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1. (AS) FOLLOWING IN TEXT OF CINCPAC 310313Z OCT 70 (AS) TO COMUSMACV, CINCUSARPAC, CINCPACFLT, CINCPACAF, INFO CG FMFPAC.

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A. JCS 4842/302219Z OCT 70 (PASAP)

1. (AS) REF A REQUESTS CINCPAC COMMENTS ON AN ALTERNATIVE TO CURRENT REDEPLOYMENT PLANS. THIS ALTERNATIVE WOULD RETAIN A USMC MAB OF 12,700 IN THE RVN THROUGH FY 72 IN LIEU OF ARMY AND AIR FORCE UNITS OF EQUIVALENT STRENGTH.

2. (U) REQUEST YOUR VIEWS OF THIS ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL BE PROVIDED NLT 020700Z NOV 70.

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A. CINCPACFLT 031904Z/JUL 70 (IS) (SPECAT) (PASEP)

1. (IS) IN ANTICIPATION OF ULTIMATE APPROVAL BEING GIVEN TO RELOCATION OF HQ III MAF TO OKINAWA, I HAVE PROPOSED HEREIN MISSION, TASKS, AND A/O FOR HQ III MAF ON OKINAWA. CG III MAF HAS CONCURRED IN THE PROPOSAL AND HAS INDICATED THAT IT SHOULD PROVIDE A SATISFACTORY BASIS FOR OVERALL OPERATION OF III MAF ON OKINAWA. THE BASIS FOR THIS PROPOSAL IS MARINE CORPS TABLE OF ORGANIZATION NUMBER M-4918, FORCE HEADQUARTERS MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE. IT IS PLANNED THAT THE CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS, EMPLOYMENT,

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ADMINISTRATION, PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT, INTELLIGENCE, AS WELL AS THE CONCEPT OF LOGISTIC ORGANIZATION, RESPONSIBILITIES AND FUNCTIONS DESCRIBED IN TABLE OF ORGANIZATION M-4918, WOULD APPLY TO HQ III MAF.

2. (IS) HQ III MAF MISSION. TO EXERCISE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF ASSIGNED FORCES NORMALLY CONSISTING OF THE 3D MARINE DIVISION (-) (REIN), THE 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, 5D FORCE SERVICE REGIMENT (-). AND OTHER FORCE COMBAT, COMBAT SUPPORT AND COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT UNITS AS MAY BE ASSIGNED.

3. (IS) HQ III MAF TASKS

A. AS CTF 70, CARRY OUT SUCH TASKING AS IS ASSIGNED BY COMSEVENTHFLT.

B. PROVIDE HEADQUARTERS ELEMENTS TO COMMAND EMPLOYED MAR AMPHIB UNITS (MAU'S) AND BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE A MAE HEADQUARTERS WHEN REQUIRED.

C. ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN LIAISON WITH COMNAVEASST-SUBIC FOR MATTERS CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE AND USE OF THE SELF CAMP.

D. COORDINATE, CONTROL, AND SUPERVISE THE CONDUCT

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4. (1S) HQ III MAF I/O

A. I/O AS SPECIFIED IN TABLE OF ORGANIZATION NUMBER M-4918 WITH FORCE COMMANDER SECTION MODIFIED AS INDICATED BELOW TO PROVIDE FOR A LIEUTENANT GENERAL, MINOR ADJUSTMENTS IN CERTAIN STAFF SECTIONS, AND THE ADDITION OF HQ ELEMENTS FOR THE MAU (SLF) AND A LIAISON SECTION:

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213	OPNS CHIEF	GYSGT	9711	1
214	ADMIN MAN	CPL	0141	1
215	LOGISTICS SECTION			
216	LOG OFFICER	Lt COL	0402	1
217	SUPPLY/ADMIN CHIEF	MSGT	3091	1

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218	EMBARK CHIEF	GYSGT	0431	1
219	ADMIN MAN	CPL	0141	1
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221	COMM OFFICER	MAJ	2002	1
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NOTE: /1 S OFF AND 12 ENL FOR A MAU HQ STAFF AS INDICATED. HOWEVER, SINCE AT PRESENT AND FOR THE FORSEEABLE FUTURE, THERE IS ONLY A REQUIREMENT FOR ONE MAU (SLF) HQ (BASED UPON ONE LPH IN USMCPAC), THE S

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EYES ONLY. DELIVER DURING WORKING HOURS. //NO0000//

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ADDITIONAL OFF AND 12 ADDITIONAL EML (20 TOTAL) ARE TO
BE RETAINED AS A CONTINGENCY FOR MANNING A SECOND MAU
(SLF) HQ STAFF IF REQUIRED. THESE 20 SPACES ARE TO
BE USED TO SUPPLEMENT OTHER III MAF STAFF SECTIONS
WHEN SECOND MAU (SLF) HQ STAFF NOT REQUIRED.

(PRESENT LINES 200-209 OF I/O M-4916 WILL BE COME LINES
234-242 RESPECTIVELY.)

B. THE H&S COMPANY WHICH SUPPORTS A MAF HQ (I/O
M-4919) WILL NOT BE ACTIVATED DUE TO MARINE CORPS
CEILING CONSTRAINTS ON OKINAWA. HQ III MAF WILL BE
SATELLITED ON A HOSI COMMAND ON OKINAWA. A H&S
COMMAND WILL BE TASKED TO PROVIDE FOR INTERNAL

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ADMINISTRATIVE AND HOUSEKEEPING FUNCTIONS. REQUIRED
ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED
BY III MAF TASKING HIS SUBORDINATE COMMANDS TO PROVIDE
AUGMENTATION TO THE HOSI COMMAND COMMUNICATION FACILITY.

5. (1S) COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS

A. COMMAND LESS OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF HQ III MAF
AND MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS WILL BE RETAINED BY
CG FMFPAC.

B. OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF III MAF, AS IF-79,
WILL BE EXERCISED BY CONSERVED H&S.

C. OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF UNITS ASSIGNED TO III
MAF WILL BE EXERCISED BY CG III MAF.

6. (1S) I MAF. UPON RELOCATION OF HQ III MAF TO
OKINAWA, IT IS PLANNED TO RELOCATE HQ I MAF TO CAMP
PENDLETON AS PROPOSED IN PAR 1, REF A. I MAF WOULD
THEN EXERCISE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE FIRST MARINE
DIVISION (-) (REIN), THIRD MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, AND
OTHER FORCE COMBAT, COMBAT SUPPORT, AND COMBAT
SERVICE SUPPORT UNITS AS MAY BE ASSIGNED. OPERATIONAL
CONTROL OF THE 1ST FORCE SERVICE REGIMENT (-) WOULD

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BE EXERCISED BY I MAF ONLY WHEN PLANNING FOR ANY CONDUCTING CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS. ADDITIONALLY, IT IS PLANNED THAT CG I MAF WOULD BE EITHER CG ISI WARDIV OR CG 3d MAW, WHOEVER IS SENIOR...

7. (U) YOUR COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSALS CONTAINED HEREIN WOULD BE APPRECIATED. VERY RESPECTFULLY AND WITH WARM REGARDS.

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A. CG FMFPAC 250257Z/AUG 70 (TS) (SPECAT) (NOTAL)
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1. (TS) REF A, USING REF B AS A BASIS, CITED CERTAIN

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UNITS WHICH MIGHT POSSIBLY BE ADDED TO AND SOME WHICH
MIGHT POSSIBLY BE DELETED FROM INCREMENT IV MARINE
TROOP REDEPLOYMENTS. INCREMENT IV WAS COMPLETED ON
15 OCT 1970 AND THOSE UNITS ADDED IN REF A DID DEPLOY
WHILE THOSE DELETED DID NOT.

2. (S) THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO APPRISE YOU
OF FUTURE REDEPLOYMENT PLANS OF MARINE FORCES FROM
RVN.

3. (TS) NO MARINES ARE SCHEDULED TO REDEPLOY DURING
INCREMENT V (16OCT-31DEC70). DURING INCREMENT VI
(JAN-30APR 70), 12.4K MARINES ARE SCHEDULED FOR
REDEPLOYMENT. CURRENT PLANNING, HOWEVER, ENVISIONS
THAT THE BULK OF THIS 12.4K WILL REDEPLOY DURING
THE PERIOD MARCH AND APRIL 1970. DURING THIS TIME
FRAME, IT IS PRESENTLY PLANNED THAT FLC WILL BE
DEACTIVATED IN RVN, AND THE FLAGS OF THE 1ST MARDIV
AND 1ST MAF AND A MAJOR PORTION OF THE REMAINDER OF
THEIR HEADQUARTERS' UNITS WILL BE RELOCATED TO CAMP
PENDLETON AND IWAKUNI RESPECTIVELY.

4. (TS) THE TROOP LIST REFLECTING THE UNITS THAT WILL

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 COMPRISE INCREMENT VI IS BEING PREPARED. I DO NOT
 ANTICIPATE AT THIS TROOP LIST WILL BE FIRM UNTIL
 SOMETIME IN DEC AS THE COMPOSITION OF THE RESIDUAL
 FORCE HAS NOT YET BEEN RESOLVED.

5. (TS) CURRENT PLANNING PROVIDES FOR THE RESIDUAL
 FORCE TO REMAIN IN RVN UNTIL 30 JUN 71. HOWEVER, I
 WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE 30 JUNE DATE IS A
 PLANNING DATE AND HAS NOT BEEN OFFICIALLY APPROVED.
6. (U) I WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP YOU INFORMED AS
 PLANNING GUIDANCE BECOMES AVAILABLE. WARM REGARDS.

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 GEN CHAPMAN AND LTGEN JONES FROM LGEN MCCUTCHEON
 KEY OFFICER STRUCTURE IN VIETNAM

1. I RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM GEN ABRAMS
 QUOTE

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FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV SAIGON
 TO GEN CLAY CMDR 7AF TAN SON NHUT
 LTGEN COLLINS I FFORCEV NHA TRANG
 LTG DAVISON II FFORCEV LONG BINH
 LTG MCCAFFREY USARV LONG BINH
 LTG SUTHERLAND XXIV CORPS DA NANG
 LTG MCCUTCHEON III MAF DA NANG
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T O P S E C R E T SENSITIVE MAC 13757 EYES ONLY

SUBJ: REDUCTIONS IN KEY OFFICER STRUCTURE IN VIETNAM (U)

1. (TS) I PROPOSE TO SEND THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO CINCPAC
 ON THE KEY OFFICER STRUCTURE TO BE RETAINED IN VIETNAM
 OVER THE COMING MONTHS. THE MESSAGE REFERENCES A RECENT
 MACV MESSAGE TO CINCPAC ON PLANS FOR THE CONSOLIDATION
 AND REDUCTION OF US HEADQUARTERS ELEMENTS IN RVN. QUOTE:

1. (TS) REFERENCED MESSAGE PROVIDED CURRENT PROGRAMS FOR
 REDUCTION OF THE HEADQUARTERS ELEMENTS IN VIETNAM. THESE
 REDUCTIONS ARE RELATED TO PROJECTED U.S. FORCE LEVELS,
 THE DIMINISHING COMMAND RESPONSIBILITIES ASSOCIATED THERE-
 WITH, AND THE DESIRABILITY OF LOWERING U.S. VISIBILITY IN
 A MILITARY ENVIRONMENT THAT IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY VIET-
 NAMESE IN CHARACTER. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, I HAVE BEEN
 CONSIDERING THOSE REDUCTIONS IN THE KEY OFFICER STRUCTURE
 THAT WILL BE NECESSARY CONCURRENT WITH FORCE AND HEADQUAR-
 TERS REDUCTIONS. MY THOUGHTS IN THIS REGARD ARE:

A. THE POSITION OF DEPCOMUSMACV SHOULD BE REDUCED ONE
 GRADE AND COMBINED WITH THE CHIEF OF STAFF POSITION TO BE
 EFFECTIVE ABOUT 1 JULY 1971.

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B. THE OVERALL STRENGTH OF THE SERVICE COMPONENTS HAS DECLINED TO THE POINT WHERE THE POSITIONS OF CG, 7TH AF, DCG, USARV AND COMNAVFORV SHOULD BE REDUCED ONE GRADE EFFECTIVE ABOUT 1 JULY 1971.

C. AS I AND II FFORCEV WILL CONVERT TO MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMMANDS (MAC) DURING THE REMAINING MONTHS OF FY 71, THE GRADE OF THE COMMANDER SHOULD BE CONCURRENTLY REDUCED TO MAJOR GENERAL CONSISTENT WITH THE GRADE OF CG, DMAC. THESE CHANGES WOULD OCCUR AFTER 1 JANUARY AND BEFORE 1 JULY 1971 DEPENDING ON THE RATE OF REDUCTION OF THE COMBAT FORCES IN THE RESPECTIVE MILITARY REGIONS.

D. THE POSITION OF XXIV CORPS COMMANDER MUST BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY DUE TO THE U.S. FORCES REMAINING IN MR 1 AFTER 30 JUNE 1971. AS STATED IN THE REFERENCE, I ENVISION XXIV CORPS HEADQUARTERS CONVERTING TO A MAC DURING EARLY 1972. THE GRADE OF THE COMMANDER SHOULD BE REDUCED TO MAJOR GENERAL AT THAT TIME.

2. (TS) IN THE CASE OF III MAF, THIS FORCE HAS BEEN REDUCED TO TWO RLT, SUPPORTING AIR AND APPROPRIATE LOGISTICS SUPPORT. BETWEEN 1 JAN-30 APRIL IT WILL LOSE AN ADDITIONAL RLT.

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ACCORDINGLY, THE LIEUTENANT GENERAL POSITION SHOULD BE REDUCED ABOUT 1 JAN.

3. (TS) WITH THE CURRENT EMPHASIS ON REDUCTION OF THE COMMAND AND CONTROL STRUCTURE, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT REDUCTIONS IN THE KEY OFFICER STRUCTURE ALSO BE ACCOMPLISHED. IN THIS REGARD, I REQUEST YOUR SUPPORT IN INITIATING APPROPRIATE ACTIONS THROUGH JOINT CHANNELS TO EFFECT THE ABOVE CHANGES. UNQUOTE.

2. (U) YOUR COMMENTS ON THE ABOVE PROPOSED MESSAGE ARE REQUESTED. UNQUOTE.

2. I CALLED JOHN CHAISSON AND VERIFIED WITH HIM THAT THE SUBJECT OF III MAF ON OKINAWA AND THE RANK OF THE COMMANDER HAD BEEN SURFACED IN THE TANK AND THEN RELEASED THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE BACK TO ABRAMS. QUOTE:

KEY OFFICER STRUCTURE IN VIETNAM

A. COMUSMACV 191236Z OCT 70 (TS)

1. REF A REQUESTED COMMENTS ON A PROPOSED MESSAGE TO CINCPAC RELATIVE TO KEY OFFICER STRUCTURE IN VIETNAM.

2. I CONCUR WITH THE INTENT AND OBJECTIVE OF THE PROPOSED MESSAGE. WITH THE REDUCTION OF U.S. TROOP

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STRENGTH IN VIETNAM THERE SHOULD BE A PARALLEL REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER AND GRADE OF THE TOP COMMANDERS. I HAVE ONE SUGGESTION, HOWEVER, RELATIVE TO THE SPECIFIC CASE OF III MAF.

3. WE HAVE INCLUDED IN OUR PLANNING ALL ALONG FOR THE REDUCTION OF GENERAL OFFICERS BOTH IN NUMBERS AND GRADE AS PART OF OUR OVERALL REDEPLOYMENT PROGRAM. LAST JUNE THERE WERE TEN MARINE CORPS GENERALS IN VIETNAM. TODAY THERE ARE ONLY EIGHT. THE TWO WHO HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED ARE THE DEP. CG XXIV CORPS AND THE ASST C/S G-3 OF III MAF.

4. WE HAD ORIGINALLY INCLUDED THE REDEPLOYMENT OF THE DIVISION HQ, WING HQ, FLC HQ AND III MAF HQ AS PART OF INCREMENT FIVE TO TAKE PLACE LATE NOVEMBER OR EARLY DEC. 1970. AS YOU KNOW, III MAF HAS BEEN ELIMINATED FROM INCREMENT FIVE. WE HAVE THEREFORE PROJECTED OUR PLANNING INTO INCREMENT SIX.

5. BASED ON ALL THE INFORMATION I HAVE AVAILABLE NOW, IF I MAY REMAINS VALID AS THE TARGET DATE FOR THE COMPLETION OF INCREMENT SIX I VISUALIZE THAT HQ OF THE FIRST

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MARDIV, FIRST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, FORCE LOGISTICS COMMAND AND III MAF WILL DEPLOY FROM VIETNAM SOME TIME BETWEEN 15 MARCH AND 1 MAY. THIS WILL REMOVE ALL MARINE CORPS GENERAL OFFICERS FROM III MAF EXCEPT ONE WHO MAY BE REQUIRED WITH A BRIGADE/ROLL-UP FORCE BUT HE TOO SHOULD BE OUT OF THE COUNTRY CERTAINLY BY 1 JULY. IN ADDITION OF COURSE DOEHLER WILL REMAIN ON YOUR STAFF.

6. AS I INDICATED TO MGEN DOLVIN ON THE PHONE THE OTHER DAY DURING YOUR ABSENCE THE COMMANDANT INTENDS TO REPLACE ME ON OR ABOUT 1 JAN. DONN ROBERTSON WHO COMMANDED THE FIRST MARDIV OUT HERE IN 1968 WILL BE MY RELIEF AND THE PRESIDENT HAS ALREADY FORWARDED HIS NOMINATION TO THE SENATE FOR LIGEN. UPON WITHDRAWAL OF III MAF FROM VIETNAM, CURRENT PLAN IS TO POSITION IT ON OKINAWA TO TAKE THE PLACE OF I MAF. GEN ROBERTSON WOULD CONTINUE AS THE COMMANDER. AS I UNDERSTAND IT THIS PROPOSAL HAS BEEN DISCUSSED BY THE JOINT CHIEFS AND APPROVED.

7. IN SUMMARY I RECOMMEND THAT PARA 2 OF YOUR PROPOSED MESSAGE TO CINCPAC BE MODIFIED BY CHANGING THE DATE FROM QUOTE ABOUT 1 JANUARY UNQUOTE TO QUOTE ABOUT 15 APRIL UNQUOTE. WARM REGARDS UNQUOTE.

