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- A-8. COMUSMACV 011140Z APR 70 (S) *gp-4*
FM GEN ABRAMS TO GEN BROWN, LTG MILDREN, VADM ZUMWALT,
LTG COLLINS, LTG EWELL, MG MCCOWN, COL HEALY, INFO LTG ZAIS
LTG MCCUTCHEON - MILITARY OPERATIONS NEAR CAMBODIAN BORDER
- A-9. ACMC 021429Z APR 70 (U)
FOR LGEN BUSE, LTGEN MCCUTCHEON & MGEN WILSON FROM GEN WALT
FUND MANAGEMENT FOR THIRD MARDIV MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
- A-10. COMUSMACV CITE 4366 DTG 030507Z APR 70 (C) *Declassified 26 Apr 1970*
FROM MGEN DOLVIN TO LTGEN MCCUTCHEON (AND OTHERS)
APRIL COMMANDER'S WIEU (U)
- A-11. CG FMFPAC 032201Z APR 70 (U)
FOR GEN WALT INFO LTGEN MCCUTCHEON & MGEN WILSON FROM LTGEN
BUSE
FUND MANAGEMENT FOR THIRD MARDIV MEMORIAL CHILDRENS HOSPITAL
- A-12. CG THIRD MARDIV 040339Z APR 70 (U)
FOR GEN WALT AND LTGENS BUSE AND MCCUTCHEON FROM MGEN WILSON
FUND MANAGEMENT FOR THIRD MARDIV MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

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B-1. CG FMFPAC 280202Z MAR 70 (TS)
FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM MGEN ADAMS
FORCE PLANNING (U) - THREE OPTIONS OPCON CG XXIV CORPS

2. ADMIN FMFPAC 010231Z APR 70 (TS)
FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON, FROM MGEN ADAMS
FORCE PLANNING (U) - DISAPPROVAL OF OPTION II

3. ADMIN FMFPAC 012217Z APR 70 (TS)
FOR MCCUTCHEON FROM MAJGEN ADAMS
FORCE PLANNING (U) - TENTATIVE MANNING LEVEL

4. ~~CG FMFPAC 020537Z APR 70 (TS)~~ 4. For Log Cond 020537Z Apr 70 (TS)
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~~ADPE PLANNING (U)~~ ADPE Planning (U) *gp-4*

5. ~~CG FMFPAC 030412Z APRIL 70 (TS)~~
~~FM LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM MAJGEN ADAMS~~ FM LTGEN MCCUTCHEON, FROM MAJGEN ADAMS
~~FORCE PLANNING (U) - ALTERNATIVES TO IDENTIFY 1000 ADTAL SPACES~~

B-6. CG FMFPAC 042041Z APR 70 (TS) *gp-4*
FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM LTGEN BUSE
FORCE PLANNING (U) - PERSONNEL STAFFING OF THE MAB

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10. [REDACTED] CORPS 080520Z APR 70 (TS)
[REDACTED] MARINE AMPHIBIOUS BRIGADE (MAB) CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

11. CMC 001222Z [REDACTED]
FOR LTGEN [REDACTED] FROM LTGEN VAN RYZIN
[REDACTED] (U) - SUPPORT OF [REDACTED]

- A-13. CG FIRST MARDIV 081006Z APR 70 (S) *gp-4*
FOR GEN CHAPMAN/LTGEN BUSE/LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM MGEN WHEELER
HAMLET 4 SON THANG (V) REPT NO 14
- A-14. COMUSMACV 100857Z APR 70 (C) *Declassified 19 Apr 1970*
FROM MG DOLVIN TO GENS BROWN, MILDREN, COLLINS, VADM
ZUMWALT, GENS EWELL, DAVISON, ZAIS, MCCUTCHEON, MCCOWN
APRIL COMMANDER'S WIEU (U)
- A-15. CG 1ST MARDIV 190811Z APR 70 (S) *gp-4*
FOR GEN CHAPMAN/LTGEN BUSE/LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM MGEN WHEELER
HAMLET 4 SON THANG (V) RPT NO 15
- A-16. CMC 212015Z APR 70 (S) *gp-4*
FOR LTGEN BUSE AND LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM GEN CHAPMAN
MARINE PARTICIPATION IN THE DELTA (S)
- A-17. CG FMFPAC 231002Z APR 70 (S) *gp-4*
FOR GEN CHAPMAN INFO MGEN ADAMS AND LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM
LTGEN BUSE - MEDEVAC OF MGEN WHEELER
- A-18. CMC 232031Z APR 70 (C) *gp-4*
FOR LTGEN BUSE INFO LTGEN MCCUTCHEON AND MGEN ADAMS FROM
GEN CHAPMAN - MGEN WIDDECKE ARRIVAL
- A-19. CG FMFPAC 240845Z APR 70 (S) *gp-4*
FOR GEN CHAPMAN INFO LTGEN MCCUTCHEON AND MGEN ADAMS FROM
LTGEN BUSE - MARINE PARTICIPATION IN THE DELTA (S)
- A-20. COMUSMACV CITE 5475 DTG 241240Z APR 70 (U)
FM GEN ABRAMS TO GEN BROWN, LTGEN MILDREN, LTGEN COLLINS
LTGEN DAVISON, VADM ZUMWALT, LTGEN ZAIS, VADM WIESNER, LTGEN
MCCUTCHEON & MGEN MCCOWN - VISIT BY MR. ROGER T. KELLEY, ASST
SECY DEF (MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS)
- A-21. CG XXIV CORPS 261429Z APR 70 (U)
FROM LTGEN ZAIS, TO LTGEN MCCUTCHEON, MGEN WRIGHT, MGEN
MILLOY & BGEN BURKE - QUOTE OF MACV CITE 5563 - HERBERT SUBCOM
- A-22. ADMINFMFPAC 222231Z APR 70 (C) *gp-4*
FOR LTGEN BUSE FROM MGEN ADAMS
RACIAL PROBLEM AT EL TORO
- A-23. CG FIRST MARDIV 280959Z APR 1970 (U)
FOR LGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM MGEN WIDDECKE
TRIP OF HEBERT COMMITTEE
- A-24. CG FMAW 280822Z APR 70 (C) *gp - not shown*
FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM MGEN THRASH
TRIP OF HERBERT SUBCOMMITTEE
- A-25. CG FLC 280903Z APR 70 (C) *gp-4*
FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM BGEN PADALINO
TRIP OF HERBERT SUBCOMMITTEE (U)

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B-1. COMUSMACV CITE 5678 DTG 281142Z APR 70 (S) *gp-4*
FM MGEN DOLVING TO LTGEN COLLINS, LTGEN DAVISON, LTGEN ZAIS,
INFO GEN BROWN, VADM ZUMWALT & LTGEN MCCUTEHEON
FWMAF COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE (U)

B-2. CG XXIV CORPS 280445Z APR 70 (C) *Declassified 1 May 70*
FM LTG ZAIS TO BGEN BURKE, MGEN WRIGHT, MGEN MILLOY, MGEN WIDDECKE
INFO LTGEN MCCUTCHEON - QTRLY REVIEW OF COMBINED CAMPAIGN PLAN 70

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FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV
 TO GEN BROWN CDR 7AF TAN SON NHAT
 LTJ MILDREY DCG USARV LONG BINH
 VADM ZUMWALT COMNAVFORV SAIGON
 LTJ COLLINS CG I FFV NHA TRANG
 LTJ EWELL CG II FFV LONG BINH
 CG MCCOWN CG DMAC CAN THO
 YSQKOLC/COL HEALY CO 5TH SPEC FRCS GP
 INFO LTJ ZAIS CG XXIV CORPS DA NANG
 LTJ MCCUTCHEON CG III MAF DA NANG
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SUBJ: MILITARY OPERATIONS NEAR CAMBODIAN BORDER

REF: A. COMUSMACV DTG 230806Z DEC 69.

