

MARINES

NAVAL MESSAGE ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ NAVY DEPARTMENT

ROUTINE
Z 110518Z JUL 1965
FM COMUSMACV

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HQ USAF
CG FMFPAC
CG III MAF
CG THIRD MARDIV FWD
CG FIRST MAW ADV

MARINES

C O N F I D E N T I A L 23970 FROM MACJ323

SUBJ SCOUT DOGS (U)
REF A, CG III MAF DTG 181304Z (NOTAL)
B, CIRCUSARPAC DTG 220322Z (NOTAL)

1. (C) BY REFERENCE A, CG III MAF INFORMED COMUSMACV THAT THE MAF WAS USING TO ADVANTAGE ARVN SCOUT DOG TEAMS ASSIGNED TO I CORPS COMMANDER, BUT THAT SINCE THESE DOG TEAM RESOURCES WERE INSUFFICIENT TO MEET ITS REQUIREMENTS, THE MAF REQUESTED THE SUPPORT OF AN ADDITIONAL TWO PLATOONS OF APPROXIMATELY 25 SCOUT DOGS TOTAL FOR BOTH PLATOONS AS AN INTERIM MEASURE. MACV HAS REQUESTED RVNAF TO ASSIGN, TEMPORARILY, AN ADDITIONAL SCOUT DOG PLATOON TO I CORPS TO FURTHER SUPPORT THE MAF.

2. (C) IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE MAF WITH PERMANENT SUPPORT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO PROGRAM INTO RVN TWO SCOUT DOG PLATOONS CONSISTING OF A MINIMUM OF 25 DOGS, TO DATE MACV HAS NOT REQUESTED ANY SCOUT DOG UNITS BUT HAS REQUESTED THE FOLLOWING SENTRY DOG UNITS BY SERVICE:

- A. USA 103 SENTRY DOG TEAMS (206 DOGS)
- B. USAF FOUR FLIGHTS OF TEN SENTRY DOGS EACH.

3. (C) WHILE IT APPEARS THAT ARMY AND AIR FORCE REQUIREMENTS ARE GOING TO BE MET THROUGH SERVICE COMPONENT CHANNELS, THERE SEEMS TO BE NO IMMEDIATE SOURCE FROM WHICH TO

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