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TO COMUSMACV

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KEY OFFICER STRUCTURE IN VIETNAM

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 LTG DAVISON II FFORCEV LONG BINH
 LTG MCCAFFERTY USAFV LONG BINH
 LTG SUTHERLAND XXIV CORPS DA NANG
 LTG MCCOY III MAF DA NANG
 VAM KING COMNAVFORV
 ZFM

T O P S E C R E T SENSITIVE MAC 13757 EYES ONLY

SUBJECT: REDUCTIONS IN KEY OFFICER STRUCTURE IN VIETNAM (U)

1. (TS) I PROPOSE TO SEND THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO CINCPAC ON THE KEY OFFICER STRUCTURE TO BE RETAINED IN VIETNAM OVER THE COMING MONTHS. THE MESSAGE REFERENCES A RECENT MACV MESSAGE TO CINCPAC ON PLANS FOR THE CONSOLIDATION AND REDUCTION OF US HEADQUARTERS ELEMENTS IN RVN. QUOTE:

1. (TS) REFERENCED MESSAGE PROVIDED CURRENT PROGRAMS FOR REDUCTION OF THE HEADQUARTERS ELEMENTS IN VIETNAM. THESE REDUCTIONS ARE RELATED TO PROJECTED U.S. FORCE LEVELS, THE DIMINISHING COMMAND RESPONSIBILITIES ASSOCIATED THEREWITH, AND THE DESIABILITY OF LOWERING U.S. VISIBILITY IN A MILITARY ENVIRONMENT THAT IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY VIETNAMESE IN CHARACTER. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, I HAVE BEEN CONSIDERING THOSE REDUCTIONS IN THE KEY OFFICER STRUCTURE THAT WILL BE NECESSARY CONCURRENT WITH FORCE AND HEADQUARTERS REDUCTIONS. MY THOUGHTS IN THIS REGARD ARE:

A. THE POSITION OF DEPCOMUSMACV SHOULD BE REDUCED ONE GRADE AND COMBINED WITH THE CHIEF OF STAFF POSITION TO BE EFFECTIVE ABOUT 1 JULY 1971.

B. THE OVERALL STRENGTH OF THE SERVICE COMPONENTS HAS DECLINED TO THE POINT WHERE THE POSITIONS OF CG, 7TH AF, DCG, USAFV AND COMNAVFORV SHOULD BE REDUCED ONE GRADE EFFECTIVE ABOUT 1 JULY 1971.

C. AS I AND II FFORCEV WILL CONVERT TO MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMMANDS (MAC) DURING THE REMAINING MONTHS OF FY 71, THE GRADE OF THE COMMANDER SHOULD BE CONCURRENTLY REDUCED TO MAJOR GENERAL CONSISTENT WITH THE GRADE OF CG, MAC. THESE CHANGES WOULD OCCUR AFTER 1 JANUARY AND BEFORE 1 JULY 1971 DEPENDING ON THE RATE OF REDUCTION OF THE COMBAT FORCES IN THE RESPECTIVE MILITARY REGIONS.

D. THE POSITION OF XXIV CORPS COMMANDER MUST BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY DUE TO THE U.S. FORCES REMAINING IN ME 1 AFTER 30 JUNE 1971. AS STATED IN THE REFERENCE, I ENVISION XXIV CORPS HEADQUARTERS CONVERTING TO A MAC DURING EARLY 1972. THE GRADE OF THE COMMANDER SHOULD BE REDUCED TO MAJOR GENERAL AT THAT TIME.

2. (TS) IN THE CASE OF III MAW, THIS FORCE HAS BEEN REDUCED TO TWO
RLT, SUPPORTING AIR AND APPROPRIATE LOGISTICS SUPPORT. BETWEEN
1 JAN-30 APRIL IT WILL LOSE AN ADDITIONAL RLT. ACCORDINGLY, THE
LIEUTENANT GENERAL POSITION SHOULD BE REDUCED ABOUT 1 JAN.

3. (TS) WITH THE CURRENT EMPHASIS ON REDUCTION OF THE COMMAND AND
CONTROL STRUCTURE, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT REDUCTIONS IN THE KEY
OFFICER STRUCTURE ALSO BE ACCOMPLISHED. IN THIS REGARD, I REQUEST
YOUR SUPPORT IN INITIATING APPROPRIATE ACTIONS THROUGH JOINT CHAN-
NELS TO EFFECT THE ABOVE CHANGES. UNQUOTE.

2. (U) YOUR COMMENTS ON THE ABOVE PROPOSED MESSAGE ARE REQUESTED.
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SSO NOTE:SG

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THIS MESSAGE REQUIRES ACCOUNTIBILITY (44)

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 INFO ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE MARINE CORPS EYES
 ONLY FOR LTGEN JONES, INFO MGEN WILSON, BGEN BARROW AND
 COL LAMAR FROM LTGEN MCCUTCHEON

III MAF HQ ON OKINAWA

1. I VISITED OKINAWA 10-11 OCTOBER FOR PURPOSE OF EYE-
 BALLING POSSIBLE SITES FOR LOCATION OF III MAF HQ WHEN
 AND IF MAF RELOCATES TO OKINAWA.

2. LOOKED OVER COURNEY AND FUTEWA IN COMPANY WITH
 WILSON, BARROW AND LAMAR AND HAVE ARRIVED AT CERTAIN
 TENTATIVE CONCLUSIONS AS SET FORTH BELOW. AM HAVING MY
STAFF WRING THEM OUT IN MORE DETAIL AND WILL ADVISE
RESULTS LATER.

3. CONCUR THAT FUTEWA IS BEST SITE AS FAR AS AVAILABILITY

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OFFICE SPACE, BILLETING, ETC. BLDG 428 (STAFF NCO BRKS)
 AND BLDG 483 (LIBRARY, MARS STATION AND JUDO ROOM) ARE
 LOCATED ADJACENT TO EACH OTHER AND APPEAR TO HAVE SUFFI-
 CIENT SQUARE FLOOR SPACE TO ACCOMMODATE ALL OFFICE SPACE
 EXCEPT POSSIBLY SLF. LATTER COULD BE LOCATED IN HALF OF
 PRESENTLY OCCUPIED BLDG AT COURNEY.

4. I BELIEVE 483 AND 428 CAN BE MODIFIED WITH MINIMUM
 EFFORT. WOULD NOT DISTURB PRESENT PLUMBING NOR WOULD I
 ADD THERETO. BIGGEST JOB WOULD BE TO ACCOMMODATE SPECIAL
 INTELLIGENCE, SAC VAULT, MIC/CCG BUT THESE ARE NOT INSUR-
 MOUNTABLE.

5. EAGLES NEST REQUIRES MODIFICATION TO MAKE IT SUITABLE
 AS FLAG QUARTERS. TWO FRONT BEDROOMS NEED TO BE REMOVED
 AND CURRENT KITCHEN EXTENDED LENGTHWISE TO PROVIDE PANTRY
 SPACE AND STEWARD SPACE FOR LAUNDRY, PRESSING, ETC.

REMAINING NON-BEDROOM SPACE COULD SERVE AS COMBINATION
 LIVING-DINING AREA. PORTABLE ORIENTAL SCREEN PARTITIONS
 WOULD PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY IN THIS REGARD. BGEN CHIEF OF
 STAFF WOULD OCCUPY THESE QUARTERS.

6. I BELIEVE CG III MAF WILL UNDOUBTEDLY GET INVOLVED IN

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 ENTERTAINMENT AS SENIOR MARINE ON ISLAND AND PURPOSE TO
 TAKE OVER LOU WILSON'S QTRS AT COURNEY. LOU ADVANCED THIS
 IDEA. HE WOULD TAKE OVER PRESENT ADC'S QTRS AND ADC WOULD
 MOVE TO QTRS IN CG'S MESS PRESENTLY OCCUPIED BY I MAF CHIEF.
 THESE OF COURSE WOULD BE VACATED SINCE III MAF CHIEF WOULD
 BE AT FUTEMA. IF III MAF CHIEF TURNS OUT TO BE COLONEL
 THEN EAGLES NEST NEED NOT BE MODIFIED.
 7. CG III MAF COULD COMMUTE TO AND FRO BY HELO AS MATTER
 OF ROUTINE AND ON THOSE OCCASIONS WHEN HE MIGHT NOT BE ABLE
 TO FLY HE COULD DRIVE OR RON AT EAGLES NEST.
 8. AS I STATED IN BEGINNING, THESE ARE MY PERSONAL TENTA-
 TIVE VIEWS. WILL ADVISE LATER WHEN I GET RECS FROM STAFF.
 WARM REGARDS.

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TRANSFER OF EXCESS FACILITIES (U)

A. CG III MAF 021344Z OCT 70 (S)

B. COMUSMACV 071536Z SEP 70 (U)

C. CMC 161415Z MAY 70 (C)

D. CINCPAC 080016Z MAY 70 (U) (PASEP)

E. COMUSMACV 240301Z SEP 70 (U)

QM (C) YOUR AWARENESS OF A POTENTIAL CONFRONTATION AND DESIRE FOR FIRM POSITION AS OUTLINED REF A IS APPRECIATED.

2. (U) THE RECENT MODIFICATIONS TO MACV DIRECTIVE 735-3 AS SET FORTH IN REF B, ALTHOUGH VIEWED WITH CONCERN, DO NOT PRECLUDE APPLICATION OF THE GUIDANCE PROVIDED BY REFS C AND D.

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3. (U) IT IS OUR BELIEF, AND CONCURRED IN BY COGNIZANT STAFF OFFICERS AT HQMC, THAT THE BEST APPROACH IN THIS SITUATION IS TO COMPLY WITH MACV DIRECTIVE 735.3; I.E., WHEN YOU DESIRE TO MOVE OR REMOVE C-E EQUIP OR INSTALLATIONS, REQUEST APPROVAL AS STATED IN PAR. 1 REF E.

4. (S) ALTHOUGH MACV OBJECTIONS TO THE REMOVAL OF EQUIP ARE ENVISIONED, THERE MAY BE INSTANCES WHEREBY THE APPLICATION OF THE GUIDANCE PROVIDED BY PAR 4 A. 2. REF C RELATING TO IN-KIND REPLACEMENT MAY PROVE HIGHLY BENEFICIAL, PARTICULARLY DURING THIS PERIOD OF AUSTERE FUNDING. NEGOTIATIONS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF REF C SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN, PARTICULARLY IN CASES WHICH INVOLVE BULKY ITEMS OF EQUIP WHICH HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO PROLONGED CONTINUOUS USAGE UNDER ADVERSE CONDITIONS.

5. (U) INSTANCES WHICH CANNOT BE RESOLVED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF REFS B AND C SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THIS HQ FOR RESOLUTION AS OUTLINED REF D. WARM REGARDS.

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TO RUMUMPA/CG III MAF

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A. CG III MAF 010813Z/OCT70 (TS)

B. CG FMFPAC 250332Z/SEP70 (TS)

C. CG FMFPAC 261916Z/AUG70 (TS)

1. (TS) REF A CONCURRED IN COMMENTS OF REF B. THE CHANGES PROPOSED
IN PAR 4 OF REF A WILL BE INCLUDED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS IN THE MSG
TO CMC PROPOSED IN REF C AND MODIFIED BY REF B.2. (TS) PENDING FINAL APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSAL TO RELOCATE HQ
III MAF TO OKINAWA, THE STAFF HERE IS ADDRESSING THE SPECIFICS RE-
LATING TO MANPOWER REQUIREMENTS, ADMINISTRATIVE AND HOUSEKEEPING
FUNCTIONS, AND COMMUNICATION SUPPORT CITED IN PAR 2 AND 3 OF REF A.PAGE TWO RUHKFMA0530 TOP SECRET/SPECAT/EXCLUSIVE FOR/MCEO
YOU WILL BE ADVISED BEFORE ANY FINAL DETERMINATION IS MADE
CONCERNING THESE MATTERS.3. (TS) YOUR ASSISTANCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPOSAL
CONCERNING III MAF OPERATIONS ON OKINAWA IS APPRECIATED.
WARM REGARDS.

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MAJGEN ARMSTRONG, MAJGEN WIDDECKE AND BGEN PADALINO
FROM MAJGEN ADAMS //N05314// AM 006 RPT AM 006
STRENGTH PROJECTION OF III MAF ON 15OCT 70
A. CG III MAF 290611Z SEP 70 (TS) (SPECAT)
1. (S) BASED ON THE CONTENT OF REF A IT APPEARS WE
ARE IN AGREEMENT ON ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ARRIVE AT THE
IN-COUNTRY CEILING ON 15OCT 70. WITH CURTAILMENT OF
INPUT, WEST PAC REASSIGNMENTS, EARLY MOVEMENT OF LATE
OCTOBER RTD'S AND FURTHER KEYSTONE ROBIN ALPHA
DEPLOYMENTS WE WILL MEET THE 15OCT 70 CEILING CONSTRAINTS
OVERALL FOR III MAF FORCES, ALBEIT ALL COMMANDS MAY

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NOT BE AT OR BELOW THEIR INDIVIDUAL MANNING LEVELS.
2. THE REPLACEMENT PIPELINE TO III MAF COMMANDS WILL
BE LIMITED DURING THE PERIOD 1-15OCT. AS INDICATED BELOW
WITH NO INPUT DURING THE PERIOD A SHORTAGE OF 864 WILL
EXIST ON 15OCT 70. WE WILL HOWEVER PROVIDE SOME REPLACEMENTS
TO ALLEVIATE SKILL SHORTAGES AND DEGRADE THE 864
SHORTAGES. UPON ARRIVING AT THE CEILING ON 15OCT THE
REPLACEMENT PIPELINE WILL BE MONITORED CLOSELY TO INSURE
WE REMAIN BELOW THE CEILING.

3. TOTAL RVN STRENGTH PROJECTION

ON ROLLS 30SEP	29292
FCS/ROBIN LOSSES 1-15OCT	3037
CAS/ADMIN LOSSES 1-15OCT	480
REASG 1-15OCT	1626
PROJ ON ROLLS 15OCT	24149
AUTH 15OCT	25013 (INCL SU I FIRST ANGLICO)
SHORTAGE	864

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4. (S) THE IMBALANCE OF CERTAIN SKILLS THROUGHOUT WESTPAC
BROUGHT ON BY "KEYSTONE ROBIN ALPHA" IS APPARENT AT THIS
AND HIGHER HEADQUARTERS. WE APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS OF
IN-COUNTRY COMMANDS IN PROVIDING DATA TO US AND IN
VERIFYING DATA AVAILABLE HERE. REASG WITHIN WESTPAC AND
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COMMAND AND STAFF STRUCTURE IN SEASIA (U)

A. CNO 302114Z/SEP70 (S) (READDRESS BY ADMIN

CINCPACFLT 000552Z/SEP70) (PASEP)

1. (S) REF A QUOTED A MEMO FROM SEC DEF WHICH EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN THAT THE VARIOUS HEADQUARTERS WITHIN MACV ARE NOT BEING REDUCED IN PROPORTION TO THE REDEPLOYMENT OF MAJOR FORCES FROM RVN. REF A ELABORATES ON THIS TO INDICATE THAT SEC DEF CONCERN INCLUDES CORPS LEVEL HEADQUARTERS, HEADQUARTERS OF COMPONENT COMMANDS, SUPPORT COMMANDS, AND FIELD FORCES.

2. (S) WHILE III MAF HAS BEEN REDUCED TO APPROXIMATELY 1/3 THE STRENGTH AUTHORIZED IN PROGRAM 6 AND ITS RESPON-

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3. (U) REQUEST YOU APPRISE GEN JONES OF THE COMMENTS OF REF / DURING HIS VISIT TO YOUR HQ.

4. (U) VARM REGARDS.

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CPL LOCKE, A. L.

TO:

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CONCURRED BY:

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A. CG FMFPAC 25033Z SEP 70 (TS) (SPECAT)
 B. CG FMFPAC 171746Z SEP 70 (TS)

1. I CONCUR IN THE CONTENTS OF REF A. THE PROPOSAL SHOULD
 PROVIDE A SATISFACTORY BASIS FOR THE OVERALL OPERATION OF
 III MAF ON OKINAWA.
 2. WITH REGARD TO SPECIFICS, I NOTE IN PARA 4.C. OF YOUR
 PROPOSED MESSAGE TO CMC IN REF A THAT YOU ENVISION MANPOWER
 REQUIREMENTS TO SUPPORT III MAF ON OKINAWA WILL BE LESS THAN
 THOSE REFLECTED IN T/O M-4918, AS MODIFIED. I RECOMMEND THAT
 THESE MANPOWER REQUIREMENTS, AS WELL AS THE EXACT NATURE OF THE
ADMINISTRATIVE AND HOUSEKEEPING FUNCTIONS TO BE PERFORMED FOR III
MAF BY THE HOST COMMAND, BE DETERMINED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT

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THE COMPOSITION OF THE III MAF STAFF, BOTH IN TERMS OF ORGANIZATION
AND SECTION STRENGTH, CAN BE FIXED AS A BASIS FOR THE PLANNED
CONFIGURATION OF THE III MAF HQ BLDG AT FUEMA, OR ELSEWHERE,
SHOULD THAT SITE NOT PROVE FEASIBLE. REF B PERTAINS TO
 LOCATING III MAF AT FUEMA.

3. SIMILARLY, AND WITH REFERENCE TO AUGMENTATION COMMUNICATION
 SUPPORT CITED IN YOUR PROPOSAL, I RECOMMEND CONSIDERATION BE
GIVEN TO THE CAPABILITY OF THE HOST COMMAND TO PROVIDE THE
FOLLOWING COMMUNICATION SERVICES FOR III MAF;

A. AUTODIN AND COMMUNICATION CENTER FACILITIES.
 B. TELEPHONE SYSTEM.
 C. AUTSEVOCOM TERMINALS.
 D. WIRE VOICE INTERCOMMUNICATION SYSTEM.
 E. DEDICATED RED ROCKET CIRCUITRY.
 F. SSO COMMUNICATION FACILITIES.

TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE, THE 7TH COMMUNICATION BN,
 FORCE TROOPS, IF AVAILABLE ON OKINAWA, SHOULD BE TASKED TO
 PROVIDE AUGMENTATION COMMUNICATION SUPPORT
 RATHER THAN THE DIVISION OR WING AS PROPOSED IN REF A, AS THIS
 IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE BATTALION'S MISSION.

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4. THERE ARE A FEW MINOR CHANGES, CHIEFLY IN SECTION STRENGTH AND RANK COMPOSITION, THAT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE INCORPORATED IN THE MODIFIED T/O M-4918, AS FOLLOWS:

A. RECOMMEND ADD LINE 24A, REPORTS/STATISTICS MAW, LCPL, 0141.

B. RECOMMEND CHANGE THE RANK OF THE ASS'T CEO/AVIONICS OFF, LINE 123, FROM LTCOL TO MAJOR, WITH THE BILLET TO BE FILLED BY A NAVAL AVIATOR, AND DELETE THE REQUIREMENT FOR A NAVAL AVIATOR IN LINE 124.

C. RECOMMEND ADD LINE 124A, ASS'T CEO PLANS/OPNS OFF, LTCOL, 2502.

D. RECOMMEND CHANGE THE RANK OF THE FORCE ENGINEER OFFICER, LINE 139, FROM COLONEL TO LT COLONEL AND DELETE ENGR OPN OFF/ ENGR INTELL O, LINE 141.

