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 SP Pass COMUSMACV for Harkins  
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 H Embtels 668, 1249 and <sup>1251</sup>/~~1250~~ and Deptel 1055.  
 AID  
 P Authority to conduct crop destruction operations in Zone D area  
 USIA described in Embtel 1249 is hereby granted based on your assurance that  
 NSC  
 INR specific operations within this area will be personally approved by you  
 CIA and one of three leading generals in Military Revolutionary Council or  
 NSA Prime Minister. Operations should of course be subject to Deptel 1055  
 OSD  
 ARMY guidelines re psywar and civic action preparations and compensation and  
 NAVY You should also report each operation promptly after  
 AIR relief machinery. /execution, specifying exact location and preliminary  
 estimate results.  
 RMR Pursuant to Embtel 668 we prepared to consider delegating to you

authority to initiate operations in other similar areas under Viet Cong  
 domination subject to the same US and GVN controls. For this purpose  
 request you submit list of additional areas (with coordinates) where  
 and General Harkins  
 you/believe crop destruction is necessary and justified. END

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