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Yao villages
B. Kai So (TG-1315)
B. Nam Pen (TG-1711)
ca. 1000 people

orig. fm Xieing Ngoun(?)

Cerea = came to V.V.
area ca. 20 yrs ago

Feb 20
LS-202, LS182 retaken

~~FF8198-71~~

Site Loss Chronology 1970-71

Site	Date	Refs displaced	Civilians displ.
LS-202	Dec 4	671	-
LS-46	Dec 5	2419	-
Houaphou LIF8693	"	1315	-
Phu Lom LIF9288	Dec 6	827	-
M. Phalano	Jan 28	-	1293
L-108	Feb 2	-	-
Pak Ou	Feb 2	-	-
LS-57	Feb 3	-	unknown no air some taken by P.C.
LS-80	"	-	ca 1500 unknown ca 187 taken by PL
LS-312	Feb 8 (retaken Feb 10?)	1428	"LI"
LS-204	Feb-10	-	-
LS-56	Feb-11	-	-
LS-5	Feb 13 (hit only)	1000	2000
LS-74	Feb 16 (retaken)	-	-
LS-132	Feb 16 (retaken mar 17)	-	-
LS-103	Feb 16	-	-
plus Phou Tak B. Pac Phou Many LS-102	Feb 18	-	-
LS-312	"	-	-
LS-16	"	-	-
LS-50, 50A LS-243	Feb 24	-	-
LS-213	Feb 26	-	-
LS-170	Mar 1 (abandoned)	-	-
LS-65	Mar 3	-	-
LS-37		-	-

Phou Bui
LS-6 8 July

2/5/71

TO: MR. CHANDLER DO

FROM: MR. JOHN W. MACQUEEN AO/RA

SUBJECT: REFUGEE SITUATION MR. I, MR. II, &
MR. III.

MR. II:
Situation remains stable and the

①

MR. II:

After talks with Mr. Blaine Jensen
AAC/XK, we have been able to gather the
following information. as a result of
military
action by the enemy on Feb. 2 and
3rd L-108, LS-57 and LS-80
were lost to the enemy. There were.
NO? refugees being fed in this

7?
35,000 total
population
including 15,000
refugees

-2-

due to inclement ^{weather} conditions
area and, we haven't any information
on the local populace. LS-16 and
LS-102 remain secure. Feb 3 LS-50
received incoming fire, but no
movement of people has taken
place. LS-6, LS-32 areas remain
calm, but ARMA reports show the
enemy moving ^{supplies} toward the LS-50
and LS-32 areas.

(15000 people) Blaini reports that about 90%
of the 20A population has moved
south to the Pha Khe area. (TF8299
along the LS-20A - LS-14 road). Feb. 2
& 3rd LS-14 was also probed by the
enemy. We also received reports

that the enemy by-passed LS-65 and LS-5 and two companies were heading for the LS-113 valley. So far no movements of refugees have been reported in this area.

The scheduled movement of people from LS-161 complex south to LS-255 has been changed somewhat in that the people will not move to 20A but [^] ~~move~~ to LS-37 for the time being due to the deteriorating ^{security} ~~military~~ ~~situation~~. This entails some 25,000 people?

MR. III

X

As per MR. Stone's SSB 041737
Feb. 281 families, approximately 1,293
people have been displaced by
military action around Muong Pholane.
This is all the information we have
at the present time.

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beginning 2nd - hitting
LS-15 w/ rockets

3 & 4th - rocket LS-14
LS-57 and LS-80 lost about 1500 civilians in LS80 area.
Ca. 187 taken away by enemy

5 & 6th - began hitting skyline ^{unknown} no. of civilians
at LS-57. Most
of civilian pop walked
to LS-102 area.

Feb 7 ~~2000~~ Blaine Jensen reports that
100% of Long Cheng civilians have
left - only troops remain.

UP in
Bangkok

LS-72, which has been probed during
the past several days, is in danger
of being lost. Movement of enemy
troops through the LS-72 valley to
Sam Theng would ~~pose~~ ^{pose} additional
threat to 20A.

Big buildup
of troops in
L-108 area

LS-102, 16,312 area surrounded by
enemy troops. Are approximately
15,000 people in area, 10,000 of
whom are refugees. This unexpected
move by the enemy probably
has as its objective the capture of
the civilian population, as the area
lacks strategic importance militarily.

Overall, morale is low amongst
troops, civilians and refugees, similar
to the situation which developed
following the fall of Sam Theng last
year, while the ^{impending} loss of 20A ~~is~~ ^{probably}

(2)

Feb 7 cont'd.

by default) is certainly significant, the enemy probably will be unable to hold it. However, the panic which has erupted will serve only to increase the enemy's advantage psychologically.

(Vang Veng) Jensen claims that Vang Veng will go following an "internal" "coup d'etat."

(L-54 area) Enemy continues (Feb 7 & 8) to hit position near Kni's farm at Pakxiang with mortar and DK fire from 2 positions North & NW.

(L-25) 4 Co. of enemy surrounding Pakhop.

Enemy claims they will take either Ng. Ngern or Hong Sa, positions south of Hong Sa along Thai border continue (?) to be probed.

also, continued harassment of Team positions along Nam Tha & area

(Soket)

M. Phalane surrounded, Friendly troops ~~also~~ went back into M. Phalane

(Pabane)

Enemy battalion formerly in L-54 area supposedly moving SE & are reportedly Pak Mang - L-56/1 area.

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~~Jan~~ Feb 8, 71

LS-102 1261 REFUGEES

LS-16 2990 ["]~~REFUGEES~~

BAN PAO 799 ["]~~REFUGEES~~

PHU LAK 2007 ["]~~REFUGEES~~

LS-312 1428 ["]~~REFUGEES~~

PHU MANG 841 ["]~~REFUGEES~~

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TOTAL: 9326 REFUGEES

PLUS: 5000-10,000 INDIGENOUS POPULATION
WHO MAY MOVE

GRAND TOTAL 15,000-20,000 PEOPLE

2/9/71

Benson:

Order of battle: ~~10th~~ 6-8th

Bad jump
from 26

to harass
people moving
out of 161

① LS-161 - "FA" & "TH" people moving toward
LS-37 - 450+ arrived already. - due in 2/10

② LS-281 people moving toward LS-272
about 1/2 the population moved out already.

③ 30,000^{Longcherry} ± Meo now at Phakhe ready
to move down the road to LS-191 & LS-207.

④ LS-312 down ↓ - LS-102 & LS-16 people
probably walking toward LS-170 & LS-213. If
they don't get wheels to move them out.

along with
254 Nout troops

200[±] villagers abducted by P.F.
from TF 4738 area (NE of B. Keim)

NVA spotted in B. Dore area
(SF 9868)

200I villages taken out of Phou Koun area by 2 enemy Co.

10 Feb —

164/02
people to
TG 6880
several days
away

- 1) LS-14 people have moved ^(?) = LS-14
under heavy attack by mortar-rockets
- 2) LS-72 continues to be hit
- 3) all 20A people out

New D25
TG5233 "K"
TG6880 "UI"

Hold

cut

~~LS-218 (2-8-71)~~

LS-288 (2-8-71)

LS-307 (2-8-71)

DZ-016 (2-8-71)

~~DZ-0112 (2-5-71)~~

DZ-0144 (2-8-71)

~~DZ-0156 (2-8-71)~~

✓ LS-312 (2-8-71)

✓ DZ-093 (2-8-71)

✓ DZ-0100 (2-8-71)

DZ-0172 (2-5-71)

2894
1751
✓ 4647

February 11, 1971

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January 27-29 = 531 refugees at LS-281 moved by chopper to LS-255

People at LS-161, LS-74 and LS-56 crowding airstrip for evacuation.
(x no. were to 204 by ~~the~~ chopper)

February 2 = L-108 lost; no population displacement

February 3 = LS-57 and LS-80 lost;
of the some 1500 civilians located in the general area, about 187 were taken away by the enemy. The balance of the population began moving toward the LS-102 area.

LS-14 was probed.

February 4-6 = About 90% (15,000) of the Long Cheng populous have begun moving to the Pha Khe area (TF8299), ~~allocated~~ along the road between Long Cheng and LS-14.

LS-112 - 300
D2-0174 2270
D2-0153 1500

D2-0154 (T67518)

2000 people

D2-0172 (T67223)

1700 people

total 16,000

additional 15,000 indigenous pop in area

LS-161 people (ca 5000), have begun to walk toward "TH" ~~LS-37~~ Nang On (T66333) people (ca 7,000), and Don Nja (T66211) "FA" people (ca 3600) moving toward LS-37.

February 7 -

(1261)(2990)(1428)
LS-102, 16, 312, Ban
Pao (799), Phu Tak (2007)
and Phu Mang (841) people
(plus 5000-10,000 indigenous
population) surrounded
by enemy.

10,000 rep
5-10,000 indigenous

Feb 8 -

Phu Mang Phu Tak
LS-312, D2,093 and D2-0100
people at T66880 ("UI").

total 4276

1428
841
2007

4276

to
upto 15,000 civilians
in area

February 9 = about 450 LS-161,
"FA" and "TH" rep arrive
LS-37. Balance due ~~on~~
on 2/10,

LS-112 - 3100
DZ-0174 (TG 5640) - 2270
DZ-0153 (TG 5542) - 1500

LS-281 people (4757)
moving to LS-272.
531 move already to LS-255.
about 50% of balance at
LS-272.

total approx
70,000 people
in area

15,250
+ 15,000/m
20A

30,000

About 30,000 people at
Pha Khe (before, ca 7,000
people being supported at
Pha Khe). People at Pha
Khe from LS-20A, DZ-0145
(TF 8409) people (830);
DZ-0144 (TG 8606) people
(690); DZ-0141 (TG 7804)
people (330) LS-321
people (640), DZ-016
(TG 8605) people (1160)

Feb 10

(4,600)
LS-14 people to Pha Khe

to
date

at least
can estimate 100,000 people either moving or
living in forest = up to 60,000 ~~have~~ are either
moving or have arrived at places such as LS-37,
Pha Khe, "UI", LS-272

Ready to move

CS-102 area $\leftarrow$ 15,000

CS-20A area $\leftarrow$ 40,000

CS-16 area $\leftarrow$ 15,000

CS-56 area $\leftarrow$ 5,000

Movements

500 CS-281 $\rightarrow$ CS-255

CS-800 $\rightarrow$ "UI"

$\rightarrow$ CS-102, etc $\rightarrow$ "UI"

1300 $\rightarrow$ 20A $\rightarrow$ Pho Khe

~~26,000~~ $\rightarrow$ CS-14 etc $\rightarrow$ Pho Khe

15,000 $\rightarrow$ CS-16 ¹¹² area $\rightarrow$ CS-37

20,000 CS-56-74

4000 $\rightarrow$ CS-281 $\rightarrow$ CS-27 2

66,800 moving or moved

ready to move if situation deteriorates

G. Total

135,800

75,000

CS-54 - 538

CS-74 - 422

CS-132 - 291

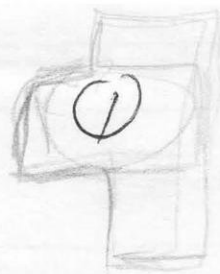
D2-0152 - 1238

D2-0163 - 832

D2-0168 - 440

3761

11 Feb 71
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~~Following~~ ^{at} V.P.S meeting on _____

January, 1971, concerning contingency plans in the event of The anticipated PC/NVA ^{dry season} push, it was decided that certain groups of refugees located in The LS-281, LS-161, LS-74, LS-56 and LS-112 areas would move ~~sea~~ to the LS-255 and LS-98 areas ^{away from the projected battle zone} as planned, ~~certain groups of the~~ some 35,000 ~~refugees~~ ^{refugee people} located in this area would be airlifted by chopper, and The balance would walk.

During the week of January 25 531 ~~the~~ refugees located at LS-281 were airlifted to LS-255, ~~the~~

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Further airlift activities were curtailed to a certain extent when refugees in the other areas, having heard of the impending move, began crowding the ~~area~~ respective airstrips.

A few people from ^{The} CS-161 area, however, (400-500) were shuttled to Song Cheng, and 421 were chopped to CS-37.

The expected ~~coming~~ ^{NVA} military drive began on 2 February when ^{LAO/VIET} ~~they~~ forces captured Muong Souei (C-108).

Since ~~that time~~ the fall of Muong Souei, and the subsequent pressure placed on the ~~LS-102~~ Northwestern unit of the PDU (LS-57 - LS-102 area) and the ~~LS~~ ~~Song Cheng~~ ~~LS~~ and LS-14

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area South of Long Cheng, approximately
~~20,000~~^{60,000} people have been forced to
move southward in search of safe
havens. Following is an area-by-
area review of events which have
transpired to date.

Phu Fa area

On February 3 LS-57 and
LS-80 ~~were~~ fell to enemy forces.

Although no refugees were being
supported in this area, approximately
1500^{people} indigenous to the area were
forced southward to CS-102. Of this
number, ~~400~~ approximately 200 were
captured by The P.C./NVA. Unexpectedly,

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by 7 February the six remaining sites in the ^{area bounded by} LS-102, LS-16 ~~and~~ LS-312 ~~area~~ were surrounded by the enemy. Trapped in this area are ~~about~~ 10,000 refugees and from 5000 to 10,000 indigenous elements. The situation in this northern area continues to remain ~~the same~~, + ominous.

Long Cheng area

Increasing "pressure" on the Long Cheng area and the speculation that Long Cheng ~~was~~ was the enemies' priority target caused the population ~~of that~~ ~~area~~ to move southward to LS-14.

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By 16 February ~~approximately~~, an
estimated 90% ~~of the population~~
of the population of Long Cheng,
15,000 people, had left by
foot for Pha Khe, located ^{on the road} between
Long Cheng and LS-14. Increased
~~pressure~~ harassment of LS-14 precipitated
the movement of the LS-14
area people to Pha Khe.

Further, enemy presence on the
vicinity of the Nam Ngum west of
Long Cheng prompted the residents
of that area to move to Pha Khe
also. To date there are an
estimated 30,000 people at

(6)

Phu Khe (TF 8299). This represents approximately 50% of the area's population, ~~the rest~~ ^{roughly} 70,000 people. As the situation worsens, the balance ~~are~~ ^{is} expected to move.

Nam Tao area

Between February 4 and 6 ~~the~~
Some 20,000 people located in the LS-161 and LS-112 area began walking southward toward LS-37. There are approximately 35,000 people in the area between LS-37 and LS-112, ~~the~~ an estimated 15,000 ~~people~~ ^{people} of this number being indigenous to the area.

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With the fall of LS-56 on
11 February, as ^{many as} ~~estimated~~

4000 - 5000 people may be
displaced in the area, if

enemy pressure continues. It is
not certain in which direction they will go.

LS-272

The ~~last~~ remaining persons located at
~~the~~ LS-281, ~~people~~ (~~4800~~) are

about 4000 persons, are presently
moving to LS-272,

In sum, approximately 60,000
people, have thus far been displaced.
Another 75,000 have not yet been
displaced, but will be if the
situation deteriorates further in the

areas considered, of the
 total of 135,000 people, up
 to 25,000 are people indigenous
 to the area who have either ~~never~~^{never}
 required food support, or who are
 old refugees who have been self-
 sufficient for 1-3 years. Of the
 remaining 100,000 people,
 approximately 33,000 ~~have been~~^{have been refugees} self-
 sufficient ^{in past} ~~since last~~ years ~~harvest~~.
 The balance of 67,000 ~~have been~~^{have been} receiving
 food support for at least one year.

Rough draft - will
finalize later

To: MacQ
From: Benson

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Subject: Xiang Khouang Refugee Status Report -
15 February 1971

~~Summary of refugee activities by area (LS-37: T6-6114)~~

~~Ch. 1. Summary of refugee activities by area (LS-37: T6-6114)~~

~~Ch. 2. Summary of refugee activities by area (LS-37: T6-6114)~~

Comprehensive

Summary of refugee activities by
area:

In area
between
LS-37 and
LS-112 about
4000 indigenous
pop. only.
In LS-37
area,
however,
about
9,500 indigenous
pop. plus
4,200 people at
Don Nya (T66211),
and about 200
receiving rice
at LS-51.

Muong Phun (LS-37: T6-6114)

Refugees continue to drift in from the
(a 2-day walk)

Nam Tao (LS-161: T6-6529) and

Nong On (DZ-089: T66333) areas.

The total ^{refugee} population ~~is~~ previously being

supported in Nam Tao (4585) and Nong

On (7159) was 11,744 persons, about

(the old and sick) during a 3-day period
1000 of those people, were moved by

are ca. 1000
indigenous
pop. at Nong On

PLAF chopper to LS-37 and Jong Cheng about 1 week ago. ~~The~~ The group that went to Jong Cheng continued on to LS-321 (TG9402) and Pha Khe (DZ-0142: TF-8299). An additional 3000-4000 Nam Tao and Nong On people ~~have come~~ have walked to LS-37. Currently at LS-37 are about 3000 ~~refugees~~ refugees, ~~the~~ 1000 having moved out on foot en route to the LS-113 area via LS-313, LS-273, LS-66, LS-207, etc. Of this number, about 50 families departed LS-37 yesterday. The LS-161 Narkengs at LS-37 reported that about 1000 people still on the trail (even

though nobody left at ^{LS} 161 and Mong Om
("TH") - numbers irreconcilable).

People arriving LS-37 in good health.

There is a dispensary at LS-37 staffed by

two medics. Three ^{rice} drops have gone in

(the last one on 14 Feb) and 25 cases of

meat ~~delivered~~ ^{About 30 cases baby food delivered on 15 Feb.} on 14 Feb. The

→

use is supposed to be subsistence supply

for people ^{during a 2-3 day layover in LS-37, and} ~~en route~~

for the next leg of their southward walk. Many
of the people currently at LS-37 are ~~are~~ waiting

for relatives still ~~are~~ en route to LS-37.

Old and sick people will be arrived after
everyone else has arrived and departed.

3 markings
from LS-161
supermarket
distribution

(4)

(mostly
Mao from M. Pek (M. Vong Fa)
area)

Nam Sen Neua (DZ-0151; TG-6127)

2385^(?) people have moved ^{SW} to point ~~SW~~

on west bank of Nam Ngum and joined

people from Muong Peng ~~and~~

Keo Thien,

↳ Mao from M. Khoun (Vang Xay) and L.T. from
M. Pek (Pang Xay).

Muong Peng (DZ-0172; TG-7223) and Keo
Thien (DZ-0154; TG-7518)

In face of enemy pressure, have crossed

Nam Ngum ~~are~~ are presently in place

and not moving.

↳ Lao from Xang Det, L.T. from M. Pek (Pang Xay)
& Mao from M. Pek (Vong Fa).

Sam Sen (LS-112; TG-6037)

↳
About 277^(?) (old people) ^{total 500±} ~~at~~ at Phu Sam
Sao (coords?) en route to LS-37,
~~About 50~~

Phou Da Pho (LS-103; TG-4242)

Reportedly About 1000± people at Phu Sam Sao
en route to LS-37.

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Lao fm X. Det
/ LT. fm M. Pek (Pang Xay).

Nam Thong (D2-0174: TG-5640)

2265 ±

about ~~7000~~ people at Phu Sam Seo
en route to LS-37.

Tham Meut (D2-0153: TG-5542) - 1449^(L.T.) people

500 ± en route to LS-37 via "TH"

(Nong On), are presently at a place ^(supposedly) called
Nam Pui (coordinates unknown).

Most of Tham Meut people are L.T.

belonging to Tasseng Xeng Det. are

Two ^{nai-} Tassengs of X.D., one of them is a

Meut and the other RLG. It appears

that those ^{people} belonging to the neutralist

Tass (3000 ±) are still in place.

The people who are moving belong to

the RLG nai tasseng.

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Phu Pha Dai (D2-0163 & TG-4849)

are L.T. fm Tasseng Xeng Det.

