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ANNEX T TO APPENDIX B

COUNTERPART RELATIONSHIPS

STRATEGIC TECHNICAL DIRECTORATE (STD)*

I. (PS) BACKGROUND.

A. Development and Missions.

1. The Liaison Service of the President of Vietnam was a military organization which had the mission of collecting strategic intelligence throughout South Vietnam This organization was under direct control of President Diem It was not the same organization as the present day Liaison Service In mid-1958, the Director of the Liaison Service submitted a project for the establishment of an agency to collect strategic intelligence in North Vietnam The President approved the organization and 12 officers were sent to the United States to attend a two month Special Intelligence Training Course Inclosure 1 depicts chronologic development of STD

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3. In January 1962, the Special Topographic Exploitation Service was formed with the Special Branch for Clandestine Operations as a subordinate element. The Special Topographic Exploitation Service was directly responsible to the President of South Vietnam and its mission concerned both internal security and special operations outside the Republic of Vietnam. The Special Branch for Clandestine Operations was responsible for conducting intelligence operations against North Vietnam using military and civilian personnel

a. Maritime operations were conducted using the PCF Swift Boats and Yabuta Class Junks The Junks were built by fishermen and other seafarers who had come south avoiding the communist

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take-over of the northern part of Vietnam. They built these craft along the lines of those constructed in the vicinity of Vinh and the northeastern coastal area of North Vietnam Construction sites were at Da Nang and Cap St Jacques (Vung Tau) where these northern people had settled

b. Air operations for delivery of agent teams and re-supply employed VNAF modified C-47 aircraft The modification consisted of additional fuel tanks to allow them to fly over much greater distances The aircraft flew from Saigon (Tan Son Nhut Air Base) to Da Nang, topped off with fuel, then flew over the Gulf of Tonkin, across the NVN coastline and on to their target These aircraft operated all the way to vicinity of the NVN/Chinese border. General Ky, now Vice President of RVN, was one of the pilots who flew these missions

4. Several out-of-country sub-branches were established for clandestine activities.

a. COMETE - located in Vientiane, Laos.

b. HERCULE - located in Savannakhet, Laos.

c. ALTO - located in Bangkok, Thailand.

Missions for these sub-branches included collecting information on communist activities in North Vietnam and recruiting, training and infiltrating agents into North Vietnam

d. VENUS - located in Paris, France, with similar missions as above using VN nationals

e. Special Branch was in process of establishing sub-branches in Tokyo and Hong Kong in late 1963 when the program was dropped.

5. On 1 April 1963, the Special Topographic Exploitation Service was redesignated the Special Forces (SF) Command. The Special Branch for Clandestine Operations retained its designation and was attached to the SF Command for administration Operational control of the Special Branch reverted to the Chief of Staff (CofS), Joint General Staff (JGS).

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General Staff (JGS).

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6. The mission of the SF Command in 1963 was much the same as it is now, to train, arm and support the people of the hamlets to protect themselves and defend their villages from the Viet Cong and also to infiltrate SF personnel into the VC secret zones in-country for intelligence purposes

7. On 1 April 1964, the Special Branch was split; one portion becoming the Strategic Exploitation Service and the other a separate entity, the Liaison Service

a. The Strategic Exploitation Service (SES) remained under administrative control of the SF Command and operational control of the CofS, JGS. The mission of the SES was conduct of intelligence gathering operations in NVN Col Tran Van HQ assumed command of SES in April 1964.

b The Liaison Service also remained under administrative and operational control the same as SES Their mission was to conduct intelligence gathering operations in Laos.

c. The Coastal Security Service (CSS) is the cover name for the Vietnamese Maritime Operations Force. It was formed as a part of SCS as of 1 April 1964 in Da Nang CCS was successor to PACIFIC sub-branch which was changed with the mission of infiltrating and exfiltrating agents and equipment into and out of NVN by sea.

8. Also, on 1 April 1964, that element that had been the Special Topographic Exploitation Service (then a part of the SF Command) was reconstituted as the 77th Special Forces Group. The SF Group was formed in the present day STD Compound. At the same time, the new 31st Special Forces Group was formed in the compound now occupied by the present Liaison Service Missions of both groups remained the same as for the SF Command. The SF Command plus the two groups moved to Nha Trang later in 1964.

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9. SES was renamed Strategic Technical Service (STS) on 16 January 1965 and the Liaison Service was made an integral part of STS at that time. Administrative, operational control and missions remained the same for both elements.

10. STS was renamed Strategic Technical Directorate (STD) on 1 November 1967 with administrative and operational control remaining the same as before. The missions also remained the same.

11. STD and its sub-element, the Liaison Service, became an assigned, subordinate activity of JGS and no longer was associated with the SF Command as of 1 February 1968. STD assumed its own administrative and personnel support. As an independent directorate of JGS, STD is supported by Headquarters, Vietnam High Command. As an organic activity of STD, the Liaison Service remains under direct operational control of the CofS, JGS.

B. STD Mission and Capabilities.

1. Mission. To exercise operational command over forces and personnel assigned or attached to execute special operations or conduct unconventional warfare as directed by the Joint General Staff/RVNAF or competent authority.

2. Capabilities

a. Providing command and control of forces performing special operations or unconventional warfare missions.

b. Planning, coordinating and implementing those special operations or unconventional warfare missions authorized by the High Command, RVNAF.

c. Preparing coordinated US/VN plans for special contingency or special emergency operations as directed by the High Command, RVNAF, developing capabilities to provide support for the accomplishment of such special contingency or emergency plans.

d. Training those forces assigned for special operations or unconventional warfare.

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C. Organization

1. Although activated in 1964, there was no approved Table of Organization and Equipment for STD until Jan 67 when ARVN TOE 40-201A was published. The "A" Series TOE authorized a total strength of 123 officers and 359 other ranks from ARVN. Concurrently, the CSS, attached from the Vietnamese Navy for operational control, was authorized 55 officers and 37 other ranks under TOE 3-7S9

2. Under the "B" Series TOE, approved 29 Apr 68, STD was authorized 185 officers and 297 other ranks from ARVN. The proposed authorized strength of CSS in 1968 went to 49 officers and 363 other ranks.

3. Since 1964 the STD organization has been supplemented by increasing numbers of mercenaries In 1964 there were some 470. This number increased to 1675 when SHINING BRASS Operations were initiated in Oct 65. By the end of 1968 the number of mercenaries under STD control had reached 2,353. Administrative local civilian employees numbered 1,918 at the end of 68.

4. The "C" Series TOE was approved in Jun 69 and authorized 307 officers and 610 other ranks.

5 JGS approved the "D" Series TOE in the fall of 1969 re-aligning STD forces more realistically so that the Liaison Service was organized with three sub-elements, paralleling the three C&C Dets. The authorized strength remained at 917.

6. Organizational charts depicting past and present organizations are attached as inclosures 2 through 16 .

II. (TS) COUNTERPART RELATIONSHIPS.

A General Direct counterpart relations exist in several specific areas These relations are shown by the chart at inclosure 17 and are discussed below.

B. Director, STD.

1. Direct counterpart relationships exist between the Director, STD and Chief, SOG.

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2. Coordination and liaison is conducted on all the many functions, missions and operations for which STD is responsible and SOG maintains interest Establishment of policies, program objectives and support, coordination on STD TOGL structure and manning, establishment of civilian TD ceilings within staff and operating elements and delineation of amount and type of logistic and financial support are among the more important matters of coordination

C Deputy Director, STD.

1 The Deputy Director deals with his parallel, Deputy Chief, SOG on all matters concerning the overall organization, function and operation of STD He must be prepared to assume directorship of the organization and therefore must remain abreast of all STD activities and the assistance, advice, and guidance offered and the restraints imposed by SOG

2 Because of his responsibility to maintain this knowledge, he has an additional counterpart in the person of SOG Director, Operations and Training (SOG-30) The current organization of STD distributes and intermingles functions normal to SOG-30 among several STD staffs and sub-commands Director, SOG-30 maintains liaison with the Deputy Director, STD, in matters involving policy advice relative to current and future reconnaissance, maritime, air, psychological warfare, and training operations and force levels.

D. Personnel Branch, Admin and Log Service

1. Counterpart to the Personnel Branch is the SOG Civilian Personnel Office (CPO) CPO maintains the Civilian Table of Distribution as well as the STD Personnel Branch.

2. CPO and STD Pers Branch coordinate in hiring and termination of local national civilians for STD and the Joint Translation Center.

3. SOG CPO; in conjunction with SOG Security, STD Security, and the VN Military Security Service, process all final security checks of Vietnamese civilian personnel being hired on a temporary or permanent basis for SOG, STD, or any of the sub-elements.

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E STD/SOG Logistics Relationships

1 Logistics in RVNAF are handled somewhat different than that of the US. RVNAF has five Area Logistic Commands (ALCs) covering Vietnam The ALCs furnish common item support to all services in their area of responsibility The ALCs are operated by ARVN VNN And VNAF provide only service peculiar items to their forces.

2. STD Logistics Branch acts as a Log Staff Agency for the STD subordinate elements STD Headquarters issues logistic guidance to the sub-elements. STD Headquarters constitutes a separate customer for one of the ALCs

3. The subordinate commands of STD deal directly with the ALCs as separate accounts.

4. From its inception, SOG provided the majority of logistic support for STD and its elements. CSS was recently required to rely on the RVNAF Log System. At present the Command and Control Detachments and the Airborne Training Center at Camp Long Thanh are supported entirely through US Log channels. Plans are being prepared for these elements to adopt the RVNAF system also.

5 Considering the information shown above, it becomes apparent that little advice from SOG logistic personnel is appropriate.

F. Finance Branch, Admin and Log Svc. SOG finances certain of STD's administrative costs and supplies for operation of programs run by Special Task Force/SOG-36 These funds are issued to the STD Financ Officer by SOG Comptroller. They are expended by STD within the authorizations set forth in SOG Directives (primarily salaries and SOG Directive 37-2). Monthly, the STD Finance Officer submits an accountin for funds expended and on hand to the SOG Comptroller. These accounts are audited by Comptroller personnel and results are reported to the STD Finance Officer.

G. Psychological Warfare Services.

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2. Dealing directly with PsyWar Svc headquarters element is SOG-33. They assist and advise in planning for and coordination of psywar programs and activities and development of personnel requirements.

3 Two elements of PsyWar Svc, the Plans and Research Branch and the PsyWar Ops Branch are counterpart to PSG The Director of PsyWar Svc exercises direct supervision over these two elements, therefore the Director of PSG also deals with him in the technical and functional aspects of these two branches.

a. PSG personnel advise and assist Plans & Research and PsyWar Ops Branches on development of effective psychological operations including in-country covert psyops, media selection, production and dissemination, covert in - and out of country radio broadcasts, and third country mail operations Research & Analysis Branch, PSG supports Plans & Research Branch, PsyWar Svc with advice and assistance on research and analyses methods and procedures and trains RVN personnel associated with that activity.

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c. The conduct of covert psychological operations programs, including provision of US military personnel, is under control of SOG.

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4. Counterpart to the Broadcast Branch is the RSG. The Deputy Director, PsyWar Svc exercises direct supervision over the Broadcast Branch Broadcast Branch and RSG operate the Voice of Freedom (VOF) radio facility directed against NVN. VOF is a covert (grey) radio station jointly managed, controlled and operated by SOG and STD for their respective governments.

a. RSG personnel advise, assist, train and supervise VN counterparts in scheduling and production of radio programs, installation, maintenance, repair and technical operation of studio and transmitter equipment.

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b. JUSPAO makes recommendations on program modification and provides US policy guidance for operation of the station

H Intelligence Branch, Intel and Ops Service.

1. SOG Intelligence Division gives STD Intelligence Branch guidance on staff organization and manning, operation and management of various programs, and collecting, processing, collating, and disseminating intelligence information

2. STD S-2 is presently reorganizing his office and staff to assimilate the SOG targeting procedures He attends the monthly target panel meetings to become familiar with procedures and methods used. Similar techniques will be initiated in STD Intel Branch

3 All information concerning SOG Intelligence Division operation is available for review by selected members of STD with exception of that material carrying the "No Foreign" restriction

I. Operations Branch, Intelligence & Operations Service.

1 The Chief, Ground Studies Branch (SOG-34) maintains close and direct counterpart relations with Chief, Operations Branch

2. These elements theoretically have prime staff responsibility for the cross-border mission and the operational elements which conduct those missions, however, in practice the Ops Br is not actively involved in the cross-border programs They coordinate on manning and TO&E structure for the operational elements.

3. Both the Ops Branch and SOG-34 maintain staff cognizance of training conducted for personnel slated for programs in their sphere of interest.

4. The staff elements exchange information on targeting to be used in the monthly Targeting Panel meetings. This combined effort is designed to stimulate interest and participation in mission planning

J. STD Communications Branch.

1. Director, SOG Communications provides the STD Signal Officer with guidance in the formulation of signal plans for STRATA and ARVN cross-border teams, communications, security, and capabilities and limitations of equipment.

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2. STD Signal Officer and Director, SOG Comm, together, conduct liaison with JGS J-6 and ARVN Signal Corps elements and their advisors for procurement of communications assets

3. SOG Comm provides STD with technical guidance and assistance in effecting repair to communications equipment which is beyond STD capabilities.

K. Naval Liaison Branch.

1. Naval Liaison Branch of STD is the staff element maintaining cognizance of the maritime operations of the Coastal Security Service. The Branch is charged with generally the same functions as their SOG counterpart, Maritime Studies Branch (SOG-31).

2. Coordination between these two staff agencies is close Policy matters are discussed back and forth and traffic flow to and from the operational elements at Da Nang follows both US and VN channels

3. Major areas of coordination are.

a. Mission planning, coordination and approval,

b. Determining force levels,

c. In-country operating areas,

d. Intelligence gathering networks, and

e. Logistic support including transportation requirements

L. Liaison Service.

1. Liaison Service is a subordinate command of STD. Their primary area of interest is in the ground cross-border operations. Counterpart to this element is the Ground Studies Group (SOG-35).

2. Subordinate to Liaison Service is the ARVN elements at the Command and Control Detachments (C&C Dets). Operational command of all elements; US, ARVN, and SCU, is exercised by Commander, SOG-35. The commanders of Liaison Service and SOG-35 coordinate on all missions, functions, and problem areas of the C & C Dets.

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3. JGS recently approved a modification to the TO&E of STD (now TO&E 40-201 D) which gave Liaison Service three sub-elements as opposed to two There was no increase in overall strength of STD resulting from this modification Addition of the third element makes Liaison Service and SOG-35 closely parallel Effort is being put forth to cause the ARVN staffs to function along the same lines as their US counterparts The goal of this effort is to prepare the ARVN command and staff to assume full control and responsibility for the program

4 The C & C Dets are US commanded and operated. ARVN counterpart staffs have functioned in recruiting SCU personnel, providing security checks on their personnel and keeping the US C&C Det Commander informed of information and directives passed to them by the Liaison Service in Saigon ARVN C & C Det staffs are being encouraged to take a more active part in administrative, operational, and support planning and mission coordination.

5 Presently, there are two basic type Reconnaissance Teams (RT), US led and ARVN led. ARVN personnel often serve on US led RT's. US personnel are not placed subordinate to ARVN personnel. After a period of training and evaluation by US Commanders and RT leaders, ARVN RT leaders are selected and their teams formed They receive additional training to mold them as a team before they are sent on a mission.

6. There are no ARVN commanded Exploitation Forces at this time.

7. ARVN C & C Det Staff personnel administer most disciplinary action to ARVN and SCU personnel. They prepare and issue identification papers and maintain background security check cards on all SCU personnel. The ARVN staff handles only ARVN base pay responsibilities. SCU base pay and ARVN and SCU per diem and special pay is provided and administered by US personnel.

