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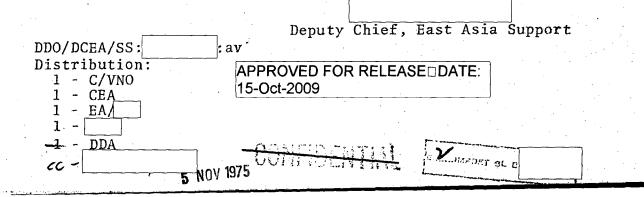
SUBJECT: Air America Contract

1. I talked to Mr. Robert L. Carroll, USAID, at 1600 hours, 3 November, acknowledging receipt of his letter and providing him the name of the Agency observer whom we wished to send to the AA/AID negotiations. This individual is Mr. whom Mr. Carroll will call in a few days to arrange a get-together.

2. In the course of the conversation, Mr. Carroll asked whether we would submit in writing a letter acknowledging the package of charges which we received under Contract from Air America. I said that we would not as one of the reasons for our sending a contract negotiator to Hong Kong was to make certain that the Air America charges were just and reasonable. I explained to him that I am ultimately concerned with the amount of dollars that my organization would have to pay as its share. Although he would have appreciated something in writing, he agreed to my position.

3. Mr. Carroll brought up another item re the subcontract with China Air Lines. He made the statement that, according to information he has, China Air Lines through intercession of the GRC collected \$27,000 from the Embassy in Taipei for an aircraft that crashed. In addition, he said the China Air Lines also collected from "your people" for this accident claim. I advised Mr. Carroll that I knew nothing about this particular matter but if the subject came up during negotiations, Mr. _____ would be most willing and able to look into the matter.

4. Mr. Carroll asked whether I was acquainted with Mr. Bill Leonard, apparently an AID Officer. I said I was not but that I was aware Mr. _____knew Mr. Leonard and that possibly they could get together and exchange information as needed on the particulars of the contract negotiations.



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