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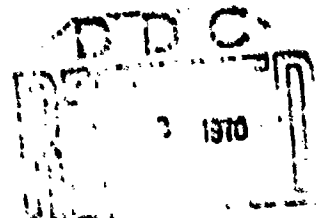
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THRU Commanding General, US Army Support Command, Can Hanh Bay  
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TO Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Involvement  
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OPERATIONS...SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES

a The 169th Quartermaster Company (Aerial Delivery) participated in four heli-lift operations during February. A team of eleven personnel were placed on TDF to Nhon Co in support of the 15th Engineer Group during operation "Spirited Bayonet". A total of 35 short tons of material and a large number of 300 gallon bladders were rigged for heli-lift operation.

b During this reporting period, numerous US Army personnel assigned to this Depot sponsored a community betterment and civic improvement program to elevate the living and social standards of the surrounding communities where in our local National workers reside. One special phase of this overall community betterment program, has been to construct a Day Care Center for the US working mothers in Ba Nhat RVN. An additional important phase of this program has been the instruct and advise teams and volunteer off-duty US Labor Forces that assisted in renovating the refugee village of Quon Phre and in teaching the new residents how to provide bare living essentials from available resources. Meaningful material progress and a marked improvement in personnel working relations are being developed in both projects and a well defined sense of involvement and understanding is readily apparent in our volunteer US Work Force. Contributions to the US Army Depot Deposit Fund have been used for purchases of material. Materials obtainable from civil action and scrap residue channels are being used extensively.

c During the reporting period, Unserviceable Property Division has met the assigned monthly goals established by HQ, 1st Logistical Command of retrograde material shipped to Pacific Commands and Continental United States ports.

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MONTH	GOAL	SHIPPED	OFFERED	TOTAL
February	2000 s/t	2176 s/t	2285 s/t	4461 s/t
March	3000 s/t	1736 s/t	2682 s/t	4418 s/t
April	2500 s/t	2642 s/t	685 s/t	3327 s/t

d On 10 February 1970 a reorganization of the Directorate for Services and a realignment of basic functions and responsibilities was completed. This reorganization consisted primarily of the removal of the Property Disposal Division and redesignating the Box Pallet Division as a Branch under the direct control of the Chief, Facilities Division. All responsibilities and functions presently assigned to the Property Disposal Division of the Directorate for Services were transferred to the newly created Directorate for Property Disposal. The expanding role, increased operational requirements and overall importance of Property Disposal Operations (PDO) in Vietnam dictated this change for increased control over all facets of foreign excess sales. The greatly increased numbers and qualifications of the personnel, presently assigned to Property Disposal activities will provide the necessary experience, know-how, and overall supervision for more efficient and effective management of all PDO sales and assets.

(1) During the month of February, the Property Disposal Activity was reorganized along functional lines. The reorganization was accomplished by listing job titles for those functions that are required in the operation of the USAD CR Property Disposal Activity and then assigning personnel authorized by the proposed TDA against those positions. The completion of this project has permitted the Directorate to begin preparation of detailed SOP's for each key position in the function organization.

(2) Between 19 February and 28 February 1970, all Defense Logistical Service Center Reportable Property and items for local screening list activity were moved to separate holding areas. An intensive program of item identification resulted in the weekly distribution of a local screening list by the Directorate to major screening activities in the Southern II Corps area. The purpose of the screening list is to gain as much service utilization as possible from usable property turned-in to the PDO.

e. The Security Guard Company of the depot was reassigned to the 124th Transportation Command, US Army Support Command, Can Ranh Bay effective 28 February 1970. A 45 man security platoon had to be constituted from personnel resources currently assigned to the depot. The security platoon was then billeted with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Support Battalion (Prov), with the mission of providing security for the depot area. Operational control of the Security Platoon was assigned to Security, Plans and Operations Officer, US Army Depot, Can Ranh.

f. A GMA exception, no asset status of a location, is the result of a discrepancy between the Master Locator file and the ARP. An inventory of GMA exceptions was conducted by Inventory Control Office personnel beginning

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22 February and was completed 16 March 1970. The exceptions inventories were counted using the two count method.

