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 FROM: DD/S [REDACTED] INDEX
 SUBJECT: [REDACTED] NO INDEX
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TO: VIENTIANE [REDACTED]

TIG GEN HR70-14

FROM: DIRECTOR

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VEIN [REDACTED] INFO. [REDACTED] CITE DIR [REDACTED]

1. CONSEQUENT TO 14 JAN CRASH OF C-47, B929 AND TREATMENT OF CREW BY VIET CONG, HQS GRANTED POLICY APPROVAL ARMING [REDACTED] CREWS OPERATING IN VIETNAM. APPROVAL BASED PRIMARILY ON BELIEF DOWNED AIRCREWMEN WILL BE ENABLED TO HOLD UNFRIENDLIES OUT OF GRENADE RANGE FOR A LIMITED TIME PERMITTING ARRIVAL OF RESCUE FORCES.

2. SAIG STATION AND [REDACTED] JOINTLY SELECTING SUITABLE WEAPON AND ESTABLISHING NECESSARY CONTROLS TO AVOID MISUSE, LOSS, ETC. AMONG CONTROLS BEING ESTABLISHED ARE:

A. [REDACTED] ESTABLISHING A SECURE ARMORY AT SAIG BASE, IN CHARGE OF TECHNICIAN RESPONSIBLE FOR DAILY MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE.

B. AIRCREWMEN WILL DRAW GUNS AND AMMO FROM THE ARMORY PRIOR TO DEPARTURE AND TURN THEM IN UPON RETURN TO BASE.

C. SAFE AND PROPER STORAGE OF WEAPONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT.

D. CONTROL PROCEDURES WILL BE ADMINISTERED UNDER AEGIS OF [REDACTED] SECUR THROUGH CHIEF SECURITY AT SAIG [REDACTED] BASE IN COORDINATION WITH AND UNDER LOCAL SUPERVISION OF [REDACTED] BASE MGR SAIG.

E. SAIG STATION ARRANGING WEAPONS TRAINING FOR CREW MEMBERS.

APPROVED FOR
RELEASE DATE:
14-Sep-2009

RELEASING OFFICER [REDACTED]

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F. WEAPONS WILL BE REQUISITIONED BY STATION AND TURNED OVER [REDACTED]

TO [REDACTED] ON HAND RECEIPT.

3. U.S. EMBASSY SAIG CONCURS WHOLEHEARTEDLY IN ARMING CREWS OPERATING IN VIETNAM.

4. REQUEST VETN [REDACTED] REVIEW CURRENT POLICY RE ARMING [REDACTED] AIRCREWS OPERATING IN LAOS AND ADVISE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE POLICY.

END OF MESSAGE

A-DD/S Mr. Warfield (Draft)

DD/S [REDACTED] (Draft)

DD/P AIR MR. [REDACTED] (PHONE)

[REDACTED] (Draft)

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