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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Actions on Cambodia

The following is a report on actions taken or underway on Cambodia from July 27 through 6:00 p.m., July 31.

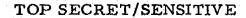
Military Operations: ARVN forces operating in the Krek/Fishhook area and in the Mekong delta/seacoast region continued to make contacts with enemy units up to company size.

-- U.S./VNAF air operations included 15 B-52 strikes, 262 tacair missions, and 114 recce missions. Ten pieces of roadbuilding equipment were damaged or destroyed, plus 6 vehicles and 3 motor launches.

Third Country Military Forces in Support of Cambodia: Our Embassy in Bangkok reports some 70 Thai air strikes since July 4 in Cambodia; the principal result has been the destruction of boats on the Tonle Sap.

Military Assistance: The following equipment was delivered:

	U.S. Origin	Captured
Small arms ammo	39,600 rds.	
Machine Gun ammo	59,535 rds.	70,722
Rockets	1,976	•
Mortar ammo	778 rds.	
Grenades		360
Mines		3,426
Air munitions		
Rockets	88	
Bombs	114	
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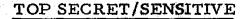
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-- Cumulative Shipments to Cambodia by Type and Source Since April 22:

	U.S. Origin	Captured
small arms	27,644	15,486
crew served weapons	1,333	1,811
vehicles	40	0
radios/equipment	373	0
small arms ammo	14,336,428 rds.	2,631,746 rds.
crew served weapons ammo	1,161,375 rds.	3,211,602 rds.
artillery munitions	9,000 rds.	0
air munitions		
miscellaneous	108 tons	
ammo and rockets	48,588	
bombs	1,260	
spare parts	1,120 lbs.	

- -- Ambassador Unger has proposed an increase in MASF for Thailand to improve Thai capabilities for assistance in Cambodia by providing trade-offs. He has identified \$18.9 million in projects of high priority, and \$33.95 million in lower-priority projects.
- -- The Indonesians are prepared to go ahead forthwith with the shipment of 2,500 AK-47s and 750,000 rounds of ammunition, with the remainder of the 15,000 to be shipped as U.S. replacement rifles arrive. They have made alternative proposals for U.S. direct delivery or for delivery through the Thai or the GVN. The long-range problem of ammunition for AK-47s has not been resolved, and we have advised our Embassy in Djakarta to proceed with the first 2,500, but to avoid commitments on the remainder until the issue can be sorted out. Our Embassy in Phnom Penh suggests that direct delivery by the USAF from Djakarta would be the best way of delivering the AK-47s, and has pointed out that the only Cambodian sensitivity will be irritation if they discover that they are getting AK-47s while the Indonesians are getting the more desirable M-16s.
- -- Embassy Bangkok has set up a Thai-U.S. working group to coordinate supplies for the Thai-Khmer group presently in training. The most urgent requirement is for training ammunition.

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Economic Aid: An IMF representative has spent three days in Cambodia and has gotten a GOC request for a full IMF mission. We will support the plan for an immediate mission with IMF officials in Washington. Hopefully, such a mission will identify Cambodia's priority economic requirements and will internationalize the assistance effort.

- -- The Netherlands Red Cross has made a token donation of some \$2,000 for Cambodian relief.
- -- The Australians have decided to withdraw Australian technicians from the Prek Thnot dam project (a long-standing Mekong development project) in view of the insecurity of the area. The decision will be reviewed in October.

- -- Our recent support for Cambodian radio broadcasting operations has included the provision of programs and scripts to up-grade the content. We have finished installation of the temporary 10 KM transmitter to improve coverage in the Kompong Som area (an American reporter discovered the six Navy technicians who were ashore assisting the installation, but this has not broken into a major story); and we are beginning to relay Cambodian radio broadcasts into Western Cambodia through the use of two airborne transmitters operating out of Thailand (this is a 90-day program).
- -- Radio Hanoi has announced that a "Voice of the National United Front of Kampuchea" will go on the air beginning August 1.

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