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SUBJECT: Monthly Report, December 1971

Problems:

No significant problems to report.

Project Programs:

Twelve classrooms were destroyed by accidental fire during the month. However, all are currently being rebuilt and are expected to be ready for use following the Christmas break which ends December 25th.

A successful and enjoyable youth festival was held at Phong Sai on the 20th and 21st of November. Over 200 youth representing each school in the Huu Pham Inspectorate were present. The children constructed a housing area that resembled a boy scout camp in which they were quartered during the festival. Activities included story telling, skits, group singing, games and athletic contests. General Vang Pao along with various other military and government officials were on hand for the festival.

One of the special features on the program was General Vang Pao's marching band from Long Xiem. They played several numbers while going through various marching drills.

The majority of the refugee classrooms on the Vientiane plain have been repaired. Only three villages have yet to complete the repairs on their schools due to a lack of interest as some of the villagers are scheduled to move to new locations in the very near future. The villagers plan to wait and build new schools at the new locations.

One interesting observation made during the month that could have an effect on future education planning was the increase in the number of children born in the refugee villages. One Tasseng reported that there were approximately 80 children born in his village last year while there were over 120 children born this year.

The latest school statistics available are attached but are not complete. In several areas have yet to forward current statistics to this office.

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Attachment: REFUGEE EDUCATION STATISTICS

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PROVINCE/DISTRICT	S T U D E N T S							TEACHERS			CLASSROOMS		
	P-1	P-2	P-3	P-4	P-5	P-6	Total	CREC	RLC	Total	Comp.	In Process	Total
Vientiane Plain	x	x	x	x	x	x	5,002	86	31	117	122	30	152
Vang Vieng	x	x	x	x	x	x	766	=	=	39	19	3	22
Houa Phan	1,559	579	372	261	150	175	3,096	36	80	116	105	10	115
Viang Khouang	7,555	2,636	1,825	968	630	1,59	13,999	50 116 M	198	119	203	18	221
Sayaboury	x	x	x	x	x	x	1,566	4	24	43	45	6	51
Luang Prabang							3,035	8	25	33	22	35	57
Savannakhet							606	10	5	15	11	0	11
Borikham							490		0	6	8	0	8
Uppichanthong							83						2
Sithasudong							28						1
Pathe							2,375	33	58	91	15	16	31
Ban Houei Sai							3,862	51	3	54	59	19	78
Thakhek							148				7	2	9