B. MACV DIR 335-12 DATED 20 DEC 69

C. MACV LETTER MACJ3-06 DATED 13 MAR 70, SUBJ: OFFICIAL MEETINGS BETWEEN US AND CAMBODIAN OFFICIALS (U)

D. COMUSMACV DTG 191057Z MAR 70

1. RECENT EVENTS IN CAMBODIA HAVE GENERATED QUESTIONS BY FIELD COMMANDERS AND, CONCURRENTLY, MACV IS RESPONDING TO REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION BY HIGHER AUTHORITY ON THIS SUBJECT. THIS MESSAGE CONSOLIDATES EXISTING GUIDANCE AND REPORTING PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED ON THIS SUBJECT.

2. ROLES OF ENGAGEMENT (ROE) FOR CAMBODIA.

A. THE CURRENT SITUATION EMPHASIZES THE NEED FOR CLOSE OBSERVANCE BY US FORCES OF THE ROE FOR CAMBODIA (REF A). US COMMANDERS ARE TO ENSURE THAT NO, REPEAT NO, TARGET IS ENGAGED IN CAMBODIA UNLESS FRIENDLY FORCES ARE BEING FIRED ON FROM THE TARGET AND THE TARGET IS POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED AS VC/NVA. NO, REPEAT NO, US FORCES ARE TO MANEUVER ACROSS THE BORDER INTO CAMBODIA EXCEPT AS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE US FORCES CONCERNED.

B. IN THOSE CASES WHERE RVNAF CROSS THE CAMBODIAN BORDER TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS, US ADVISORS AND SUPPORT ARE TO BE WITHDRAWN IMMEDIATELY. A REPORT OF SUCH INCIDENTS IS TO BE MADE TO MACV IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE B.

3. GVN/CAMBODIAN OPERATIONS. WHEN INFORMED BY RVNAF AUTHORITIES THAT ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE BETWEEN GVN AND CAMBODIAN FORCES TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN CAMBODIA AGAINST VC/NVA ELEMENTS, MACV SUBORDINATE COMMANDERS:

A. WILL DECLINE PARTICIPATION AND REPORT ARRANGEMENTS TO MACV UTILIZING THIS CHANNEL.

B. WILL URGE THEIR RVNAF COUNTERPARTS TO EXERCISE UTMOST CARE TO AVOID INFLECTING CASUALTIES ON CAMBODIAN CIVILIAN NON-COMBATANTS.

C. ARE AUTHORIZED TO ADJUST US FORCES AND FIRES WITHIN RVN TO COVER GAPS CREATED BY RVNAF MOVES.

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4. FIRE SUPPORT FOR FARK. (EDGE AREA' RYHAK KHMER) (CAMBODIAN ARMY)
 A. US FORCES ARE NOT, REPEAT NOT, TO RESPOND TO FARK REQUESTS FOR FIRE SUPPORT AT THIS TIME.

B. PARA 3B AND 3C ABOVE ARE APPLICABLE. IN THIS REGARD, US ADVISORS ARE TO DECLARE TACTICAL EMERGENCIES ONLY AFTER FRIENDLY FORCES ARE BEING FIRED ON FROM THE TARGET; WHEN THERE IS POSITIVE ASSURANCE THAT THE TARGET IS VC/NVA; AND THAT THERE IS NO DANGER TO FARK UNITS OR CAMBODIAN NON-COMBATANTS.

5. CAMBODIAN MEMBERS OF CIDG. SOME CAMBODIAN MEMBERS OF CIDG MAY CROSS OVER INTO CAMBODIA TO SUPPORT THE NEW GOVERNMENT. EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO PERSUADE THEM TO REMAIN WITH THE CIDG IN SVN. IN THE EVENT A DECISION IS MADE TO RETURN TO CAMBODIA, SUCH PERSONS ARE TO BE REQUESTED TO TURN IN THEIR WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT BEFORE DEPARTURE. USE OF FORCE IN GAINING RETURN OF WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT IS TO BE AVOIDED AS IT IS CONSIDERED TO BE COUNTER PRODUCTIVE AT THIS TIME.

6. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN IS INTENDED TO PRECLUDE US PERSONNEL FROM PARTICIPATING IN OFFICIAL VISITS WITH CAMBODIAN OFFICIALS, ACCEPT CAMBODIAN HOSPITALITY, AND ENGAGE IN OTHER PROTOCOL ACTIVITIES AS SPECIFIED IN REFERENCE C AND AS DISTINGUISHED FROM MILITARY OPERATIONAL MATTERS. HOWEVER, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT REFERENCE C IS CLASSIFIED "SECRET" AND IS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION, NOR WOULD IT BE APPROPRIATE TO PERMIT PRESS COVERAGE OF MEETINGS HELD WITH CAMBODIANS AT OR NEAR THE BORDER.

7. REFERENCE D ISSUES PUBLIC AFFAIRS GUIDANCE CONCERNING THE CURRENT SITUATION IN CAMBODIA OR RELATIONSHIPS ALONG THE BORDER. THE GUIDANCE ENJOINS ALL PERSONNEL FROM DISCUSSING OR MAKING ANY COMMENTS, EITHER ON OR OFF THE RECORD, ABOUT THE CAMBODIAN SITUATION OR ANY ACTIVITIES RELATED THERETO INCLUDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH CAMBODIAN PERSONNEL ALONG THE BORDER.

8. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN IS TO BE CONSTRUED AS PROHIBITING US FORCES TO TAKE NECESSARY COUNTERACTIONS IN THE EXERCISE OF THE RIGHT OF SELF DEFENSE AS AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED BY REFERENCE A.

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PERSONAL FOR LIEUTENANT GENERALS BUSE AND MC CUTCHEON AND MAJOR GENERAL WILSON FROM GENERAL WALT

FUND MANAGEMENT FOR THIRD MARDIV MEMORIAL CHILDRENS HOSPITAL

1. NICK AND I HAVE DISCUSSED SUBJ PROJECT AND AGREE THAT WE NEED TO UNSNARL A SITUATION THAT HAS DEVELOPED IN CHANNELING MONEY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HOSPITAL. FOR REASONS THAT ARE NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR AT THIS END, WE HAVE CAUSED CARE INC., EFFECTIVE 30 JAN 70, TO DISCONTINUE ACCEPTING ANY CONTRIBUTIONS THAT ARE SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED FOR THAT HOSPITAL. AS IT NOW STANDS, SUCH FUNDS MUST BE SENT TO THE HOSPITAL IN CARE OF ASST C/S G-5, III MAF, A SITUATION THAT CAN ONLY BE REGARDED AS TEMPORARY, AND ONE WHICH DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR TAX DEDUCTABLE CONTRIBUTIONS.

2. UNLESS YOU INFORM US IMMEDIATELY OF ON THE SCENE CONSIDERATIONS PAGE TWO RUEOFIA0481 UNCLAS //NO 5760//

THAT WE ARE UNAWARE OF HERE, I INTEND TO NEGOTIATE TO RE-INSTATE FUND MANAGEMENT WITH CARE INC. ACCEPTING THEIR TWELVE PER CENT FEE, WHICH IS THE LOWEST OF ALL THE TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS, AS BEING A BARGAIN.

3. IF CARE INC. AGAIN ACCEPTS FUND MANAGEMENT, WE WILL THEN PURSUE THE POSSIBILITY OF CARE/MEDICO TAKING OVER THE HOSPITAL FOR THE EVENTUAL TRANSITION TO VIETNAMESE OPERATION.