We have been feeding 832 people

there. Some of them are believed to

be moving (re-Tham meat comments).

Muong Chim (LS-56 & TG4443)

(before we
supported
538 people)

M. Chim went down the drain on

10 Feb. ~~at the same time~~ Some
& Jas

all?
some originally
fm M. Socui

2000 ± L.T. living in or around

B. Nam Dre greeted enemy with open

arms. (when 56 hit about 2-3 weeks ago

some of people airlifted to LS-272 then went to

Phone Heng),

what is
relationship
bet. this
bunch &
Nam Dre
people?

One group of LS-56 Meo (?) numbering
65/516 went (?) to Phon Houat near (?) LS-103,

(7)

LS-74 (Tham Sorn) and LS-132 (Long Pot)

People in Place.

Note:

LS-56 was not jumping off point for Triangle operation in 1964(?) 1965(?).

Prior to ~~1966~~ 1966 the only sites we had in the area bet. 20 and 54 were LS-117, LS-41 and LS-170.

LS-56 wasn't really opened up until 1966-67. Prior to that time, the LS-56, LS-74 and LS-132 & LS-103 area was relatively bad. This past year V.P. did some recruiting in the area.

Pha Khe (DZ-0142 : TF 8299)

Total Population now at Pha Khe - 14,840

Of this fig., 6,784 are old people

The balance are from Long Cheng,
LS-14 (141/1116 - came via LS-321) ↗
as of 13th, most were still in LS-14 area.

On 13 Feb
the Pha Khe
"mafia" went
to LS-227
for a look and
for the
purpose of
trying to
draw some
of the people
there. Most
of the people
are reluctant
to go to the S.W.

As of 13th 20A
V.P. wanted
depts at Pha
Khe to return
to 20A.
Long Chang market
fully set up at
Pha Khe.

39/230 new people at Pha Khe
left yesterday for LS-113 area

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San Khang (D2-0144: TG 8606),

Nam Choi (D2-0145: TG 8109),

Vang Fong (D2-0146: TG 8605),

There are 48/306 people from

Jong Cheng at LS-207.

As of the 13th supposedly 4000 ±
people still at Jong Cheng. Maybe
10,000 had left for Pha Khe.

LS-5 (Pha Dong)

LS-5 was hit on 13 Feb. The
village near the airstrip ~~was~~ burned
down. Total of about 3000 people
(incl 1200 who were receiving rice) left
(presumably before the attack) for LS-14.

This will
undoubtedly
result
in "rupture"
of perimeter
& expose
LS-113 area

CS-102 area

General ~~view~~ view of CS-102, & CS-10

indicated that people still in place.

Long Cheng	
13 Feb - 5 rockets	14 Feb - meeting with
14 Feb - Mortars etc.	mann to discuss
15 Feb - Etc.	fall-back points,
	etc.

Note

Above data "accurate" only in terms of pattern of flow - Obviously impossible to get accurate headcount; Therefore, many of above numbers unreconcilable, as different sources give different figures (all of them guesses).

Haven't checked Porter drops to people in motion yet - This should be too difficult, however.

So far, pattern of flow rather simple - the situation will be rather confused when 204 goes.

~~Troops 12780~~

Jan 1, 71
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SE Run

Northern Run

LS-46 - ~~2411~~ 1694

LS-63 - 1014

LS-202 - ~~671~~

LS-223 - 811

LS-270 -

LS-314 - 1418

D2-0173 - ~~2265~~

D2-0158 - ~~1315~~

D2-0143 - 1756

LS-316 D2-0138 - 998

D2-082 - 557

D2-0178 - 1162

D2-0179 - 957

UF0279 - 93

SS backon

LS-223 - 811
D2003 + 93

~~14711~~
8473

Subtract

LS-46 ^{T D R}
725 1694 -

LS-202 - - 671

D2-0173 - 1200 -

D2-0158 - 657 658

D2⁰⁰³ UF0279 - - 93

725 ~~4565~~ 1422
3551

LS-50 - 4022

LS-6 - 2327

LS-32 - 6016

LS-102 - 1126

LS-16 - 2990

LS-312 - 1426

D2-093 - 613

D2-0100 - 2007

D2-0120 - 1077

~~D2-0139~~

D2-0126 - 1097

D2-0169 - 799

~~D2-0166~~

~~+67963 - 778~~

~~24,278~~
23,500

SS backon

LS-102 (615)
D2-093 (351)
~~LS-316~~
total - 966

sub +67963 - 778

Depos - 778

Jan 1, 7/21

Central 272

SS Backon

✓ LS-14 - 1751

✓ LS-20A - 23,840

LS-51 - 212

✓ LS-56 - 538

LS-66 - 624

LS-113 - 236

✓ LS-132 - 41

✓ LS-141 - 4585

LS-207 - 1281

LS-211 - 401

LS-218 - 724

~~LS-223 - 811~~ + 811

LS-244 - 1185

LS-251 - 22

LS-252 - 19

LS-255 - 43

LS-272 - 22247

✓ LS-281 - 50

LS-284 - 185

LS-287 - 467

+ 112

+ 284

+ 1055

(over)

CS-288 - 763		D2-0156 - 1171
CS-307 - 630	+ 630	D2-0143 - 832
CS-313 - 170		D2-0146 - 1384
D2-016 - 1157		D2-0172 - 1639
CS-318 - 676		D2-0174 - 2265
CS-327 - 641		D2-0175 - 510 ⁶³¹
CS-317 - 3885		D2-0174 - 510
D2-031 - 387		D2-0180 - 394
D2-047 - 525	485 +	
D2-064 - 140		
D2-089 - 7159		
D2-0119 - 3637		D2-0155 - 832
D2-0125 - 93	2201 +	1851 - 405 - 21
D2-0128		101 - 115 - 21
D2-0141 - 328		45F - 815 - 21
D2-0142 - 6875	118 +	45F - 815 - 21
D2-0144 - 686		2811 - 445 - 21
D2-0145 - 827		55 - 125 - 21
D2-0146 - 672		91 - 525 - 21
D2-0150 - 235	+ 235	EP - 225 - 21
D2-0152 - 410		F4555 - 545 - 21
D2-0153 - 1449		02 - 125 - 21
D2-0154 - 1974		281 - 485 - 21
D2-0155 - 832	(1058)	101 - 585 - 21

		<u>D</u>	<u>R</u>	
LS-5	428	782	=	1210
X LS-6	1244	1083	=	2327
LS-14	—	1751	=	1751
LS-15				
X LS-16	1348	1642	=	2990
LS-20A	14,540	9,000	=	23,540
X LS-32	2,178	3,838	=	6016
X LS-50	1,779	2,243	=	4022
LS-51	212	—	=	212
LS-54	263	275	=	538
✓ LS-63	379	635	=	1014
LS-66	340	284	=	624
X LS-102	615	511	=	1126
LS-113	162	74	=	236
LS-132	—	41	=	41
LS-161	788	3797	=	4585
LS-207	1281	—	=	1281
LS-211	—	401	=	401
LS-218	239	485	=	724
✓ LS-223	811	—	=	811
LS-244	1185	—	=	1185
LS-251	—	22	=	22
LS-252	—	19	=	19
LS-255	—	43	=	43
LS-272	14,000	8,247	=	22,247
LS-281	—	50	=	50
LS-284	—	185	=	185
LS-287	—	461	=	461
LS-288	—	763	=	763

D2-003
93 rep

3383
2285
1100

	D	R
CS-307	—	630 = 630
X CS-312	1236	192 = 1428
CS-313	1700	— = 1700
✓ CS-314	1111	307 = 1418
✓ CS-316	601	397 = 998
CS-317	3321	564 = 3885
CS-318	—	676 = 676
CS-321	—	641 = 641
DZ-016	148	1009 = 1157
031	—	387 = 387
047	295	230 = 525
064	—	140 = 140
✓ 082	245	312 = 557
089	5694	1465 = 7159
X 093	242	371 = 613
X 0100	1338	669 = 2007
0119	2806	831 = 3637
X 0120	572	505 = 1077
0125	—	93 = 93
X 0126	644	453 = 1097
0141	—	328 = 328
0142	3999	2876 = 6875
✓ 0143	744	1012 = 1756
0144	—	686 = 686
0145	827	— = 827
0146	—	672 = 672
0150	—	235 = 235

D2-0158
- 657
- 658

	D	R
0152	135	275 = 410
0153	853	596 = 1449
0154	—	19741 = 19741
0155	143	669 832
0156	1171	— = 1171
0158	657	658
0163	592	240 = 832
0166	1045	339 = 1384
X 0169	316	483 = 799
0172	1210	429 = 1639
0173		
0174	2265	— = 2265
0175	564 631	— = 631
0176	510	— = 510
✓ 0178	1162	— = 1162
✓ 0179	957	— = 957
0180	—	394 = 394

12,780 Troops

78,325

57,212

~~1,93 (D2-003)~~
~~57,805~~

North ~~17,486~~ 23,502
SE ~~11,689~~ 8,673
Central - ~~102,962~~
103,688

LS-102/16 area

Feb 12, 1971

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Fm LS-86/57 1300 ^{civ} → LS-102

102/16 area 10,000 rep

102/161 area 10,000 civ

20,000 total in area

at "LI" ca 3000
from LS-312

total in other areas
17,000

total who have moved to date
ca - 4,300 people

total previously S.S. - 0

20A/14

F

Fm 20A → Phakhe - 15,000

Fm 14 → 321 → 5,000

Fm other areas → Phakhe → 10,000

old Pop at Phakhe - 7000
~~" " " 321 "~~
Fm 20A - 15,000
Fm D2-0145 (T68109) 830
D2-0144 (T68606) 690
D2-0141 (T67884) 330
D2-016 - 1160
(T68605) 3010
Nam Chot
Santhong
Nam Van
Vung Fong
old people at 2S-321 - 640
" " LS-14 4600
not mo
5240

D2-064
T67303
Pha Dong

30,000 people moving
additional 40,000
in area but not yet moved

LS-161

at LS-37 1500

	LS-161	→	LS-37	4585 500 people
"TH" D2-084	Ning on (T66333)	→	LS-37	7159 "
Jam Sen D2-0174	LS-112 (T65640)	→	"	300 277 (previously SS)
	Nam Thong	→	"	2265
'FA' D2-0119	Denny (T66211)	→	"	3637
D2-0153	(T65542)	→	"	1449
	Tham Meut			
D2-0154	(T67518)	"		1974
	Keo Thien			
D2-0172	(T67223)	"		1639
	Muang Peng			
				22,985 (incl 277 previously S.S.)
				+ 15,000 unknown pop

LS-313
D2-0151
T66127
Nam Sen Neung

37,985

LS-281

LS-281 $\rightarrow$ LS-272 $\rightarrow$ LS-255 = 4757

(4707 previously SS)



~~515 go out~~

515 go already

4757

515

4242 moving

4242

SS back on

LS-281 - 4707

LS-14 - 2894

LS-112 - 277

7880
15,000
1,300
24,180

7880 SS back on

Support increase

total moving

4242
37,985
4,300
30,000
76,527

~~7880~~ SS moving
~~4242~~
~~15,000~~
37,985 moving 141
4,300 LS-102 area moving
30,000 LS-207 area moving
80,165

4707 LS-281
37,985 LS-141
4,300 LS-102
30,000
76,992

totals on cable to Washington

73,000 move

56,000 not displaced

129,000 total

①

New Support

15,000 indy in LS-101

1300 " " LS-102

7880 SS

23,180

②

total not ^{yet} moved

46,000 in LS-20A area

15,700 in LS-102 area

~~55,700~~
~~61,700~~

③

Total Move

4300 LS 102 area

30,000 LS-20A area

37,985 LS-101 area (35,000 in cable)

4242 LS-281 area (4000 in cable)

76,527 Moving

73,300
in
cable

LS-14 Feb 7

13 Feb 71

LS-57 54 people captured

LS-80 111 people captured

TG8587 165 people captured

Phou Sa Nou young men & group
killed by P.L.

LS-84 600-700 go with
P.L. - in position
surrounded by 12.7

20 A hit by 5 rockets
600 13 Feb

Leaders will go to LS-227
today; ^{some} Pha Khe people
may follow; ^{some may} although want to stay

JP's ⁽²⁾ choppers shuttled
for 3 days - moved only
400-600 people to 20 A
Fm LS-161

Fry of 70,000 for 20 A-14
area high.

161 & TH to 321 (500-600 people)

↓ today will go to 227
Some to Pha Khe (~~300-400~~ people)
2000 I

14 people en route to Pha Khe;
But now in 14 area
(about 1000 already in Pha Khe)

Nam Van in Nam Van

Vang Vong & Sam Khang
in Pha Khe

In 37 area, about 700-800
old people

Ca 4000 left at 20 A

Ca. 1500 old people at LS-191
from Khang Kho

U.P. wants Pha Khe depts. to
return to 20 A.

Pha Khe people scheduled to
begin moving to LS-191 tomorrow

LS-307 people moving to
LS-191

374 → 112 about 2000-3000
old people

Some to 20 A → Pha Khe

Nam Meut people haven't
moved

M. Peng & Kio Thuan people
cross river

Nam Van people in
place

Don Nji people in place

LS-51 people in place

Unlikely
that many
Pha Khe
people
want to
move to
227

15 FEB. 71

LS-37: 50 families ^{out of 1500 people} en route to LS-272: will then go to LS-273

4202 at DM Ng

Before in 37 area, ca. ~~4000~~ people. 9800

have received 3 drops
↓
1st 2 drops a few days ago.
↓
added 25 cases met yesterday

On Feb-13 ca 1000 people to M. Cha. via Phou Khang; still 3000

Nam Sen Nena to M. Perry → across Nam Ngum

in TH area 7000 + 1000 old 37 res'd dur on 14 Feb

On 10th at 56 = ^{maybe about 1000 LT stayed 103 area} 65/516 → Phu Hanat, S. of 74

the troops at 56 defected; however, a couple of the troops walking out to 272

1/7 only 170 people
from secure str. open

3 the market from TH dist nice now; no problems - people moving out everyday

from Merit people supposed to leave when 56 1st gets hit

people going via 313; then by road; 50 families yesterday about 1000 people still en route to 37.

M. Chien at 56 in Xiang Tan

37 people concerned about 201204

39/230 out of Pha Khe

LS-5 hit on 13th; people en route to LS-14 - 1700 people total 3000 people

at Pha Khe

2011/14, 840 of which...

988/6784 old people

141/1116 from Pha Khe area 321 at 207

48/306 Long Chang people

M. Chien - B. Nam Du 200 families went with P.C.

at Nam Pui

belong to task X.Det. ^{en route to 37} 14/11 = 500 ± = at Phu Pha Dai
" " " next = 3000 +
still

Tham Munt L.T.

103 - 1000⁺ 7/500 I
one group from 112 Phu Sam Sao

132 people still in place

74 people in place

Phu Maning Na Tham Sam (old people) 74 will come here (me)

Tham Thong at Phu Sam Sao

L.T.

Some to TH 37

Some staying

Pak - Veng Fa
 Kham - Non 9 Het
 Kham - Non 9 Het
 Kham - Non 9 Het
 Mac - Ngat

Pang Xay (L.T.)
 (Chinat 46)

Na San people to M. Kham (TH 0406) in Dec

15 Feb

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Late Dec - mastic attacks - even for
Early Jan on Houi Kho

Khon Khien - followed

FEB

Houei Yo - 67 families → L.P.

Lat Han - ?

only real
rups:
generations

Several villages
E & SE of Pak Ou

2 Feb
evening mastic
positions at
Keng Ben
(TH 139100)

90 families from Phone Ngan (TH 138092)

Pak Po (TH 148092)

Phone Savang (TH 140100)

B. Thine (TH 148099)

B. Seou (TH 150099)

to B. Dan
(TH 100087)

40 fam. at
B. Dan

50 fam. at
Pak Savang

or B. Phon

Mouat

(TH 028031)

ca + 550
new up

If can't go home, CK will move them to
M. Khay or valley bet Xrong Ngum &
M. Nane.

30 families from Pak Savang to L.P.,
will not reserve rice as move
not justified

Khon Khuen

15 Feb

(TH0406)

Na San people to M. Kham in early Dec = ^{no rice} given

CK
ordered
back

{ after mortar attack on Houei Kho,
Hut Kho, Phu Thung & Hat Kham
people to bet Khon Khon & B. Dun

Thun Hong (TH 098148) } may move if
Sang Hai (TH 109139) } sit down

Houei Kho

120/600 L.T.

no rice
unless
return

On 25 Dec enemy fire prompted

42/200 to H. Coat (TG 0487)

recent
action

70 fam probably en route to 5
on B. Xung

also, 500 Lao Fam H. Kho area to L.P.
(Don Cho)

✓
orig from Don Sam, M. Ngai

Houei Yo

3000 L.T. depts = Husbands at

{ forming on 2-4 Feb prompted 67/400 to go to L.P.

on 7, 8, 9 Feb

if all leave,
2500-3000 men in

256 & Phu Sonang (TH 611011) area may leave - H. Yo people
ordered to move
back

16 Feb 71 540 4
" 3

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no rice
yet.

Supposed to
go to 227 area

Some of the rep walking
out of LS-37 met some

P.L. S.E. of 37 on 15th

150/900 ~~km~~ "TH" Fm "TH"

200^{LS} 161 at "H"

30^{LS} 161 from at Vang Fong
(H" people waiting for them)

came into 20A #14
by air

Next turn
in 108 area

R66 turn
117, 41 area

Dividing
line just north
of 117

LS-5 people reported
at 7699 ~~44~~?

UF 0598 area on route
to LS-113

Many LS-14 people still
just west of 14

at "I" 2002 people

TF 9399

"H"
76
9303

Pha Khe

Fm LS-14 - 282/2243

LS-20A-693/3826

came before Feb 13 LS-5 - 25/218

LS-161 - 111/902

Keo Thien - 19/196

1056/7735

old. - 926/6784

total 1982/14519

Some ~~people~~ at Vang Fong

~~LS-37~~

Nam Chai & Sam Khany
people still in place

LS-288

~~526~~ ^{Some} refs from 20A

Hanoi Siat depts coming
back to 63. (M. Mo etc)

So far, only about 6 people

What is breakdown of depts in
Paksane??

LS-63 = possibility
of 500-600 refs from
M. Mo area

1439
1974
3613

total Ref moving
30,439

Refugee Movements in Region II
16 February 1971
F. Benson

No People	FROM	TO	Comments
	<u>Village</u> <u>Coords</u>	<u>Village</u> <u>Coords</u>	
5500 4700 5000	{ Nam Tao TG 6529 Nong On TG 6333	M. Phum (LS-37) TG 6114	500 by RLA F choppers 3000 now at LS-37 1000 en route 1000 have left LS-37 presumably for the same area Phu He (LS-255) area.
902	"	Pha Khe (TF 8299)	} Came via Fong Cheng and Pha Khao
900	"	TG -9303 "H"	
150	"	Vang Fong (TG 8605)	
<u>7452</u> 7452			I-9499
3613	{ M. Peng (TG-7223) Kao Thieu (TG-7518)	west bank of Mekong TG 7211	✓ have only moved across river; are presently not moving
2385	Nam Sen Neua (TG 6127)	"	Have not joined M. Peng & Kao Thieu people
<u>5998</u>			
500	Sam Sen (LS-112) TG 6037	Phu Sam Sao (coords unknown)	✓ en route to LS-37
1000	Phou Da Pho (LS-103) TG 4242		
2200	Nam Thong TG 5640		
<u>3700</u>			

500	Tham Meut (TG 5542)	to LS-37	✓ (walking via TH Nong 0m)
500	Phu Pha Dai (TG 4849)	to LS-37	✓ en route
2243 446	Pha Khao (LS-14)	to Pha Khe	✓
3000	"	to TF 9498	✓
3826	Seng Cheng	to Pha Khe	✓
306	"	LS-207	
		to Ute	
196	Kao Thuen (TG 7518)	to Pha Khe	✓
218	Pa Dong (LS-5)	to Pha Khe	✓
2500	"	to M. Cha	✓
230	230 ? Am Pha Khe	to ??	