g. All 02 referrals (AV&V) are being processed in a manner similar to Red Ball referrals at Data Processing and Storage Division. This system began with documents dated 26 March 1970. These documents (AV&V) are printed "off line" by the IBM computer rather than as part of a regular "220" run. They are forwarded to Storage Document Control where locations are indicated on the documents and expedited to the storage areas, along with listings of "to be used" post the files when processing is completed. These documents are processed on a "fill or kill" basis. When processing is completed, the documents are matched with AV&V cards, which are forwarded to Data Processing Directorate. This system insures the prompt processing of high priority documents by separating them from all others and insures speedy notification to the Inventory Control Center Vietnam and the customer.

h. Tonnage shipped by highway has continued to increase from the last quarter. These statistics indicate that the increase was significant due to the fact that increased enemy activities throughout the lower II Corps required responsive resupply on the part of the depot. This was accomplished and urgent requirements were met.

(Short Tons by Month)

<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
11367	3132	8108	9120	10976	1770

i. Transportation Management Division has received the new computerized type Transportation Control and Movement Documents (TCMD). These enable the computer to print required data on the TCMD that previously had been done by hand. Considerable time will be saved as a result of this innovation.

j. Facilities Division had an average productive manpower strength of 20,117 manhours, completing eleven Job Order Requests during the reporting period. This effort was expended on the following significant projects and other maintenance and repair jobs:

(1) Repair of CMP facilities: From 1 February through 21 February a total of 747 manhours and 140 equipment hours were expended in repairing CMP facilities including the Training Room, Dispatch Office, Truckmaster's Office, gates and fences. This work added materially to the control of vehicles and the overall appearance of the motor pool.

(2) Task Force Delta: On 17 February 1970, in order to provide emergency type repairs and to preclude further erosion (by rain and water runoff) to the depot road surfaces and loading ramps, Facilities Division personnel initiated an aggressive program of on-the-spot road rebuilding and resurfacing. These engineering crews, using 130 manhours and 16 equipment hours, have manually impacted seventeen tons of cold-asphalt-mix into small areas of eroded road surfaces. In addition, approximately twenty-five (25)

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cubic yards of rock gravel were strategically placed in the various depressed/sunken road areas. These repairs eliminated several dangerous pot holes and directly contributed to less wear on vehicles and Material Handling Equipment.

(3) Fire Prevention Work: From 1 February thru 31 March a total of 2,397 man hours and 448 equipment hours were expended constructing, painting, stenciling, and placing fire barrels, buckets, and stands throughout the Depot. This was required to provide adequate fire fighting equipment.

(4) Box Pallet Fence: From 2nd thru 11th of March the perimeter fence around Box Pallet Branch was improved and repaired to enhance security of stored lumber. 152 man hours and 72 equipment hours were expended.

(5) New Property Disposal Facility: Construction of a new P/D Yard continued. Since 1 February a total of 4,615 man hours and 2,257 equipment hours have been expended in removing 240,000 cy. of sand (100%), hauling 14,000 cy. of decomposed rock and clay fill (91%), constructing 100 linear feet of culvert, moving and rehabilitating two each 20 x 48' quonsets, and constructing two large entrance gates.

k. In February, warehouse 42 was designated as a packing and shipping point for all retrograde material suitable for shipment in CONEX's. A system for identifying, inventorying, packing, and stenciling the CONEX was developed. Emphasis was placed on accuracy and business to ensure only serviceable, identified material was being shipped. Quality Assurance provides an inspector daily. His duties include spot checking of all stages of operation to ensure a high degree of accuracy in all aspects of the operation. Specific spot checks include: that there is an MRO for each line item; that the FSN and quantity are correct; that material is serviceable and adequately packed to prevent damage; correct and complete stenciling is on the boxes; that the box is sealed correctly and that the CONEX is properly packed, blocked & braced. The operation is conducted on a 24 hour shift as required to meet the requirements.

l. During March the Depot was tasked, through the use of its data processing facility to provide IBM 7010/1460 Computer time for program testing, systems development and testing and implementation of Version 5 of the Standard Supply System Vietnam (SSVN).