E. RECOMMEND DELETE MT SECTION, LINES 161-164, AND ADD A MT OFFICER WITH THE RANK OF CAPTAIN TO THE G-4 SECTION.

F. RECOMMEND CHANGE TO RANK OF THE ORDNANCE OFF, LINE 167, FROM LTCOL TO MAJOR.

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SUBJECT: COMBINED PLANNING FOR US REDEPLOYMENTS (U)

1. (IC) THE CHIEF, JGS, RVNAF WAS INFORMED THIS DATE OF THE MAJOR UNIT COMPOSITION OF INCREMENT FIVE REDEPLOYMENTS. GEN VIEU WILL BE INFORMING HIS SENIOR COMMANDERS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

2. (IC) COMMANDERS ARE AUTHORIZED TO COMMENCE CLOSE-HOLD DISCUSSIONS ON INCREMENT FIVE REDEPLOYMENTS WITH THEIR VIETNAMESE COUNTERPARTS IN ORDER TO PROCEED WITH NECESSARY ACTIONS FOR BASE CLOSURE/TURNOVER. IT IS STRESSED THAT THE DISCUSSIONS TAKE PLACE ON A CLOSE-HOLD SELECT BASIS AND IN NO EVENT WILL POST-INCREMENT FIVE REDEPLOYMENTS BE DISCUSSED WITHOUT FURTHER AUTHORITY. GP-4

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KEYSTONE ROBIN (ALPHA) DRAWDOWN OF PERSONNEL MOVEMENT PLANS (U)
1. (TS) ON 25SEP OUR IN COUNTRY III MAF STRENGTH WAS 30329 WHICH MEANS WE MUST MOVE 5511 PERSONNEL OUT OF COUNTRY TO MEET OUR 15OCT CEILING OF 24818. IDENTITY OF THE UNITS CITED HEREIN INCLUDES FMAW, FIRST MARDIV, FORLOGCOMD, AND HQ III MAF WITH ADCON UNITS, EXCLUDING FIRST ANGLICO.
2. (U) UPON CLOSE REVIEW OF FACTORS SUCH AS THE CRITICAL MOS PROBLEMS IN FIRST MAW, REQUIREMENTS TO INCLUDE PERS BEYOND 15OCT RTDS, REQUIREMENTS FOR RAPID MOVEMENT OF ESSENTIAL SKILLS FROM FIRST MAW TO FIRST MAW (REAR), AND REQUIREMENTS FOR

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A. CONSIDERING THE KNOWN 428 PERSONNEL INBOUND, WE HAVE A REQUIREMENT TO MOVE 5939 PERSONNEL OUT OF RVN BY 15OCT70 IN ORDER TO MEET OUR ASSIGNED CEILING OF 24818.
B. WE HAVE REQUESTED 5303 AIR SEATS DEPARTING RVN BY 15OCT AND INSUFFICIENT TIME REMAINS TO REQ AND CONFIRM ADDITIONAL AIR SEATS.
C. ONLY 525 PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED TO SURFACE SHIPPING SPACES.
D. THIS LEAVES US WITH THE REQUIREMENT TO MOVE 111 ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL BY 15OCT70 IN ORDER TO ARRIVE PRECISELY AT THE CEILING. HOWEVER THE SUBORDINATE COMMANDS HAVE REQUESTED THAT THIS 111 AND AN ADDITIONAL 600 BE MOVED OUT OF COUNTRY AS REASSIGNMENTS TO OKINAWA AND JAPAN.
3. (C) WE STILL HAVE APPROX 2200 ADDITIONAL SURFACE SPACES ON KEYSTONE ROBIN (ALPHA) SHIPPING WHICH WILL NOT REACH CONUS IN TIME TO MEET THE RTDS INVOLVED. ACCORDINGLY WE WILL PULL PERSONNEL THAT HAD BEEN SCHEDULED BY AIR TO OKINAWA AS REASSIGNMENTS AND PLACE THEM ON KEYSTONE ROBIN (ALPHA) SHIPPING THAT

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S. M. Hanson
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SHOULD BE ROUTED VIA OKINAWA. THIS WILL PROVIDE SUFFICIENT AIR
SPACES REQUIRED TO CONUS.

4. (S) ENTIRE POSTURE ABOVE IS PREDICATED UPON NO ADDITIONAL INPUT
TO RVN IN-COUNTRY (EXCEPT THE 428 SPECIFIED). ADDITIONS WILL
ERODE THE PROJECTED 600 SAFETY MARGIN ON A ONE FOR ONE BASIS.
I THINK SERIOUS CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE IMMEDIATE
RETENTION ON OKINAWA OF ANY FURTHER PROGRAMMED INPUT TO RVN.

5. (TS) IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS THE 600 PERSONNEL BELOW THE
24818 ABSOLUTE CEILING APPEARS PRUDENT AND WILL ALLOW FOR
SELECTIVE CRITICAL SKILL INPUTS STARTING MID OCT. THE
CRITICAL SKILLS HAVE ALREADY BEEN IDENTIFIED BY FMAW, FIRST
MARDIV, AND FORLOGCOMD. WARM REGARDS.

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- 1. (TS) I APPRECIATE AND SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS AND THOSE OF THE COMMANDANT EXPRESSED IN REF A CONCERNING THE 3D MAB MISSION. KEITH AND I DISCUSSED THE PHILOSOPHY AND THE ON-THE-SCENE EVOLUTIONS WITH RESPECT TO CG, XXIV CORPS' PLANS FOR EMPLOYMENT OF THE MAB.
- 2. (TS) KEITH ADVISED THAT CG XXIV CORPS HAS OFFICIALLY STATED HIS INTENT TO TASK THE MAB AS THE COORDINATING

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AGENCY FOR SECURITY ACTIVITIES IN THE DANANG VITAL AREA,
AND HE HAS INDICATED THAT THE PRESENT 1ST MARINES TAOR
IS THE PREFERRED MAB TAOR. KEITH BELIEVES THIS POSTURING
PLACES 3D MAB IN THE BEST POSITION TO CONDUCT OFFEN-
SIVE MILITARY OPERATIONS WITHIN THE TAOR, OR ELSEWHERE,
AS NECESSARY.

3. (TS) IN LIGHT OF THIS OPERATIONAL GUIDANCE KEITH HAS
RECEIVED FROM CG XXIV CORPS, HE HAS DEDUCED CERTAIN
TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR 3D MAB FROM THE COMMAND
AND CONTROL RESPONSIBILITIES SET FORTH BY COMUSMACV FOR
III MAF. INTER ALIA, THESE TASKS AND RESRONSIBILITIES PRO-
VIDE THAT 3D MAB CONDUCT UNILATERAL AND COORDINATED
JOINT AND COMBINED COMBAT OPERATIONS WITH FOCUS OF
OPERATIONS ON THE DANANG VITAL AREA. KEITH INTENDS TO
PRESS CG XXIV CORPS FOR ASSIGNMENT OF THESE TASKS AND
RESPONSIBILITIES.

4. (TS) BY AGGRESSIVE OFFENSIVE ACTION FROM THE 1ST
MARINES TAOR, 3D MAB CAN BEST SAFEGUARD THE ENEMY'S
PRIME MILITARY/POLITICAL/PSYCHOLOGICAL TARGET OF DANANG
AS WELL AS PROTECT MARINE LOGISTIC AND AVIATION

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 INSTALLATIONS AND ASSETS WHILE RETAINING THE
 ADVANTAGE OF COVERED LOC'S. THEREFORE, I CONCUR WITH
 KEITH IN CONSIDERING THE XXIV CORPS INTENDED OPERA-
 TIONAL TASKING AS NEARLY COMPATIBLE AS POSSIBLE WITH THE
 VIEWS AND DESIRES CONVEYED IN REF A.

5. (TS) IN REF A YOU ALSO EXPRESSED YOUR THOUGHTS ABOUT
 A BALANCED MAB, RECOMMENDED BY REF E AND CONCURRED
 IN BY REF C. IN REF D, I STATED THAT KEITH WAS PLANNING
 AT THAT TIME TO ADD ANOTHER INFANTRY BATTALION TO 3D
 MAB AND TO REDEPLOY CERTAIN UNITS AS TRADE-OFFS
 TO INCLUDE A 175MM GUN BTRY AND A TANK CO. ALSO INVOLVED
 IN KEITH'S EARLIER PLANS WAS THE REDUCTION OF 2D CAG
 FROM 600 TO 400 SPACES WITH THE CONCOMITTANT RETENTION
 OF THE 200 SPACES AS CUPPS. SUBSEQUENTLY, AS YOU KNOW,
 THE 3D MAB ORGANIZATION IN REF B WAS MODIFIED BY ADDING
 THE 1ST 175MM GUN BATTERY AND CO C 1ST TANK BN TO THE
 INCREMENT IV REDEPLOYMENT LIST AS PART OF THE 785 TRADE-
 OFF SPACES. ADDITIONALLY, THE EMERGENCE OF ALTERNATIVE
 C, WITH GOOD PROBABILITY OF EXECUTION, HAS RETARDED
 THE PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED FORMATION DATE FOR 3D MAB.

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 THUS, ANOTHER LOOK, AT A FUTURE DATE, WILL BE REQUIRED
 RELATIVE TO THE MAB'S ORGANIZATION TO INSURE IT IS
 COMPATIBLE WITH THE PREVAILING TACTICAL AND LOGISTIC
 SITUATION. IN THIS REGARD, KEITH AND I FULLY APPRECIATE
 THE REQUIREMENT FOR 3D MAB TO REPRESENT A BALANCED
 AIR-GROUND TEAM. WARM REGARDS.

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- B. CG FMFPAC 261916Z/AUG70 (TS) (SPECAT)
- C. FMFPACO 5400.20 (PROV T/O, I MAF)

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1. (S) YOUR COMMENTS CONTAINED IN REF A ON MY PRO-
POSAL (REF B) CONCERNING RELOCATION OF HQ III MAF,
ARE APPRECIATED.

Sam Hansen
(SIGNATURE)

2. (TS) IN RESPONSE TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED
IN PARS 2A AND 2B OF REF A, THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION IS PROVIDED:

A. IN ORDER TO PROVIDE III MAF WITH HQ
ELEMENTS FOR THE MAU (SLF) AND LIAISON TO COMNAVBASESUBIC
AS TASKED, IT WILL BE PROPOSED THAT T/O M-4918 VVBE

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MODIFIED TO INCLUDE THOSE ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL PROVIDED IN REF
C FOR THAT PURPOSE.

B. IT IS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT T/O M-4918 DOES NOT
PROVIDE ADEQUATE PERSONNEL FOR INTERNAL ADMINISTRATIVE
AND HOUSEKEEPING FUNCTIONS. HOWEVER, DUE TO MARINE
CORPS CEILING CONSTRAINTS ON OKINAWA, THE ASSOCIATED
H&S CO (T/O M-4919) CANNOT BE ACTIVATED. RATHER, IT
IS PLANNED THAT III MAF HQ BE SATELLITED ON A HOST
COMMAND ON OKINAWA FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AND HOUSEKEEPING
SUPPORT. ADDITIONAL COMM SUPPORT WILL BE OBTAINED BY
DIVISION AND WING UNITS PROVIDING NECESSARY AUGMENTAT-
ION TO THE HOST COMMAND ON OKINAWA.

3. (TS) IT IS MY INTENTION, BASED UPON REF A AND THE
ABOVE, TO MODIFY MY PROPOSED MSG TO CMC (RZC B) AS
FOLLOWS:

A. PARS 1, 2, 3, AND 5: NO CHANGE, REMAIN AS STATED
IN REF B.

B. PAR 4: DELETE AND REPLACE WITH:

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4. (TS) HQ III MAF T/O

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A. 1/0 AS SPECIFIED IN TABLE OF ORGANIZATION NUMBER M-4918 WITH FORCE COMMANDER SECTION MODIFIED AS INDICATED TO PROVIDE FOR A LIEUTENANT GENERAL, AND THE ADDITION OF HQ ELEMENTS FOR THE MAU (SLF) AND A LIAISON SECTION.

(CHANGES UNDERLINED). (& DENOTES UNDERLINED PORTIONS.)

LINE	BILLET DESCRIPTION	RANK	MOS
1	&FORCE COMMANDER SECTION		
2	&FORCE COMMANDER	LGEN	H9923
3	AIDE	&MAJ	9912
4	AIDE	&CAPT	9912
5	&SERGEANT MAJOR	&SGTMAJ	89999
6	&FOOD SERVICES TECHNICIAN	&MSGT	43382
7	&COOK SPECIALIST	&SGT	43372
8	&SYNOGRAPHER	&SGT	42142
8A	&MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR	&SGT	43531
8B	&COOK SPECIALIST	&CPL	43372
(ADD FOLLOWING SECTION STARTING WITH LINE NR203)			
LINE	BILLET DESCRIPTION	RANK	MOS
203	HQ MARINE AMPHIBIOUS UNIT (SLF)		

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201	MARINE AMPHIBIOUS UNIT COMMANDER SECT		
202	COMMANDING OFFICER	COL	9912
203	S-1 SECTION		
204	S-1 /ADJ	LT	0132
205	ADMIN MAN/DRIVER	CPL	0141
206	INTELLIGENCE SECTION		
207	INTELLIGENCE OFFICER	MAJ	0222
208	IMAGERY INTERP	SSGT	0241
209	OPERATIONS SECTION		
210	OPERATIONS OFFICER	LTCOL	0322
211	FSC/ASST OPNS OFFICER	MAJ	0822
212	AIR OBSERVER	LT	0805
213	OPNS CHIEF	GYSGT	9711
214	ADMIN MAN	CPL	0141
215	LOGISTICS SECTION		
216	LOG OFFICER	LTCOL	0422
217	SUPPLY/ADJUTANT CHIEF	MSGT	3291
218	EMBARK CHIEF	GYSGT	0431
219	ADMIN MAN	CPL	0141
220	COMM SECTION		

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221	COMM OFFICER	MAJ	2582
222	COMM CHIEF	SSGT	2539
223	RAD OPR	CPL	2533(2)
224	RAD OPR	LCPL	2533(2)
225	TOTAL 16 OFF 24 ENL /1		
226	SUBIC BAY LIAISON SECTION		
227	LIAISON OFFICER	MAJ	9912
228	ADMIN MAN	SGT	2141
229	ADMIN/SUPPLY MAN	SGT	3241
230	MAIL CLERK	CPL	0161
231	COOK	CPL	3371
232	TOTAL 1 OFF AND 5 ENL		

NOTE: /1 8 OFF AND 12 ENL FOR A HQ STAFF AS INDICATED. HOWEVER, SINCE AT PRESENT AND FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE THERE IS ONLY A REQUIREMENT FOR ONE MAU (SLF) HQ (BASED UPON ONE LPH IN WESTPAC), THE 8 ADDITIONAL OFF AND 12 ADDITIONAL ENL (20 TOTAL) ARE TO BE RETAINED AS A CONTINGENCY FOR MANNING A SECOND MAU (SLF) HQ STAFF IF REQUIRED. THESE 20 SPACES ARE TO BE USED TO SUPPLEMENT OTHER III MAF STAFF SECTIONS WHEN SECOND MAU (SLF) HQ STAFF

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NOT REQUIRED.

(PRESENT LINES 200-209 OF T/O M-4918 WILL BECOME LINES NR233-241 RESPECTIVELY)

B. THE HQS COMPANY WHICH SUPPORTS A MAF HQ (T/O M-4919) WILL NOT BE ACTIVATED DUE TO MARINE CORPS CEILING CONSTRAINTS ON OKINAWA. HQ III MAF WILL BE SATELLITED ON HOST COMMAND ON OKINAWA AND THAT COMMAND WILL BE TASKED TO PROVIDE FOR INTERNAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND HOUSEKEEPING FUNCTIONS. REQUIRED ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY III MAF TASKING ITS DIVISION AND WING I PROVIDE AUGMENTATION TO THE HOST COMMAND COMMUNICATION FACILITY.

C. MANPOWER REQUIREMENTS TO SUPPORT III MAF WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF SEPARATE CORRESPONDENCE. IT IS ENVISIONED THAT THESE REQUIREMENTS WILL BE LESS THAN THE TOTALS REFLECTED IN TABLE OF ORGANIZATION NUMBER M-4918 AS MODIFIED IN 4A ABOVE.

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4. FOR YOUR FURTHER VIEWS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE REVISIONS TO MY PROPOSED MESSAGE TO OMC WOULD BE

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APPRECIATED. WARM REGARDS.

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 REASSIGNMENT/TRANSFER OF MARINES TO OUT-OF-COUNTRY
 WEST PAC COMMANDS
 1. IN OUR ATTEMPTS TO MAINTAIN A HIGH STATE OF COMO

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 READINESS THROUGHOUT KEYSTONE ROBIN WEST PAC REDEPLOY-
 MENTS BY PERSONNEL STAFFING AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE TO
 IN-COUNTRY CEILINGS, PERSONNEL EXCESSES ARE NOW
 NECESSARILY DEVELOPING WHICH MUST BE DRAWN OFF PRIOR
 TO 15 OCT. THESE EXCESSES UNAVOIDABLY RELATE TO IM-
 POSED REDEPLOYMENT CRITERIA, THE PHASING OF REDEPLOY-
 ING UNITS AND THE VITAL PRIORITY OF MANNING COMBAT
 UNITS.

2. IT IS APPARENT THEN, THAT AS WE APPROACH THE 15 OCT
 IN-COUNTRY CEILING, A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF MARINES MUST
 BE TRANSFERRED TO COMMANDS ON OKINAWA AND JAPAN.
 ACCESSIONS WILL BE MOST WELCOME IN THESE COMMANDS WHICH
 HAVE ENDURED SHORTAGES FOR SOME TIME. MESSAGE DIRECTIVES
 FROM THIS HQS HAVE/WILL INITIATE (O) REQUIRED TRANSFERS.
 PERSONNEL NOMINATED WILL HAVE TO BE FROM A PROPORTIONAL
 SPREAD OF MTD'S, DEC TO AND LATER, AND WILL BE IN GRADES
 AND SKILLS DETERMINED TO BE IN EXCESS IN-COUNTRY.
 3. MARINES SO TRANSFERRED MUST REPRESENT A CROSS SECTION
 OF THE QUALITY OF MARINES ELIGIBLE. THESE ACTIONS MUST NOT
 BE UTILIZED AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO OVERLY REDUCE A TRANSFERRING

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WHICH REFLECTS GEN ABRAM'S AWARENESS OF OUR
POSITION AND RELIEVES SOME OF THE PRESSURE PROMPTED BY
INDECISION ON ALTERNATIVE "C".