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 ADPE PLANNING (U)

A. CMC 241443Z MAR 70

1. (TS) REF A ADVISED OF ARMY INTEREST IN TAKING OVER ASC RVN 360/501 FOR LOGISTICAL PROCESSING DURING JULY 1970.
2. (U) INFORMATION AVAILABLE LOCALLY INDICATES THAT ARMY APPLICATION USES IBM 360 FOR EMULATION OF IBM 7010. ASC RVN IBM 360 EQUIPPED FOR NATIVE (360) MODE ONLY AND WOULD REQUIRE HARDWARE FEATURE 4475 FOR 7010 EMULATION. FEATURE 4475 IS AVAILABLE FOR PLANT ONLY INSTALLATION AND CANNOT BE ADDED TO ASC RVN 360/501 IN THE FIELD.
3. (U) FURTHER INFORMATION INDICATES THAT ALTHOUGH IBM 7010 SIMULATORS ARE AVAILABLE FOR IBM 360 AS IBM CLASS III SOFTWARE,

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 THESE SIMULATORS CANNOT USE DISC. ARMY APPLICATION IS APPARENTLY DISC ORIENTED.

4. (TS) RECOMMEND DEPARTMENT OF ARMY BE QUERIED AS TO HOW ARMY INTENDS TO USE ASC RVN 360/501 FOR LOGISTICAL PROCESSING.
5. (S) LTJEN MEISER, DCLOG, DA DID NOT VISIT ASC RVN DURING HIS 31MARTO VISIT TO DANANG AREA.

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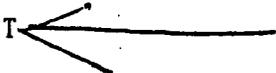
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C O N F I D E N T I A L MAC 4366 EYES ONLY
 SUBJECT: APRIL COMMANDER'S WIEU (U)

1. (C) THE APRIL COMMANDERS WIEU WILL BE HELD SATURDAY 25 APRIL 1970, COMMENCING 0900 HOURS. ALL ADDRESSEES ARE INVITED.
2. (U) COMUSMACV REQUESTS THAT THE DEPCORDS OF THE CTZ'S ALSO ATTEND THE WIEU.
3. (U) COMMANDERS AND DEPCORDS ARE INVITED TO LUNCHEON BEING HOSTED BY COMUSMACV.
4. (C) SESSIONS EXPECTED TO TERMINATE ON OR ABOUT 1530 HOURS 25 APRIL 1970.
5. (C) RSVP REPEAT RSVP MACV 3044, 4958, OR 3151 NLT 23 APRIL 1970.
6. (U) DECLASSIFY EFFECTIVE 26 APRIL 1970.



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PERSONAL FOR GEN WALT INFO LTGEN MCCUTCHEON AND

MAJGEN WILSON FROM LTGEN BUSE

FUND MANAGEMENT FOR THIRD MARDIV MEMORIAL CHILDRENS

HOSPITAL

A. ACOMC 021429Z/APR70 (U)

1. THE DISCONTINUANCE OF COLLECTIONS FOR THE HOSPITAL

BY CARE, INC., NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR HERE EITHER.

THE ACTION PROPOSED IN PAR 2 OF REF (A) APPEARS MOST

PRUDENT, AND IT IS TO BE HOPED THAT NEGOTIATIONS FOR

CARE/MEDICO TO TAKE OVER THE HOSPITAL WILL BE SUCCESSFUL.

WARM REGARDS

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T O P S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON
FROM LTGEN BUSE, MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY. DELIVER
DURING WORKING HOURS ONLY //NO0000//
FORCE PLANNING (U)

1. (TS) I HAVE RECENTLY RETURNED TO CAMP SMITH TO FIND YOUR MESSAGE OF CONCERN AS TO PERSONNEL STAFFING OF THE MAB. YOUR THOUGHTS REGARDING THE "SHOWCASE" CONCEPT AND GENERAL OFFICER ASSIGNMENT ARE APPRECIATED AND I WILL DISCUSS THEM WITH YOU PERSONNALLY DURING MY VISIT LATER IN THE MONTH.
2. (TS) WITH REGARD TO THE EFFECT OF MIXMASTER, AS YOU KNOW THE DILEMMA IN SELECTING PERSONNEL CRITERIA FOR THESE WITHDRAWALS IS ALWAYS THE NEED FOR COMPROMISE BETWEEN EQUITY OF TOUR LENGTH FOR THE INDIVIDUAL AND UNIT READINESS. INDIVIDUAL EQUITY REQUIRES "MIX-MASTERING" OF PERSONNEL WHICH DIRECTLY AFFECTS UNIT

PAGE TWO RUHNFMA0522 T O P S E C R E T SPECAT EXCL FOR MCEO
 READINESS. IN THE LAST TWO REDEPLOYMENTS THE CRITERIA HAS BEEN A COMPROMISE WEIGHTED TOWARD EQUITY. AS YOU HAVE STATED THIS HAS RESULTED IN LESS THAN OPTIMUM READINESS POSTURE. WITH THIS IN MIND THE SUBJECT OF PERSONNEL CRITERIA FOR PHASE IV WAS OPENED TO HOMC SOMETIME AGO. RECENTLY THEIR REPRESENTATIVES AND MY STAFF HERE WORKED OUT A PROPOSED PLAN THAT ACCOMMODATES QUITE WELL TO EQUITY, READINESS, PERSONNEL AVAILABILITY, TRANSPORTATION AND ROTATION HURDLES. THE PLAN STRESSES ADHERENCE AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE TO AN "AS IS" STATUS FOR UNITS REMAINING IN-COUNTRY AND WILL RETAIN THEIR 12 MONTH EVEN SPREAD OF RTD'S. PERHAPS I WILL HAVE FURTHER INDICATION OF STATUS OF THIS PROPOSAL BY THE TIME OF MY VISIT. ALTHOUGH THE "SHOWCASE" CONCEPT MIGHT ENTER THE PICTURE, I HAVE A FEELING IT WILL RELATE TO A RELATIVELY SMALL NUMBER OF KEY BILLETS.

3. (TS) THE ANSWER TO THE QUESTION YOU ADDRESSED OF THE DESIRABILITY OF UNITS VS. INDIVIDUAL PROMOTION TO ACCOMPLISH BATTLE MISSIONS WILL DEPEND GREATLY ON HOW

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STRONGLY THE COMMANDANT FEELS REGARDING SPLIT TOUR
IN THE POST PHASE IV CLIMATE. WE HAVE, I BELIEVE, DONE
OUR BEST TO PROVIDE FOR INDIVIDUAL SPLIT TOUR OPPOR-
TUNITIES ONLY TO THE EXTENT THAT READINESS IS NOT TOO
SERIOUSLY AFFECTED. THERE WILL BE NO SPLIT TOUR QUOTAS
ASSIGNED FOR APRIL.

4. REST ASSURED THAT IN ALL THESE STAFF
MACHINATIONS WE WILL PUSH FOR THE COURSE OF ACTION
WHICH WILL GIVE THE FORCES IN-COUNTRY THE BEST
POSSIBLE READINESS POSTURE. WARM REGARDS.

