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Lt. General Richard G. Stilwell  
Deputy Chief of Staff for  
Military Operations  
Headquarters  
Department of the Army  
Washington, D. C. 20301

Dear General Stilwell:

During the past year LTC Robert L. Welch, LTC James L. Dozier and Major James E. Thomas, all assigned to the Southeast Asia Team of the Army Operations Center, have been presenting briefings to the students at the Viet-Nam Training Center of the Foreign Service Institute, Department of State. These briefings are presented every two weeks.

It goes without saying that these briefings are always handled in a thoroughly professional manner, with a maximum of information presented clearly and concisely. What is more noteworthy of mention is the time and care that these officers devote to responding to questions of their audiences. Since these audiences consist of both military and civilian officers, some with extensive experience in Southeast Asia and some with none, the questions can run the gamut from the learned and specific to the basic and general. All are answered in a meaningful and understandable way. In fact, often in later sessions with a class, the team will refer back to earlier questions and report later developments regarding the answers. This devotion to clarity and detail goes beyond regular performance of duty.

LTC Welch has been visiting VTC for two years or more, and the other members of his group for a like period. Please convey to them the sincere appreciation of myself and my staff for their fine performance. It has contributed immeasurably to the overall mission of this Center.

Sincerely yours,

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Coordinator  
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