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~~17. CG FMFPAC 092202Z AUG70 (IS)~~

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BGEN MATAxis & BGEN HILL
DAILY OPS SUMMARY TERMINATION

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B. L. BUSSELL

CG III MAF

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AT 1600 HOURS, 27 JULY I SHOWED GENERAL MCCUTCHEON MY CONCEPT OF HOW FORCES SHOULD BE REDISPOSED IN QDSZ UPON REDEPLOYMENT OF THE 7TH MARINES. GENERAL MCCUTCHEON ASKED FOR AN OVERLAY OF THIS PLAN FOR STUDY. THE OVERLAY WAS PASSED TO III MAF STAFF THE NEXT MORNING.

AS URGENT FACILITIES TURN-OVER AND DISPOSAL ACTIONS HINGE ON MY DECISIONS AS TO HOW FORCES WILL BE DISPOSED, REQUEST BY TOMORROW YOUR VIEWS ON MY PLAN AS SHOWN TO GENERAL MCCUTCHEON.

PLAN FOR LOCATING FORCES WILL FACILITATE OBTAINING FIRM COMMITMENTS FROM I CORPS TO TAKE OVER KEY FACILITIES IN QDSZ.

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INFO RUMLMPA/CG III MAF

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EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN JONES/INFO LTGEN MCCUTCHEON/DELIVER DURING
WORKING HOURS

A. CG 1ST MARDIV 220101Z JUL 70 (SPECAT)

B. CG III MAF 22235Z JUL 73 (SPECAT)

1. (S) THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO INFORM YOU OF THE
CURRENT PLANS FOR THE REDEPLOYMENT OF THE DIVISION'S HEADQUARTERS
BATTALION, HOW THESE PLANS ADVERSELY IMPACT ON THE DIVISION'S
COMMAND AND CONTROL CAPABILITIES, AND TO DISCUSS WHAT IS PLANNED
TO DO ABOUT IT. THESE MATTERS WERE DISCUSSED WITH LTGEN
MCCUTCHEON PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE AND HE GAVE HIS GENERAL APPROVAL
TO THE APPROACH OUTLINED HEREIN.

2. (S) AS BACKGROUND INFORMATION, THE 1 JULY AUTHORIZED ALLOW-
ANCE OF THE DIVISION, INCLUDING OUT OF COUNTRY NONEFFECTIVE
ALLOWANCE (OOCNE), IS 1,192 OFFICERS AND 23,835 ENLISTED, FOR A

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TOTAL OF 25,027. ON 15 OCTOBER 1973, THE TOTAL AUTHORIZED
ALLOWANCE, INCLUDING OOCNE, WILL BE 644 OFFICERS AND 11,172
ENLISTED, FOR A TOTAL OF 11,816. FURTHER, THE CURRENT MANNING
LEVEL OF HEADQUARTERS BATTALION IS 209 OFFICERS AND 1,273 ENLISTED,
FOR A TOTAL OF 1,482. THE ACTUAL ON-ROLLS STRENGTH TOTALS 1,898.
THIS OVERAGE OF 416 IS PRIMARILY RELATED TO THE SCAMP PLATOON
AND VALID REQUIREMENTS IN COMMAND, CONTROL, AND COMMUNICATIONS
FUNCTIONS, AND OTHER IMPORTANT FIELDS SUCH AS LOCAL SECURITY AND
THE STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE'S ACTIVITIES. IN THIS REGARD, AS SET
FORTH IN REFERENCE A, STEPS ARE BEING TAKEN TO REDUCE ALL HEAD-
QUARTERS UNITS TO THEIR ABSOLUTE HARD-CORE REQUIREMENTS.

3. (S) CURRENT REDEPLOYMENT DIRECTIVES/PLANS PROVIDE FOR A DRAW-
DOWN ON HEADQUARTERS BATTALION AS FOLLOWS:

A. FIRST ELEMENT: DEPARTING ABOUT 19 AUGUST, RESULTING IN
A MANNING LEVEL TOTALING 1,315 AND AN ON-ROLLS STRENGTH OF 1,231.
B. SECOND ELEMENT: DEPARTING ABOUT 26 SEPTEMBER, RESULTING
IN A MANNING LEVEL OF 514, INCLUDING 26 IN THE SCAMP PLATOON.
THIS FIGURE OF 514 REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY 35 PERCENT OF THE
ORIGINAL MANNING LEVEL OR 27 PERCENT OF THE 1 JULY ON-ROLL
STRENGTH.

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4. (S) IN REVIEWING HOW SUCH DRASTIC REDUCTIONS WERE PLANNED, I FIND THAT THEY WERE PRIMARILY THE RESULT OF THE FOLLOWING:

A. AN INITIAL REQUIREMENT TO REACH A DIVISION WIDE AUTHORIZED STRENGTH, INCLUDING COCNE, OF 11,816 BY 15 OCTOBER.

B. A REQUIREMENT/DESIRE TO RETAIN WITHIN THE AUTHORIZED STRENGTH AS MANY TACTICAL UNITS AS POSSIBLE, AS EVIDENCED BY THE FACT THAT THE ENGINEER CAPABILITY HAS BEEN DRASTICALLY REDUCED THIS MONTH.

C. A CHANGE IN REDEPLOYMENT CONCEPT FOR MARINE FORCES. ORIGINAL PLANNING PROVIDED FOR A REDUCTION TO A MAB SIZE FORCE IN ONE INCREMENT ON 15 OCTOBER (INCREMENT 4). HOWEVER, THIS WAS SUBSEQUENTLY CHANGED TO SPREAD THE REDUCTION OVER THE PERIOD 15 OCTOBER - 1 JANUARY (INCREMENTS 4 AND 5). THE RETENTION OF AN ADDITIONAL RLT AND MAJOR AVIATION UNITS BEYOND 15 OCTOBER WHILE REMAINING WITHIN STRINGENT CEILINGS PRECLUDED RETENTION OF ALL BUT A MINIMAL HEADQUARTERS ELEMENT.

5. (S) IT IS MY BELIEF THAT THE PLANNING FACTORS DISCUSSED ABOVE ARE VALID. HOWEVER, AS CITED ABOVE, THE SITUATION HAS NOT DEVELOPED AS INITIALLY CONCEIVED. AS SET FORTH IN REFERENCE B, THE BRIGADE WILL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR GROUND AND AIR OPERA-

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TIONS ON "ABOUT 15 NOVEMBER 1970" AS OPPOSED TO "EARLY THIS SUMMER" AS ORIGINALLY BELIEVED DURING THE PLANNING STAGE.

IN SO FAR AS CAN BE DETERMINED NOW, THE DIVISION'S TAOR, ITS TASKS, AND ITS OVERALL FUNCTIONS WILL NOT BE REDUCED BY ANY SIGNIFICANT DEGREE UNTIL THE BRIGADE ACTUALLY ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY FOR GROUND AND AIR OPERATIONS; THE ARVN/VIETNAMESE MARINE BRIGADE, UNDER CURRENT PLANS, WILL NOT ASSUME A TAOR UPON THE STAND-DOWN AND SUBSEQUENT DEPARTURE OF RLT-7. TO THE CONTRARY, THESE UNITS WILL MERELY BE LOCATED IN THE AREA OF THE 5TH MARINES AND 7TH MARINES, TAKING OVER SOME OF THEIR FACILITIES, BUT NOT THEIR TAORS.

6. (S) IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE ABOVE, THE TWO-MONTHS PERIOD OF 15 SEPTEMBER, WHEN THE SECOND ELEMENT OF HEADQUARTERS BATTALION STANDS DOWN, TO 15 NOVEMBER IS CRITICAL IN THAT THE DIVISION'S FUNDAMENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES WILL REMAIN ESSENTIALLY THE SAME, BUT WITH INADEQUATE, OR, AT BEST, MARGINAL, COMMAND, CONTROL AND COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES.

7. (S) ANOTHER CONSIDERATION IS THAT, TO DATE, NO DEFINITE WORD HAS BEEN PROMULGATED RELATIVE TO THE REDEPLOYMENT OF THE DIVISION (-) SUBSEQUENT TO 15 OCTOBER. AS A RESULT, IT IS MANDATORY THAT WE RETAIN AN ADEQUATE COMMAND AND CONTROL MECHANISM BEYOND THAT

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8. (S) DURING THE PERIOD 15 SEPTEMBER - 15 NOVEMBER, DIVISION HEADQUARTERS WILL HAVE A REQUIREMENT FOR A TOTAL OF 832 OFFICERS AND MEN VERSUS A MANNING LEVEL OF 514. TO MEET THE 832 ACTUAL STRENGTH REQUIREMENT, IT IS PLANNED TO USE THE FOLLOWING RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO THE DIVISION WITHOUT ANY REQUIREMENT TO REQUEST CHANGES IN MANNING LEVELS OR REDEPLOYMENT SCHEDULES:

MANNING LEVEL:	483
MANNING LEVEL SCAMP PLATOON:	26
COCKE ALLOWANCE:	132
OTHER PERSONNEL WITHIN APPROVED AND ACTUAL DIVISION STRENGTH:	196
TOTAL:	832

THE 176 PERSONNEL CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE WITHIN THE AUTHORIZED CEILINGS OF THE DIVISION AND FROM THE PERSONNEL ACTUALLY ASSIGNED WITH ONLY SLIGHT DETRIMENT TO OTHER DIVISION UNITS, AS THIS REPRESENTS LESS THAN TWO PERCENT OF THE TOTAL DIVISION AUTHORIZED STRENGTH AND ACTUAL PERSONNEL WHO WILL BE AVAILABLE.

9. (S) I SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT THE ABOVE APPROACH IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF ALL CONCERNED. THE DIVISION CAN CONTINUE TO

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PERFORM ITS CURRENT MISSION WITHOUT RESORTING TO MARGINAL CAPABILITIES. NO REQUESTED CHANGES IN THE REDEPLOYMENT OF UNITS OR SHIPPING SCHEDULES ARE INVOLVED; NO REDUCTIONS IN TAORS OR TASKS ARE REQUIRED. IN BRIEF, BY MAKING THESE ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN AUTHORIZED CEILINGS, THE DIVISION WILL HAVE A HEADQUARTERS WHICH IS STILL AUSTERE BUT YET ADEQUATELY STRUCTURED AND MANNED FOR THE TASK AT HAND.

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 LTGEN JONES, LTGEN MCCUTCHEON, MAJGEN E.E. ANDERSON FM
 MAJGEN ROBERTSON DELIVER DURING WORKING HOURS
 GYSGT VOREGAS

A. YOUR 302355Z JUL 70

1. PER YOUR REQUEST OF REF A. GYSGT VOREGAS HOSPITALIZED
 30 JUL 70 DIAGNOSIS KIDNEY STONES. UNDER SEDATION PRECLUDING
 THE OBTAINING OF SWORN STATEMENT.

2. ANTICIPATE ONE WEEK DELAY IN OBTAINING REQUESTED
 STATEMENT. WILL KEEP ADVISED.

3. YOUR 302355Z JUL REFERS TO MY 290652Z SHOULD READ
 290052Z JUL 70. BEST REGARDS.

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 INFO LT GEN MCCUTCHEON FROM LT GEN JONES, MARINE CORPS
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 REALIGNMENT OF PERSONNEL OF HQ BN

A. CG FIRST MARDIV 030950Z AUG70 (S) (MCEO)
 1. (S) I CONCUR IN THE RATIONALE PRESENTED IN REFERENCE
 A AS TO THE NEED FOR AN ADEQUATELY STAFFED COMMAND
 AND CONTROL ORGANIZATION FOR THE DIVISION AFTER
 COMPLETION OF THE CURRENT WITHDRAWAL INCREMENT. THE
 PLAN YOU PROPOSE APPEARS WORKABLE.
 2. (S) IN FURTHERANCE OF OUR MUTUAL CONCERN, IMPLEMENTA-
 TION OF SUCH A PLAN MUST HAVE MINIMAL EFFECT ON THE
 NECESSARY STAFFING OF RIFLE COMPANIES AS NEAR MANNING
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 LTG MCCAFFREY DCG USARV LONG BINH VIETNAM
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 VADM KING COMNAVFORV SAIGON VIETNAM
 MG MCCOWN CG DMAC CAN THO VIETNAM
 COL HEALY CO 5SFGA NHA TRANG VIETNAM
 ZEM

C O N F I D E N T I A L MAC 10746 EYES ONLY

SUBJECT: AUGUST COMMANDER'S WIEU (U)

1. (C) THE AUGUST COMMANDER'S WIEU WILL BE HELD 29 AUGUST 1970, COMMENCING 0900 HOURS. ALL ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE INVITED.
2. (U) REQUEST THAT THE DEPCORDS OF THE MR'S ALSO ATTEND THE WIEU.
3. (U) WIEU ATTENDEES ARE INVITED TO LUNCHEON AT THE MACV COMMAND MESS.
4. (C) SESSIONS EXPECTED TO TERMINATE ON OR ABOUT 1530 HOURS, 29 AUGUST 1970.
5. (C) RSVP REPEAT RSVP MACV 3151, 3044 OR 4958 NLT 27 AUGUST 1970.
6. (U) DECLASSIFY EFFECTIVE 31 AUGUST 1970.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! KEPT THINKING I'D BE OUT TO JOIN YOU
SOON, BUT NOW LOOKS LIKE ALL THE GOOD JOBS HAVE BEEN SEWED
UP.

