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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 12TH COMBAT AVIATION GROUP
APO San Francisco 96266

AVBACA-SC

10 April 1969

SUBJECT: Feasibility Study (U)

Commanding General
1st Aviation Brigade
ATTN: AVBAGC-P
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1. (U) Reference letter, HQ 1st Avn Bde, dtd 28 Mar 69, subject as above.
2. (U) The feasibility and desirability of transferring the 214th CAB to the 164th CAG was evaluated only from the standpoint of command and control and aviation support requirements. Administration and facility considerations do not appear to be significant.
3. (U) The factors determining the 12th CAG position on desirability of the transfer are the imbalance of aviation assets between the two corps areas and the ultimate assignment of the 9th Infantry Division.
4. (U) Until such time as the 9th Infantry Division is relieved from complete or partial operational control of CG, II FFV and no contingency exists for its return, the 214th CAB can best be controlled and managed by this Headquarters.
5. (C) Additionally, the transfer of the 214th would cause a critical imbalance in the aviation support provided in the III and IV Corps areas. Presently, nine AHC and two ASHC support IV Corps and twelve AHC and three ASHC support II FFV/III Corps. Based on the rationale for aviation support contained in the USARV Aviation Support Study, 1967, IV Corps is presently being fully supported with AHC's while II FFV/III Corps is short six companies. The return of the 9th Div to II FFV without the 214th CAB would create an even greater imbalance. The distribution of ASHC between the two corps areas is fairly equitable although both are below the optimum level recommended in the USARV study.
5. (C) Recent action by CG, II FFV to effect the return of the 9th Div and to acquire additional aviation assets for II FFV makes any action to transfer the 214th CAB even less desirable.

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6. (U) Recommend that no further consideration be given to the transfer of the 214th CAB to the 164th CAG.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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