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M. Coastal Security Service

1. Coastal Security Service (CSS) is an element of STD supported by both the VN Navy and ARVN They are responsible for conducting special maritime operations, including cross-beach operations, as directed by STD Operating in an integrated liaison/advisory capacity is their counterpart, the Naval Advisory Detachment (NAD). The internal organization of CSS is shown at inclosure 18

2. CSS operates using PCF Swift and PTF Nasty Class boats on loan from the US Navy.

3. NAD assists and advises CSS in staff and planning procedures, training, tactics (both maritime and cross-beach), reconnaissance and security, fire support, and boat maintenance support

4. CSS personnel accomplish much of the maintenance on the assigned boats with supervision and assistance from NAD personnel. A floating dry dock has been provided to enhance maintenance and maintenance training of CSS personnel Major boat maintenance is accomplished at the Boat Repair Facility, Subic Bay, Philippines. Selected CSS personnel have attended maintenance training at Subic

5. NAD operational personnel accompany and participate in certain in-country cross-beach operations against known VC/VCI/NVA base areas This provides direct observation of cross-beach teams by US personnel and future training is adjusted to improve observed shortcomings In-country cross-beach missions are based on intelligence gathered from many sources, are often requested by various US and VN conventional ground force headquarters, and have proven highly successful

6. In the proposed Post Hostilities configuration, CSS will have all Navy personnel and will be the VN Navy UW organization. They will receive advisory support from the US Naval Advisory Group.

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N. Airborne Training Center.

1 The Airborne Training Center is an ARVN military facility located at Camp Long Thanh (CLT) The Center is an element of STD and all ARVN personnel assigned to the Training Center are members of STD

2. Counterpart to the Airborne Training Center is Training Studies Group (SOG-38). In addition to conducting all training for US personnel, SOG-38 assists in preparation and implementation of training directives, programs of instruction and various training programs. Inclosure 19 is a list of courses available at CLT. Members of SOG-38 are selected very carefully for their knowledge, experience and ability to supervise and instruct. These personnel attend the major portion of instruction given by ARVN personnel and make corrections and suggestions when the period of instruction is completed

3. Administration and logistic requirements for support of training, camp operation and facility improvement are points of continuous coordination. Logistic and financial requirements are closely scrutinized and complete justification is required prior to approval.

4. US personnel advise on and coordinate combat training operations conducted as field training out of CLT. Requests for transportation beyond the capability of CLT is coordinated through SOG-38

5. Control of the training facility is in the hands of the Commander, Airborne Training Center. This control is influenced by Commander, Training Studies Group, through US monetary and logistic support and denial of advice or assistance to programs and projects not approved by Chief, SOG

O. Coordination and Liaison Detachment is counterparted by SOG Air Studies Branch (SOG-32). The Functions set down for these two elements are very similar SOG-32 advises and assists in training counterpart personnel in planning conduct of air operations in support of UW activities including aerial delivery, close air support, aerial reconnaissance, logistic air support scheduling, and coordination for

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use of assets from supporting air elements Major efforts are being put forth in plans and programs to enhance the capabilities of the Coordination & Liaison Det in this field. The JTD calls for 14 personnel in the Det plus ten VNAF personnel on indefinite TAD, two of the TAD officers are presently working in the Detachment

P. Special Task Force.

1. The Airborne Studies Group (SOG-36) is counterpart to Special Task Force (STF). STF is responsible to STD for planning and conduct of covert and clandestine ground operations.

2. SOG-36 advises and assists STF in the following areas

a. Recommendations on selection, training and supervision of agent personnel,

b. Guidance on financial matters and major expenditures,

c. Establishment of training plans and programs, support and supervision of training, and assistance with training aids, and

d Preparation of long range operational planning, organizing and directing operations, provides aerial photography, documentation and other intelligence material, and transportation in support of agent team operations.

3. Targets for agent and-STRATA teams are currently being selected by US manned Targeting Panels. Members of these Panels are representatives of SOG Intelligence Division, Operations and Training Division, and Airborne Studies Group and MACV J-2

4. STF presently consists of a group of well trained and experienced VN personnel capable of assuming responsibility for covert and clandestine operations except in the areas of finance and logistics.

III. (TS) RECRUITMENT.

A. Agent Personnel

1. Requirements for agent teams and the rules and procedures established for recruiting clandestine agents are based on intelligence indicators and requirements developed in the operation plan. Development of the plan, the geographic area agents would be operating in and the

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ethnic origin of the inhabitants dictated what type individual and how many agent personnel would be required. Only after the information above had been obtained was any recruiting attempted.

2. The designated Case Officer and/or spotters would then proceed to in-country locations, including military organizations, likely to produce qualified candidates for the agent mission planned. Interviews were conducted with prospective agent personnel and certain information forms were completed Emphasis was placed on motivating the prospect to volunteer for a highly important assignment in support of his country.

3. The information forms (similar to US DD Form 398, Personal History Statement) were then reviewed by the VN National Police [redacted] and a background security investigation was conducted If the individual met all requirements, the Case Officer went out to perform the actual recruitment

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4. Agent trainees were brought to Saigon to one of several safe houses. Later in the program all agent personnel were placed in isolation training facilities at Camp Long Thanh. Complete administrative and security processing, including a polygraph test, constituted the first activity in the isolation area.

B Special Commando Unit (SCU) Personnel

1 The Liaison Bureau is SOG (SOG-35) liaison to the Liaison Service of STD. The element consists of one officer (O-3) and three NCOs.

2. Recruitment of SCU personnel to fill the various elements of the C & C Dets and Monkey Mountain Forward Operating Base (MMFOB) is accomplished through the combined efforts of the Liaison Bureau and the Liaison Service. Inclosure 20 depicts the make up of the Recruiting Section, lays out necessary documentation required in the recruiting process and gives certain administrative procedures to be followed.

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3. Requisitions for additional personnel are submitted by the C & C Dets and MITOB, through both ARVN and US channels, stating any desired characteristics (such as ethnic origin) of the new recruits.

4. The combined recruiting team proceeds to the Province capable of providing the desired personnel. An interview is held with the Province Chief and Province advisor to determine any restrictions which may have been imposed on recruiting in that area

5. A publicity campaign is initiated Announcements are made over the local radio station and visits to villages to speak to prospective recruits are made.

6. Certain restrictions have been placed on recruitment of selected ethnic personnel

a. Vietnamese and Chinese personnel are not eligible for recruitment into SOG Programs until after they are at least 24 years of age. Basis for this restriction is so as not to interfere with regular VN Military recruitment.

b. Montagnard and Nung personnel can be recruited after they have reached their 18th birthday. These ethnic people are not subject to draft by VN Military Forces.

7. Comparison of approximate ethnic strengths at the C & C Dets is as follows

	VN/Chinese	Montagnard	TOTAL
(1) C & C South	300	500	800
(2) C & C Central	100	600	700
(3) C & C North	500	300	800

8. No difficulty has been experienced using this method of recruitment. Retention of personnel has been a problem. All personnel are recruited for an indefinite period They can quit or be terminated at any time. A monetary bonus is awarded for extended service.

9 The C & C Dets do not do any recruiting on their own. They can assist in the recruiting effort to improve the quality of the recruits received

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10 Recruiting has been authorized at encampments of VN Airborne and Ranger units

IV (TS) TRAINING

A. Agent Training.

1. Agent training normally lasts 10 to 12 weeks. In the past, this training time was often extended for various reasons; delay in getting the required number of qualified agent trainees, weather delays, etc Radio operator trainees usually required as much as 20 weeks training to become proficient.

2. Agent Training Subjects

a. Observation and reporting.

b. Use of non-technical communications, cut-outs, dead drops, witting live drops, unwitting live drops, personal meetings, use at accomodation address, and secret writing

c Surveillance techniques, counter surveillance.

d Personnel security

e Use of bona-fides (clandestine agent recognition systems)

f. Map reading.

g. Spotting and recruiting of sub-sources

h. Technical communications - radio, one-time pads.

i. Scouting and patrolling and related military subjects.

j. Parachute training.

B. SCU Training.

1. Basic Training. The majority of basic training for new recruits is conducted at Camp Long Thanh Five weeks of intensive training is conducted to make basic soldiers of the new recruits. A limited amount of basic training is conducted by the C & C Dets.

2. Further Training.

a. Upon completion of basic training the recruits are sent to the C & C Dets (or MIFOD) to which they are assigned and are integrated into RTs or exploitation companies They begin training to

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become part of that team. This training can be likened to advanced basic training and basic unit training.

b. As time permits, additional training is given to further enhance operational capabilities This includes retraining at individual skills as well as unit and exploitation training.

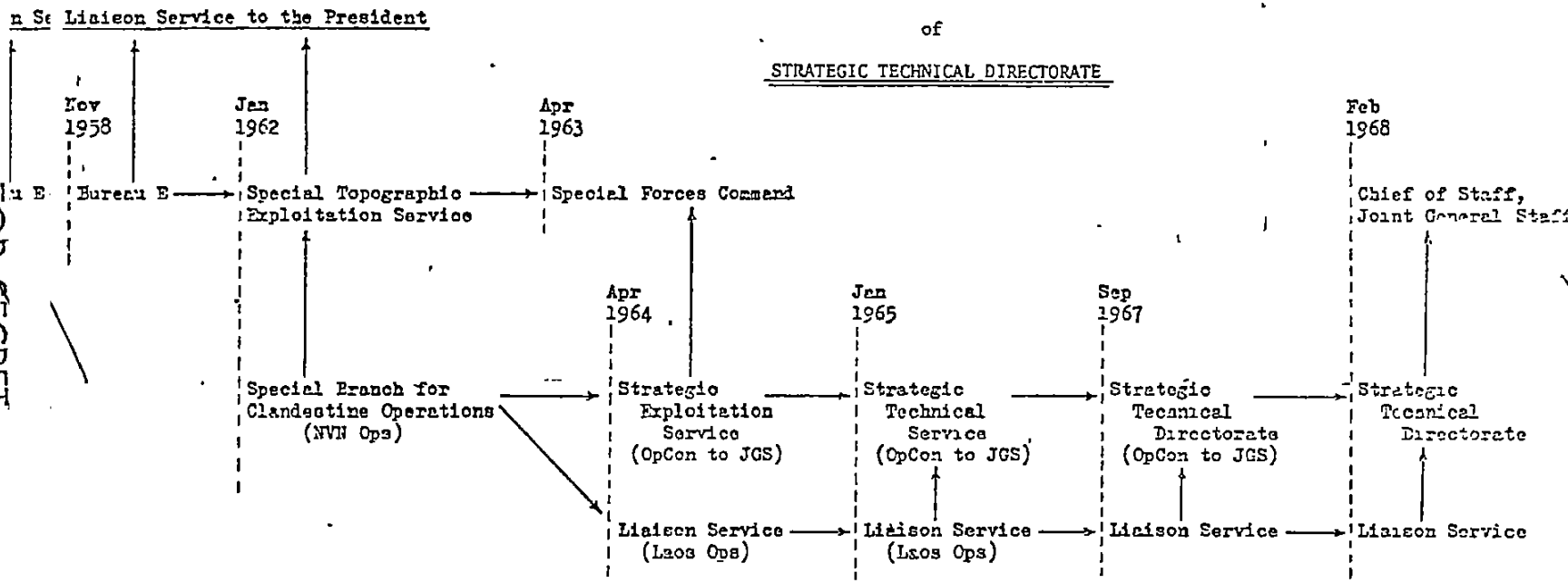
c Specialist training such as the basic airborne course, radio operation, medical training and the RT Leaders Course is used to qualify selected individuals for further utilization. The current list of courses being administered at CLT is included at inclosure 19.

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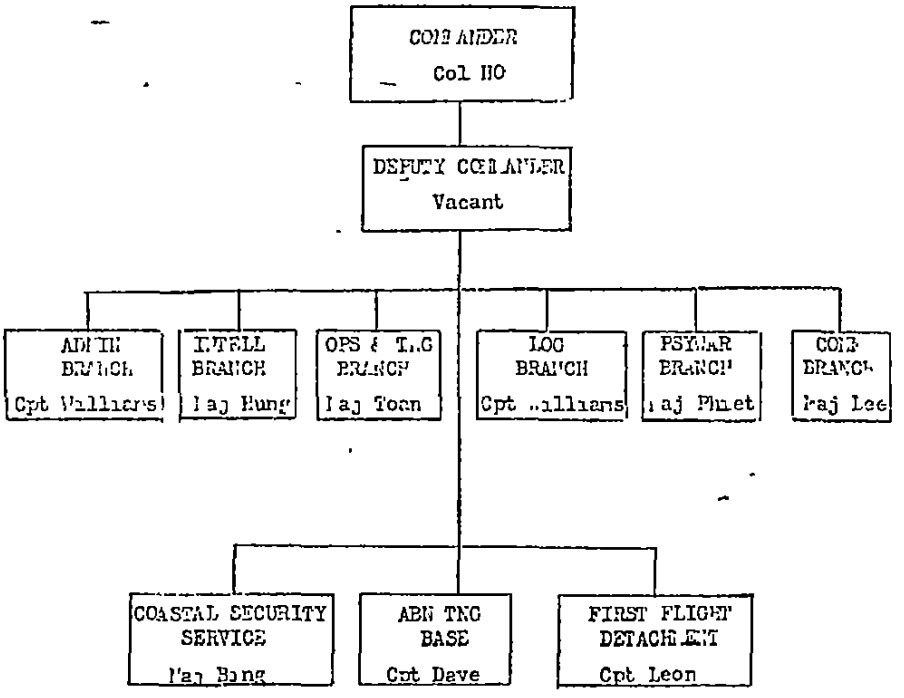
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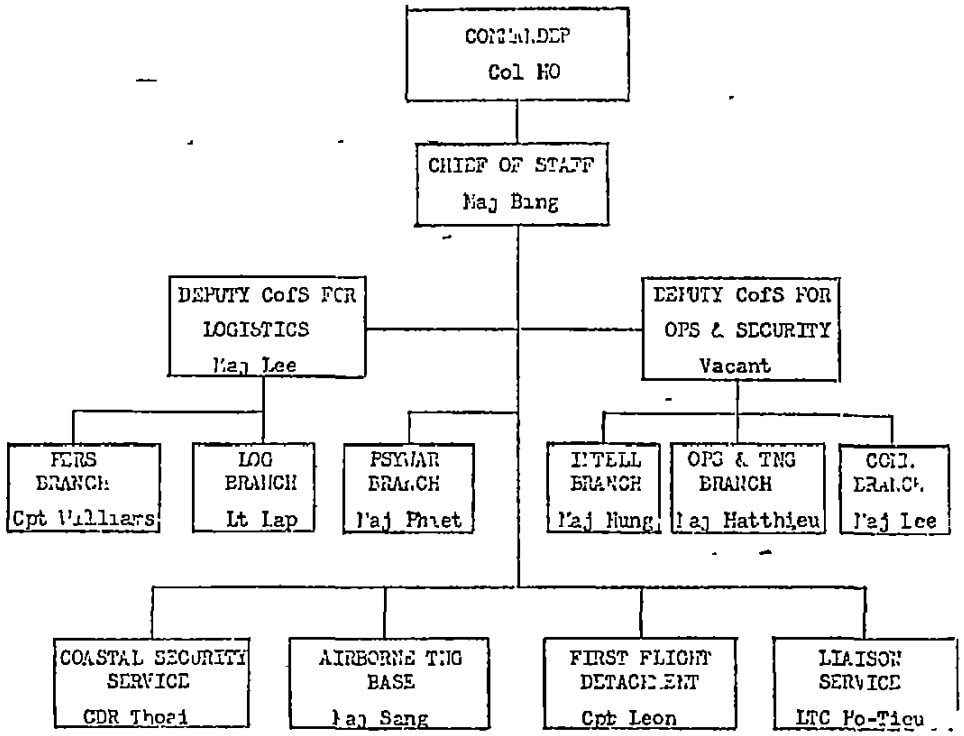
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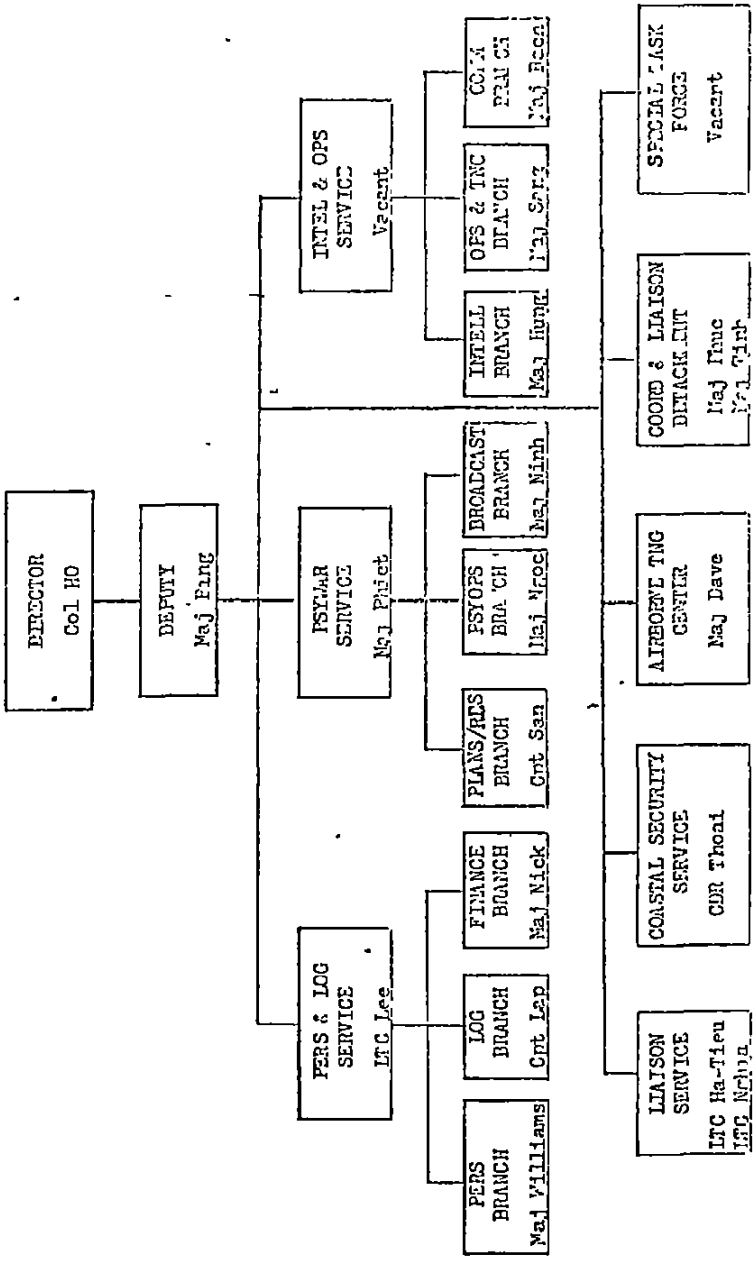
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I. MISSION