(1) On 9 March 1970 representatives from the Inventory Control Center Vietnam (ICCV), US Army Depot, Long Binh and US Army Depot, Qui Nhon gathered at the Depot data processing installation for the systems testing of Version 5 SSVN. At this time it was estimated that approximately twenty hours of 7010 Computer time and a minimal amount of 1460 Computer time spread over a one week period would be sufficient to complete the systems testing.

(2) As the systems tests were begun additional program changes were proposed and problem areas were discovered in Version 5. After two weeks of testing which required sixty-five hours of 7010 Computer time the systems testing had to be terminated at this depot in order to fulfill the Can Hanh Depot basic Daily Supply Cycle data processing requirements.

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(3) Final systems testing of Version 5 was conducted at another data processing installation and Version 5 was implemented at this depot on 27 March 1970.

m. During the month of March the 109th CW Company (AD) performed the following missions:

(1) On 11 March 1970 the unit rigged 55 short tons of Class III supplies to be delivered by the Low Altitude Parachute Extraction System method.

(2) On 20 and 21 March, the unit rigged 79.9 short tons of supplies for air drop by the Container Delivery System method.

(3) During March the detachment at Nhon Co rigged 264 short tons of supplies for heli-lift.

n. On 21 March 1970, three WAC personnel were assigned to headquarters and Headquarters Company, Support Battalion (Prov). In addition to their regular duty assignments they are detailed to conduct searches of Local National female employees. The searches are limited to an inventoried savings of 250 per day of pilfered material.

o. On 23 March 1970 the 109th CW Co (AD) for Services submitted a proposal for FY71 and the 109th CW Co (AD) for the maintenance and operation of all electrical equipment (EQUIP) in the depot. The annual estimate for the FY71 contract has previously been provided in a highly detailed manner to the Electrical Services Division of Vinnell Corp., 114 Westminister Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304. This present operation of the 109th CW Co (AD) is through a contract with the present Vinnell FY70 contract. This contract provides for maintenance of all depot and partial operations of the equipment as a result of the current contract modification. All military systems in the USA Depot, Cam Ranh TDA have a zero demand. Upon implementation of the new FY71 contract on 1 July 1970, additional spaces will be administratively blocked for assignment purposes and subsequently deleted in the next RTDA change.

p. On the night of 31 March - 1 April, 1970, the Cam Ranh Tay peninsula was attacked and received a high density of enemy rockets. A total of 16 rounds were fired into the depot area. Heavy damage to Perforated Steel Flaming was sustained as a result of rounds impacting. Most damage done was the result of shrapnel which hit crates, vans, trailers and refrigeration units. The roof of March 47 was severely damaged by a round and shrapnel from crates stored inside. No damage was received in Battalion areas. One man, SP4 James A. Hanson of Company A, was lightly wounded. He was awarded a Purple Heart on 21 April 1970.

q. During the month of April the 109th CW Co (AD) participated in five air drop missions, preparing 19.6 short tons of supplies for aerial delivery. In addition the following three missions were performed:

(1) On the 6th and 7th of April the unit rigged 27.1 short tons of Class I supplies for delivery by the Container Delivery System.

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(2) On 17 April 1970 the unit prepared 2.5 million tons of Class I supplies for practice drops to train pilots in the CDS method of air delivery.

(3) On 19 and 23 April the unit rigged 10 short tons of Class I supplies for practice drops to train pilots in the CDS method of air delivery.