I'LL BE RELIEVED HERE ABOUT 25 SEPTEMBER AND REPORT TO
EL TORO ABOUT 20 OCT.

HOPE YOU FIND TIME TO CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY.
WARMEST REGARDS.

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UNCLAS E F T O DNG 1929 EYES ONLY

1. AS A RESULT OF AN ARTICLE APPEARING IN WASHINGTON POST BY JACK ANDERSON ALLEGING EXTENSIVE DRUG USE BY US COMBAT PERSONNEL IN VIETNAM AND GENERAL MILITARY COVER-UP OF SAME, DOD HAS REQUESTED INFO CONCERNING ALLEGATIONS FOR USE BEFORE CONGRESSIONAL SUBCOMMITTEE.
 2. ALTHOUGH ALLEGATIONS ARE VAGUE AND ARE NOT SPECIFIC REGARDING DATES, UNITS, OR MILITARY REGIONS, REQUEST INFORMATION BE AS SPECIFIC AS POSSIBLE AND COMMENT REGARDING FOLLOWING:

A. THE USE OF MARIJUANA NOT ONLY IS WIDESPREAD AMONG AMERICAN SERVICEMEN IN VIETNAM BUT COMBAT TROOPS UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS HAVE FIRED UPON THEIR OWN SIDE. THE GIS IN ONE BUNKER, ACCORDING TO INVESTIGATO

Y* REPORTS BECAME SO "STONED" ON EXTRA-STRENGTH MARIJUANA THAT THEY TRIED TO SHOOT DOWN U. S. HELICOPTER GUNSHIPS. THE HELICOPTERS STRUCK BACK WITH A HOT HAILSTORM OF MACHINE GUN BULLETS. INVESTIGATORS FOUND THE BUNKER STREWN WITH DEAD AMERICANS, MARIJUANA BUTTS SCATTERED AROUND THEIR BODIES. SINCE EVERY GI KNOWS THAT ONLY THE ALLIES OPERATE HELICOPTER GUNSHIPS, THE INVESTI ATORS CONCLUDED THAT THE MEN IN THE BUNKER MUST HAVE BEEN THOROUGHLY CRAZED BY THE DRUG.

* B. A MARINE SERGEANT HAS ALSO GIVEN THE COMMITTEE A SWORN STATEMENT THAT DRUGS HAD TURNED HIS MEN INTO A "GOOF-OFF UNIT." SOME WHO HAD GONE AWOL, HE FOUND, HAD "TWO FILLED OPIUM PIPES AND SEVERAL LARGE PLASTIC BAGS FULL OF MARIJUANA." WHEN HE TRIED TO STOP HIS MEN FROM TAKING DRUGS, THEY THREATENED HIS LIFE. THE COMMANDING OFFICER TOOK THE THREAT SERIOUSLY ENOUGH THAT HE ISSUED THE SERGEANT A .45 CALIBER PISTOL "FOR MY PERSONAL PROTECTION." BUT A DRUG-CRAZED PRIVATE ROLLED A GRENADE INTO THE SERGEANT'S HUT, AND THE EXPLOSION INJURED HIM BADLY.

C. THE TRUTH ABOUT BATTLEFIELD DRUG USE, HOWEVER, HAS BEEN SYSTEMATICALLY SUPPRESSED BY THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT EVEN THOUGH IT GNAWS AT U. S. COMBAT EFFICIENCY. SENATE INVESTIGATORS HAVE LEARNED FOR EXAMPLE, THAT A TEAM OF GIS WAS ASSIGNED TO SLASH OPEN THE CLOTHING OF WOUNDED AND DEAD SOLDIERS TO MAKE SURE NO "POT" WOULD BE FOUND ON THEM WHEN THEY WERE SKIPPED OUT OF THE COMBAT ZONE.

D. AUTHORS OF ROFFMAN AND SAPOL REPORT "WERE ORDERED TO ABANDON THEIR RESEARCH AND HUSH UP THEIR FINDINGS" BY ARMY.

E. EVEN PROMISES OF IMMUNITY ARE UNLIKELY TO BRING A RUSH OF VOLUNTEERS SAYING THEY SMOKE MARIJUANA.

F. SENATE INVESTIGATORS HAVE BEEN QUIETLY DIGGING UP EVIDENCE FOR MONTHS, INCLUDING ACTUAL, TIME-SEQUENCE PICTURES OF CLANDESTINE DRUG SALES TO GIS AND OF GIS SMOKING OPIUM IN VIETNAM DENS.

3. MACV J1 REQUESTED DOD TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING ALLEGATIONS TO PROVIDE LEADS OR POINT OF DEPARTURE UPON WHICH TO CONDUCT OUR REVIEW. SUCH INFORMATION WAS NOT AVAILABLE. HOWEVER, REQUEST YOU PROVIDE TO ME SOONEST COMMENTS ON THE GENERAL ALLEGATIONS PRESENTED AND ON THE SPECIFIC CASES MENTIONED AS THEY RELATE TO YOUR COMMAND.

4. I REALIZE THE NATURE OF THE ALLEGATIONS, WORK INVOLVED, AND EARLY SUSPENSE DATE WILL MITIGATE AGAINST A FACTUAL MEANINGFUL RESPONSE. HOWEVER, REQUEST YOU PROVIDE AS A MINIMUM AN ASSESSMENT OF THE EXTENT AND TREND OF DRUG ABUSE - PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO COMBAT ELEMENTS - IN YOUR COMMANDS. CONCERNING THE TWO SPECIFIC ALLEGATIONS, THAT IS, THE ALLEGED ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN TROOPS OCCUPYING A BUNKER AND THE HELICOPTER GUNSHIP; AND THE MARINE SERGEANT, A STATEMENT THAT THE COMMAND HAS NO EVIDENCE OR REPORT OF SUCH INCIDENTS WILL SUFFICE.

5. REQUEST YOUR REPLY SOONEST, BUT NOT LATER THAN 151200 AUG 70.

6. WARM REGARDS.

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REVISED PERSONNEL CRITERIA (U)

A. ADMIN FMFPAC 130229Z AUG 70

B. ADMIN III MAF 060920Z AUG 70

1. (S) THERE IS NO PRECISE WAY OF REDICTING THE IMPACT OF THE REVISED PERSONNEL CRITERIA SET FORTH I REFERENCE A UPON THE MARINES INVOLVED. I FORESEE, HOWEVER, THAT IT MAYBE SIGNIFICANT BOTH IN ITS SCOPE AND IN ITS EFFECT ON THE INDIVIDUAL. MY MOST IMMEDIATE CONCERN IS ITS EFFECT UPON EMBARKATION UNIT 7, A SMALL PART OF WHICH HAS ALREADY DEPARTED. AN EXAMINATION OF THE 1400 MARINES IN THIS UNIT REVEALS THAT 512, INCLUDING 30 WHO HAVE ALREADY DEPARTED RVN, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE UNDER THE NEW CRITERIA. USING THESE FIGURES AS A BASIS, IT IS ESTIMATED THAT ABOUT THIRTY PERCENT OF THE NEARLY 10,000 DIVISION SPACES INVOLVED IN INCREMENT IV WILL NO LONGER BE ELIGIBLE FOR REDE-

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PLOYMENT. WHILE THE ABOVE MAY INDICATE THE MAGNITUDE OF THIS CHANGE, IT DOES NOT REVEAL THE POTENTIAL REACTION OF THE INDIVIDUAL MARINE WHO IS NO LONGER ELIGIBLE. IN UNCLASSIFIED FORM, SUCH AS REFERENCE B AND THE 14 AUGUST ISSUE OF THE SEA TIGER, WE HAVE CAREFULLY SPELLED OUT THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR INCREMENT IN PERSONNEL. THOSE ROTATING AND OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE WERE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR RELAD. IN THE CASE OF EMBARK UNIT 7, KEY-STONE ROBIN PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED TO SURFACE LIFT OR AIRCRAFT, EVEN TO THE XTENT OF HAVING BEEN PROVIDED SEAT DATES. THOSE MARINES WITH DECEMBER 1970, JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 1971 RTD'S MUST NOW BE TOLD THAT THEY ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO ROTATE OR TO BE RELAD. REGARDLESS OF HOW WE ULTIMATELY TRY TO EXPLAIN THE NECESSITY OF THIS CHANGE TO THE DISAPPOINTED MARINE, IT WILL BE HARD FOR HIM TO ACCEPT IT. I BELIEVE THAT HIS MORALE AND FAITH IN THE MARINE CORPS WILL BE ALTERED ACCORDINGLY.

2. IT IS ENCUMBENT UPON US TO TAKE EVERY POSSIBLE ACTION TO REDUCE THIS FORESEEABLE ADVERSE IMPACT. SPECIFICALLY, I RECOMMEND A STRONG TROOP INFORMATION PROGRAM BASED UPON A REVISION OF REFERENCE (B) SO AS TO REFLECT IN UNCLASSIFIED FORM THE NEW INCREMENT IV CRITERIA. ADDITIONALLY, THE INFORMATION

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1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUBMITTING IN RESPONSE TO YOUR MESSAGE ARV 2242 DTG 131650Z AUG 70.

A. NEITHER THIS COMMAND NOR MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS HAVE ANY EVIDENCE OR REPORT OF A FRIENDLY FIRE INCIDENT BETWEEN AN ARMED HELICOPTER AND A MANNED BUNKER. IN THIS REGARD, IN REVIEWING REPORTS OF FRIENDLY FIRE INCIDENTS I HAVE HOUND THAT SUBORDINATE COMMANDS SCRUPULOUSLY REPORT SUCH INCIDENTS EVEN THOUGH REPORTS MAY REFLECT UNFAVORABLY ON TRAINING AND LEADERSHIP OF UNITS.

Not accurate
 B. III MAF HAS NO REPEAT NO RECORD OR REPORT WHICH WOULD IDENTIFY THE INDIVIDUAL, THE UNIT, OR THE COMMANDING OFFICER INVOLVED IN THE INCIDENT DESCRIBED BY THE MARINE SERGEANT. THERE HAVE BEEN ACCOUNTS OF THROWING GRENADES INTO HUTS, BUT INVESTIGATIONS HAVE NOT SHOWN DRUGS TO BE A FACTOR. US ARMY COMMANDS HAVING MARINE UNITS IN THEIR AO'S DO NOT REPEAT NOT HAVE A RECORD OR REPORT OF SUCH AN INCIDENT. ALONG THIS LINE, IN ONE BRIGADE THERE HAVE BEEN NINE FELONEOUS ASSAULTS, INCLUDING FOUR INVOLVING GRENADE INCIDENTS, SINCE 1 JAN 70. IN EACH CASE, A SEARCH OF THE SUSPECT'S QUARTERS UNCOVERED VARYING AMOUNTS OF MARIJUANA AND OTHER DRUGS.

C. THE STATEMENT THAT THE AMNESTY PROGRAM OR PROMISE OF IMMUNITY DOES NOT BRING ON A RUCH OF VOLUNTEERS IS FAIRLY ACCURATE. WHILE THE RESPONSE VARIES FROM UNIT TO UNIT, IF CAN BE CATEGORIZED AS MINIMAL. SIGNIFICANT COMMENTS REGARDING THIS PROGRAM ARE:

(1) SOME INDIVIDUALS DO NOT SUPPORT THE PROGRAM BECAUSE THEY FEEL THERE IS NO KNOWN RELIABLE MEDICAL CURE TO DRUG ADDICTION.

(2) PERSONNEL FEEL IF THEY AVAIL THEMSELVES OF THE PROGRAM THEY WILL BE IDENTIFIED AS A USER AND TREATED AS SUCH BY PEERS AND SUPERIORS.

(3) PERSONNEL NEARING DEROS HAVE ASKED FOR MEDICAL HELP TO THROW THE HABIT BUT THESE ARE A MINORITY.

(4) USE OF THE PROGRAM BY CONFIRMED ADDICTS TO GET OUT OF THE FIELD OR TO "LEGALIZE" THEIR OFFENSE HAS DEGRADED THE CREDIBILITY OF THE PROGRAM IN THE EYES OF COMMANDERS.

D. THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OR REPORTS OF "OPIUM DENNS" IN OPERATION IN ITMILITARY REGION.

E. DEPENDING UPON THE DEFINITION OF TERM "WIDESPREAD", THE BROAD ALLEGATION OF ANDERSON'S THAT THE USE OF MARIJUANA BY AMERICAN SERVICEMEN HAS AN ELEMENT OF TRUTH. IN ONE BRIGADE SINCE JANUARY 1970 THERE HAVE BEEN 78 INVESTIGATIONS WHERE 141 SUSPECTS WERE MARIJUANA OR NARCOTICS USERS; AND 165 ARTICLE 15'S OR COURT-MARTIALS FOR DRUG POSSESSION OR USE. IN THE LAST FOUR MONTHS IN ONE DIVISION CID HAS OPENED 206 CASES OF MARIJUANA AND DRUG ABUSE AND 43 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA CONFISCATED. III MAF, PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING RECAP FOR FEB 70 THRU JUL 70:

NUMBER OF MARIJUANA INVESTIGATIONS - 375, INVOLVING 405 MARINES;
 NUMBER OF DANGEROUS DRUG INVESTIGATION - 183, INVOLVING 192 MARINES;
 NUMBER OF NARCOTICS INVESTIGATIONS - 13, INVOLVING 16 MARINES; AND
 NUMBER OF ADMIN DISCHARGES FOR DRUGS - 199. DURING THIS SAME PERIOD AVERAGE STRENGTH OF MARINES WAS ABOUT 43,000. ON THE AVERAGE ABOUT 67 MARINES PER MONTH WERE INVOLVED IN MARIJUANA

OR SLIGHTLY OVER ONE TENTH OF ONE PERCENT. ANOTHER DIVISION REPORTS THE FOLLOWING RECAP DURING THE PAST 30 DAYS: 40 APPREHENSIONS FOR DRUG USE; 16 OF 53 COURTS-MARTIAL HELD DURING JULY 70 INVOLVED DRUGS; 4 OF 11 FORMAL LINE OF DUTY INVESTIGATIONS INVOLVED DRUGS; AND DIVISION SURGION ESTIMATES ON A MONTHLY BASIS APPROXIMATELY 50 PERCENT OF SOME 300 CASES SEEN AND INTERVIEWED IN THE MENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC ADMITTED TO USING SOME SORT OF DRUGS OR MARIJUANA.