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PERSONAL FOR GEN WALT AND LTGENS HUSE AND MC CUTCHEON

FROM MGEN WILSON

FUND MANAGEMENT FOR THIRD MARDIV MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

A. ACMC 021429Z APR 70

1. NO OBJECTION TO REINSTATEMENT OF FUND MANAGEMENT WITH CARE, INC., CONCUR WITH PLAN OF ACTION INDICATED IN REF A.

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 LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM MAJGEN WHEELER/MARINE CORPS
 EYES ONLY (DELIVER DURING WORKING HOURS)
 HAMLET 4 SON THANG (V) REPT NO 14
 A. MY 060840Z APR 70
 1. REF A ADVISED ENTRANCE MR HOWARD P. TROCKMAN, EVANS-
 VILLE, IND., CIV COUNSEL PRO THOMAS E. BOYD 251 26 70,
 ONE OF FIVE ACCUSED SUBJ CASE. PLANS TO REPRESENT BOYD
 IF CASE REFERRED TO GCM.
 2. HEARING IN ART 32 INVESTIGATION OF CHG AGAINST 1STLT
 L.R. AMBORT 010 67 23 USMC WILL COMMENCE 09APR 70 AT LZ
 BALDY. EXPECT TWO FULL DAYS TESTIMONY PLUS TWO PARTIAL
 DAYS RESULT WITH NONAVAILABILITY. SHOULD CONCLUDE 14APR
 70.

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 3. FATHER LT AMBORT, MR LOUIS AMBORT, 101 50. PLAZA DR,
 LITTLE ROCK, ARK., HAS REQ NON-LAWYER COMBAT EXPERIENCED
 FIELD GRADE OFF TO ASSIST IN DEF OF SON. CO SEVENTH MAR
 GRANTED PERMISSION FOR SUCH OFF TO ASSIST AT ART 32, HOW-
 EVER, LT AMBORT AND APPT LAWYER DEF COUNSEL
 SUBSEQUENTLY DELICINED THIS ASSIST FOR
 ART 32 BUT STATED SUCH ASSIST DESIRED
 SHOULD CASE BE REFERRED TO COURT-MARTIAL.
 INFO ON THIS MATTER IS PROVIDED SINCE FATHER SEEMED VERY
 INSISTENT AND INDICATED HE WOULD GO TO CONGRESSMAN, IF
 NECESSARY, ON THIS ISSUE. HE MAY NOT AGREE WITH DECIS MADE
 BY SON.
 4. PREPARATION RECORD ART 32 FIVE ACCUSED PROCEEDING ON
 SCHEDULE. COMPLETION 15APR 70.
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 3. TO: 300 IN CO R 7TH AF TAN SON NHUT VIETNAM
 4. TO: MIL REA JCG USARV LONG BINH VIETNAM
 5. TO: COLMIS CG IFFORCEV NHA TRANG VIETNAM
 6. TO: 31 BALT COMNAVFORV SAIGON VIETNAM
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 12. TO: 31 BALT CG 3SFG NHA TRANG VIETNAM
 13. TO: 31 BALT CG 3SFG NHA TRANG VIETNAM

14. TO: 31 BALT CG I A L MAC 4715 EYES ONLY
 15. SUBJECT: APRIL COMMANDER'S WIEU (U)

1. (C) THE APRIL COMMANDER'S WIEU IS CHANGED FROM 25 APRIL PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED TO SATURDAY 18 APRIL 1970, COMMENCING 0800 HOURS. ALL ADDRESSEES ARE INVITED.
2. (C) COMUSMACV REQUESTS THAT THE DEPCORDS OF THE CIZ'S ALSO ATTEND THE WIEU.
3. (C) COMMANDERS AND DEPCORDS ARE INVITED TO LUNCHEON BEING HELD BY COMUSMACV.
4. (C) SESSION TO TERMINATE ON OR ABOUT 1530 HOURS, 18 APRIL 1970.
5. (C) REPEAT RSVP MACV 3244, 4988 OR 3151 NLT 16 APRIL 1970.
6. (C) EFFECTIVE 19 APRIL 1970.

7. (C) DELIVER DURING DUTY HOURS

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ONLY) (DELIVER DURING WORKING HOURS)
HAMLET 4 SON THANG (V) REPT NO 15
REF: A. MY 310540Z MAR 70 (SPECAT)

1. RECORD ART 32 INVEST COMPLETED. WILL BE DELIVERED TO CO 1/7 20APR70. EXPECT CO 1/7 TO FWD RECORD TO CG FIRST MARDIV WITH REC FOR GCM IN CASES ALL FIVE ACCUSED. COPY INVEST WILL BE MAILED 20APR70 TO CMC (CODE A1) AND SJA FMFPAG, III MAF, AND MACV. PLAN TO ALSO MAIL COPY TO THREE CIVILIAN DEF COUNSEL ONCE CASES ARE REFERRED TO GCM. CIV COUNSEL WILL BE REQUESTED TO HOLD INFO CLOSELY SO AS NOT TO PREJUDICE TRAIL OF OTHER ACCUSED.
2. OKLA STATE SEN GENE STIPE, CIV COUNSEL FOR PVT HERROD, AND

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MR. ALVIN SELF, BOX 65, CALVIN, AKLA, 74531, GRANDFATHER OF HERROD, ARR DANANG 15APR70 DEP 18APR70. VISIT WENT SMOOTHLY. SEN STIPE AND MR SELF VISITED WITH HERROD SEVERAL TIMES. SEN STIPE CONSULTED WITH OTHER DEF COUNSEL, VISITED LZ BALDY AND TALKED WITH OTHER ACCUSED AND ALL AVAIL WITHN. HAD NO COMPLAINTS UPON DEP. DID INDICATE HE WOULD REQ DELAY IN TRAIL UNTIL JULY 70 BECAUSE OF EXTENSIVE PREP REQ.

3. ART 32 INVEST LT AMBORT COMPLETED 15APR70. SEE REF A. PRELIM FINDINGS INVEST OFF SUBMITTED TO CO SEVENTH MAR 19APR70 WITH REC FOR NJP BY CG ON CHG FALSE OFFICIAL STATEMENT ONLY. EST COMPLETION ART 32 RECORD 24APR70. DO NOT INTEND TO TAKE ANY OFFICIAL ACT ON LT AMBORT UNTIL BOTH ART 32 INVEST ARE FWD OFFICIALLY AND DECIS IS MADE AS TO REFERRAL TO TRAIL CASES FIVE ACCUSED SUBJ INCIDENT.

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FOR LIGEN BUSE AND LIGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM GEN CHAPMAN

DELIVER DURING NORMAL WORKING HOURS

MARINE PARTICIPATION IN THE DELTA (S)

1. (S) I HAVE BEEN INFORMALLY QUERIED BY THE NAVY AS TO POSSIBILITY OF REPLACING VAL-4 WITH A VMO TO PROVIDE FIXED WING RIVERINE AIR SUPPORT IN THE DELTA REGION.

2. (S) FOUR ALTERNATIVES FOR MAINTAINING OV-10'S IN THE DELTA APPEAR FEASIBLE:

A. MAINTAIN STATUS QUO, I.E. REPLACE VAL-4 LOSSES FROM CONUS (4TH MAW) ASSETS.

B. REPLACE VAL-4 LOSSES FROM VMO-6 ASSETS, GRADUALLY DRAWING VMO-6 DOWN TO 12 AIRCRAFT (POST RVN STRENGTH)

C. REPLACE VAL-4 WITH VMO-6 (MINUS)

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D. REPLACE VAL-4 WITH VMO-2 (MINUS) DURING INCREMENTAL REDEPLOYMENT.

3. (C) PROBABLE BENEFITS ACCRUING FROM EITHER ALTERNATIVES C OR D INCLUDE MARINE DEVELOPMENT OF A NIGHT OBSERVATION GUNSHIP, FURTHERING MARINE AIR-GROUND RIVERINE DOCTRINE DEVELOPMENT, AND RETURN OF ALL OV-10'S TO MARINE CUSTODY.

4. (U) I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON ABOVE ALTERNATIVES IN ADDITION TO ANY COMMENTS YOU CONSIDER PERTINENT.