2. (TS) TELEPHONE CONVERSATION THIS MORNING WITH THE
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ON ALTERNATIVE "C" OR INDICATION OF WHEN IT CAN BE EX-
PECTED. THE COMMANDANT MENTIONED THAT HE IS BASING
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CHAPMAN FROM LTGEN MCCUTCHEON/MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY/DELIVER
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1. I HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM GEN ABRAMS
CONCERNING OUR MOST IMMEDIATE PROBLEM AND AM FORWARDING
IT FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

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O 140248Z ZYH ZFF-6 ZFF-3
FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV SAIGON VIETNAM
TO LTG MCCUTCHEON CG III MAF DANANG VIETNAM
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REF: CG, III MAF MSG 070838Z SEP 70 (TS)

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2. THIS MESSAGE DOES AT LEAST RELIEVE SOME OF THE
PRESSURE ON US WHILE WE WAIT FOR THE DECISION ON
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 TO GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV SAIGON VIETNAM
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FM CG III MAF

TO RUHFMA/CG FMFPAC

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A. CG FMFPAC 261916Z AUG 70 (TS) (SPECAT-EXCLUSIVE)

B. FMFPACO 5440.20 (PROV T/O, I MAF)

1. (TS) THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL CONTAINED IN REF A ARE SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO YOUR REQUEST DURING 4 SEP DISCUSSIONS AT THIS HQ.

2. (TS) THE MISSION, TASKS, AND COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS DETAILED IN REF A ARE CONCURRED IN. T/O M-4918 ALSO IS CONCURRED IN AS THE BASIS FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE MAF HQ, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING.

A. REF A TASKS III MAF WITH PROVIDING SLF HQ AND LIAISON WITH COMNAVBASUBIC. T/O M-4918, AS PROPOSED, DOES NOT PROVIDE PERSONNEL FOR THIS. RECOMMEND PERTINENT

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PORTIONS OF REF B BE APPLIED TO T/O M-4918.

B. T/O M-4918, BY ITSELF, DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR A SELF-SUFFICIENT, OPERATIONAL HQ CAPABLE OF ACCOMPLISHING THE MISSION AND TASKS PROPOSED IN REF A. EITHER THE ACCOMPANYING H&S CO (T/O M-4919) MUST BE ACTIVATED OR THE MAF HQ MUST BE SATELLITED ON SOME OTHER COMMAND. IN THIS REGARD, I NOTE THAT I MAF OPERATING UNDER REF B, WHICH IS VERY SIMILAR TO T/O M-4918, IS SATELLITED ON 3D MARDIV FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, COMMUNICATIONS, LEGAL, MT, PAO, AND HOUSEKEEPING FUNCTIONS. TO PROVIDE III MAF ON OKINAWA ADEQUATE SUPPORT IN THESE AND OTHER AREAS, A CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS IS REQUIRED:

- (1) THE DEGREE TO WHICH ANOTHER COMMAND(S) AT THE LOCATION CHOSEN FOR HQ III MAF HAS THE CAPABILITY TO SUPPORT THE MAF HQ AND THE DEGREE TO WHICH SUCH SATELLITE SUPPORT IS DESIRED OR REQUIRED.
- (2) REMAINING UNFILLED SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS OF THE MAF HQ AS COMPARED WITH THAT PROVIDED IN T/O M-4919 (H&S CO).
- (3) PERSONNEL CONSTRAINTS IMPOSED IN FULFILLING REMAINING REQUIREMENTS.

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1. THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE IS FORWARDED FOR YOUR INFO. QUOTE:

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FM CG III MAF

TO COMUSMACV

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FORCE PLANNING (U)

A. CG III MAF 180540Z AUG 70 (TS) (SPECAT)

B. COMUSMACV 230426Z AUG 70 (TS)

C. CINCPAC 050342Z SEP 70 (TS)

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TO ZEN/CMC

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FORCE PLANNING (U)

A. CMC 291453Z AUG 70 (TS) (SPECAT)

B. CG III MAF 221600Z AUG 70 (TS) (SPECAT)

C. CINCPAC 250410Z AUG 70 (TS) NOTAL

D. CG III MAF 282233Z AUG 70 (TS) (SPECAT)

1. REF A REQUESTED IDENTIFICATION OF GRADES AND
SKILLS CORRESPONDING TO CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS OF THE
REDEPLOYMENT TROOP LIST.

2. THIS HQ NOW PREPARING ADJUSTED FIRST QUARTER FY71
MANNING LEVEL WHICH WILL IDENTIFY THE 78 SPACES
ADDRESSED IN REF B AS APPROVED BY REF C (SUBJ TO CHANGE
BY JCS). ADDITIONALLY, THE ADJUSTED MANNING LEVEL WILL

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IDENTIFY THE 1010 SPACES SET FORTH IN REF D BASED ON THE
ASSUMPTION REF D WILL BE APPROVED. THE FOREGOING ACTIVITY
WILL PROVIDE A FIRM REQUIREMENT FOR A FIRST QUARTER FY71
MANNING LEVEL FOR III MAF FORCES IN RELATION TO INCREMENT
IV REDEPLOYMENTS.

3. ADJUSTED MANNING LEVEL WILL BE DELIVERED BY
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1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF COMNAVFORV 011730Z/SEP70
(TS) TO CINCPACFLT, INFO CNO WHICH I AM PROVIDING FOR
INFORMATION.

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FORCE PLANNING (U)

A. COMUSMACV 280426Z AUG 70

B. CINCPAC 292210Z AUG 70 (NOTAL)

1. (TS) REF A IS COMUSMACV REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO TRADE OFF
1610 MARINE SPACES FOR 1610 ARMY SPACES IN KEYSTONE RUBIN.

A. REF B REQUESTED COMMENTS FROM CINCPACFLT ON THE MACV REQUEST.
FYI YOUR READDRESSALS WERE FIRST INDICATIONS THIS ISSUE.

2. (TS) THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 60 NAV SPACES WITH THE 1610 MARINES.
THESE HAVE NOT BEEN ADDRESSED NOR CONSIDERED IN REF A OTHER THAN TO

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INDICATE THAT NAVY REDEPLOYMENT TOTAL OF 8300 DOES NOT CHANGE.

3. (TS) IF THE TRADE OFF IS APPROVED, COMNAVFORV WILL BE UNABLE TO
IDENTIFY APPROXIMATELY 50 ADDITIONAL NAVY SPACES REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE
THE 8300 REDEPLOYMENT. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE ARMY TRADE OFF PACK-
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THAT THE NAVY REDEPLOYMENT BE ADJUSTED ACCORDINGLY. MACV HAS BEEN
ADVISED OF ABOVE AND REQUESTED TO INFORM COMNAVFORV WHEN USMC
REDEPLOYMENT CONSIDERED DUE NAVY SPACES WITH MARINES.

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A. COMUSMACV 230426Z AUG 70

B. CINCPAC 292210Z AUG 70 (NOTAL)

1. (TS) REF A IS COMUSMACV REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO TRADE OFF 1610 MARINE SPACES FOR YOP ARMY SPACES IN KEYSTONE ROBIN.
 A. REF B REQUESTED COMMENTS FROM CINCPACFLT ON THE MACV REQUEST. FYI YOUR READDRESSALS WERE FIRST INDICATIONS THIS ISSUE.
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3. (TS) IF THE TRADE OFF IS APPROVED, COMNAVFORV WILL BE UNABLE TO IDENTIFY APPROXIMATELY 60 ADDITIONAL NAVY SPACES REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE THE 3800 REDEPLOYMENT. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE ARMY TRADE OFF PACKAGE BE EQUAL TO THE TOTAL OF THE USMC AND ASSOCIATED NAVY SPACES AND THAT THE NAVY REDPLOYMENT BEADJUSTED ACCORDINGLY. MACV HAS BEEN ADVISED OF ABOVE AND REQUESTED TO INFORM COMNAVFORV WHEN USMC REDEPLOYMENT CONSIDERED DUE NAVY SPACES WITH MARINES.

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A. CG III MAF 130854Z AUG70

B. CG III MAF 180540Z AUG 70

C. CG III MAF 221600Z AUG70

1. (S) REF A, B&C PROPOSED CERTAIN ADJUSTMENTS TO REEMPLOYMENT INCREMENT & USMC TROOP LIST THAT WOULD CHANGE THE GRADE/MOS SPREAD OF POST INCREMENT & MANNING LEVELS.
2. (S) ORDERS AND QUOTAS HAVE BEEN AND ARE BEING ISSUED FOR POST INCREMENT & REPLACEMENTS BASED ON PRESENT TROOP LIST.
3. (IS) IN ORDER TO LESSEN THE TURBULENCE OF MALDISTRIBUTION OF SKILLS ASSOCIATED WITH CHANGES TO TROOP LISTS, IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL IF WE COULD BE FURNISHED FOR PLANNING

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A. A GRADE AND MOS BREAKDOWN OF THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS/DETACHMENTS LISTED IN REF A, B & C.

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| (1) HQEN(-) | (REF A & B) |
| (2) 1ST RECON BN | (REF A & B) |
| (3) 1ST MT BN | (REF A & B) |
| (4) DET FLC | (REF A & B) |
| (5) DET H&MS-13(IMS) | (REF A & B) |
| (6) 5TH COMEN(-) | (REF B) |
| (7) 5TH COMBN(-) | (REF C) |

B. ADDITIONALLY, A GRADE AND MOS BREAKDOWN OF THOSE ORGANIZATIONS/DETACHMENTS INVOLVED IN FUTURE MODIFICATIONS TO APPROVED REDEPLOYMENT TROOP LISTS WOULD ASSIST MATERIALLY IN OUR PLANNING IF KNOWN AT THE TIME THEY ARE PROPOSED. OF COURSE, IF THE INFORMATION IS READILY AVAILABLE IN THE M/L DOCUMENTS WE DO NOT NEED IT.

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FM CG III MAF

TO RUHHFMA/CG FMFPAC

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FORCE PLANNING (U)

A. MACV 280426Z AUG 1970 (TS) (GENSER)

B. MY 180540Z AUG 1970 (TS) (SPECAT)

C. MY 221600Z AUG 1970 (TS) (SPECAT)

1. REF A, QUOTED BELOW, FORWARDS PROPOSAL I SET FORTH IN REF B
FOR READJUSTMENT OF INCREMENT 4 DUE TO PROBABLE SLIPPAGE OF IN-
CREMENT 5, LESS THOSE INTERIM READJUSTMENTS RECOMMENDED IN REF C
WHICH HAVE ALREADY BEEN APPROVED:

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FM COMUSMACV

TO CINCPAC

INFO DCG USARV LONG BINH

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T O P S E C R E T 44362 (JS)

THIS IS A KEYSTONE ROBIN MESSAGE

SUBJ: FORCE PLANNING (U)

REF: A. JCS 7344/142258Z AUG 70 (TS) (POTAL)

B. MACV MSG, DTG 051445Z AUG 70 (TS)

C. MACV MSG, DTG 241945Z AUG 70 (TS)

D. CINCPAC MSG, DTG 262410Z AUG 70 (TS)

1. (TS) REFERENCES ARE SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS:

A. REF A PROVIDED E-32, ARC LIGHT, GUNSHIP AND TAC AIR SORTIE
LEVELS FOR FY 71. ←

B. REF B PROPOSED A MACV MODIFICATION TO JCS ALTERNATIVE B-
REFERRED TO AS ALTERNATIVE C- WHICH AMONG SEVERAL CHANGES RETAINED
MARINE FORCES IN RVN FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME THAN WAS ORIGINALLY
SCHEDULED.

C. REF C REQUESTED CINCPAC APPROVAL TO MAKE CERTAIN DELETIONS/
ADDITIONS TO THE MARINE CORPS INCREMENT FOUR TROOP LIST TO COMPENSATE
FOR THE SORTIE RATE CHANGE CONTAINED IN REF A.

D. REF D APPROVED REF C AND REQUESTED OFFICIAL CHANGES TO TROOP

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LISTS MLY 28 AUG 76.

2. (TS) THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REFERRED TO IN PARA 2 OF REF C. INFORMAL INFORMATION INDICATES THAT ALTERNATIVE C HAS RECEIVED FAVORABLE RESPONSE BY CINCPAC AND JCS.

3. (TS) THE LONGER PERIOD OF RETENTION OF MARINES IN RVN PROPOSED IN REF B REQUIRES ADDITIONAL COMMAND, CONTROL AND SUPPORT (CCS) ELEMENTS TO SUPPORT III MAF(-) OPERATIONS. THE REQUESTED DELETIONS/ADDITIONS PROPOSED IN REF C WILL PARTIALLY ASSIST IN OBTAINING THE NEEDED CCS ELEMENTS; HOWEVER, AN ADDITIONAL 1610 SPACES ARE REQUIRED. THESE 1610 MARINE VACATED SPACES CAN BE FILLED BY US ARMY SPACES WHICH HAVE ALREADY BEEN IDENTIFIED AS PART OF THE 2900 SPACE PACKAGE HELD IN ABEYANCE PENDING A DECISION ON THE SORTIE LEVEL CONTAINED IN REF A.

4. (S) THEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING MODIFICATIONS TO INCREMENT FOUR TROOP LISTS ARE RECOMMENDED.

A. DELETE FROM THE MARINE CORPS TROOP LIST:

UNIT	SPACES
HQ BN(-), 1ST MAR DIV	473
1ST MP BN (-)	302
HQ BTRY, 11TH MAR	125

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1ST RECON BN(-)	131
1ST MT BN(-)	53
DET, FLC	170
M&NS-18	217
MASS-3	139
TOTAL	1610

B. ADD TO THE US ARMY TROOP LIST:

UNIT	SPACES
2/3 INF BN, 199 LT INF BDE	920
7/13 FA BN	528
522 AG CO	13
USARV DEBIT/CREDIT ACT	149
TOTAL	1610

C. THE SERVICE TOTALS FOR INCREMENT FOUR AFTER ADJUSTMENT ARE SHOWN BELOW:

USA	16.8
USN	8.8
USAF	7.4
USMC	17.0
TOTAL	50.0

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D. NO SPECIAL LIFT TRANSPORTATION IS REQUIRED TO SUPPORT THIS ACTION. OFFICIAL CHANGES TO INCREMENT FOUR TROOP LISTS AND THE CINCPAC MOVEMENT PROGRAM WILL BE SUBMITTED UPON APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE RECOMMENDED ACTION.

S. (U) NO ACTION OTHER THAN PLANNING WILL BE TAKEN UNTIL REF B AND THE PROPOSAL IN THIS MESSAGE ARE APPROVED. GP-4
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2. IN DRAFTING REF A, MACV STAFF INADVERTENTLY OMITTED 60 SPACE DIFFERENCE IN 5TH COMM BN BETWEEN REFS B AND C AND INCLUDED THESE SPACES AS ARMY ADD-ONS (I.E. 1610 VICE 1550) INSTEAD OF USMC ADD-ONS. DO NOT BELIEVE RECTIFYING THIS ERROR WORTH ATTENDANT DELAYS IN RESTAFFING AT MACV AND USARV. WOULD PREFER TO GET APPROVAL OF REF A AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO PLANNING BY ALL CONCERNED CAN PROCEED. FOR EXAMPLE, I UNDERSTAND NAVY NEEDS IMMEDIATE ANSWER AS TO WHETHER SEMINOLE (LKA-104) REQUIRED FOR MASS-3 TO AVOID MAJOR UNNECESSARY EXPENDITURES. SUBJECT TO YOUR CONCURRENCE, I WILL COUNTERBALANCE MACV ERROR BY NOT MANNING 60 EXTRA IN-COUNTRY 5TH COMM BN SPACES, SO FORESEE NO PERSONNEL OR FUNDING PROBLEMS INVOLVED. WARM REGARDS.

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MAJOR PIPER FMFPAC CG

CMC WANTS TO KNOW IF GEN. DOLER, MACV STAFF, IS FAMILIAR WITH CMC MESSAGE 221406Z AUG 70, WHICH IS QUOTED IN CG FMFPAC SPECAT 261917Z AUG 70. CMC IS ACTUALLY INTERESTED IN WHETHER OR NOT GEN. DOLER IS FAMILIAR WITH CMC'S POSITION ON THE SUBJECT MATTER. PARAGRAPH 2 OF CG FMFPAC SPECAT 261917Z AUG 70 SAYS GEN. MCCUTCHEON CAN USE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN IT, WHEN TALKING WITH MACV.

RETURN CALL TO MAJ. PIPER, G-3 PLANS, FMFPAC.

*Called Maj Piper PAC cc at 220810 WOT
with appropriate answer.*

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**STAFF SECRETARY
III MAF**

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MEMORANDUM

FOR: C/S

For your info.

As noted on the route sheet, Gen
DOEHLER was provided a copy of CMC
221406Z AUG70.

The CG gave him his copy when he
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REDEPLOYMENT PLANNING (U)

A. CG III MAF 201533Z JUL 70 (S) SPECAT MCEO

1. (S) IN RESPONSE TO REF A, IN WHICH YOU NOTED MGEN COWLES QUERY CONCERNING CMC DESIRES ON RETENTION OF MARINES IN THE MACV STAFF, CMC 221406Z/AUG70 (S)

SPECAT MCEO IS QUOTED FOR YOUR INFO:

QUOTE

REDEPLOYMENT PLANNING

CG FMFPAC 252201Z JUL 1970 (S) //N03010// SPECAT MCEO

1. (S) REFERENCE (A) REQUESTED GUIDANCE AS TO WHICH MACV HQ BILLETS SHOULD BE RETAINED AND AS TO THE PHASING OF BILLETS TO BE DELETED.

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2. (S) FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF BILLETS WHICH I FEEL SHOULD BE RETAINED ON THE MACV HQ STAFF. BILLETS INDICATED BY AN ASTERISK (-) SHOULD BE DELETED SUBSEQUENT TO REDEPLOYMENT OF THE RESIDUAL MAF. ALL OTHER MARINE BILLETS PRESENTLY SHOWN ON THE MACV HQ STAFF SHOULD BE DELETED AT THE EARLIEST.

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159	S08B/04 PLANS OFF	MAJ	2502	1
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165(-)	S08C2/03 C-E STFF OFF	MAJ	2502	1
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184(-)	S15D/05 BRIEFING PROJECTS OFF	MAJ	9910	1
188(-)	S15E/03 SPEC PROJECTS OFF	MAJ	4302	1

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(U) YOU MAY USE THE ABOVE QUOTED MESSAGE AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE IN DISCUSSIONS WITH MACV.

(U) WARM REGARDS.

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TO RUM MPA/CG III MAF

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T O P S E C R E T, SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON
FROM LTGEN JONES, MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY. DELIVER
DURING WORKING HOURS. //N83016//

FORCE PLANNING (U)

1. (TS) I AM CONSIDERING SENDING THE BELOW QUOTED
MESSAGE TO CMC AND AM FORWARDING IT IN ADVANCE OF
MY VISIT 3-4 SEPT FOR REVIEW BY YOU AND YOUR STAFF.
I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS
AND WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS THIS WITH YOU DURING MY
VISIT. MESSAGE FOLLOWS:

QUOTE.

