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c/o American Embassy
Saigon, Viet-Nam

Dear Jake:

This letter in part refers to my previous letter of March 5, 1970. In addition to Miss Beauvais who was mentioned in that letter, there are two FSO girls who will be proceeding to CORDS during the month of May after their graduation from CORDS Class XIX. These are:

1. Susan J. Crane (FSO-8). Miss Crane is in the top section of her class in Vietnamese language. She is a stable and well-motivated girl who wants to work with Vietnamese, wants to be able to use her language, prefers IV Corps, III Corps or Saigon. She is particularly interested in refugee or education-type work. In terms of locality, if she had occasional access to the sea, that would be an additional plus for her. Her job function is more important to her than any specific locality, however. She would prefer not to be on the Cambodian border, or in I Corps or II Corps. She is an extremely pleasant girl and should make a real contribution to the program.

2. Mary H. Maughan (FSO-8). Miss Maughan is also a top language student who again wants to work with Vietnamese and use her language. She would prefer not to serve in the Delta, and thinks she might like one of the coastal areas of Viet-Nam. She is also willing to serve in Saigon, and, like Miss Crane, places more importance on her job function than on a specific locality. She is a very fine young lady, a devout Mormon. She comes from an Air Force family and should be a distinct asset to the program. She seems a little less robust physically than Miss Crane, but has no history of ill health whatsoever at this school.

Now, returning again to the earlier case of Miss Beauvais, you will recall that she is a capable language student and would appreciate any reassurance that she will in fact get to use her language in Viet-Nam. Without this assurance, she finds it harder than the

others to undergo the very difficult and grinding language training exercise here. She is also a very sensible, competent and stable girl and should be a definite asset to the program.

As I have written Len Maynard and as I informally told Bill Colby on the telephone when he was in Washington, I hope to spend the night of April 4 in Saigon on my way through to Bangkok where I will spend a month on a survey of the AID police program in that country. Since my stopover in Viet-Nam is less than 24 hours, I presume the foregoing notifications will be sufficient. Guy Jones will be holding down VTC in my absence. Any information you or Jack Napier can forward to him concerning possible assignments for the three girls will be a definite morale factor for them.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

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