To exercise operational command over forces and personnel assigned or attached to execute special operations or conduct unconventional warfare as directed by the Joint General Staff/RVNAF or competent authority.

II. ASSIGNMENT.

To the Joint General Staff.

III. CAPABILITIES.

(a) Providing command and control of forces performing special operations, or conducting unconventional warfare.

(b) Planning, coordinating and implementing those special operations or unconventional warfare missions authorized by the High Command, RVNAF.

(c) Preparing coordinated US-VN plans for special contingency or special emergency operations as directed by the High Command, RVNAF, developing capabilities to provide support for the accomplishment of such special contingency or emergency plans.

(d) Training those forces assigned for special operations or unconventional warfare.

IV. BASIS OF ALLOCATION.

One per R.V.N.A.F.

V. MOBILITY.

Headquarters: Fixed.

Subordinate and attached Units 100% mobility

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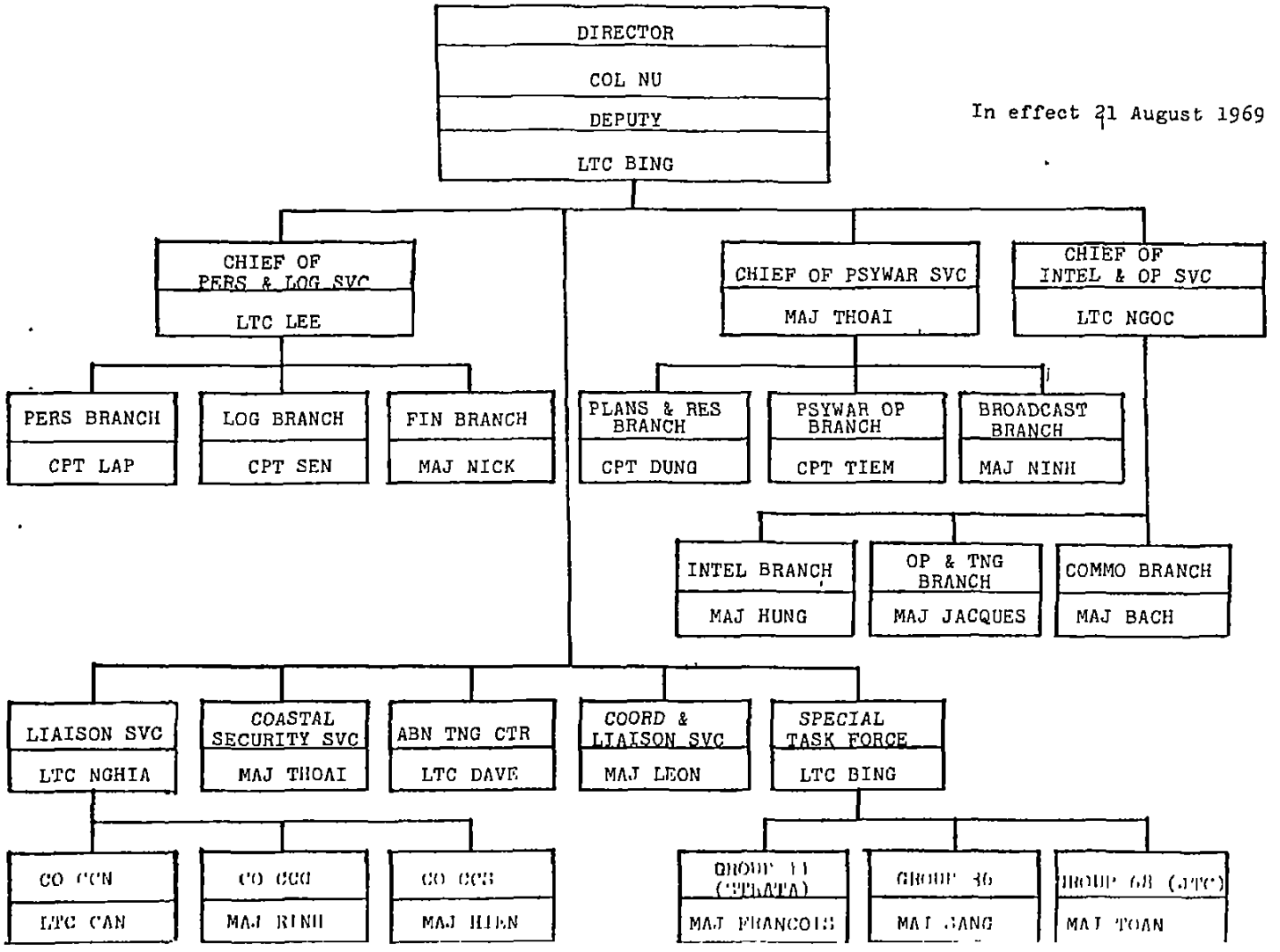
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NATIONAL DEFENSE MINISTER

Reference to decree no 99/TTP dated 18 Feb 1964 - Decision of forming the government.

Reference to decree no 42/SL/CT dated 4 Jan 1964 - Decision of reshuffling the Department of Defense.

Reference to the public requirements.

In accordance with the proposal of the Republic of VN Armed Forces Minister.

O R D E R

Article 1 - To establish a service, belonging to the Republic of VN General Command, called Exploitation Service.

Article 2 - The Exploitation Service is under the command of 1 Commander who is assigned by Department of Defense's orders

Article 3 - The date and regulations of establishing and organizing the said service will be under the decision of the General Headquarters.

Article 4 - The Commander-in-Chief has a duty to carry this order into effect.

SAIGON 23 February 1964

Major General TRAN-THIEN-KHIEM

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Major, USA
DocTm Member

Assistant Director of Cabinet concurrently in charge of military affairs.
Lt Colonel TRAN-VAN-CUONG (Signed & Sealed)

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REPUBLIC OF VN
[illegible] MINISTRY

No 859/QP/[illegible]

THE DEFENSE MINISTER

By virtue of the decree 99/TTP dated 8 Feb 64, fixing the composition of the government,

By virtue of the decree 42/SL/CT dated 4 Jan 64 ruling the reorganization of the Defense Ministry,

Considering service requirements,

Upon proposal by the C-in-C of VNAF

DECREES

ART. 1.- It is created a Service, directly responsible to The Joint General Staff and named S.E.S.

ART. 2.- S.E.S. is put under the direction of a Commander to be appointed by a decree of The Defense Ministry.

ART. 3.- The effective date and procedures for the establishment as well as the organization of The S.E.S. will be fix by The J.G.S.

ART. 4.- The C-in-Chief of RVNAF is held responsible for the execution of this decree.

Saigon, 23 March 1964
Major General TRAN THIEN KHIEM

C O P Y

Assistant Director of Cabinet
concurrently Military Deputy.
Lieutenant Colonel TRAN VAN CUONG
Signature and Seal

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APO 1,002, 7 April 1964

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REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
GENERAL JOINT STAFF
RVN ARMED FORCES
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MEMORANDUM

Tel: 30166

No 014 /TTL/I/I/TC/L
TTL/3/I/...
TTL/4/TK/...

Subject: A / Establishment of Exploitation Service.
Reference: Decree No 859 /QP/ND, dated 23 March 1964.

In order to carry out the above-mentioned decree, from now on 1 April 1964, an agency shall be established, bearing this name:

THE EXPLOITATION SERVICE

The Exploitation Service is directly subordinate to the General Joint Staff of RVN Armed Forces, and Lt. Col. Tran-Van-Do is responsible for that establishment.

I/ T.O & E -

T.O&E of the Exploitation Service shall be later issued.

II/ PERSONNEL -

Personnels used in the establishment of the Exploitation Service, shall be furnished by the GJS (J 1).

Transferring and assignment of personnels shall be applied due to current procedures.

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III/ MILITARY EQUIPMENTS-

A quantity of military equipments which are essential to the activities of that Agency, shall be advanced - while looking forward to an officially - issued TO & E.

IV/ STATION - BARRACKS -

The Exploitation Service shall be located at the Tran-Dung-Dao camp, barracks furnished by J 4 (GJS) "The Estate Section."

V/ ADMINISTRATION -

The Exploitation Service shall be administered by the HQ Company (Special Forces Headquarters) on administration supply.

VI/ STRENGTH REPORT -

The HQ Company (Special Forces Headquarters) has task of preparing strength reports - From 101 - 102 / QS, and forwarding them to this newly-established Exploitation Service. The 1st report must be prepared on 15,4, 1964. In case the strength has not been realized yet, the"NEGATIVE" report must still to be made.

All details needed for this activities, were clearly described in the Directive No 1701 / TTM/I/TH/K, dated 10 Oct 1962.

VII/ REPORT ON THE PERFORMANCE -

Report on the performance of above-mentioned directives shall be forwarded to GJS / J1 + J3 + J4.

By orders / Maj. General TRAN-THIEN-KHIEM

Commander-in-Chief of RVN Armed Forces

Brig. General NGUYEN-VAN-THIEU
Joint General Staff Commander (Signed & Sealed)

To:
- Lt/Col TRAN-VAN-HO
- Special Forces / HQ "for performance"

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To :

- The General Directorate of Administration
  Budget - Accounting.
- 3rd Logistic Command.
- Directorate of Military Security.
- J2, J3, J4, J5, J6, J7.
- Operation Center.
- Navy Forces / HQ.
- Air Forces / HQ.
- General Staff 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th tactical zone.
- Chief MAAG (O and T Div.)

"For information".

Copies to be sent to:

- Office of Chief of State.
- Office of Prime Minister (Military Office).
- Department of Defense.
- Office of Commander-in-Chief of RVN Armed Forces.
- Office of General Staff Commander of RVNAF.

"for information".

Published within:

- GHQ (GJS).
- Center of Documents.
- J1.

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DEFENSE HEADQUARTERS
HIGH COMMAND
VIETNAM ARMED FORCES
G1
Tel. 30.166
No 014/TTL/I/1/TC/1
TTL/3/1/1
TTL/4/TK/1

S E R V I C E
M E M O R A N D U M

SUBJECT : Creation of the SES
REFERENCE . Decree no 859/QP/ND dated 23 March 1964

In execution of the decree above referred to, it is, established effective April 1st, 1964, a service under the name of S.E.S.

S.E.S. is directly responsible to The Joint General Staff RVNAF, and established under Lieutenant-Colonel TRAN VAN HO ' responsibilities.

I.- The Table of organization and equipment.-

The S.E.S's T.O.E will be issued at a later date.

II.- PERSONNEL.-

The personnel required for the creation of The S.E.S. will be provided by The J.G.S (J1 + TAGO)

The transfer and appointment of the personnel are to be applied in accordnace with the regulations in force.

III.- The equipment.-

The S.E.S will be given an advance amount of equipment needed for the conduction of the service pending the issuance of an official T.O.and E.

IV.- QUARTERS - BARRACKS.

The S.E.S. is quartered in TRAN HUNG DAO Camp, barracks will be furnished by The J4/JGS (Real Estate Section)

V.- ADMINISTRATION.-

The S.E.S. shall be administered by the Hqs and Hqs company S.F.Command for administration and logistics.

VI.- STRENGTH REPORT.-

The Hqs and Hqs Co is responsible for making the strength report of personnel (Forms IOI and IO2/CS) for the newly formed S.E.S. The 1st report must be submitted on April 15, 1964. In the event of lacking effective strength, the table "NONE" should be made.

All details for execution have been determined in the Instruction Nr 1701/TTM/I/IK/K dated Oct.10,62.

VII.- EXECUTION REPORT.-

Report of execution of all above instructions must be submitted to The J.G.S/J1+3+4.

By order of Major General TRAN THIEN KHIEM
Commander in Chief of RVNAF.
Brigadier General NGUYEN VAN THIEU
Chief of Joint Staffs.
Signature and Seal.

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18 January 1965

REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
ARMED FORCES MINISTRY
GENERAL JOINT STAFF
RVN ARMED FORCES
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MEMORANDUM

Tel: 30052

No 136 /TTL/P3/QC/...
TTL/TQT/NL/BH

Subject: Join the Liaison Service to the Exploitation Service.