5. (U) WARM REGARDS

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LTGEN MCCUTCHEON AND MAJGEN ADAMS FROM GEN CHAPMAN

III MAF PASS TO LTGEN BUSE

1. (C) MAJGEN C. F. WIDDECKE 08547 USMC UNDER PCS ORDS DUE TO ARRIVE HNL (INTNL) 241820 (LOCAL) AED UNITED FLT 991.

2. (U) REQ ONWARD TRANS BE ARRANGED.

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GOUTCHEON AND MAJGEN ADAMS FROM LTGEN BUSE (DELIVER DURING
NORMAL DUTY HOURS)

MARINE PARTICIPATION IN THE DELTA (S)

A. CMC 212015Z APR 70 (S) (SPECAT/LIMDIS)

B. CMC 102154Z JUL 68 (C)

1. (S) I ASSUME THAT THE REPLACEMENT OF VAL-4 WITH A VMO
(MINUS) MEANS THAT THE VMO WOULD INITIALLY RELOCATE TO THE
DELTA WITH 14 OV-10 AIRCRAFT SINCE THIS EQUATES TO VAL-4'S
OPERATING ALLOWANCE. I ALSO ASSUME THAT OTHER SUPPORT SUCH
AS BASE SECURITY, MESSING, POWER, ETC. WOULD NOT BE REQUIRED.
THE DEPLOYMENT OF THIS UNIT TO THE DELTA, IS CONSIDERED
SUPPORTABLE FROM A LOGISTICS AND PERSONNEL STANDPOINT WITH
MINOR ADJUSTMENTS FROM NORMAL SUPPORT DUE TO ANTICIPATED
ORDNANCE REQUIREMENTS AND LENGTHENED PIPELINE. IN THIS
REGARD, I AM CONCERNED WITH THREE AREAS. SPECIFICALLY,
THESE AREAS INVOLVE THE OV-10 MISSION, INTRODUCTION OF AN AIR
ONLY ELEMENT AND LENGTH OF DEPLOYMENT WHICH MAY ENSUE FROM THIS
COMMITMENT.

A. IN THE CASE OF THE OV-10 MISSION, PRIMARY AND CONTINUOUS
EMPHASIS CONCERNING ITS EMPLOYMENT POLICY HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE
OBSERVATION VICE ATTACK ROLE FOR THE OV-10 AND, ATTENDANT THERE-
TO, THE ORDNANCE DELIVERY REQUIREMENT FOR THIS AIRCRAFT HAS BEEN
AND CONTINUES TO BE LIMITED TO TARGET MARKING, SUPPRESSIVE FIRES
AND THE DESTRUCTION OF LIGHT, FLEETING TARGETS. AS STATED IN
REF B, ANY CONNOTATION THAT IMPLIES A DIRECT STRIKE/CLOSE AIR
SUPPORT ROLE FOR THE OV-10, WHICH HAS BEEN THE CASE IN THE
DELTA, COULD HAVE A DELETERIOUS EFFECT ON FUTURE NAVY AND MARINE
AIRCRAFT PROGRAMS BEFORE OSD. TO THIS END, I HAVE HELD CLOSE
CONTROL OVER THE UTILIZATION OF THE OV-10 IN COMBAT. HOWEVER,
IT NOW APPEARS THAT THE USE OF MARINE OV-10'S TO PROVIDE FIXED
WING GROUND AIR SUPPORT IN THE DELTA MAY CONTRAVENE THE POLICY
PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED BECAUSE THE AIR SUPPORT REQUIRED IS, IN
FACT, ORIENTED PRIMARILY TO THE LIGHT ATTACK MISSION. ALTHOUGH
EMPLOYMENT OF THE OV-10 IN THIS MANNER IS CONSIDERED NECESSARY
WHEN FIXED WING STRIKE AIRCRAFT ARE NOT READILY AVAILABLE, IT
WOULD BE VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE IN THE DELTA, TO HIGHLIGHT THE
OBSERVATION ROLE OF THE MARINE OV-10. THIS CONDITION DOES NOT
EXIST IN I CORPS.

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B. THE EMPLOYMENT OF ONLY AN AVIATION ELEMENT (VMO) TO THE DELTA ONCE AGAIN FRACTURES OUR CONCEPT OF PROVIDING ONLY A BALANCED AIR-GROUND PACKAGE. THIS POSITION HAS BEEN USED REPEATEDLY IN OUR DELIBERATIONS CONCERNING THE PHASED WITHDRAWALS IN ORDER TO RETAIN A VIABLE PACKAGE. THE INTRODUCTION OF ONLY ONE PART OF THE AIR-GROUND TEAM MAY NOT BE ADVANTAGEOUS IN LIGHT OF OUR PREVIOUS POSITION. FURTHER, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THIS ORGANIZATION (VMO) MAY GROW WITH THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE RESIDUAL MAB TO INCLUDE THE AH-1G'S IN ADDITION TO THE POSSIBLE ASSIGNMENT OF THE NAVY'S RESUPPLY MISSION IN THE DELTA BY ADDING CH-46 AIRCRAFT. THIS, IN TURN, COULD DEVELOP IN-COUNTRY SPACE PROBLEMS AND CREATE A QUESTIONABLE PROLIFERATION OF THE AVIATION ELEMENT WITHOUT A COMPARABLE GROUND ELEMENT. IN ESSENCE, WE COULD DEVELOP A QUASI "SHU-FLY" ORGANIZATION.

C. FINALLY, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE VAL-4 MISSION EXTENDS BEYOND FY-71, WHEREAS, ALL OUR PLANNING HAS BEEN BASED ON A COMPLETE MARINE WITHDRAWAL WITH THE REDEPLOYMENT OF THE RESIDUAL MAB BY END OF FY-71. ACCORDINGLY, RETENTION OF A VMO (-) IN THE DELTA IS CONTRARY TO OUR STATED INTENTIONS.

2. (S) IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING, I AM NOT CONVINCED THAT THE INTRODUCTION OF A VMO TO THE DELTA WILL MATERIALLY ASSIST IN FURTHERING MARINE AIR-GROUND RIVERINE DOCTRINE DEVELOPMENT IN VIEW OF THE LIMITED CAPABILITY ASSOCIATED WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF A VMO (MINUS) ONLY.

3. (S) IN LIGHT OF THE AOVE, I SUPPORT THE REPLACEMENT OF VAL-4, OV-10 LOSSES AS WELL AS MARINE LOSSES, FROM MARINE ASSETS. HOWEVER, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE TIMELY REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT FOR RVN UNITS, IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO DRAWDOWN VMO-6 INITIALLY, AND, IN TURN, TO REPLACE THESE AIRCRAFT FROM CONUS (4TH MAW) ASSETS.

4. (S) ACCORDINGLY, I RECOMMEND THAT VAL-4 AND VMO-2 OV-10 AIRCRAFT LOSSES BE REPLACED BY OV-10'S FROM VMO-6 AND THAT VMO-6'S AIRCRAFT BE REPLACED FROM CONUS ASSETS AS REQUIRED IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN AT LEAST 15 OPERATING AIRCRAFT.

5. (S) I HAVE DISCUSSED THIS WITH KEITH AND HE CONCURS EXCEPT HE RECOMMENDS THAT THE AGREEMENT BE RENEGOTIATED WITH CNO TO ESTABLISH A LIMIT ON THE DRAWDOWN OF MARINE OV-10 ASSETS.

YARR REGARDS.