2. NO ONE REALLY KNOWS THE EXACT EXTENT OF MARIJUANA AND DRUG USE. HOWEVER, THE FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS/CONCLUSION CAN BE MADE:

A. USE BY TROOPS IN I MILITARY REGION ON COMBAT OPERATIONS OR IN AREAS OF IMINENT DANGER OF ATTACK IS NEGLIGIBLE. UNIT LEADERS AND THE INDIVIDUAL SOLDIER WILL NOT TOLERATE ITS USE IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES.

B. THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT INCIDENCE OF DRUG ABUSE, PARTICULARLY MARIJUANA, BY PERSONNEL IN THE REAR AREAS. THE MAJORITY OF THESE INDIVIDUALS APPREHENDED ARE USUALLY EXPERIMENTORS WHOSE USE OF DRUG IS MOTIVATED BY CURIOSITY, BOREDOM, FRUSTRATION, OR DESIRE TO BE PART OF THE "IN CROWD".

C. A COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS OF DRUG ABUSE INCIDENTS REPORTED TO MP'S INDICATES PERCENTAGES HAVE REMAINED RELATIVELY AT SAME LEVEL FOR PAST YEAR WITH A SLIGHT INCREASE OVER PREVIOUS YEAR. HOWEVER, INCREASE MAY WELL BE RESULT OF INCREASED ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS AND INCREASED AWARENESS OF PROBLEM BY COMMANDERS.

D. MARIJUANA, BECAUSE OF ITS READY AVAILABILITY AND LOW COST, REMAINS BY

NEAR THE MAJOR PROBLEM FOLLOWED BY INSTANCES OF DANGEROUS DRUG USAGE (LOCALLY PRODUCES BARBITUATES AND AMPHETAMINES). THE KNOWN USAGE OF THE SO-CALLED HARD DRUGS (OPIUM AND ITS DERIVATIVES) IS PRACTICALLY NIL OR INSIGNIFICANT.

3. ALTHOUGH THERE IS A DRUG PROBLEM IN VIETNAM, EVERY COMMAND HAS AN ACTIVE DRUG ABUSE PROGRAM. NO ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE TO COVER UP INCIDENTS OF DRUG ABUSE OR TO DENY THAT A PROBLEM EXISTS.

RECENTLY IN I MILITARY REGION, A VIGOROUS PROGRAM WAS INITIATED WITH ARVN AND NATIONAL POLICE TO CURTAIL DISTRIBUTION OF DRUGS.

4. IN SUMMARY, THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF THE COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS OF ANY UNIT BEING ADVERSELY INFLUENCED BY USE OF DRUGS BY INDIVIDUALS; NOR IS THERE ANY EVIDENCE TO SHOW THAT DRUG ABUSE IS OF SUCH MAGNITUDE TO JUSTIFY "SPECIAL" MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITIES.

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E. L. BUSSELL

TO:

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T O P S E C R E T. SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MAJ GEN WILSON, INFO
LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM MAJ GEN ADAMS. MARINE CORPS
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SLF OPERATIONS (U) (PLEASE PROTECT OUR SOURCE)

- A. CG FMFPAC 120128Z AUG 70 (TS/SPECAT) (NOTAL)
- B. COMNAVFORV 130050Z/AUG 70 (S)
- C. CINCPACFLT 090037Z OCT 69 (S) (PASEP)
- D. CINCPAC 102042Z OCT 69 (S) (PASEP)

1. (TS) THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM VADM KING TO
ADM HYLAND AND VADM WEISNER, INFO ADM ZUMWALT
AND RADM RUBEL, IS QUOTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION:
QUOTE

A. MY 130050Z AUG 70

1. (S) THE PROPOSAL ADVANCED IN REF A MAY BE UNPOPULAR
FROM A PUBLIC RELATIONS STANDPOINT, BUT I HAVE NO DOUBT

PAGE TWO RUHHFMA1940 T O P S E C R E T EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO
IT IS MILITARILY SOUND. THE FACT IS WE FACE A SIGNIFICANT
ENEMY THREAT. OUR EFFORTS TO GET IN-COUNTRY AUGMENTA-
TION OF TROOPS FOR SEAFLOAT AO HAVE THUS FAR NOT BEEN
FRUITFUL. WE NEED ASSISTANCE, AND IT SEEMS TO ME THE
SLF COULD PROVIDE IT IF THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS ASPECTS DO NOT
KILL THE CONCEPT.

2. (S) I EXPLAINED THE BARE BONES OF REF A TO ACTING
COMUSMACV GEN ROSSON IN ADVANCE. HE IS QUITE
SYMPATHETIC TO THE IDEA, AND SUGGESTED THE EMPHASIS IN
REF A ON VIETNAMESE NAVY PARTICIPATION AS A MEANS OF
IMPROVING PALATABILITY. HE WILL NOT COMMIT HIMSELF,
HOWEVER, UNTIL HE CAN SEE A MORE DETAILED CONCEPT
WHICH I HOPE WILL RESULT FROM FORTHCOMING DISCUSSIONS
AT SEVENTH FLEET SKED CONFERENCE.

3. (U) WARM REGARDS.

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2. (TS) IN REF (A) CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED THAT THE
DISTINCTION BETWEEN AMPHIBIOUS AND RIVERINE DOCTRINE
BE PRESERVED. ON REVIEWING THE FOREGOING CONCEPT, I
AM DOUBTFUL ABOUT THE MILITARY SOUNDNESS OF

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 COMMITTING THE SLF IN RIVERINE ASSAULT OPERATIONS UNDER
 OPCON OF A NAVAL COMMANDER AGAINST BASE CAMPS, SHOPS,
 AND SAFE AREAS IN THE DENSE U MINH FOREST WITHOUT CLOSE
 AIR SUPPORT; WHERE THE OPERATIONS OF NAVAL GUNFIRE SHIPS
 ARE SEVERELY LIMITED BY THE SHALLOW OFFSHORE GRADIENT;
 WHERE THERE ARE FEW POSITIONS FOR ARTILLERY; AND WHERE
 GROUND TRAFFICABILITY IS NEXT TO NIL. OUR PREVIOUS
 EXPERIENCES IN SIMILAR AREAS (OPERATIONS JACKSTAY AND
 DECKHOUSE V) WERE VERY EXPENSIVE IN MEN AND MATERIALS
 WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT PAYOFF.

3. (TS) THE ROLE OF THE SLF AS A PART OF PACOM RESERVE REQUIRES
 THAT CINCPAC APPROVE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN ITS EMPLOY-
 MENT. LIKEWISE, CINCPACFLT HAS PREDICATED HIS PLANNING
 FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF THE ARG/SLF'S, SINCE THEIR
 RECONSTITUTION FROM OUT OF COUNTRY RESOURCES, ON THE
 ASSUMPTION THAT THEIR REINSERTION INTO SVN WILL REQUIRE
 JCS APPROVAL (REF C). CINCPAC HAS APPROVED THAT
 ASSUMPTION (REF D).

4. (TS) ACCORDINGLY, BASED UPON THE INFORMATION AVAIL-
 ABLE AT THIS HEADQUARTERS, I BELIEVE THAT THE CONCEPT

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 PROPOSED BY COMNAVFORV AS OUTLINED IN REF B IS OF
 QUESTIONABLE MILITARY WORTH; IS ILL-ADVISED AT THIS TIME
 WITH REDEPLOYMENT UNDERWAY; AND, WOULD BE UNACCEPTABLE
 IN TODAY'S POLITICAL CLIMATE. WARM REGARDS.

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SLF EMPLOYMENT (U) (PLEASE PROTECT OUR SOURCE) ✓
 1. (S) THE FOLLOWING MSG FROM ADM HYLAND TO VADM
 KING INFO ADM ZUMWALT AND VADM WEISNER IS PROVIDED
 FOR YOUR INFO:

QUOTE

A. COMNAVFORV 130950Z AUG 70

B. COMNAVFORV 131028Z AUG 70

1. (S) MILITARY ADVANTAGES OF YOUR PROPOSAL TO USE
 ARG/SLF TO HELP CLEAN UP ENEMY THREAT IN VICINITY SEA
 FLOT/SOLID ANCHOR ARE OBVIOUS. HOWEVER I MUST SAY
 THAT GENERAL REACTION IN MY STAFF AND AT FMFPAC IS
 STRONG FEELING THAT POLITICALLY IT IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.
 ADM MCCAIN IS OFF ISLAND AT PRESENT BUT HIS STAFF HAS
 SAME REACTION ONLY STRONGER. IT WOULD INVOLVE RE-
 INSERTING TROOPS WHO HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN FROM VIETNAM
 AND EVERYONE HERE HAS STRONGEST FIRST REACTION THAT
 HIGHEST AUTHORITY COULD NOT PERMIT THIS IN PRESENT
 CLIMATE AT HOME. DESPITE THE FACT THAT CURRENT IN-
 COUNTRY CEILING WOULD NOT BE EXCEEDED IT WOULD
 PROBABLY BE RECEIVED AS AN ESCALATION OF THE WAR.

2. (S) I HAVE ALSO ENCOUNTERED CONSIDERABLE COOLNESS
 ON PART OF MARINES WHO HAVE SO FAR NOT BEEN ENTHUSI-
 ASTIC ABOUT THE CONCEPT. THEIR RESERVATIONS MOSTLY
 CONCERNED WITH LACK OF AIR SUPPORT AND OPERATIONS WITH
 VIETNAMESE NAVY.

3. (S) NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABOVE I THINK IT WOULD BE A
 GOOD IDEA TO HAVE YOU OR YOUR REPS KICK IT AROUND AT
 SEVENTHFLT SKED CONFERENCE. LET'S DEVELOP MORE FULLY
 WHAT IF ANY RESERVATIONS THE MARINES WHO MIGHT
 PARTICIPATE HAVE, AND EXPLORE ALL THE PROBLEMS,

CONSIDERING ONE ARG/SLF NOW STANDING DOWN.

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2. (U) WARM REGARDS.

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EMERGENCY LEAVE; CASE OF PVT R. D. HERROD

1. (C) ON 14 AUGUST THIS HEADQUARTERS RECEIVED A REQUEST FOR
EMERGENCY LEAVE SUBMITTED BY PRIVATE RANDELL D. HERROD. THE
REASON GIVEN WAS THE DEATH OF HIS PATERNAL GRANDFATHER AS CONFIRMED
BY RED CROSS MESSAGE. SERVICES WERE SCHEDULED FOR 12 AUGUST.

2. (C) PRIVATE HERROD IS PRESENTLY CONFINED IN THE US ARMY,
VIETNAM INSTALLATION STOCKADE, DANANG, AWAITING TRIAL ON CHARGES
ALLEGING THE PREMEDITATED MURDER OF 16 VIETNAMESE CIVILIANS.

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THIS TRIAL IS NOW SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE ON 19 AUGUST 00PM PRIVATE
HERROD IS REPRESENTED BY FUR CIVILIAN ATTORNEYS WHO ARE SCHEDULED
TO ARRIVE IN VIETNAM ON 16 AUGUST 1970. THREE WITNESSES ARE BEING
BROUGHT TO VIETNAM FROM CONUS AT THE REQUEST OF THE DEFENSE. A
MILITARY JUDGE FROM NAVMARJUDACT SUBIC BAY WILL SIT AT THE TRIAL.
THIS TRIAL HAS BEEN DELAYED ONCE ON DEFENSE REQUEST.

3. (C) PRIVATE HERROD CLAIMS THAT HIS GRANDFATHER STOOD IN LOCO
PARENTIS. HOWEVER, HIS SERVICE RECORD BOOK INDICATES THAT BOTH HIS
PARENTS ARE LIVING. CONVERSELY, HIS GRANDFATHER IS NOT LISTED IN
ANY DOCUMENT CONTAINED IN HIS SERVICE RECORD. THE RED CROSS
MESSAGE ADVISING OF THE GRANDFATHER'S DEATH INCLUDES A STATEMENT
FROM HERROD'S STEPMOTHER TO THE EFFECT THAT HE WAS VERY CLOSE TO
HIS GRANDFATHER AND SPENT ALL SUMMERS WITH HIM. A SECOND RED CROSS
MESSAGE ADVISES THAT THE RELATIONSHIP WAS CLOSE BUT NOT LOCO
PARENTIS.