r. On 1 April, the PDD Activity began receiving wheeled vehicles, construction equipment, MHE, and trailers of M1 condition and above in the new property disposal yard near the RMK-ERJ Compound. The purpose of receiving such items in the new area prior to its completion is to reduce the amount of time that the Property Disposal Company will be split between two primary sites. The inventory at the new yard is growing rapidly and is approaching \$500,000.00. The new PDD Yard is being set up according to the Defense Disposal Manual in every respect possible. Property is being received and will in the future be received, lotted, and redistributed into government use or put on sale in lots. Storage areas are planned and will be constructed for all types of scrap. They will be segregated by bins constructed from pipes. Presently, the point of receiving items is at the old yard above, at the new yard and all other turn-ins at the old yard. This is, understandably, a split of manpower. This will continue until a complete changeover of all items and scrap are made at the new facility. At such time that operations are begun at PDD, the present yard will be closed to all receiving. A skeleton crew will be kept to receive remaining property, and coordinate sales to contractors. In this manner, the old yard will be phased out completely over a 6 month period, from the time that all receiving is stopped. The new disposal yard is now in the planning stages and is not adequate. The new area is being prepared very thoroughly and carefully. It is laid out in block storage areas. There is not, however, any warehouse storage, which is a requirement for PDD. To solve this problem, PDD has formulated an ambitious self-help plan to construct from ICP, culves, wood and scrap CONEXes a covered storage area that is to be as similar to a warehouse as it can possibly be. Into these warehouses will go items that are received into PDD that must be protected from the weather. These are high value items, sensitive items, or those which would deteriorate rapidly and become unusable if exposed to the elements. Fencing between storage areas in the new yard is being hardened to cut down on the problem of MHE travelling through the yard. Large cranes will be better able to be stabilized by using their outriggers while picking up large items. The office quarters are in place on top of a hill to provide a good view of the yard for supervisors from the office. With all arrangements being made and the move underway to conduct full scale operations at the new PDD facility, operations continue as normal at the old facility. The process of redistribution of the items that are in the yard is continuing. Property that is in the old yard without destination and has accumulated over the months, is systematically being brought into the system and disposition being taken on it. The goal is to make some type of appropriate disposition on every item in the yard. Utilization is steadily climbing and will reach a very good percentage once the construction is complete.

• The approved Table of Distribution of Property, USAF P4 Manual, was reviewed during the review, several changes have already been identified as follows:

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Change #	04	05	06	07
Officer	91	91	84	78
Warrant	8	8	8	7
Enlisted	1673	1669	1514	1498
Civilian (DAC)	69	56	55	56
Local National	804	781	781	781

These changes were the result of a realignment of tactical positions to functional duties (04), and involved numerous tactical positions to be added/deleted to conform to the Depot mission. The removal of Property Disposal functions from the Directorate for Services and the establishment of a new unit was reason for change (05) to be effected. A change of security priorities and a need for the Security Guard Platoons in other areas of the US Army Support Command's unit resulted in a loss (06) and subsequent need to absorb the loss of personnel. The loss reduction was the normal allocation of resources in accordance with the Vietnamization and troop reduction policies.

t. During the reporting period, a continuous effort was made in the cross-training of personnel for key positions within the Unservicable Property Division. Critical areas are Storage and Shipment Section, Heavy-lift Section, and Disassembly Section. Personnel attended Temporary Duty classes on latest inspection methods, and the "Project Buddy" program. The guidelines and knowledge received by the division will improve operations and speed the Viet reduction effort.

u. There have been 301 Project Switch requests from the 689th Engineer Bn for Project Switch Four. Switch Four was completed on 31 March 1970. Project Switch 129 is currently underway, with one request received as of 6 April 1970. The 129th Heavy Boat Company, Saigon, is the unit currently involved in Switch 129. US Army Depot, Cam Ranh should not be affected by Switch 129 by a great degree. No significant problems exist at this time.

v. During the reporting period, Keystone Cardinal (Phase II of Redeployment/Inactivation) ended and Keystone Bluejay (Phase III) commenced. All equipment received under Keystone Cardinal has been shipped. Currently, we have received 1,200 line items from nine different units from II Corps and we have shipped approximately 980 items under Keystone Bluejay. A new system has been implemented, where document numbers are used instead of USA unit numbers. This new method of accounting has proven to be more effective in controlling Keystone assets.