1. (TS) IN ANTICIPATION OF ULTIMATE APPROVAL BEING
GIVEN TO RELOCATION OF HQ III MAF TO OKINAWA, I HAVE
PROPOSED HEREIN MISSION, TASKS, AND T/O FOR HQ III MAF
ON OKINAWA. THE BASIS FOR THIS PROPOSAL IS MARINE
CO RFS TABLE OF ORGANIZATION NUMBER M-4918, FORCE

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HEADQUARTERS MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE. IT IS
PLANNED THAT THE CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS, EMPLOYMENT,
ADMINISTRATION, PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT, INTELLIGENCE,
AS WELL AS THE CONCEPT OF LOGISTIC ORGANIZATION,
RESPONSIBILITIES AND FUNCTIONS PRESCRIBED IN TABLE OF
ORGANIZATION M-4918, WOULD APPLY TO HQ III MAF.

2. (TS) HQ III MAF MISSION. TO EXERCISE OPERATIONAL CONTROL
OF ASSIGNED FORCES NORMALLY CONSISTING OF THE 3D
MARINE DIVISION (-)(REIN), THE 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING,
3D FORCE SERVICE REGIMENT (-) AND OTHER FORCE COMBAT,
COMBAT SUPPORT AND COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT UNITS AS
MAY BE ASSIGNED.

3. (TS) HQ III MAF TASKS

A. AS CTF 79, CARRY OUT SUCH TASKING AS IN ASSIGNED
BY CONSEQUENTFLT.

B. PROVIDE HEADQUARTERS ELEMENTS TO COMMAND
DEPLOYED SPECIAL LANDING FORCES AND BE PREPARED TO
PROVIDE A NEB HEADQUARTERS WHEN REQUIRED.

C. ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAIN LIAISON WITH
COMNAVBASUBIC FOR MATTERS CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE

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RANGE AND USE OF THE SLF CAMP, SUBIC.

D. COORDINATE, CONTROL, AND SUPERVISE THE CONDUCT
OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (MAP) TRAINING FOR PACOM
MAP COUNTRIES CONDUCTED BY MARINE UNITS ON OKINAWA
AND JAPAN.

4. (TS) HQ III MAF T/O

A. T/O AS SPECIFIED IN TABLE OF ORGANIZATION NUMBER
M-4918 WITH FORCE COMMANDER SECTION MODIFIED AS
FOLLOWS TO PROVIDE FOR A LIEUTENANT GENERAL:
(CHANGES INDICATED BY \$)

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1	\$ FORCE COMMANDER SECTION		
2	\$ FORCE COMMANDER	\$ LGEN	9909
3	AIDE	\$ MAJ	9910
4	AIDE	\$ CAPT	9910
5	\$ SERGEANT MAJOR	\$ SGTMAJ	\$ 9995
6	\$ FOOD SERVICES TECHNICIAN	\$ MSGT	\$ 3382
7	\$ COOK SPECIALIST	\$ SGT	\$ 3372
8	\$ STENOGRAPHER	\$ SGT	\$ 0142

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\$ SA \$ MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR \$ SGT \$ 3331
\$ SB \$ COOK SPECIALIST \$ SGT \$ 3372

B. MANPOWER REQUIREMENTS TO SUPPORT III MAF WILL
BE SUBJECT OF SEPARATE CORRESPONDENCE. IT IS ENVISIONED
THAT THESE REQUIREMENTS WILL BE LESS THAN THE TOTALS
REFLECTED IN TABLE OF ORGANIZATION NUMBER M-4918.

5. (TS) COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS

A. COMMAND LESS OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF HQ III MAF
AND MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS WILL BE RETAINED BY
CG FMFPAC.

B. OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF III MAF, AS TF 79, WILL
BE EXERCISED BY COMSEVENTHFLT.

C. OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF UNITS ASSIGNED TO III
MAF WILL BE EXERCISED BY CG III MAF.

UNQUOTE. WARM REGARDS.

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T O P S E C R E T SPECAT MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
 EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN JONES INFO LTGEN
 MCCUTCHEON FROM LTGEN VAN RYZ IN
 FORCE PLANNING //N0005321//

- A. CG FMFPAC 082214Z AUG 1970 (TS) (SPECAT MCEO)
 - B. CG FMFPAC 140321Z JAN 1970 (TS) (SPECAT MCEO)
 - C. CMC 261220Z JAN 1970 (TS) (SPECAT MCEO)
1. (TS) AS YOU KNOW ALTERNATIVE C HAS NOW BEEN ACCEPTED FOR PLANNING PURPOSES AS IT RELATES TO FUTURE REDEPLOYMENTS. IN LIGHT OF THE PROJECTED REDEPLOYMENT TIME TABLE, I THINK IT ADVISABLE TO SURFACE THE ISSUE OF AN ASSIGNED MISSION FOR 3D MAB AT A TIME DEEMED APPROPRIATE TO KEITH.
 2. (TS) IN REGARD TO A DANANG SECURITY MISSION FOR THE MAB, FROM A PHILOSOPHICAL VIEW POINT A STATIC DEFENSIVE ROLE SHOULD BE AVOIDED IF AT ALL POSSIBLE. WE SHOULD NOT REORGANIZE THE RESIDUAL MAB IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO MAKE STATIC DEFENSE ITS

PAGE TWO RUEOFIAB287 T O P S E C R E T MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
 LOGICAL MISSION. IN SHORT, CMC FAVORS RETAINING THE BALLANCED MAB
 RECOMMENDED IN REF B AND CONCURRED IN BY REF C.

3. (U) WARM REGARDS
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TO CG FMF PAC

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T O P S E C R E T/EYES ONLY/FOR LT GEN JONES INFO GEN CHAPMAN
FROM LT GEN MCCUTCHEON
FORCE PLANNING (U)

1. THE FOL MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM ABRAMS IS FURN
FOR YOUR INFO: QUOTE

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FM GEN ABRAMS COMUSMACV SAIGON

TO LTG MCCUTCHEON CG III MAF DANANG

INFO LTG MCCAFFREY DCG USARV LONG BINH

LTG SUTHERLAND CG XXIV CORPS DANANG

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T O P S E C R E T MAC 11530 EYES ONLY

SUBJECT: FORCE PLANNING (U)

REF: A. CG, III MAF 180540Z AUG 70 (TS) SPECAT/EXCLUSIVE (NOTAL)

B. CG, III MAF 221600Z AUG 70 (TS) SPECAT (NOTAL)

1. (TS) REF A PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO THE MARINE CORPS INCRE-
MENT FOUR TROOP LIST. REF B PROPOSED CERTAIN CHANGES IN INCREMENT
4 WHICH ARE INDEPENDENT OF THE MACV ALTERNATIVE.

2. (TS) BOTH OF YOUR PROPOSALS HAVE BEEN REVIEWED IN DETAIL AND
ARE BEING FAVORABLY CONSIDERED. BY SEPARATE MESSAGE CINCPAC HAS
BEEN REQUESTED TO AUTHORIZE THE ACTION YOU PROPOSED IN REF B.

WITH RESPECT TO THE REMAINING PORTION OF THE REF A PROPOSAL, YOUR
PLANNING SHOULD PROCEED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT TRADE-OFFS BETWEEN
US ARMY AND MARINE CORPS SPACES WILL BE APPROVED; HOWEVER, UNTIL
FINAL APPROVAL IS RECEIVED FROM JCS/CINCPAC ON OUR PROPOSED ALTER-
NATIVE, NO ACTION OTHER THAN PLANNING CAN BE TAKEN.

3. (U) THE NEED FOR A TIMELY APPROVAL OF YOUR PROPOSED ACTIONS
IS APPRECIATED. INFORMATION WILL BE RELAYED AS IT IS RECEIVED.

WARM REGARDS.

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TO ZEN/CG THIRD MAW

ZEN/CG I MEF

ZEN/CG FORTRPS FMFPAC

ZEN/CG FIFTH MEB

INFO RUMLMPA/CG III MAF

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SPECAT

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T O P S E C R E T. SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MGEN OWENS, MGEN WILSON, BGEN HOFFMAN, BGEN DWYER, INFO LTGEN MCCOICHEON FROM LTGEN JONES, MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY. DELIVER DURING WORKING HOURS. //NO0000// FORCE PLANNING (U)

A. ADMIN FMFPAC 140417Z JUL 70 (S)

1. (TS) THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO ALERT YOU TO SOME VERY LIKELY CHANGES IN MARINE REDEPLOYMENTS FROM VIETNAM.

2. (TS) REF A ADVISED THAT COMMAND OF CERTAIN UNITS WOULD BE PASSED TO YOU DURING INCREMENT IV (KEYSTONE ROBIN (ALFA) - 1 JUL 70 - 15 OCT 70). NEGOTIATIONS NOW

PAGE TWO RUMHFNAS 195 T O P S E C R E T EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO UNDERWAY INDICATE A STRONG POSSIBILITY THAT SOME UNITS INCLUDED IN REF A WILL NOT REDEPLOY UNTIL A LATER DATE AND OTHERS NOT INCLUDED IN REF A WILL REDEPLOY BEFORE 15 OCTOBER 70. BECAUSE OF THE IMPACT ON YOUR PLANS, I WANT TO ALERT YOU IN ADVANCE OF THE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT. REQUEST YOU TREAT THE INFORMATION ACCORDINGLY.

3. (TS) THE FOLLOWING IS NOT A CHANGE TO REF A BUT USES REF A TO INDICATE CHANGES WHICH MAY TAKE PLACE:

(A) DELETE THE FOLLOWING FROM REF A:

UNIT	RECEIVING CMD
DET, 1ST MAW HQ	CG I MEF
DET, MWCS-1	CG I MEF
MASS-3 (-)	CG 3D MAW
DET, MANDKS-1	CG I MEF
MANDKS-18 (-)	CG I MEF
HQ BN (-), 1ST MARDIV	CG 5TH MEB
HQ BTRY (-), 11TH MAB	CG 5TH MEB
1ST ENGR BN (-)	CG 5TH MEB
1ST RECON BU(-)	CG 5TH MEB

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1ST MP BN (-)	CG 5TH MEB
DET 5TH COMM BN	CG 5TH MEB
1ST MT BN (-)	CG 5TH MEB

(B) ADD THE FOLLOWING TO REF (A):

UNIT	RECEIVING CMD
VNFA-314	CG 3D MAW
DET HANDMS-13 (IMS)	CG 3D MAW
1ST 175 MM GUN BTRY	CG FORTRPS
CO C, 1ST TANK BN	CG 5TH MEB
5TH COMM BN (-)	CG 5TH MEB
DET, HQ BN 1ST MARDIV	CG 5TH MEB
2 COS, 1ST RECON BN	CG 5TH MEB
CO, 1ST MT BN	CG 5TH MEB

4. (TS) THE SUM OF THESE PROPOSED ACTIONS IS THAT ABOUT 1500 LESS MARINES THAN WE HAD PLANNED WILL REDEPLOY FROM RVN BEFORE 15 OCT 70. UNFORTUNATELY, THESE AND OTHER ACTIONS UNDERWAY WILL HAVE SERIOUS IMPACT ON OUR ALREADY TURBULENT PERSONNEL SITUATION. I WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED AS MUCH IN ADVANCE AS I CAN. WARM REGARDS. GP-4

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B. CG, III MAF 221600Z AUG 70 (TS) SPECAT (NOTAL)

1. (TS) REF A PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO THE MARINE CORPS INCREMENT FOUR TROOP LIST. REF B PROPOSED CERTAIN CHANGES IN INCREMENT 4 WHICH ARE INDEPENDENT OF THE MACV ALTERNATIVE.

2. (TS) BOTH OF YOUR PROPOSALS HAVE BEEN REVIEWED IN DETAIL AND ARE BEING FAVORABLY CONSIDERED. BY SEPARATE MESSAGE CINCPAC HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO AUTHORIZE THE ACTION YOU PROPOSED IN REF B. WITH RESPECT TO THE REMAINING PORTION OF THE REF A PROPOSAL, YOUR PLANNING SHOULD PROCEED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT TRADE-OFFS BETWEEN US ARMY AND MARINE CORPS SPACES WILL BE APPROVED; HOWEVER, UNTIL FINAL APPROVAL IS RECEIVED FROM JCS/CINCPAC ON OUR PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE, NO ACTION OTHER THAN PLANNING CAN BE TAKEN.

3. (U) THE NEED FOR A TIMELY APPROVAL OF YOUR PROPOSED ACTIONS IS APPRECIATED. INFORMATION WILL BE RELAYED AS IT IS RECEIVED.
 WARM REGARDS.

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 FORCE PLANNING (U)

- A. MY 180540Z AUG 70 (TS)(SPECAT)
1. REF A PROPOSED CERTAIN ADJUSTMENTS TO REDEPLOYMENT INCREMENT 4 USMC TROOP LIST IN ORDER TO SUPPORT A PROBABLE SLIPPAGE OF USMC INCREMENT 5. AS NOTED IN REF A, THE TIME FACTOR IS EXTREMELY CRITICAL FOR CERTAIN UNITS.
 2. IN ORDER TO PREPARE UNITS AND THEIR EQUIPMENT TO MEET SAILING DATES AND TO MAKE USE OF THE SHIPPING THAT IS SCHEDULED, WE MUST NOW EXECUTE CERTAIN OF THE ADJUSTMENTS PROPOSED IN REF A IF WE ARE TO PRESERVE THE OPTION OF ADEQUATELY SUPPORTING INCREMENT 5. ADDITIONALLY, WE MUST SOON DEPLOY ONE VMFA SQUADRON IF WE ARE TO REALIZE ANY ECONOMIES FROM THE RECENTLY IMPOSED LIMITATIONS ON SORTIE RATES.
 3. I THEREFORE PROPOSE AS AN INTERIM MEASURE THAT SO MUCH OF REF A AS OUTLINED BELOW BE APPROVED FOR IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION WITHOUT AWAITING A DECISION ON INCREMENT 5. THESE CHANGES ARE DESIRABLE WHETHER OR NOT INCREMENT 5 IS DELAYED.

A. DELETE FROM INCREMENT 4:

UNIT	SPACES	SDD
1ST ENGR BN (-)	477	20AUG
DET, 1ST MAW HQ	156	6AUG
DET, H&S-1	27	6AUG
DET, MWCS-1	125	6AUG
TOTAL	785	

B. ADD TO INCREMENT 4:

VMFA-314	324
DET, H&S-13(IMS)	58
1ST 175MM GUN BTRY	158
CO C, 1ST TK BN	129
5TH COMM BN (-)	116
TOTAL	785

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 FORCE PLANNING (C)

1. I UNDERSTAND THAT A STRETCHOUT OF PREVIOUSLY PLANNED MARINE KEYSTONE ROBIN REDEPLOYMENTS, INCREMENT 5 TO 6 AND THE MAB FROM INCREMENT 6 TO A MAY-JUNE 1971 TIME FRAME, HAS BEEN APPROVED. I BELIEVE IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT CERTAIN ADJUSTMENTS IN INCREMENT 4 NOW BE MADE TO SUPPORT THESE SLIPPAGES.
2. DURING MY ACTION OFFICERS VISIT TO YOUR HEADQUARTERS ON 6 AUG, THESE SLIPPAGES WERE DISCUSSED ALONG WITH A J-3 PROPOSED DELETION OF SOME 2,900 MARINE SPACES FROM INCREMENT 4. MY ACTION OFFICERS ADVISED THE MACV J-3 PLANNERS THAT IF THE INCREMENT 45 PACKAGE WAS SLIPPED, CERTAIN COMBAT SUPPORT AND COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT UNITS PROGRAMMED FOR INCREMENT 4 WOULD HAVE TO BE DELETED AND RETAINED IN COUNTRY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR THE USMC INCREMENT 5 PACKAGE ALSO REMAIN IN COUNTRY SINCE THIS PACKAGE WAS NOT DESIGNED FOR LONG TERM OPERATIONS.
3. WHEN THE USMC SPACES FIRST COMPRISING INCREMENT 5 WERE PULLED OUT OF THE ORIGINAL USMC INCREMENT 4 SPACES, YOU DESIRED THAT INCREMENT 5 INCLUDE AN RLT TOGETHER WITH FIXED WING AND HELICOPTER SUPPORT. INCREMENT 5 WAS TO BE ONLY 10,000 SPACES. THIS LEFT BUT VERY FEW SPACES AVAILABE FOR MAF, DIV AND WING HQ ELEMENTS AND OTHER SUPPORT TROOPS NECESSARY FOR CONTINUED OPERATION OF TWO RLT'S, A MAW, NECESSARY HEADQUARTERS AND RELATED TASKS. ADD-ONS, AT YOUR REQUEST, OF ADDITIONAL VMFA, HMM, MACS AND RADIO BN SPACES FROM INCREMENT 4 FURTHER COMPOUNDED SUPPORT PROBLEMS. NEVERTHELESS, SO LONG AS THE PERIOD WAS KEPT SHORT DURING WHICH THE INCREMENT 5 FORCES WERE TO BE RETAINED IN-COUNTRY AFTER DEPARTURE OF THE PRINCIPAL SUPPORT FORCES IN INCREMENT 4, THE PLAN WAS CONSIDERED SUPPORTABLE AND I CONCURRED IN IT.

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4. WITH THE SLIPPAGE OF THE USMC INCREMENT 5 PACKAGE NOW APPROVED, SOME ADJUSTMENTS IN INCREMENT 4 MUST BE MADE IN ORDER TO RETAIN THE CAPABILITY TO SUPPORT THE INCREMENT 5 FORCES FOR THE ADDITIONAL FOUR MONTH PERIOD. THE FOLLOWING CHANGES ARE RECOMMENDED TO PROVIDE THIS CAPABILITY. THESE CHANGES WILL NOT REQUIRE ADDITIONAL SHIPPING OR CHANGES IN SHIPPING SCHEDULES.

A. DELETE FROM INCREMENT 4:

UNIT	SPACES	FOOTNOTE	SDD
HQBN (-), 1ST MARDIV	473	(1)	16SEP
1ST MP BN (-)	302		16SEP
1ST ENGR BN (-)	477		20AUG
HQ BTRY, 11TH MAR	123		20SEP
1ST RECON BN (-)	131	(2)	10AUG
1ST MR BN (-)	55	(3)	20SEP
DET FLC	170		10OCT
DET 1ST MAW HQ	156		6AUG
DET H&HS-1	27		10OCT
DET MWCS-1	125		6AUG
H&HS-18	217		15SEP
MASS-3	139		15SEP

TOTAL

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B. ADD TO INCREMENT 4:

UNIT	SPACES	FOOTNOTE
VMFA-314	324	(4)
DET H&MS-13(IMS)	58	(5)
1ST 175MM GUN BTRY	158	(6)
CO C, 1ST TK BN	129	(6)
5TH COMM BN (-)	176	(7)
TOTAL	845	

C. NET REDUCTIONS IN INCREMENT 4 TO BE FILLED BY OTHER SERVICES: 1550 SPACES MINIMUM.

D. IF THIS INCREASE TO POST INCREMENT 4 USMC STRENGTH IN-COUNTRY IS DISALLOWED FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER AND WE ARE FORCED TO FIND EQUIVALENT TRADE OFFS, SUCH TRADE OFFS WOULD HAVE TO COME IN LARGE PART FROM TACTICAL UNITS TO INCLUDE POSSIBILITY ONE INFANTRY BATTALION OR SOME NUMBER OF COMPANIES FROM RESIDUAL INFANTRY BATTALIONS.

