

FACT SHEET

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SUBJECT: Aircraft Retrograde

PURPOSE:

To provide information concerning aircraft retrograde.

FACTS:

1. Increment XI dictated the retrograde of over 1300 aircraft to reduce to a force structure of 712 authorized aircraft plus 71 float and 27 attrition aircraft by 1 May 72.
2. Plans were implemented to retrograde the serviceable aircraft via Seatrain vessels and Sealand vans with unserviceable aircraft going by special mission airlift.
3. The current tactical situation caused the retention of four scheduled keystone units and halted aircraft retrograde. Only 1098 aircraft were retrograded as of 1 May 72.
4. Losses sustained since the start of the offensive have made it necessary to request input of 12 each OH-6A, UH-1H and AH-1G aircraft during the month of May. This input requirement will continue commensurate with aircraft losses.
5. The USARV inventory has dropped from 2488 to 1128, or a loss of 1360 aircraft. This total includes retrograde, destroyed and 981 losses to the inventory.

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