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w. Reenlistment rates have been high (February 130%, March 120%, and April 100%) resulting in the US Army Depot winning the first-place plaque for reenlistments. The success hinges upon command emphasis and the Career Counselor effort.

x. Awards recommended for the period, February 5, March 5, April 7, which is an increase each month. Awards are indicative of morale and as more work is required, personnel meet the challenge and are complimented and awarded for their accomplishment.

y. Key Personnel Changes. On 7 February 1970 LTC Edward Freedman, Director for Services, USAD-CR, was transferred to USASU/COM GRR. MAJ Ralph W. Gilbert became Acting Director for Services and served in that capacity until 5 April 1970. LTC Robert Nelson was replaced by MAJ James M. Eaves, Sr. as Chief, Stock Control Division on 19 February 1970. LTC John J. McGroarty was replaced by LTC John A. Grubbs, formerly Deputy Commander, in the position of Director for Quality Assurance on 2 April 1970. LTC Friedrich V. Slocum, formerly in the position of Quality Assurance, transferred to Director for Services and became acting CSO of Support Battalion (FROD) on 5 April 1970. MAJ Kenneth E. [redacted] assumed duties as Director for Quality Assurance on the same date. Vincent Coetzier, DAC, GS-13, replaced Richard M. Mohr as Deputy Director, Supply and Transportation, on 31 March 1970.

a. Distinguished winners are listed in enclosure # 1.

2. Lessons Learned, Comments, Conclusions, Evaluations and Recommendations:

a. Personnel:

(i) Staffing of new unit.

(a) OBSERVATION: The Directorate for Property Disposal was organized and given a mission to perform without assigning trained or experienced personnel to carry it out.

(b) EVALUATION: The Directorate was organized with personnel that were currently available. Over a period of time all slots within the Directorate were to be filled with trained personnel. This has caused problems. Accountable returns for property worth in excess of \$7,000,000 have been handled and processed by unexperienced personnel. This has brought about many mistakes.

(c) RECOMMENDATION: When a Property Disposal Operation is started an adequate number of trained and experienced personnel (approximately 100) should be provided to staff the organization.

b. Initial Unit Staff:

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e. Operations

(1) Parachute Malfunctioning.

(a) OBSERVATION: During the GDS Mission of 20 and 21 March 1970, by the 109th AV Squadron (AS), four containers were damaged due to a parachute malfunction.

(b) EVALUATION: It appeared that the connector strap from the pilot's parachute to the main parachute (AIRDI) had been secured prior to packing and that the inspector failed to detect this at the time of packing which was in April 1969. Thus, the main parachute failed to deploy.

(c) RECOMMENDATION: All pilot parachutes and connector straps should be reinspected prior to use to preclude malfunctions of this kind. The inspector should sign a reinspection tag stating the date the pilot parachute was reinspected. This will remain attached to the parachute until after use.

(2) Improvements of Collection, Classification and Salvage of Unserviceables. (3073)

(a) OBSERVATION: Large volumes of unserviceable items were being transported in accordance with Department (DA) rules and not being processed in accordance with pertinent regulations and policies. Customer units were creating a tremendous backlog at the direct support level because of the insufficient documents and certification for the retrograde material.

(b) EVALUATION: Every effort was made to assist all customers in accomplishing their turn-ins as prescribed by pertinent policies and regulations by providing the SS/US, command groups, and depots with revised SOPs. Commanders and maintenance personnel of supported units were encouraged to complete the SS/US activity prior to transporting items to be turned in in accordance with documentation or turn-in criteria, to preclude possible backlogs.

(c) RECOMMENDATION: Units should be required to turn-in material immediately after technical support has been made to minimize changes in the condition of the item due to climate, misuse, and abuse. To eliminate time consuming delays, units should have all documentation and certification checked and verified by their SS/US unit prior to turn-in. The earlier turn-ins are effected the faster a serviceable replacement can be requisitioned and will be received.

(3) G2 Priority Referrals (DIC AIA) Processed in a manner similar to Red Ball Referrals.

(a) OBSERVATION: This system (Reference- paragraph 1g) has been in effect for one week and has obviously speeded up the processing of high priority RERs. All have been processed within one day.

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(b) **EVALUATION:** This system is very effective in insuring prompt processing of high priority requisitions by enabling the JCCV to keep constant track of the status of these documents.

(c) **RECOMMENDATION:** None.