FOOTNOTES:

(1) DET, HQBN 1ST MARDIV WITH 494 SPACES IN RESULTS INCREMENT 4.

(2) 2 COS, 1ST RECON BN WITH 245 SPACES REMAINS IN INCREMENT 4.

(3) CO, 1ST MT BN WITH 66 SPACES REMAINS IN INCREMENT 4.

(4) WITH THE LIMITATION 59 1300 USMC SORTIES PER MONTH FOR FY71, THIS SQDN IS EXCESS. SORTIE RATE WITHOUT IT WILL BE .92 RO FLY 1300 PER MONTH.

(5) INTERMEDIATE MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FOR VMFA-314.

(6) NOT CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL TO MISSION ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

(7) FOR 5TH COMM BN INCREMENT 4 TOTAL OF 426 SPACES.

5. THE MOST EXPEDITIOUS RESOLUTION OF THESE ADJUSTMENTS IS NECESSARY SINCE, AS INDICATED IN PARA 4, SOME UNITS ARE ALREADY STANDING DOWN. MY ACTION OFFICERS ARE WORKING WITH YOUR ACTION OFFICERS ON THIS PROPOSAL FOR YOUR APPROVAL.

6. GLAD TO KNOW YOU ARE BACK IN THE SADDLE.

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Memorandum

From: Commanding General

To: C/S @ G-1

I'd like to know
for each unit in
vic of how many of
the people previously
eligible for rotation
are now ineligible
under new criteria.
Also of these numbers for
each unit how many
are key personnel.

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Chief of Staff

8-15-70

I have met G-1
and PAO working with
Cal Parnell (Asst For PAO)
on the various aspects
of this. We'll have a statement
to go in the SEA TIGER
ready later this evening.
Haven't received their input
yet. G-1s have all been together.

T. H. MILLER

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 DELIVER DURING WORKING HOURS//N0000//

REVISED PERSONNEL CRITERIA (U)

A. ADMIN FMFFAC 130229Z AUG 70

B. ADMIN III MAF 060920Z AUG 70

1. (S) THERE IS NO PRECISE WAY OF PREDICTING THE IMPACT OF THE REVISED PERSONNEL CRITERIA SET FORTH IN 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-

PAGE TWO RUMLLUA1928 S E C R E T /SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR FLOYMENT. 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 IV PERSONNEL. THOSE ROTATING AND OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE WERE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR RELAD. IN THE CASE OF EMBARK UNIT 7, KEYSTONE 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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 DUCT AN EXTENSIVE TROOP INFORMATION PROGRAM REACHING THE LOWEST
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C/S I'd like to have a more detailed brief early next week. Why can't Div be tasked to do just this & then simply change name to Bougainville Force 3 Bns? *[Signature]**

*Div has been notified - will call when ready 8-15-70 *[Signature]**

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 REDEPLOYMENT PLANNING (U)
 A. CG FMFPAC 092202Z AUG70 (TS/SPECAT)
 B. CG III MAF 130855Z AUG70 (TS/SPECAT)
 1. (TS) REF A PROVIDED FOR INFORMATION A CINCPAC PROPOSAL TO
 DELETE ALL MARINE SPACES FROM INCREMENT V. REF B ADDRESSES THE
 IMPACT OF REF A AND RECOMMENDS THE DELETION OF CERTAIN UNITS/
 SPACES FROM INCREMENT IV IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A PROPER FORCE
 BALANCE FOR THE DIVISION (MINUS) THAT WILL REMAIN IN-COUNTRY
 SUBSEQUENT TO 15OCT70. THE NET RESULT OF THAT RECOMMENDATION
 AFTER ADJUSTMENT IS AN INCREASE OF 1736 IN-COUNTRY SPACES.
 2. (TS) IF THE PROPOSED INCREASE IS NOT APPROVED AT THE COMUSMACV
 OR WASHINGTON LEVEL AN ALTERNATE AND POSSIBLY PREFERABLE SOLUTION

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TO ACHIEVING THE DESIRED FORCE BALANCE WOULD BE TO ACTIVATE A
 BRIGADE SPECIFICALLY TAILORED TO THE MISSION, ENVIRONMENT AND
 FORCES AT HAND. ACTIVATION WOULD OCCUR ON 12OCT70 CONCURRENT
 WITH THE REDEPLOYMENT OF THE LAST ELEMENTS OF INCREMENT IV.
 3. (TS) THIS BRIGADE WOULD CONTAIN SIX INFANTRY BATTALIONS AND IT
 IS ENVISAGED THAT IT WOULD BE TASK ORGANIZED AND DISPOSED AS
 FOLLOWS:
 A. A BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS SUPPORTED BY HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, COM-
 MUNICATIONS SUPPORT COMPANY, MP DET, SCAMP DET, CIT, IT AND ITT
 UNITS.
 B. RLI-1 WITH FOUR BATTALIONS AND ASSIGNED AN AO THAT WOULD AP-
 PROXIMATE THE AO PRESENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE FIRST MARINES AND THE
 THIRD BATTALION, FIFTH MARINES.
 C. ONE REINFORCED BATTALION BASED AT LZ BALDY WITH AN AO THAT
 ENCOMPASSES THE MAJOR PORTIONS OF THE QUE SON MOUNTAINS AND THE AO
 CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE FIRST BATTALION, SEVENTH MARINES.
 D. ONE BATTALION DESIGNATED AS THE BRIGADE RESERVE WITH AN AO
 THAT CORRESPONDS TO THAT NOW ASSIGNED TO THE FIRST BATTALION,
 FIFTH MARINES, WITH THE ADDITIONAL MISSION OF PROVIDING TACTICAL
 DEFENSE TO THE DANANG VITAL AREA.

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E. AN ARTILLERY GROUP THAT PROVIDES FOR A GROUP HEADQUARTERS; ONE REINFORCED LIGHT ARTILLERY BATTALION CONSISTING OF FIVE 105MM BATTERIES AND ONE 107MM BATTERY; AND FIVE SEPARATE BATTERIES TO INCLUDE TWO 155MM SP BATTERIES, ONE 8-INCH HOW BATTERY, ONE 105MM BATTERY, AND ONE 107MM MORTAR BATTERY. THREE OF THESE SEPARATE BATTERIES WOULD BE TASK ORGANIZED TO SUPPORT THE BALDY BATTALION.

F. MOTOR TRANSPORT BATTALION (REIN) CONSISTING OF BOTH FORCE AND DIVISION MOTOR TRANSPORT UNITS.

G. RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION (MINUS).

H. ENGINEER BATTALION (MINUS).

I. MEDICAL BATTALION (MINUS).

4. (TS) THE PROPOSED BRIGADE STRUCTURE WILL RESULT IN A NET SAVINGS IN EXCESS OF 700 SPACES FROM THE TOTAL OF 12,382 SPACES REQUIRED FOR THE DIVISION (MINUS) STRUCTURED WITHOUT THE 175MM GUN BATTERY AND ONE TANK COMPANY. THESE SAVINGS WOULD ACCRUE FROM THE DELETION OF THE DIVISION HEADQUARTERS BATTALION; THE FIFTH MARINES REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS COMPANY; THE HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, FIRST MOTOR TRANSPORT BATTALION; A NET REDUCTION OF APPROXIMATELY 120 SPACES FROM THE ARTILLERY UNITS; AND ADDITIONAL BUT YET PRECISELY UNIDENTIFIED SAVINGS FROM WITHIN THE HEADQUARTERS

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ELEMENTS OF THE COMBAT SUPPORT AND COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT UNITS.

3. (TS) THE PROPOSED STRUCTURE WOULD PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE COMBAT AND CONTROL CAPABILITY AND ADEQUATE COMBAT SUPPORT AND COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT.

A. THE MAG HEADQUARTERS WOULD BE DIRECTING ONE INFANTRY REGIMENT AND TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS. THIS IS WELL WITHIN ITS SPAN OF CONTROL.

B. THE RL1 WOULD BE DIRECTING FOUR BATTALIONS. THIS IS ALSO WELL WITHIN ITS CAPABILITIES. IN THE VIETNAMESE ENVIRONMENT MARINE INFANTRY REGIMENTS HAVE FREQUENTLY DIRECTED FIVE OR EVEN SIX INFANTRY BATTALIONS.

C. THE ARTILLERY GROUPMENT IS EASILY FEASIBLE UNDER LOCAL CONDITIONS WHEREIN BATTERIES DO LITTLE DISPLACEMENT AND ARE INTEGRATED INTO A WELL-SURVEYED, MUTUALLY-SUPPORTING SYSTEM. AS RECENTLY AS LAST SPRING 11TH MARINES OPERATED FIVE BATTALIONS AND FIVE SEPARATE BATTERIES.

ALTHOUGH THE BRIGADE IS TAILORED TO THE LOCAL SITUATION SUFFICIENT FLEXIBILITY HAS BEEN PRESERVED TO PERMIT FURTHER TASK ORGANIZING TO MEET SPECIFIC CONTINGENCIES IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT THAT MAJOR DISPLACEMENTS ARE REQUIRED.

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MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
6. (TS) REQUEST YOUR APPROVAL OF THE CONCEPT SET FORTH HEREIN
AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT A DETAILED BRIEFING AT YOUR CON-
VENIENCE.
BEST REGARDS.
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III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE

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BT
 T O P S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON,
 NGEN ARMSTRONG, MGEN WIDDECKE, BGEN PADALINO, INFO
 MGEN ANDERSON, BGEN CONLEY AND BGEN FRIBOURG, FROM
 MGEN ADAMS. MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY. DELIVER DURING
 WORKING HOURS. //NOOOOO//
 REDEPLOYMENT PERSONNEL CRITERIA
 A. ADMIN FMFPAC 132229Z AUG70 (S) (NOTAL)
 B. ADMIN FMFPAC 131815Z AUG70 (U) (NOTAL)
 1. IMPENDING CHANGES TO REDEPLOYMENT PLANS COUPLED
 WITH CURRENT AND PROJECTED SHORTAGES OF PERSONNEL

PAGE TWO RUHHFMA1738 T O P S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO
 AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT TO WESTPAC HAVE NECESSITATED
 CMC TO DIRECT SUBSTANTIAL MODIFICATIONS TO THE
 PERSONNEL CRITERIA FOR THOSE INVOLVED IN KEYSTONE
 ROBIN (ALPHA) REDEPLOYMENTS. REF A AND B IMPLEMENT
 THESE MODIFICATIONS.
 2. A CHANGE IN PERSONNEL CRITERIA OF THIS MAGNITUDE
 PRESENTS OBVIOUS DIFFICULTIES FROM A MORALE POINT OF
 VIEW AND WILL NO DOUBT GENERATE ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL
 TURBULENCE AS RELATES TO READJUSTMENT OF PERSONNEL
 ACTIONS COMPLETED IN ANTICIPATION OF MOVEMENTS IN THE
 NEAR TIME FRAME. THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE SHORTAGE OF
 AVAILABLE DEPLOYABLE PERSONNEL, HOWEVER, DEMAND THAT
 PROMPT AND CLOSE ATTENTION BE GIVEN TO THE CAREFUL AND
 COMPLETE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE CHANGES. THE READINESS
 OF ALL UNITS IN WESTPAC RELATES DIRECTLY TO THE ABILITY
 OF EACH COMMAND TO ACCURATELY IDENTIFY AND RETAIN ALL
 THOSE PERSONNEL WHO NO LONGER MEET THE REDEPLOYMENT
 CRITERIA. THE FACT THAT SUCH PERSONNEL MAY NOT BE
 NEEDED IN THE IMMEDIATE UNIT INVOLVED IS NOT MATERIAL;
 THEY WILL BE NEEDED IN WESTPAC. TRANSFERS WHERE

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 APPROPRIATE WILL BE DIRECTED. WARM REGARDS.
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T O P S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON
 INFO GEN CHAPMAN FROM MGEN ADAMS MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY
 DELIVER DURING WORKING HOURS //N03000//
 FORCE PLANNING (U)

A. CG III MAF 130854Z/AUG 70 (TS/SPECAT)
 1. CONCUR, FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, WITH YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS
 AND PROPOSALS CONTAINED PAR 4 AND 5, REF A.
 WARM REGARDS.

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T O P S E C R E T / S P E C A T / E X C L U S I V E FOR LTGEN JONES INFO GEN
 CHAPMAN FR LTGEN MCCUTCHEON/MARINE CORPS EYES ONLY/DELIVER
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- A. CG FMFPAC 092202Z AUG 70 (TS/SPECAT)
 B. CG III MAF 061544Z AUG 70 (TS/SPECAT)
 1. REF A QUOTED CINCPAC'S RECOMMENDATIONS TO JCS RELATIVE TO
 KEYSTONE ROBIN FORCE PLANNING IN WHICH AN ALTERNATE C REDEPLOYMENT
 SCHEDULE WAS PROPOSED. ALTERNATE C INCLUDES SLIPPAGES OF THE III
 MAF INCREMENT 5 PACKAGE OF 10.8K TO INCREMENT 6 AND SLIPPAGE OF
 THE MAB (12.6K) FROM INCREMENT 6 TO A MAY-JUN 1971 TIME FRAME.
 2. REF B IS THE REPORT OF MY ACTION OFFICERS TRIP TO SAIGON ON
 6 AUG 70 DURING WHICH THESE SLIPPAGES WERE DISCUSSED. AT THAT TIME
 AN ADDITIONAL SLIPPAGE OF 2.9K SPACES FROM III MAF INCREMENT 4 TO
 INCREMENT 6 WAS BEING CONSIDERED BY MACV. AS NOTED IN REF B, A

PAGE TWO RUMLMPA1766 T O P S E C R E T / S P E C A T / E X C L FOR/M C E O
 SLIPPAGE OF THIS NATURE WOULD BE DESIRABLE IF THE INCREMENT 5
 PACKAGE IS SLIPPED SINCE THE PACKAGE IN INCREMENT 5 WAS NOT DESIGNED
 FOR LONG TERM OPERATIONS.

3. WHEN THE 9.6K USMC SPACES FIRST COMPRISING INCREMENT 5 WERE
 PULLED OUT OF THE ORIGINAL 29.4K INCREMENT 4 SPACES, MACV DESIRED
 THAT INCREMENT 5 INCLUDE AN RLT TOGETHER WITH FIXED WING AND
 HELICOPTER SUPPORT. THIS LEFT BUT VERY FEW SPACES AVAILABLE
 IN THE 9.6K FOR MAF, DIV, AND WING HQ ELEMENTS AND OTHER SUPPORT
 TROOPS NECESSARY TO SUPPORT CONTINUED OPERATION OF THESE
 HEADQUARTERS AND RELATED TASKS. ADD-ON OF AN ADDITIONAL 1.2K
 VMFA, HMM, MACS, AND RADIO BN SPACES FROM INCREMENT 4 FURTHER
 COMPOUNDED SUPPORT PROBLEMS. NEVERTHELESS, SO LONG AS THE
 PERIOD WAS KEPT SHORT DURING WHICH THE INCREMENT 5 FORCES WERE
 RETAINED IN-COUNTRY AFTER DEPARTURE OF THE PRINCIPAL SUPPORT
 FORCES IN INCREMENT 4, THE PLAN WAS CONSIDERED SUPPORTABLE.
 4. IF THE SLIPPAGE OF THE USMC INCREMENT 5 PACKAGE AS RE-
 COMMENDED IN REF A IS APPROVED, SOME ADJUSTMENTS IN INCREMENT
 4 MUST BE MADE IN ORDER TO RETAIN THE CAPABILITY TO SUPPORT
 THE INCREMENT 5 FORCES FOR THE ADDITIONAL FOUR MONTH PERIOD.
 THE FOLLOWING CHANGES ARE RECOMMENDED TO PROVIDE THIS CAPABILITY.

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THESE CHANGES DO NOT REQUIRE ADDITIONAL SHIPPING OR CHANGES IN
SHIPPING SCHEDULES.

A. DELETE FROM INCREMENT 4:

UNIT	SPACES	FOOTNOTE	SDD
HQBEN(-), 1ST MARDIV	473	1	16SEP
1ST MPBN(-)	362		16SEP
1ST ENGR BN(-)	477		20AUG
HQBTRY, 11TH MAR	123		20SEP
1ST RECON BN(-)	131	2	10AUG
1ST TBN(-)	55	3	20SEP
DET FLC	170		10OCT
DET 1ST MAW HQ	156		6AUG
DET MAHS-1	27		6AUG
DET MWCS-1	125		6AUG
MAHS-18	217		15SEP
MASS-3	139		15SEP
TOTAL	2395		

B. ADD TO INCREMENT 4:

UNIT	SPACES	FOOTNOTE
VMFA-314	324	4

PAGE FOUR RUMLPAL766 T O P S E C R E T / S P E C A T / E X C L F O R / M C E O

DET MAHS-13(IMS)	58	5
1ST 175MM GUN BTRY	158	6
CO C, 1ST TK BN	129	6
TOTAL	639	

C. NET REDUCTION IN INCREMENT 4 TO BE FILLED BY OTHER SERVICES: 1756 SPACES MINIMUM.

D. IF THIS INCREASE TO POST INCREMENT 4 USMC STRENGTH IN COUNTRY IS DISALLOWED FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER AND WE ARE FORCED TO FIND EQUIVALENT TRADE OFFS, SUCH TRADE OFFS WOULD HAVE TO COME IN LARGE PART FROM TACTICAL COMBAT UNITS TO INCLUDE POSSIBLY ONE INFANTRY BATTALION OR SOME NUMBER OF COMPANIES FROM RESIDUAL BATTALIONS.

E. THE UNITS SHOWN IN PARA 4A AND 4B ARE STILL BEING SCRUTINIZED AND DO NOT REPRESENT OUR FINAL CONCLUSIONS. THEY DO REPRESENT OUR INITIAL THINKING.

FOOTNOTES:

1. DET, HQBN 1ST MARDIV WITH 494 SPACES REMAINS IN INCREMENT 4.
2. 2 COS, 1ST RECON BN WITH 245 SPACES REMAINS IN INCREMENT 4.

