

MEMORANDUM

August 25, 1970

TO: Ambassador William E. Colby

FROM: O/FSI/VTC - Ogden Williams

Since talking to you on the telephone last week, VTC received word to take a 10% cut in its 1971 budget. There are definite implications for language training and other aspects of our operational program, and it is noted that the 1971 budget had already been reduced by some \$60,000 below actual expenses for FY 1970.

I sent a letter to Jake dated August 20, but it may be too late to get relief from CORDS/Viet-Nam during this budgetary cycle. After discussion with Bill Sullivan, one of you might wish to telephone Governor Dwinell and suggest that budget reductions for VTC be deferred until next year, when the VTC budget can perhaps be picked up by CORDS/Viet-Nam.

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