(4) **Use of Tires for Erosion Control:**

(a) **OBSERVATION:** Sandfall accumulation is quite costly due to wind and water action. An inexpensive erosion control material and technique were required for stabilizing sand dunes along the perimeter bank of the new US Army Depot - Can Rank Headquarters Facility. The bank is approximately 100 feet high and 1/2 mile long with a 45 degree slope.

(b) **EVALUATION:** Unserviceable, non-replaceable tires may be placed side-by-side along such banks, held in place with 70# rocks, thus providing erosion protection with minimal cost. A reduction over the next least expensive method, in this case, is plastic mulch applied directly to the sand. The stress of runoff, wind, moisture, strong surface winds, and hard grass seed in place until germination occurs adding even greater erosion protection. Savings which result from this technique are estimated at \$0.42 per square yard over the standard double sealing coat, considering the cost of the tires to be negligible and the labor costs equal. This equivalent would be \$1,000 per acre.

(c) **RECOMMENDATION:** Unserviceable, non-replaceable tires may be used to provide an inexpensive erosion control treatment. Their use should be considered wherever erosion problems are anticipated or experienced.

(5) **Movement of Quonset Buildings:**

(a) **OBSERVATION:** Moving two quonset buildings 20' x 48' over a distance of five miles was required to provide needed office space for the new PDO facility. Disassembly of the quonset buildings required considerable time and possible numerous replacement parts for proper reassembly. Lifting of the quonsets with forklifts resulted in deformation of one rib and buckling of a corner of one building.

(b) **EVALUATION:** After a thorough analysis of the problem, including a structural analysis, it was decided to lift the quonsets intact, using a 20 ton crane, onto a 16' long-bed trailer for movement to the new location. Four 6 inch diameter holes were cut in the roof along the arch peak. Four cable slings were lowered through these holes and fastened to four 20 foot long 6 inch diameter wooden poles. The poles were brought to rest against the inner ceiling by taking up the slack in the crane's hoist cable. A cradle of 6" x 8" timbers was fabricated on the trailer bed to accept the quonset. After attaching four guy lines, one to each corner of the building to control its movements while in the air, it was lifted approximately 60 inches allowing the trailer to be backed into place under it. The quonset was then lowered onto the cradle of timbers. After securing the load with ten chains and blocks, the tractor and trailer moved slowly to the new

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location *[Illegible]* of the four holes in the *[Illegible]* materials.

(c) RECOMMENDATION: *[Illegible]* short distances *[Illegible]* the above described lifting and *[Illegible]* should be conducted *[Illegible]* overhead lines or other *[Illegible]*.

d. Organization. None.

e. Training: (i) Defensive Driving Course

(a) OBSERVATION: The Defensive Driving Course conducted at company level has made all personnel aware of their own driving habits and reminded them of the need to be watchful for other driver's mistakes.

(b) EVALUATION: Continuation of the Defensive Driving Course for newly assigned personnel will greatly assist unit commanders and supervisors in the reduction of vehicular accidents.

(c) RECOMMENDATION: That more emphasis be placed on defensive driving throughout the tour in Vietnam.

(2) Training of Computer Operators

(a) OBSERVATION: During the month of October 1969, it was recognized that a serious personnel problem in the area of trained IBM 7090/1460 Computer Operators would be developing in January and February of 1970, due to known losses at that time. Experience had indicated that the assignment of trained computer operators could not be anticipated.

(b) EVALUATION: *[Illegible]* an active *[Illegible]* in the field *[Illegible]* following *[Illegible]* the data *[Illegible]* computer operators *[Illegible]* rapidly in *[Illegible]* computer.

(c) RECOMMENDATION: That data processing installations be manned at ten percent *[Illegible]* the availability of a maximum number of qualified computer operators.

f. Latency. *[Illegible]*

g. Strength. *[Illegible]*

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AVCA CRB-GO-O (15 May 70) 1st Ind  
SUBJECT: Operational Report - Lessons Learned, US Army Depot, Cam  
Ranh, Period Ending 30 April 1970, RCS CSFOR-65(R2)

1A, Headquarters, US Army Support Command, Cam Ranh Bay, APO 96312

TO: Commanding General, 1st Logistical Command, ATTN: AVCA GO-MH, APO 963M4


1. The Operational Report - Lessons Learned submitted by the US Army Depot, Cam Ranh for the quarterly period ending 30 April 1970 is forwarded.