Reference: Memo # 013 /TTL/I/I/TC - 7/4/1964
Memo # 014 /TTL/I/I/TC - 7/4/1964

1. Since 16 January 1965, the Liaison Service (established by memo no 1) is joined to the Exploitation Service (established by memo no 2) which become the unique Service called:

TECHNICAL SERVICE

2. Colonel Tran-Van-HO, Chief of Exploitation Service is assigned to be Chief of Technical Service and is responsible for execution of this memo.

Major General NGUYEN-KHANH
Republic of VN Armed Forces
Commander-in-Chief (Signed & Sealed)

To:
- Liaison Service
- Exploitation Service.
  "for performance".
- Special Forces/HQ
- GHQ (GJS).
- Company / GHQ
  "for information"
- Office of Commander-in-Chief.
- Office of General Joint Staff Commander
  "for information."

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SUGGESTED CAMPAIGN PLAN

GENERAL SITUATION

Main points to consider for the operations in support of our national basic policy of defense :

a) Our area of operations, to be effective, must cover part of the valley of the Mekong river, which is the main avenue of approach for Conventional Forces or the principal route of infiltration for "Liberation Wars".

b) Assistance and training of different ethnic groups.

SUGGESTED STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

1) Organization of a safe line of communication for the joint use of allied forces between the North and the South of our assigned area of operations.

2) Control of the main enemy route of infiltration or part of it.

3) Organization of flexible, mixed, operating and reserve forces to meet any contingency plan in the future.

SUGGESTED MISSION

1) Intensify special operations along the principal enemy lines of communication, particularly his main route of infiltration through Laos to support our present national policy.

2) Initiate operations of U.W. type in our assigned area of operations and be prepared to meet any contingency plan of operations, which could be broadly divided into 2 categories :

Those in support of conventional war effort

And those of cold war type.

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MESSAGE

FM : JGS/J1

TO : - Liaison Service
- I, II, III, IV Army Corps HQs
- Airborne Division HQ
- SF HQ
- Rangers Command

TEXT No 39265

In reference to the message No 4/98 dated 20 Dec 1966 of JGS/Office and the Liaison Service's letter 1662/TTL/SLL/EC/HV dated 17 Dec 1966,

I. The JGS authorizes the Liaison Service to select 30 military personnel to organize two special teams at the following locations :

- II CTZ : 2 officers of tribal origin
- Airborne Division, SF, Rangers and Army Corps : 2 officers + 2 NCOs + 2 El's.

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III. .....

APO 4002, 24 Dec 1966

For Lt Gn CAO VAN VIEN
Chief of JGS/VN Armed Forces
Major Gn NGUYEN VAN VY
Chief of Joint Staffs.

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Deputy Director STD

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MINISTRY OF DEFENSE
JGS/VIETNAMESE FORCES
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No 781/TTM/P3/TC/1
APO 4002, 23 March 67

MEMORANDUM

For the Director STD

SUBJECT : Liaison Service's TOE

REFERENCE : Liaison Service's letter dated 17 March 67

1. In reference to STD proposal, the JGS had submitted to the Ministry of Defense this TD for the Liaison Service :

a. Organization : _

- Commander
- Deputy Cdr
- Administration and Log Branch
- Security and Intelligence Branch
- Comm Branch
- JOC
- FOBs
- Reconnaissance Teams

b. Strength :

- 106 military personnel (including 41 officers, 58 NCOs and 7 EMs)

2. Now the Liaison Service has submitted to the General, Chief of JGS the following requirements for its TD :

a. Organization :

- Comdr
- Dpty Comdr
- Secretariat
- Security/PsyWar Group
- Administration/Log Group
- Operations Group
- Intelligence Group
- 3 Strike Fns
- 35 Scout Teams

b. Strength :

- 256 military personnel (including 95 officers, 146 NCOs and 15 EMs).

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3. The following is the General, Chief JCS decision :

Approved for retention of at least 166 men (old TD)

4. You are requested to implement the General, Chief of JCS decision concerning the Liaison Service's TD and give your comment about this service's organization.

For Gn C/O VAN VIEN
Chief of JCS/VN Armed Forces
Major Gn NGUYEN VAN VY
Chief of Joint Staffs
- Signed and Sealed

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Deputy Director STD

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MESSAGE

FR : JGS/J1

TO : - STS
- LS

TEXT NR 24097/TTL/1/QS/ES/A

In reference to the Liaison Service reports Nos 409, 895 & 889/TTL/SLL/1 V of 19 May, 15 June and 27 July 67 and to meet the Liaison Service urgent requirements, JGS decides the following :

I. Increase the Liaison Service strength with 30 military personnel including

a. 10 officer students of the 25th Reserve Officers Class graduated on 21 Dec 67.

b. 10 students of the NCO 58th and 59 classes, graduated on 23 Sept and 21 Oct 67.

c. 4 medics from the Reserve Resources / Office of the Surgeon General.

d. 6 drivers, light vehicles, from the Reserve Resources / Transportation Department.

II. .....

III. .....

APO 4002, 18 Aug 1967

For Gn CAO VAN VIEN
Chief of JGS
Major Gn NGUYEN VAN VY
Chief of Joint Staffs.

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2 Sept. 1967

TO . Chief, MACV/SOG.

FR : Director, STD

SUBJECT : Change of Unit Designation

REFERENCE . - Defense Ministry Decree nr 503/QP/HD dated 17 Aug. 67.
- JCS Memo nr 2325/TTM/P3/F of 22 Aug. 67

In accordance with the references, the Strategic Technical Service (STS) is redesignated the Strategic Technical Directorate (STD) effective on 1 September 1967. The new Table of Organization authorizes 647 personnel.

Accordingly, the title of Chief of STS is changed into Director, STD and that of Chief of Staff into Deputy Director, STD.

The regular staff at its headquarters and its subordinate agencies remain basically unchanged.

Col. HO,
for Director, STD.

s/Bing

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REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
ARMED FORCES
JGS OF VN ARMED FORCES
J3
no 2553/TTM/P3/TO

APO 4002, 15 Sept 1967

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT : Revision of major ranks in various TOEs of VN Armed Forces.

REFERENCES : - Memo no 3801/TTM/P3/TO of 12 Dec 66.
- Message 16.677 of 1 June 67 from J1/JGS
- Findings of the Ranks Revising Committee

I. - The major ranks in the various TOEs of VN Armed Forces are hereby revised in accordance with the attached new decision.

2. - Effective the date of promulgation of this memorandum, the new ranks should be applied in all services and units for the preparation and submission of drafts for TO & E.

3. - All current TOEs of VN Armed Forces, if affected by this new decision, will be revalidated by subsequent change tables.

4. - All provisions of previously promulgated memos in conflict with this order shall be abolished.

For Gn CAO VAN VIEN,
Chief of JGS/VN Armed Forces
Major Gn NGUYEN VAN VY
Chief of Joint Staffs.
Signed and sealed.

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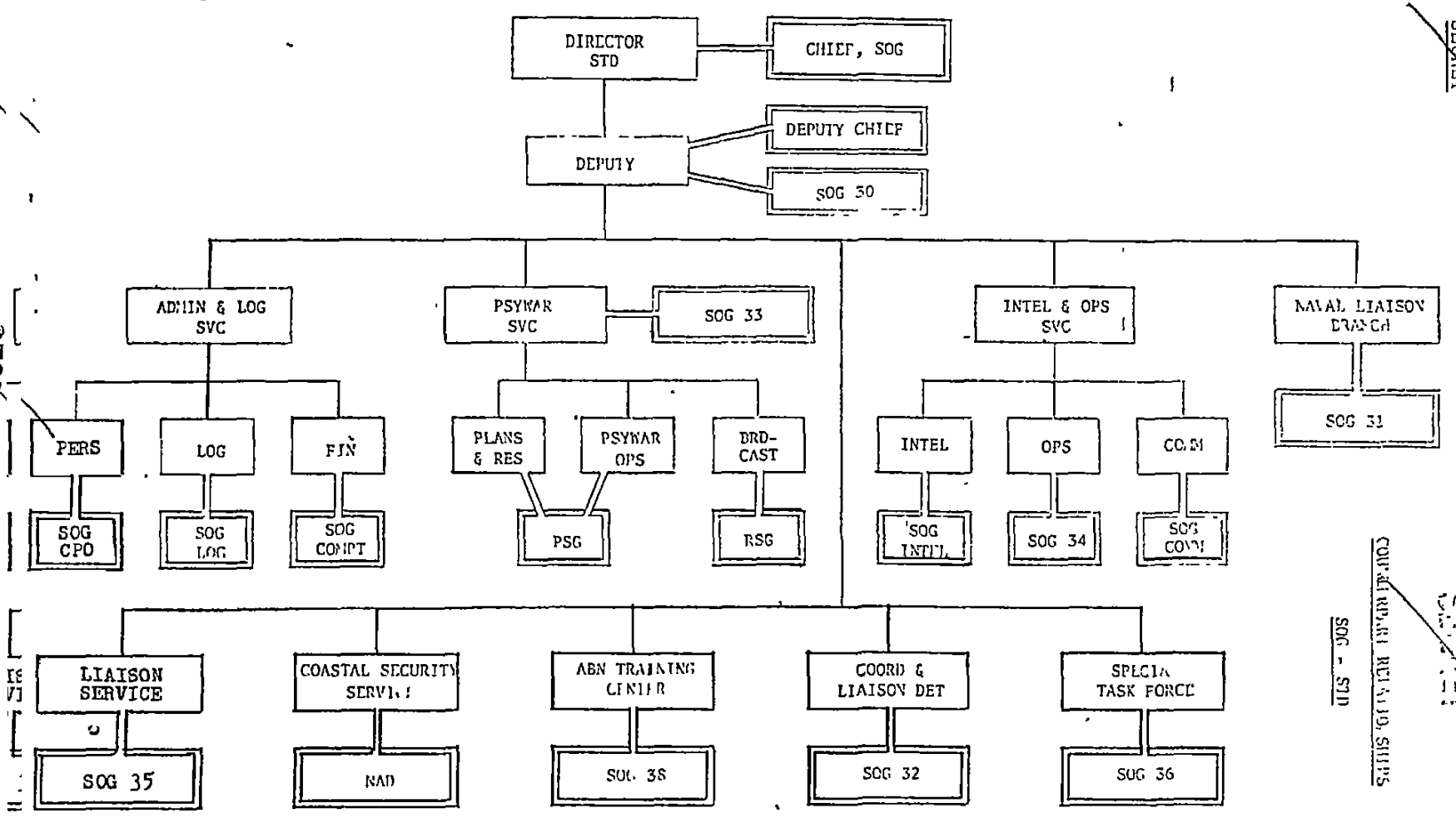
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JOINT GENERAL STAFFS

Services Units	CURRENT TOE		New Ranks
	Position titles	Old Ranks	
- Strategic Technical Service	- Director	Colonel	Brigadier General
	- Deputy Director	LTC	Colonel
	- Chief of Service	LTC	LTC
	- Chief of Bureau (Branch)	Major	Major
	- Chief of Section	Captain	Captain
	- Cmdr, CSS	LTC	Colonel
	- Cmdr, Liaison Service	LTC	Colonel
	- Cmdr, Abn Training Base	LTC	LTC
	- Cmdr, Coord-Liaison Det.	LTC	LTC

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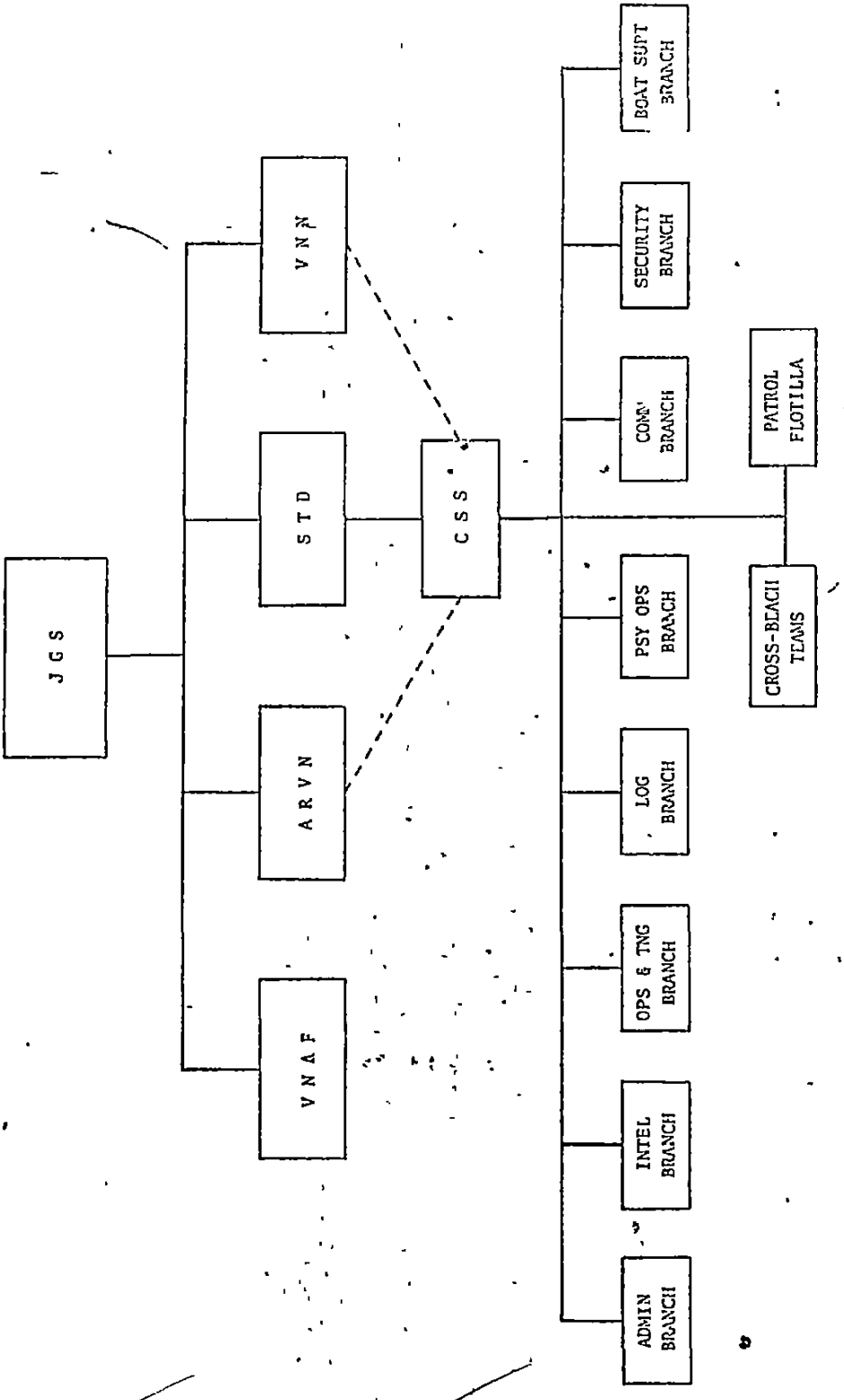


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CLT TRAINING ACTIVITIES

US Basic Airborne	3 Weeks
VN Basic Airborne	3 Weeks
US RT Leaders Course	17 Days
VN RT Leaders Course	17 Days
VN Basic Agent/Long Range Training	8 Weeks
VN Specialized agent Training	2 Weeks
Special Commando Unit Basic Combat Training	5 Weeks
CIDG Basic Combat Training	2 Weeks
VN CW Communications Course	16 Weeks
VN (RT) Medical Course	1 Week
US Airborne Refresher	1 Day
Exploitation Force Course	2 Weeks
VN Forward Air Controller (FAC) Course	5 Days
US FAC Course	5 Days
POW Capture Course	10 Days
STRATA Officer Course	4 Weeks
STRATA NCO Course	6 Weeks

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LIAISON SERVICE/LIAISON BUREAU RECRUITING

1 The VN/US Recruiting Section

a Manning.