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3. CO, 1ST MT BN WITH 66 SPACES REMAINS IN INCREMENT 4.
 4. LIMITATION TO 1300 USMC SORTIES PER MONTH FOR FY71 MAKES THIS SQDN EXCESS.
 5. IMS FOR VMFA-314.
 6. NOT CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL TO MISSION ACCOMPLISHMENT.
 5. IF YOU CONCUR WITH ABOVE, I WILL INITIATE NEGOTIATIONS ALONG THESE LINES WITH COMUSMACV.
 6. WHILE THE ABOVE OUTLINES ACTIONS WE NEED TO TAKE TO IMPROVE OUR POSTURE IF THE INCREMENT 5 PACKAGE IS DELAYED, I WOULD LIKE TO REEMPHASIZE MY DEEP MISGIVINGS WITH THE WHOLE IDEA OF SLIPPING INCREMENT 5. THE IMPACT OF SUCH A PROPOSAL IF IT IS IMPLEMENTED, EVEN WITH THE ADJUSTMENTS RECOMMENDED, WOULD BE SERIOUS:
 A. MANY OF THE UNITS WE WOULD NEED TO RETAIN IN WHOLE OR IN PART ARE BEYOND EXTRACTING FROM INCREMENT 4. OF THOSE WE CAN HOLD, IN MANY CASES REQUISITIONS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED, REAL ESTATE AND EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN OFFERED UP TO THE ARVN OR REDISTRIBUTED, STANDOWN HAS COMMENCED, THE PERSONNEL PIPELINE HAS BEEN CLOSED, AND PERSONNEL GUIDANCE IMPLEMENTED. THESE UNITS WOULD HAVE TO BE PUT BACK ON THEIR FEET AND

PAGE SIX RUMLMPA1766 T O P S E C R E T/SPECAT/EXCL FOR/M C E O
 COULD EXPECT SEVERE SUPPLY AND PERSONNEL PROBLEMS FOR SOME TIME TO COME.

B. THE AREA OF OPERATIONS OR THE ENEMY OPPOSING III MAF, AND THE DIVISION IN PARTICULAR, WILL NOT HAVE BEEN ALTERED, YET WE WILL BE EXPECTED FOR A PERIOD OF OVER SIX MONTHS TO PRODUCE WITH TWO RLT'S AND FAR LESS SUPPORT ESSENTIALLY WHAT SEVERAL MONTHS AGO WE ACCOMPLISHED WITH FOUR RLT'S AND A FULLY REINFORCED DIVISION SUPPORT PACKAGE. THIS WILL TAX OUR UNITS TO THE UTMOST, FURTHER COMPOUNDING SUPPLY, MAINTENANCE, AND PERSONNEL PROBLEMS.

C. DELAYED DEPLOYMENT OF UNITS WILL CREATE SEVERE PERSONNEL TURBULENCE AND CORRESPONDING MORALE PROBLEMS. THE PERSONNEL PIPELINE WILL NEED TO BE REEXAMINED IMMEDIATELY NOT ONLY TO SUSTAIN ALL UNITS THROUGH THE EXTENDED PERIOD BUT ALSO TO REFLECT THE CHANGED REQUIREMENTS IN GRADES AND SKILLS. AS AN EXAMPLE THE STRETCHOUT WILL REQUIRE A COMPLETE REEXAMINATION OF THE COLONEL REQUIREMENTS.

7. ACCORDINGLY, IF THE DELAY CAN BE AVOIDED, IT SHOULD BE BY ALL MEANS. IF IT CANNOT BE, THE MOST EXPEDITIOUS RESOLUTION OF THE MATTER AND OF MY PROPOSALS WOULD HELP

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REDUCE ATTENDANT PROBLEMS. AS INDICATED IN PARAS 4 AND 6,
SOME UNITS ARE ALREADY STANDING DOWN.
WARM REGARDS.

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REDEPLOYMENT PLANNING (U)

A. CG III MAG LTR SER 00033070 BID 2JUN70

B. CG FIRST MARDIV 030950Z AUG 70 (S)

C. CG FMFPAC 052207Z AUG 70 (S)

D. CG FMFPAC 092202Z AUG 70 (TS)

E. CG III MAF 221359Z JUL 70 (TS)

1. (TS) REF A ESTABLISHED ALTERNATIVE ALPHA, THE PLAN THAT IS
 PRESENTLY IN EFFECT UNDER WHICH INCREMENT IV UNITS ARE NOW BEING
 REDEPLOYED AND UNDER WHICH INCREMENT V UNITS ARE SCHEDULED TO
 REDEPLOY SUBSEQUENT TO 15 OCT. THIS PLAN STIPULATES THAT TWO RLT'S
 WILL REMAIN IN-COUNTRY AFTER 15 OCT 70 WITH ALL UNITS AND HEAD-
 QUARTERS ELEMENTS WHICH ARE NOT CRITICAL TO A TWO RLT OPERATION TO
 BE REDEPLOYED PRIOR TO 15 OCT 70. THE PLAN FURTHER STATES THAT ONLY

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 MINIMAL HEADQUARTERS ELEMENTS WILL BE REQUIRED AFTER 15 OCT 70 TO
 PROVIDE APPROXIMATELY SIXTY-DAY SUPPORT FOR FIRST DIVISION FLAG
 IN-COUNTRY DURING THE COURSE OF INCREMENT V REDEPLOYMENTS.

2. (TS) DEFICIENCIES IN THE DIVISION HEADQUARTERS COMMAND AND
 CONTROL CAPABILITIES, EVEN FOR A SIXTY-DAY PERIOD, RESULTING FROM
 THE PRESENTLY SCHEDULED REDEPLOYMENT OF THE DIVISION'S HEADQUARTERS
 BATTALION (-) WERE IDENTIFIED IN REF B. PROPOSED CORRECTIVE ACTIONS
 TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY HQ BN PERSONNEL INCREASE WERE APPROVED BY
 REF C WITH ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN ADEQUATELY
 STAFFED COMMAND AND CONTROL ORGANIZATION FOR THE DIVISION AFTER
 THE WITHDRAWAL OF INCREMENT IV.

3. (TS) REF D PROVIDED FOR INFORMATION A CINCPAC PROPOSAL TO
 DELETE ALL MARINE SPACES FROM INCREMENT V. THIS WOULD CAUSE THE
 DIVISION (MINUS) TO REMAIN IN-COUNTRY UNTIL THE 1 JANUARY - 1 MAY
 1971 TIME PERIOD. THIS PROPOSAL IS RADICALLY DIFFERENT FROM THE
 PREMISES UPON WHICH THE PRESENTLY PLANNED INCREMENT IV AND INCREMENT
 V WITHDRAWAL WERE BASED. THEREFORE, NOT ONLY MUST THE CANCELLATION
 OF THE INCREMENT V DIVISION PACKAGE BE EVALUATED, BUT ALSO THE
 INCREMENT IV WITHDRAWALS MUST BE REEXAMINED TO INSURE THAT NECESSARY
 SKILLS AND UNITS REMAIN IN-COUNTRY.

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4. (S) THE IMPACT OF THE CINCPAC PROPOSAL IF IT IS APPROVED AND
IMPLEMENTED WILL BE CONCENTRATED IN THREE MAJOR AREAS: OPERATIONS;
LOGISTICS; AND PERSONNEL:

A. IMPACT ON OPERATIONS. AS SET FORTH ABOVE, PRESENTLY PLANNED
INCREMENT IV WITHDRAWALS WERE PREDICATED ON THE FORMATION OF TWO
RLTS ON 15 OCT, RLT-1 TO FORM THE GROUND ELEMENT OF 3D MAB AND RLT-5
TO STANDDOWN ALMOST IMMEDIATELY AND REDEPLOY IN INCREMENT V. CON-
TINUED OPERATIONS BY THE DIVISION (MINUS) FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD
PRESUMEDLY WITH THE SAME MISSIONS AND AREAS OF OPERATION AS AT
PRESENT, WERE NOT PLANNED NOR CONTEMPLATED. TO PROVIDE FOR THIS
CONTINUANCE, A MORE ADEQUATE COMMAND AND CONTROL, COMBAT SUPPORT,
AND COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT CAPABILITY IS REQUIRED.

B. IMPACT ON LOGISTICS. EFFICIENT LOGISTIC SUPPORT OF A DIVISION
(MINUS) FOR AN EXTENDED DURATION IS STRONGLY DEPENDENT UPON THE
RETENTION OF AN ENGINEER AND MOTOR TRANSPORT CAPABILITY MORE ADEQUATE
THAN CAN BE PROVIDED BY THE PRESENTLY PLANNED SEPARATE COMPANIES.
FURTHER, IN COMPLIANCE WITH CINCPAC DIRECTIVES THE MAJORITY OF
THE OUTSTANDING REQUISITIONS OF UNITS NOW SCHEDULED TO STANDDOWN
BY 10 SEP 70 HAVE BEEN CANCELLED. IF ANY OF THESE UNITS REMAIN IN-
COUNTRY THEY WILL RECEIVE DEFERRED DELIVERY AND CAN EXPECT TO

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EXPERIENNE SEVERE SUPPLY DIFFICULTIES.

C. IMPACT ON PERSONNEL. DELAYED REDEPLOYMENT OF DIVISION UNITS
WOULD CEATE SEVERE PERSONNEL TURBULENCE. THE PERSONNEL PIPELINE
WOULD NEED TO BE REEXAMINED IMMEDIATELY NOT ONLY TO SUSTAIN THE
DIVISION (MINUS) THROUGH THE EXTENDED PERIOD BUT ALSO TO REFLECT
THE CHANGED REQUIREMENTS IN SKILLS AND GRADES. AS AN EXMPLE,
DELAY IN THE REDEPLOYMENT OF THE DIVISION STAFF REQUIRES RE-
EXAMINATION OF THE COLONEL REQUIREMENTS STATED IN REF E. SHORTFALL
OF COLONELS FOR KEY BILLETS IS NOT SUITABLE FOR THE EXPANDED
TIME SPAN ASSOCIATED WITH DELAYED REDEPLOYMENT.

5. (TS) THE FOLLOWING UNITS AND SPACES ARE RECOMMENDED FOR
DELETION FROM PLANNED INCREMENT IV WITHDRAWALS IN ORDER TO
ACHIEVE A PROPER FORCE BALLANCE FOR THE DIVISION (MINUS):

UNIT	SPACES
HEADQUARTERS BATTALION	473
ST MP BATTALION	302
(M&S CO, 2 COMPANIES)	
1ST ENGINEER BATTALION	477
(M&SCO, SUPPORT CO & LETTER CO)	
11TH MARINES	123

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(HQ BTRY)

RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION 131

(H&S CO)

1ST MT BATTALION 55

(H&S CO)

TOTAL 1561

6. (TS) INASMUCH AS THE CINCPAC PROPOSAL DOES NOT ADDRESS FORCE
ADD-ONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED STRETCH-OUT OF MARINE
REDEPLOYMENTS, IT IS PROBABLE THAT RESTRUCTURING WOULD HAVE TO BE
ACCOMPLISHED WITHIN PRESENT FORCE LEVEL CONSTRAINTS. SUBSTITUTIONS
IN THE INCREMENT IV TROOP LIST TO MEET THE 1561 SPACES LISTED ABOVE
ARE NOMINATED AS FOLLOWS, UNLESS SPACES CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE FROM
OTHER ELEMENTS OF III MAF:

UNIT SPACES

ONE INFANTRY BATTALION 1157

ONE 105MM HOW BTRY 131

1ST 175MM GUN BTRY 153

CO C, FIRST TANK BATTALION 120

TOTAL 1566

7. (TS) WHILE THE ABOVE ADJUSTMENTS WOULD PERMIT THE DIVISION

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(MINUS) TO FUNCTION FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD IN A RELATIVELY EFFECTIVE
AND EFFICIENT MANNER, THE DISADVANTAGES OF THE CINCPAC PROPOSAL FAR
OUTWEIGH THE LIMITED SHORT TERM RELIEF PROVIDED MACV. IN ANY CASE
INSOMUCH AS INCREMENT IV REDEPLOYMENTS ARE PRESENTLY PROCEEDING,
EARLY DECISIONS ARE URGENTLY REQUIRED ELSE THE DIVISION BE LEFT IN
AN IRRETRIEVABLY UNBALANCED POSTURE. BEST REGARDS.

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TO RUMLMPA/CG III MAF

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1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF (CINCPAC 092223Z/AUG 70)

TO JCS, INFO CINCUSARPAC, CINCPACFLT, CINCPACAF,
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A. JCSM 266-70, 2JUN 70

B. CINCPAC 082112Z AUG 70

C. JCS 6993/031507Z AUG 70

D. COMUSMACV 40427/091032Z AUG 70

E. CJCS 071606Z AUG 70

1. (TS) REF B PROVIDED CINCPAC COMMENTS ON REDEPLOYMENT

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ALTERNATIVE B OR REF A AND PROPOSED NEW ALTERNATIVE C.

REF C REQUESTS COMMENTS OR CONCURRENCE ON PROPOSAL THAT
2,900 USAF SPACES BE SUBSTITUTED FOR ARMY SPACES IN
REDEPLOYMENT INCREMENT 4, AND REQUESTS CINCPAC POSITION ON
A MODIFIED ALTERNATIVE B OF REF A CONSISTING OF THREE
INCREMENTS OF 50, (0 EACH, IF THE ARMY COULD MEET THE
PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS. REF D IS COMUSMACV'S RESPONSE TO
THE PROPOSAL. REF E DIRECTS CINCPAC NOT TO REDUCE CURRENT
SORTIE LEVELS UNTIL FURTHER ADVISED.

2. (TS) THE CONSIDERATION FOR SUBSTITUTING 2,900 ARMY
SPACES FOR USAF SPACES IN INCREMENT FOUR IS NECESSARILY
TIED TO A DECISION ON SORTIE RATES. REF E INDICATES THAT
NO SUCH DECISION HAS BEEN MADE. THE CINCPAC RECOMMENDATION
TO MAINTAIN SORTIE RATES AT THE CURRENT LEVEL REMAINS FIRM
AS REITERATED IN REF B.

3. (TS) IN VIEW OF THE ENEMY SITUATION, PARTICULARLY IN
MR I, AND THE IMPACT ON THE ARMY MANPOWER PROBLEM IF THE
DECISION ON SORTIE RATES RESULTS IN THE ARMY HAVING TO
RETAIN 2,900 ADDITIONAL SPACES, RECOMMEND THAT THE PROPOSAL
TO DELAY THE USMC SPACES AS SHOWN IN REF B (ALTERNATIVE C)

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REDEPLOYMENT PLANNING (U)

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CINCPACAF AND CG FMFPAC. WHICH I AM PROVIDING FOR
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REFS: A. JCSCM-266-70 B. JCS 6652/042349Z AUG 70. C. JCS
6709/052102Z AUG 70. D. MACV 30835/061445Z AUG 70. E. CINCPAC
070347Z AUG 70.

1. (TS) REFERENCE A PROVIDED PLANS FOR REDEPLOYMENT OF US
FORCES FROM RVN DURING FY 71. REFERENCE B REQUESTED INPUT FOR
A REPORT TO SECDEF ON ALTERNATIVE REDEPLOYMENT PLANS. REFER-

PAGE TWO RUHHFMA1341 T O P S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO
ENCE C PROVIDED AMPLICATION OF ASSUMPTIONS ON AIR SORTIE LEVELS
FOR USE IN PREPARING THE JCS REPORT. REFERENCE D PROVIDED
COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMUSMACV. REFERENCE E PROVIDED
CINCPAC RESPONSE TO REFERENCE A.

2. (TS) THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS AND QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN
DEVELOPED AS REFERENCES D AND E AND WERE CONSIDERED IN JOINT AND
SERVICE STAFF ACTIONS TO PREPARE THE JCS REPORT TO SECDEF:

A. REFERENCES D AND E PROVIDED, ARMY AND AIR FORCE FIGURES
UNDER INCREMENT FOUR WHICH ASSUMED THE 2,900 SPACES REMAINING
TO BE IDENTIFIED TO COMPLETE THE 50,000 PACKAGE WOULD BE ARMY
SPACES. FOR CONSISTENCY IN THE JCS REPORT, IT IS PROPOSED THAT
THE FIGURES IN INCREMENT FOUR OF REFERENCES D AND E BE MODIFIED
TO SHOW 15,200 ARMY SPACES AND 7,400 AIR FORCE SPACES, AND TO
MAKE RELATED CHANGES IN STRENGTH REMAINING IN-COUNTRY IN ALL
INCREMENTS.

B. IN VIEW OF THE ALTERNATIVES NOW BEING CONSIDERED FOR THE
REPORT BY THE JCS, YOUR JUDGMENT ON ONE FURTHER ASPECT OF FORCE
COMPOSITION WOULD BE HELPFUL. IF SUFFICIENT ARMY PERSONNEL WERE
AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT AN ARMY AUTHORIZATION OF 256,000 THROUGH
31 DEC 70 AND 225,000 THROUGH 30 APR 71, WOULD YOU STILL DESIRE

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THE SOLUTION INVOLVING DELAYS IN MARINE CORPS REDEPLOYMENTS
PRESENTED IN REFERENCES D AND E, OR WOULD YOU PREFER A SOLUTION
SIMILAR TO ALTERNATIVE B OF REFERENCE A, WHICH INCLUDED MARINE
REDEPLOYMENTS AS CURRENTLY PLANNED, MODIFIED TO CONSIST OF THREE
INCREMENTS OF ABOUT 50,000 EACH?

3. (U) REQUEST YOUR CONCURRENCE OR COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL IN
PARAGRAPH 2A AND YOUR RESPONSE TO THE QUESTION IN PARAGRAPH
2B NLT 101200 AUG 70, WASHINGTON TIME.

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DTG 121833

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C. MACV 39335/061445Z AUG 70 (TS)

D. CINCPAC 070347Z AUG 70 (TS)

E. JCS 6993/081807Z AUG 70 (TS)

F. CINCPAC 032112Z AUG 70 (U)

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1. (TS) REF A FORWARDED TO SECDEF ALTERNATIVE PROPOSALS FOR
REDUCING 150,000 US PERSONNEL SPACES IN RVN BY 1 MAY 1971. REF B
REQUESTED CINCPAC COMMENTS ON A COURSE OF ACTION SIMILAR TO
ALTERNATIVE B OF REF A. REF C PROVIDED ADDITIONAL MACV COMMENTS
ON JCS ALTERNATIVE B AND PROPOSED AN ALTERNATIVE C IN LIEU
THEREOF. REF D PROVIDED CINCPAC COMMENTS ON JCS ALTERNATIVE B
AND SUPPORTED THE MACV PROPOSAL. REF E REQUESTED CONCURRENCE OR
COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL THAT 2900 USAF SPACES BE SUBSTITUTED FOR
ARMY SPACES IN INCREMENT 4 AND REQUESTS MACV POSITION ON ALTERNA-
TIVE B MODIFIED TO CONSIST OF THREE INCREMENTS OF ABOUT 50,000
EACH SHOULD SUFFICIENT ARMY PERSONNEL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO
SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL. REF F REQUESTS REPLY TO ARRIVE MLI 090300W
AUG 70.