4. (C) AFTER CONSIDERING ALL OF THE ABOVE FACTORS, PRIVATE
HERROD'S REQUEST FOR EMERGENCY LEAVE WAS DENIED. BEST REGARDS.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PERSONAL FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM
 LTGEN JONES, DELIVER DURING WORKING HOURS //NR0000//
 THIRD MARINE DIVISION MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL (U)
 A. FMFPAC CHIEF OF STAFF TELECON WITH III MAF DEPUTY
 CHIEF OF STAFF OF 5 AUG 70
 B. CG III MAF 081105Z AUG70

1. (C) REF (A) DISCUSSED THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FUND BALANCE NOTING
 THAT FUNDS WOULD BE USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF MEDICAL
 CARE FOR CHILDREN AND FOR NO OTHER PURPOSE.
2. (U) REF (B) ADDRESSES THE PROBLEMS ARISING AS A
 RESULT OF THAT DECISION AND REQUESTS LATITUDE IN THE
 USE OF THESE FUNDS.
3. (C) I REGRET THAT THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION MEMORIAL
 CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CANNOT BE COMPLETED AS WAS
 ORIGINALLY INTENDED, AND ALSO REALIZE THAT THE PRESENT

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 FACILITY MUST BE PUT TO EFFECTIVE USE AS DECIDED BY
 FUTURE III MAF/GVN NEGOTIATIONS. IT IS UNDERSTOOD
 THAT ACCEPTANCE OF THE FACILITY MAY REQUIRE ADDITIONAL
 USMC EXPENDITURES.

4. (C) AT THE SAME TIME, A MORAL OBLIGATION EXISTS TO
 SATISFY THE DONORS TO THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION
 MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FUND WHO CONTRIBUTED
 MONEY AND MATERIAL FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF PRO-
 VIDING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO VIETNAMESE CHILDREN.
 THAT OBLIGATION IS WHAT DICTATES THAT THE BALANCE OF
 THIS FUND WOULD BE UTILIZED FOR THE ABOVE CITED
 PURPOSES RATHER THAN FOR COMPLETING CONSTRUCTION ON
 THE FACILITY IF THE FINISHED PRODUCT IS NOT GOING TO
 BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES ORIGINALLY PLANNED.
5. (C) IF NEGOTIATIONS PROVE THAT THE GVN REFUSES TO
 ACCEPT THE PRESENT FACILITY AS IT NOW EXISTS AND IF THE
 MARINE CORPS IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDS
 TO COMPLETE THE CONSTRUCTION IN ORDER TO AVOID
 ABANDONMENT, EVERY EFFORT MUST BE TAKEN TO USE FUNDS
 PROVIDED BY SOME SOURCE OTHER THAN THE THIRD MARINE

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DIVISION MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FUND.

6. (U) ONE EXAMPLE MAY BE THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE CIVIC ACTION FUND ESTABLISHED BY MCO 5710.4, SINCE ITS PURPOSE IS TO WIN THE CONFIDENCE AND SUPPORT OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE THROUGH A CIVIC ACTION PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES FOOD, TOOLS, AND OTHER NECESSITIES. THE REQUIRED CONSTRUCTION WOULD APPEAR TO MEET THE CRITERIA.

7. (U) LATEST HONG FIGURES REVEAL THAT AS OF 30 JUN 70 THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE CIVIC ACTION FUND CONSISTED OF AN UNEXPENDED BALANCE OF \$34,858.42.

8. (U) REQUEST YOUR COMMENTS/INFORMATION CONCERNING:

- A. THE UTILIZATION OF FUNDS FROM THE U.S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE CIVIC ACTION FUND TO COMPLETE THE FACILITY IN A MANNER ACCEPTABLE TO THE GVN.
- B. THE ESTIMATED COST OF FINISHING THIS FACILITY IN A MANNER ACCEPTABLE TO THE GVN.
- C. PROPOSED LETTER REPLYING TO INQUIRIES RECEIVED FROM DONORS TO THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

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D. LISTING OF DONORS WHO CONTRIBUTED IN EXCESS OF \$100.00 CASH OR EQUIPMENT TO THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

E. DONATION OF THIRD MARINE DIVISION MEMORIAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FUND BALANCE TO THE WRC HAO KHANH CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

9. (U) REQUEST REPLY NLT 24 AUG 70.

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HANOI BROADCAST RELATIVE TO ALLEGED FIRST MARINES ANTI-WAR PROTEST
ON 21 JUN 70

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1. REF (A) REPORTED A HANOI BROADCAST WHICH STATED THAT ON THE MORNING OF 21 JUNE 1970, ABOUT 800 USMC OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE 1ST MARINE DIVISION'S FIRST MARINE REGIMENT STAGED AN ANTI-WAR PROTEST BY REFUSING TO TAKE PART IN AN AIRMOBILE MOP-UP OPERATION; REMAINED MOTIONLESS AND STRUGGLED AGAINST THEIR COMMANDERS; REFUSED TO DIE FOR NOTHING AND DEMANDED THAT THEY BE SENT HOME.
2. LET ME ASSURE YOU AT THE OUTSET THAT THE BROADCAST WAS FALSE IN ITS ENTIRETY. EXTENSIVE REVIEW OF ALL DIVISION RECORDS DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE REVEAL THAT THERE SIMPLY HAVE NOT BEEN ANY ANTI-

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WAR PROTESTS, CONFRONTATIONS BETWEEN OFFICERS AND ENLISTED OR ASSOCIATED ACTS OF VIOLENCE IN THIS DIVISION. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE WIDE DISTRIBUTION OF REF (A) AND ITS POTENTIAL FOR ADVERSE PUBLICITY, I CONSIDER IT NECESSARY THAT YOU BE APPRISED OF THE FACTS REGARDING THE FIRST MARINE'S ACTIVITIES DURING THE PERIOD IN QUESTION, AS WELL AS ONE INP DENT ASSOCIATED WITH THEIR OPERATIONS DURING THE PERIOD WHICH MIGHT HAVE A BEARING ON THE HANOI BROADCAST.

3. DURING THE PERIOD 18-23 JUNE 70, COMPANIES K & L PLUS A BN COMD GROUP OF THE FIRST MARINES PARTICIPATED IN RECONNAISSANCE ON FORCE OPERATIONS IN THE VICINITY OF ELEPHANT VALLEY, ABO T 14 MILES NORTHWEST OF DANANG CITY. THE OPERATION INVOLVED A TOTAL FORCE COMMITMENT OF 550 OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE REGIMENT. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THIS MULTICOMPANY OPERATION, THE PERIOD WAS CHARACTERIZED BY ROUTINE SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS WITHIN THE FIRST M. RINE'S TAOR.

4. OF INTEREST, HOWEVER, IS A FIRST MARINE'S POST OPERATION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 18-23 JUNE WHICH REPORTED THE REFUSAL OF THREE ATTACHED ARVN INTERPRETERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ELEPHANT VALLEY OPERATION. THESE THREE VIETNAMESE WERE OFFICIALLY REPORTED AWOL BY THE FIRST MARINES ON 22 JUNE. UPON RECEIPT OF REFERENCE, I

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 UNUSUAL INCIDENT REPORT

1. (S) THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO INFORM YOU OF AN INCIDENT CONCERNING MIKE COMPANY, 7TH MARINES WHICH RESULTED IN TWO KIA AND THIRTY WIA FROM MORTAR FIRE AT 1425 17AUG70 APPROXIMATELY TWO KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF FSB RYDER (AT 949345). BECAUSE OF THE NUMBER OF CASUALTIES AND THE AMBIGUOUS NATURE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES IT IS POSSIBLE THIS INCIDENT MIGHT ATTRACT UNUSUAL PUBLIC INTEREST. THUS, I BELIEVE IT ADVISABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH AS COMPLETE A PICTURE AS POSSIBLE COMMENCING WITH THE DEPARTURE OF MIKE COMPANY (MINUS) FROM FSB RYDER AT 1230 14AUG70.
2. (S) THE COMPANY WAS UNDER THE COMMAND OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER FIRST LIEUTENANT L. J. GOSIER WHO HAS BEEN WITH THE COMPANY FOR

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SIX MONTHS AND IS A COMPETENT INFANTRY OFFICER. THE COMPANY COMMANDER REMAINED AT FSB ROSS PREPARING FOR DEPARTURE FOR DUTY IN OKINAWA.

3. (S) UPON DEPARTING RYDER AND UNTIL APPROXIMATELY 1000 16AUG70 THE COMPANY (MINUS) CONDUCTED SEARCH AND CLEAR OPERATIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH CUPP AND POPULAK FORCE UNITS TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED METERS SOUTHEAST OF RYDER. THIS PHASE OF THE OPERATION CONCLUDED WITHOUT INCIDENT AND WITH ONLY MINOR CONTACT. THE COMPANY THEN MOVED TO ITS NIGHT POSITION (AT 965338) ARRIVING AT APPROXIMATELY 1800 16AUG70 FROM WHICH IT CONDUCTED SEVERAL NIGHT AND EARLY MORNING PATROLS WITHOUT CONTACT. HOWEVER, AT APPROXIMATELY 1030 ON 17 AUG, A CH-46 RESUPPLYING THE COMPANY DREW SMALL ARMS FIRE WHILE ATTEMPTING TO LAND. TWO UH1E GUNSHIPS AND TWO OV-10'S ATTACKED THE SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITION (AT 965332) APPROXIMATELY FIVE HUNDRED METERS SOUTHEAST OF THE COMPANY'S POSITION.
4. (S) SUBSEQUENTLY, AN AO REPORTED MOVEMENT IN THE SAME VICINITY AND A TWO SQUAD PATROL CLOSED THE AREA. SEVERAL VN WERE SEEN ENTERING A CAVE, HOWEVER, ONLY ONE FEMALE WAS APPREHENDED AND RETURNED TO THE COMPANY POSITION. UPON REACHING THE COMPANY BASE THE PATROL MEMBERS MOVED INTO THE IR FIGHTING HOLES.

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5. (S) AT APPROXIMATELY 1420 WHILE THE COMPANY WAS PREPARING TO DEPART THE POSITION, LT GOSIER DIRECTED THE 60MM MORTAR SECTION TO FIRE TWENTY ROUNDS AT THE PREVIOUS SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITION AS A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE AGAINST SNIPERS. TWO MORTARS WERE IN POSITION APPROXIMATELY TWENTY-FIVE METERS APART. THE LEFT (NORTH-EAST) MORTAR WAS LAID ON AN AZIMUTH OF 2200 MILS AND THE RIGHT (SOUTH WEST) ON AN AZIMUTH OF 2600 MILLS. BOT TUBES WERE DIRECTED TO FIRE AT A RANGE OF 450 METERS. THE LEFT TUBE WAS TO TRAVERSE RIGHT AND THE RIGHT TUE TO TRAVERSE LEFT. THE LEFT TUBE STARTED FIRING ITS ROUNDS FIRST WITH THE ROUNDS OBSERVED IMPACTING ON TARGET. AFTER THE LEFT TUBE HAD FIRED ABOUT FIVE ROUNDS, THE RIGHT TUBE COMMENCED FIRING AND IT APPEARED THAT ONE ROUND IMPACTED NEAR THE RIGHT FLANK OF THE TARGET WITH TWO OR THREE OTHERS IMPACTING TO THE LEFT OF THE FIRST ROUND.

6. (S) AT THIS TIME A MORTAR ROUND IMPACTED APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE METERS FROM THE MORTAR POSITION IN THE DIRECTION OF THE TARGET FOLLOWED IMMEDIATELY BY FIVE OR SIX ADDITIONAL ROUNDS INCLUDING TWO WHICH IMPACTED TO THE REAR OF THE MORTAR POSITION. AS THE FIRST ROUND IMPACTED THE PERSONNEL WHO WERE PREPARING TO MOVE OUT REPORTEDLY RAPIDLY TOOK COVER IN THEIR

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HOLE S, HOWEVER, THE COMPANY SUFFERED TWO KIA; TWELVE WIA EMERGENCY; THREE WIA PRIORITY; AND FIFTEEN WIA ROUTINE. IN ADDITION, THE FEMALE DETAINEE WAS KIA.

7. (S) THE LONG AXIS OF THE IMPACT ZONE COINCIDED WITH THE LONG AXIS OF THE TARGET WITH THE ROUNDS BEING WALKED FROM RIGHT TO LEFT SIMILAR TO THE DIRECTION OF TRAVERSE OF THE RIGHT MORTAR TUBE. MOST OF THE CASUALTIES OCCURRED WITHIN THE COMPANY COMMAND GROUP, INCLUDING THE COMPANY COMMANDER IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THE MORTAR PITS, WHEN ONE ROUND STRUCK VEGETATION AND DETONATED APPROXIMATELY FOUR FEET ABOVE THE GROUND. A SECOND ROUND IMPACTED BETWEEN THE MORTAR PITS AND WAS THE SECOND MOST DAMAGING ROUND AND RESULTED IN THE TWO KIA.

8. (S) MEDEVAC WAS CALLED FOR AT 1427 WITH THE FIRST HELICOPTERS ARRIVING AT 1442 AT WHICH TIME THE TWENTY-ONE MOST SERIOUS CASES WERE EVACUATED. AT 1455 THE COMMANDING OFFICER, 3D BATTALION, 7TH MARINES ARRIVED ON THE SCENE. HIS CH-46 WAS USED TO EVACUATE THE REMAINING CASUALTIES. THE EVAGUATION WAS COMPLETE BY 1510.