1 Officer	SOG-35
1 Officer	Liaison Service (Chief of Section will be the Senior Officer)
1 Military Doctor	(US or VN)
1 Medic	Liaison Service
2 NCOs	1 VN, 1 US

b The Recruiting Section is responsible for recruiting all CIDG (SCU) personnel for the C & C Dets

c. Recruiting will be conducted where the potential exists for gaining qualified personnel

d Recruiting Standards

(1) Vietnamese and Chinese personnel are not eligible for recruitment into SOG Programs until after they have reached their 24th birthday

(2) Montagnard and Nung personnel are eligible for recruitment after they have reached their 18th birthday.

(3) Physically fit

2. Recruiting Documentation.

a. Volunteer Statement.

b Birth Certificate

c. Personnel Record Questionnaire (PRQ).

d. Letter of Recommendation or Certificate of Behavior from local administrative center.

The above documents will be prepared in three copies; one to Liaison Bureau, one to Liaison Service and one to their place of assignment

3. Administrative Procedures.

a. Funding Expenses for food, lodging, travel, and per diem for Recruiting Team personnel and newly recruited personnel is borne by SOG SOG-35 budgets for the recruiting program

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b An individual is considered recruited when the documentation shown in para 2 above, is completed, that individual has signed an agreement of service and has accepted official orders

c. A security check is required to be performed on each new recruit.

d Identification Cards are prepared for each new recruit and signed by the CO, Liaison Service The ID Card is effective for three months. Reissue of ID Cards is accomplished by the VN COs of C & C Dets

e. Liaison Service will prepare and submit SCU Rosters to the Ministry of Defense as called for in appropriate RVNAF Directives.

f SCU personnel may request termination of his job at anytime, Subject to approval by Liaison Service and SOG-35 Personnel awaiting release will remain under C & C Det control and will be considered a regular member of the unit until released.

g. Release for disciplinary reasons will depend on the offense committed Recommendations for disciplinary release are routed from C & C Det COs to CO, Liaison Service and CO, SOG-35.

h Certificates of Service are issued after each month of honorable service. Certificates will be signed by the VN C & C Det COs.

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FROM 1 JAN TO 1 NOV 63

SPECIAL BRANCH (SB)

Around mid-1958, the Director of the Liaison Service/Presidential Office (The Liaison Service was a military Organization which was given the mission of collecting all strategic intelligence throughout SVN, and which was placed under the President's direct control) submitted to the President of the RVN a project for the establishment of an agency to collect strategic intelligence in NVN.

This top secret document dealt with : organization, mission, financial mean and personnel.

The Director of the Liaison Service was responsible for the Organization and the personnel of the Service.

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The President of the RVN (I Republic) approved this project and 12 Officers were sent to attend the 2 month Special Intelligence Course.

The SB was put into operation since 1 Jan 1959 and was organized as follows :

SB/HQ was in Saigon, under the direct supervision of the Director of the Liaison Service/Presidential Office.

In addition, there were other in-country agencies namely :

a. ATLANTIC sub-branch located in Hue with the mission of organizing and launching agents through the Ben Hai river or Lao-NVN border into NVN. (overland, border crossing route).

b. PACIFIC sub-branch located in Danang, with the mission of organiz-

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infiltrating and exfiltrating agents and equipment into and out of NVN area by sea (motorized boats, sailing junks and Swift boats).

Out-country sub-branches included :

a. COMETE located in Vientiane.

b. HERCULE located in Savannakhet.

both with the mission of

-Organizing, training and infiltrating agents into NVN.

-Collecting information relating to the communist activities of NVN in the area (Lao)

c. ALTO in Bangkok

same mission as COMETE

d. VENUS in Paris, with the mission of

- Organizing, training pro-communist VN nationals, then sending them back to NVN .

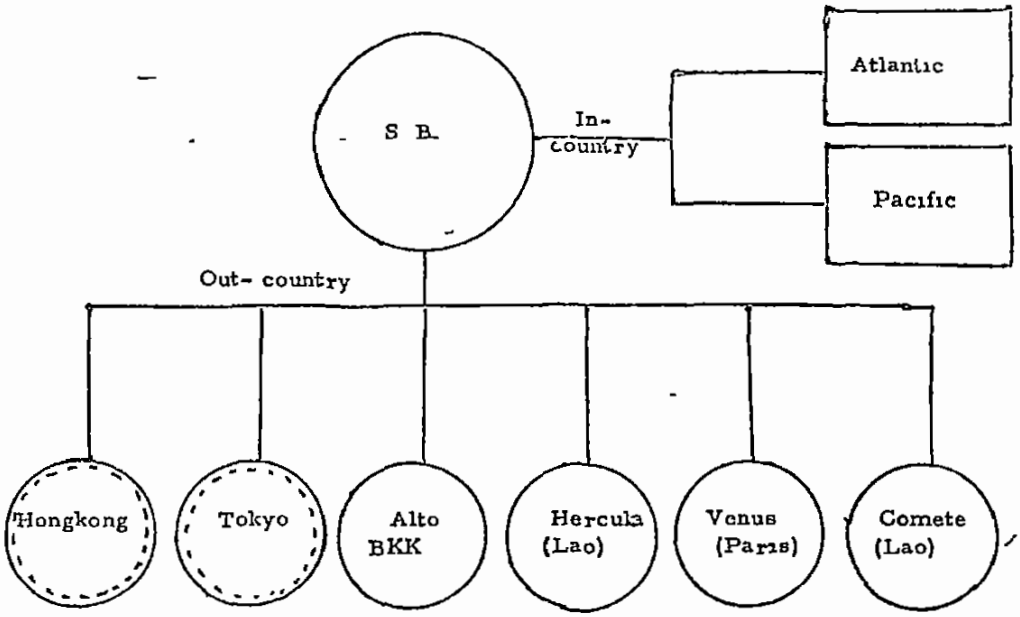
-Collecting information about NVN communists in France.

Further, late 1963, SB was in the process of establishing 2 more sub-branches in Tokyo and Hongkong, when the program was dropped.

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Until 1 April 1964



Besides the intelligence collecting operations, SB also assumed Psywar activities (SSPL)

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TEL. 30.002
No 1665/TTL/P3/L/CC/
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APO 4002, 1/ July 1965

SUBJECT : Procedure for the merging of the Liaison Service with the Strategic Exploitation Service (Special Branch) to form the Strategic Technical Service.

REFERENCE : - Letter No 1666/TTL/P3/L/CC/. dated 18/1/1965
- Memo No 013/TTL/I/L/TC/. dated 7/1/1964
- Memo No 014/TTL/I/L/TC/. dated 7 Ap 1964
- Letter No 1650 dated 10/5/1966.

1. Following above referenced memos, the Liaison Service will be merged with the Strategic Exploitation Service to form the Strategic Technical Service in accordance with provisions below :

2. TOE :

STS TOE will be promulgated in a later date.-

3. PERSONNEL :

STS personnel will include the existing personnel of both the Strategic Exploitation Service and Liaison Service.

The transfer and appointment of the personnel will be carried out in accordance with present regulations.

4. EQUIPMENT :

STS is allowed to use existing equipment of the Strategic Exploitation Service and Liaison Service after integration. The equipment will be officially recorded when the STS TOE is promulgated.

5. HEADQUARTERS :

STS will be headquartered in the Tran Hung Dao camp within the existing compound of the Strategic Exploitation and Liaison Services.

6. MANAGEMENT :

a. The General Headquarters Co/SF and the General HQ Co/General Command will give administrative and logistical support to STS.

b. STS will assume the maintenance of the records and files of the STS personnel.

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7. STRENGTH REPORT :

a. Form 101 - 102/CO and Form CO 22

Effective 1 July 1965, STS will be responsible for sending strength reports using Forms 101 + 102/CO and Form CO 22.

All details for execution have been prescribed in the Directive no 1701/TTL/I/TL/K dated 10/10/1962 and Directive no 530-1 dated 22 Jan 1965.

b. Periodical Remarks:

Effective 23 Jan 1965, the General HQ CO/JGS has the responsibility of reporting periodically on the personnel strength of both the Strategic Exploitation Service and Liaison Service under "STS" designation. Reporting procedures have been prescribed in the memo no 904/TTL/J/Q3/K dated 25 June 1964.

8. EXECUTION REPORT :

STS has the responsibility of carrying out all above instructions and reporting to the JGS (J.3 + J.1, Central Logistical Command).

9. SPECIAL PROVISIONS :

a. The merging of the Liaison Service with the Strategic Exploitation Service to form the STS will be valuated by an official decree.

b. This memorandum supersedes all earlier promulgated memoranda which had conflicting provisions.

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JGS/RVNAF
J.3
No 1983/TTL/P3/1/CS/
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SUBJECT : Promulgation of the Decree validating the organization of the Strategic Technical Service.

REFERENCE : 1- Memo no 136/TTL/P3/1/CS/M dated 18 Jan 1965
2- Memo no 1065/TTL/P3/1/CS/M dated 14 July 1965

1. Hereby is promulgated Decree no 040/CP/ND dated 5 Aug 1965 (copy attached) to validate the integration of the Liaison Service to the Strategic Exploitation Service to form the Strategic Technical Service as prescribed by the memos quoted in reference.

2. The administration and the logistical support of the STS have been determined by reference 1. As regards parachutes support, STS will receive direct support from the warehouse 90 and parachute repair shop.

APO 4002, 16 Aug 1965

By order of Maj. Gen. NGUYEN HUU CO
Chief JGS, RVNAF
Maj. Gen. LIEN QUANG VIEN
Chief of Joint Staffs.

Signed & Sealed.

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THE COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF WAR,
CONFIDENTIAL COMMISSIONER
OF NATIONAL DEFENSE,

REPUBLIC OF V.N
DEFENSE MINISTRY
No 040/CP/D

- Persuant to the Provisional Constitution of 19 July 1965,
- Persuant to decree-law no 1-a/CT/LDQT/SL, dated 19 June 1965, which prescribes the compisation of the Central Executive Committee,
- Persuant to decree-law no 332/CL dated 11 Nov 1964 which prescribes the organizational system of the Armed Forces,
- Persuant to decree-law no 117/CT/SL dated 14 May 1965 which changes the designation of Armed Forces Ministry into National Defense Ministry,
- Persuant to decree no 859/CP/AD dated 23 March 1964 which establishes the Strategic Exploitation Service,
- According to the decision of the JGS/RVNAF,

DECIDES :

Art. 1 - Hereby is the validation of the merging of the Liaison Service with the Strategic Exploitation Service to form a single agency under the designation of :

STRATEGIC TECHNICAL SERVICE

Art. 2 - This decision supersedes all earlier promulgated provisions which run counter to this decision.

Art. 3 - The Chief of the General Staff of RVNAF will be responsible for the implementation of this decision.

Saigon, 5 Aug 1965

Maj. Gen. NGUYEN HUU CO
Signed & Sealed.

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- JGS (J.3)
- Directorate General of Finance

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BY ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE CABINET, DEFENSE CABINET
LTC DO KIEN NHIEU
Military Assistant
Signed & Sealed.