2. (TS) A REDUCTION IN AIR ACTIVITY LEVEL BELOW THAT CONSIDERED
ESSENTIAL CONCURRENT WITH A LARGE REDUCTION IN GROUND COMBAT
POWER CONSTITUTES A DANGEROUS AND UNACCEPTABLE RISK. THE MACV
POSITION ON AIR SORTIE RATES IS THAT THEY BE SUSTAINED AT CURRENTLY
AUTHORIZED LEVELS. TO MAINTAIN THE CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED USAF AIR
ACTIVITY LEVEL OF 14,000 TAC AIR SORTIES, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT
THE 2900 SPACES SHOWN IN INCREMENT 4 OF REFERENCES C AND D REMAIN

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3. (TS) ADOPTION OF JCS ALTERNATIVE B MODIFIED TO THREE INCREMENTS OF 50,00 EACH WOULD RESULT IN A LOSS OF A MINIMUM OF THREE BRIGADE MONTHS FROM THAT PROPOSED IN ALTERNATIVE C, REGARDLESS OF POSSIBLE ADJUSTMENT IN US ARMY MANPOWER AUTHORIZATIONS. THE MACV POSITION IN FAVOR OF ALTERNATIVE A AS LISTED IN APPENDIX D OF REF A WAS BASED PRIMARILY UPON THE RETENTION OF SUFFICIENT FORCES TO PROVIDE FOR CONTINUED PROGRESS IN VIETNAMIZATION. ALTERNATIVE C AS DEPICTED IN REFS C AND D, WAS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF TROOPS FOR THE LONGEST PERIOD TO CONTINUE AS MANY VIETNAMIZATION TASKS AS POSSIBLE. WITH RESPECT TO THE MARINES, THE USMC SPACE REDEPLOYMENTS AS OUTLINED IN ALTERNATIVE C OF REFS C AND D ARE PREFERRED. BOTH ALTERNATIVES B AND C ACCELERATE US REDEPLOYMENTS TO THE POINT OF INTRODUCING SERIOUS RISKS TO THE VIETNAMIZATION PROCESS.

4. (TS) SHOULD THE END CY-1970 ARMY AUTHORIZED STRENGTH OF 256.0 THOUSAND MATERIALIZE AS INDICATED IN REF E

S CONSIDERED THAT THE ARMY REDEPLOYMENT FIGURE FOR THE PERIOD 15 OCT-31 DEC 70 OF ALTERNATIVE C SHOULD BE REDUCED AND THE FORCES REMAINING FIGURE BE INCREASED ACCORDINGLY. IN SUMMARY, SHOULD ALTERNATIVE A NOT BE

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SUPPORTABLE DUE TO BUDGETARY AND MANPOWER CONSTRAINTS, ALTERNATIVE C, MODIFIED AS INDICATED, IS PREFERRED.

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WARM REGARDS.

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MESSAGE READDRESSAL

III MAF 5000/1 6/67

DTG 100712Z

FROM:

CG III MAF

DRAFTED BY
~~D. L. BUSSELL~~

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 P 092202Z AUG 70
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REDEPLOYMENT PLANNING (U)

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF (CINCPAC 070547Z/AUG 70)
 TO JCS, INFO COMUSMACV, CINCUSARPAC, CINCPACFLT,
 CINCPACAF AND CGFMFPAC WHICH I AM PROVIDING FOR
 INFORMATION.

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REDEPLOYMENT PLANNING (U)

- A. JCSM 266-70 OF 2 JUN 1970
- B. JCS 6652/042349Z AUG 70
- C. JCS 6709/052102Z AUG 70
- D. COMUSMACV 1398/061445Z AUG 70

1. (TS) REF A FORWARDED TO THE SECDEF TWO ALTERNATIVES FOR
 REDUCING U.S. AUTHORIZED SPACES IN RVN BY 150,000 BY 1 MAY

PAGE TWO RUKHFMAI159 TOP SECRET EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO
 1971. REF B REQUESTED CINCPAC COMMENTS ON A COURSE OF ACTION
 SIMILAR TO ALTERNATIVE B OF REF A, AND ON THE FEASIBILITY OF
 DELAYING UNTIL 1-30 JUN 71 12,000 USMC SPACES NOW SCHEDULED
 FOR REDEPLOYMENT 1-30 APRIL 71. REF C AMPLIFIES AIR SORTIE
 GUIDANCE OF REF B. REF D IS COMUSMACV'S RESPONSE TO REF B AND C.
 2. (TS) GENERAL. CINCPAC COMMENTS ON ALTERNATIVES A AND B
 CONTAINED IN APPENDIX C, REF A REMAIN VALID. SINCE THE
 BUDGET AND MANPOWER CONSTRAINTS CITED IN REF B APPARENTLY
 WILL PRECLUDE THE ADOPTION OF ALTERNATIVE A, THIS MESSAGE
 PROPOSES AN ALTERNATIVE C AND FORWARDS ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
 ON ALTERNATIVE B.
 3. (TS) ALTERNATIVE C PROPOSED: BELOW IS A MODIFICATION OF
 JCS ALTERNATIVE B AND PROVIDES FOR A 50-40-60 PACKAGE.
 UNDER THIS PLAN 40.0 THOUSAND SPACES WOULD BE REDEPLOYED
 DURING THE PERIOD 15 OCTOBER - 31 DECEMBER 70 FOLLOWING THE
 CURRENT 50.0 THOUSAND INCREMENT TO BE COMPLETED BY 15 OCT
 70. THE REMAINING 60.0 THOUSAND SPACES WOULD BE REDEPLOYED
 DURING THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 1 MAY 71. THIS PLAN HAS THE
 ADVANTAGE OVER ALTERNATIVE B OF RETAINING MAXIMUM COMBAT
 POWER FOR A LONGER PERIOD, WHILE CONCURRENTLY REDUCING ARMY

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PAGE THREE RUHNFMA1159 T O P S E C R E T EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO SPACES, THEREBY ALLEVIATING THE MANPOWER PROBLEM TO SOME DEGREE.

SERVICE	REDEPLOYMENT SPACES (THOUSANDS)	FORCES REMAINING (THOUSANDS)
1 JUL - 15 OCT 70		
USA	18.12	291.4
USN	8.8	19.3
USAF	4.5	49.3
USMC	18.6	24.0
TOTALS	50.0	384.0
15 OCT - 31 DEC 70		
USA	38.1	253.3
USN	1.3	18.0
USAF	0.6	48.7
USMC	0.0	24.0
TOTALS	40.0	344.0
1 JAN - 1 MAY 71		
USA	43.0	210.3
USN	6.0	12.0
USAF	0.2	48.5

PAGE FOUR RUHNFMA1159 T O P S E C R E T EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO

USMC	10.8	13.2
TOTALS	60.0	284.0
1 MAY - 30 JUN 71		
USA	9.9	200.4
USN	0.4	11.6
USAF	0.0	48.5
USMC	12.6	0.6
TOTALS	22.9	261.1

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THIS FIGURE INCLUDES THE 2900 SPACES HELD, PENDING RESOLUTION OF AIR ACTIVITY LEVEL.

4. (TS) IMPACTS AND RISKS OF ADOPTING ALTERNATIVES B OR C
- A. ACCELERATED REDUCTION OF COMBAT FORCES WILL REDUCE THE FLEXIBILITY OF COMMANDERS IN THE FIELD AND REQUIRE EARLY RE-DISPOSITION OF RVNAF TO SECURE THE POPULATION IN THOSE AREAS FROM WHICH U.S. FORCES HAVE BEEN REDEPLOYED. THIS MAY NECESSARILY REQUIRE A REDUCTION OF RVNAF OPERATIONS IN CAMBODIA, PROVIDING THE ENEMY WITH A GREATER CAPABILITY FOR RECONSTITUTING HIS SANCTUARIES AND RESULTING IN AN INCREASED THREAT TO VIETNAMIZATION AND TO CAMBODIA IN THE LONGER TERM.
- B. ACCELERATED REDEPLOYMENTS WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT

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PAGE FIVE RUHFMA 1159 T O P S E C R E T EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEC
 PROGRESS IN VIETNAMIZATION BY REQUIRING THE RVNAF TO
 ASSUME RESPONSIBILITIES FOR PROSECUTION OF THE WAR
 AT A RATE GREATER THAN PLANNED FOR UNDER ALTERNATIVE A.
 C. INHERENT IN BOTH ALTERNATIVES IS A REDUCTION IN
 THE SORTIE RATE. THERE WILL BE SERIOUS CUMULATIVE EFFECTS
 OF REDUCING OUR AIR CAPABILITY, AND ACCELERATING REDEPLOY-
 MENTS OF COMBAT FORCES AT A TIME WHEN REQUIREMENTS HAVE
 BEEN INCREASED BY VIRTUE OF OPERATIONS IN CAMBODIA. BY
 THINNING OUT RESOURCES AT TOO RAPID A RATE, AND AT A TIME
 WHEN REDUCTIONS IN USAF TACTICAL AIR FORCES IN THAILAND ARE
 ANTICIPATED, THE ENEMY WILL BE AFFORDED MORE OPPORTUNITIES
 FOR INITIATIVES IN RVN AND CAMBODIA.

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D. LOGISTICS. EITHER ALTERNATIVE B OR C CAN BE
 SUPPORTED LOGISTICALLY; HOWEVER, SOME PROBLEMS ARE
 ANTICIPATED IN THE LOC CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM AND IN THE
 TRANSFER OF FACILITIES. DETAILED IMPACT STATEMENTS ON THE
 LOC CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM IN RESPONSE TO SECDEF 221544Z JUL
 77 AND JCS 2372Z JUL 77 WILL BE PROVIDED ON 17 AUG 78.
 THE TIME ESTIMATES CONTAINED IN PARA 9 REF D FOR
 TRANSFERRING FACILITIES AND TRAINING ARVN PERSONNEL APPEAR

PAGE SIX RUHFMA 1159 T O P S E C R E T EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEC
 EXTREMELY OPTIMISTIC IN VIEW OF THE INDEFINITE ARVN
 STATIONING PLANS.

5. (TS) DELAY OF USMC REDEPLOYMENTS IS FEASIBLE, ALTHOUGH
 SOME DEGRADATION OF ARG/SLF REACTION TIME IS ANTICIPATED.
 THE MOVEMENT OF 12,633 SPACES DURING THE 33-DAY PERIOD
 1-31 JUN 71 (AS PROPOSED IN REF B) WILL SEVERELY TAX LOAD-
 ING FACILITIES; THEREFORE CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO
 EXTENDING THE REDEPLOYMENT OF THESE SPACES OVER THE PERIOD
 15 APR - 30 JUN 71.

6. (TS) CONCLUSIONS:

A. THE ADOPTION OF EITHER ALTERNATIVE B OR C WILL
 INVOLVE SIGNIFICANT RISKS, AND WILL IMPACT ADVERSELY ON
 PROGRESS IN VIETNAMIZATION.

B. ALTERNATIVE C (PARA 3 ABOVE) IS RESPONSIVE TO THE
 GUIDANCE CONTAINED IN REF 3.

7. (U) IF SELECTION OF COURSE OF ACTION IS LIMITED TO
 ALTERNATIVES B AND C, RECOMMEND THAT ALTERNATIVE C BE
 ADOPTED.

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- A. CG III MAF 010827Z AUG 70 (TS) (SPECAT)
 - B. CG FMFPAC 250425Z JUL 70 (TS) (SPECAT)
 - C. CG FMFPAC 070058Z/AUG 70 (TS) (SPECAT) (PASEP)
1. (TS) AT PRESENT 3D MAB HAS NOT YET BEEN ASSIGNED A MISSION BY CG XXIV CORPS. THERE ARE STRONG INDICATIONS FROM XXIV CORPS, HOWEVER, THAT 3D MAB WILL REMAIN IN THE DANANG VITAL AREA AND BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS SECURITY TO INCLUDE THE ROCKET BELT.
 2. (TS) TO MEET THIS BASICALLY DEFENSIVE MISSION, III MAF NOW EMPLOYS FOUR INFANTRY BATTALIONS (I.E., 1/1, 2/1,

PAGE TWO RUHMFA1680 T O P S E C R E T EXCLUSIVE FOR NCEO
 3/1, AND 1/5), THE 1ST MP BN, AND LOCAL SECURITY FORCES.
 ABOUT 15,000 PERSONNEL WHO PRESENTLY CONTRIBUTE TO
 LOCAL SECURITY WILL HAVE DEPARTED BY 31 DEC 70 ALONG
 WITH THE 1ST MP BN AND 1/5, LEAVING 3D MAB WITH ONLY
 THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS OF THE 1ST MARINES.
 3. (TS) AS A CONSEQUENCE, KEITH IS VERY MUCH CONCERNED,
 AS AM I, ABOUT THE CAPABILITY OF 3D MAB TO PERFORM THE
 SECURITY REQUIREMENTS HE ANTICIPATES WILL ULTIMATELY BE
 LEVIED BY XXIV CORPS.

4. (TS) TO THIS END, KEITH HAS PROPOSED A REORGANIZATION
 OF 3D MAB WHICH WILL "BEEF UP" THE INFANTRY STRENGTH.
 SPECIFICALLY, HIS PROPOSAL WOULD:

A. RETAIN AN ADDITIONAL INFANTRY BATTALION GIVING
 3D MAB A TOTAL OF FOUR.

B. DELETE THE FOLLOWING TO ACCOMMODATE RETENTION
 OF AN ADDITIONAL INFANTRY BATTALION WITHIN THE
 CONSTRAINT OF 10.8K:

(1) 3D 6" HOWITRY, 1ST 175MM GUN BTRY, CO C
 (REIN), 1ST TANK BATTALION, AND EITHER VMA-311 OR VMA (AW)-
 225 ALL OF WHICH ARE NOT CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL TO THE SECURITY.

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MISSION. ATTENDANT TO DELETION OF A FIXED WING
SQUADRON (EITHER THE A-4 OR A-6) WILL BE CONCOMITANT
REDUCTIONS IN ITS SHARE OF HMTS, MABS, AND HQ MA G-11.
TO COMPENSATE FOR THE LOSS OF FORCE ARTILLERY, THE 12
UNMANNED TOWED 155MM HOWITZERS NOW CARRIED IN HQ
BTRY, 11TH MARINES, WILL BE RETAINED.

(2) TWO HUNDRED (200) SPACES IN THE .6K CAG
REDUCING THE CAG TO .4K. THE 200 CAG SPACES RECOVERED
WILL BE RETAINED AS CUPPS SO NO DEGRADATION IN THIS
PROGRAM WILL OCCUR.

5. (TS) KEITH POINTS OUT THAT INFORMAL LIAISON WITH XXIV
CORPS AND 7TH AIR FORCE PLUS MACV'S REQUEST TO DELETE
THE AVIATION UNITS FROM THE INCREMENT 4 TROOP LIST
INDICATE THAT RETENTION OF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT IN 3D MAB
MIGHT BE FAVORED. HOWEVER, HE CONSIDERS IT PROPITIOUS
TO PROPOSE THE REORGANIZED MAB (NOTED ABOVE) BECAUSE IT
CAN PERFORM THE MISSION ANTICIPATED, AND ALSO BECAUSE
IT WILL SERVE TO FORCE A DECISION ON THE LONG OVERDUE
ASSIGNMENT OF A MISSION TO 3D MAB.

6. (TS) I CONCUR IN KEITH'S COURSE OF ACTION AS WELL AS

PAGE FOUR RUHNFMA1080 T O P S E C R E T EXCLUSIVE FOR MCEO
IN HIS PROPOSED REORGANIZATION. ALSO, I INTEND TO
CONCUR IN HIS DECISION WHEN MADE AS TO RETENTION OF
EITHER THE A-4 OR A-6 SQUADRON SHOULD THAT BECOME
NECESSARY. HOWEVER, I DO THINK IT POSSIBLE THAT
COMUSMACV, BECAUSE OF THE PAUCITY OF FIXED WING
ASSETS WHICH WILL EXIST IN MR I AFTER 31 DEC 70, MIGHT
AGREE TO THE ADDITION OF ANOTHER INFANTRY BATTALION TO
3D MAB IN ADDITION TO RETENTION OF THE A-4 AND A-6
SQUADRONS. THIS WOULD RESULT IN AN INCREASE IN THE
10.8K PRESENTLY AUTHORIZED FOR 3D MAB WITH OTHER
SERVICES MAKING UP THE DEFICIT. THIS, OF COURSE, IS BASED
ON THE PREMISE THAT XXIV CORPS WILL BE UNABLE TO PROVIDE
THE INFANTRY UNITS SO THAT A FOURTH BATTALION IN 3D MAB
IS IN FACT NECESSARY.

7. (TS) A BALANCED AIR-GROUND TEAM REPRESENTED BY 3D
MAB AFTER 31 DEC 1970 CONTINUES TO BE OF CONCERN TO ME.
THERE IS STILL NO SCHEDULED REDEPLOYMENT DATE FOR
VMFA-314 AND F4U-262 WHICH COMUSMACV REQUESTED BE
DELETED FROM THE INCREMENT 4 TROOP LIST AT THE EXPENSE OF
OTHER SERVICE SPACES. WE ARE ASSUMING THAT THESE UNITS

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 WILL LEAVE BETWEEN 16 OCT AND 31 DEC 1970 (AS NOTED IN
 REF B); HOWEVER, SINCE INCREMENT 5 REDEPLOYMENTS HAVE
 NOT YET BEEN ADDRESSED, THIS ASSUMPTION REMAINS
 SPECULATIVE. SHOULD MACV PRESS FOR RETENTION OF
 VNFA-314 AND MNM-262 AS WELL AS THE TWO FIXED WING
 SQUADRONS PRESENTLY STRUCTURED AS PART OF 3D MAB IN THE
 POST 31 DEC 1970 TIME PERIOD, THEN AN AIR-GROUND
 IMBALANCE WOULD EXIST WHICH WOULD REQUIRE A RECLAMA.
 THIS, OF COURSE, PRESUPPOSES THAT REF (C) AND ITS
 REFERENCED TRAFFIC DOES NOT PREVAIL, AND THERE ARE NO
 DELAYS IN SCHEDULED REDEPLOYMENTS. APPARENTLY, THE
 SITUATION WHICH GENERATED REF (C) WILL MAKE IT EASIER FOR
 KEITH TO STRUCTURE HIS MAB TO MEET THE MISSION THROUGH
 ADD-ONS RATHER THAN TRADE-OFFS BUT IT DOES PRESENT MAN-
 POWER AND BUDGETARY TURBULENCE BY KEEPING UNPRO-
 GRAMMED UNITS IN COUNTRY.

S. (U) I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS CONCERNING
 THE ABOVE. WARM REGARDS.

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A. ADMIN III MAF 061544Z AUG 70 (TS) (SPECAT) NCEO
 1. (U) I APPRECIATE RECEIVING THE INFORMATION YOU
 PROVIDED IN REF A RELATIVE TO YOUR ACTION OFFICERS'
 VISIT TO MAGV-13. THE INFORMATION IS MOST HELPFUL
 TO US.

2. (TS) THE NEW REDEPLOYMENT ALTERNATIVES WILL BE
 DISCUSSED IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK. WILL KEEP YOU
 ADVISED. WARM REGARDS.

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