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Dear Jake:

Mr. Bruce Bailey, AID FSR-4, will be leaving VTC immediately to proceed to Viet-Nam per Saigon 15617. Bailey has been carried as a DPSA candidate, but he would personally prefer to be in refugee work and we concur in his preference. I personally think Bailey is better cut out for the refugee assignment, and would urge that an effort be made to place him in that area. He has had considerable experience in Laos and Thailand in community development activities. For example, in Laos he was for a time the regional refugee officer responsible for working with Lao and tribal groups on food distribution and resettlement programs.

Mr. Bailey strikes me as very much an individualist with considerable Southeast Asian background. He might not be happy serving as deputy to some of the Province Senior Advisors. He wanted to discuss this with you in Saigon, but notes that your travel plans will probably mean that you will miss each other. If you agree, I suggest that Mr. Bailey's preferences be made known to the personnel assignment office prior to your departure so that they will have some guidelines to work from when he arrives in Saigon.

We hope to see you soon and to have you talk to our students as you did during your last visit.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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