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U N C L A S E F T O MAC 5475 EYES ONLY

SUBJECT: VISIT BY MR. ROGER T. KELLEY, ASST SECY DEF (MANPOWER
 AND RESERVE AFFAIRS)

1. MR. KELLEY AND PARTY WILL VISIT RVN FROM 11-17 MAY 1970. HE DESIRES MAXIMUM EXPOSURE TO COMBAT PERSONNEL AND CONDITIONS AFFECTING THEM. MR. KELLEY WANTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT SEPARATELY WITH RANDOMLY SELECTED GROUPS OF ENLISTED MEN AND JUNIOR OFFICERS. THE SIZE OF EACH GROUP SHOULD NOT EXCEED 20 PERSONS. HE WANTS TO VISIT PRIVATELY WITH THESE PEOPLE SO AS TO ALLOW FOR FREE EXCHANGE OF DIALOGUE.

2. THERE WILL BE NO, REPEAT NO, HONORS OR COMMAND BRIEFINGS. MR. KELLEY SHOULD BE GIVEN MAXIMUM EXPOSURE TO GROUPS OF COMBAT PERSONNEL.

3. THE VISITING PARTY WILL CONSIST OF:

MR. ROGER T. KELLEY, ASST SECY DEF (MANPOWER & RES AFF)
 BG LE. E. BENADE, DEP ASST SECY (MIL PER POLICY)
 MR. CARL W. CLEWLOW, DEP ASST UOCY ((.7& 034 09)8:6)
 MR. RUSSELL N. KNAUSS, GS-15, EXEC ASST TO SECY KELLEY
 LTC CHARLES T. HUTZLER, MACV J1, ESCORT OFFICER
 E-8 (TO BE DESIGNATED) NCO ADVISOR TO MR KELLEY

SUBJECTS OF INTEREST TO THE GROUP ARE:

- A. LEADERSHIP AND MORALE IN VN ARMED FORCES.
- B. TROOP REDEPLOYMENT.
- C. EFFECTIVENESS OF COMMISSARIES, EXCHANGES, CLUBS, AND MESSSES.
- D. BLACKMARKET (TO INCLUDE MONEY ORDERS).
- E. DRUG ABUSE.
- F. EFFECT OF NEW MILITARY JUSTICE ACT OF 1968.
- G. STOCKADE - LONG BINH
- H. NAVY AT SEA.

4. TENTATIVE ITINERARY WILL BE TRANSMITTED SEPARATELY.

5. OFFICE OF PRIMARY INTEREST FOR THE VISIT IS MACV J1, PROJECT OFFICER IS LTC CHARLES T. HUTZLER, USA, MACV J13, TELEPHONE 923-2123.
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SSO NITE: DELIVERY DURING DUTY HOURS

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 Be sure we are
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 Bring up at Cdr
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1. THE BELOW QUOTED MSG FROM COMUSMACV IS FORWARDED FOR YOUR PERSONAL INFO AND ACTION.
QUOTE
UNCLAS E F T O MAC 5563 EYES ONLY
1. THERE IS TRANSMITTED TO YOU A MESSAGE ON WHICH I WISH YOUR PERSONAL VIEWS BY 1 MAY.
2. CINCPAC MESSAGE FOLLOWS:
QUOTE FRIP OF HE/BERT SUBCOMMITTEE
A. CINCPAC 252214Z APR 70
1. INFORMATION CONCERNING A PENDING VISIT OF THE HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE INVESTIGATION SUBCOMMITTEE TO PACOM IS PROVIDED IN REF A. THE SUBCOMMITTEE APPARENTLY WILL BE PROBING CERTAIN AFTER-EFFECTS OF THE MY LAI INCIDENT. DETAILS HAVE NOT YET BEEN PROVIDED CINCPAC.
2. I AM PREPARING TO RESPOND TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE, I WILL NEED THE FOLLOWING ASSESSMENTS OF THE EFFECTS OF THE MY LAI INCIDENT ON:
A. TROOP MORALE, PARTICULARLY GROUND COMBAT TROOPS.
B. THE MORALE AND ATTITUDE OF COMMANDERS, ESPECIALLY LOWER LEVEL GROUND COMBAT COMMANDERS.
C. PLANNING AND CONDUCT OF GROUND OPERATIONS.
D. TROOP ATTITUDE TOWARD THE VIETNAMESE POPULATION ESPECIALLY TOWARD CITIZENS LIVING IN AREAS WHERE THE ORIENTATION OF THEIR LOYALTY IS UNKNOWN, MIXED, DUBIOUS OR IN FAVOR OF THE ENEMY.
(NOTE: "EFFECT OF THE MY LAI INCIDENT" AS USED ABOVE REFERS TO THE EFFECT OF THE NEWS OR UNDERSTANDING OF THE INCIDENT AFTER IT BECAME WIDELY KNOWN.)
3. REQUEST YOU PROVIDE SUCH ASSESSMENTS, AND ANY OTHERS YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE, BY 4 MAY 70. UNQUOTE.
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4. REQUEST YOUR VIEWS BY 30 APRIL.
SSO NOTE: DELIVER DURING FIRST DUTY HOURS 27 APRIL.
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*Tons
29 April 6.20*

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF

4/24/70

From: Chief of Staff

To: CG

This is the message General Buse gave me last night. In view of the racial aspects of it, I shall prepare a personal to the major commanders concerning deficiencies in forwarding records.

Handwritten notes:
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 Done at CG
 Done 27 Apr
 V.R.
 TO
 LEO J. DULACKI
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 MAJGEN ADAMS. MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY. //N00000// (AMC-1 RPT AMC-1)

1. (C) FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF COMCABWEST 220050Z APR 70 (C)
 MCEO TO CMC INFO FMFPAC, THIRD MAR, MCB CAMPEN, MCRD
 SAN DIEGO.

QUOTE:

1. (C) FOR ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2, PASS TO A01C.
 IAW REF A THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED.

A. PEACEFUL MEETINGS OR DEMONSTRATIONS.

AT OR ABOUT 1900, 20APR70 TWO (2) NEGRO MALE MARINES ATTACHED
 TO MAB-33 WERE APPREHENDED IN THE STATION THEATRE FOR REFUSING
 TO STAND WHILE THE NATIONAL ANTHEM WAS BEING PLAYED. AT APPROX
 2130 A DISTURBANCE OCCURED IN THE POST EXCHANGE CAFETERIA
 INITIATED BY A GROUP OF BLACK MARINES PROTESTING THE ARREST IN
 THE THEATRE. THESE BLACK MARINES WERE DISPURSED BY THE MP WITH-
 OUT FURTHER INCIDENT.

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 B. ASSAULT BY BLACK G. UPS.