9. (S) UPON RECEIVING THE INITIAL RADIO REPORT OF INCOMING MORTAR FIRE FROM THE ACTING COMPANY COMMANDER COINCIDENT WITH THE REPORT THAT THE COMPANY WAS ALSO FIRING ITS MORTARS THE BATTALION COMMANDER

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IMMEDIATELY SUSPECTED A FRIENDLY OR FRIENDLY FIRE INCIDENT. AT THAT TIME THE ACTING COMPANY COMMANDER REPORTED THAT THE INCOMING HAD CEASED. WHEN QUESTIONED AS TO WHETHER HIS MORTARS WERE STILL FIRING THE ACTING COMPANY COMMANDER CONFIRMED THAT THEY WERE NOT. THE BATTALION COMMANDER THEN INFORMED THE COMPANY THAT HE WAS PROCEEDING TO THE SCENE AND THAT THE MORTARS WERE NOT TO BE MOVED NOR THEIR SETTINGS ALTERED.

AFTER ARRIVING AT THE SCENE THE BATTALION COMMANDER VERIFIED THAT THE SETTINGS ON BOTH MORTARS WERE CORRECT AND CONSISTENT WITH THE RANGE CARDS. HOWEVER, ONLY THE RIGHT MORTAR WAS POSITIONED FIRMLY. THE LEFT MORTAR'S BASE PLATE WAS NOT SECURE AND QUESTIONING OF THE COMPANY GUNNERY SERGEANT AND THE GUN CREWS ESTABLISHED THAT THE LEFT GUN HAD BEEN KNOCKED OVER BY AN INDIVIDUAL DIVING FOR COVER IN THE GUN PIT AT THE TIME THAT THE INCOMING WAS RECEIVED. SUPPOSEDLY, THE RIGHT TUBE HAD NOT BEEN MOVED OR RESET. IT WAS FURTHER CONTENTED BY THE GUN CREWS THAT THEY HAD NOT INTERCHANGED DATA AFTER THE INCIDENT. THE BATTALION COMMANDER IMPOUNDED THE WEAPONS AND REMAINING AMMUNITION AND CAUSED ALL ITEMS TO BE MOVED TO FSB ROSS WHERE THEY ARE UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE INVESTIGATING OFFICER.

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10. (S) EXAMINATION OF THE IMPACT CRATERS DISCLOSED TWO 60MM MORTAR TAIL FIN ASSEMBLIES WITH THE SAME LOT DATA AS FOUND ON ONE UNF² FIRED HE ROUND IN THE RIGHT MORTAR PIT. INTERROGATION OF THE MORTAR CREWS BROUGHT FORTH THE CONTENTION THAT TWO ROUNDS HAD BEEN LOST DURING THE MOVEMENT FROM FSB RYDER TO THE INCIDENT SITE. A CRATER ANALYSIS WAS NOT CONDUCTED ON 17 AUGUST, HOWEVER, ONE IS SCHEDULED TO BE ACCOMPLISHED ON 16 AUGUST INCIDENT TO AN UNDERWAY INVESTIGATION. A CURSORY EXAMINATION INDICATES AN EXTREMELY HIGH ANGLE OF IMPACT.

11. (S) THE BATTALION COMMANDER STATED THAT HE WAS PARTICULARLY ALERT TO THE STATUS OF PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND COVER OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHEN HE FIRST ARRIVED ON THE SCENE. HE FOUND THE MAJORITY OF THE PERSONNEL IN PERIMETER FIGHTING HOLES, IN FLAK VESTS AND EITHER WITH THEIR HELMET ON OR IN THEIR HANDS. THE MINOR CASUALTIES IN THE LANDING ZONE WERE WITHOUT FULL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT. HOWEVER, PORTIONS OF THEIR EQUIPMENT HAD APPARENTLY BEEN REMOVED DURING THE TREATMENT OF THEIR WOUNDS. THE BATTALION COMMANDER QUESTIONED A NUMBER OF PERSONNEL AS TO THE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT THAT WAS BEING WORN AT THE TIME THE MORTAR ROUNDS IMPACTED AND DETERMINED THAT THE COMPANY WAS PREPARING TO MOVE OUT AND AS A RESULT THE PERSONNEL HAD
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 ON FLAK VESTS AND HELMETS AND WERE EITHER IN THEIR FIGHTING HOLES
 OR IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY GATHERING UP THEIR REMAINING EQUIPMENT.
 12. (S) SHORTLY AFTER BEING INFORMED OF THE DETAILS OF THE INCIDENT
 I PROCEEDED TO LZ BALDY, PICKED UP THE REGIMENTAL COMMANDER AND
 ARRIVED AT THE COMPANY POSITION AT 1615. MY OBSERVATIONS OF THE
 PHYSICAL ASPECTS COINCIDE WITH THOSE OF THE BATTALION COMMANDER.
 DISCUSSIONS WITH THE REGIMENTAL AND BATTALION COMMANDERS ESTABLISH
 THAT THEIR IMMEDIATE IMPRESSION WAS THAT THE ROUNDS WERE FIRED BY
 THE RIGHT MORTAR WITHIN THE COMPANY POSITION DESPITE THE FACT THAT
 THE MAJORITY OF PERSONNEL QUESTIONED STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT THEY
 WERE IN FACT SUBJECTED TO A MORTAR ATTACK. IF SUCH AN ATTACK HAS
 OCCURRED IT WOULD APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN THE RESULT OF A SERIES OF
 HIGHLY IMPROBABLE COINCIDENT ACTIONS:
 A. THE ENEMY FIRE WOULD HAVE HAD TO HAVE BEEN INITIATED AT THE
 PRECISE TIME THAT MIKE COMPANY'S RIGHT TUBE COMMENCED FIRING. IN

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THIS REGARD, THE COMPANY DID NOT RECEIVE ENEMY MORTAR FIRE PRIOR
 TO OR SUBSEQUENT TO THE INCIDENT IN QUESTION.

B. THE ATTACK WOULD HAVE HAD TO CONSIST OF APPROXIMATELY THE
 SAME NUMBER OF ROUNDS FIRED BY THE RIGHT TUBE.

C. THE TRAVERSE OF THE ENEMY WEAPON WOULD HAVE HAD TO NEARLY
 DUPLICATE THE TRAVERSE OF THE RIGHT MORTAR TUBE.

D. THE ENEMY WOULD HAVE HAD TO FIND AND FIRE THE TWO ROUNDS
 BEARING THE EXACT LOT DATA AS FIRED BY MIKE COMPANY.

13. (S) THE ABOVE IMPRESSIONS ARE NOT MEANT TO PREJUDGE A MORE
 FORMAL INVESTIGATION WHICH WAS INITIATED ON THE COMPANY POSITION
 WITHIN TWENTY-FIVE MINUTES OF THE INCIDENT. I WILL INSURE AN
 EARLY COMPLETION OF THE INVESTIGATION AND IN THE INTERIM I AM WITH-
 HOLDING MY OPINION. I WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH ADDITIONAL DETAILS AS
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 1. (S) I APPRECIATE BEING IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED OF THE
 SUBJECT INCIDENT. NATURALLY, I VIEW IT WITH EXTREME
 CONCERN, AS I DO OTHER FRIENDLY OR FRIENDLY INCIDENTS
 THAT HAVE BEEN OCCURRING, AND I WISH TO DISCUSS THIS
 MATTER WITH YOU IN DETAIL DURING MY FORTHCOMING
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SUBJ: GYSGT VORGEAS

A. MY 032106Z AUG 70 (S)

B. CG FMFPAC 242057Z JUL 70 (S)(NOTAL)

1. (S) REF A REFERS. SWORN STATEMENT OBTAINED BY CAMPEN NIS
AGENT 18 AUG. WILL BE AIR MAILED UNDER SEPARATE COVER ASAP
TO ACTION ADDEE.

2. (S) STATEMENT CONTAINS FIFTEEN ALLEGATIONS CONCERNING MIS-
CONDUCT/MISMANAGEMENT OF SNCO CLUB SYSTEM.

3. (S) STATEMENT VERBOSE AND RAMBLING AND CONSIDERED TO BE
OF LIMITED LEGAL VALUE OTHER THAN TO PERHAPS IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL
AREAS FOR POSSIBLE INVESTIGATION.

4. (S) NIS AGENT WHO TOOK STATEMENT INDICATED SNM ADAMANT AND
DESIRE REMAIN ON ACTIVE DUTY AND TO RETURN RVN. ALSO INDICATED
HE BELIEVED SNM WHEN RELAD WILL PURSUE ALLEGATIONS THROUGH
OTHER THAN MILITARY CHANNELS.

5. (U) REF B ADVISED THAT CMC EXTENDED SNM RELEASE DATE FROM
30 JUN 70 TO 31 AUG 70. UODIR WILL EFFECT RELAD SNM 31 AUG 70.
SNM IN FMCR AND AS SUCH CAN BE RECALLED IF REQUIRED.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON UNUSUAL INCIDENT REPORT

- A. MY 180850Z AUG 70 (SPECAT) (S)
 B. YOUR 201928Z AUG 70 (SPECAT) (S)
1. THIS IS THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF SUBSEQUENT REPORTS ON THE
 INCIDENT REPORTED BY REF (A) CONCERNING CASUALTIES SUSTAINED ON
 17 AUGUST 70 BY M COMPANY, 7TH MARINES.
 2. SUBSEQUENT TO REF (A), CPL C. C. COYNE DIED FROM WOUNDS
 RECEIVED ON THAT OCCASION. THIS MAKES A TOTAL OF 3 KILLED AND
 29 WOUNDED IN THE INCIDENT.
 3. BASED ON CURRENT ASSESSMENT OF AVAILABLE INFORMATION, IT
 APPEARS PROBABLE THAT THE INCIDENT WAS A FRIENDLY OR FRIENDLY.
 FINAL DETERMINATION IS SUBJECT TO THE COMPLETED FINDINGS OF THE

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 INVESTIGATION WHICH IS PROCEEDING. BASED ON THE PROBABILITY, TODAY
 THIS HEADQUARTERS SUBMITTED KNOWN DETAILS INTO NORMAL SERIOUS
 INCIDENT REPORTS (SIR) CHANNELS.

4. AS OF THIS DATE, NO PRESS INQUIRIES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED, NOR
 HAS A PRESS RELEASE BEEN MADE. AM CONSIDERING RELEASING A BRIEF
 PRESS RELEASE IN NEXT DAY OR 5 TO FORESTALL ANY SUBSEQUENT
 ALLEGED WITHOLDING OF INFORMATION. ALL OF THIS DEPENDS ON WHAT
 INFORMATION IS DEVELOPED OR IF QUERIES ARE RECEIVED.

5. I WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH ADDITIONAL DETAILS AS
 THE INVESTIGATION PROCEEDS, AND WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS
 THIS INCIDENT AS WELL AS THE GENERAL SUBJECT OF FRIENDLY OR
 FRIENDLY DURING YOUR VISIT AS INDICATED IN REF (B).

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OFFICER SEPARATION/RETENTION BOARD; CASE OF MAJOR DONALD A.
HANSON, 06 58 11, USMCR

A. CG FIRST MARDIV 090640Z JUL 70

1. SUBJECT BOARD RECOMMENDED THAT MAJOR HANSON BE RETAINED ON ACTIVE DUTY. THE BOARD DETERMINED THAT MAJOR HANSON NEVER INTENDED ULTIMATELY TO DEFRAUD THE OWNER OF THE CATTLE HE WAS CONVICTED OF STEALING. THE BOARD ALSO WAS OF THE OPINION THAT MAJOR HANSON PERFORMED ALL HIS DUTIES SINCE RETURNING TO ACTIVE DUTY IN AN EXCELLENT TO OUTSTANDING MANNER.

2. THE COMMANDING GENERAL IN HIS ENDORSEMENT, RECOMMENDED THAT MAJOR HANSON SHOULD EITHER BE RELEASED FROM ACTIVE DUTY

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AND DISCHARGED FROM THE MRINE CORPS RESERVE UNDER HONORABLE CONDITIONS OR DROPPED FROM THE RLLS OF THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 19 OF SECNAVINST 1900.2. THE PRINCIPAL REASON FOR THIS RECOMMENDATION WAS THAT LARCENY IS AN OFFENSE INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE.

3. THE FILE WAS MAILED TO COMMANDING GENERAL, FMFPAC ON 19AUG70.

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CINCPAC VISIT (U)

A. CG III MAF 201301Z AUG (TS/SPECAT/MCEO)

1. (TS) APPRECIATE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN REF A, AS
 ADM MCCAIN HAD NOT SURFACED THESE THOUGHTS TO
 ME OR, TO MY KNOWLEDGE, TO HIS STAFF. I CONCUR WITH
 THOUGHTS EXPRESSED BY LTGEN LAW THAT THE THREAT IS
 FROM LAOTIAN APPROACHES VIS-A-VIS THE DMZ. ADDI-
 TIONALLY, CONCUR WITH YOU THAT EFFORTS NOW TO SEEK
 INCREASED AUTHORITY FOR ALLIED TROOPS IN THE DMZ AREA
 WOULD BE MISSPENT. THE ADMIRAL RETURNS SOON AND
 I'LL FEEL HIM OUT ON SUBJECT PRIOR TO LEAVING FOR MY
 VISIT WITH YOU.

