

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

VIETNAM ADVISORY GROUP

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: ✓ Dr. Ruben Austin, Coordinator and DATE: October 27, 1960
A. F. Brandstatter, Director, School of Police Adm.
FROM: Ralph Turner, Chief, Police Administration Div. *RT*
SUBJECT: Returned Participants

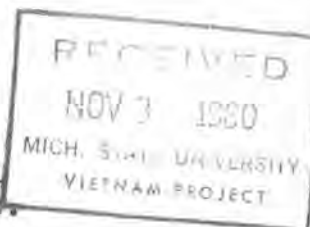
All but one of the MSUG-funded participants have returned to Vietnam without mishap. Miss Dinh is scheduled to arrive this evening.

During this week Strecher and I met with the entire group to discuss their training programs and travels about the United States. All of the participants expressed appreciation for the hospitality and assistance extended to them by you and your staff. They all agreed that they had gained much of value during their stay in the United States.

There were a number of comments made during the discussion that would probably be of interest to you for the planning of future training programs. These comments, in paraphrase, are as follows:

1. The English-language course provided at MSU was of a lower level than they had left in Vietnam, and was not of great benefit. They would have preferred to be in the non-credit 090 language improvement course.
2. The field trips and on-the-job training tours were overly hurried, with too little time spent at each place. They would have preferred fewer cities with more time in each.
3. Two of the participants who studied crime lab and criminal investigation reported visiting only state highway patrols. They did not see a crime detection laboratory on their training tours.
4. In Kansas City, the participants were not met at the airport. They went to the police station, where they were not expected. According to their story, the officers checked the files and found a letter regarding their visit, but without a date of arrival. From that point on, Mr. Phuc telegraphed ahead to announce the group's arrival.

By way of contrast, the entire group had high praise for the Seminar in Communications held at Boyne City. This, they agreed, had been of considerable benefit to them. As additional participants return to Vietnam, and as we gain more information, we shall keep you informed regarding the opinions and suggestions of the trainees.



November 4, 1960

TO: Ralph Turner
FROM: Ruben V. Austin
SUBJECT: Returned Participants

We are deeply concerned with the reactions that the returned participants carry with them. We think that your policy of meeting with them as they return is a very important task. Specifically, they can guide us by letting us know where we have failed and also what we should emphasize.

1. Our office has been very much concerned with the English language program. Actually, we have had many criticisms from the Brazilian participants concerning the non-credit 090 language course. I hope that, through Dean Taggart's office, this problem can be resolved so that foreign students can have a program that gives them the facility in English necessary to pursue further work.
2. As I have mentioned in other memos, I have been personally concerned over many of the field trips that have been taken in the past. Many of them cannot be justified, it appears to me, other than on the basis of the cultural value brought about by enhancing their knowledge of our country. Of course, I cannot speak for the police administration program type of trip.

We shall continue to work as closely with you and will appreciate suggested field-trip experiences and visitations within the budgetary limits imposed by the contract.

RVA:sf

cc: Professor Brandstatter

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NOVEMBER 11, 1960

TO RALPH TURNER
FROM RUBEN V. AUSTIN
SUBJECT FY-60 POLICE PARTICIPANTS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR NOVEMBER 4 MEMO; WE APPRECIATE SUCH INFORMATION AND, EVEN THOUGH THEY MAY NOT BE COMING TO MSU AND, IF SO, ARRANGEMENTS WILL ORIGINATE IN WASHINGTON, THIS CERTAINLY WILL HELP OUR OFFICE AND ART BRANDSTATTER'S AS WELL, SINCE HE WILL BE DIRECTLY INVOLVED.

RVA:JR

cc AFBRANDSTATTER

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Ruben V. Austin

DATE: November 4, 1960

FROM: Ralph F. Turner *RF*

SUBJECT: FY-60 Police Participants -- Place of Study

The following information regarding departure dates and places of study for FY-60 police participants comes in reply to your memo of October 19.

There are tentatively six training programs for FY-60, all of which are USOM-funded. Although departures during October and November were contemplated, there will probably be no departures for the U.S. before December. The motor vehicle maintenance participant mentioned in the September Monthly Report cannot leave as planned because of a cancellation and rescheduling of the course.

Your question about whether any participants may be attending classes at Michigan State is not a simple one to answer. However, if police participants do go to Michigan State, they will do so under the programming of ICA/W and IACP. All police participants for FY-60 are being programmed by means of PIO/P's. In order to provide you with a complete picture of this year's program, I'll quote from one of the PIO/P texts.

Training to be arranged in cooperation with the International Association of Chiefs of Police, with adherence to the following specifications.

Training should begin with at least three quarters or two semesters of academic course work in the department of police administration at one of the following institutions: Michigan State University, University of Indiana, Sacramento State College, San Jose State College, Washington State University.

Participants should be enrolled in courses relating to basic police patrols, police administration and organization and criminal investigation. Following formal educational courses, participants should be assigned to observe the activities of large and/or medium-sized municipal police departments, concentrating their observations upon precinct operations, record bureau operations, communications, and jail operations. . .

Michigan State University is mentioned similarly in the PIO/P programming of four of the six programs: Municipal Police Administration, Police Instruction, Juvenile Delinquency Control, and Criminal Identification.



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Thus, you can see that we will not know whether ICA/W - IACP plans to send participants to Michigan State; if they do, you will receive notification directly from Washington, and all arrangements for admission, enrollment, travel, etc., will originate in Washington.

