

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

April 2, 1971

TO : Hunter Fitzgerald, CEA/National

FROM : Larry Woodson, CEA/Refugees (11)

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for March 1971

Problems

The Primary School Inspector/Xiang Khouang reports the closing of 50 primary schools and five groups of villages due to enemy activity. Initial estimates indicated that some 5,000 students were involved. This figure will be used in the attached statistics.

No action to be taken. (11)

Long Tieng School construction remains suspended as previously reported.

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The Primary School Inspector/Sam Nuea has relocated his office in Vientiane due to security. He reported that three schools in his inspectorate (Phou Sai, Vieng Keo, and Ban Xon) were closed for a few days during the month. Some of the parents in all three of the above mentioned villages have sent their children to Ban Thalat and to Vientiane.

Suggests CEA/RA report status next month. (11)

New arrivals of students in Vientiane can only complicate the existing problems of over-crowding, double sessions and non-enrollment of many students.

CEA/Refugees working on a plan. (11)

Some of the refugee villages on the Vientiane Plain have not maintained their temporary schools due to anticipated moves to permanent resettlement areas. Those that will not be moving before the end of the school year have been encouraged to make the necessary repairs. Additional plastic has been requested to replace that which either deteriorated or was damaged by earlier wind storms. Replacement should take place before the end of the dry season.

Suggests CEA/Refugees and appropriate COAs follow up in future work is done before rainy season begins. (11)

Project Progress

A special program was set up in Kiang Khwang Province to enable Grade 6 students to complete their education and then prepare for the CEP examination which will, if passed, permit them to take an entrance examination for secondary schools in the Kingdom. This program was set up in Fa Khe to accommodate the students from Long Tieng, Long Tieng Nam, Pha Khao, Ho Sou, Ban 10, and Sao Luang. Of the 220 Grade 6 students anticipated, 138 have already arrived along with most of the teachers from the above schools. During the first week teachers were busy repairing the school and constructing furniture. Grade 6 textbooks and other school supplies were delivered along with other basic refugee supplies, i.e., mosquito nets, blankets, pots, spoons, rice, meat, etc.

Notebooks that were specially printed for the refugee students have been delivered to the Ministry of Education Warehouse and the Education Division has recommended that a partial distribution be made immediately with the remainder being distributed just prior to the opening of school this fall. The Director of Primary Education has instructed his Primary School Inspectors to provide him with current refugee student notebook requirements upon which he will base notebook distribution. Assistance should be given as required to enable the Ministry of Education to get the notebooks out immediately after Lao New Year.

Construction on the 13 refugee classrooms in Yang Vieng is reported as being in progress. The two classrooms at Noksen were reported as being 10% complete while the two classrooms at both Phoungdang and Vieng Sa Mai being 5% complete.

The survey that was undertaken in Vientiane to determine the number of refugee students that had arrived since the beginning of school has been completed. It should be noted that the attached figures show only those who have been admitted and those who were allowed to enroll. It does not reflect those turned away from already over-crowded schools, many of which have been forced to run double sessions. The majority of the refugee students arriving in Vientiane are from Kiang Khwang Province.

attachments

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SAFETY AND SECURITY STUDENTS IN DIFFERENT
SCHOOLS IN VIETNAM/NORTH AREA - MARCH 1967

SCHOOLS	STUDENTS GROUP	P.1	P.2	P.3	P.4	P.5	P.6	TOTAL	OBSERVATIONS
Group: Scolaire Ha-Hai-Dai	Long Tieng	2	1	2	1	5		11	In school
	Sam Thong		1	1				2	" "
	Lat-Houay		1			1		2	" "
	Vang Vieng			1				1	" "
	Xiang Khouang	1						1	" "
Dual-Group Scolaire Sichangfane	Long Tieng	1	1		2		5	9	" "
	Sam Thong	2	1	1			1	5	" "
	Vang Vieng		1	1	2	0		4	" "
	Xiang Khouang	6	3	2	1			12	" "
	Attapon				2			2	" "
	Saravane	1			1			2	" "
	Paksane	1						1	" "
	(Long Tieng)	3	1	4	3	5	2	18	No classes but not in school
	(Sam Thong)	7	1	2	2	4		16	
	(Vang Vieng)	4	1	3	1		3	11	
	(Xiang Khouang)	2	1	3	4			10	
Dual-Group Scolaire Hong Song	Long Tieng	11	7	9	6	6		39	In school
	Sam Thong		5		1	2	2	10	" "
	Vang Vieng						1	1	" "
Dual-Group Scolaire Hong Yang	Long Tieng	6	3	3	(7)			18	In school except P.1
	Phou Lay	17	9	9	(29)	4	8	72	" "
	Na-Hom		4	2	(3)	1		10	" "
Group: Scolaire Thong Fou	Long Tieng	1	5	3	3	1	4	20	In school
	Sam Thong	5	1	4	1		2	13	" "
Group: Scolaire Naog Boiathong	Xiang Khouang	8	2	2		1	1	14	" "
	Sichangfane	2						2	" "
	Sam Neua	2			4		2	8	" "
	Saravane		1	2	1		1	5	" "
	Sam Thong				2	3		5	" "
Dual-Group Scolaire Hong Ping									No refugees available
Dual-Group & Scolaire Hong Nasoi	Vang Vieng	1	1	1				3	In school

SCHOOLS	STUDENTS FROM	P.1	P.2	P.3	P.4	P.5	P.6	TOTAL	OBSERVATIONS
Groupe Scolaire Pak Young									No refugee students
Groupe Scolaire Wattay	Sam Thong Pakasson Long Thong		7 3	1 1	1 1	1 1	3	7 1 3	In School " " " "
Groupe Scolaire Sikhay									No refugee students
Groupe Scolaire Xong Nio	Sam Young Na Xay	2	1					2 1	In School " "
TOTAL		23	57	30	71	36	35	347	
REGISTERED BUT NOT IN SCHOOL		16	4	9	46	7	3	89	
TOTAL IN SCHOOL		77	53	13	28	29	30	360	