Total at Pha Khe : 14,519 old.
of which 7735 are refugees

~~4600~~
~~2300~~
~~200~~
~~200~~

~~6700~~
~~400~~
~~7600~~

(17 Feb Cable
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~~14,519~~
~~7735~~
~~6784~~

moving
 7,600
 6,800
 230
 3000
 900
 2500

2896
 1751

21030
 1

4647

6,800

 14,230

- 6800 Pha Khe
- 1171 San Khang
- 827 Nam Chai
- 328 Nam Van
- 1157 Vang Fong
- 630 Nya Her (LS-304)

moving
 4,000
 1,000
 1,000
 1,000
 500
 1,000
 2,200
 1,000
 500
 300
 6,000

10913
 +10,000 (Others)
~~20,000~~
 20,000

171500
 141200

 31200

17500

TF 8198 TL
TF 8299 E

LS-313

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1471 Feb-16 - 843

Feb-17 - 1681

2524 people at LS-313 Fm LS-37
will go to LS-227

LS-37

Feb-6-7: 442 arr. from "TH"
plus 79 by porter fm LS-161
plus 40 by chopper fm "TH"

TB Talon 7th 779

Feb 9: 1040 people at LS-37

Feb-10: 59/429 people arr LS-37
1469 = presumably have
moved on to

f

Feb-17 564 people arr. from LS-103
and LS-112

Tan Pang Phung

160

Tan Na Khun

110

mai tamung at LS-66

E. BENSON

Feb 18, 1971

with P.L.

Nam Hawn (Neut Tam X.D.)

522 people = Xeng Det
Nam Thoney

LS-90

160

110

270

522

160

110

792

Tham Meut = ~~300~~ people en route

Neut Tam X.D.

Phu Pha Dai =

11

11

1

Xeng Det
Tan Pang Phung

3/3 groups to Phu Meung

1/3 P.L. take

~~M. Chum~~

M. Chum

Neut Tam
X.D.

M. Chum

Na So

Phung Chang

with P.L.
1500
people

40 ← Nam Dai

Phu Da Pho = 75 families / 375 people en route

LS-74 = en route

LS-37

From LS-103 & LS-112 on 17th = 564 people

LS-132

maybe to Kassy (?)

LS-74

Phu Meung

ca 2000

to 70

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18 Feb 71

56 - and 103
The night after 132
The next day 74
Kassay Int on 17th
Phon Khoun under attack
17th-18th

LS-102
LS-312
LS-16
LS-213
170
LS-313

lost = people to
TG 683790

150-200

Feb 16 - 843 people
Fm 37

may move to 229

Another 1000 expected

LS-37

ca 500 arrived 103
on 17th

LS-56 people
went to Nam Chat with PL
(TG-6055) on Feb 6

LS-80 area people
taken to LS-103 (?)

"LI" people requested
to move south.

141 ✓ Nong Tas
"TH" M. Oun

as of Feb 6-7 were

✓ 442 on 37 from
"TH" area; ~~plus 79~~

by ~~porter & choppe~~

6-42 people plus 79 by porter & fm 161
7-37 people 40 by choppe fm TH
total on 7th 779

were 490 at TG 6618 fm TH
who passed thru (had not on 37 as of 13th)

On 10th-11 over 1000 people
- 700 at TG 5335 fm Nam Theng
- 420 at TG 5058 fm 103

on 9th were 1040 people
at 37

On 10th 59/429 on 37

have gone to LS-313 and
onwards (?) (?)

Phu Da Pho, Phu Muang &
Samm Sen people (1000)

Supposed to arrive 37 yesterday

Tass, Phakbong went on
94 families/523 en route
to 313

745 people from
281 at 255

LS 281
350 people moved on 16th
by truck fm ~~Ha~~ Sop Sai
to Vang Kham to Nam Ngum -
from there, walk to 255
(more today)

about 2000 left at 281
400 or so sitting in
front of 272 hospital

✓ LS-313

Feb 16 - 843

Feb 17 - 1681

2524

en route to 227

Tass X.D. } 522 people
 Tass Phak Pong } everybody
 - 1200

tan Tham Son

meo - 1/79

Nehtis - ~~153~~ ²⁰ _{2/3} come here
 2000+ come to 90

Nam Huan "K"
 PL - Nam Trung

- 800

103 - 75 fam in route

Tham Meut - ~~300~~ ³⁰⁰⁰ en route

Phu Phu Dai - coming

M. Chin - Na Soe
 phung Chany

nam Du come to 90

- 37 -

arrived
 last night
 { 238
 { 127
 { 564
 { people

Fm

103

112

103 people

Feb 10 - 843

Feb 11 - 1081

1) Xong Dong
 2) Vang Pong

20 Feb

Get back 202, 182

182 etc people moving (walking)

to LS-213 ca 4000 arrive

(estimated 3 times - 10 killed)

(estimated 102 people arr.)

37

546 people

2000 en route

90

Ca 2000 arr. - will stay for time being

Pha Khe

up to 2000 more east

"H" "I"

moving south

15-80 people

Walked to H. Pannone → requested ride to LS-272; about to have come

103 people at 37

may go to 90

"I" people are waiting for 2nd coming = are followers of guy who studied in Hanoi, etc.

No rice into Pha Khe

ca. 700 at 113 from 5

37, 313, 229 → river Nam Van

318 → moving gen

500 into 313

21 Feb 71

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22 Feb

3000 102 etc people
~~at~~ at 170; 2000
leaving 213.

Nam Tung valley

28/127 from Na Muong (TG 541461)
to Phu Bin Daeng (21 Feb)

10/47 from Na

Mouane area to

Si Seot (22 Feb)

1/12 Meo to KM 52

24/153 from 14 to stay

(over)

NECESSARY ACTION		SIGNATURE
INVESTIGATE		SEE ME
NOTE AND RETURN		AS REQUESTED
INITIAL FOR CLEARANCE		FOR YOUR INFO/FILE
		PER CONVERSATION

REMARKS OR ADDITIONAL ROUTING

213 → 170 → 272(?) 400 people
~~14 - stay - 40 people~~

Feb 11 People being supported at

LS-213 = 2363 (164 T)

CS-170 - 832 (84 T)

TG 2466 Pha Khao 408 (60 T)

TG 6711 "X" (Burmington)

1627 25 155 fam 1203
1628 16 264 2103

For
Benson

419 fam 3306 } 982

TG 7386

20 Feb 71

Drops
1. 227 "TF" 18093
2. My Hong V 18093
TG 6711 "X"
20A
1. 100 kilo
40 kilo
canned meat

FEB 19
LS 90 1179 +
LS 37
50 people
107 am. → 113
1670 people the

to: Mann

From: Mac Queen (F. BENSON)

Subj: Refugee Sitrep - 22 February, 1971

Region I - No changes

Region II - 3000 refugees from the
LS-102 ~~for~~ LS-16 area
who moved several days
~~ago~~ ago to LS-213, ~~and~~ have
~~also~~ moved on to LS-170.
^{additional} ^{refugees} An estimated 2000 ~~will~~ ^{will} soon
be leaving LS-213 for LS-170.
~~Refugees~~ ^{are} Refugees continuing
to arrive at LS-213 from
The LS-102/LS-16 area.

Region III - No changes.

Region IV - No changes

Region V - Vang Vieng: 127 refugees
arr. Vang Vieng from
B. Na Muong (TG-541461)

Vientiane Plain: 12 Meo arr.
Km 52 from Xeng Khrouang.
153 rep. arr.
B. Ilay from Pha Khao (LS-14).

insert MR. II.

moving to LS-120

Also in the group of Meo are
150 hao refugee from ~~the~~ ^(T67393) Houng you
and another 600 hao are on their
way to LS-213. These hao have
requested to move to Xien Nguen
in Huang Prabang.

Rice drop into 313 on Sunday

24 Feb 71

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ca. 2000 L.T.
near LS-14 Long Cherry people
TG 8605
at "X" - 52 families
from Long Cherry
In. Rem
~~130~~ / 1058
bal. from Keo Thien
6 fam from 161
at "X" ^{TG} 7211

3300
people
at "X"

No LS-132 at LS-90

People at 170 (from 102 area) to
LS-25 (Phou Chia)

LS-50 people to

"PO" at ~~Phou Sa~~

(~~TH 9604~~) (TH 0503)

-DZ-0139 (Rice drop
request)

22 Feb

200 / 2129

LS-37 / ~~2446~~ people

Keo Mak Feungy -

incl. 52

LS-90 - 210 / 2446 fam from
Tass Det

→ 23 Feb + 1200 old people

more people
will come
from 74

36 new families into 90

(500 people NE of 37 "O")

LS-103 up (2000) from
Phou Khong Khao to
Phou Vai (TG 575219)
(have

24 Feb

LS-90

59 people from 74 on 23

92 from Sam Sen (112)

and 103 on 23rd

total 2597

at LS-90

more people from LS-74
expected (no one left
there).

on 22 Feb, 22 families
to Vang Veng by foot;
14 families to LS-37.

Tass.
xreing
Det

5000 LS-102 area people
at 170. ca. 3000 still
walking either to 213 or 170. (aged
people ^{down} from 213)

2000 M. You Lao from
Phu Tak ^{still} at 213 area

3093 Nam Tao people
expected to move into
LS-317 during next
few days = Is one medic
at LS-317; RLG medic at
113. ~~113~~
→ will regroup for several
days at "TH" near
LS-113

LS-5 people will move
to eastern portion of Thong
Khene (LS-317) complex.

at "TH"
"78" ~~TH~~ people at ~~Phou Sa~~ ^{16/121}
will go to ~~Phou Sa~~
came already; 5/4's will
stay at 317; ~~11/78~~
from 161 at LS-113 - 280

"H" pad people moving
toward LS-113 area.

TG 7804

old rep - 45/328

on 14/15 Feb - 150/945 up
fm 20A

total 195/1273
(400-500 up in area)
~~Several hundred~~

last use drop on 2 Feb

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2 battalions of troops will
be deployed to clear LS-255, 223,
227 area.

25 Feb 71

F. BENSON

3000 refs reported a U, Ueng
for Xheng Det area

LS-313

old & infirm will
be transferred by
choppers tomorrow to
LS-113 -

LS-281 people now in LS-66-252
area; won't move until security at
LS-255 can be assured -
maybe 2000 people

Some of the LS-287 people
moving SE

LS-317 "H"

total 175/908 fm LS-5
ca 300-400 fm LS-37

Several hundred people going
back to 20A on road

On 22nd
when they
90 families
arr(?) (?)

The 500± LS-132 refs
who were located east of
LS-132 area have gone
to LS-90

LS-37

total 2800 refs
incl 15 fam 180 people
from LS-166 on 24th
nobody has left yesterday
or today

LS-90

- No changes
total 2597

LS-288

600 people fm LS-14 & 20A
- arrived recently
from 14 & 20A area south of 255
- supposed to go to LS-207
area, but received
letter from Meo P.L. not
to move; therefore, still
hanging in (hoping to
return of 20A).

won't
get rice

Feb 23 - LS-281

C.M. Hong Nong (Sao Tai) ^{Office} Supplies
& CM move to LS-255

want to
harvest
rice before
bail of people
move

LS-170-213

People captured en route to
LS-170 (?)

102
74

213 lost 26 Feb

9

26 Feb 71

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LS-37

total 1880 - Rep = don't want to move

1000 left on 24th & 25th

Some to LS-313, others to Phakke

Ca 1000 left LS-313

ref
bet 229-218 up
m. yon
207-191 = 7 refs

Ca 6000+
have passed
through 37(?)

161-37 = 2 days
37-313 = 1 day
313-207 = 3 days

207-191 = 1 day

191-113 = 1 day

Have been
getting rice
at 37, 313 &
m. yon

LS-281

4000 odd people

only about 1000 people left.

LS-313

on 24th - 118 / 1065

left for ~~then~~ LS-229

bet 313-229 & a few people

LS-229

Nobody (people pass through)

Then cross Nam Ngum →

Northern trail to Phakke

Southern trail to LS-218 -
were a lot of people on trail
to LS-218 (1000 ±).

LS-218 - 1000 ± 20A up
~~2000 ± people~~ in place there

m. yon (3 drops)
C-46 drops

No people
people going through have
been getting rice there = none of
These people have requested rice up to 191

Some go
to Phw
Khe

TG 8003

113 are

616 people from 161 & Nam on
175 at "TH" near LS-113
441 at "F" South of LS-317
TF 4887

292 at "U" from LS-321
bal of 500 on the way

LS-255

Total 974 rep from 25-281

"H" (bet 317 & 113)

408 up from LS-5

"H" TG 9302

483 from Nam on
Ca. total 750 (one planning to stay)

"I" area

Ca. 4000 ± from LS-14 etc etc

people going South 173 →
LS-255 (probably 281 people)

No people between
191 and 113 as previously reported

3500 at SV 02-139
2000 at Phw Sen

LS reportedly
at 252, Ca 2000 ±
from LS-281

5800 LS/02 people at LS-4
Ca 3000 at LS-170

formally at 213
2400 LT & Loe at Seph Chum
are presently trapped

1 drop today

~~US-313 = 25 people chopped~~
~~to US-113~~

SW-6270

Region II

Status Report for 27 Feb 71

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LS-50

200 LS-50 people to LS-6

LS-6

184 LS-6 people to LS-32 by
porter on space available.

(LS-28)

300 up at Nam Dan (TF 7591)

ca. 20 up at LS-66

ca 2000+ up at LS-252

50-70 up bet Nam Dan and LS-207

LS-313

25 old and infirm up choppered
from LS-313 to LS-113

LS-213

~400 Lao & IT. from LS-102/16 area
who didn't make it out of LS-213
believed to have been captured by
enemy (approx. 1000 made it out & are presumably
on route to LS-4)

An estimated 170 persons were assass.
by enemy in LS-213, LS-80, LS-102,
LS-16 area since ~~the~~ ^{the} fall of this area
on Feb 18.

Status Report

27 Feb 71

LS-4

total 9,000 up (mostly from LS-16 & LS-102)
will move on 28th to
LS-25

bal of 1000 will go to H. Phak
near LS-4 (these people from
LS-170 & LS-213)

LS-213/170

People from this area will go to
Xieny Nyeum area

LS-170

most of the people have
moved out

don't
report

LS-213

2 Co. troops at LS-213 turned
weapons over to PL and proceeded
to LS-170

56,842

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Feb 27, 1971

Refugees moved as of ^{or moving} 7

(1)

LS-312 (1428 people) lost Feb 8 → "LI"
LS-102 (1126 ") " " 18
LS-16 (2990 ") " " 18
TG 6882 Phu Le (2007 ") abandoned " "
TG 6174 B. Pao (799 ") " "
TG 7881 Phu Many (613 ") " "
(total - 8963) (1400 captured at LS-213)
LS-57 (1500) lost Feb 3
LS-80 (1500) lost " (200 captured at LS-80)
TG 683-790

LS-~~213~~ (1363 people) lost Feb 24

↓ Feb 22

(832 people)
LS-170 - People arriving LS-170

↓

LS-4 - (9000 people)
Xuong Ngeun (400 people)
Captured (1400 people)

GT-12,658

- 1600 captured
- 170 killed

10,888

LS-50/50A (~~1529~~) lost Feb 24

↓

D2-0139 (UH0503) - 2752 people

↓

D2-026 Phu Sa (TH9607) - 1097 people

Total move = 1500 ±

(2)

Feb 27, 1971

LS-56 (538 people) lost Feb 11
LS-74 (422 people) lost Feb 14
LS-132 (291 people) lost Feb 16
LS-103 (—) lost Feb 16

total - 1251

plus - 5000 villagers

G.T. 6000 ±

LS-90 - 2597

"TH" TG-6119 - 1500 ±

Vang Vang - 2549

total move 6646 = 5000 ± new up

LS-161 (4585 people) abandoned

Nangom (7159 people) abandoned

Total move 11,744

LS-37 - 1880

LS-313 —

LS-229 —

en route to LS-218 - 1000 ±

M. Yen TG-8193 —

27 Feb

(3)

Summary of moves

LS-113 area

- 1016 fm LS-1618 moving on
- 575 at "TH"
- 441 at "F" (TF 9887)

575

441

292

908

107

23 23

292 at "V" from LS-321
bal of 500 en route

"H" - 908 rep fm LS-5-

LS - 218 - 1000 $\pm$ 20A rep

LS-6

184

to LS-32

LS-50

200

to LS-6

total LS-14 move - 4647

total 20A move - 10,000 +

~~Phu Khung Nua~~

27 Feb 71
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D2-154 Kéo Thiên (1974 people)

D2-172 M. Peng (1639 people)

D2-151 Nam Sen Nua (2385 people(?))

total move 5998 ±

Phu Khung
Nua

"X" T6 7509 - (3306 ref)

"E" Pha Khe

TF8198 "TL" " " area

7600 = fm Long Chany, LS-14
LS-101, LS-5 etc
3000 ± fm Long Chany

D2-0145

~~Nam Choi~~ Feb 7 - 121

D2-141 "T" Nam Van - 1600 ± fm 20A & Nam Thong
827 fm Nam Choi

"H" T6 9302 - 750 ± fm LS-101 & "TH"

"I" - 4000 ± fm LS-14 etc etc.

LS-281 - 500 ±

LS-255 - 974

LS-252 - 2000 ±

LS-281 people moving in LS-173 area headed to LS-255

moved on
total moving to
date on 3500

28 Feb 71
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Status Report

400 more at TH⁺ 113

2755 at Nam Van (Nam Thang, 20A, Nam
Choi)

-328 old people

2427 new rep

$$\begin{array}{r} 2427 \\ 827 \\ \hline 1600 \end{array}$$

March I, 1971

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FAR choppers take old people to Phakhe
(not LS-113)

LS-313 = 200 LS-161 refs

on 27th-28th

LS-37 = ~~1200~~ 800 people left LS-37 ~~and 1200~~

↓

can only find 300 of this
group at LS-211

LS-90 = 200 people an. fin LS-90 = ^{will go} to LS-
66

↓

LIT fin tass Pak Pang Pang
Xreng Det

2 March 71

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LS-37 = 200 L.T. fm LS-90
LS-211 = 300 L.T. fm LS-90
LS-273 = 100 L.T. fm LS-90

LS-90

Tass Tha Choak = 345/2134

Tam Tha Sao = 113/788

total = 458/2922

on 3/1 ~~326~~ 20/326
fm Muong Nhi
(T64422) was
overrun by enemy

G.T. 478/3248

LS-90 (Feb 28)

500 people fm Tam
Xuong Det left to LS-313

250 people fm Tass
Tam Pak Ka Paa to LS-313

total 1847

LS-37 (Feb 28)

270 Phu Van people
and LS-90 people to
LS-37 =

LS-281 (Mar 2)

2045 ± people at 255
2000 en route
2000 old people at 281 med
side

LS-65

several days ago
Ca. 2500 people from surrounding
areas to LS-65. If situation
worsens, to LS-113, a 2-day
walk.

"AI" 600 ± people fm Nati
Tass Kha Hong LS-287
" Phu Ueng left on 2/15

LS-50

1200 LS-50 people
at Phu Sa; 200 at
LS-32.

Rice drop
on 27m

M. Hong
people at
1) LS-281
2) LS-255
3) Don Nui
4) Phu Khanh
Nati

3 Mar. 71

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The 1000± people located north of LS-218 went to Pha Khe.