2. (TS) ADM MCCAIN HAS ALSO VOICED TO ME HIS EXTREME

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 CONCERN OVER THE BLUE RIBBON DEFENSE PANEL STUDY.
 CONVERSELY GNC RECENTLY TOLD ME THAT HE HAS
 CONCLUDED THAT WE WILL NOT FARE TOO BADLY. THUS
 FAR I AM UNAWARE OF ANY IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
 PANEL'S RECOMMENDATIONS. WARM REGARDS.

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A. CG 1ST MARDIV 030310Z AUG 70 (NOTAL)

1. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO INFORM YOU OF AN INCIDENT WHICH I HAVE DIRECTED BE THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATED AND WHICH MAY INVOLVE OFFICERS AND SENIOR NCOS NO LONGER IN THE DIVISION BUT SERVING IN OTHER MAJOR COMMANDS.

2. IN REFERENCE A, THIS HEADQUARTERS DIRECTED THAT CANTONMENTS, FIRE SUPPORT BASES AND BILLETING, WAREHOUSING AND MESSING AREAS THROUGHOUT THE DIVISION TAOR BE POLICED TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY MEET NORMALLY ACCEPTED MARINE CORPS STANDARDS, AND FURTHER THAT THIS CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN BE COMPLETED BY 1 SEPT 1970. THIS, OF COURSE, IS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED CONSISTENT WITH THE TACTICAL SITUATION AND LOCAL SECURITY REQUIREMENTS.

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3. DURING THE CLEANUP CAMPAIGN OF THE 4TH BN, 11TH MARINES MAINTENANCE AREA, N HILL 34, SEVERAL RUMORS RELATIVE TO BURIED EQUIPMENT SURFACED AND APPROXIMATELY TWENTY MISCELLANEOUS REPAIR PARTS WERE FOUND BURIED IN ONE AREA; SOME OF THE QUICKLY IDENTIFIABLE PARTS ARE A FIVE HP MOTOR FOR M109, TRAVERSING MECHANISM PARTS FOR M109, M109 RADIATOR, SHROUDING FAN FOR M109, ROAD WHEEL HUB FOR M109, AND GOVERNOR CONTROL PARTS. THE PARTS WERE DISCOVERED IN TWO ADJACENT AREAS NEXT TO THE MAINTENANCE BUILDING, ONE OF THE PARTS HAD PROTECTIVE WRAPPING ON IT; ONE OTHER PART HAD A PIECE OF THE FSN TAG ATTACHED TO IT; THESE TWO

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PARTS WERE EVIDENTLY SERVICABLE WHEN BURIED. FROM THE PRESENT CONDITION OF THE OTHER PARTS, IT IS NOT KNOWN IF THEY WERE SERVICABLE WHEN BURIED. IN ANOTHER LOCATION CLOSE TO THE SAME BUILDING ALSO FOUND BURIED WERE ABOUT FORTY SETS OF NEW UTILITY CLOTHING, SOME NBC GEAR (CHEMICALLY TREATED BAGS) AND SOME NEW AND OLD FOUL WEATHER GEAR. AVAILABLE INFORMATION REVEALS THAT THESE ITEMS WERE BURIED SOMETIME DURING JANUARY-FEBRUARY AND IN APRIL 1970.

4. THE EQUIPMENT WAS FOUND BURIED DUE TO THE FACT RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS AND NCOS FOLLOWED THROUGH ON RUMORS AND TOOK POSITIVE

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ACTION TO DETERMINE IF IN FACT THERE WAS ANY BASIS TO THEM. ADDITIONALLY, THERE ARE ALSO RUMORS IN THE BATTALION THAT TWO M109'S WERE BURIED ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO UNDER THE PRESENT MAINTENANCE BUILDING AND THAT THE BUILDING WAS BUILT IN ITS PRESENT LOCATION TO HIDE THE GUNS. THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE BATTALION IS EXCAVATING TO LOCATE THESE WEAPONS.

5. AS A RESULT OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION, I HAVE DIRECTED THE COMMANDING OFFICER, 11TH MARINES TO CONVEY AN INVESTIGATION TO INQUIRE INTO THIS AND RELATED MATTERS. WILL ADVISE RESULTS. BEST REGARDS.

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 DECLASSIFICATION OF FIRST MARDIV CORRESPONDENCE HANLET 4 SON
 THANG INCIDENT

1. REVIEW OF ALL FIRST MARDIV CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO HANLET
 4 SON THANG INCIDENT INDICATES THAT INITIAL CLASSIFICATION
 JUSTIFIED BY HIGHLY SENSITIVE NATURE OF INCIDENT, TACTICAL
 LOCATION OF INVOLVED UNITS AND PROTECTION OF RIGHTS OF SUSPECTS
 NO LONGER NECESSARY IN VIEW OF WIDESPREAD PUBLICITY OF TRIALS OF
 COMPANION CASES AND INTERVENING TIME. POSSIBILITY OF PREJUDICE
 TO GOVERNMENT CASE IF ALL YOUR CORRES DECLASSIFIED AND MADE IM-
 MEDIATELY AVAILABLE TO CIVILIAN DEFENSE COUNSEL CONSIDERED
 REMOTE. SHOULD CURRENT TRIAL RESULT IN CONVICTION OF PVT

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 HERROD IMMEDIATE DISCLOSURE SHOULD PRECLUDE POSSIBILITY OF
 RAISING LEGAL ISSUE OF NON ACCESSABILITY ON APPEAL. ADVERSE
 PUBLICITY RESULTING FROM REFUSING DEFENSE COUNSEL ACCESS TO
 CORRESPONDENCE FOR ANY REASON WOULD ALSO BE AVOIDED. IN VIEW
 OF THE ABOVE, I RECOMMEND THAT ALL YOUR CORRESPONDENCE ON
 INCIDENT BE DECLASSIFIED AND MADE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE TO
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 DECLASSIFICATION OF CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING HAMLET 4 SON THANG INCIDENT

- A. CG FMFPAC 232135Z AUG 70
- B. CG FIRST MARDIV 202322Z FEB 70 (S)
- C. CG III MAF 250820Z FEB 70 (S)
- D. CG III MAF 270230Z FEB 70 (S)
- E. CG FIRST MARDIV 270731Z FEB 70 (S)
- F. CG FIRST MARDIV 271020Z FEB 70 (S)
- G. CMC 271425Z FEB 70 (S)
- H. CG FIRST MARDIV 280610Z FEB 70 (S)
- I. CG FIRST MARDIV 010435Z MAR 70 (S)

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- J. CG FIRST MARDIV 020330Z MAR 70 (S)
- K. CG FIRST MARDIV 030250Z MAR 70 (S)
- L. CG FIRST MARDIV 031435Z MAR 70 (S)
- M. CG III MAF 040540Z MAR 70 (S)
- N. CG FIRST MARDIV 040950Z MAR 70 (S)
- O. CG FIRST MARDIV 051450Z MAR 70 (S)
- P. CG FIRST MARDIV 061320Z MAR 70 (S)
- Q. CG FIRST MARDIV 080230Z MAR 70 (S)
- R. CG FIRST MARDIV 120925Z MAR 70 (S)
- S. CG FIRST MARDIV 130830Z MAR 70 (S)
- T. CG FIRST MARDIV 231315Z MAR 70 (S)
- U. CG FIRST MARDIV 310340Z MAR 70 (S)
- V. CG FIRS MARDIV 081006Z APR 70 (S)
- W. CG FIRST MARDIV 190811Z APR 70 (S)
- X. CG FIRST MARDIV 090550Z MAY 70 (S)
- Y. CG FIRST MARDIV 110629Z MAY 70 (S)
- Z. CG FIRST MARDIV 150935Z MAY 70 (S)
- AA. CG FIRST MARDIV 202555Z MAY 70 (S)
- BB. CMC 201824Z MAY 70 (S)
- CC. CG FIRST MARDIV 220345Z MAY 70 (S)

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CC DD. CG FIRST MARDIV 260700Z MAY 70 (S)
EE. CG FIRST MARDIV 280146Z MAY 70 (S)
FF. CG FIRST MARDIV 290900Z MAY 70 (S)
GG. CG FIRST MARDIV 310400Z MAY 70 (S)
GG HH. CG FIRST MARDIV 030625Z JUN 70 (S)
HH II. CG FIRST MARDIV 070935Z JUN 70 (S)
JJ. CG FIRST MARDIV 140216Z JUN 70 (S)
KK. CG FIRST MARDIV 150630Z AUG 70 (C)

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FOR ALL:

1. REFERENCE A RECOMMENDED THAT ALL MY CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE SON THANG INCIDENT BE DECLASSIFIED AND MADE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE TO CIVILIAN COUNSEL.
2. THE MILITARY JUDGE IN U.S. V HERROD HAS REQUESTED AND RECEIVED REFERENCES B THROUGH KK. HAVING REVIEWED THESE REFERENCES I NOW REQUESTS THAT REFERENCES B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, W, Y, Z, AA, BB, CC, DD, II, JJ, AND KK (REPRESENTING 30 OF THE 37 REFERENCES) BE DOWNGRADED SO THAT CIVILIAN DEFENSE COUNSEL MAY HAVE ACCESS TO THOSE MESSAGES AND MAKE SUCH USE OF THEM AS THEY DESIRE IN THE DEFENSE OF PRIVATE HERROD. THE DEFENSE COUNSEL HAS OBTAINED A STAY IN THE TRIAL PRIOR TO PRESENTING HIS OPENING STATEMENT AWAITING ACTION ON THE MILITARY JUDGES'S REQUEST.

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IT IS MY RECOMMENDATION THAT ALL 37 REFERENCES BE DOWNGRADED SO AS TO MAKE THE COMPLETE FILE AVAILABLE TO THE COURT.

3. IN CONSONANCE WITH REFERENCE A AND AS ORIGINATOR, ALL CG 1ST MARINE DIVISION MESSAGES ARE DOWNGRADED THIS DATE TO UNCLASSIFIED. THESE ARE REFERENCES B, E, F, H, I, J, K, L, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z, AA, CC, DD, EE, FF, GG, HH, II, JJ, AND KK.
4. FOR CG FMFPAC, REQUEST REFERENCE A BE DOWNGRADED TO UNCLASSIFIED AND THAT ALL CAVEATS BE REMOVED. FURTHER RECOMMEND THAT CMC BE REQUESTED TO DOWNGRADE REFERENCES G AND BB TO UNCLASSIFIED AND ALL CAVEATS BE REMOVED.
5. FOR CG III MAF, REQUEST REFERENCES C, D, AND M BE DOWNGRADED TO UNCLASSIFIED AND THAT ALL CAVEATS BE REMOVED.
6. FOR ALL. IMMEDIATELY AFTER NOTICE IS RECEIVED THAT THE REQUESTED DECLASSIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN EFFECTED, THE COMPLETE DECLASSIFIED FILE, INCLUDING THIS MESSAGE, WILL BE DELIVERED TO THE COURT SO AS TO BE AVAILABLE TO CIVILIAN DEFENSE COUNSEL. LTGEN MCCUTCHEON HAS PROPOSED ACTIONS. BEST REGARDS.

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B. L. BUSSELL

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FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM ADMIRAL MCCAIN

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FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON FROM ADMIRAL MCCAIN

1. MY VISIT TO III MAF, WAS A HIGH POINT IN MY TRIP TO MR 1. IT IS OBVIOUS THAT YOUR MARINES ARE PROUD PROFESSIONALS IN EVERY SENSE OF THE WORD; PURSUING THEIR TASKS WITH DETERMINATION AND SELFLESS DEDICATION. I COMMEND EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM FOR THE OUTSTANDING JOB THEY ARE DOING.

2. PLEASE CONVEY MY COMMENDATIONS TO MGEN WIDDICKE FOR HIS VERY LUCID BRIEFING ON 1ST MARDIV OPERATIONS FROM THE VANTAGE POINT OF HILL 425. ALSO, COMMEND YOUR PILOT FOR THE STIRRING RETURN TRIP TO DANANG; I THOROUGHLY ENJOYED IT.

3. YOUR EXCEPTIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS DEMANDING ASSIGNMENT ARE AMPLY DEMONSTRATED IN THE CONTINUED OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF THE MARINE FORCES IN THIS VITAL MILITARY REGION.

4. WARM REGARDS.

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PERSONAL FOR COMMANDING GENERALS AND COMMANDING OFFICERS FROM

LTGEN JONES

FISCAL YEAR 1971 FUNDING OUTLOOK

1. BY NOW YOU MUST HAVE SENSED THAT WE ARE EXPERIENCING A REPEAT OF THE UNCERTAINTY WHICH CHARACTERIZED FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT IN FY70. FACTORS WHICH DRIVE THIS UNCERTAINTY INCLUDE THE DELAY IN CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON FY71 APPROPRIATIONS AND THE DELAY IN RVN FORCE STRUCTURE DECISIONS. RELATED TO APPROPRIATIONS: HQMC FISCAL DIV PEOPLE SAY THAT WE WILL NOT HAVE FY71 CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON APPROPRIATIONS PRIOR TO DECEMBER. CONTINUING RESOLUTION AUTHORITY NOTWITHSTANDING, APPROPRIATION DELAYS DO HAVE AN ADVERSE AFFECT ON FMFPAC/MARCORBASES PAC COMMANDS, EXCEPTING SUPPORT FOR RVN OPERATIONS.