AT OR ABOUT 2400-20APR70 A PVT FIRST CLASS DENNIS P ODET MALE
 CAUCASION WHILE ON HIS ASSIGNED BUNK IN THE SEPARATION BARRACKS
 WAS APPROACHED BY THREE OR FOUR NEGROES AND TOLD TO MOVE. ODET
 REFUSED AND WAS ASSAULTED. ODET WAS SEVERLY BEATEN, SUSTAINING A
 BROKEN WRIST, FACIAL FRACTURES AND MULTIPLE CUTS. A POTENTIALLY
 LETHAL WEAPON WAS EMPLOYED TO BEAT ODET. A CAUCASION MARINE
 ATTEMPTED TO AID ODET AND WAS ALSO ASSAULTED. UPON BEING NOTIFIED
 THE MPS RESPONDED TO AID THE INJURED PERSONNEL, AND TO QUELL
 THE DISTURBANCE. THE DISTURBANCE WAS QUELLED AND A DETAIL OF
 SIX MPS WAS POSTED IN THE SEPARATIONS BARRACKS. THE MP DETAIL
 SUBSEQUENTLY RECEIVED EXCESSIVE ABUSE AND VERBAL ASSAULT AND
 REQUESTED ASSISTANCE. THE OOD AND THE SGT OF THE GUARD (SOG)
 RESPONDED. THE OOD AND THE SOG ORDERED THE PERSONNEL IN THE
 BARRACKS TO TURN IN AND SECURE FOR THE NIGHT. THESE ORDERS
 WERE NOT OBEYED. THE SOG THEN CALLED OUT THE REACTION FORCE.
 THE REACTION FORCE APPREHENDED EIGHT MALE NEGROES ATTACHED TO THE
 REASSIGNMENT CENTER FOR CREATING AND PARTICIPATING IN THE DISTURBANCE.
 THE EIGHT APPREHENDED MALE NEGROES ARE ALL AWAITING UNDESIRABLE
 OR BAD CONDUCT DISCHARGES. ONE OF THIS NUMBER WAS IDENTIFIED AS

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 THE ASSAILANT OF ODEET AND HAS BEEN ABOARD 39 DAYS ON
 APPEAL ON AN UNFITNESS DISCHARGE; ONE HAS BEEN ON BOARD 34
 DAYS ON A MEDICAL HOLD; FOUR ARRIVED WITH NO RECORD BOOKS AND
 HAVE BEEN HERE FOR 11 TO 22 DAYS AND TWO ARRIVED WITHIN FIVE
 DAYS. NORMAL TIME FOR DISCHARGE DOES NOT EXCEED FIVE DAYS. THESE
 EIGHT MEN ARE INCARCERATED IN THE STATION BRIG AWAITING
 INVESTIGATION.

C. COMMAND ASSESSMENT.

THERE HAS BEEN NO INFORMATION DEVELOPED TO INDICATE AN ORGANIZED
 THREAT TO COMCABWEST AND THESE INCIDENTS APPEAR TO BE SPONTANEOUS
 IN NATURE. HOWEVER, A FERTILE CONDITION FOR UNREST AND RACIAL
 DISTURBANCES IS CREATED BY THE UNPLANNED ACCUMULATION OF LARGE
 NUMBERS OF MEN AWAITING UNDESIRABLE DISCHARGE. THESE MEN
 CANNOT BE LEGALLY RESTRICTED OR OTHERWISE RESTRAINED UNTIL AND
 OVERT ACT ON THEIR PART. NEGRO MARINES BEING HELD FOR PERIOD OF
 TWO TO FOUR WEEKS AWAITING THESE DISCHARGES CAN BE EXPECTED TO
 CONTINUE TO CAUSE DISCIPLINARY PROBLEMS. ON 20 APR THERE WERE
 65 MARINES IN SEPARATION AWAITING UNDESIRABLE OR BAD CONDUCT
 DISCHARGES. AT PRESENT 18 MARINES (8 BLACK) ARE AWAITING
 UNDESIRABLE DISCHARGE FOR WHOM THE COMMAND HOLDS NO RECORD BOOKS.

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~~FMFPAC HAS ISSUED APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS TO SUBORDINATE COMMANDS NOT
 TO SEND MARINES TO CONUS FOR DISCHARGE WITHOUT APPROPRIATE RECORDS.
 HOWEVER, MARINES CONTINUE TO ARRIVE AT EL TORO WITHOUT RECORDS.
 THIRD WING AND ADDITIONAL EL TORO NCO'S HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED TO
 THE REASSIGNMENT AND SEPARATIONS CENTER TO SUPERVISE MEN THAT
 ARE AWAITING PUNITIVE DISCHARGES. THIS SUPERVISION WILL BE MAINTAINED
 UNTIL ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ARE CORRECTED TO PERMIT
 EXPEDITIOUS PROCESSING OF POTENTIAL DISSIDENTS.~~

UNQUOTE:

2. (C) I MENTIONED ABOVE PROBLEM TO KENNY PRIOR TO YOUR
 DEPARTURE. WHILE EL TORO PROBLEM BELONGS TO HANK HISE,
 FMFPAC SUBORDINATE COMMANDS ARE SOURCE OF PERSONNEL
 GENERATING PROBLEMS. THE SAME SITUATION COULD DEVELOP
 FOR MCRD SAN DIEGO AFTER 1 MAY IF NOT CORRECTED. IN
 MY OPINION THIS IS AN EXPLOSIVE SITUATION WITH BAD
 PUBLICITY POTENTIAL FOR ENTIRE MARINE CORPS AND WE SHOULD
 TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO CORRECT THE EXISTING SITUATION
 AT EL TORO AND INSURE THAT PROBLEM MARINES ARE NOT
 TRANSFERRED TO CONUS FOR DISCHARGE WITHOUT RECORDS.

I HAVE REQUESTED OUR G-1 TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL SPECIFICS
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 FROM EL TORO AND INTEND TO GIVE THESE PRIORITY ATTENTION
 BY TELEPHONIC REQUEST TO THE WESTPAC COMMANDS WHO
 HOLD RECORDS. I RECOMMEND YOU BRING THIS SITUATION
 TO PERSONAL ATTENTION OF YOUR SUBORDINATE COMMANDERS
 DURING BALANCE YOUR VISIT. ALL WELL HERE. WARM REGARDS.

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FOR MGEN MCCURGHON FROM MGEN WIDDECKE

MEMO OF HERBERT COMMITTEE

A. IR 272304Z APR70

B. CG XXIV CORPS 261129Z APR70

1. REF A REFERS. ASSESSMENTS PROVIDED IN ORDER LISTED
IN REF B.

A. NO AFFECT NOTED ON MORALE OF GND CBT TROOPS. EVENT
CONSIDERED TOO REMOTE TO IMPACT DIRECTLY ON INDIV MAR.

B. THERE HAS BEEN AN ATMOSPHERE OF UNCERTAINTY EVIDENT
AMONG NEWLY ARRIVED LTS. THIS UNCERTAINTY IS ILLUSTRATED
BY A QUESTION OFTEN ASKED DURING ADVANCED INDOCTRINATION
TRNG, "WHAT IS AN ATROCITY". WHILE THERE IS EVIDENCE OF
CONSIDERABLE THOUGHT ON THE SUBJ AT THE JUNIOR OFF LEVEL,
THERE SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN NO MEASURABLE IMPACT ON THE PER-
FORMANCE OF JUNIOR OFF, STAFF NCO OR NCO LEADERS.

C. THE MY LAI INCIDENT HAS GENERATED CONTINUED CONCERN
OVER RULES OF ENGAGEMENT. INCREASED AWARENESS OF THE POSS-
IBILITY OF INJURY TO CIVILIANS IMPACTS DIRECTLY BOTH ON PLAN-
NING AND ON CLEARANCES FOR FIRE MISSIONS; AND MAY RESULT IN
TARGET NOT ATTACKED FOR LACK OF POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION OR
THE REMOTE POSSIBILITY OF INJURY TO NONCOMBATANTS.

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1. THERE HAS BEEN NO INDIC OF A CHANGE IN TROOP ATTITUDE TOWARDS
THE HOUSTONIAN POPULATION.
2. ADDITIONAL COMMENT. THE MY LAI INCIDENT AND ATTENDANT PUBLICITY HAS
BEEN UTILIZED BY THE VC TO GIVE CREDENCE TO PROPAGANDA AIMED AT ALIENATING
LOCAL POPULATION FROM THE MARINE CORPS.
3. TO SHORT SUSPENSE THE ABOVE IS BASED ON INPUT FROM SELECTED STAFF
OFFICERS AND COMMANDERS AND DOES NOT REFLECT WIDESPREAD EXAMINATION OF INDIVIDUAL
MARINES.