¹⁰⁰
~~100~~ Mao fm LS-161 en route to LS-273

L.T. at LS-211 waiting for relatives at LS-37

The 200 up at LS-313 have left (presumably for Pha Khe)

More people arrive at LS-313

(near "X")

"VI" TG-8404

35/327 Mao fm Huei Pat Sin

120 " " Nio Muu

223 L.T. " Phu Sam Kang

No rise yet

Total 670

(near Pha Khe)

"O" TF8398

145/1063 fm Cong Mon Njai

990 fm Pham Mao

total 1153

total 350 people at LS-90 fm LS-74

LS-90

New new people

LS-37

500 will go to LS-211 & LS-252

LS-281

500 LS-281 people have gone to Ngot Tou

(500 Myon; 1500 fm 3 areas around LS-16) Kio Nja area
2000± people at Xieny Ngoun

600 at LS-25

3000 at LS-4

5000 en route to LS-25

B. Pao people - L.T. fm 16

Phu Jak - M. You people

Phu many - LS-80 & 50 up.

TG-6211

TF-5898

Don Njai and Phu Khang Njai people scheduled to move 2 fold in from Don Njai will be moved tomorrow to LS-252

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LS-65

Down the chain on Map 3.
Status of population
as yet unknown

LS-46

we are in valley

LS-202

on by day

LS-37

40 families to LS-244
→ 272 → 244

LS-313

200 people to Pha Khe

60-70 men of L.T.
coming into LS-313
from LS-37.

150 LS-102 people
sitting NE of LS-197 -
want left out

LS-4 = The 3000 people
at LS-4 are LS-170 people
waiting to see what will
happen at LS-170

LS-25

Most of the people
en route to LS-25
from LS-4 have
arrived

Xaeng Ngeun = ~~1200~~ 1000 ^{7,500}
people at Xaeng Ngeun may
be trucked to LS-4
from which point they will
walk to LS-25.

LS-65

Unspecified no. of
LS-65 people en
route to LS-113
at UG-1801; UF 1498

LS-113

(UF 0386) ← "TH" people moving
south to point north
of LS-227

LS-5

Increase to total 1015
(new people from Pha Khe)

LS-37

289 people left for 211
are 727 people at LS-37
207 moved to 252

LS-281

250 people left
40 of this no. moved to
LS-255

People at "V" LS-113
moved to "TH"

TH-UF-0386 Tass B. Mega
 H-UF-9696 Tass E. H.
 F-TF-9887

28
 25
 43
 5 March 71
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Mos who transited CS-37 ^{tass} / Nam Tong 63 fam to
 are at Koo Mak Senang ^{with} H. Sam M. Phum
 (+6-6005) - will go to CS-211 ^{Det}
 CS-113 Tass Pak Pang Pang →

CS-313
 21-25 L.T. families
 30 en route

Nam Huan
 Nam Rat
 Tham Khong
 Phan Pha Dai
 B. Han Ting
 Tham Khong
 Sam Sui Tai
 Sam Sui Nam
 Na Nam
 Vang Vang
 - 90

CS-313
 200 mos
 20 of above choppered
 to "TH" CS-113

3 people Tass 74 on 16th
 wounded in attack 9 villages came to CS-90
 6 villages trapped in 74 area

273
 +100 mos 176 L.T. at CS-273
 30

Tass Tha Chook
 11 villages came to 90
 3 " of which 2 to CS-37
 1 to Phumang
 700

CS-211
 300 L.T. at CS-211

~~CS-313~~
 25 L.T.

M. Chuan 52 fam
 tass. Xang Det 12 to Hong Chany 40 to
 (L.T. Lao) Kang Khay
 tass Tha Chook
 Mos

CS-90

The 90 troops defected
 Nam Pak area enemy?
 Enemy probably in CS-132

Tass Tha Chook - 245/2134
 Tass Tham Sorn - 113/788
 Tin Bong 30/221

132 area - 200+ families
 mos 600-610 L.T.
 Nam Pak 190 fam
 Tass Koo 200 fam

60 people are hosts
 Tass Tin Bong
 10 vill, 1200 people

L.T. Tass X. Det - 25 fam at 90
 fam 122

2S-314

LS-64 people (ca 1000)

with an
at LS-316 tomorrow,

LS-211

no
20 people entered from Hong Plus.

2S-317

1065 people at "H"

60,154
1153
61,307

DZ -

LS-312/102/10 rep

LS-4 = 3000 (LS-170 rep)

LS-25 = 5000

Xuong Nguyen = 500 (m. you rep)

Kao Nji = 1000
9,000 ±

total est = 11,000

7247
176
300

LS-50/50 A

7723

D2-126 Phu Sa (UH-9607) - 1200 rep

LS-32

200 ±

D2-0139

(UH-0503)

200 ±

total est 1600

LS-90

3248

total - 3248 rep for Tass Tham Son

2000

" Tha Choat

1999

" Tai Bong

7247

"TH" (TG-6119) = 2000 ± rep

Vang Vang = 1999 ± rep

total est 7,723

(incl L.T. rep at
LS-273 (176)
LS-211 (300)

6 March
F. Benson

6 March

(2)

LS-161
Nang Om

total move est: 11,744

at Pha Khe - ca. 8,000

"TH" (UF-0384) - 575

"F" (TF-9887) - 441

LS 37 - 727

En route to LS-211 - 289

LS-244 - ca 200

(TG-9302) "H" - 750 ±

Keo Thuein
M. Perry
Nam Sen Neman

total est - 5998

↙ "X" TG-7509 3306 rep

LS-14 - total est - 4,647

LS-20A - total est - 10,000 ±

Pha Khe "E" 18,000 ± total (10,000 ± rep)

"O" (TF-8398)

1153 fm Cong Mon Njai
fm Phom Njai

"TL" (TF-8198)

3000 ± rep

"VI" (TG-8404)

670 ±

"I"

4000 ±

LS-218

1000 ± rep fm
20A

6 March

(3)

Nam Choi

"T" Nam Van - 16 00[±] fm 20A + Nam Tong
827 fm Nam Choi

LS-281 - ~~2000~~ 250

LS-255 - 2000

Npt Ton - 400

Estimate 4,000

LS-5 - "H" (UF-9690) - 1015

LS-65

ca 1000 rep due to an. LS-316

"AI" (TF-9284)

600 rep from LS-287

2550
x 8
1800
20400

6 March 71
F. BENSON

LS-272 attacked

9 civilians killed - 12 wounded

3 soldiers killed - 6 wounded

‡ office bldg.
both warehouses holed

4 trucks damaged

Most people in immediate area

~~are~~ running in forest since attack

Pris delivered

7 March 71
F. BEN 300

LS-25

total 6000 T

2500 more for
Xuong Ngeun &
Kio Nja walking

Requesting rice & plastic
(1 drop/day)

LS-316

600 up am for LS-65

800-1000 expected

LS-255

388/2417 up for LS-281

^{Berger}
Kio Make Fenang

total 350 ~~up~~ (Mes)
(old & new)

20 up moved to 255

LS-90 - ^{LS} 74 people

LS-65

Hit on 3rd
people left at 0400

LT & Mo on 5th Stopped

at ref. pad =
porters dropped rice
told to continue to

LS-316 = salt in
toilet

will receive harsh

to pad & LS-316 on 6th

{ dead. of people not yet located
some people captured

2 day
walk
out

Turn on
2nd
(Banangji/Clark)
got no of up
(3248) - checked
out ref locations

Left LS-74 on 16th

Father B, went on 3 March
(pick-up on 3rd) - said LS-74
people in bad shape & needed
grain.

Banangji/Anom / Chusung
On 5th visit (Markong returned with

Banangji/Chua Yui
On 6th - plane load salt delivered

The Markong Tin Beng met with
Zuka → Zuka with Beanie &
requested plastic → order for
etc.

Roofing sheets for drip

(LS-170 Banai)

- Tan
- 1) Phu Tan Fa (LS-16) 280/2860 Vung Fa
 - 2) Phu Dok (LS-102) 270/2,222 "
 - 3) Phu Se (LS-312) 170/1400 "
 - 4) Phu Pen (LS-14) 243/1449 m. Rek
 - 5) Nan Jan 2 Phu 30/280 Nong Het
 - 6) Nong On 2 many 40/280 "

8389 (Banai made at 25-170)

2400 people captured (took northern route N. 7213 along Nam Khan)
170 people killed

at Bouei Phak, ca 3000 meet at LS-170
(many 2000 LT in LS-170 area)

ca. 500 LS-213 people left

30 civilians ~~was~~ killed
at LS-50

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V.P. -

all Pha Khe dep
supposed to return to
20A; all up supposed
to go south. Meeting on 10th

8 March 71
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purified at KM 40 (LS-222 KM 40) - 2
enemy dead, lot of blood; 1 friendly killed,
SWIA.

Pha Khe area

28,621 people

"X" - M. Peng - 1203
Keo Thien - 2103

Pha Khe

total 28,020 at "E"
of which
6784 are old up.

"I" LS-65 at LS-314
190/1015.

will stay
for a while
- will get plaster -

need
plaster

LS-255

2573 people

Don Nya

633-4054

45 farm for LS-45
to LS-63

(won't
move)

Orig. at B. Na -
 Tam Nam Heur
 " Pha Phoung
 " Na Khoun

Mr. Muechan
 Reader of LT in
 LS-63 area - 1st m
 LS-252

Capt
 May Khung
 Reader of LT

77/1545
 211/1212

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9 March 71

3/90

1134
 863
 271

Phu Fong
 Vang Fong
 (T6-8605)

~~revised~~

"X" $\leftarrow$ M. Pong
 Koo Thuen

Before with tass B. Na
 Tass Pang Pany

M. Kham (M. Pong San)
 - Tass. Na Khoun (Tam Na Eh)

tass Kang Moum (Nai San)
 (6 vil. total left in
 Hanoi Hom (previously at San Kang))

M. Pong & Koo Thuen
 belong to Tass Na Vang

(total)
 7 villages
 at "X" - 2 vil.
 223 persons

tass Na Vang
 77/1545

Y Mao

tass Kang
 Moum -
 211/1212

(before at Koo Bore)

Na Khoun - 4 vil at Na Phum

tass Pen Pha
 at M. Yon

Some of his
 people at "X"
 (55 people)

as Nam Koo Nam
 61 persons
 came to "X"

3/70 = left B. Na
 (27 killed / 30 captured) $\rightarrow$
 LS-66 etc $\rightarrow$ "X"

(Koo Bore).
 ten Hat Ten - 3 vil
 food didn't come

600 LT. from 65 want to go to
 LS-207 & LS-66 ASAP.
 canned meat & salad oil delivered
 to "I" - Rice drop went in today

LS-37

425 people

(during the last
 4 days ca 300 people
 left for Phu Fong)

LS-65

40 families captured
 by enemy, but released
 later.

= LS-65 taken back

but at San Na Oh - 1 hr. walk

north of "II" (LF-0896). 2 friendly

have moved to LF-8906
 KIA;

but 4 nights
 ago + night
 before last
 we got report
 "I"

1134
 tass Kang Moum - ~~125/863~~
~~436/2445~~

20A 81/542

"II" Hanoi Hom 46/223

" 77/1545

~~436/2445~~

Jong up 28/234
 Chany

460 2678
 347 3407
 416 22701
 436 2678

10 March 71
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LS-202

18 families from
Pha Khe Pass
through

LS-313

(LS-161)

480 families from Tan Ban Na
at LS-313 (to tomorrow
& next day for ~~LS-66~~
LS-66).

LS-66

(only 113 people now
on LS-66 bansom)

ambush at Km 29
(USAID vehicle).

LS-90

delivered
plastic

66 people from LS-74 to
LS-90 on Mar 9

242 left LS-90 to LS 37
on Mar 8 & 9.
(Tan X. Det; Tha Chock)

476/3233

LS-25

took 100 rolls plastic
to LS-25. Receiving
rice daily.

14 March 71

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"TH" (TG-6119)

- hit last night - 2000 people there
an. LS-37 cont to CS-313

LS-90

People leaving - spotted 30-50 enemy
(NVA) last night.

LS-66

ca 1000 L.T., for pass X. Det &
pass Pany Pany ~~at~~ near LS-66.
Additional several hundred at LS-313.

12 March 77
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dropped of 28 buckets at "H"
1 hr. at "I" - 24 hoses
delivered
& disc. situation
"TH" - meet salt delivered
(cameramen photographs)
LS-207

Photographed
medicines & medicine
at "I"

"TH" (UF-0686) Chassu/Mao tau

142/967 refs

new refs for 161 filtering
in

"I" (LS-316)

168/942 L.T.
ca total (incl med)
1800-2000

"UT" (LS-06)

1050 LT. Pan Xung Det.
Phak Pang Pang

"K" (LT# 9887)
formerly "F"

Suma

2 killed at LS-65 - ^{nearban} soldiers
lost road south
moved to villages below

LS-70

38 med
bal NVA
at PL

33 enemy TG 515244

42 ²²⁰ families left on
5 men

2 groups of LS-74

people at LS-74 = 1 group
will come, one will stay.
78 ⁷⁰⁰ fam from thau keo
only 66 people + 700 came to LS-90

8 P.L.
came near
village with note
telling people to
return north; the
people split. (gave note
to 5 people)

LS-37

1437 - Phu Kong Khao

2000 { Phu Dok
Tha Chok

5 (3 women 2 men captured) ^{nearby}

4 captured at "TH"

- 10th March enemy

2 people released (went
back to get goods; captured
and later released)

Don Nya

Everybody (4000+) ^{en route}

LS-313 - 1000 drops requested at
LS-313

Nam Van <sup>people continuing on to
LS-269</sup>

2,755 Long Cheng up

"X"

M. Peng & Koo Thien to

~~Phak Khe~~

63/459 up at "X" from 20A
up at X. Fin. H. Nam

1639 still at "X"

bal to Phak Khe

old people
351 at "X"

LS-350 "AI"

600+ rep

"IP"

V.P. meets with
Souranna & Ambassadors

13 Mar 71
F. BENSON

J.P. tells LS-170
people to return

TG 5720 Pha En - 200+
 Nam Pi - ~~1000~~ 200+
 Phu Vai - 2000
 M. Phum - ~~2000~~ 1200
 LS-51 - 272+

} 350 enemy in
area

~~Nam Chan~~

Don Nya - ~~4000~~ 3637

TG 6311 Nam Chan "TF" = 200 old people

LS-313 - 2000+ up at LS-313

2000 have left
(1200 old people at LS-313)
(some old people kicking bucket)

LS-211 - some up to 211

TF 6992 "IP" = 1034 LT

Convoy from H. Pamone
scheduled to arrive LS-272
left H. Pamone 10:40

Thao from LS-103
(trans Th. Choak) to
TH (TG-6119)
Phu Kong Khao

14 March 71
F. BENSON

ca 5000 ± civilians in 20A

Nam Phu = 800

Pha En =

LS-37

abandoned

LS-5 120 pass thru LS-207
281 2180 " " "

Nam Chan

abandoned

(M. Phun tapop)
at Nam Chan

(4000 up to
LS-313)

"TH" 60/300 " " "
from Pha Khe

Sam Nera people supposed to
leave

LS-211

LS-313

10 up (4 up)
(3 up)

179 old & injured → 252, 255

TH (LS-317) Njet Taa "V"

"TH" 1 up 15 up ca 12 up

LS-244

Feb-17 (575 old)

108 / 722 new up

"T"

trans Sam Koo - Jao 24/115

LT 76/415

Nam Sai LT-71/348

171/881

trans Phai Phai - 215/1448

Pha Phoung 76/513

291/1961

171 881

462/2842

Vang Veng - 2549
LS-470 etc

13 March 71
F. BENSON

~~66,793~~

77,342

LS-50/50A

D2-126 Phu Sa (TH-9607) - 1200 rep

LS-32

- 200±

D2-139 (UH-0503) - 200±

total est - 1600

LS-90

Total ~~3233~~ 474/3233 (242 left LS-90 for LS-37
on Mar 8-9 for Tars
X. Det and Tars Tha
Choke).

from Nung On
& Phu Vai

"TH" (TG-6119) = 2000± rep left for ^{LS-313} Pha Khue (?)
Phu Vai on 11 Mar.

Pha En = 200± ^{old people} rep left on 13th for LS-313

Nam Pi (TG-5720) 200± ^{old people} rep left for LS-313
on 13th

LS-37 - 1200 old people left for LS-313 on 13th
~~Phu Vai~~

LS-51 - 272+ rep left for LS-313 on 13th

Den Nja (TG-6211) - 3637 rep left for LS-313 on
12th

"TF" Nam Chan (TG-6311) - 200± old people to LS-313

Not incl
total

LS-313 2000± rep at LS-313 from
2000+ rep have left LS-313 for ?
(1200 old rep at LS-313)

3309
1639
1667

(2)

[480 Tass B. Na + transit LS-313 for
LS-66.]

~~"X"~~ LS-66

1134 L.T. up (Tass X. Det + Pang Pang) at
"IP" (TF-6992)

(351 old people
at "X")

"X" (TG-7509)

1639 up for M. Peng & Kao Thien

459 up for 20A

1667 M. Peng & Kao Thien up to Pha Khe

"X" Vang Fong (TG-8605)

~~2678~~ 81/542 up for 20A

28/234 " " "

at Houei
1st

{ 46/223 up for San Khang (TG-8606)
(L.T. for Tass Na Khoun)

{ 77/545 up for San Khang (TG-8606)
(Mes for Tass. Na Van)

1134 up for Tass. Kang Moum

2678

37-
252-
207-
191-
Hanoi Sai -
Vang Kham -
Daprai -

Vienty Kao = 2500+ people
5000 return

(3)

LS-330 ("AI") 600 ± rep fm LS-287

LS-65 up

"I" (LS-316) = 168 / 942 L.T.
or $\frac{1000}{1942}$ Meo

LS-255

2573 LS-281 up at LS-255

(TF-7190) Nyot Tou < (900) fm LS-281

"T" Nam Van (TG-7804) =

2755 rep fm 20A & Nam Choi (827 up
fm Nam Choi)

Kao Mak Fenang (TG-6005)

total 350 rep (old & new).

(20 rep chopped to LS-255 on 7th)

LS-113

Formerly "F"

"TH" (UF-0686) - 142 / 967 up fm LS-101

"K" (TF-9887) - 441 " " " "

"H" (UF-9690) - 1015 fm LS-5

LS-25
LS-4
H. Phak

(4)

Vang Vieng

LS-244 - 200±

"H" TG-9302

750±

LS-211

?

Pha Khe

25,000± up "E" (TF-8299)

1153± "O" (TF-8398)

3000± "TL" (TF-8198)

670± "VI" (TG-8404)

ca. ~~35,000±~~

LS-218

"I"

4000± up fm 20A

LS-229

Vang Vieng - 2549

LS-25 - 8000

~~LS-4~~

Xueng Ngun - 1000

H. Phak - 1500

Kio Nya - 1300

(TG-0693) Long O - 250

LPiep

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LS-14 total est 4,647

LS-20A total est - 10,000±

LS-161
Nong On total est 11,744

Pha Khe 30,000 ±
- 7000 old people
23,000 ++

LS-281 total est 4,000

LS-102 area total est - 11,000

16 March 71
F. BENSON

at LS-32

Veng Fa → 244
Xiang Hung → 288
Vang Xai → Pha Khe
Nong Het → 113
M. Ngan → 317
Pang Xai → 66

LS-32 - 1057 / 6712
arr Feb 14 LS-50 88 / 539
arr Feb 16 LS-6 - 97 / 470
Feb 17 Phu Bia - 13 / 63
1,255 / 7784

"H" - 452 up (Nakhon)

Nam Chan

Nam Phi
Pha En
M. Phun

People who didn't lv. 37 areas

Kan Noi = L.T. (30 families)
Pha Hong = T.D.