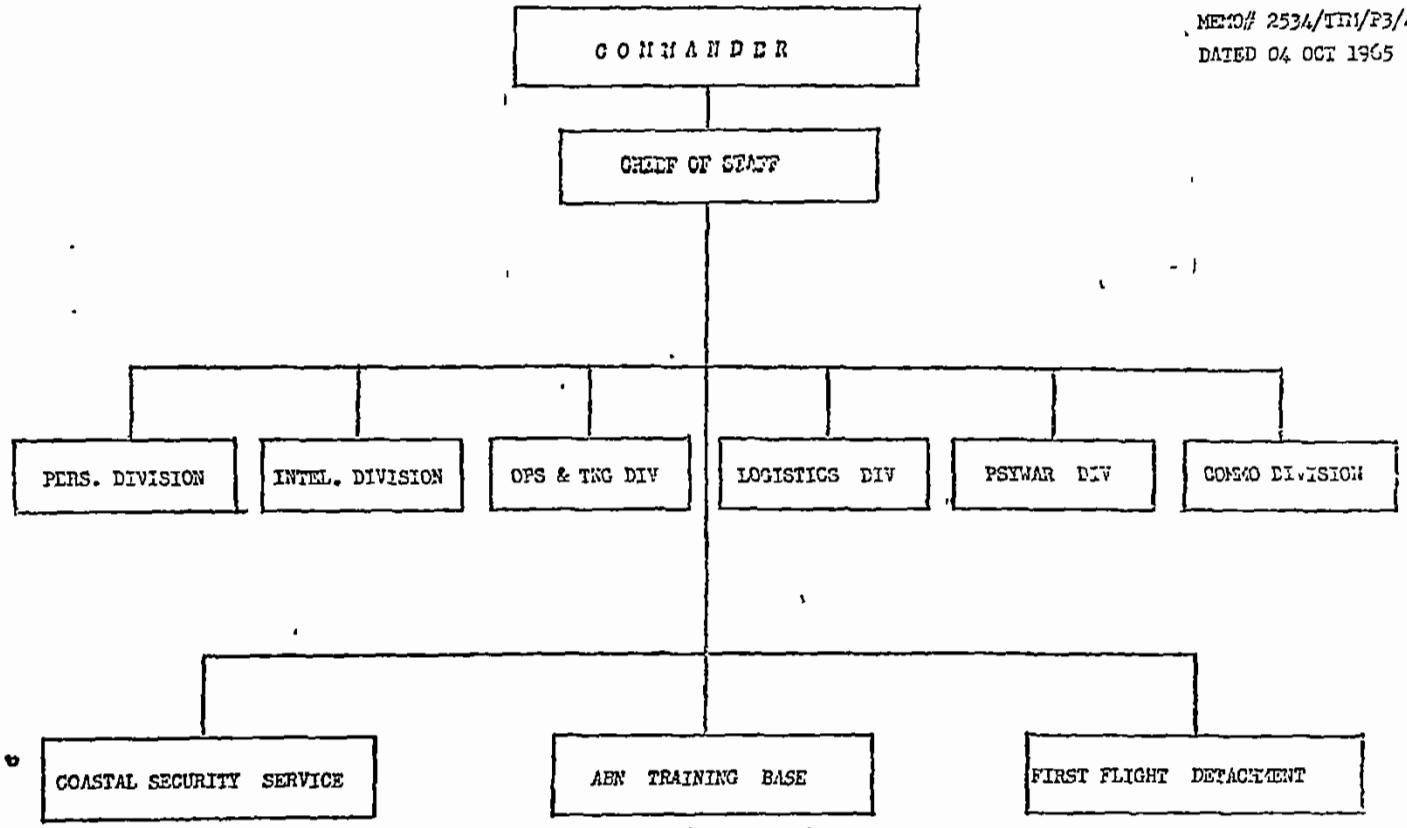
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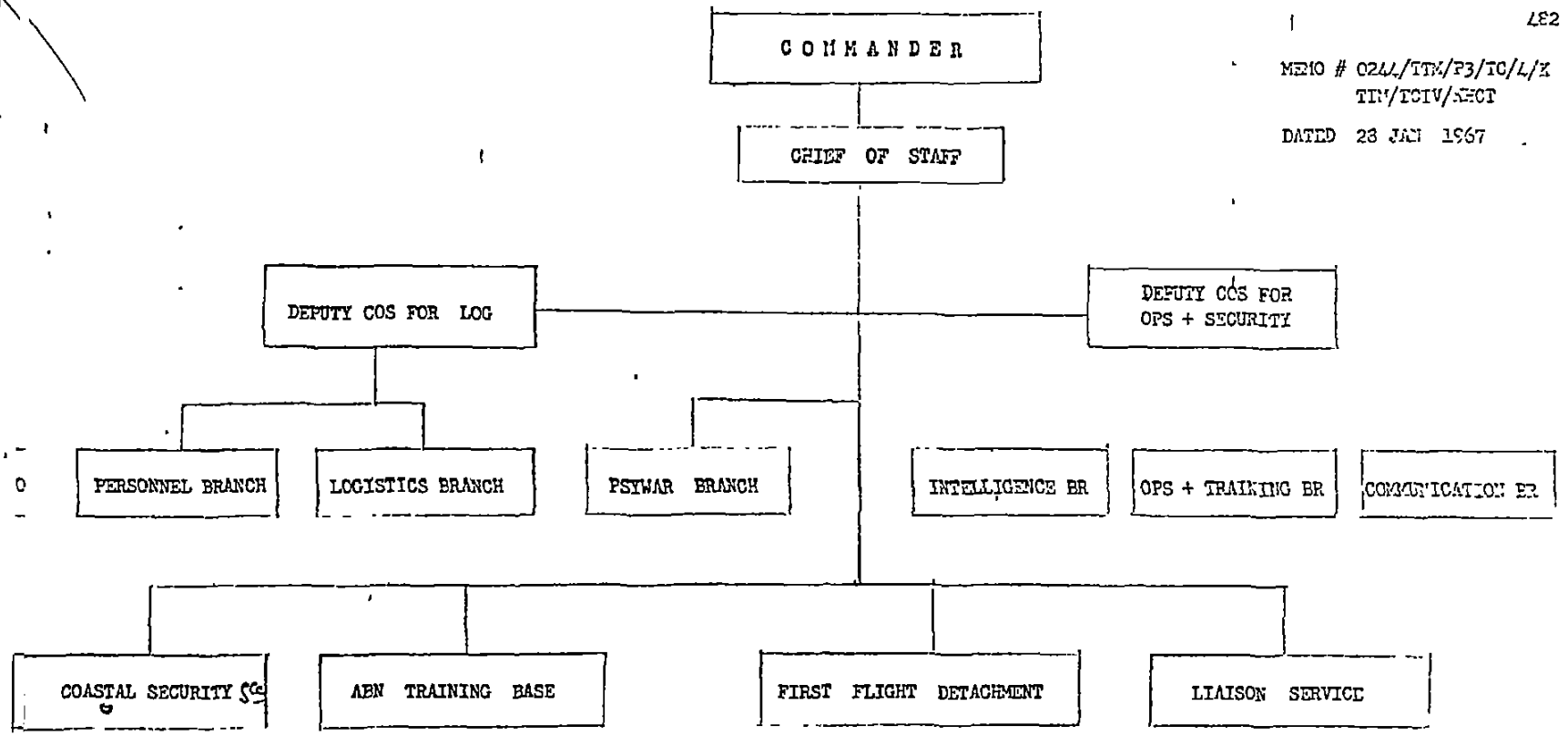
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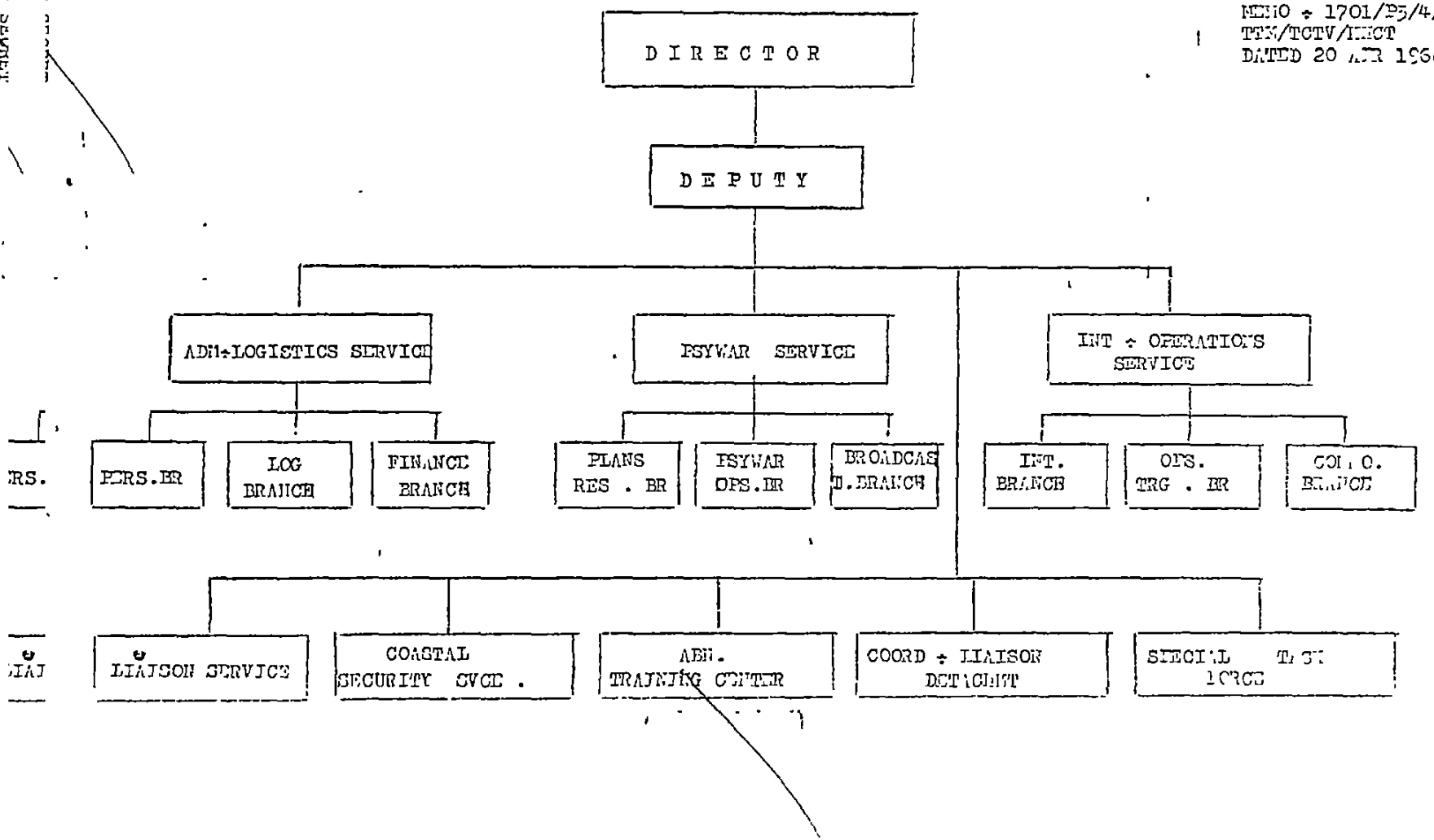
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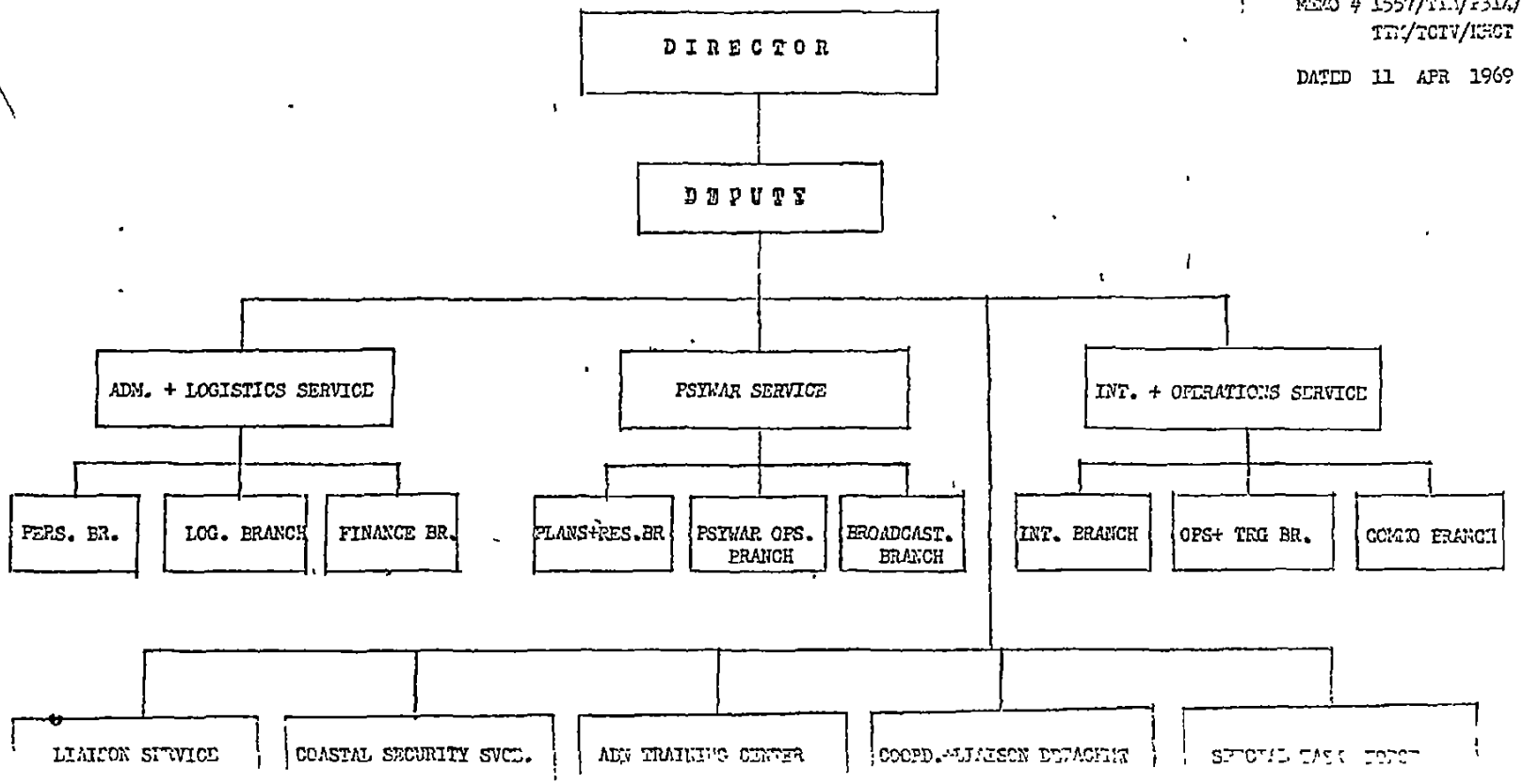
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COAST/I SECURITY SERVICE (CSS)

CSS is a Sub-task Force, administratively self-sufficient, which is organized to carry out special maritime operations as directed by STD.

MISSIONS

1. To organize, conduct and control special maritime operations according to plans established conjointly by STD and SOG.

2. To control and defend the bases and installations of CSS.

3. To plan and implement contingency plans such as "Area Defense and Damage Control", coastal surveillance, etc..

PRIMARY FUNCTIONS

1. Determining the Naval and Special Maritime Force requirements and making recommendations thereon to STD.

2. Planning for the employment of the Naval and Special Forces assigned.

3. Recommending to STD the deployment of Naval and Special Forces for implementation of contingency plans.

4. Administering the Naval and Special Forces assigned.

5. Logistical support of Naval and Special Forces assigned including procurement, distribution, supply, equipment and maintenance.

6. Developing conjointly with US/MAD, doctrine, procedures, tactics and techniques employed by Naval and Special Forces attached to STD.

7. Developing, garrisoning, supplying, equipping and maintaining the Naval Base and other installations including lines of communications as specified by special directives.

8. Coordination with I Corps HQ in all matters of local concern.

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SEA COMMANDO FORCE (SCF)

SCF is a task group, administratively self-sufficient, which is organized to carry out special maritime operations as directed by STD.

MISSIONS

1. To organize and direct special maritime operations according to plans established conjointly by CSS and NAD.

2. To operate the tactical operations center and execute special maritime operations according to procedures specified in special directives.

3. To control and defend the coastal bases and installations of CSS.

PRIMARY FUNCTIONS

1. Determining the special Sea Commando Force requirements and making recommendations thereon to STD.

2. Planning for the employment of special and naval forces assigned.

3. Directing and controlling the implementation of contingency plans.

4. Administering all special forces assigned.

5. Logistical support of all special forces assigned including procurement distribution, supply, equipment and maintenance.

6. Developing conjointly with US/NAD, doctrine, procedures, tactics and techniques employed by special and maritime forces attached to STD.

7. Developing, garrisoning, supplying, equipping and maintaining the coastal base and other installations including lines of communications of CSS.

8. Coordination with I Corps HQ in all matters of local concern.

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SPECIAL NAVY BASE (SNB) CAM RAN

SNB, administratively self-sufficient, is attached to CSS to provide logistical support to special naval sub-task groups as directed by CSS.

MISSIONS

1. To provide logistical support according to plans established conjointly by CSS & NHQ.

2. To control and defend the naval base and installations as specified in special directives.

3. To provide maritime transportation for CSS.

4. To provide support for implementation of contingency plans such as "Area Defense and Damage Control", coastal surveillance, etc., as established by CSS.

PRIMARY FUNCTIONS

1. Planning for the employment of the security forces assigned.

2. Recommending to CSS the deployment of security forces and the assignment of security forces for implementation of contingency plans as established by CSS.

3. Administering the Naval Forces stationing in the base.

4. Logistical support of naval forces of the base including procurement, distribution, supply, equipment and maintenance.

5. Developing, garrisoning, supplying, equipping and maintaining naval base and other installations including lines of communications as specified by CSS.

6. Implementing CSS directives in all matters of concern to local authorities.

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ANNEX FOR SEA COMMANDO FORCE TRAINING

Sea Commando Force members will receive a 8-week training including the following subjects

1.	Swimming.....	064 hours
2.	Squad Tactics.....	108
3.	Weapons & Firing pratice..	050
4.	Physicdl training.....	040
5.	First aid.....	05
6.	Use of RB 12 and practice of PTF 036	
7.	River crossing and Recon	
	Swimming	010
8.	One "HELL" week..	

NOTE :

HELL (is the week during which members will learn to endure physical hardships)
For example : Eat less than usual days, work more quickly, stay awake longer than in normal days,...