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SUBJ: TRIP OF HERBERT SUBCOMMITTEE

1. THE PUBLICITY GIVEN TO THE MY LAI INCIDENT DID NOT EFFECT MY COMMAND TO ANY APPRECIABLE DEGREE. THE NATURE OF THE FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING'S MISSION PRECLUDES EXTENSIVE CONTACT WITH VIETNAMESE BY THE MAJORITY OF THE MARINES IN THE COMMAND. ACCORDINGLY, INITIAL REACTION DURING THE PERIOD OF HIGHEST PUBLICITY WAS MUCH THE SAME AS WOULD HAVE OCCURRED IN A COMMAND BASED OUTSIDE OF RVN. EFFECTS WERE LIMITED TO DISCUSSION AND SPECULATION AS TO WHAT PERSONAL ACTION WOULD BE IN A SITUATION OF WHICH FEW WING MARINES HAVE FIRST HAND KNOWLEDGE. THERE IS NO DISCERNIBLE RESIDUAL EFFECT ON EITHER MORALE OR MISSION ACCOMPLISHMENT.

2. THE SINGLE EXCEPTION PERTAINS TO MARINES ENGAGED IN FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING'S CIVIC ACTION PROGRAMS. I HAVE SIX CIVIC ACTIONS TEAMS COMPOSED OF APPX SIXTY SIX PERSONNEL THAT FREQUENTLY GO INTO THEIR ASSIGNED CIVIC ACTION AREA AND WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH THE INDIGENOUS PERSONNEL. AS THESE MEN ARE AWARE THAT ACTIVE VC ARE NEITHER AGE NOR SEX LIMITED, THE MORALE REACTION TO THE MY LAI INCIDENT WAS NEGATIVE. THERE WAS A GENERAL FEELING OF SYMPATHY WITH THE AMERICANS INVOLVED AND SUSPICION THAT THE INCIDENT COULD BE RATIONALLY JUSTIFIED. RESIDUAL EFFECTS ON MORAL AND MISSION ACCOMPLISHMENT ARE NEGLIGIBLE.

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A. CG III MAF 272344Z APR 70

B. CG XXIV COPRS 261425Z APR 70

1. (C) IN RESPONSE TO THE REQUEST CONTAINED IN REF A THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED ON REF B.

A. THE MORALE AND ATTITUDE OF THE TROOPS AND SMALL UNIT COMMANDERS OF THIS COMMAND HAS NOT BEEN ADVERSELY AFFECTED.

THE COMBAT PERSONNEL OF THIS COMMAND OPERATE IN A RELATIVELY SECURE HIGHLY POPULATED AREA WHEREIN CONTINUOUS EMPHASIS HAS BEEN PLACED ON RULES OF ENGAGEMENT AND PERSONAL RESPONSE PROGRAM. TROOPS HAVE BEEN AWARE OF THE PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE OF THESE PROGRAMS PRIOR TO AND SINCE THE MY LAI INCIDENT.

B. PLANNING AND CONDUCT OF GROUND OPERATIONS HAS NOT CHANGED AS A RESULT OF THE MY LAI INCIDENT.

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INCREASED ATTENTION HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE TRAINING AND INDOCTRINATION OF COMBAT TROOPS CONCERNING RULES OF ENGAGEMENT, PERSONAL RESPONSE, PRISONER HANDLING, SEARCH PROCEDURES ETC. THESE SAME SUBJECTS ARE CONTINUOUSLY ADDRESSED AND CLOSELY MONITORED DURING ALL OPERATIONS.

C. THE MY LAI INCIDENT HAS HAD LITTLE EFFECT UPON THE ATTITUDE OF THE TROOPS OF THIS COMMAND TOWARD THE VIETNAMESE POPULATION. THE ABSENCE OF VIOLATIONS OF THE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT AND THE SUCCESS OF THE PERSONAL RESPONSE AND CIVIL ACTION PROGRAMS HAS ENGENDERED A SPIRIT OF TRUST AND COOPERATION.

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SUBJECT: FMAF COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE (U)

1. (S/LD) AS A FOLLOW ON TO A RECENT WIEU PRESENTATION, COMUS DESIRES THAT FMAF COMMANDERS BE BROUGHT IN ON MORE OF THE DISCUSSIONS AND BRIEFINGS THAT OCCUR HERE IN THE HEADQUARTERS. SPECIFICALLY, HE IS SEEKING BETTER WAYS OF TAKING FULL ADVANTAGE OF THE EXPERIENCE BEING GAINED BY THE VARIED FORCES WHO ARE DEALING WITH THE ENEMY UNDER DIFFERING CIRCUMSTANCES, USING DIFFERENT METHODS, AND ACHIEVING VARIOUS DEGREES OF SUCCESS. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS PLANNED TO CONDUCT CONFERENCES AT THIS LEVEL FOR THE FUTURE COMMANDERS WHERE IDEAS AND CONCEPTS CAN BE EXCHANGED.

2. (S/LD) BEFORE WE BEGIN PREPARATION FOR THESE SESSIONS, A REVIEW OF ROK, THAI AND AUSTRALIAN OPERATIONS IS NEEDED BY MEMBERS OF MACV STAFF WHO ARE GOING TO PREPARE THE AGENDA. THEREFORE IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL IF THE SENIOR FMAF LIAISON OFFICERS TO THE ROK'S, THAI'S AND AUSTRALIANS, OR SOMEONE KNOWLEDGEABLE IN THEIR OPERATIONS, BRIEF THE MACV STAFF HERE AT 1000 HOURS ON 15 JULY OF FMAF OPERATIONS. THE SCOPE OF THEIR PRESENTATION SHOULD

INCLUDE MISSION, CONCEPT AND METHOD OF OPERATION, COORDINATION WITH MILITARY AND CIVILIAN AGENCIES, CONTRIBUTIONS TO VIETNAMIZATION AND PACIFICATION, AND EFFECTIVENESS OF SUCH EFFORTS. IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT BECAUSE THIS IS A DELICATE REQUIREMENT, ELABORATE DETAILS CANNOT BE MADE AND IN FACT ARE NOT DESIRED.

3. (U) I ASSURE YOU THAT YOUR HELP IN THIS REGARD IS WELCOMED TO ENTER DIRECT FMAF OPERATIONS TO MORE PRODUCTIVE ENDS AS DESIRED BY COMUS. MACV CONTACT OFFICER IS COL HODES 923-3834 OR SAC III. WARM REGARDS.

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CG I CORPS I A L DNG 960 EYES ONLY

1. (C) QUARTERLY REVIEW OF THE COMBINED CAMPAIGN PLAN 70, E 140 WILL BE HELD AT 1000 HRS 30 APRIL 1970 AT I CORPS HEADQUARTERS.

2. (C) AT THE INVITATION OF CG I CORPS, REQUEST THAT YOU ATTEND.

3. (C) THE CONFERENCE AGENDA IS GIVEN BELOW:

1205-1210	INTELLIGENCE (PRESENTED BY XXIV CORPS G2)
1210-1220	ROKMC ACTIVITIES
1220-1230	I CORPS OPERATIONS/PACIFICATION
1230-1245	BREAK
1245-1255	DISCUSSION
1255-1330	LUNCH (INVITATION EXTENDED BY I CORPS CG AT CONFERENCE)

4. (C) PERSONNEL ARRIVING BY HELICOPTER, FOR LANDING AT HOTEL PAD, WHICH IS DIRECTLY ACROSS ROUTE 543 IN FRONT OF I CORPS HEADQUARTERS, SHOULD CHECK IN ON HOTEL PAD FREQUENTLY TO COORDINATE LANDING.

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