2. Reference paragraph 2c(4): Nonconcur because the tires will tend to channelize the surface runoff causing the sand to erode underneath the tires. An asphalt surface coat placed on the slope will cause the water to runoff in sheet flow, causing an increase in runoff velocity and subsequent erosion. A proper solution would allow for the water to soak into the sand. Water from adjacent areas must be controlled to direct its flow away from the slope. Elevating the tip of the slope or cutting a diversion ditch will accomplish this.

3. Concur with basic report as modified by this indorsement.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

CF: CO, US Army Depot, Cam Ranh

  
THOMAS M. MCGINNIS  
III, AGC  
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AVCA GO-MH (25 May 70) 2nd Ind

SUBJECT: Operational Report - Lessons Learned of the US Army Depot, Cam Ranh, Period Ending 30 April 1970, RCS (SFOR-65 (R2)

DA, Headquarters, 1st Logistical Command, APO 96384

TO: Commanding General, United States Army, Vietnam, ATTN: AVRM.C-101,  
APO 96375

1. The Operational Report - Lessons Learned submitted by Headquarters, Army Depot, Cam Ranh for the quarterly period ending 30 April 1970 is forwarded.
2. Due to closing of this headquarters, staffing cannot be completed. Normal staffing will be done by Headquarters, USAKV.

THOMAS M. PURCELL  
1LT, TC  
CO, 15th MID

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AVHOC-DST (1 May 70) 3d Ind  
SUBJECT: Operational Report-Lessons Learned, US Army Depot, Cam Ranh,  
Period Ending 30 April 1970, HCS: CSPOR-65 (R2)

Headquarters, United States Army Vietnam, APO San Francisco 96375

TO: Commander in Chief, United States Army Pacific, ATTN: CJOP-DT  
APO 96558

1. (U) This Headquarters has reviewed the Operational Report-Lessons Learned for the quarterly period ending 30 April 1970 from Headquarters, US Army Depot, Cam Ranh and comments of indorsing headquarters.

2. (C) Comments follow:

a. Reference item concerning "Parachute Malfunctioning," page 9, paragraph c(1); concur. Airdrop parachutes to include pilot chutes should be reinspected during the rigging by a qualified inspector other than the original rigger or packer IAW paragraph 21, TN 10-10-201-25. Unit has been so advised.

b. Reference item concerning "Improvement of Collection, Classification and Salvage of Unserviceables," page 7, paragraph c(2); concur in part. DSUs providing "TI's" for turn-in should include in their external SOP the importance of turning the item in to the CCAS Activity as soon after technical inspection as possible. If a unit has experienced difficulty turning in equipment in the past, they should coordinate with the CCAS to verify documentation requirements PRIOR to delivering the equipment to insure a minimum delay. Units are required by necessity to expeditiously turn-in equipment after the technical inspection. The longer the equipment waits for turn-in the more invalid the technical inspection becomes. Consequently it becomes more difficult to successfully turn it in to CCAS. Unit has been so advised.

