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21 April 1969

Mr. Bannerman:

[redacted] Larry Houston and I met on this paper this afternoon with special reference to your concerns about paragraphs 13 and 14. [redacted] felt that his paper, which he didn't write, probably had too much philosophy in it and that essentially all he wanted to say was that Air America should not interfere with CASI's negotiations for political reasons and that CASI should be encouraged to stay in Vietnam as an alternate air support facility. He understands your point that Air America is attempting to establish a non-Agency affiliated <sup>presence</sup> program in Vietnam for the long haul and thinks this is good.

The memorandum, in my opinion, is not reflective of [redacted] attitude which seems to me quite reasonable. He agrees that it would not be a good idea at all for CASI/Air Vietnam to be the sole air support facility; in other words to have a monopoly.

Larry Houston is prepared to discuss this with you further after the 9 o'clock meeting should you so desire but due to [redacted] having to go to a 303 Committee meeting tomorrow morning and [redacted] having to leave early to make arrangements for lunch there won't be any formal meeting tomorrow morning.

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