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QUESTION: Can you give us a reading on the military situation in so far as infiltration of men and supplies is concerned in Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam?

SECRETARY LAIRD: Yes. The situation is much the same as it was at my last meeting here with you. The threat has increased in South Laos, as far as personnel. The threat in Cambodia as far as personnel is about the same as a year ago. The threat in South Vietnam is substantially less than the threat a year ago in South Vietnam. The enemy has had some difficulty moving down through South Laos to resupply his forces in Cambodia, but that particular effort has now started with the dry season.