c. Reference item concerning "Trained Computer Operators," page 11, paragraph e(2); nonconcur. Status of MOSC 74E (ADPS Operator - Trained in ISN 70:0/460), for USASURCOM, CRB as of 15 July 1970 was 1) authorized, 1) assigned, or 54.6 percent of authorization. USARPV is currently at 66 percent of authorization. MOSC 74E currently on requisition total 18 for July, 6 for August, and 4 for September. In the past DA has not filled total 74E requirements requisitioned by this Headquarters. Regardless, to provide a 10 percent overstrength for the data processing installations is not possible at this time due to current and anticipated enlisted personnel shortages. No action by USARPAC is recommended. Action is required by DA to insure enlisted fill of MOSC 74E as requisitioned.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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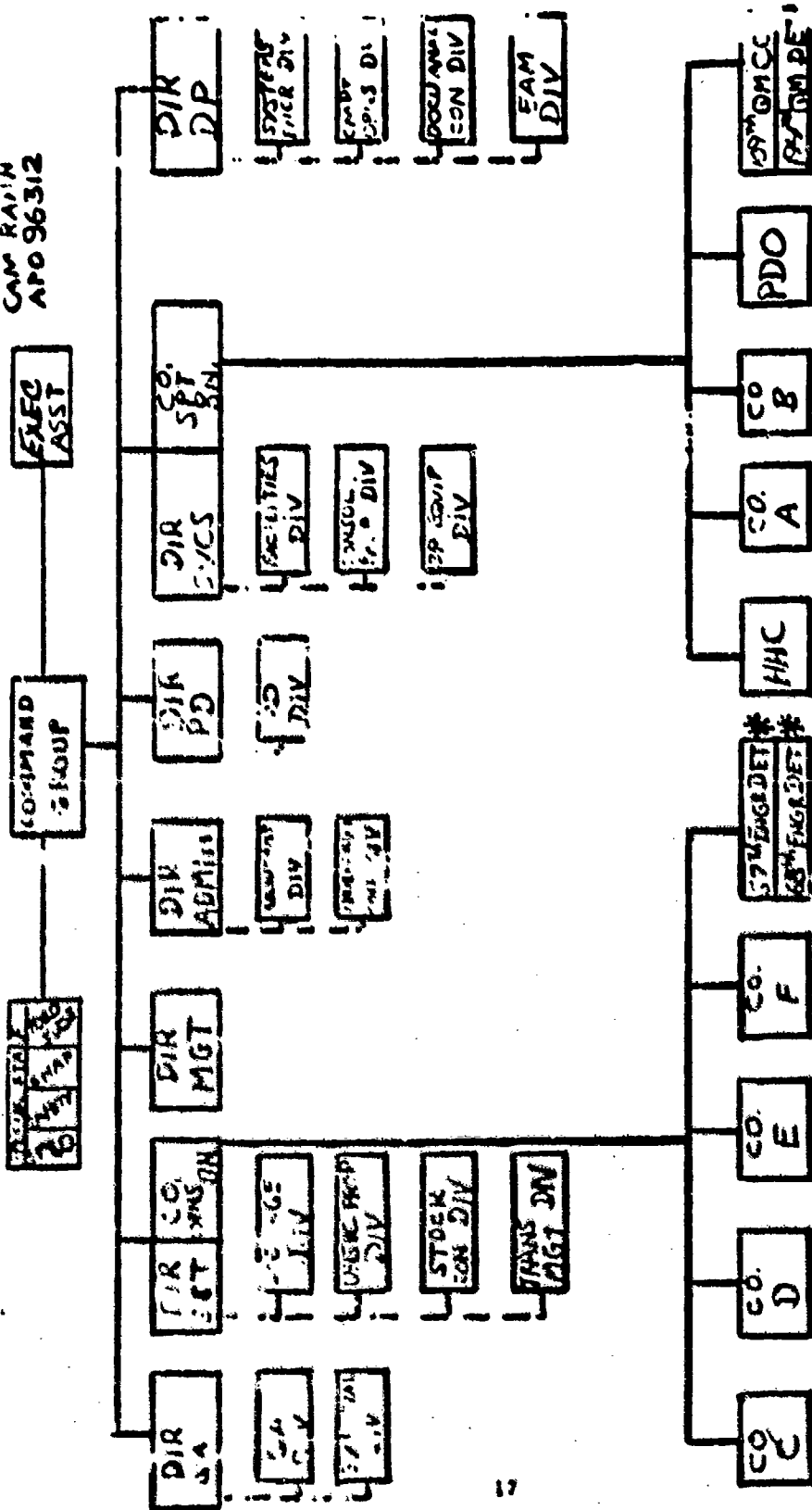
TO: Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development, Department  
of the Army, Washington, D. C. 20310

This headquarters concurs in subject report as indorsed.

FOR THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF:

L.M. OZAKI  
CPT, AGC  
Asst AG

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