LS-313

old people 67 families

446 people

old rep = 193 / 1598

Kill 1 person at Phu Vai
1 captured

LS-50 people came on
2/14 (rice, salad oil, canned meat
& plastic requested)

8 people died of sickness when
they came for LS-50 (young children
& old men)

at 0930 on 17/Feb 3 WIA
& 5 KIA out of group of 30
near LS-~~30~~ 32 (all adults)
(some carried weapons)

LS-191

20 / 260 up

17 March 71

F. BENSON

1 more medic into 4
1 more into 25-25

UF-9678 "VI" = LS-46
LS-2 } left from

"L" UF-9075

still at LS-45
VF11879 - 493

390/1992

from m. moc
area

m. moc 8/49 200
LS-45 17/84 200 am 3/8
B. Hai 12/64 200

"T" UG-1407 600 up

LS-45

Loss Chung Sa Mi
m. moc

left on 2/7

left Sep Sang on 3/3
(VF11879)

Pennacngan

Rham Thong

from Taro Nong Het

Came to propagating
3 hours per day
once a week.

Said would split up
women, children, men
= therefore left =

had plans to select
new tressing, Ctn etc.

*

from East of LS-45

women Sep Phai (Sao & Viet)
coolies

"A" =

~~"I" UG-1407~~

18 March 71

F. BENSON

"LI"

ca 3000 up fm
LS-161 (originally B. Na)
(will move after
drop on 18th)

LS-244

2000± people
(mostly fm LS-161 area)

Nam Chai people
return to Nam Chai
131/895

L.T. - tan
Nam Sa

Qia Sue = leader
at LS-132

before, area bet LS-56 & X. Det
was under leadership of Sam Chan (?)
when Kong Se was driven off P.O.J.,
went with Kong Se, ~~later~~

100 ADCs in LS-74

enemy burned rice & villages

LS-132 people in village in
LS-132 area - They tried to
steal the livestock belonging to
the LS-74 people.

19 Mar 77
F. Benson

LS-37 = retaken

"UI"
TF 7295

LS-244

1058 up

fm LS-161 area

Vung Bay ←

{ Tan Ma Choke
" Phu Kong Khoo
" Phu Ueng

" Phu Du

Phu Pa

Phu Do

{ Phu Kong Khoo
(M. Kasay)

1200 old rep

Vung Xai

Pham.

Nong Het

20A

1 civilian killed
(woman) in rocket
attack (3 rockets)

off base, old

from Nam Son

LS-244

SCC - 2806 people at LS-281
area

20-21 Mar. 71
F. BENSON

Send
Hr Dang salary to 272

LS-63 area (pop)
"L" UF9075 - 2189
UI UF9678 - 1092
+ UF7901 - 2095
LS-314 - 1054
T V6-1407 - 600
LS-63 - 1240

8 Tass Xeng Det
old & infirm moved by
porters fm LS-90 - LS-66.

up at Na Khroua fm
LS-51

LS-66 area
Pang Pang 117 families ^{total}
70-80 near LS-66

Tass Xeng Det - 2 killed

Before at Phou Keng Khao
(received use at Nong On)

Tass Pen Pha - ^{7/49} families (19 families)
Na Khoun -

Phak Kengfing 111/662
Xeng Det 71/422

- Keo Sa Kai Tai - Ca 2000 Don Nya Rep

1 medec into LS-327

from my Hong
Nong } Keo Sa Kai Tai (new rep)

Sam Nuan
rep from " Houei Nam Now - 357
Don Nya " " Tong Kho - 426
" Pak Bong - 735
" Houei Nam ^{Nuan} - 100 } will
" Phu Che - 480 } stay
" Houei Mong - 500
2398

will need
rice & porter
drop

LS-287 Pha Hong TD.
& L.T.

- LS-37 up - 2836
tass Nam Chan

LS-207

50 Don Nya people (200 t
expected to pass through today
en route to Phu He
(3 bags rice delivered)

Pen Pha (came fm 20A
via Pha Khe)
Na Khoun (fm Nam Tao)
Pha

received 1 load of
rice at LS-66.

all tass
Xeng Det up before at Nam
Tong near LS-103

Killed 2 villagers on 13th

Uang Fa kept (2000) to
LS-266 fm Pha Khe
(260 there now - 200
expected) orig. fm Nong On
tass Tra Cheak

1 more into LS-207 (total 4 med
1 nurse)
total 4 medics at LS-288

22-23 March 71

F. BENSON

AT =

1000 on route from
Don Nya

~~1000 people at LS-207~~
500 up

Nyot tou =

3000 on route from Don
Nya
(4000 there now)

"H" TF-9690

192/1201 from LS-5
(out of use for 11 days)

150 people on

trail bet Nam Ouan
& LS-313

"K" (TF-9887)

155/1519 from LS-161 & TH
(out of use for 11 days)

B. Pha Horn

moved to LS-287

LS-227

99/638 from LS-161 & LS-321
(need medicine, meat, oil, salt)

LS-37 L.T.

moved to Houei Sai
(175 people) = B. Houei
tong (L.T. village)

"TH" (LF-0684)

ca. 2000 old people from old
"TH" (Nong Oun) ~~TH (1664)~~
& 161
(need rice, meat, etc)

LS-90

260 Taro Tham Sorn L.T.

B. Nam Daeng
Tham Mouay
Phat Dong
Don Dok

"EI" (LF-0893)

952 L.T. from Pha Phai

Bat Mao

1900 Mao

total 2929 up

old up
(2000 people at LS-223)

449 Thin Bong

Tha Choak 400

Tham Sorn 553

1452 total

L.T. left LS-90 on 15 Mar
Tha Choak up left on 17 "

from Nam Tong (?)
captured at Pha in
Nam Tong
5/38 captured

Mary Tha
Choak up captured
at Pha in after
leaving LS-90 on
17th

1 more medic into "E" (total 4)
1 ~~medic~~ ^{USAD} medic into Nam Moang
(~~nam~~ K26 Disp)

1 medic at "F" (Houei Phat)
2 " " LS-4

before at
nam on

Tass Tha Choak Rap

Captures at Pha En
31 people (2 families)

Pantong Ka yhe - 8
Giá Sue - 3 (2 sons, wife)

total pop 615 people
who left will go to LS-244

"H" Na Khoua

B. Pha Khe - 22/220

Keo Torn - 20/185

Phu Ngum - 11/77

Nam Chan - 7/74

11 Kha Ma Phi - 8/92

Nam Phouak Yai - 13/67

No

Tass Phu Kong Khao
1000 rep

Tass Tha Choak

-112 (1000 people)

117

Phu Khuang Njai

to 244 (from Tass Phu
Kong Khao)

112 + 103 left together

Ly Vanny - Nam Korny
Sia Gou Tass Tha Choak "3"

2/24/71

F. BENSON

TF-7694 "L" 700+ fm
Sam Thong
get rice at "P"

LS-330

124/850

incl. Don Nya - rep

~~FI~~

Nam Chan "FI" - Tass Phum

23/145 fm M. Phum (Tao)

10/71 "B. Nam Phai
Tass N. Chan"

18/121 fm B. Nam Khap
Tass N. Chan

Nyot Tou "A" TF-7190

LS-281 up = 911

old people = 835

Tass Pha Kha - 603

Tass Na Perry - 200

Tass Phu Moua - 108

last group of nam on
Tass to
Nam Phai (LS-37)

Medicine Shipment

LS-25 - 3/20 - ~~101~~ 101

LS-66 - 3/18 - 218

LS-90 - 3/21 - 189

LS-244 - 3/22 - 61

LS-313 - 3/22 - 176

LS-327 - 3/21 - 335

"E" TF-8299 - 3/20 - 803

"A" TF-7490 - 3/20 - 261

"J" TF-6595 - 3/22 - 206

"R" TF-6294 - 3/20 - ~~193~~ 193

LS-244 - 3/20 - 125

LS-211 - 3/21 - 140

"I" UF-0893 - 3/22 - 261

OTIF-75 "A" not Taper

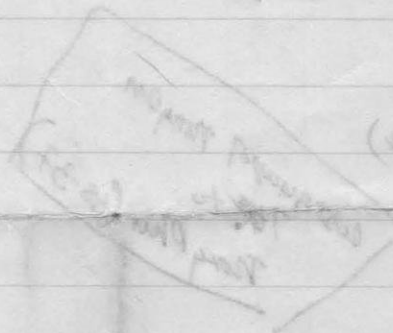
11P = 29/28-21

28X = 29/28-21

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25 Mar 71

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LS-113 ("TH") UF-0686

no rice
yet

Tan Pha Phai 39/252

Sam Keo 25/116

Phu Khe 32/168

Pha Sai 13/78

received rice

LS-90
need rice

119/414

"H" TF-9690

need rice

"K" TF-9887

received 116 bags

~~TH~~

LS-288

12/73 teachers

Ben Pha
Pas Ben Pha 65/658 L.T.

78/731

Dinner on evening of 24th with Mann,
Amb. & XK staff -

26 Mar 77
F. Benson

total depts at Phu Chua
8434 rep LS-32

2460 ^{So} rep in base visited (LS-6 area)
vill. & rep want to go to 32

new depts at LS-32

2 new farm
from Dim Bici
3 new farm
from LS-50

LS-50 area report
Houei Sa Ma
(Phu Sa area)

7784 at LS-32
+ 5 on 20th/58

total 7842 rep/depts

7208
615
7823
58
7881

LS-50

38 killed
30 captured

18 killed
50 captured
Xans Phu Nde
Hany Koo
Phu Cum
Ham
Pak

91 capt.
24 killed
68 captured

Maj EFIE

1000+ ducks
arr. by C-123

10 LS-74
22 LS-50

27 March 71

F. BENSON

Trin Bong (M. Vang Xai)

2

LS-25

total 674 / 8254
up still coming in

5/44 am from Tass Phu Phom
several days ago

LS-90

~~meo~~ 10/109 from Nam Pui (near
LS-27) = Tass Khien
Khien
↓ ↓

come from { Tass Phu Kong Khao
2nd B. Nam Ting
coming on 3/26 10 fam (meo) / 109

+ 32 up Tass Tha
Choatz

arr. 3/22 Phu Mueng /
Tass Tha Choatz
(went to LS-132 after
LS-74 fell)

+ 6/28 people

LS-74

50 troops at stung
(total 100 = 50 to
Phu Mueng, LS-132)

LS-132

no contact
w/ enemy
28+ troops = arr. on
17th

LiTi 219 / 700 + Tass Nam
Pek
(M. Kassy)

meo 103 / ? Tass Tham
keo
(M. Kassy)

"meo"
LiTi
area

guy from Tass Tha Choatz who was captured
with 30 people at Phu En, went with
P.L. to LS-103; returned to LS-90
yesterday & said LS-90 would be
attacked.

est. 100 enemy at LS-56, the
staging area.

3/25

(L.T.)

30 Tass K.D. Next families passed
thru 74 to V.V. = another 15 families
expected.
said: 10 tanks at L-108
2 battalions
will go to the next month
via Phu Khoun

enemy took them to Phu Vang
LS-108 = left during
air strike → 8 days to LS-74

(info from 2 defectors)

Nakong Gia Sue signed
a note guaranteeing support
of his people to P.L. - anyone
who goes to this area is guaranteed
safe haven.

when 132 went down
main (no details given)
people went to live in
forest & returned during
day to feed livestock

No distribution

I think Jensen may
write this up
For The Record

For The record only
To be used with discretion

Facts: A certain Maj. Ebie (?), a Neut from V.V. has been spending a good deal of time at LS-272 with the local leadership (military, and presumably certain civilian).

He is a friend of Gen. Etam, and is waiting for Etam to come to LS-272 on a ^{scheduled} trip. Etam is a middle of the road type.

Gen. Etam is a Sam Neua man - his sister is married to one of the Sam Neua Chao Mung located at Houei Sai.

Was ~~he a member of~~ Col. Doungtha ^{previously} located in one of the Neut areas in Sam Neua??

Conclusions: a plot is afoot by MR-II and V.V. to neutralize the LS-272 area.

Evidence: 1) LS-272 was formerly neut, and neither the neuts nor MR-II wanted the operation to move to LS-272 last spring

Also,
Neuts bugged
out of LS-37
at the drop of
a hat (nothing
unusual, really)

2) Following the attack on LS-272 a big scare was pronounced by Etam and many of the Sam Neua and M. Hien refs bugged out

28 Mar 71

(2)

(3) Was there some hanky panky involved in the attack and in the ambushes??

~~There really has been no direct threat against LS-90.~~

Furthermore:

The whole operation in the

LS-90

LS-74

(and L-108)

LS-132

even seems to me to be a rather curious one.

There really has been no direct threat against LS-90.

(1) Why do the ~~LS-90~~ ^{LS-74 and LS-90} people stay in LS-90 instead of bugging out like everybody else, and

Irreconcilable Background info.

V.P. has sent men to lead LS-74 ADCs, and has been working in the LS-90 area for some years.

Pass. Trin Bong (LS-90) is in m. Vang Xai (same mummy as Long Cheng) and not

(2) Why ~~are~~ ^{are} ADCs for LS-74
a) ^{so} willing to move back into LS-74 and LS-132 and b) ^{are able to do} ~~do~~ so with a minimum of enemy resistance,

Is an accommodation in the offing in this area and LS-272 area ??? preceded by a token enemy push.

25
244 (Kao Sakai Nana)
266 (Tong Mung)
218
Tong Nok 5330
B. Ueh
Sam Kai
UF-0656

Vung Fa rep
rallying points

TF-7694
~~800~~

29 Mar 71
F. BENSON

B. Zuko (Kao Sakai Nana)

LS-313

26 LS-103 form

~~400~~ 800 - V. Fa up
for Phakhe

Tam Thachauk
22/256
Tam Phu Vung
30/350

LS 266

Pha Khe (V. Fa) up

~~800~~ up
606 up

M. Vung Fa will copy to LS 266
Tam Phu Vung 189/1585
" Tha Chok 81/673
" Pha Kao 53/448
(M. Hum mo) 323/2706

Bom Ueh
(LS-244)

"LI" TF-7295

244/1631 up

Tam Thachauk	- 21/133
Puung Par	- 1 " 12/88
Phu Hong Phu	2/47
Sam Sen	
Tam Pang Pong	12/77
Nong Kuan	Tha Chao 30/238
Phu Vung	Tam. P. Vung 2/20
Phu Nong	Tam Phu Nong 16/135
Chon Temp Tai	Tam Chok 19/142
	44/99
Chon Temp Nuan	Tam Phu Dot 6/44
Phu Dot	To " 5/34
Phu Hong Khao	Nong On 48/548
Kao Wan	Phu Vung 3/24

LS-25

Tam Nong On	- 40/340	Non Het
(Phu Mung)		
Tam Nam Fan	- 52/354	
Tam Phu Pen	- 94/602	M. Pak
Tam Phu Fa	- 156/3185	Vung Fa
" Phu Dot	145/2002	
" Phu Se	187/1741	
674/8254		

"H" Na Khauer

Phu En, Nam Pui, Phu Vei
in friendly hands.
LS-37 = 30 troops

"I" TG-5920 } 142 ADCs
"I" TG-5622 }

21/204 will come for
Phu Fa Nam (Nyet Ton)

Rep will be returning home
(currently doing hai fields).

Supposed to
go to
TF-4842

T - TF 7791 (before 585)

2791 for Don Nui

Scam News Reps
type at "P" → 773
TF 7892 "P"
2791 → TF 4842 "AT"
~~TF 7792~~

1176
135
131

1887
135
576

30 Mar 71
F. BENSON

Sep Sai (TF-5594)
L.T. 1176 old - Tass M. just / m. S. Nuan
325 / 1887 new total

27/135 fm LS-20 - Tass H. Mung

576 ← bal. new L.T. fm LS-281
Tass Sa Ja / m. Hong Nane

"TH"

Pha Khe (10 Mar)

old up - 926 / 6789
widows 38 / 232
Disabled vets - 37 / 387
20A depts 978 / 8199
Longmen (N. 914) 104 / 767
2083 / 14,369
+ teach of fam = 989
Students 220
- 2000

an. LS-227
2/30 need medic

77 / 499 fm Pha Khe

TF-9887 "H" 1 medic
TF-8682 "LI" 1 medic

3 April 71
F. BENSON

- 2 medic out of LS-313
+ 1 LS-90

LS-313

500 ref

Pha En / Pha Khe

374 up from 5

at Don Nya =

LS-255

3924

LS-63

6000 civilians captured & taken to Tra Thom

50 NVA killed / 50 WIA (out of 250) mostly young kids

6 civilians killed

19 friendly KIA

In the area for
some time

1 medic missing

Manichans people west of it

UF-7192

100 troops

400 ± civilians

Others near LS-314 area to LS-314

LS-32

1200 from LS-50 (mostly LT) on last several days
2000 more coming

2 men & 3 women killed

in ambush 15 km from LS-32

at 1400 - let friendly patrols
pass & then opened up.

Ca. 3000 people living w. PL. S. of Nam Khan,
west of LS-6 & N. of LS-109 = are
Phoume Vongvict's people.

over

LS-317 (April 1)

5097 up at LS-317

TF 6896 - April 2

7000 LT. from LS-161 area
arr 10 days ago

from Tass Na Khoun

LS-90

delivered medical medicine
to 250 people to LS-313
(Cross the Chak)

21
before
LS-15 = CM
Pang Xat went all
Na Khoun people
to go to 21

(all being supported)

from LS 63
and m. Nyan

T-OK

A-OK

LS-270 Burger

272 up from Phu Ka (near LS-272)

(out of 6 pigs, 4 dead)

"X" (TG-7509)

1608 up (no rice since 3/22)

No salt/plastic

"+" (TG-7703)

No rice drop since 3/11

No salt

for the crew for
some time

in front of KIA

(250)

WRAP-up

~~40,054~~

41,307

6 March 71

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(1)

✓ LS-312 etc ref LS-170

LS-4 = 3000 (LS-170 ref)

LS-25 = 5000

Xiang Ngun - 500 (m. you ref)

Ko Ngi = 1000

9000 ±

total est. = 11,000

✓ LS-50/50A

D2-126 Phu Sa (TH-9607) - 1200 ref

LS-32

- 200 ± ref

D2-139 (UH-0503)

200 ± ref

total est 1600

✓ LS-90

total - 3248 up from Tass. Tham Sorn

" Tha Choak

" Tin Bong

"TH" (TG-6119) = 2000 ± ref

1 Vang Vrang = 1999 ± ref

total est 7,723

Incl. Lit.
ref at:

LS-273 (176)

LS-211 (300)

6 March
(2)

LS-161
Nong On

Total move est: 11,744

at Pha Khe - ca. 8000

"TH" (UF-0386) - 575

"F" (TF-9887) - 441

LS-37 - 727

En route to LS-211 - 289

LS-244 - ca. 200

"H" (TG-9302) - 750 ±

Keo Thien
M. Peng
Nam Sen Nena

total est. 5998

⇒ "X" (TG-7509) = 3306

LS-14 - total est - 4,647

LS-20A - Total est - 10,500 ±

Pha Khe "E" - 18,000 ± total (10,000 ± now up)

"O" (TF-8398)

"TL" (TF-8198) - 3000 ±

"VI" (TG-8404) - 670 ±

"I" - 4000 ±

LS-218 - 1000 ± up fm 20A

6 March

(3)

Nam Choi

✓ "T" Nam Van - 1600 ± fm 20 A + Nam Tong
827 fm Nam Choi

LS-281

✓ LS-255 - 2000
Njot Ton - 400

total est - 4,000

LS-5 - #

✓ "H" (UF-9690) - 1015

LS-65

✓ Ca 1000 up due to arr. LS-316

✓ "AI" (TF-9284) 600 up fm LS-287

75,375

71
13 March

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LS-50/50A

D2-126 Phu Sa (TH-9607) - 1200

LS-32

- 200 ±

D2-139 (LH-0503)

- 200 ±

1400

LS-90

476/3232

(~~reportedly left LS-90 on~~
14th)
from LS-74 area

"TH" (TG-6119)

2000 ± rep departed for Pha Khe on
11 March. Rep from LS-161 area

Don Nya (TG-6211)

3637 rep departed for LS-313 ^{and} presumably
the LS-255 area.

