

(4) MR. HUNG, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU AND SR COL BIEN FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE IN FACILITATING THE EXTENSIVE PREPARATION REQUIRED FOR THE DIFFICULT EXCAVATION CASES PLANNED FOR THE 61ST JFA. CASE 1912 PROVIDES A GOOD EXAMPLE OF HOW WE SHOULD APPROACH SUCH DIFFICULT CASES IN THE FUTURE. DURING THE PREPARATION FOR CASE1912, WE HELD PLANNING SESSIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO OFFICES, MADE AN INITIAL VISIT TO THE SITE, MADE JOINT ADVANCE WORK TRIPS TO THE SITE PRIOR TO THE START OF THE JOINT FIELD ACTIVITY, AND THE DETACHMENT TWO COMMANDER MADE A SITE VISIT EARLY IN THE JOINT FIELD ACTIVITY. SINCE THIS PROCEDURE PROVED SO SUCCESSFUL, I WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE THIS PRACTICE WHEN PREPARING FOR DIFFICULT CASES.

J. I HAVE STATED MANY TIMES BEFORE AND I WILL CONTINUE TO STATE THAT MY UTMOST CONCERN IS FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR JOINT TEAMS. THEREFORE, I CONTINUE TO SEEK IMPROVEMENT IN COMMUNICATIONS WITH OUR JOINT TEAMS WHILE THEY ARE OPERATING IN REMOTE AREAS.

(1) I WOULD LIKE TO IMPROVE ON THE RELIABILITY OF THE PRC-132 HF RADIOS WHICH WE USE FOR DAY-TO-DAY COMMUNICATIONS. THESE RADIOS ARE ABOUT 20 YEARS OLD AND HAVE REACHED THE END OF THEIR USEFUL LIFE. BECAUSE OF THEIR AGE, MANY RADIOS ARE EXPERIENCING LOW POWER OUTPUT AND FREQUENCY STABILITY PROBLEMS. THERE ARE NOW BETTER HF RADIOS AVAILABLE IN VIETNAM AND WE BELIEVE THAT THE ICOM IC-M710 WILL BETTER MEET OUR COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS.

(2) ALSO, THE INMARSAT-2'S CURRENTLY IN USE, COULD BE IMPROVED UPON. THE INMARSAT-2 IS DIFFICULT TO TRANSPORT AND, DUE TO ITS AGE, OFTEN DOES NOT WORK PROPERLY. THE ADVANCEMENT OF TECHNOLOGY MEANS THAT THERE ARE NOW BETTER SYSTEMS AVAILABLE. TWO OF THE NEWER AND MORE RELIABLE SYSTEMS ARE THE INMARSAT M4 AND THE INMARSAT MINI-M.

(3) I HOPE YOU WILL SEE THIS AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE UPON OUR CAPABILITIES AND ENSURE CONTINUED SUCCESS AND SAFETY FOR ALL TEAM MEMBERS. I PROPOSE THAT OUR SPECIALISTS AND THE SPECIALISTS AT VTI MEET TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF THESE NEW SYSTEMS.

(4) IN THIS FOLDER YOU WILL FIND SOME INFORMATION PAPERS ON THE INMARSAT M4 AND THE INMARSAT MINI-M SYSTEMS AS WELL AS INFORMATION ON THE ICOM IC-M710 HF RADIO SYSTEM.

K. AS PART OF THE CONTINUING EFFORT TO TELL THE FULL ACCOUNTING STORY TO THE AMERICAN PUBLIC, TWO GROUPS OF REPORTERS ARE PLANNING TO VISIT VIETNAM DURING THE 61ST JFA. THE FIRST GROUP INCLUDES MR. EARL SWIFT AND MS. VICKY CRONIS FROM THE VIRGINIAN PILOT NEWSPAPER. THE SECOND GROUP OF REPORTERS CONSISTS OF MR. MICHAEL GOODING AND MR. DOUGLAS SESNY, BOTH FROM A TELEVISION STATION IN NORFOLK, VIRGINIA. AS USUAL, A MEMBER OF MY PUBLIC AFFAIRS STAFF WILL ESCORT THEM WHILE IN VIETNAM.

L. IN CONCLUSION I PROPOSE TO HOLD THE NEXT MEETING, HERE IN HANOI, ON 11 AUGUST 2000.//

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P 301937Z MAY 00
FM DIA WASHINGTON DC
INFO RUEALGX/SAFE
P 301900Z MAY 00 ZYB
FM USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//J32//
TO AIG NINE SIX ZERO
INFO RHHMUNA/USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//J32/J52//
P 252330Z MAY 00 ZYB
FM CDR JTF-FA HONOLULU HI
TO RHHMUNA/USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//J3/J32/J52//
INFO RUEHBK/CJTFFA DET ONE BANGKOK TH
RUBDPLA/AMEMBASSY HANOI VM//CJTFFA DET TWO/P/E//
RUEHVN/AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE//CJTFFA DET THREE//
RUHVAAA/CDRUSACILHI HICKAM AFB HI//TAPC-PED-H//
RUHVAAA/

BT
CONTROLS
UNCLAS //N03460//

BODY
MSGID/GENADMIN/JTF-FA/J5//
SUBJ/JTF-FA SITREP 00-21//
RMKS/1. THIS SITREP COVERS PERIOD FROM 182000ZMAY00 TO 251959ZMAY00.

