

21 AUG 1970



MEMORANDUM FOR:



Chief, Far East Division, DDP

SUBJECT

: OER Project 52.5732, Communist Subversion in the South Vietnamese Army and Security Apparatus

1. Attached is a revised draft of OER Project 52.5732 Communist Subversion in the South Vietnamese Army and Security Apparatus. This draft has been fully coordinated with OCI, ONE and SAVA and once your coordination is received it will go to press. It now incorporates many of the suggestions and comments you sent to us on 29 June 1970. In addition, I understand that there has been a number of meetings between analysts in OER and   to iron out other differences in opinion.

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2. You will recall the history of this report. On 19 May Dr. Kissinger requested of Mr. Helms an analysis of Viet Cong military proselyting and penetrating activities. On 25 June Mr. Helms responded by sending to Dr. Kissinger an eight page memorandum with an attachment on Communist Subversive Efforts in South Vietnam. The attachment was coordinated throughout the Agency. In his memorandum to Dr. Kissinger, the DCI indicated that a more thorough study was underway and would be sent to Dr. Kissinger as soon as it was completed. It is this report which is attached. It is essentially an amplification of the short report already sent to Dr. Kissinger.

3. Some specific changes or corrections can still be made in the report. However, we have moved slowly through the coordination process so as to satisfy as many divergent views as possible. Further delays could become embarrassing because the NSC staff knows that this report



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is in coordination and delay could lead them to believe that there are greater divergencies of views within the Agency than have, in fact, ever existed.

4. I have enclosed copies of your earlier comments and have indicated with marginal notes those which were specifically taken into account in the detailed redrafting of the report. I have also enclosed a copy of Mr. Helms' memorandum of 25 June 1970 to Dr. Kissinger and a copy of the coordinated memorandum and attachment on Communist Subversive Efforts in South Vietnam.



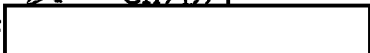
Chief
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Attachments:

1. IM on "Communist Subversion in the South Vietnamese Army and Security Apparatus
2. Your memo to DD/OER dated 29 Jun 70 re Communist Military Proselyting Agents in the South Vietnamese Army and Security Services
3. Memorandum from DCI to Dr. Kissinger dated 25 Jun 70 re Viet Cong Military Proselyting and Penetration Activities

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