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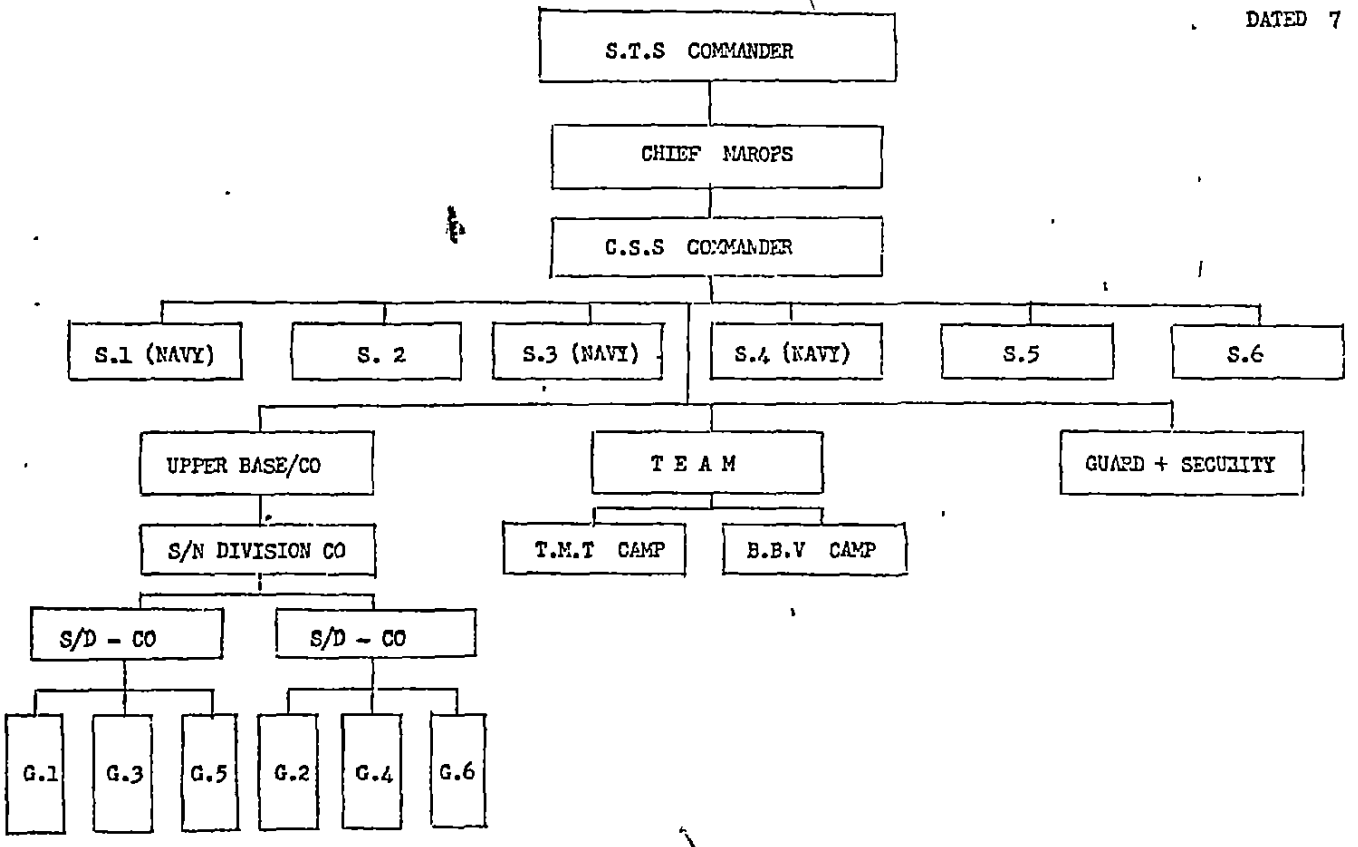
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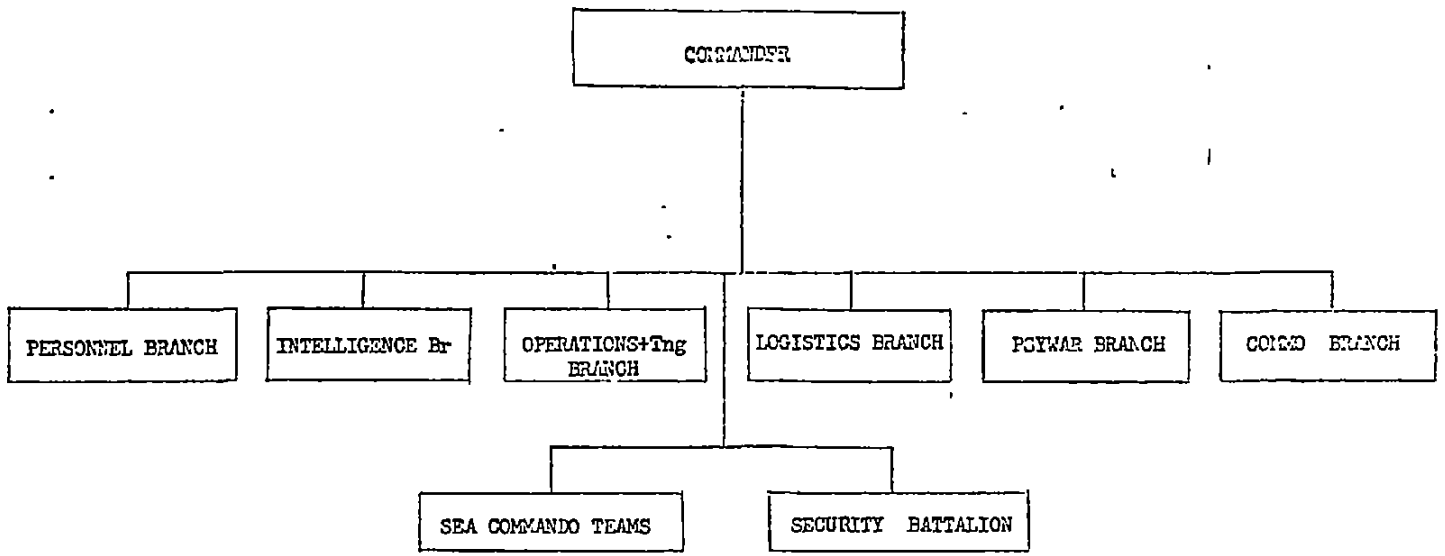
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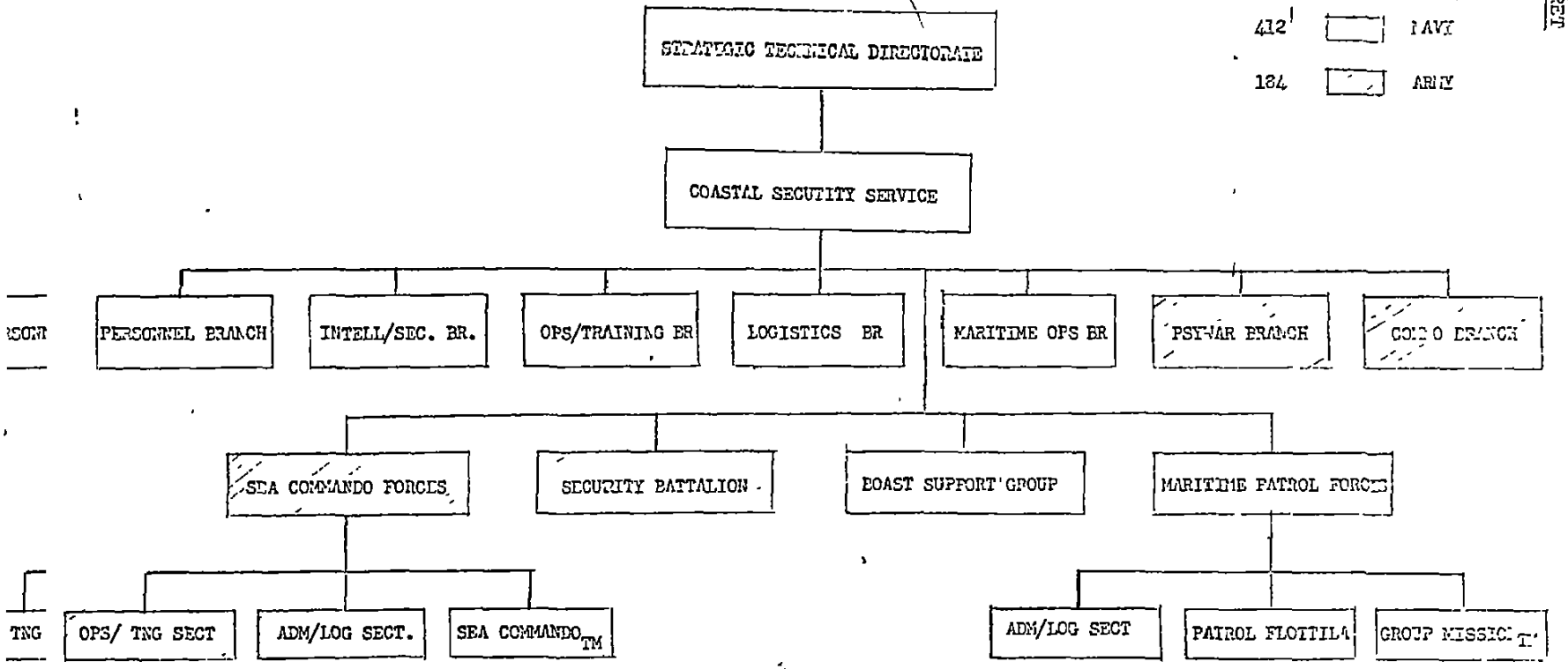
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PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF AGENTS

1. PRINCIPLES -

The agents will be recruited in accordance with operational requirements, i.e. the targets should be determined prior to recruiting operations.

2. PROCEDURES FOR RECRUITMENT OF AGENTS :

1st Step - To determine the number of agents required to implement an operation plan.

2nd Step - The spotters would be sent to the locations and units concerned for recruiting.

3rd Step - The spotters will have candidate agents fill in the blank forms of PRQ's, (see annex) with particular emphasis placed upon the motivation.

4th Step - The Central Agency, after carefully studying the PRQ's and security clearance will send out the case officer to contact each candidate agent individually.

5th Step - Actual Recruiting :

If the result is good, the case officer will recruit the agents.

The agents will be quartered in safe houses to complete administrative and security processing (polygraph test).

At this stage, the agents are ready to undergo training.

The training period usually lasts from 10 to 12 weeks, except for radio operators who need as many as 20 weeks of training.

In average, each operational agent must receive 12-week training to be ready for the launching. In some special cases, 4 to 6 week training is sufficient.

See blank forms of PRQ, Agreement attached.

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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS ABOUT CANDIDATE AGENTS :

[redacted]

FULL NAME .....
Serial Number .....
Rank.....
Unit.....

QUESTIONS ANSWERS

01. Are you willing to take jump training when parachute jump is required by the mission ?

02. Are you willing to accept the mission and to stay for 1 year in the jungle ?

03. Are you the unique son of the family and have you any familial obligation ?

04. Are you the main income-earner of the family?

05. Are you willing to perform your mission in any place in VN ?

06. State your special skills such as (singing, musical instrument player, foreign language, boxing, etc...) ?

07. Have you ever been sentenced by any court ?

08. Have you ever been wounded (in accident ? combat ? give details).

09. How many medals have you received ? Give details.

10. Give details of your personal history. Have you ever been detained by the police ? If yes, give details.

11. Why did you volunteer into this program ? What is your exact motivation ?

12. Have you ever endured physical or mental hardship ? If yes, give details. How did you recover or react ?

APO ..... Date .....

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P.R.Q.

1. NAME .....

2. ALIAS .....

3. PRESENT RESIDENCE..... .. ..

4. DATE OF BIRTH.....

5. RELIGION : .....

6. EDUCATION LEVEL, DEGREE (EDUCATIONAL OR TECHNICAL).....

7. ID CARD NO ..... ISSUED BY..... ON .....

8. MARITAL STATUS.....

9. FULL NAME OF SPOUSE : .....

10. DATE OF BIRTH : .....

11. OCCUPATION : PAST .....

PRESENT .....

12. ID CARD NO : ..... ISSUED BY ..... ON .....

13. PRESENT RESIDENCE.....

14. PREVIOUS RESIDENCES :.....

15. HAS SUBJECT EVER BEEN SERIOUSLY ILL :.....

16. IF YES, WHAT DISEASE .....

17. MILITARY STATUS :.....
(IF HAVING PERFORMED MILITARY OBLIGATION)

UNIT	RANK	POSITION HELD	TIME PERIOD

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18. PAST ACTIVITIES :

ORGANIZATION	POSITION HELD	ADDRESS	DATES

19. POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS :

a. Subject's :

b. Those of relatives at home and abroad :

NAMES	RELATIONSHIP	POLITICAL GROUPS	ADDRESSES

20. STATE ALL EDUCATIONAL SCHOOLS ATTENDED TO DATE :

DURATION	NAME OF SCHOOLS	LOCATION OF SCHOOL	DEGREES

21. ADDRESS OF RELATIVE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY :.....

.....

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22. RELATIVES.

RELATIONSHIP	FULL NAMES	AGES	OCCUPATIONS	ADDRESSES
Father Mother Legal wife Brothers & sisters Children				
Brothers & sisters in law				
Uncles and aunts				
Father & mother in law Wife's brothers & sisters				

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RELATIONSHIP	FULL NAMES	AGES	OCCUPATIONS	ADDRESSES
Wife's brothers & sisters in law				
Wife's uncles & aunts				
God parents				
Foster parents				
Step parents				

23. RELATIVES NOW IN SERVICE WITH RVNAF OR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES :

NAMES	FAMILY RELATIONSHIP	POSITION RANKS	UNITS OR ORGANIZATIONS

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24. RELATIVES OR FRIENDS RESIDING ABROAD AND THEIR POLITICAL SIDE :

25. I hereby certify that the above declarations are true and complete to the best of my ability and I have been sincere in these declarations. I understand that should I make any false statement, I will be punished according to regulations and law in force.

At date

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Height :

Hair :

Eye :

Nose :

Forehead:

Weight :

Other prominent features :

EXHIT FINGERPRINTS, RIGHT HAND

THUMB	INDEX	MIDDLE	RING	LITTLE

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AGREEMENT

Name .....

Born on ..... at .....

Father's name ..... Mother's name .....

Rank..... Serial Number .....

Id Card no ..... issued by ..... on .....

Presently residing at .....

I hereby voluntarily request to be transferred to STD/JCS to serve the Armed Forces and to perform any mission in any area in VN.

I pledge my absolute allegiance to the GVN and RVNAF and promise not to divulge any secrets related to any mission I have received.

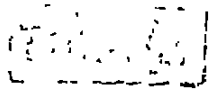
If I violate the above pledge, I will accept the full responsibility and the judgement of the military court.

At..... Date .....

Signature.

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LIAISON SERVICE (LNS)

LNS is a sub-task force, administratively self-sufficient, which is organized to conduct border operations as directed by STD.

MISSIONS

1. To conduct and control special operations in border areas according to plans established conjointly by STD and SOG.

2. To control and defend subordinate installations or those specified in special directives.

3. To implement contingency plans established by STD or to meet local requirements.

PRINCIPAL FUNCTIONS

1. Studying the requirements of the Unit and making recommendation thereon to STD.

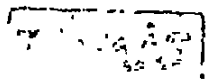
2. Planning for the employment of special units assigned.

3. Controlling logistical support of all groups and units assigned.

4. Developing conjointly with US Advisory Group, doctrine, procedures, tactics and techniques employed by subordinate or assigned units.

