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1. BUTLER AND GUTHMAN MET BRIEFLY WITH FIRST PART OF MEETING DEVOTED TO QUESTIONS CONCERNING APPARENT SHARP INCREASE IN CHOPPER COSTS. IDENS A AND B WERE PRESENT FOR THAT PART OF MEETING.

2. USED MEMO PREPARED VIENTIANE TO DISCUSS CHOPPER CONTRACT. MEMO INDICATED COSTS FOR CHOPPER CONTRACT WOULD INCREASE 77.5 PERCENT. IDEN A REPLIED THAT HE UNABLE UNDERSTAND FIGURES AND INSISTED THAT LIMITATIONS ON PILOT FLYING HOURS WOULD RAISE CHOPPER COSTS MAXIMUM IN TEN DOLLARS PER HOUR. IDEN A AND B OFFERED PROVIDE WITH MEMO RE NEW CHOPPER CONTRACT. (PER LAOS OFFICE DIRECTOR, DID NOT FIND MEMO SATISFACTORY AND PLANS REVIEW CHOPPER CONTRACT COSTS ON RETURN VIENTIANE.)

3. FOLLOWING SUBJECTS DISCUSSED AFTER DEPARTURE IDEN A AND

B:

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A. VIETNAM NEGOTIATIONS. EXPRESSED VIEW OPS SITUATION IN LAOS WOULD CHANGE WHEN AND IF PARIS NEGOTIATIONS ACHIEVE SUBSTANTIVE RESULTS. HOWEVER, HE SEEMED TO DOUBT NEGOTIATIONS WOULD ACHIEVE RESULTS IN NEAR FUTURE.

B. FORCE LEVELS. SAID HE HAD APPROVED TENTATIVE FORMULA FOR INCREASE IN IRREGULAR FORCE LEVELS. HOWEVER, HE STRESSED THIS FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY AND NOTED THAT HE RESERVED RIGHT TO APPROVE EACH ADDITION INCREMENT OF 500 MEN. HE REVIEWED NEED TO MAINTAIN POLITICAL BALANCE AND GAVE IMPRESSION THAT HE PROBABLY WOULD NOT APPROVE THE FULL 5,000 MAN INCREASE IN FORCE LEVELS.

C. EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH STATION OPERATIONS AND OFFERED NO CRITICISM OF IN LAOS.

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