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1. Deptel 534 para 9 referred only to those MAP and CAS supported airborne ranger units under Tung's command and situated in or near Saigon. Support will no longer be provided such units unless they are placed under JCS control and committed to field operations.

2. As separate matter, CAS is in process of transferring responsibility for certain of its paramilitary activities to MACV, many of which are conducted through Col. Tung. This transfer is contributory to the objectives of bringing these Ops under JCS control and reducing Col. Tung's independent power. Coordinated interagency paper which supplements Deptel 534 states as follows and should be used as guidance in implementing actions listed para 3 below:

The recommended transfer from CAS to MACV of border surveillance and mountain scout forces is desirable in its own right. Funding through FY 1964 will continue to be supplied through CAS under the

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part from CAS to MACV

whether support for Laos and NVN Ops should be transferred wholly or in

part to CAS and MACV should jointly recommend to the Ambassador

continued by CAS, transferred to MACV or otherwise disposed of

to Ambassador whether support for combat intel teams should be

of CAS/MACV/USMC should be under separate recommendation

to MACV has been approved and should proceed

B- Transfer of support to border surveillance personnel

approved and should proceed

A- Transfer of support to mountain scout to MACV has been

below)

continued unless specifically noted to contrary in A and B

following actions be taken: (payments to them units/camp be

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3. With regard to items one through eight of request

up by U.S. military advisors

than military circles. Hopefully, this slack could be taken

would result in the loss of some CAS liaison connections in

"Such recommended or possible transfers from CAS responsibility

operations into south Laos and North Viet-Nam.

part certain CAS activities; combat intelligence teams and

it is wise and feasible to transfer to MACV wholly or in

Furthermore, MACV and CAS should urgently consider whether

same procedures now used for CIDG forces

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E. British Malayan Team. Same as C above.

F. Transfer support of CIDG strike forces to MACV has been approved and is understood to have been completed.

G and H. Special forces high command HQS and elements of 31st and 77th Special Forces group should not repeat not be paid if they remain in vicinity of Saigon and are not under JCS control. Suggest MACV reraise its previous suggestion that Special Forces HQS be moved to Nha Trang.

I. Request CAS and MACV review question of placing NVN and Laos Ops under JCS, submitting their recommendations to Ambassador for his comments and forwarding to Washington.

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