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MESSAGES PERTAINING TO CH-47 TRANSFER AND TRAINING

- Avn 70-1163 * CINCPAC 122314Z Aug to CSAF, COMUSMACHTAI, MACV, & USARPAC, directed delivery of CH-47A with T55-17C engine w/crew on TDY for static and aerial display and operations as directed by COMUSMACHTAI. Message was retransmitted by USARPAC info to USARV under cite 140148Z Aug 70.
- 70-1162 * USARPAC 140146Z Aug to DA stated support and operation of + CH-47 *unclas* unattainable and requested clarification and guidance. MACV 151116Z Aug to USARV passed action to USARV on CINCPAC msg 122314Z Aug 70.
- 70-1183 * MACTHAI 180610Z Aug info USARV requested delay on delivery until 2 Sep 70. Also requested AGE and 180 repair parts.
- 70-1185 * USARV 180826Z Aug to MACTHAI, plus 3, provided itinerary for delivery, contacts, selected the aircraft by number and requested fund cite.
- Avn 70-1189 * DA 191747Z Aug to USARPAC in answer to their 140146Z Aug and recognizes limitations of one aircraft but directs maximum support in way of supply and maintenance personnel, repair parts, tools and support equipment.
- 70-1203 * MACTHAI 201040Z Aug to MACV, info USARV requested transition training in RVN for four RTAF aviators and 13 maintenance personnel. Also requested Fort Rucker provide earliest date possible if USARV cannot provide.
- 70-1201 * USARPAC 210252Z Aug to USARV requested USARV take action to provide first CH-47. States funding will be addressed separately.
- 70-1208 * USARV 210702Z Aug to 1st Avn Bde changed report date of CH-47 and crew to 2 Sep 70.
- 70-1221 * MACTHAI 250800Z Aug 70 to AFCC requested fund cite for CH-47 crew.
- 70-1228 * MACTHAI 251030Z Aug 70 to MACV and USARV cited limitations on operation of CH-47 in Thailand due to lack of qualified personnel, intent to put aircraft in flyable storage and outlined requirements anticipated of crew. (Did Not include any transition training) Specifically requested of USARV individual to instruct in rigging and loading, and repair parts until stockage objectives reached in Thailand.
- 70-1230 * AFIC 251849Z Aug to McClellan AFB info USARV directing issue of fund cite for TDY (\$6,000 limit) for crew.
- 70-1283 * USARV 040009Z Sep to MACTHAI answered their 201040Z Aug and advised USARV could not conduct training, recommended training in CONUS.
- 70-1306 * MACTHAI 080801Z Sep to CINCPAC, info USARV, stated USARV had not received transfer instructions; requested clarification and appropriate instructions.
- 70-1305 * ADMIN CINCPAC 082254Z Sep to MACTHAI and USARPAC directed transfer action be completed immediately.

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* ADMIN CINCPAC 082256Z Sep info command retransmittal of SECDEF 031858Z stated funding for two aircraft would be accommodated in MASF ceiling and requested program data.

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* CINCUSARPAC 090559Z Sep, info USARV, retrans of CINCPAC 060241Z Sep to MACTHAI requested submission of reprogramming data NLT 11 Sep 70.

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* USARPAC 100054Z Sep to USARV confirmed immediate transfer action of CH-47.

** MACTHAI 190508Z Sep 70 to CINCPAC and MACV, info USARV, outlined decision to put CH-47 in RTA via RTAF, MACTHAI plan for training using USARV assets, long lead time problems associated with CONUS training and requested: 1. From MACV, extension of TDY for crew and use of MTT for 10 RTA maintenance personnel; 2. From CINCPAC, approval of the plan plus starting dates for selected related courses in CONUS.

** MACTHAI 250437Z Sep 70 to CINCPAC and MACV, info USARPAC and USARV, complained about USARV directing IP to stop transition training, reiterated the long delay involved with CONUS training and asked that training continue pending answer to MACTHAI 190508Z Sep.

** DA 242123Z Sep 70 to USARPAC, info ALCON, stated MTT could accommodate the THAI, made no reference to pilot training except it would be addressed separately.

260357Z Sep 70
** ADMIN CINCPAC to USARPAC, info DA, MACV, USARV, requesting full consideration be given to MACTHAI training plan per MACTHAI 190508Z Sep.

** MACV 260420Z Sep to USARV requested USARV evaluation of MACTHAI plan as outlined in message 190508Z Sep 70.

** MACV 280132Z Sep to USARV requested ~~an answer~~ answer to MACV 260402Z Sep include comment on why USARV directed training be stopped (MACTHAI 250437Z Sep)

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* USARV 290814Z Sep to MACV answered MACV 260420Z and 280132Z Sep msg. Restated USARV position and did not concur with MACTHAI training program.

** USARPAC 300552Z Sep to CINCPAC comments on MACTHAI training program, outlines shortcomings and recommends CONUS training; offers to ~~assist in obtaining~~ expedited obtaining quotas for transition course only.

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* DF, PDR ^{24 Sep 70} to obtain C8S approval for release of msg 290814Z Sep.

** CINCPAC 030040Z Oct to MACTHAI directs THAI aviator training be done in CONUS and coordinate for use of DA MTT in RVN for mechanic training.

? DIR MAT MGT, MEDELLAN AFB 252159Z Aug provides TDY fund cite for crew.
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* MACTHAI 100900Z Oct 70 to CINCPAC requested reconsideration of MACTHAI training plan due to strong political pressures.