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Dear Jack:

I spent the month of April in Thailand on TDY and, upon returning, found your letter to Guy Jones dated May 5, 1970.

In the second paragraph of your letter you inquired about our inputs. I attach a summary dated as of May 20 which showed the picture at that time. This summary does not take account of special FSO or FSR personnel whom State or AID is suppose to put into the CORDS system to serve at the Province Senior Advisor level and in other similar jobs. It does reflect those State and AID people whom we could project as of May 20. Please note with particular interest the situation as to long-term language trainees. In the spring of 1971, you will be getting very few language officers indeed. We discussed these figures with George Jacobson during his recent tour, and asked him to please give Washington a clearer picture of CORDS requirements for the next year. We also hope to have an interagency meeting later this month at which the various agencies could discuss how they plan to meet those requirements. No doubt you have been working hard to provide the necessary data and I hope we will be hearing something soon.

As far as VTC is concerned, the most significant aspect is the vast predominance of military personnel in our current student body. We have attempted to temper this situation somewhat by offering the first three weeks of our Basic Course to State, USIA and AID civilians who may be going to the Embassy, JUSPAO or the USAID. Basically, our projections over the next year depend upon the inputs programmed by State and AID, and these in turn depend upon the requirements submitted by CORDS. When such requirements have been received, we will all have a much clearer picture.

With best regards.

Sincerely,

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