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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: CH-47 in Thailand

Basis for Action: Instruction from DAO to get answers to questions at TAB B.

Summary: a. Telephone call made to MAC THAI on 22 Sep 1970. Talked to COL Young, Deputy at JUSMAG Army Advisory Group. COL Young provided a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding. (TAB A)

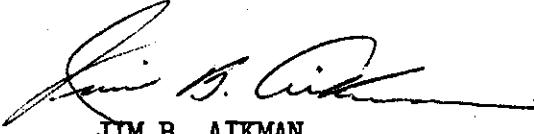
b. COL Young is researching the questions at TAB B and will provide answers as soon as practicable.

c. Regarding the subject of commitments between US Army and Royal Thai Army, COL Young stated that any agreements will be consummated by JUSMAG and will not commit USARV in any way.

Action Taken: Answers to questions at TAB B have been requested.

Coordination: Not required.

List of Tabs
A - Memo of Understanding
B - Questions


JIM B. AIKMAN
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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CHIEF OF STAFF, ROYAL THAI ARMY AND CHIEF, ARMY ADVISORY GROUP, JUSMAG THAILAND

1. GENERAL: Pursuant to the authority granted by their respective services, the Chief of Staff, Royal Thai Army and the Chief of Army Advisory Group, JUSMAG Thailand, enter into the following memorandum of understanding. This document defines the relationship between aviation personnel of the US Army and aviation personnel of the Royal Thai Army.
2. PURPOSE: The purpose of this memorandum of understanding is to outline an agreement by which US Army personnel provide flight and maintenance training to Royal Thai Army personnel in the RTA CH-47 (Chinook) helicopter in Thailand. Permission is granted authorizing US Army personnel to fly with Royal Thai Army personnel, under agreement outlined in paragraph 3 below.
3. IT IS AGREED THAT:
 - a. The US Army instructor pilot, while in performance of his instructor duties, and occupying a pilot seat of the aircraft, will be in command of the aircraft. The US Army instructor pilot will be on competent US orders as such.
 - b. The only RTA personnel to receive flight instruction from the US Army pilots are those possessing the following qualifications:
 - (1) Have flown over 500 hours as a pilot in helicopters.
 - (2) Have flown over 200 hours as a pilot in tandem rotor, cargo helicopters.
 - (3) Have an understanding of and be able to speak the English language.
 - c. The US Army personnel will not fly in support of, or approach areas of combat operations. They will not fly in support of aircraft recovery operations or civic action programs without approval of the US Embassy and the Army Advisory Group.
 - d. Neither the RTA nor US Army personnel, or their respective governments, will be held responsible to the other in event of loss of life or damage to property as a result of aircraft accident, or normal operation of the aircraft.

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e. All flights will be conducted in accordance with International Civic Aviation Organization (ICAO) rules and procedures.

4. AUTHORITY TO RESCIND: This memorandum of understanding may be rescinded at any time by either party represented herein.

Agreed this 22nd day of September, 1970, at Bangkok, Thailand.

GEN SURAKIJ MAYALARP
Chief of Staff
Royal Thai Army

COL JOHN E. LANCE, JR.
Chief
US Army Advisory Group

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QUESTIONS

1. Does the USARV IP certify anything upon completion of the training? yes
2. What certificate is it? USARV Form 177, RW Proficiency FLT Check Record.
3. What type records does he keep to support the THAI transition?
(Records for the THAI's) only USARV Form 177
4. If he certifies, it is in the name, or for MAC THAI or US Army? MACTHAT
5. Are there any flight records or other records the IP must sign? NO