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SUBJECT: CONGRAT. MICHIGAN INQUIRY W/ WAR DAMAGE TO AID PROJECTS

REF: STATE OF WAR

1. BY FAR THE GREATEST OF DAMAGE SUFFERED BY USAID PROJECTS FROM ENEMY ACTIVITY IN LAST THREE YRS HAS BEEN INFLECTED ON HOSPITALS, AND (2) BRIDGES, WITH LOSSES IN CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND ~~TRUCK~~ VEHICLES BEING A DISTANT THIRD. WHILE THERE HAVE ALSO BEEN SEVERAL LOSSES OF RURAL SCHOOLS, DISPENSARIES AND OTHER SUCH FACILITIES THE DOLLAR VALUE OF SUCH LOSSES IS RELATIVELY MINOR.

2. US HAVE BEEN ABLE TO QUANTIFY THE LOSSES OF MEDICAL AND CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT, VEHICLES, BRIDGES, AND SUPPLIES WITH REASONABLE ACCURACY. THE VALUE ASSIGNED TO

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STRUCTURES SUCH AS SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS, WAREHOUSES, ETC. IS LESS PRECISE AS MANY OF THEM WERE FIRST CONSTRUCTED AND LATER ENLARGED OR MODIFIED OVER A PERIOD OF YEARS RUNNING BACK AS FAR AS TEN YEARS. SOME BUILDINGS WERE NOT INITIALLY CONSTRUCTED BY USAID IN WHICH CASES ONLY USAID INPUTS ARE QUANTIFIED. WITH ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PMIS SYSTEM (WHICH NOW PROVIDES US WITH HISTORICAL COST DATA ON ACTIVITIES IN THE SYSTEM BASICALLY SINCE 1971) WE ARE NOW IN A POSITION TO RETAIN AND RETRIEVE SUCH INFORMATION AS SOUGHT BY DEF INQUIRY WITHIN THIS NEW MEMORY SYSTEM BUT NOT OF COURSE FOR PRIOR YEAR ACTIVITIES.

3. WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT SOME SCHOOLS AND DISPENSARIES IN XIENG KECUANG, SEDONE, ATTOPEU, SARAVANE, AND SAVANNAKHET PROVINCES MAY HAVE BEEN DESTROYED OR DAMAGED IN THE HEAVY FIGHTING OF THIS AND LAST DRY SEASON BUT THERE IS NO WAY WE CAN EVALUATE SUCH

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~~UNLESS~~
SUSPECTED LOSSES ~~ON THIS~~ GROUND IS TAKEN. FOR
INSTANCE APPROXIMATELY 20 USAID-BUILT SCHOOLS IN
ATTOPEU PROVINCE AND 50 IN SARAVANE ARE NOW UNDER
ENEMY CONTROL. WHETHER THEY ARE DESTROYED OR THE
EXTENT TO WHICH THEY ARE DAMAGED IS UNKNOWN. SOME
50 USAID DISPENSARIES WERE ALSO OVERRUN IN FY70
THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY WITH THE LOSS OF ABOUT \$300
EACH IN EXPENDABLE COMMODITIES. THE STATUS OF THE
STRUCTURES THEMSELVES IS UNKNOWN. AS MENTIONED IN
PARA 1 ABOVE THE RELATIVE VALUE OF SUCH LOSSES IS
LOW RELATIVE TO THE TOTAL LOSSES WE CAN ACCOUNT FOR.

4. LOSSES IN FY72-FIRST THREE QUARTERS (TOTAL
ESTIMATED-\$239,000):

A. DAMAGE TO LONG TIENG HOSPITAL - \$40,000

HOSPITAL IS LOCATED AND HAS SUFFERED
BATTLE DAMAGE. THIS IS BEST ESTIMATE

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	<p>POSSIBLE AT THE TIME,</p> <p>E. LOSS OF <u>56 PRIMARY SCHOOLS IN KIENG KHOUANG PROV.</u> <u>\$17,000</u></p> <p>IN CURRENT N. VIETNAMESE OFFENSIVE</p> <p><u>56</u> REFUGEE SCHOOLS WERE OVERRUN. USAID INPUT INTO EACH SCHOOL IN MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES ESTIMATED AT <u>\$300.</u></p> <p>G. 12 BRIDGES SABOTAGED \$160,000</p> <p>DAMAGE TO BRIDGES RANGES FROM LOSS OF A FEW PANELS OR DECKING TO MAJOR DESTRUCTION OF PIERS AND BRIDGE STRUCTURE. INCLUDED IN \$160,000 FIGURE ARE FOLLOWING MAJOR CASES:</p> <p>-NAM DEUA BRIDGE, KHAMMCUANE: 62 METER EIFFEL (FRENCH) BRIDGE DESTROYED AND REPLACED WITH \$34,000 LAILEY.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LUANG PRABANG:</p> <p>-NAM KHUENE, XXXXXXXXXXXX 120 FOOT LAILEY</p>		

