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Routing

Embtel 94; Deptel 56

SAR in Laos

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1. Political factors require that Air America helicopters continue to assume responsibility for all SAR operations in Laos.

2. For SAR missions in North Vietnam, Thailand-based USAF-marked helicopters are to be used and for this purpose may be,

if necessary, prepositioned on ground in Laos at Site 36 as required for scheduled Rolling Thunder operations, and may at your discretion be authorized to refuel at Sites 46 and 107.

3. USAF-marked aircraft and associated personnel are not authorized to remain over night at Site 36 or elsewhere in Laos.

4. CINCPAC's proposal at your request for increasing helicopter UE to 21 being considered by JCS and will be subject of septel. For temporary period only pending resolution of this matter, Thailand-based USAF-marked helicopters may be used in

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extremis for SAR missions in Laos, operating either from Site 36
or directly from bases in Thailand.

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