Nam Pi (TG-5720)

200 ± stable villagers departed for
LS-313 on 13th

Pha En (NW of Nam Pi)

200 ± stable villagers departed for
LS-313 and points beyond on
13th

(2)

~~Keo Thuen~~

LS-37

1200 stable villagers to LS-313 and points beyond.

LS-51

272 + rep to LS-313 and points beyond.

"TF" Nam Chan (TG-6311) Don Ngan

200 ± old people to LS-313 and points beyond.

LS-313 (not included in total)

2000 ± rep at LS-313 from LS-37 area; an additional 2000 ± have left LS-313 for points beyond (Phakhe, etc).

There are 1200 old rep (stable villagers) at LS-313.

LS-66

1134 L.T. rep at "IP" (TF-6992)
from Tass Xeng Det & Tass Phak Pang Pang

"X" (TG-7504)

1639 rep from M. Peng & Keo Thuen (1667 M. Peng
459 " " 20A & Keo Thuen rep
to Phakhe)

Total 2098

(3)

"X" Vang Fong (TG-8605)

81/542 up fm 20A

28/234 " " "

46/223 up fm San Khang (TG-8606)

77/545 " " "

1134 " " Tass. Kang Moun

Total - 2678

"AI" - LS-330 (TF-9483)

600 ± up from LS-287

"I" - LS-316 (14 March)

Tasseng Sam Keo - 24/118 Sav
76/415 L.T.

" Nam Sai ⁵³³ 71/348 L.T.

" Pha Phai 215/1448 Meo

" Pha Phung 76/513 Meo

total 462/2842 LS-65 up.

LS-255

2573 up fm LS-281

Nyot Tou (TF-7190)

400 + up fm LS-281

(4)

"T" Nam Van (TG-7804)

2755 up fm ¹⁹²⁸ 20 A and
Nam Choi (TG-8109); (827 fm Nam Choi)

LS-113 area

"TH" (UF-0686) - 142/967 fm LS-161

"K" (TF-9887) - 441 " "

"H" (UF-9690) - 1015 fm LS-5

2423

LS-244

200 ± up fm LS-161

"H" (TG-9302)

750 ± up fm LS-161

Pha Khe

"E" (TF-8299) - 25,000 ±

"O" (TF-8398) - 1153 ±

"TL" (TF-8198) - 3000 ±

"VI" (TG-8404) - 670 ±

} rep fm
LS-14, ~~LS-14~~
LS-20 A
LS-161 area

"I" (TF 9399)

41000 ± up fm 20 A and 14.

Vang Veng

2549 X. Khouang rep

LS-25

8000 ± up fm LS-102; LS-16 etc area

72,137

308

21 March

71

Return +
Benson

LS-50/50 A

D2-126 Phu Sa (TH-9607) - 1200±

LS-32 - 539

D2-139 (U14-0503) - 200±

1939

LS-90

476/3233 ±

Na Khoua TG-6412 area

452 (from LS-51)

LS-313

1000± rep

LS-64

1133 +

"X" TG-7509

2098 rep

"X" Vang Fong (TG-8605)

2678 rep

LS-330 "AI"

600 $\pm$ rep

LS-316 "I"

1942

LS-255

2573

Nyet Tou (TF-7190)

400 $\pm$

"T" Nam Van (TG-7804)

1860

"HO" Nam Choi (TG-8109)

895

Keo Mak Feuang (TG-6005)

350 $\pm$

LS-113

"TH" (UF-0686) - 967

"K" (TF-9887) - 441

"H" (UF-9690) - 1015

3

LS-244

1058

"H" (TG-9302)

750 ±

Pha Khe

"E" (TF-8299)

"O" (TF-8398)

"TL" (TF-8198)

"VI" (TG-8404)

30,000 ±

LS-191

20/260

Keo Sa Kai Tai "UI" (TF-7295) ?

2398

LS-287

2836

LS-207

50

200 expected

(4)

LS-266 2
260 rep
200 expected

LS-25
8000 ±

Vang Vreni
2549

28 Mar : "H" (TK-9690) = 182/1201

"K" (TK-9887) = 172/1550

LS-266 ("P") = 58/554

31 Mar 71

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LS-95

Tin Bong - 639 (+ Nam Tung)

Tha Chai - 450

Tham Son - 593

1,682

"EI"

L.T. = Sam Keo - 97/555

Nam Sai - 71/384

168/941

need
salt & meat

Meo - Phu Phai } 291 / 1,788
Phu Phoung }

(3/13 passed thru from LS-102)

"IP"

Daeng Det - 66/410

Pang Rang - 750

1160

will move
in the next
few days to
E. of LS-252

"LI" TF. 8779

107/821 fm LS-281 / Don Nya

27 Feb 71

Self Suff Reps who
have come back on rolls
due to movement

D2-093	LS-102 =	1156	} North	1997
	Phu Mang =	841		
	LS-5 =	428	} Central	10949
	LS-14 =	2896		
	LS-74 =	422		
	LS-112 =	277		
	LS-132 =	250		
	LS-281 =	4707		
	LS-56 =	301		
Tham Kheuang Phu Pha Dai	D2-0152 =	828		
	D2-0168 =	440		

G.T. 12,546

Region II

Sitrep - 3 March 1971

LS-4

3000 rep at LS-4
5000 rep en route to LS-25
600 rep at LS-25
2000 rep at Xieing Ngeun and Kio Nya

LS-90

No changes

LS-37

500 rep will go to LS-211 → LS-252
100 ~~rep from LS-101~~ en route to LS-273

LS-281 = Sam Nua Mee

500 LS-281 rep have gone to
Nyot Tou (TF-7190) = ^{we have been feeding} 1369 people at Nyot
Tou as Sam Nua rep in place.

Don Nya (TG-6211) = Sam Nua Mee
(3637)

Don't
report
yet

→ Expected that these people will move;
7 of their number who are old or infirm
will be portered to LS-252 tomorrow.

Phu Kang Njai (TF-5898) = Sam Nua Mee

Don't
report
yet.

Expected that these people (1215) will
move to LS-281.

3 March

(2)

LS-161 rep

The 1000 ± rep located north of LS-218 (group reported several days ago) went to Pha Khe.

are probably 7000-8000 LS-161 and Nong On rep at Pha Khe, contrary to plans.

LS-313

The 200 rep at LS-313 have left for (Pha Khe?).

More people (unspecified no.) an. LS-313

"VI" (TG-8404)

670 rep (Mao & L.T.) - just discovered. No use received as yet, but some will be sent. (Precise point of origin of these people as yet unknown).

"O" (TF-8398)

1153 rep (presumably from ^{either} LS-161, 204, or LS-140)

Region II

7 March 71

LS-25 (Baranji)

total 6000 rep; 2,500 more expected
from Xing Nyeun and Kio Nya.

LS-316 (Chessin)

600 rep arr. from LS-45
800-1000 more expected.

LS-255 (Chessin)

388 / 2417 rep fm LS-281

Kio Mak Feuang (Burger)

total 350 old & new rep.
20 rep moved today by chopper to
LS-255.

(a couple of narratives
will be delivered tomorrow)

TQ-6005-

8 March 71

Jack

1) Have you seen the Vte. Plain, L.P., Syby reports submitted by Field Reporters? The only set of the 2 sets of above reports is in my file drawer - The second set is missing. (Inclassified, maybe?)

2) Does Gullen have copies of the following AP's -

XK-1-005

XK-1-006

XK-1-042

If so, request 1 copy each.

Civilian casualties suffered during military action (only) are reported to MSW. Compensation is 9000 K. per person (40,000 for maimed). C.M. Hein prepared such forms for submission to MSW for people (civilians) killed at LS-50. Total 30 M. Hein up killed at LS-50/50A.

F.B.

ca April 1971

TO: Mr. Mann

FROM: Mac Queen

Subj:

The Following is a synopsis
of reports received during
refugee movements in MR II
For the period of Feb. and
March 1971. ~~Thammasarak~~

These reports were obtained
by direct interviews of refugees
and or officials who escaped
from the areas. ~~the~~ Reports can
be documented by witnesses living
~~available~~ in the refugee relocation
sites in King Khoveng province.

① 9:30 A.M. on 17 Mar 1971

a group of 30 civilians were foraging for food in the vicinity of LS 32. () . ~~On~~ The enemy ambushed this group causing 3 killed and five wounded. The group consisted of both men and women.

② 14 FEB 1971 - 7 civilians from Tasseng Xing Det were killed by enemy ambush as they were moving towards Ban Tin Ohh.

③ 14 FEB 1971 - 3 civilian casualties reported during enemy attack on LS 74.

- (4) 11 Feb 1971 - 52 FAMILIES forcibly moved to P.L. near area following enemy capture of LS 52() .
- (5) 24 Feb 1971 - District Chief of Moang Hien reported 30 civilians killed during enemy attack on LS 50() .
- (6) 13 FEB 1971 . Village at LS 55() burned during enemy attack.
- (7) 3 Mar 1971 . Enemy burned village during attack on LS 65-
- (8) 18 FEB 71 at LS 102 the enemy killed Tasseng (sub-district chief) of Phu Dok District .

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9.

X

17 Mar 71
F. BENSON

LS-32

At 9:30 ~~the~~ on 17 Mar a group of 30 civilians were out looking for food near LS-32. They were ambushed by the enemy and 3 were wounded and five were killed. All were adults, both men & women.

It was reported that some of the men were armed (although they were not engaged in patrolling).

More details will follow -
wounded located at LS-272 Hospital
will be interviewed.

(1)

F. Benson

14 Feb 71

LS-74

3 civilian casualties inflicted by the enemy during an attack on 16 February - refugees ~~left~~ forced to leave. ~~the~~

6 villages still in LS-74 area - either they are cut off by enemy, or don't want to leave.

7 civilians from Tasseng Xreny Det killed when enemy ambushed them as they were ~~the~~ moving towards B. Tin Onh.

Civilians captured

Civilians at B. Nam Penne - 18/112

Tass. Phak Panglany -

Sen Tent - 5/30

Pha Name - 17/123

Tass. Xreny Det

Phu Veng Yai 10/52

Kham Kent 12/80

LS-132

Civilians in LS-132 area now living in jungle ~~forest~~ as result of enemy presence = no incidents of bombing reported.

LS-54

52 families reportedly moved by enemy to Khang Khay following its capture of LS-54 on 11 February

Feb 24, 1971

CS-50 - 30 m. Hien upgeas were killed during enemy attack on CS-50. Figure reported by C.M. Hien, who had filled out forms requesting RLG compensation to the families of villages at CS-50 burned during attack.

~~CS-50~~

Feb 13

CS-5 ^{a couple} - Villages near CS-5 were burned during the course of an enemy attack on 13 February. No civilian casualties reported.

Moved
26 Feb

Sankhang = Sankhang up moved to Houei Hem following heavy fighting in area. No villagers killed.

1 village from nearby B. Khouang was killed in a air strike, however,

3 March

CS-65

Two civilian ADCs were killed when enemy forces attacked CS-65.

The enemy burned one village during the course of the fighting.

40 families captured by enemy, but later released on basis of promise to retrieve their relatives & bring them back to CS-65.

3

ca 3/1/71?

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LS-90

(mes)
30/221 rep from M. Nhi (TG 4422)

fled to LS-90 following an enemy

attack. No casualties reported.

The village was burned during the attack

~~II 76 6119~~

~~Continued~~

F. Benson

Feb 18, 1971

LS-102 = Enemy kill tassing of
tassing Phu Dote.

Feb 24

21 out of 27 L.T. villages in tassing
Phu Pen captured by The enemy
at Sop Chuan as they tried to move to the
Krong Nyeum area from LS-213.

20 families from B, Tong Phoung
and Mao Khoua, tassing Phu Dote
were captured by The enemy as they
tried to escape from The LS-102
area.

an estimated 2400 people captured
by the enemy in The LS-102, 16, etc
area

an additional 170 reportedly killed
by the enemy either during attacks
on the various refugee villages
(LS-102 and LS-16 were burned by
the enemy during the course of their
attacks).

only 112 out of 1200 ± M. You
rep acct'd for; the difference presumably
captured by enemy as they moved
from Phu Lat.

8 March 71

F. Benson

— The Sago of the Tham Sorn Refugees —

On February 16 Tham Sorn (LS-74) was attacked by the enemy. During the course of the attack, the Meo villagers there sustained 3 casualties. (The wounded were treated by the USAID supported military medic at LS-74). Frightened, the villagers made a quick getaway, and retreated to LS-90, a one day walk. 788 Tham Sorn people ^{from 9 villages} are presently at LS-90. There are still 6 villages in the LS-74 area; they are unable to escape since they are cut off by the enemy.

On March 2 Father B. RONE at LS-90 and walked to the area where the Tham Sorn ref are located. He reported that these people were in bad shape and needed goodies.

On the same day, the 2nd, Baranyi and Hervey Clark visited LS-90 and surveyed the area.

Tin roofing
for the LS-90
drop request
forwarded
to PHD

On March 5th Baranyi, Benson and Chu Sing investigated the plight of the LS-74 refugees. ^{Met with Nakong of Tin Bong and Tham Sorn.} It was found that the LS-74 refugees ~~are~~ are in good health, have received adequate goods, and have ^{constructed} temporary housing. Plastic was

Tham Son
A-3306 M Peng - 1205
Ho Me - 2103 (2)

requested for lean to, however, and
the request was immediately forwarded
to Vte.

6784

The Nanking of Tin Bong returned to
Ban Xon on the 5th and made a
formal request for plastic and salt
to yuka. A porter load of salt was
carried to LS 90 on the 6th by Baranji
and Chua Yia. Plastic will be sent
within the next few days - as the
weather has been ~~not~~ good, plastic
is not as vital as food and medical
support, which is being provided on a
regular basis.

At the present time, the Tham Son
refugees intend to remain at LS-90

8 March 71

F. Benson

- The tale of The Pha Phai Refugees -

On March 3rd Pha Phai was attacked and taken by the enemy. Approximately 1700 refugees, Lao Theung and Mee, were compelled to depart in search of a safe haven at LS-316.

On 4 March, these refugees were spotted by Chessin at UG-1801 and UF-1498.

A porter dropped rice to the refugees on the 5th, and the people were told ^{by Chessin that the walking was necessary} to continue walking to LS-316 - a two day walk from LS-45 - where food and medical assistance would be available.

On the 7th, salt was dropped, and it was arranged to put a load of ^{protein supplement} ~~food~~ into CS-316 once the refugees arrived.

By the 8th, Chessin reported 190/1015 refugees at LS-316. The Pha Phai refugees plan to stay at LS-316 indefinitely. Plastic will be provided for ^{use as} temporary shelter.

There is one USAID medic at LS-316.

~~BE~~

Pha Phai ②

Previously Pha Phai was a rice surplus area. In past years, LS-65 has been relatively untouched by the war, and most of the troops there are ADO's.

On ~~Feb~~ March 2nd, Baranji, Benan and Chu Yia visited LS-65 and the Mco commander then reported enemy harassment of a couple of villages several kilometers to the north. The villagers ~~for~~ left ~~and~~ as a result and retired to the valley just south of the airstrip.

It is believed that some of the Pha Phai villagers were captured by the enemy. Their number is as yet uncertain.

The total population of Pha Phai is 2500. Most of them are old refugees who have been self-sufficient for several years.

It is not unlikely that the enemy will ~~attempt~~ ^{attempt} to move into the LS-316, LS-22, LS-270 area in the near future.

★ Part II ★

9 March 71

F. Benson

- The Saga of the Pha Phai Refugees -
(~~continued~~)

On 9 March Whalen visited the 1015 Pha Phai rep located at "I" (LIF-0890). He took with him canned meat and salad oil. A rice drop went in today, also.

It seems as though LS-65 was hit^a at 0400 on 3 March by a group of 30+ enemy simultaneously at 9 locations. The villagers there took off immediately. During the initial attack 2+ friendships were killed.

2 days ago The same group was hit again by the enemy at a point a few km. north of their present location.

It was reported that the 600± LIT, rep in the group at "I" want to move to the LS-66/207 area ASAP.

At LS-65, 45 families were captured, but later released by the enemy on the basis of a threat that unless they retrieved their relatives who took off they would be killed.

FG-8604
~~FG-8605~~

9 March 71
F. Benson

(FG-8605)

— The Phu Vang Fong Refugees —

There are 436/2678 ref located in the Vang Fong area. 1134 of this number are old refs (L.T.) from Tasseng Kang Moun area (the general vicinity of Keo Bone), Muong Kham. 776 are "new" refs from Song Cheng, and 768 are from Phu San Kang (FG-8606). These people (46/223 (L.T.) originally from Tass Na Khoun in the Ban Na area; and ~~46/223 Tass Na Khoun~~ 77/545 Meo from Tass. Na Vang) — the Phu San Kang refs — left San Kang on 25 February as a result of heavy fighting on the mountain overlooking San Kang, although San Kang was not attacked, the villagers wanted to get away from the war zone. They moved to B. Houei Horn (SW of Vang Fong).

both
Vang Fong
and San
Kang
refs are
old refs
who
have
been
receiving
rice at
their
respective
locations

A meeting was held today at Vang Fong with the leaders of the various refugee groups. Chessen, Yuka, Chu Yia & Benson present. The purpose of the meeting was to determine the best way to distribute ~~commodities~~ rice ^{etc.} to the various groups. The importance of detailed, accurate and up-to-date census was discussed. It was decided that commodities received would be distributed ^{at Vang Fong} on a percentage basis to the various groups based on total population by groups.

Part 3

F. Benson

- The Saga of the Pha Phai Refugees -

March 10, 1971

CS-65 →

CS-316 =

3 days
walk
with
gear;
1 day
otherwise

Chessin, Benson, Naikony Naotou and C.M. Pang Xai departed for CS-316 at 10:00. Before landing at CS-316, however, a portion of the trail between CS-65 and CS-316 was investigated. It was learned that the enemy occupied one ^{several days ago} village which ~~was~~ ^{is} situated on the trail, and the next village, situated several km away, had received incoming enemy 82 mm.

It is believed that by the time the shooting at these 2 points started most of the villagers from CS-65 had passed through. No report on civilian casualties in the 2 villages was available.

The CS-65 refugees are located in a valley situated about 3 km NW of CS-316. The investigating party hiked to the relocation area and met with the ~~refugee~~ leaders of the Meo and Lao Theung refugees.

Aside from discussing business matters, such as the importance of basins, and the requirements of the refugees (they requested cooking pots, machetes, and hoes), the most significant topic of conversation was the future of the refugees.

The C.I.T. CM of Pang Xai and Nakhong Nao-ton persuaded the refugees not to move to the LS-66 / Nam Jan area because

- 1) the security in the area is uncertain, and
- 2) many refugees are entering that area and there is a problem of land shortages.

It was decided that the LS-65 refugees should move to a nearby area which has ample land and water until such time as 1) they could return to Phu Phai, or 2) ~~the~~ enemy incursions pushed them further south. The temporary relocation area was proposed by the refugees themselves, and was agreed upon by all to be the most sensible and expedient solution (however temporary) to the problem at hand.

Only 2 casualties were inflicted during the attack on LS-65, one a soldier and the other a Tahan Ban (who had just relieved his son at the outpost). The enemy suffered several casualties,

however. One P.L. entered a house, and the ADC living there ~~struck~~ ^{struck} the P.L. on the head with his carbine. Another P.L. was shot, but not killed. When some people were nearby, this particular P.L. grabbed a grenade from his belt and attempted to pull out the pin, but was unable to do so because his "pin-pulling" finger was injured. Another ADC was walking down a hill toward a gulch. As he approached the gulch, he heard something rustle in the underbrush on the other side of the gulch, and he called out the password (apolo 14). A grunt was heard, and a P.L. jumped out with a AK in hand. The ADC shot him, and another P.L. who jumped out following him. A third P.L. shot a B-40 which struck a tree stump near the ADC, not injuring him.