2. OPERATIONS.

A. VIETNAM. INVESTIGATION AND RECOVERY ELEMENTS REDEPLOYED FROM VIETNAM TO THAILAND ON 23-24 MAY 00 CONCLUDING 60TH JFA THAT BEGAN ON 25 APR 00.

(1) RESEARCH AND INVESTIGATION TEAM (RIT). DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, UNABLE TO COMPLETE SITE SURVEY FOR CASE 1388 (F-105D, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). MOVED TO DA NANG ON 22 MAY 00 AND REDEPLOYED TO THAILAND ON 24 MAY 00.

(2) INVESTIGATION ELEMENT ONE (IE1). IN THUA THIEN-HUE PROVINCE, INVESTIGATED CASE 1949 (F-4D, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR). MOVED TO DA NANG ON 22 MAY 00 AND REDEPLOYED TO THAILAND ON 24 MAY 00.

(3) IE2. RECEIVED UNILATERAL INVESTIGATION REPORTS ON CASE 1096 (O-1G, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). MOVED TO DA NANG ON 21 MAY 00 AND REDEPLOYED TO THAILAND ON 23 MAY 00.

(4) RECOVERY ELEMENT ONE (RE1). IN QUANG NINH PROVINCE, ON 19 MAY 00, SUSPENDED EXCAVATION OF SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1912 (A-6A, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR). MOVED TO HANOI ON 21 MAY 00 AND REDEPLOYED TO THAILAND ON 23 MAY 00.

(5) RE2. IN QUANG BINH PROVINCE, ON 19 MAY 00, SUSPENDED EXCAVATION OF SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1248 (RF-4C, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). MOVED TO HUE ON 22 MAY 00, TO DA NANG ON 23 MAY 00, AND REDEPLOYED TO THAILAND ON 24 MAY 00.

(6) RE3. MOVED TO HUE FROM QUANG TRI PROVINCE ON 20 MAY

OASD DPMO	
Date Received	31 May 00
Watch Officer	R
Dir/	Act / Info
Director	---
Deputy Dir	---
Chief of Staff	---
Exec Asst	---
Gen Counsel	---
Pol/Pln	---
Res/Analyst	---
Jt Comm Spt	---
Rel/DOC	---
Ext Affairs	---
Resource Mgmt	---
RA-SEA	---

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00, THEN TO DA NANG ON 22 MAY 00, AND REDEPLOYED TO THAILAND ON 24 MAY 00.

(7) RE4. IN THUA THIEN-HUE PROVINCE, CONDUCTED ADVANCE WORK FOR CASE 0171 (O-1E, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR). MOVED TO DA NANG ON 21 MAY 00 AND REDEPLOYED TO THAILAND ON 23 MAY 00.

(8) RE5. MOVED TO HANOI FROM NGHE AN PROVINCE ON 18 MAY 00 AND REDEPLOYED TO THAILAND ON 23 MAY 00.

(9) RE6. REDEPLOYED TO THAILAND ON 23 MAY 00.

B. LAOS. FINAL PREPARATIONS ONGOING FOR JFA 00-4L (26 MAY-24 JUN 00). DET THREE PERSONNEL DEPARTED VIENTIANE FOR BAN ALANG BASE CAMP ON 23 MAY 00.

C. CAMBODIA. NTR.

3. NEXT OF KIN REPORTS. JTF-FA SENT 43 REPORTS TO SERVICE CASUALTY OFFICES FOR RELEASE TO NEXT OF KIN.

4. LOGISTICS.

A. DET ONE. SUPPORTED REDEPLOYMENT OF 60TH JFA TEAMS FROM VIETNAM TO THAILAND AND DEPLOYMENT OF VEHICLE MAINTENANCE TEAM TO VIETNAM. SUPPORTED ARRIVAL OF JFA 00-4L TEAMS FROM HAWAII.

B. DET TWO. CONCLUDED 60TH JFA OPERATIONS AND DEPLOYED TEAMS TO THAILAND. RECEIVED VEHICLE MAINTENANCE TEAM FROM THAILAND.

C. DET THREE. CONTINUED COORDINATION OF INFORMATION TO ESTABLISH CONTRACTS FOR SUPPLIES AND SERVICES IN LAOS. CONDUCTED FINAL PREPARATIONS FOR JFA 00-4L.

D. HQ JTF-FA. SUPPORTED DEPLOYMENT OF JFA 00-4L TEAMS AND EQUIPMENT FROM HAWAII TO THAILAND. SUPPORTED VEHICLE MAINTENANCE MISSION WITH PARTS PROCUREMENT.

5. COMMUNICATIONS/CONNECTIVITY. NTR.

6. PERSONNEL. MANNING THIS WEEK AT 138 MILITARY PERSONNEL (133 AUTHORIZED) AND 23 CIVILIANS (22 AUTHORIZED). GAIN: PFC CHRISTOPHER PRITCHETT, USA.

7. SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL/DIPLOMATIC/MILITARY/PAO EVENTS.

A. ON 18 MAY 2000, DEPUTY COMMANDER JTF-FA (DCJTF-FA) HOSTED SEPARATE COMMAND BRIEFS FOR 10 ALLIED OFFICERS ON A U.S. ARMY PACIFIC SPONSORED U.S. ARMY TRAINING AND DOCTRINE COMMAND (TRADOC) LIAISON OFFICERS VISIT, AND FOR MR. CHARLES TAYLOR, AMVETS NATIONAL COMMANDER, AND MRS. LINDA JOHNSON, AMVETS NATIONAL AUXILIARY PRESIDENT.

B. ON 19 MAY 00, DCJTF-FA HOSTED OFFICE CALL AND COMMAND BRIEF FOR LTC TOM PHILIPKOSKY, COMMANDER, 65TH AIRLIFT SQUADRON, LOCATED AT HICKAM AIR FORCE BASE, HI.

C. ON 19-20 MAY 00, CJTF-FA ATTENDED VETERANS AND FAMILIES UPDATES HOSTED BY DEFENSE POW/MPA OFFICE (DPMO) AT CHARLESTON, SC.

D. ON 22 MAY 00, JTF-FA PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER AND J-2 HOSTED COMMAND BRIEF FOR COL (RET) JOHN GARGUS AND HIS WIFE. COL GARGUS, MISSION PLANNER FOR CASE 0954, ALSO RECEIVED UPDATE ON STATUS OF CASE.//

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FM DIA WASHINGTON DC
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FM CDR JTF-FA HONOLULU HI//J3//
TO AIG 960
RHHMHA/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HI//N3/N6/N45/NOIM/N1/N13//
RHHMBA/CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HI//N3/N6/N45/NOIM/N1/N13//
RUWDEAA/COMNAVSURFPAC SAN DIEGO CA//N1/N13/N131/N6//
RHMFIU/COMMARFORPAC//G1/G3/G6//
RUHEHMS/COMMARFORPAC//G1/G3/G6//
RUBDPLA/CDRUSARPAC FT SHAFTER HI/APOP-OP//
RUBDPLA/CDRUSARPAC FT SHAFTER HI/APOP-OP/APLG-MV/APLG-MU-EODCT//
RUHVPA/PACAF AOS HICKAM AFB HI//AOM/AOP/SGX/SGN//
RUHVAAA/15ABW HICKAM AFB HI//CC/LG//
RUHVAAA/ (b)(3)
RUBDPLA/15LGS HICKAM AFB HI//CC/LGSM//
RUAHOGA/374OG YOKOTA AB JA//CC//
RUAHOSS/374OSS YOKOTA AB JA//OSO/OSOO//
RUHAWA/374AW YOKOTA AB JA//OCO//
RUHEMCV/FISC PEARL HARBOR HI//OO//
RUENMED/BUMED WASHINGTON DC//27//
RUEHHI/AMEMBASSY HANOI//CJTFFA DET TWO//
RUBDPLA/HQ NCPAC HONOLULU HI
RUHVPA/HQ PACAF HICKAM AFB HI//DOT/DOTT//
RUETIAA/NSACSS FT GEORGE G MEADE MD//B5631//
INFO RUEKJCS/USCINCPAC LO WASHINGTON DC
RHHJRAP/USARPAC INTEL FT SHAFTER HI
RUBDPLA/13AF ANDERSON AFB GU//CC/LG//
RUHEKCP/THIRD MAR//S1/S3/S6//
RHMFIU/THIRD MAR//S1/S3/S6//
RUBDPLA/CDR25THINFDIV L SCHOFIELD BKS HI//APVG-PT//
RUHDFTB/CDR703DMIBDE OPS KUNIA HI
RUHDKRF/RSOC KUNIA HI//J342/J0C/J3M3/J3W//
RHHJRAQ/CDR205THMIBN FT SHAFTER HI//IAGPD//
RUHVAAA/15OSS HICKAM AFB HI//DOX//
RUBDPLA/635 AMSS HICKAM AFB HI//DO/DOCO/DOX//
RHHMUNE/JFMO PAC HONOLULU HI
RUAHBCC/374AES YOKOTA AB JA//SG/AO/AOE//
RUHVAAA/203ARS HICKAM AFB HI//DOTS//
RUHVPA/HQ PACAF HICKAM AFB HI//DO/DOW/DOOL/SCM/SGX/SGN//
RUWICBE/CG I MEF//G1/G3/G6//
RUHBABA/CG III MEF//G1/G3/G6//
RHMFIU/CG MCB HAWAII KANEHOE BAY HI//G3/EOD//
RUHEKBC/CG MCB HAWAII KANEHOE BAY HI//G3/EOD//
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CONTROLS

OASD DPMO	
Date Received	30 May 00
Watch Officer	R
Distro	Act / Info
Director	_____
Deputy Dir	_____
Chief of Staff	_____
Exec Asst	_____
Gen Counsel	_____
Pol/Pins	_____
Res/Analyst	_____
Jt Comm Spt	_____
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Ext Affairs	_____
Resource Mgmt	_____
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