5. Developing, garrisoning, equipping, improving and maintaining subordinate or assigned installations.

6. Coordination with Regional HQ's in all matters of local concern.



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CLOTHING

1. Hat
2. Fatigue
3. Jacket
4. Jungle boot
5. Underwear
6. Pistol belt
7. Suspenders
8. Canteen plastic
9. Rucksack
10. Sleeping bag
11. Sock OD
12. Belt
13. Sweater, wool
14. Blanket, wool
15. Helmet, steel
16. Armored, vests
17. Net, mosquito
18. Cup, canteen
19. Packet, first aid
20. Pouch, first aid
21. Hammock
22. Ground cloth
23. Rain suit
24. Towels bath
25. Gloves, leather
26. Vest, survival
27. String
28. Sandal local, NVA
29. Tooth past
30. Tooth brush

EQUIPMENTS

1. Cutting knife
2. Dagger
3. Flashlight
4. Intrenching tools
5. Mask, M-17
6. Marking tablet
7. Note book

COMM

1. Radio AN/PRC74 + batteries
2. AN/PRC25 + batteries
3. URC/10 + batteries
4. Pilot, pen
5. Panel
6. Watch

RATIONS

- Rations C
- Fried rice
- Meat, hash dried
- Japanese rations

WEAPONS & EXPLOSIVE

- Survival rifle
- M16 Rifle, AK-47, AK-50, AK-54 or CRC
- Mine M14
- Explosive C3, C4, TNT and equipments
- Pistol 9mm w/case
- Hand grenade
- Field grasses w/max ultraviolet
- Wrist compass
- Signal miror
- Light signal
- Field grasses, regular type
- Camera

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COMSO EQUIPMENT FOR STRATA TEAM

Item	FSN	Quantity Per set	Remark
I. - RADIO SET (AN/PRC.74-B)			
- Receiver - Transmitter radio RT 794-B/PRC 74		I	
- Battery case	I550-I69-I00	I	
- Wet battery pask		1	
- Bag accessories CW 863/PRC74	8105-92I-67II	1	
- Whip antenna AS I807A/PRC74		1	
- Antenna krt AK9IIA/PRC74		1	
Dipole fixture (I540368)		1	
Antenna wire (I560017)		2	
Dacron cord (I540369)		2	
- Mouting MT3613/PRC74	5820-942-0818	1	
- Base antenna support AB 955/PRC74	5820-942-0500	1	
- Cable assembly, special purpon, electrical CX.10239/ PRC74.	5995-930-7016	1	
- Key, telegraph KY 562	5805-926-022I	1	
- Headset H.I40/U	5965-892-I010	1	
- Microphone M30/U	5965-875-I313	1	
- Running spares			
Fuses IAG 7,5 amp.		5	
Fuses IAG 2 amp.		5	
II. RADIO SET (AN/PRC 25)			
- Receiver Transmitter radio RT 505/PRC25	5820-857-0934	1	
- Battery box CY2562/PRC25	6I35-858-57I2	1	
- Support antenna AB59I/PRC25	5820-086-7I49	1	
- Antenna AT 892/PRC25 (folded)	5820-889-3803	1	
- Antenna AT 271/PRC25 (folded)	5820-242-4957	1	
- Harners, electrical equipment ST133/PRC25	5999-892-8094	1	
- Bag cotton duck CW503/PRC25	5820-086-7138	1	
- Handset H138/U	5965-892-0972	1	
III. RADIO TRANSCEIVER URC10 or RT10		3	
IV. BEACON AMT 2A complete		1	
V. BATTERY BA.386/U	6135-858-5712		-for PRC74 and PRC25
VI. SIGNAL PLAN		1	
VII. ONE TIME PAD		10	-5 No1 encypte
VIII. BREVITY CODE		3	5 No2 dicypte
IX. PANNEAU			

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GENERAL EQUIPMENT FOR [illegible] RADIO SET

Item	FSN	Quantity per set	Remark
I.- RADIO SET AN/GRC-109	5820-892-0882	1	
- Receiver R-1004/GRC109	5820-892-0880	1	
- Regulator voltage CN690/GRC 109	6110-823-2365	1	
- Batteries BA48 or BA317/U	6135-120-0037 6135-669-6632	16 ea	
- Case (for storage of accessories)	8020-863-3500	1	
- Headset H-65/U	5965-223-4572	1	
Wire, antenna, copper 100ft	5820-863-3498	2	
Wire, rubber covered, thin 200ft	6145-548-2742	1	
Wire ground, 25ft	one of above2	1	
Ground clamp, electrical	5975-247-4855	1	
Insulator, strain	5970-356-0623	8	
Knife, M.Klein & sons	7340-641-6040	1	
or TL-29	7340-641-6040		
Pliers	5120-856-3735	1	
Screwdriver, Xcelite &sons	5120-827-2036	1	
Wrench, allen No 8	5120-608-0716	1	
Knob, bar	5355-863-3801	1	
Knob, Round	5355-863-3802	1	Magnifying glass
Magnifying glass	NSN (PX)		
Electron tube:Mil type 0B2	5960-166-7648	4	
-'- -'- 1I6	5960-782-0068	2	
-'- -'- 1T4	5960-188-3595	4	
-'- -'- 1US	5960-188-0844	2	
-'- -'- 2L26	5960-189-8569	2	
-'- -'- 6AC7	5960-288-0035	2	
Bulb, neon GE44	6240-057-2887	6	
or GE47	6240-155-8706		
Bulb neon NE45	6240-155-8706	2	
Paper and pencils			
II.- GENERATOR			
- Generator GN58-A	6115-330-9723	1	
LEG LG-2A	NSN	1	
LEG LG-3	NSN	2	
Carrying bag	NSN	1	
Cranks, Hand	NSN	2	
III.- BEACON			
Beacon MRT-2A	5820-400-7529	1	
Ground rod	NSN	1	
Screw driver	NSN	1	
Antenna	NSN	1	
Case	NSN	L	

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IV.- RADIO SET AN/PRC 25		
- Receiver Transmitter radio RT-505/PRC 25	5820-857-0934	1
- Battery box CY2562/PRC25	6135-858-5712	1
- Support antenna AB591/PRC25	5820-086-7149	1
- Antenna A T892/PRC25(folded)	5820-859-3803	1
- Antenna AT 271/PRC25(folded)	5820-242-1967	1
- Harness, electrical equipment ST 138/PRC 25	5995-892-8094	1
- Bag cotton duck CY503/PRC25	5820-086-7138	1
- HANDSET H-138/U	5965-892-0972	1
V.- RADIO TRANSCEIVER HT-1/D		2
VI.- RADIO TRANSCEIVER BEI 990		1
VII.- SIGNAL PLAN		1
VIII.- ONE TIME PAD		20
IX.- BREVITY CODE		3
X.- PANNEAU		

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LINE # SO THAT TU	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	AIR MEN - DO NOT USE IN LAND AREAS				
1.	[illegible], JUMP, FOOTBALL FIELD 10 YARDS BY 60 YARDS IN				
2.	[illegible], ANY LOT, 150', 12 SQUARE INCH, 5000 LB. TEST-DAY LOG'G CHK				
3.	PARACHUTE, T-10 LOCATED (SERIES) BY 4-70 BELL CHK (NOT TO EXCEED HELD)				
4.	PARACHUTE, T-7C (SERIES) BY 4-10 (NOT TO EXCEED HELD)				
5.	PARACHUTE, RESERVE, [illegible] (SERIES) LOADING (NOT TO EXCEED HELD)				
6.	PARACHUTE, T-7, [illegible] (SERIES) BY T-7 BELL CHK (NOT TO EXCEED HELD)				
7.	SUIT, JUMP, PROTECTIVE BY (SEE TO EXCEED [illegible]				
	[illegible] TO EXCEED [illegible]				
8.	[illegible]. CAL 22 LONG RIFLE - BY SCORE TARGET 22 LONG				
9.	[illegible]. CAL 22 SHORT BY SCORE TARGET 22 SHORT				
10.	[illegible]. CAL 45, BALL CO 45				D

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11.	[illegible] CAL. 9 [illegible] [illegible] 9 LY LOAI CUNG SU
12.	[illegible], CAL. 9 [illegible] CONG NGHIEP - DAN 9 LY LOAI [illegible]
13.	[illegible]. CAL 303 - DAN, CO 303
14.	[illegible]. SUNG SAN 410 NO.6 SHOT - DAN SUNG SHOT GUN
15.	PISTOL, CAL. 22 V/ SILENCER, V/ANG SUNG LUC GIAN THANH CO 22 VOI BANG DAN
16.	PISTOL, 9MM, BROWNING V/ANG - SUNG LUC BROWNING, CO 9 LY VOI BANG DAN
17.	PISTOL, CAL.25, BROWNING V/ANG SUNG LUC BROWNING, CO 25 VOZ BANG DAN
18.	S.M.G. SWEDISH K" 9MM V/ANG - TIEU LIEN THUY DIEN, CO 9 LY VOI BANG DAN
19.	SHOT GUN/RIFLE COMB. 410 GA/22 CAL. SUNG TRUONG SHOT GUN CO 410 GA/22
20.	RIFLE, ENFIELD, 303 V/SCOPE & SILENCER - SUNG TRUONG 303 GIAM THANH CO ONG NGAM
21.	RIFLE, SURVIVAL, AF, 22 CALIBER - SUNG TRUONG DUNG DE LUU SINH, CO 22 CALIBER
	DEMOLITION KITS - THUOC PHA HOAI (SEE ENCL (1))
22.	BOOBY TRAP - CAN BAY
23.	DEMOLITION, ELECTRIC CHAT NO, DIEN
24.	INCENDIARY - CHAT CHAY
25.	DEMOLITION, NON-ELEC CHAT NO KHONG DIEN
26.	DEMOLITION, NON-ELEC

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	SIGNAL LT 3 - VAT LIEU LIEN LAC TAI					
26.	BATTERY * LP'CO ? BIN CHO LAI BEACON					
27.	BATTERY - RS-1 BIN RS 1					
28.	BATTERY - FLASHLIGHT BIN DIN EN.					
29.	BATTERY - TRANSISTOR RADIO - BIN RADIO TRANSISTOR					
30.	BATTERY, PEN LITE BIN DIN BUT NHO					
31.	BEACON HRT-2 - MAY TIN HIEU BEACON HRT-2					
32.	BEACON HRT 6 - MAY TIN HIEU BEACON HRT 6					
33.	FLASHLIGHT BULBS BONG DEN PIN					
34.	FLASHLIGHT LARGE DEN LAM LON					
35.	FLASHLIGHT, PENLITE DEN PIN NHO					
36.	PENCILS, COLD WORK BUT CHI, TRUOT TUYET					
37.	RADIO, TRANSISTOR MAY THU THANH TRANSISTOR					
38.	RS-1 OR TRANSMITTERS RS-1 HAY MAY PHAT					
39.	RS-1 OR RECEIVER RS-1 MAY MAY THU					
40.	RS-1 OR ___ TYPE CENTERTUNE(C.T.-58 OR ___ W/ACCESSORIES) (TRANSIT) RS-1 HAY ___ MAYPHAT DIEN VOI LAU TUYEN (CHAN VA CHE NGOI)					
41.	RADIO RT-1A - RADIO RT-1A					
42.	STROBE, SIGNAL LIGHT DEN BAO HIEU					
	SPECIAL ITEMS VAT LIEU DAC BIET					
43.	BINOCULARS - LARGE ONG NHOM LON					

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45.	[illegible] - [illegible]
46.	CO PHAO, DI CHUC DEN B CHAN KHI
47.	WATCH, CALENDAR, SHOCKPROOF, WATERPROOF - DONG HO DEO TAY, CO LICH, CHONG VO NHONG THAT NUOC
	MISCELLANEOUS - LINH TINH
48.	AGENT VEST - AO MAC NGOAI
49.	BAGS FOR TRANSPORTING EQUIPMENT - DOI DUNG DO TANG BI LUC DI CHUYEN
50.	GAFA BOOTS - GIAY BATA
51.	BLANKETS - MEN
52.	CANTEEN - BI DONG
53.	CIGARETTES(CARTON) - THUOC LA (TUT)
54.	COMB - LUOC
55.	FISHING NETS, FUNNEL SHAPED, OTHER - LUOI CA, HINH PHEU, VAT LIEU KHAC
56.	FISHING KIT - LINE & HOOKS - DO CAU CA DAY VA LUOI CAU
57.	FLIPPERS - DA LUA
58.	GLOVES - GANG TAY
59.	GASOLINE, BOTTLE (FOR LIGHTER) XANG QUET MAY
60.	HAIR CLIPPERS - TONG DO
61.	KNIFE OR MACHETE - DAO CHAT
62.	JUMP BOOTS, SIZE___ GIAY BOT, SO___
63.	SANDALS - DEP

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66.	[illegible] KIT - BO [illegible]
67.	[illegible], HUNTING - DAO [illegible]
68.	[illegible], POCKET - DAO [illegible]
67.	LIGHTER, COMBAT TYPE - QUET MAY, LOAI DO VANG
68.	LOCAL DRESS, BLACK - QUAN AO DIA PHUONG DEN
69.	LOCAL DRESS, BROWN - QUAN AO DIA PHUONG NAU
70.	CLOTH, WATER RESISTANT TYPE POLY - CUON VAI NYLON KHONG THAM NUOC
71.	MATCHES - DIEM QUET
72.	MEDICAL KIT (1 Per team) TUI THUOC TAY (1 tui cho ca team)
73.	MEDICAL KIT (Individual) HOP THUOC TAY (Ca nhan)
74.	MESS KIT - CA MEN
75.	MOSQUITO NET - MUNG
76.	PICK - CUOC
77.	PONCHO-HAMMOCK VONG - PONCHO
78.	RAZOR, SHAVING, STRAIGHT - DAO CAO THANG
79.	RICE BAGS, BLACK BAO DUNG GAO, DEN
80.	RICE BAGS, BROWN BAO DUNG GAO, NAU
81.	SEWING KIT - TUI KIM CHI
82.	SHOVEL - XANG
83.	SLEEPING BAG - TUI NGU
84.	SLEEPING BAG - BLANKET COMBINATION - TUI NGU MEN
85.	SOAP - XA BONG
86.	SOCKS - BI TAT

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87.	TRAINS - LONG SLEEVE AO LANH DAI TAY					
88.	SHIRTS - SHORT SLEEVE AO LANH DAI TAY					
89.	TOBACCO CAKE - THUOC LAO					
90.	TOOTHBRUSH BANCHAI DANH RANG					
91.	TOOTHPASE - THUOC DANH RANG					
92.	TOWELS - KHAN MAT					
93.	UNDERPANTS - QUAN LOT					
94.	UNDERSHIRT-AO THUNG					
95.	WASHCLOTH-KHAN TAM					
96.	WEB BELT W/BUCKLE THAT LUNG VOI OKHOA					
97.	WEB BELT, PISTOL- THAT LUNG DEO SUNG LUC					
	FOOD-SPECIAL-LUONG THUC DAC BIET					
98.	CD-6A - CD-6A					
99.	CD-6B - CD-6B					
100.	CD-4 - CD-4					
101.	DRIED RICE - GAO KHO					
102.	STICKY RICE - GAO NEP					
103.	LARGE, MULTI-VITAMIN BOTTLE - CHAI THUOC BO SUC TO					
	FOOD- LUONG THUC					
104.	BACON - THIT HO					
105.	CANNED MEAT - THIT HOP					
106.	NUOC MAM (IN PLASTIC JUG)					
107.	ORDINARY RICE - GAO TE					
108.	SAUSAGE - LAP XUONG					
109.	TINNED FISH - CA HOP					
	DRINKS - DO UONG					
110.	BEER - BIA					
111.	COFFEE - CA PHE					
112.	CONDENSED MILK - SUA DAC					

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113.	[illegible]
114.	SOLE TOP - SOD
115.	TAB - TAN
116.	[illegible]

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[illegible] TRAINING CENTER (CTC)

GENERAL

This training center has been put at the disposal of STD/JCS effective 15 April 1964.

MISSIONS -

1. To organize, conduct and control the training of STD agent personnel and teams according to plans established conjointly by STD/JCS.

2. To control and defend the training center.

3. To implement local contingency plans such as "Area Defense", "Damage Control" etc...

PRIMARY FUNCTIONS -

1. Studying all requirements of the training center and making recommendation thereon to STD.

2. Coordinating with STD in the establishment of training programs and schedules suitable to operational agents and teams.

3. Assigning and supervising instructors to implement pre-planned training programs and schedules.

4. Performing the administrative and logistical management of subordinate personnel and agents assigned to receive training at the center

5. Garrisoning, developing, improving and maintaining camp facilities.

6. Coordinating with US Counterpart in developing doctrine, tactics, techniques and procedures relating to special airborne teams.

7. Coordinating with regional agencies in all matters of local concern.

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TRAINING PROGRAM ANNEX OF AIRBORNE TRAINING CENTER

The training cycle includes 920 hours brokedown into 6 phases :

1. Basic military training..... 274 hrs
2. Parachute jump..... 110
3. Specialized training..... 245
4. Team training..... 245
5. FIX 45

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