When the enemy attacked at 0400, they hit from 3 sides, leaving an alley of escape to the south. ~~The enemy used~~ (L.T. troops were used against the L.T.; Meo + troops against the Meo). The refugees therefore headed south towards Sam Na Oa, and from there to CS-316, a 4-day walk (normally one-day's walk under normal circumstances).

40 families were captured by the enemy and told to ~~return~~ go and retrieve their relatives. The 40 families ~~to~~ were released.

Pha Phai (4)

The CS-65 refugees have moved to the "I" pad 2 km NW of CS-316.

Part IV

On 11 March a CBS T.V. crew visited the "I" pad and filmed the distribution of 24 boxes as well as the distribution of medicine by the USAID medic to the sick. They also filmed a meeting bet. the rep and USAID concerning their situation.

Enemy Spotting

F. Benson
1971

(3/11) - 30-40 PL north of LS-70

(3/13) - 40 PL at B. Pha En (TG 555 195)

2 co. { 125 " " (TG-563 204)
 { 125 " " (TG 5722)

(3/9) 6 " " north of LS-37

10 " " near LS-51

1 " " near LS-313

3 " " " LS-211

3 " " TF 6498

3 " " north of LS-272

1 " " near Hwei Sai

3 " " LS-281

3 " " LS-271

5 " 3 km SW LS-272

4 3 km S, LS-272

5 2 km E, LS-272

(3/12) 2 " " 1 km W LS-272

(3/8) 30 PL/NVA at TF 6489

TF 6482

TF 605892

As of 3/13 = 380 PL/NVA in
LS-272 area

'TH' TG-6119
Phou Vai 2000 ft up

March 12, 1971

from: Tam. Phu Kony Kham
Tam. Phu Dok
Tha Chant

NONG ONH = PHOU VAI.

(1)

Sang Yi is the reporter.

These refugees have moved from Ban Nam Ond, before Nam Ond they were in Hinh Tang. The reason that made them moved from Nam Ond and Phou Vai is afraid PL to catch.

There are 5 ~~villagers~~ ^{The villagers} were ~~then~~ caught by PL. The names of ~~them~~ are Say Chong Yang, Sao Chia Yang, Bao Xiong and another two but he didn't know their names. PL told them that PL would not kill them (villagers) they came just fight with the military so let them go and tell every body who ~~left~~ leave already to come back, don't be afraid of them so 5 of them said to PL if you can please give us a letter and we will ~~bring~~ bring it back to show our Father so they will believe and all of us will come back. The PL gave them a letter and they run away to tell their Father and all of them afraid and moved. They have moved from Nam Ond and Phou Vai on 3/10/71 They slept two nights during their trip

First night in Hong Kong the second
night in Nam Chan. They have plan
to go to Gha Khe but the problem
is no water enough in ~~for~~ Gha Khe

(March 13, 1977)

Chua Gia Yang = Ban Die -

Ban Nam Ale is 5 kilometers far from Muong Chim before Namde. They were in Chau Song. TG 3351. They moved from Chau Song to Ban Ale in 1965. The reason that made them moved from Ban Ale to Nam Luang is the PL came very close to their village. Some of them saw PL arrived at Chau Dapho area. They used 4 days for traveling first day to Chau Huat stayed 5 days in Chau Huat, second day to Tin Bong stayed 10 days in Tin Bong, the third day to Namzy and stayed 13 days in Namzy. The fourth day they arrived in Nam Luang TG 6006.

They have a plan to go to Muong Cha but the Chao Muong ~~doesn't want~~ they want them to go to Chau San Noi. Now they are waiting new order of Chao Muong. Now they don't know for sure about the population during the trip. They received 5 crops of rice first time in Chau Huat but the PL came to catch them so they didn't

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get any sack of Rice in that time after
that they got 4 times in Tin Bong,
this village they are only 21 families 1500

Refugees Ban gang gaang.

March 14, 71

Thao Hong is the reporter.

They have moved from Ban phou hong khao on Feb 8, 1971. Before Ban phou hong khao they were in Ban gang gaang Tasseng gang gaang Muong gang say, all of them Lao Lueung. Now arrived 111 families 666 persons and they left one group in phou Fa, the group that still in phou Fa they don't know the population. They used 31 days for walking to Kaluang # 66. During the trip they received rice 10 times the last time is in Kaluang, now they still have rice but not so much.

For Tasseng Kieng Dat they are 71 families 422 people, the PL arrested some of them in Nam Hon. Also the PL follow them to Sam Sen and Tha Mend.

3/15, 1971

BAN DON NHA.

FASU HER-

Left from Don nha on 3/14, 1971
Arrived Nam Luang on 3/14, 1971, They slept
~~at the~~ three nights during the trip,
no body in Don nha now, most of them
went to Phou Ke, Houei Kham, Naton,
they have about 4000 people in
Don nha before, but now he didn't
know it for sure, before Don nha they
lived in Phou Cum, they moved
from Phou Cum to Don nha about
one year ago already. When they
left Don nha PL have arrived in
Phou Vai, And Muong Phou, Since
they have left from Don nha
they received rice one time, that
drop in Nam Luang only. Now
they still have rice enough for
three more days. This man, he
wants his people group to live
in Nam Mu because he has his
relative in Nam Mu.

(March 16, 1971)

Nai Kong Khis Chay Thua - Reported - that the reason that made the villagers Ban phau Vai are afraid and scattered is -

- I Two villages of Ban phau Vai went to Ban pho by for getting some opium but they met PL in their opium field so the enemy shot them but no body wounded because they saw the enemy first.
- II pho Tong Kage Yang is a Chief of the village and his wife went from Ban phau Vai to Ban phau Chapho, during the trip they also met a group of enemy and the enemy arrested them and he lied the enemy that he is going to Ban phau Hong Khao because he knew phau Hong Khao is a place of enemy, so the enemy told him that if he is going to phau Hong Khao really they will give him a license so he said really. When he got the license he turned to Tin Bong and straight to pho Lan so he also met the old same enemy there so the enemy arrested him again.
- III Say phis yang is a son of pho Tong Kage yang and another one named Soh Yang also going to get opium, while

they are walking on the road they saw a carry sack throw down on the road while they are looking that sack they heard a sound to stop them when they heard that sound is enemy sound, they ran away ~~the~~ enemy shot them died on and one is saved.

BAN HOUEI KATOI - Lao Ikeny -

Ban Houei Katoi is too much sicken many people died during the trip, they ~~are~~ arrived Nam Luang ^{LS-313} on 3/13, 71 they want to stay some more days in Nam Luang and they will move to Houei San. Now their chief Nai Koy Aek is staying in Nam Pha. Houei San is near Ngat Tou. The list of villages that they used to stay during a year ago is follows. Houei Katoi, Ban Na, Long Cheng, Koo Hien Muong Chum, Muong Bent, Nam Luang.

17 March

LS-45 Refugees (Tan. Chuang Sa Thi
Mueang Mue)

Friendly troops moved into the LS-45 area last fall, and moved out in November or December. The population remained, however,

During the period since December, the LS-45 people have had sporadic contact with Teams. They have also had contact with the enemy, however. Given the position of the LS-45 residents vis-a-vis the SGUs, ^{their contact with the enemy} ~~the enemy~~ has been peripheral, due primarily to the fact of their questionable loyalty to the P.C. cause. During the past several months a certain Pol. Panangnan named Kham Tony (from Hong Het) paid them once weekly visits for several hours during the day in an attempt to convince them of the correctness of the P.C. cause. These weekly coersana sessions were tolerable.

However, probably out of distrust of the LS-45 people and the possibility of their "defection", Thao Kham (?) stated one day that the men,

LS-45 ②

women and children would be separated. It was this resolution that prompted a group of 29/148 LS-45 people to buy out to "L" (LIF-9075)^{on 27.}, a 3-day walk away, and join with LS-63 troops.

a group of 493 LS-45 people are located at Sop Sang (VF-111879).

The group of 29/148 were located at this place for about 1 month (2/7-3/3).

before moving to "L".

This group of 493 want to go to "L", also, but have so far lacked the means to make the journey (there are a number of young & old people in the group).

It was decided today a "L" (Chesin, Benson, Norton present) that assistance would be given these people in the form of rice. a porter will drop ^{a 2-day supply} to them at Sop Sang on the 21st. An escort of 560s from LS-45 will call in additional rice drops if required ~~etc~~ en route.

Aside from the weekly prop. sessions, the enemy ~~had~~ played a low key role in LS-45. They had plans, however, to select a neo-tan & neo-buro (villagers would select by raising hands).

March 18, 1971

Refugees Ban Nam Choi-

Thao Neng Vang is the Reporter.

Most of these Refugees came from Long Cheng for a year ago, but a month ago all of them have moved to Ban Nam Van, because the ~~enemy~~ enemy came very close to their villages, they have stayed one month in Nam Van but they did not get their own rice rations, ^{there} they just eat with the Refugees in Nam Van so now they are coming back to Nam Choi. ~~last~~ Last Saturday the airplane dropped 117 sacks of rice for them, now they are 730 people living there and some are coming from Nam Van. They said when all of them have come the Refugees will increase to 895 people, beside these, they still have two other groups, first group is in Nam Thong in the east of Nam Choi other one in Ban Talat in the north of Nam Choi this group they only have 9 families 80 people but the group that is in Nam Thong are 20 families 132 people. The situation in Nam Choi is better now because the enemy have moved to Muong Beng already.

they have had moved about
20 days ago, ~~but~~ ^{for this illness} they want
a medic be with them because
very difficult to go to the hospital
in Long Cheng.

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March
~~Feb~~ 17

An unknown number of Tass.
The Chock up captured by
enemy at B. Pha En (north of
LS-37) as they were walking
from LS-90 to LS-37. Not yet
confirmed

Sources
reconcilable =
will check out
& confirm later
when have
more time on
ground at
LS-90 & "IP"

Sources at "IP" (LS-66 area)
say 2 L.T. from Tass X. Det
captured about one week ago
as they were walking from Nam
Tong near LS-103. (all 117 families
from Tass Phak Pang Pang arrived safely)
~~captured~~

However, sources at LS-90 (Meo)
said 5/38 L.T. from Nam Tong (?)
were captured on Mar 15 at
Pha En. Were taken to B. Nam Tong
and then released.

as reported on 23 Mar, are 2 Co. of
enemy near Pha En = also 2
 platoons & 2-5-man teams.
Have in their possession 1 DK-82.

No LS-74
civilians
known to
be in area.

2 ~~captured~~ "civilians" (young men) from LS-56,
held prisoner at LS-90 after ~~entering~~ entering
LS-74 following air strikes directed against
enemy positions in environs of LS-74. No
time to debrief them.

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LS-50

On Feb 24, 1971 LS-50 and LS-50A were overrun by PL/NVA forces.

During the course of the attack, which was staged simultaneously against all of the outposts on the perimeter, a total of 91 civilians were either killed or captured by the enemy.

The victims ^{belonged to} ~~were from~~ Tasseng Hang Keo, Tasseng Phu Nok and Tasseng Phu Cum and included 24 killed and 67 captured.

The enemy moved the captured civilians in the direction of LS-33. One Red man has succeeded in escaping thus far.

(Information gathered at LS-50 on 26 March)

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Part II

LS-~~244~~ 112 refugees (Tam Tha Chok)

Officially, VP has ordered the
up at LS-20 to stay in place.
However, on 17 Mar approx 600
of the Tam Tha Chok up took off
toward LS-244, the place where the
Chao Muong of Ueng Fa is rallying his
people.

~~These people were on route to LS-244, 2~~

as these people were on route to LS-244, 2
families were captured by the enemy at
Pha En (near LS-37). The family of
Pha Tong Ka (the consisting of 8 people,
and the family of Gia Sue, consisting of 3
people. Gia Sue ~~was~~ was not captured,
however, but fled to a point 2 km
east of LS-313 where he joined the rest of
the Tam Tha Chok up.

(information gathered at village ^{2 km E. of LS-313}
from Gia Sue on 24 March).

Rep at Nam Chan (FI) reported ^{that several of their} ~~that~~
number went to the Pha En area to retrieve their
livestock and saw or heard of a large number
of women and children being held captive at
Pha En.

(info gathered at Nam Chan on 24 March)

LS-112 rep cont'd

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On 26 March Gia Sue returned ~~for~~ to LS-90 from LS-103 with news that LS-90 was to be attacked.

Gia Sue was described by the people at LS-90 who knew him as being an all right individual and they expressed some amazement at his present state. Gia Sue is rather elderly, but is, it seems, nevertheless an enemy agent. What Gia Sue will do next is unknown.

(info gathered on 27 March at LS-90)

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LS-90

- ① There are currently approx 100 ADOs at LS-74. An additional 28 troops are located at LS-132, where they have been since 17 March. No contact reported by troops entering LS-132.

There are over 1000 people in the LS-732 area: 219/700 + L.T. belonging to Tass. Nam Pek, and 103/? Meo belonging to Tass. Thum Koo. Both townships are in Muong Kasey.

The leader of the L.T. and Meo in the LS-132 area is a certain Naikong Gia Sue. Gia Sue bends with the wind, politically speaking. Thus, when LS-132 went down the drain February 16, all of his people remained in the area - they lived in the forest but the menfold returned each day to tend their livestock.

It was reported by the 2 "deputies" who came into LS-74 (reported last week) that Naikong Gia Sue had signed a document drafted by the P.L. guaranteeing his support to the P.L. and making his area a safe haven for any political refugees.

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- (2) LIT,
30 families belonging to town. Xung Det (Nat) passed thru LS-74 ~~camp~~ on March 25 en route to L-10 for L-108. Another 15 families expected.

Their original village is unknown, but it was reported that they were taken to LS-197 (Phu Veng) and from there to L-108, where they managed to escape during an air strike when there was some confusion in the enemy ranks. They walked for 8 days before arriving at LS-74.

These up reported to the troops at LS-74 that the enemy had 10 tanks and 2 Battalions at L-108, and that the enemy plan was to ~~strike out~~ move down the road to Phou Khoun, Kassy, ~~and~~ V.V., and VTC, next month.

The composition of the 2 battalions (PL or NVA) was not specified.

I intend to contact Kicid in V.V. and make contact with these people when they arrive in V.V.

LS-90 cont'd.

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- (3) The commander at LS-90 (captain) reported 100 enemy troops at LS-54, the staging area for the LS-74, 132 areas.

April 9, 1971

REFUGEE SUPPORT STATUS - MR-II *

Total population MR-II . . . 370,000
Total Refugees since 1963 . . 229,000
Total Refugees Supported
April 71 153,156

Percentage Breakdown of Total Population *

41.3%	(153,156)	Currently receiving emergency assistance in LS-272 (Ban Xon) project area.
10.8%	(40,000)	Currently receiving relocation assistance in Vientiane, Paksane and Vang Vieng areas.
15.5%	(56,844)	Self-sufficient refugees or stable villagers.
32.4%	(120,000)	Currently living in enemy controlled areas.
<u>100.0%</u>	<u>370,000</u>	

* Figures are estimates only.

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Strategic sig. of north

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Williamson
July 71

MR II

= Khamkon (1963)

When Sam
Neva fell, took
to hills

"
a Col. was on PDD when Sam
Neva fell. = Tied in with Phoum
Captured in XKV (?) Hijacked French
airplane to Soviet.

Mg Sing =

'59

Mg Peun =

col. (?)

Gen Amkha (in charge of
Sam Neua City)

one CK during
Tong's time
Commander in Sam Neua

was killed flying
chopper with Ernie

was originally batt. commander
under Amkha

= eventually became
Tong's deputy

Col Khansa

1st base was south of
Pouen

Col Tong

2nd base was Houa Muong

'53 - '58 (commie)

FAR return to Sam Neua in '58

Duangthai at 27

Lo Tai (111)

Phu Chan (187)
(1802)

Lt. Bacchi (got leg blown off by
mine at LS-215) = was VP's
man in 215 area. attempted to
form large forces in area.

replaced Col Tong

= Col Phanh = CK Sam Neua (killed at
Omkeham dep CK since 69(?) HQ LS-36)

Col Boun Nui succeeded at CK

Before HQ was at Houa Muong
(1963 → 64 when lost → 36)

Leads at LS-85

After death of Col. Tong, no unifying force
in Sam Neua - everyone reported to V.P.

Chansom = commander of GM-13 (Thathom)

(2)

Neuts =

Kong Le est. himself in Mg Souei
= neut units here and there i.e.g.

Thathom, Nhommorath etc,
Mg Souei lost → V.V. → Mg Souei

X.K.

Saypham (CK)

Tou Yia (deputy)

Tou Song

Sop Saupana (deputy)

Jao

Chao Muong Bounchanh

Mg Khoun

" "

L.T.

3 main strongholds

LS-2 area

LS-201

Manichan (Mg Nganora)

L.T. Bounthong (deputy)

Date: July? 1971

By: Fritz Benson

Subj: Xieng Khouang Refugee Activity

On February 3rd LS- 57 (TG-8174) and LS-80 (TG-8587) fell to enemy forces. Approximately 1,500 people from previously self-sufficient villages were forced southward to LS-102 (TG-6570). Of this number, approximately 200 were captured by PL/NVA. Unexpectedly, by February 7th the six remaining sites in the LS-102 area bounded by LS-16 (TG-7074) and LS-312 (TG-7383) were encircled by the enemy preventing movements from the area. In the process, however, 3,000 people at LS-312 did move to TG-6880. Defense forces within the LS-102 area have thus far been able to hold back the enemy, but the situation remains tenuous.

Increasing pressure on the Long Thieng area caused the population to move southward toward Pha Khe (TF-8299). Increased harassment of LS-14 precipitated the movement of LS-14 people to Pha Khe. Furthermore, enemy presence in the vicinity of the Nam Ngum River west of Long Thing prompted residents of that area to move to Pha Khe.

Between February 4th and 6th refugees in the LS-161 (TG-6529) and LS-112 (TG-6037) area began moving southward.

On February 13th an enemy force attacked LS-5 (UG-0212). Most of the people moved toward LS-113 (UF-0091).

Due to enemy activity on February 16 and 17 around LS-103 (TG-5243) and LS-74 (TG-4122), people in the area have started to move towards the LS-90 (TG-5020) and Vang Vieng areas.

Beginning February 18 enemy forces attacked various refugee sites north of Route 7 extending from the junction of Route 7 and Route 13 to north of Muong Souei. As a result people in the area fled into the jungle or to other areas from LS-16 (TG-7074), LS-102 (TG-6570), LS-312 (TG-7383), Phou Mang (TG-7881), Phu Lak (TG-6882), Ban Pao (TG-6174), and LS-170 (TG-2967). Approximately 8,000 people from these areas moved to LS-213.

On February 23 at 0230 hours the enemy attacked LS-50 causing 5,000-6,000 people to move to UH-0503 and TH-9607. During the attack a large number of civilians were killed or captured by the enemy, and many of the houses were burned.

Furthermore, about 2,400 Lao and Lao Theung en route from LS-102 were cut off.

During the morning of February 26 at 1100 hours enemy forces pressured the government outpost at LS-213 (TG-4374). This action hastened the exodus of refugees moving west from previous attacks on outposts in the LS-16 and LS-102 area. By February 28 refugees from these areas arrived at LS-4 (TG-0968). The enemy action cut-off about 2,400 refugees (Lao and Lao Theung) attempting to escape westward from the LS-102 area.

Though enemy pressure continues on the Long Thieng/Ban Na (LS-15 at TG-8536) fronts, movement of refugees from Long Thieng itself and surrounding areas continues at an orderly, but steady pace.

On Saturday morning, March 6, LS-272 was attacked, and USAID facilities were extensively damaged. Nine civilians were killed and 12 wounded during the attack.

On March 3 the enemy attacked LS-65 (UG-1810) causing a group of self-sufficient villagers to move south.

Refugees from the LS-102 and LS-213 areas are moving toward LS-25 (SG-9950) and the Xieng Ngeun area (TG-0783).

On April 2 the enemy attacked LS-63 killing 6 civilians and capturing 600 others.

