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FOR GEN BEVAN FROM COL COOPER

SUBJ: RECAP OF DISCUSSIONS DURING 8 JAN 74 VISIT

1. TOPIC: SUPPORT FLYING PROGRAM

COMMENTS: APPRECIATE YOUR PROMPT REPLY TO OUR PROPOSAL FOR A REDUCED SUPPORT AIRCRAFT FLYING PROGRAM. WE WILL DO OUR UTMOST TO JUSTIFY YOUR CONTINUED CONFIDENCE AND I ASSURE YOU THIS SUBJECT WILL RECEIVE MY CLOSE PERSONAL ATTENTION.

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2. TOPIC:



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COMMENTS: LEASE FOR



WILL TERMINATE 17 FEB 74.

IF QUARTERS ARE REQUIRED FOR FUTURE THEN TAILERS AT NORTH EDWARDS WILL BE UTILIZED FOR THIS PURPOSE.

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3. TOPIC:



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COMMENTS: PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION WITH BASE PERSONNEL IS NOT TOO ENCOURAGING. APPARENTLY MOST NAVIGATORS ASSIGNED TO EDWARDS HAVE TECHNICAL SPECIALTIES, BUT WE ARE PURSUING THIS FURTHER AND

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WILL KEEP YOU ADVISED.

4. TOPIC: PHASE OUT PLAN

COMMENTS: I HAVE DISCUSSED THIS TOPIC WITH [Redacted] AND AM ALMOST AFRAID TO COMMIT IT TO PRINT. HE STATES THAT THE DEPOT HAS A MACHINE RUN LISTING OF ALL U-2 EQUIPMENT/PARTS AND ASSOCIATED SUPPORT EQUIPMENT AND THAT ONCE WE GET THE WORD AS TO WHEN AND WHERE, IT SHOULD BE NO PROBLEM. HE FELT THERE WAS NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME TO PREPARE ANY SORT OF DEFINITIVE PLAN. I FULLY APPRECIATE THAT YOU DON'T WANT TO BE "CAUGHT SHORT", BUT BELIEVE WE WOULD BE ON MORE SOLID GROUND TO AWAIT SOME SORT OF AN ANNOUNCEMENT RELATIVE TO TIMING. THIS WILL ALSO PRECLUDE STIRRING UP THE TROOPS.

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5. TOPIC: FLYING JACKET

COMMENTS: ITEM IS ON ORDER. NO DELIVERY DATE YET. WILL ADVISE WHEN AVAILABLE.

6. TOPIC: PERSONNEL ACTIONS

COMMENTS: IF YOU WILL RECALL I RECOMMENDED THREE SEPARATE PERSONNEL ACTIONS. THEY WERE CURTAILMENT FOR [Redacted]

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25X1A EXTENSION PAST AGE 55 FOR AND IF POSSIBLE SOME WAY TO
 25X1A PROMOTE I DON'T INTEND TO INVOLVE YOU IN ANY OF THE
 TECHNICAL DETAILS, BUT SIMPLY TO ENLIST YOUR SUPPORT IF NECESSARY.

7. NEW SUBJECT: PARACEL ISLANDS. IT APPEARS THAT WE SHOULD BE
 INTERESTED IN WHAT IS TAKING PLACE OUT THERE. THIS SHOULD BE AN EASY

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