

MEMORANDUM

August 25, 1970

TO: AA/A - Governor Lane Dwinell

FROM: O/FSI/VTC - Ogden Williams

The attached memorandum attempts to delineate a problem which will arise as a result of the budget cuts recently directed with regard to the Viet-Nam Training Center.

Ambassador Colby will return to Washington on August 27, and will be interested in the implications of the budget cuts for CORDS/Viet-Nam. Bill Sullivan and others in the Department will also be interested because of the importance attached to the CORDS effort at this time.

I should be happy to discuss any of the aspects of this problem with you, if you so desire.

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TO: EA - Ambassador William H. Sullivan

FROM: O/FSI/VTC - Ogden Williams

The attached memorandum concerns a proposed budget cut for the Viet-Nam Training Center. Since VTC is an interagency operation, and in view of the importance attached to the CORDS effort in Viet-Nam at this time, I believe the Department will be interested in the implications of this cut, and that in any case such budgetary changes should not be solely a matter for the concern of AID. If the cuts take place, we will, among other things, have to eliminate one FSO instructor slot at a time when we strongly need personnel inputs from the Department to improve the quality of our staff.

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TO: EA/VN - Mr. James B. Engle

FROM: O/FSI/VTC - Ogden Williams

This memorandum is pursuant to our telephone conversation of August 23. It seems doubtful that we can push CORDS and Vietnamization on the one hand, and reduce the training program for Province Senior Advisors, District Senior Advisors and language officers on the other. In any case, I believe the Department has a substantive interest in this matter and that budgetary changes should not be solely a matter of internal concern in AID.

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