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SUBJECT : Monthly Report of July 1967.

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A - EXTENSION -

New IVS'er Added to Staff - Dennis Wilczek, IVS/Agriculturist has been assigned to this area to work with agriculture programs.

Mr. Wilczek has been counterparted with Mr. Phimpha, RIG Extension Chief in the Savannakhet area ... also he will assist in other phases of the agriculture scheme as the need arises.

This IVS'er is proving to be a very useful addition the staff here. His apparent knowledge in entomology will provide a much needed back-stopping in this field.

Agriculture Staff Attended CDA-Agr. Conference - Mr. Wilczek, IVS/Agr. Mr. Ho, Field Assistant ; and the advisor attend a CDA Agr. Conference in Pakse July 14 - 15. The purpose of the meeting was to reemphasize a closer coordination between Agriculture and RDD Cluster Programs.

IR-8 and Fish Rice Demonstrations - The following IR-8 demonstration sites have been transplanted :

Savannakhet : - Ban Na Seng .....	3,000 m2	July 20,67
- Ban Nong Hong .....	10,000 m2	July 23,67
- Ban Kengkok .....	3,000 m2	July 27,67
- Ban Nong Doua Tha ...	3,000 m2	July 27,67
- Ban Paksong None Koung	3,000 m2	August 2,67
- Ban Phoumachedy .....	3,000 m2	July 21, 67
- Ban Nong Hong (ric-fish)	3,000m2	July 26, 67

Approximately 200 people attended the transplanting at Ban Nong Hong (at the invitation of Col Nouphet, GF-18 Commander ).

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The rice-fish demonstration was stocked with 1,600 carp fingerling tails.

Farmer Training and Truck Garden Demonstration Planned -

Conferences have been held with Mr. Veul, Provincial Agriculture Chief ; Mr. Phimpha, RIG/ Agriculture Extension Chief ; Mr. Wilczek, IVS/Agriculturist and the advisor to plan for future rice production farmer-training and a wet-season truck garden demonstration.

The "rough" outline has been accepted ... the details will be submitted for approval during the next weekly conference.

The farmer's training will be conducted in Kengkok ( Mr. Wilczek is preparing and collecting some of the teaching material for this training).

Signs for 1/2 Sack Fertilizer Program -

Approximately 600 signs ( about 10" x 5" ) have been prepared by RIG for identifying the 1,000 m2 plots fertilized by the farmers involved in the 1/2 sack ( fertilizer ) program.

B - ADO :

Savannakhet :

Personnel - John R. Esser, IVS/ADO returned from medical treatment July 7. Wade Chubbuck, IVS/ADO left for Vientiane and home leave July 24.

Seed purchased or sold - Eighty-six (86) bags of Taiwan rice ( 4,974 kgs ) was purchased this month in Kengkok ... There is now a total of 93 bags ( 5,608 Kgs ) of Taiwan rice stored in the Kengkok ADO Warehouse.

Three shipments of mixed paddy rice ( 13,946 Kgs ) have been sent to Thakhek for RDD ... approximately 1 ton remains in the warehouse.

Buffalo Loan Program - 1,001,000 Kip was spent to purchase 31 buffaloes which were distributed as follows :

- a - Muong Khanthabouli . . . . 12
- b - Muong Outhoumphone . . . . 9
- c - Muong Phoumachedy . . . . 10

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- Summary of Activities
- Rice seed distribution report finished.
  - Merchants stocked with new items, and additions made to contracts.
  - Fertilizer loans very slow. Approximately 45 farmers have borrowed to date.
  - Buffalo loans : refugee buffalo loans must be inoculated and registered in August.

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Fish ponds - One 20m x 8m pond in Ban Nong Hong and one 16m x 16m pond in Ban Bak ( Kengkok Cluster area ) have been respectively stocked with 1,100 and 800 carp fingerling tails on July 26 and August 2nd, 1967.

Two other ponds in Ban Nong Hong are under construction and will be completed around last part of August.