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NO PERFECT SET OF ALTERNATIVES IS AVAILABLE TO OFFSET THE EFFECTS OF DELAYED APPROPRIATIONS. AS YOU ARE AWARE, I HAVE, THROUGH RETENTION OF A LARGE RESERVE, FORCED INTERNAL REPROGRAMMING. I KNOW THIS DOES IMPACT UNFAVORABLY ON MARCORBASES COMMANDS AND IT DOES COMPOUND YOUR PROBLEMS. PLANNING PROJECTIONS, ALTHOUGH FORECAST OVER A YEAR, MUST OF NECESSITY BE FREQUENTLY REVIEWED. ADJUSTMENTS WILL OCCUR, HOPEFULLY, ON A BASIS NO MORE FREQUENTLY THAN QUARTERLY. TURNING TO INTERNAL ACTIONS, UNRESOLVED CIVIL EMPLOYEE STRENGTHS AND UNPROGRAMMED WAGE INCREASES AGGRAVATE UNCERTAINTY. IT IS THE GOAL OF THIS HQ TO PRESERVE EVERY POSSIBLE HARD DOLLAR SAVING POSSIBLE TO ENSURE THAT FMFPAC TENANT COMMANDS ARE HOSTED IN A MANNER WHICH DOES NOT DERROGATE THEIR READINESS. MAINTAINING CURRENTLY STATED REQR LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO READINESS.

2. REFER NOW TO YOUR PHASE II BUDGET AND THE SET OF ASSUMPTIONS/GUIDANCE RELATED THERETO. SINCE KEYSTONE ROBIN MOVES DO NOT FOLLOW THE ASSUMPTIONS, WE WILL NEED TO REVIEW REQUIREMENTS. ANTICIPATE A REQR TO DO SO. IN THIS REVIEW, DO NOT EXPECT THE GENERAL HIGH LEVEL OF FIRST QTR FINANCING TO CONTINUE; PARTICULARLY IN EASTPAC/MIDPAC. THERE CAN BE NO WINDFALLS.

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THUS, CONSIDERATIONS WILL INCLUDE OFFSETTING SECOND QTR FINANCING BY APPLICATION OF UNOBLIGATED BALANCES CARRIED OVER FROM THE FIRST QTR AND HARD DOLLAR SAVINGS THROUGH EXCESS MATERIAL DISTRIBUTION. FURTHER, THERE SHOULD BE A CLOSE LOOK/CONTROL OVER NEW PROGRAMS, GENERATED INTERNALLY, WHICH WERE NOT A PART OF THE ORIGINAL PROGRAM.

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3. AS MOVES CONTINUE TOWARD A POST-RVN POSTURE, THE EXPERIENCE HAS BEEN THAT RESTORATION OF EVACUATED EQUIPMENT HAS COST MUCH MORE THAN ORIGINALLY ESTIMATED. SINCE THE OPERABILITY LEVEL OF THIS EQUIPMENT IS CONSIDERED TO HAVE BEEN FULLY FINANCED DURING ITS USE IN RVN, WE STAND LITTLE CHANCE OF GETTING ADDITIONAL DOLLARS TO MAKE IT OPERABLE WHEN IS MOVED OUT OF RVN. THE EARLY INDICATIONS ARE THAT THESE COSTS ARE MORE EVIDENT IN AVN EQUIP THAN IN GROUND EQUIP. NO MATTER, GETTING THIS GEAR IN TOP SHAPE IS A PRIORITY DRIVING ALL FINANCIAL PLANNING. I SUGGEST THAT MCO 4000.12C IS A PARTICULARLY GOOD REFERENCE DOCUMENT FOR FMFPAC COMMANDERS.

4. DURING FY70, SUBSTANTIVE RELIEF WAS PROVIDED BASESPAC COMMANDS. THIS RELIEF WAS IN SEVERAL FORMS, ONE OF WHICH WAS DOLLARS. THE ATTEMPT WAS TO ARREST FURTHER DETERIORATION OF PAGE FOUR RUHHFMA3363 C O N F I D E N T I A L BASESPAC PLANT ACCT AND THE CAPABILITY TO PROVIDE FULL TENANT SUPPORT. IN PHASE II BUDGETS AND AS A CONSEQUENCE OF LATER EVENTS SUCH AS PAY RAISES; THERE HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED SEVERAL MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN DEFICIENCIES. FOR EXAMPLE, IN THIS QUARTER ALONE \$3 MILLION IN REQUIREMENTS NOT PREVIOUSLY EXPRESSED HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED. THE GOAL IS TO FINANCE BASESPAC AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL POSSIBLE. THIS LEVEL IS DETERMINED BY THE READINESS REQUIREMENT COSTS OF THE OPERATING FORCES. FROM THIS YOU WILL INFER CORRECTLY THAT THERE IS A COMPETITION: FMF VS BASES PAC. THIS WILL ALWAYS EXIST TO SOME DEGREE; HOWEVER, IT MUST NEVER BE PERMITTED TO NURTURE AN ADVERSARY RELATIONSHIP.

5. AT THIS TIME OUR FY71 CEILING HAS NOT BEEN CUT, THOUGH FIRST QTR U&MC DOLLARS ARE \$2 MILLION BELOW THE REQUESTED AMOUNT. HOMC PLANS TO PROVIDE US WITH A FORECAST OF ANNUAL FINANCING BY LATE SEPT. THE TIME VICE MAY BE SO TIGHT THAT A TOTAL SET OF ADJUSTMENTS TO EARLIER DESCRIBED (PH II) CEILINGS MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE; HOWEVER, IT IS PLANNED TO BE DEFINITIVE TO THE DEGREE THAT IN BASESPAC, YOUR CIVIL CEILING/FINANCING QUESTIONS WILL BE ANSWERED. SEE NO LIKELIHOOD THAT WESTPAC FMF REQUISITIONAL AUTHORITY WILL NOT MEET ALL REQR. PAGE FIVE RUHHFMA3363 C O N F I D E N T I A L

6. IN THE PAST YEAR, PLANNING UNCERTAINTIES MADE IT MANDATORY THAT A LARGE RESERVE BE HELD BY THIS HQ. A CONSEQUENCE WAS FREQUENT FUND ADJUSTMENTS AND A FLAVOR OF "GOING TO THE BANK". IN A SEQUENCE TIED TO SECOND QTR FUNDING, IT IS THE INTENT TO PROVIDE YOU WITH A FINANCIAL PLAN SUITABLE FOR SUPPORT OF YOUR COMMAND'S PLANNING. A MINIMUM RESERVE WILL BE RETAINED AND THIS ONLY THROUGH THE EVENT/UNCERTAINTY FOR WHICH THE RESERVE IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE THE FINANCIAL INFLUENCING ACTION.

7. A NEW DEVELOPMENT AT THIS HQ IS A PROGRAM OF INFORMATION PORTRAYAL SIMILAR TO THE MCPPR. THE ACS-MANAGEMENT HAS THIS PROJECT AND IT IS MOVING QUITE WELL. FINANCIAL DATA IS INCORPORATED ACROSS THE TOTAL SPECTRUM OF THIS HQ MANAGEMENT ACTIONS. THIS DATA WILL MOVE TO YOUR COMMANDS ON A REGULAR BASIS. I INTEND IT TO BE USED BY MY STAFF AS BACKGROUND FOR MY VISITS. EXAMPLES OF SUBJS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW AT THIS HQ ARE: (1) REQUISITION VALIDATION WITH SUPPLY SOURCES, (2) CORRELATION

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OF AVAILABLE PERSONNEL SKILLS TO REQUIREMENTS, (3) MARES/FORSTAT PROCEDURES, (4) MILCON AND MINOR NEW CONSTRUCTION PLANS/PROGRAMS, (5) VEHICLES ASSOCIATED TO POSITIONS/COMMANDS, (6) SPECIAL SERVICES NON APPROPRIATED FUND MANAGEMENT AND NON APPROPRIATED PAGE SIX RUHFMA3363 C O N F I D E N T I A L FUND FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION, (7) MATERIAL EXCESSES AND CANCELLATION ACTIONS, (8) IMPROPER USE OF FUNDS SUCH AS FME COMMANDS BUYING PLANT ACCOUNT GARRISON PROPERTY AND (9) NEW PROGRAMS NOT A PART OF ORIGINAL BUDGET PLANS. SOME OF THESE RUN PRETTY DEEP AND OTHERS LESS SO. I'VE LAID THEM OUT SO THAT YOU CAN GET SOME FEELING OF THE DEPTH OF INQUIRY. IF QUESTIONS TURN TO ANY SPECIFIC COMMAND, I WILL ADVISE. WARM REGARDS.

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1. (C) MANY THANKS FOR THE ADVANCE COPY OF SUBJECT
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 TO THE ARRIVAL OF GENERAL CLAY, AND THE MAGNITUDE
 OF YOUR EFFORTS IN ACHIEVING YOUR GOAL ARE FULLY
 APPRECIATED BY ME AND BY MY STAFF. PLEASE ACCEPT
 OUR SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS. WARM REGARDS.

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 ARMSTRONG FROM MAJGEN ADAMS //N00000//

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1. (C) IT IS NOTED THAT INCIDENTS REPORTED REF A ARE LATE ENTRIES; THAT ALL ARE FROM MAG-13; AND THAT AT LEAST TWO ITEMS CAN BE IDENTIFIED WITH GYSGT FEDRICK'S LETTER DISCUSSED IN REFS B AND C. THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT THERE VERY WELL MAY HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTS TO COVER UP RACIAL PROBLEMS OR AT LEAST TO TEND TO IGNORE THEM.
 2. (C) FOR CG FIRST MAW. REQUEST YOU REVIEW S.I.R. REPORTING PROCEDURES AND ENSURE THAT SUBORDINATE COMMANDERS COMPLY WITH INTENT AS WELL ON CONTENT OF THE REQUIREMENTS.
 3. (C) REQUEST YOU INSURE THAT ALL ECHELONS OF YOUR COMMANDS

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 UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MOST SERIOUS PROBLEM MUST BE FACED.
 ALL INCIDENTS MUST BE REPORTED IAW EXISTING REGULATIONS SO
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 EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN JONES INFO LTGEN MCCUTCHEON, MGEN BOWMAN AND
 MGEN E. E. ANDERSON FROM MGEN WIDDECKE. DELIVER DURING WORKING
 HOURS.

A. CG MCB CAMPEN 202220Z AUG70 (SPECAT) (S)
 1. (U) REFERENCE A REFERS.
 2. (S) THE SWORN STATEMENT OF GYSGT VORGEAS WAS RECEIVED ON 27
 AUGUST 70. THE NATURE OF THE ALLEGATIONS SET FORTH IN THE
 STATEMENT WARRANTS THE REOPENING AND EXPANDING OF EARLIER IN-
 VESTIGATIONS. THIS WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY TWO SEPARATE BUT
 CO ORDINATED EFFORTS. THE ALLEGED CRIMINAL ASPECTS WILL BE IN-
 VESTIGATED BY THE NAVAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE. THOSE ALLEGATIONS
 WHICH RELATE TO THE MANAGERIAL OPERATIONS OF THE ENTIRE FIRST
 MARINE DIVISION CLUB SYSTEM WILL BE INVESTIGATED BY THIS COMMAND.
 3. (U) AT THIS TIME I DO NOT FORESEE A REQUIREMENT TO RETAIN
 GYSGT VORGEAS ON ACTIVE DUTY. BEST REGARDS.
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON UNUSUAL INCIDENT REPORT

A. MY 18085Z AUG 70 (SPECAT) (S)

B. MY 21121Z AUG 70 (SPECAT) (S)

C. MY 240725Z AUG 70 (C)

1. THIS IS MY SECOND REPORT TO YOU ON THE INCIDENT INITIALLY
 REPORTED BY REF A AND AMPLIFIED BY REF B CONCERNING CASUALTIES
 SUSTAINED FROM 60MM MORTAR FIRE ON 17 AUGUST 70 BY M COMPANY,
 7TH MARINES.

2. A PRELIMINARY, INFORMAL, JAG MANUAL INVESTIGATION COMPLETED ON
 23 AUGUST 70 REVIEWED BY CO 3D BN, 7TH MAR, BY CO 7TH MAR, AND NOW
 AT THIS HEADQUARTERS, CONTAINS ABUNDANT SUPPORTING EVIDENCE THAT
 THE INCIDENT WAS CAUSED BY MISAPPLICATION OF FRIENDLY FIRE ON OUR

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OWN MARINES. THE PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION WAS DESIGNEDLY LIMITED
 IN SCOPE AND WAS NOT INTENDED TO FIX RESPONSIBILITY. NEVERTHELESS,
 IT DID REVEAL INDICATIONS OF IMPROPER SUPERVISION.

