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To : Dr. Robert M. Martin, Chief of Party, UH Team

(Signed in draft)
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Subject: Monthly Report, August, 1973

During this month, five texts have been proofread or edited. They are:

Beef Production
Buffale Production
Business Math
Conservation of Natural Resturces
Swine Production

The following are being edited or corrected and will be finished early next month:

Electricity Lab Manual
Lao Literature 5th Year

I have been greatly assisted by Mr. Kideng and Mr. Thong Inh of the Lao language department in the editing and proofreading work. In order to insure consistency in spelling and clearness of expression in Lao, all of our texts should be read by one of the Lao language teachers under the direction of the department chairman. Not only will this help us produce better textbooks but it will help in establishing the Lao language departments as the arbiters in questions of language as they rightfully should be.

The forms and procedures devised by Mr. Kumabe have greatly facilitated the text production process and should help to reduce our costs, increase our efficiency and raise the quality of the texts to an acceptable level.

The school improvement projects are progressing on schedule due to the strong leadership of Mr. Don Phrommachakr. The remodeling of the three rooms in classroom building B has gone rapidly with the help of the USAID carpenter, whose services were provided by Mr. O.K. Brown, FWD. The following projects have been completed thus far:

- 1) one cement walk by the curriculum center
- 2) one cement walk by classroom building B
- 3) repair of all school furniture
- 4) Construction of storage shelves in storeroom building B
- 5) partitioning and counters for Director's new office
- 6) transfer of equipment and supplies from Sam Thong rooms
- 7) construction of new shop table
- 8) construction of new school notice board
- 9) transplanting of trees

Some 650 trees of nine different kinds were obtained from the national forestry service nursery at Dong Dok by Director Somsak. They are now at the Fa Ngum greenhouse.

The change in elevation of the curriculum center sewer line has necessitated a change in the sewer line from the Lao cottage. This will be undertaken by the participants in the maintenance seminar under the direction of Mr. Rantala.

All UH team members at the school have moved into room 205 to allow the re-modeling of room 206 for the Director's office.

Seminars in Home Economics and Maintenance are presently in session.

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