

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

INFORMATION

23 July 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

GENERAL HAIG

FROM:

ADMIRAL WELANDER *Pow*

SUBJECT:

Ladd and MEDTC in Phnom Penh

Local negotiations have resulted in the attached.

Swank is sending instructions to his DCM to grant country clearance for the MEDT augmentees.

Perhaps now the more serious business can go forward.

JCS REVIEWED 29-Nov-2010: NO OBJECTION TO DECLASSIFICATION

REFER TO OSD

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Copy to:
Colonel Kennedy

OSD REVIEWED 28-Nov-2011: NO OBJECTION TO DECLASSIFICATION

DOS REVIEWED 17-Jan-2012: NO OBJECTION TO DECLASSIFICATION

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

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MEMORANDUM FOR AMBASSADOR SWANK

Subj: Additional Military Personnel for Cambodia (C)

1. (S) Reference our telephone conversation yesterday regarding the assignment of two highly qualified, French-speaking lieutenant colonels to assist the Political/Military Counselor in his duties and our discussion on 20 July 1971 of the additional 27 MEDF-C personnel for deployment to Phnom Penh.

2. (C) Attached are two messages which I have dispatched on these subjects in order to implement our agreement. I trust this arrangement is satisfactory to you and presume that you will issue immediate instructions to DCM Enders so that country clearances can be granted for the above personnel.

T. H. MOOPER
Chairman
Joint Chiefs of Staff

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FOR GEN WESTMORELAND AND ADM MCCAIN, INFO GEN-ABRAMS, COL DUFALD,
ACTING CHIEF, MEDT-C, MR. ENDERS, DCM, FROM ADM MOORER

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SUBJ: MILITARY ASSISTANTS FOR POL/MIL COUNSELOR PHNOM PENH

1. (S) AMB SWANK AND I HAVE AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE PRUDENT TO ASSIGN TWO FRENCH-SPEAKING US ARMY LIEUTENANT COLONELS AS SPECIAL ASSISTANTS TO THE POL/MIL COUNSELOR AMEMB PHNOM PENH. IT WAS ALSO AGREED THAT THESE TWO OFFICERS WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE CHARGEABLE TO THE MEDT-C AUTHORIZATION, NOR TO THE MEDT-C CEILING IN CAMBODIA.

2. (S) THIS PROPOSAL HAS ALSO BEEN DISCUSSED WITH AND CONCURRED IN BY UNDER SECRETARY JOHNSON, DEPSECDEF PACKARD, AND ADM MCCAIN.

3. (S) FOR GEN WESTMORELAND. REQUEST YOU IDENTIFY ON A PRIORITY BASIS TWO HIGHLY QUALIFIED FRENCH-SPEAKING LIEUTENANT COLONELS FOR TRANSFER TO PHNOM PENH. ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION WILL BE FURNISHED SEPARATELY.

4. (S) FOR ADM MCCAIN. REQUEST YOU COORDINATE COUNTRY CLEARANCE AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS WITH EMB PHNOM PENH AS APPROPRIATE.

WARM REGARDS. GP-4

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SUBJ: DEPLOYMENT OF MEDT-C PERSONNEL TO CAMBODIA (U)

REF: CINCPAC 210411Z JUL 71 (NOTAL)

1. (S) I MET WITH AMB SWANK ON 20 JULY AND DISCUSSED DEPLOYMENT OF THE ADDITIONAL 27 MEDT-C PERSONNEL FOR CAMBODIA. THE AMB AND I HAVE AGREED, THAT THE 27 ADDITIONAL MEDT-C PERSONNEL SHOULD START DEPLOYMENT TO CAMBODIA ASAP. DURING OUR DISCUSSION THE AMB NOTED THAT THE CHIEF, MEDT HAD PROPOSED INCLUDING SIX COMMUNICATORS IN THIS GROUP. THE AMBASSADOR'S VIEW WAS THAT THIS WAS FOUR TOO MANY ON THE BASIS THAT HE COULD MAKE A COMMUNICATIONS CIRCUIT AVAILABLE TO THE CHIEF, MEDT. I DISCUSSED THIS PROBLEM TODAY WITH GEN MATAxis AND SUGGESTED THAT HE IDENTIFY FOUR KEY LOGISTICIANS IN LIEU OF THE FOUR COMMUNICATORS AND COORDINATE THIS WITH EMBASSY PHNOM PENH.
2. (S) IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, REQUEST YOU DIRECT ACTING CHIEF, MEDT TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO BEGIN IMMEDIATE DEPLOYMENT OF THE ADDITIONAL 27 MEDT PERSONNEL TO CAMBODIA, COORDINATING DEPLOYMENT

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SCHEDULE AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS WITH THE DCM AS APPROPRIATE.

3. (S) I HAVE DISCUSSED THE ABOVE WITH ALEX JOHNSON AND HE CONCURS.

WARM REGARDS.

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