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	DESTROYED, \$26,000. NOT YET REPAIRED BECAUSE OF INSECURITY.	
	-BOUIE CHAMPL. STATION: 240 FOOT FAILEY DAMAGED, \$12,000. NOT YET REPAIRED BECAUSE OF INSECURITY.	
	-NAM MANG, FORKANE: 112 METER PIGEAUD(FRENCH) DESTROYED. TO BE REPLACED BY \$62,000 FAILEY.	
	D. LOSS OF RADIO TELECOM RELAY SITE (SITE 25) \$12,000	
	E. LOSS OF 2 JEEPS, ATT PEU PROVINCE \$6,000	
	F. LOSS OF PICKUP AND MOTORCYCLE, SARAVANE PROVINCE \$4,000	
	5. LOSSES IN FY71 (TOTAL ESTIMATED-\$407,500):	
	A. TOTAL LOSS OF PAKSONG HOSPITAL COMPLEX \$157,000	
	I. LOSS OF:	
	-NCN EXPENDABLE EQUIPMENT \$75,000	
	-EXPENDABLE SUPPLIES 15,000	
	-U.S. INPUTS INTO STRUCTURES 67,000	

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- 1 AMBULANCE AND 1 JEEP \$6,000
- B. LOSS OF U.S. INPUTS INTO SARAVANE HOSP. \$9,500
- C. 1 PWD SCRAPER SALOTAGE, SAVANNAKHET 13,600
- D. 1 PWD BULLDOZER DESTROYED, LONG TIENG 28,500
- E. 2 PWD BULLDOZERS HEAVILY DAMAGED DURING ATTACK ON HOUE NAM PHAY 23,600
- F. 1 TRUCK, RADIO, PUMPS, MISC. EQUIPMENT LOST IN HOUE NAM PHAY ATTACK 3,000
- G. 1 PWD DUMP TRUCK AND 1 PICKUP BLOWN UP AT THAKHEK 12,000
- H. 16 BRIDGES SABOTAGED (MAJOR INCIDENTS BELCV) 140,000
- NAM CU BRIDGE, KHAMMOUANE: 54 METER EIFFEL ~~BRIDGE~~ (FRENCH) BRIDGE DESTROYED AND REPLACED WITH \$42,000 GALLEY. EIFFEL
- PEAKOU BRIDGE, SEDONE: 21 METER ~~BRIDGE~~ DESTROYED

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	AND REPLACED WITH \$12,000 BAILEY.		
	-SE-CHAMPONE, SAVANNAKHET: 102 METER BAILEY DESTROYED, \$60,000. NOT YET REPAIRED.		
	I. ATTACK ON BAN XON-SITE 272 REFUGEE CENTER WITH LOSS OF 2 TRUCKS, 2 JEEPS, MINOR BUILDING DAMAGE		\$8,000
	J. ESTIMATED MISC. VEHICLE LOSSES TO ENEMY ACTION		12,300
	6. LOSSES IN FY70 (TOTAL ESTIMATED-\$1,060,700):		
	A. LOSS OF <u>SAM THONG</u> :		
	(1) EDUCATION COMPLEX (<u>31 CLASSROOMS</u> , OFFICES, DORMITORIES, RESIDENCES, WAREHOUSE AND SUPPLIES)		<u>\$85,500</u>
	(2) HOSPITAL COMPLEX (HOSPITAL, DORMITORY, WAREHOUSE)		360,000
	(3) EXPENDABLE MEDICAL SUPPLIES		<u>130,000</u>

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	(4) EXPENDABLE REFUGEE SUPPLIES	\$40,000	
	(5) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USAID FACILITIES (OFFICE, WARE- HOUSES, RESIDENCES, GENERATORS, RADIOS, OFFICE EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES)	115,000	
	(6) DESTROYED AND DAMAGED: P & D EQUIPMENT (DUMP TRUCKS, TRACTORS, WELDERS, PUMPS, SPARES, ETC)	62,400	
	(7) LIGHT TRUCKS AND JEEPS DESTROYED OR DAMAGED	21,000	
	B. EQUIPMENT LOST AT FALL OF PLAINE DES JABRES (DITCHER, WELDER, GENERATOR, TRAILER)	21,900	
	C. EQUIPMENT LOST AT FALL OF MUONG SOUH (WATER TRUCK, FRONT END LOADER, GENERATOR)	39,500	1

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	D. VEHICLES LOST AT HONG SA (DUMP TRUCK, JEEP, CARGO TRUCK) \$14,000
	E. ROAD EQUIPMENT LOST AT SARAVANE (DUMP TRUCK, 2 PICKUPS, WATER TRUCK) 11,400
	F. ROAD EQUIPMENT LOST AT ATTOPEU (CARGO TRUCK, DOZER, GRADER, TRACTOR, COMPRESSOR, WELDER) 38,000
	G. 8 BRIDGES SABOTAGED (OF WHICH MAJOR INCIDENTS ARE:) -HOUIE SIKHAY, SAVANNAKHET; 30 METER EIFFEL (FRENCH) BRIDGE DAMAGED:\$14,000 -NAM SA, BOKIKANE; 77 METER PIGEAUD (FRENCH) BRIDGE DESTROYED AND REPLACED WITH \$61,000 BAILEY.
	H. EXPENDABLE MEDICAL COMMODITIES IN APPROXIMATELY 50 DISPENSARIES \$15,000

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I. EXPENDABLE EDUCATION COMMODITIES IN

SARAVANE AND ATTOPEU PROVINCES

\$18,000

7. HOPE ABOVE WILL ENABLE YOU ADEQUATELY RESPOND TO CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY. WE HAVE TRIED TO PROVIDE AS REPORT COMPREHENSIVE/~~EXHAUSTIVE~~ POSSIBLE IN TIME AVAILABLE NOT KNOWING NATURE AND CONTEXT OF REQUEST. WOULD APPRECIATE ADDITIONAL INFO CONCERNING CONTEXT, IF PERTINENT, IN FUTURE REQUESTS OF THIS NATURE. ADVISE IF ADDITIONAL INFO REQUIRED.

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