

MEMORANDUM

March 4, 1971

TO: O/FSI - Mr. Howard E. Sollenberger

FROM: O/FSI/VTC - Ogden Williams

SUBJECT: Extending Vietnamese Language Training for DSA Trainees

At the recent Interagency Advisory Group Committee meeting, you questioned the advisability of not proceeding with more language training on the basis of budgetary and other resource considerations. An ad hoc committee had been convened early in January to see if there was some way by which the additional language training could be provided. Attached is a report prepared by the committee and forwarded under VTC cover letter to the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army which generally and unfortunately found it unwise to attempt at this point to realize the universally accepted goal of more language for these trainees.

I was quite certain that a copy had been sent to your office at the time the report was completed and forwarded to the Army; however, I can find no evidence of this. At any rate, the attached enclosure will provide you with the basic rationale on which I supported the committee's conclusions.

Enclosure

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