3. IN CONSEQUENCE, ON 24 AUGUST 70, THE CO, 3D BN, 7TH MARINES
 CONVENED A ONE-MAN, INFORMAL, JAG MANUAL INVESTIGATION TO INQUIRE
 FURTHER INTO ALL CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE INCIDENT, THE CAUSE
 OF DEATHS AND INJURIES TO U.S. PERSONNEL AND THE ONE VIETNAMESE,
 SUSTAINED ON 17 AUG 70. THIS LATTER INVESTIGATION WILL ALSO MAKE
 LINE OF DUTY/MISCONDUCT DETERMINATIONS WITH RESPECT TO ALL INJURED
 MARINES, AND WILL ADDRESS ITSELF FURTHER TO SUCH DISCIPLINARY OR
 ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS AS MAY APPEAR TO BE WARRANTED.

4. AS OF THIS DATE, PRESS INQUIRY INTO THE INCIDENT HAS NOT BEEN

MADE NOR HAS A PRESS RELEASE BEEN ISSUED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS. IN
 VIEW OF THE CONTINUING INVESTIGATION I HAVE DECIDED NOT TO INITIATE
 A PRESS RELEASE AT THIS TIME. DEPENDENT UPON THE RESULTS OF THE
 INVESTIGATION, IT MAY BE DESIRABLE TO RECONSIDER THIS DECISION AT
 A LATER DATE.

5. IN ADDITION TO THE INSTRUCTIONS SET FORTH IN REF C RELATIVE TO
 REQUIRED COMMAND ACTIONS TO PREVENT THIS TYPE OF INCIDENT, ON 27
 AUG 70, ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS ON THE MATTER WERE GIVEN BY ME AT

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C O N F I D E N T I A L /SPECAT/EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON
INFO LTGEN JONES FROM MAJGEN WIDDECKE/MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
DELIVER DURING WORKING HOURS

1. THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM BGEN HAYNES IS
QUOTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

QUOTE:

P 282154Z AUG 70

FM CMC

TO CG FIRST MARDIV

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PERSONAL FOR NGEN WIDDECKE FROM BGEN
HAYNES MSG FR CONG STOKES TO CAPT HARGROVE (U)

1. (C) FOLLOWING INQUIRY PASSED FOR CAPTAIN
HARGROVE COUNSEL FOR PFC SAMUEL G. GREEN JR, 254
82 27 USMC FROM CONGRESSMAN STOKES:

PAGE TWO RUMLL UA3762 C O N F I D E N T I A L /SPECAT/MARINE CORPS
EYES ONLY/EXCL FOR

- (A) HAVE YOU EVER SEEN OR DO YOU HAVE
KNOWLEDGE OF PFC GREEN EVER BEING HANDCUFFED OR
IN LEG IRONS? IF SO GIVE SPECIFICS.
- (B) TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE HAS GREEN EVER BEEN
PLACED IN A STRAIGHT JACKET OR GAGGED?
- (C) HAS GREEN EVER BEEN PLACED ON DIMINISHED RATIONS OR REDUCED
DIET? IF SO FOR HOW LONG? GIVE DATES.
- (D) WHAT WAS GREEN'S WEIGHT TODAY? REQUEST YOU WITNESS WEIGHING
OF GREEN.
- (E) WERE YOU PRESENT WHEN GREEN WAS ALLEGEDLY WEIGHED BY SGT
COOPER?
- (F) DOES GREEN HAVE FREE ACCESS TO WEIGH HIMSELF UNSUPERVISED
AT ANY TIME HE DESIRES? HE TOLD ME THAT HE WEIGHED 164 POUNDS WHEN
HE WENT ON REDUCED RATS AND WEIGHED 132 WHEN HE TALKED WITH ME ON
6 AUG 70.
- (G) WAS GREEN WEIGHED BY SGT COOPER AND WAS ANYONE ELSE
PRESENT? WHAT WAS WEIGHT AT THAT TIME?
- (H) HAS GREEN BEEN ALLOWED TO CORRESPOND WITH FAMILY SINCE
END OF TRIAL? IF SO HAS HE WRITTEN HIS MOTHER? IF NOT REQUEST

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2. (U) REQUEST CAPT HARGROVE REPLY BY MESSAGE TO ME FOR DELIVERY TO CONG STOKES. UNQUOTE.

2. PFC GREEN IS PRESENTLY CONFINED IN THE U. S. ARMY, VIETNAM INSTALLATION STOCKADE, DANANG. HE WAS ORIGINALLY CONFINED IN THE III MAF CORRECTIONAL CENTER ON 23 FEBRUARY 1970. AND HE HAS REMAINED IN CONFINEMENT IN THE SAME FACILITY SINCE THAT DATE.

3. PFC GREEN WAS CONVICTED OF 15 SPECIFICATIONS OF UNPREMEDITATED MURDER ON 15 AUGUST 1970. THE SENTENCE AWARDED BY THE COURT PROVIDED FOR DISHONORABLE DISCHARGE, CONFINEMENT AT HARD LABOR FOR 5 YEARS, TOTAL FORFEITURES AND REDUCTION TO E-1. PFC GREEN WAS REPRESENTED BY CAPTAIN JOHN J. HARGROVE, USMCR, A LAWYER CERTIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 27(B), UCMJ.

4. IT IS NOTED THAT THE MESSAGE FROM CONGRESSMAN STOKES IS ADDRESSED TO CAPTAIN HARGROVE. CAPTAIN HARGROVE EXPECTS TO COMPLETE HIS REPLY TODAY. BEST REGARD .

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A. ADMIN FMFPAC 280414Z AUG 70 MCEO

B. CG III MAF 260645Z AUG 70 MCEO

C. III MAF 05830.1

D. CG FMFPAC 192002Z NOV 69 MCEO

1. CAN'T DENY THAT REPORTING HAS BEEN INCOMPLETE. MUST DENY THE
ALLEGATION THAT THERE HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTS TO COVER UP RACIAL PROB-
LEMS OR ANY TENDENCY TO IGNORE THEM. IT WAS MY SUMMARY OF MAG-13
INCIDENTS TO CG III MAF PERSONALLY THAT CAUSED REF B TO BE A
MAG-13 STORY. REF B INCLUDES INCIDENTS WHICH SHOULD HAVE BEEN
REPORTED MORE PROMPTLY BY US AND WEREN'T AND IT ALSO INCLUDES
INCIDENTS WHICH WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN REPORTED HAD THEY NOT BEEN
RELATED TO MAG-13. REFERENCES C AND D ARE OUR REPORTING GUIDES.

PAGE TWO RUMLMHA0080 C O N F I D E N T I A L MCEO, PERSONAL FOR
ALTHOUGH AN INCIDENT COULD BE OF SUCH SIGNIFICANCE THAT REPORTING
AS S. I. R. AND IN THE SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY REPORT WOULD BE REQUIRED
THIS IS NOT NORMALLY THE CASE.

2. I SHOULD HAVE POINTED OUT MORE CLEARLY IN YOUR REF C THAT VISIT
OF WING INSPECTOR AND TEAM TO MAG-13 WAS PLANNED BEFORE FEDRICK
ISSUE RAISED BY YOUR PHONE CALL. IT WAS IN RESPONSE TO INCIDENTS
REPORTED BY THE MAG. CO MAG-13 HAD INITIATED CORRECTIVE ACTION
AND CHANGED A NUMBER OF PROCEDURES MAINLY RELATED TO SECURITY AND
SUPERVISION. ADDITIONALLY, TWO BLACK MILITANTS WERE TRANSFERRED
OUT OF MAG-13 ONE ADDITIONAL WAS GIVEN A SPECIAL COURT FOR ASSAULT
AND ONE ACCEPTED UD IN LIEU OF COURT MARTIAL. WE HAVE IDENTIFIED
A NUMBER OF POTENTIAL TROUBLE MAKERS BOTH BLACK AND WHITE AND
HAVE THEM UNDER SUPERVISION. THE TOUGHEST PROBLEM IS IDENTI-
FYING WHITE PERSONNEL, PARTICULARLY NCO'S WHO PROVOKE AND HARASS
BLACKS THUS PROVIDING FERTILE ATMOSPHERE FOR MILITANTS. FEDRICK'S
IRRATIONAL LETTER INDICATES THAT HE IS UNDOUBTEDLY ONE OF THESE.

3. THE INSPECTOR AND HIS TEAM WILL VISIT MAG-16 NEXT AS IT APPEARS
TO HAVE HIGHEST POTENTIAL FOR RACIAL INCIDENTS. TEAM OPERATES
COLLECTIVELY AND INDIVIDUALLY TALKING WITH AS MANY PEOPLE AT ALL
LEVELS AS ARE WILLING TO TALK. THEY LEARN CONSIDERABLE AND THEIR

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PAGE THREE RUMLMH0000 C O N F I D E N T I A L MCEO, PERSONAL FOR
 VERY PRESENCE SEEMED TO BE BENEFICIAL IN MAG-13. WE ARE FORTUNATE
 TO HAVE A HIGH QUALITY BLACK SSGT WHO IS INDEPENDENT ENOUGH NOT
 TO HAVE BEEN LABELED AS AN UNCLE TOM BY MOST BLACKS. THIS PROGRAM
 IS IN ADDITION TO LEADERSHIP COUNCILS WHICH TOO OFTEN ARE BENIGN
 IN CHARACTER OR TURN IN TO DERRATING SOCIETIES AT THE INITIATIVE
 OF THE MILITARYS.

4. BE ASSURED THAT WE ARE FACING THIS MOST SERIOUS PROBLEM.

WARM REGARDS.

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MESSAGE FROM CONGRESSMAN STOKES TO CAPT HARGROVE

A. MY 290314Z AUG 70 (C) (MCEO)

B. CMC 282154Z AUG 70 (C) (NOTAL)

1. REFERENCE A, WHICH QUOTED REFERENCE B, WAS PROVIDED
 FOR INFORMATION.

2. IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUEST CONTAINED PARAGRAPH 2
 OF REFERENCE B THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS SENT BY CAPT
 HARGROVE FOR DELIVERY TO CONGRESSMAN STOKES: QUOTE:

P 310223Z AUG 70

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TO CMC

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MESSAGE FROM CONGRESSMAN STOKES TO CAPT HARGROVE

A. CMC 282154Z AUG 70 (C)

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUEST CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH
 2 OF REFERENCE A THE FOLLOWING IS CAPT HARGROVE'S RESPONSE
 FOR DELIVERY TO CONGRESSMAN STOKES QUOTE:

A. I SAW PFC GREEN HANDCUFFED TODAY 29AUG70 WHEN I VISITED HIM AT
 THE UNITED STATES ARMY VIETNAM INSTALLATION STOCKADE. THIS OCCURRED
 WHEN HE WAS TAKEN UNDER ESCORT BY ONE CHASER, FROM A BLOCK WHERE HE WAS
 CONFINED, TO THE STOCKADE AID STATION WHERE HE WAS WEIGHED. PRIOR TO
 THIS OCCASION, I DO NOT RECALL EVER SEEING HIM HANDCUFFED. PFC GREEN
 INFORMED ME ON 29AUG70 THAT HE HAD BEEN HANDCUFFED ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS
 WHILE CONFINED IN B AND C BLOCKS, AND THAT HE SPECIFICALLY RECALLS
 BEING PUT IN LEG IRONS.

B. I WAS INFORMED BY PFC GREEN TODAY THAT HE HAD BEEN GAGGED AND
 PLACED IN A STRAIGHT JACKET ON APPROXIMATELY 6 OR 7 MAY 1970.

C. PFC GREEN INFORMED ME THAT HE HAS BEEN ON DIMINISHED RATIONS
 FOR A TOTAL OF 30 DAYS SINCE HE WAS CONFINED ON 23 FEBRUARY 1970. THE
 FIRST OCCASION WAS FROM 23 FEBRUARY 1970 TO ABOUT 12 MARCH 1970. THE

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 MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
 SECOND OCCASION WAS FROM ABOUT 1 APRIL 1970 TO 12 APRIL 1970.
 D. GREEN WEIGHED 153 POUNDS, TODAY, 29 AUGUST 1970. I WITNESSED
 THE WEIGH-IN AND THE STOCKADE DOCTOR STATED THE SCALE WAS REASONABLY
 ACCURATE.
 E. I WAS NOT PRESENT WHEN GREEN WAS ALLEGEDLY WEIGHED BY SERGEANT
 COOPER.
 F. PFC GREEN DOES NOT HAVE FREE ACCESS TO WEIGH HIMSELF AT
 ANYTIME HE DESIRES.
 G. I DO NOT KNOW IF GREEN WAS WEIGHED BY SERGEANT COOPER.
 SERGEANT COOPER IS ON R&R AT THIS TIME THUS COULD NOT BE REACHED FOR
 COMMENT. PFC GREEN STATED HE WAS WEIGHED BY SERGEANT COOPER BUT
 COULDN'T REMEMBER IF ANYONE ELSE WAS PRESENT. GREEN ESTIMATED THE
 WEIGH-IN TO HAVE OCCURRED IN LATE JULY OR EARLY AUGUST.
 H. THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE BRIG STATED THAT GREEN HAS NOT
 BEEN PREVENTED FROM WRITING HIS MOTHER. THE BRIG OFFICER FURTHER
 INFORMED ME THAT THE MAIL FILE SHOWS THAT GREEN NEITHER SENT MAIL TO
 HIS MOTHER NOR RECEIVED ANY MAIL FROM HIS MOTHER DURING THE MONTH OF
 AUGUST. I ASKED GREEN TO CORRESPOND WITH HIS MOTHER. UNQUOTE.
 I. CAPTAIN JOHN J. MARGROVE SENDS. UNQUOTE.
 J. BEST REGARDS.

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