGAINST THAT NUMBER. THE SUBSEQUENT REDUCTIONS OF PAX
 REFERRED TO IN CG III MAF 271620Z/SEP69 WOULD RESULT IN A SERIOUS
 OVERSTATEMENT OF REQUIREMENTS WITH SUBSEQUENT ADVERSE PACAF AND
 CINCPAC REACTION. ALSO ABILITY OF PACAF TO REACT IN TIME FRAME -
 DESIRED QUESTIONED BY CHWIO HICKAM.

(2) AS A RESULT OF ANALYSIS OF ALL ASSETS, PROPOSE TO
 ISSUE MOVEMENT PLAN THAT WILL ACCOMPLISH TASK IN TIME FRAME,
 UTILIZING MAC CHANNEL ASSETS OF WHICH III MAF IS UNAWARE AND

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 A MAXIMUM EFFORT BY VMGR-152 ACFT. 210 SEATS ARE AVAILABLE ON
 TWO MAC CHANNEL ACFT THAT DO NOT HAVE RETURN FLI SCHEDULED.
 VMGR-152 HAS 8 ACFT AVAILABLE. TWO TRIPS WOULD COMPLETE LIFT.
 ABOVE PLAN WOULD PRECLUDE SENSITIVE ISSUE WITH PACAF AND CINCPAC
 ON THIS UNSCHEDULED LIFT. WILL PROVIDE INSTR THAT MAC CHANNEL
 SEATS ALREADY PURCHASED FOR LIFT OF THESE PAX WILL BE TRADED OR
 OTHERWISE ADJUSTED FOR. (S)

(3) ABOVE DISCUSSED WITH LEO DULACKI,
 WHO I AM SURE, HAS PASSED INFO TO YOU.
 C. FORCE PLANNING (LOGISTICS) (U). ADMIN FMFPAC 270517Z/SEP
 69 (C) REQUESTED THAT CG 5TH MARDIV ADVISE CG FMFPAC ON COM-
 PLETION OF SCREENING OF LISTINGS/CARD DECKS OF 1ST MARBRIG
 DEFICIENCIES AGAINST AVAILABLE ASSETS EXCESS TO 5TH MEB REQUIRE-
 MENTS AND DIRECTED CG 5TH MARDIV TO COMMENCE FORCE-FEED OF
 APPROPRIATE EXCESS ASSETS TO 1ST MARBRIG AS THEY BECOME AVAIL. (C)

3. GENERAL

A. BATTLE/NON-BATTLE CASUALTIES REPORTED
 AS OF 26 SEP 1969. OFFICER/ENLISTED (U).

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1ST MARDIV	1-36	0-0	0-4	12-374
3D MARDIV	2-35	0-0	0-1	7-140
1ST MAW	3-1	1-0	0-0	3-13
9TH MAB	0-6	0-1	0-0	1-43
FLC	1-7	0-0	0-0	1-59
III MAF	0-2	0-0	0-0	2-41
TOTAL THIS MONTH	7-87	1-1	0-5	26-670
TOTAL PREV MONTH	7-185	5-1	0-13	31-947

	NBD	NON-BATTLE INJ(CE)	THIS MONTH	PREV MONTH
1ST MARDIV	1-5	4-232	18-638	33-1079
3D MARDIV	0-6	2-150	11-327	11-441
1ST MAW	4-6	2-54	13-74	14-68
9TH MAB	0-0	0-41	1-91	2-124
FLC	0-1	1-52	3-119	4-67
III MAF	0-0	0-34	2-75	2-104
TOTAL THIS MONTH				

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MONTH	5-18	9-563	48-1334
TOTAL PREV MONTH	2-17	21-693	66-1883

B. (U) CG, MCB, CAMP BUTLER 270024Z SEP69, (U) PROPOSES A REDESIGNATION OF SUBORDINATE UNITS WHICH WILL CONSOLIDATE THE PRESENT HEADQUARTERS BATTALION WITH SERVICE BATTALION TO FORM AN H&S BATTALION. THIS WILL RESULT IN A TWO BN ORGANIZATION I.E., H&S BN AND TRANS FAC. FIRST EVALUATION REVEALS NO OBJECTIONS. THE REORGANIZATION IS PRESENTLY UNDER STUDY. (U)

C. REVIEW OF PROPOSED COMNAVIRPAC FINANCIAL MANGEMENT SOP (U) REVIEW OF PROPOSED COMNAVIRPAC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SOP (CHAPINST 7303.11D) COMPLETED AND COMMENTS FORWARDED TO COMNAVIRPAC. (U)

D. FY-70 O&M,N FINANCIAL PLAN (U) BY CMC 261415Z SEP69 (U) REVISED FY-70 O&M, NAVY FINANCIAL CEILING HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,033,000. THIS IS IN CONSONANCE WITH EXPECTATIONS AND FMFPAC REVISED FUNDING PLAN IS BEING PROMULGATED. THE REVISED CEILINGS ARE BY

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S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MAJGEN JONES INFO LTGEN
 NICKERSON, BGENS CARNEY AND DWYER FROM LTGEN BUSE.
 MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY.

A. CG THIRD MARDIV 072332Z OCT 69 (S) (Bom)

1. IN RESPONSE TO REF A, I HAVE NO OBJECTION TO THE USE
 OF RLT-3 COLORS IN 3D MARDIV CEREMONIES AT DANANG, IN
 VIEW OF THE FACT THAT IT WILL BECOME A PART OF THE DIV-
 ISION IMMEDIATELY. WITH REGARD TO RLT-3 COLORS, HOWEVER,
 I CONSIDER THAT THEIR PRESENCE IN CONUS WILL HAVE
 RECEIVED NATIONAL PUBLICITY INCLUDING THE PRESENCE OF
 THE HIGHEST RANKING AUTHORITIES. MUCH HAS BEEN MADE
 OF THE SO CALLED "HANKY-PANKY" OF THE MILITARY IN VIET-
 NAM REDUCTIONS AND THERE IS A REMOTE POSSIBILITY THAT

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 SOME NEWSMEN COULD MAKE A REPORT THAT THE 3D MARINES
 WERE IN FACT NOT AT CAMP PENDELTON DESPITE THE CEREMONY
 HELD THERE TO WELCOME THEIR RETURN. I REGRET THAT THIS
 DECISION WILL PROBABLY DEGRADE THE CEREMONY BUT WE
 CANNOT AFFORD TO PLACE CMC IN THE UNCOMFORTABLE
 POSITION OF EXPLAINING WHY RLT-3 COLORS WERE STILL IN RVN.
 ADDITIONALLY, THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT RLT-3 WILL AGAIN
 BECOME A UNIT OF THE DIVISION IN THE NEAR FUTURE. CON-
 SIDERING THE ABOVE POINTS YOUR REQUEST TO INCLUDE RLT-3
 COLORS IS DISAPPROVED.

2. WARM REGARDS.

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