During the latter part of May and June, LS-32 (Bouam Long) came under siege by North Vietnamese forces. During the course of the siege, an estimated 160 civilians were killed by enemy rocket, mortar and small arms fire. An additional 200 were reported wounded. Also, many houses and other buildings, including the dispensary, were ignited by incoming rounds and burned.

On June 8, Phu Bia (UG-1489) was attacked and approximately 2,000 civilians were captured. Subsequent reconnaissance by friendly patrols discovered the dead bodies of 50 civilians at Phu Bia.

On June 28, LS-6 (UG-0790) was attacked and a large percentage of the 2,100 inhabitants were captured by the enemy.

23 July 1971

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Subj: Observations

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1)

In response to ~~a request~~ ^{for assistance from several villages} from the Naidan ^{to the CK of Vte thru the CM U.V.}
Dane ~~of~~ Muong Phum (LS-37), Larry Berger, Keo Sannanukone and myself travelled to Ban Xon for the purpose of gathering further details as to the nature of the request. It was learned ~~from~~ ^{from} Maytone, USAID Nakong at LS-272, that the Naidan of Muong Phum was in residence at Ban Xon village (Lao). Inquiries made at Ban Xon brought ~~brought~~ drew a blank from the naidan of Ban Xon, who was not familiar with the naidan's name (Sengsavath, a native of Ban Keun and employee of the CKhoueng ^{Ute} office) name. However, he had heard that a recent meeting had taken place at the office of the Chao Muong of Muong Hien ^{in Vieng Keo} ~~with~~ ^{with} all of the ^{mai-} tassengs of Muong Phum. We then proceeded to Vieng Keo, where we likewise received a blank stare as to the inquiries ~~of~~ concerning the whereabouts of the Naidan. We ^{then} proceeded to the office of Col. Bounnoi, the CK of Sam Nena. ~~The Col.~~ We found the Colonel engaged in a meeting with the Khoueng committee of Sam Nena Province. The ensuing discussion yielded the following information. The Naidan of Muong

trip to
B. Xon on
23 July

Phum, Songsavath, has spent only one brief period in the area of his constituency since ~~he~~ he relieved his predecessor, Ly Chen (currently ~~employed~~ located at the Khoueng office). As it turned out Songsavath is presently located in Vientiane. However, Col. Douangtha, Bounno's deputy, stated that the non-refugee population of Dane Muong Phum (most of whom ~~are not refugees but who~~ came from Sam Nera at one time or another over the years) were indeed in need of assistance, especially in the form of salt. However, he conceded that USAID had given these people assistance.

- (2) In January of this year, Vang Pao ordered the Sam Nera ~~refugees~~ ^{refugees} in the Muong Phoum area to move towards Phou He. Most of the refugees, ~~who were located at Don Nya, Phu Khang and Muong Khouang~~ ^{who were located at Don Nya,} complied and moved. A small group defied the orders and remained behind. Another group moved to Khe Sa Khai Tai, but refused to move further. At this juncture, it was decided by

and the Chao Mueang involved Vang Pao that the people who remained behind, and those who moved would not be eligible for further support. ~~But~~ Requests for support to V.P. resulted in denials. V.P. stated, however, that a solution to their problem might be found in applying to Vte.

- (3) Traditionally, Muang Phouan has been neutralist, ~~being~~ ^{being} located in the V.V., and garrisoned by Nout. troops. It is a strange area, however, a series of raids, or tasseng, having been expelled for one reason or another by the population. The political ~~condition~~ ^{condition} of the residents of the area is open to question. It is more or less certain, however, that Souphanouvong, upon his escape from prison in ^{April} 1962, made the Ban Xon area his first stop for purposes of rallying his forces. It is also known that a number of the inhabitants have dependents fighting with the P.L.

- # (4) Visit of Maj. Epie from Vang Vieng to CS-272 in Spring of this year

- 5) It was determined in Vte from
 Ly Chen that the ~~refugee~~ ^{refugees} of
 my Phoun for Sam Nura did
 not want to go ~~to Phoumy~~
~~Phoumy~~ leave their homes and
 that perhaps they made contact
 with the P.L. in the area to
 to broadcast it on the radio
 to force the government's hand
 and concede to support them ~~and~~
~~have been unable to~~
- 6) Although I have been unable
 to document the above broadcast,
 a similar radio broadcast was
 carried on P.L. radio last Sept.
 magnifying the plight of
 certain groups of refugees in
 The Tasseng Nam Chan
 (Dane My Phoun) ~~area~~ area who
 were being kept in concentration
 camps and being denied support.
 This broadcast was unsubstantiated
 as all of the groups presently
 in question were receiving food
 assistance at the time.

B- Following the fall of Muong
 Meo in ~~the~~ The Spring of 1970,
 there was an exodus of Meo ~~people~~ from
 the area to Pakane. Most of
 the Meo continued on the
 CS-272 by USAID ~~ship~~ ^{transportation},
 another group of Meo, formerly
 from the San Soak, (CS-124)
 area arrived. These people
 were former team soldiers who
 were forced to walk out of their
 site following enemy attack, to
 Nam Thone, and from there
 took a boat to Pakane.

This group was supplemented
 by an addition of people
 from Phon Fom, located south
 of CS-46. The Phon Fom Meo
 finally returned to CS-46 ^{area} when
 it was recaptured. It is believed
 that, following the fall of CS-46
 last fall, they went with the
 enemy. The Khammuan Province
 Meo have remained however,
 supplemented by small groups
 of Meo who filtered into Ban
 Nong Daeng this past spring
 from Long Cheng. A group
 of these Meo left Nong Daeng

Several months ago for
 Samakham, and finally
 LS-258. These people had apparently
 elected to break with V.P.

- (5000)
- C. The Meo at LS-258 are
 primarily from the LS-74 and
 LS-4 areas. They left their
 homes a number of years ago
 in an attempt to get away from
 it all. Their number is supplemented
 by a similar group in several
 areas between LS-258 and LS-25.
 These people have, for the most
 part, remained on the fringes
 of MR-II activity. The local ADC
 force at LS-258 staged a minor
 coup d'état ~~late~~ last year because
 V.P. chopped off their salary
 because the troops weren't doing
 anything. This problem was
 later solved, however. Recently,
 an increase in enemy activity in
 the area, and an attempt by
 V.P. ~~to~~ to bolster ~~his~~ his image
 in the area is paying dividends.

- D. One of the ~~largest~~ areas of Meo
 concentration is at Phu Khong Khao.
 Meo from various areas in ~~eastern~~

Chao Fa movements at LS-170(?), W. of 272, Ute,
Pakay, LS-14 area.

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western Xk province have moved there during the course of the past year. The most recent arrivals have been from the LS-170 area, My Sai etc. (re: Paul White report on LS-170).

Some of these people have since rejoined the program -
out of H. Phat. ✓ These people have also, it seems, elected to leave U.P.'s fold in an attempt to seek 'neutrality'. They have, however, been visited several times by the P.L. The 1st recorded instance resulted in some of the Meo in the area moving to LS-244 in early March. The second instance was several weeks ago.

It is believed that a Meo Captain formerly on U.P.'s staff but presently working in Vang Veng for Neuts of M.D.-V is courting these people.

E. another, largely inaccessible group of Meo is at LS-132. Believed to be basically P.L.

F. Over past several years, squabbles between Meo of Phou Dam area in L.P. and U.P. In the end, all of them moved to Nam Phouy in Syky. Joined by several groups from the LS-102 area who moved to Syky from LS-25.
~~U.P. Meo~~

- (G) Meo at Phou Khao Khuen and
raw deal they have gotten
from FAR.
- (H) 3000 Meo in Paklay area and
points north.
- (I) Meo at Km 52.
- (J) Chou fa movement in LS-14 area,
west of LS-272, LS-170 (?) area,
Paklay area.
- (K) Ute city Meo
- (L) Lyteck trying to gain
support in all of above areas.

~~Recommendation~~

(M) Observations

- 1) Present position of V.P.
- 2) Growing role of Lyteck amongst
"overseas" Meo
- 3) USAID role? - should
take side in issue. Can't
very well back Lyteck (arrogantly
anti V.P.) and leave out V.P. in area
which coming increasingly significant
in view of pressure in X.K. Position of
Lyteck "influence" with regards to Meo

Superpower maintains
Lyteck is out to
get all he can,
Lyteck at odds with
themselves.

Is from
US-2 area
→

struggle. His platform uncertain
(nebulous),

4) Position of Lyteck on upswing,
and can't help but increase with
passing of time

has talked
to Kelly,
US EMB.

5) But who will support him??

French ^{built-up} supported Toule
US ^{built-up} V.P!

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

Conversation with Syteck = 28 July 71

former CM Hong Neng, now at 255 (Lao)

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for Tass Houa Ya
H. Thong Khe

Nation from Don Nya (48 families) req. use = trapped by V.P. & no food. V.P. won't let them out. ~~not~~ considering going to Khamy.

4 May. in Vte.

2 w/ Kouprasith

1 w/ Gen Khamhaeng CDN

Syteck
left

2 in / S/

father owned farm in XKU
studied in France 6 years.

[Nent Capt in V.V. vis-a-vis Phou Khong Khao
Herchan]

proposed
relocation
area north
of Tha Ngan

1) mee at Pakxane (several hund. fam to CS-258 area)

2) ISSS rep at Nam Phouei farm

over 300 families "rally"
to enemy this year
in Phou Fa area because
+ need of V.P.

A) Phou Fa area (CS-170?)

B) Phou Dam / Nakang

3) KM-52 rep

4) Vte - 300± families for MR-2

5) Thakhek area

6) Several hundred more families would come but V.P. won't let them out (burning roads, etc). (concern. camp)

Sarm Nena people, Lao, XK people

People pissed off at VP
wrought them

for "injustices"
= only Sao Theng support
VP and only because they are
not yet enlightened.

e.g. 1) stealing

2) not paying death benefits (C.P.)

3) Commander in SO area sleeping with
girls in village

4) 100 people ~~through~~ thrown in jail
& killed

etc etc.

on neutrality

Even Nents fight
against commies;
don't want to be commie,
but decision bet V.P.
& commie. won't take
V.P. if not supp. moved
would go commie.

1) V.P. = if kicked out, no probs

but why fight?
"hesitant
answer"

A. People would fight

B. People would fight if moved to other
mil. region = e.g. with Kouprasith, MR 5, MR-F, etc.

Chao Fa Movement

Lyteck's pitch = anti-commie
freedom, justice,
but threat?
Vehement anti VP & wants V.P. ousted.

C-2

~~Situation~~

Observations:

- 1) Place in ^{historical} context
- 2) Presently down to wire
- 3) Alternatives to war =
 - a) fighting (continue as before)
 - b) Lyteck
 - c) Chao Fa
- 4) alternative to VP
 - a) potential of alternative
 - b) Outside of XK province
 - not VP, but VP should latch on
 - future exodus for XK rally to who
- 5) wave of future = what happens when V.P. is finished.

Stand (ally support against VP)
Support

Defections to enemy

site LS-36 (1969)

Sam Nera (large group people ~~the~~ didn't come out)

Phou Fa area (1971)

Add, Phou Khao Khoui
Paklay
Phou Ngein
Phou Kong Khao
mq met
Phou Chai area

30 July 1971
F.C. BENSON

During the course of recent discussions on the future of the Meo in Xieng Khouang Province and the position of General Vang Pao ^{as leader in MR-II} within the "Meo Nation" (to use the colloquial expression) it seems as though a serious gap has been left. To the best of my knowledge little attention has been devoted to events which have been transpiring within that portion of the Meo community which is located on the periphery of Military Region II. At first glance, the "expatriot" Meo appear to consist of numerically small and geographically diverse groups, ^{scattered} ~~spread~~ in nearly a dozen enclaves throughout Vientiane, Borikhané and Sayaboury Provinces. Upon closer inspection, however, it will be found that this is really not the case. Firstly, their numbers cannot really be considered small, totaling, perhaps, 20,000 persons. Secondly, their geographical dispersion is misleading in that there is a curious, but definite "unity" which exists between the various groups.

The current debate (which is quite valid in view of the uncertain future of Xieng Khouang Province vis-a-vis the enemy threat) seems ~~to be~~ ^{two} to be centered around ~~three~~ basic questions:

A) Does General Vang Pao, the pivot around which the ~~Meo~~ ^{System of alliances} Nation revolves, retain sufficient influence amongst the various ~~Meo~~ ^{ethnic} Lao and Lao Theung leaders in the area after more than a decade of fierce warfare to hold them together as a unified entity?

B) In the event that the war continues to go badly and Long Thieng, the center of the ~~Meo Nation~~ ^{MR-II} is lost what ~~effects~~ will the latent and manifest effects be on the MR II leadership, 1. If the struggle continues as a behind-the-lines guerilla-type operation, and/or 2. if the leadership makes the decision to move or transplant ~~the~~ ^(a misleading expression) the "Meo Nation" to another area such as Vientiane or Sayaboury? ^{(The effects of such an eventuality have been more or less ignored).}

Meo in these areas have long been ignored by virtue of the fact they are not located in 20A or 69A project areas. (Some go with everyone in area, not only Meo).

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waterhead is Phou Thua Mouei (15-67) = even tho' Meo there want to go with U.P., 69A wants them in their program. U.P. has doubtment there for 20A but they won't send supplies for fear of offending 69A program. Therefore, 10,000 thousand Meo in area are left to fend for themselves. A shoot out resulted when 69A troops went in to attempt to get 67 people back in line.

(2)

Thus far neglected has been the question:

- a) What ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ is the future of Vang Pao and his people if and when they are forced to move? Does he have a loyal following amongst the population (especially the Meo) in those areas? ~~XX~~ Will the move, in a period of weakness result in a crisis of leadership at a time when it is most vulnerable? *and from which it will be able to recover?*

These questions are very serious ones, and ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ answers to them should be constantly sought after, and ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ continually examined and re-examined. Not only do we have a moral obligation to do so, in light of the fact that we have supported the leadership and population in MR II for more than a decade, but it is imperative to keep abreast of the problem for the sake of maintaining flexible an important facet of U.S. foreign policy in Laos.

The above questions imply that the current leadership in MR-II *is not current, that there exists a generation gap of sorts, that is, for one reason or another, XXXXX "lacking" something.* *This is the case is, for all practical purposes, nothing more than an historical phenomenon.* Given that Vang Pao is an exceptional leader and that his base of support is still strong and standing behind him, there is strong evidence to suggest that in certain quarters his support is waning. ⁱⁿ This phenomenon is in itself not strikingly unusual, insofar as there are dissidents in every group. It is significant ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ however, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ in ~~XXXX~~ light of the ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ nature of the current crisis *growing misgivings about the value* and ~~XX~~, *the utility* of further struggle, uncertainty of the future, etc. etc.

This uncertainty has manifested itself already this year in the form of the Chao Fa, or "Second Coming of Christ" movement.

It is significant ~~X~~ to note that the ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ movement ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ was centered on a ~~X~~ group of people which *(LS-16/area)* "originated" on the west bank of the Nam Ngum river, and that

WAS

The chief of Phou Pha Khouang, for example, travelled to Phou Khao Khany.

propagator of the movement was from the San Tiau (LS-2) area. (?)

Although the mainstream of the movement was in the Eastern Vang Vieng and contiguous areas in Xieng Khouang provinces, smaller movements were detected in the Vientiane, Paklay and possibly

(Phou Pha Khouang) the Pha Lang Mou (LS-170) areas. The movement was basically of a quasi-religious/political nature, and may have been infiltrated by elements advocating a change in the status quo.

Such movements are not unusual in Laos. Amongst the Meo, there have been in recent years several examples. In Sam Neua province such a movement which erupted during rice planting season resulted in a large group of people not planting their rice and an ensuing famine. More recently, an advocate of the movement appeared in the San Tiau area. A similar movement manifested itself in the area west of Luang Prabang. Known as the Chuang movement, after the legendary King of the Khamu peoples, it was quickly exploited and infiltrated by the Pathet Lao.

It seems, however, that the intensity of this year's movement amongst the Meo has exceeded similar movements in the past. Significantly, the movement was its greatest in areas which lay on the periphery of Vang Pao's sphere of influence, and the movement cropped up in a half-dozen different areas almost simultaneously over a period of two or three months.

This uncertainty has also manifested itself in the exodus of groups of people from Xieng Khouang Province during this spring's enemy offensive. While this also is not of itself significant, it is interesting to speculate on its ramifications of the move vis-a-vis the

deeper aspects of the situation in MR-II, such as possible discontentment and weariness of many long years of war, disenchantment with Vang Pao and his policies, etc. etc.

The same situation exists amongst a group of Meo and Lao Theung--Sam Neua refugees--who were ordered to leave their homes in the Muong Phun area (LS-37) by Vang Pao. While the majority of these people did move to the designated relocation areas, others ~~did not~~ either refused to move, or moved to ~~the~~ ^{midway} points between their homes and the designated ~~XX~~ areas.

As these people did not follow his orders, ~~they~~ Vang Pao made the decision to cut off their rice support. The Muong Phun area is, by the way, administratively a Dane withing Muong Vang Vieng. The population in the area has ~~been~~ adopted a rather rebellious attitude toward the local administration, there having occurred over the years a series of internal coup d etats against the naidan of the time (there has been a rather rapid turnover rate among the naidans). Last fall, perhaps in an attempt to garner support, the incumbent naidan channeled a request through the Chao Cingkhong of Vang Vieng asking for support for a group of ~~XX~~ needy villagers in his area.

Almost simultaneously, a similar statement was broadcast on the NIHX radio accusing the Vang Pao clique of harbouring refugees in concentration camps. A similar broadcast was supposed to have been made this year following the refusal of the villagers in the area to follow Vang Pao's directive to move. A ~~similar~~ ^{likewise} request was forwarded to the Vientiane Khoueng office in an attempt to gain commodity support for certain groups of people in the area. Col. Doungtha, ~~the~~ one of Col. Boun Noi's battalion commanders, also indicated that a large number of people on the west bank of the Nam Ngum were needy and required certain commodities, including Meo and Lao

Thung as well as indigenous people.

Purpose of move was to clear out MR II population from V. Vieng. Several groups unwilling to move due to fact they were well established where they were.

Present Naidan believed to be Senparath, a native of Ban Kuan, who was sent from V. Vieng office. As it turns out, however, Sen Chien is still Naidan, even though he supposedly got booted out by V. P.

CS-126
Gai Tong (Paksane) area (5)

Vang Khay Van (CS-46)

While some of these people may indeed require ~~some~~ some assistance, many of them are either being assisted or have been assisted in the past. Continued support to them ~~may~~ ^{unless} at this juncture would not be expedient ~~with regards to~~ Vang Pao's ^{changes his} policy decision regarding them.

A recent discussion with the naiban of a group of ^{Sam Nua} 48 Meo families ^(Tasseng Houei Hua ya) who refused to leave the Muong Phun area expressed the delima which ~~has~~ people face in this way, They have no rice to eat and Vang Pao won't give them rice and they would like to move to the Muong Kassy area where there is sufficient land but are prevented from doing so because all routes out of their village are guarded by Vang Pao's soldiers. (these people are not starving, and there is no ~~way~~ reason why they could not leave and go to another area if they really wanted to).

Many are
CS-161 types
H. Khinma

~~Max~~ There is a relatively large grouping of Meo living in the Munog Kassy area at a place called Phou Khong Khao. Refugees began filtering into this area about one year ago from that area of Xieng Khouang Province which lies adjacent to Muong ^(Tasseng Tho Chok, Mg. Khong Pa) Kassy. During the course of the past two months, other refugees have come to Phou Khong Khao from the Luang Prabang area, primarily Phou Pha Lang Mou (LS-170), and Kio Nja (formerly from the Muong Sai area). Vang Pao presently does not have much influence over these people. It seems as though ~~that~~ these people are also being courted by other quarters. A former Vang Pao Captain who is currently working in Vang Vieng for the neutralists is said to have contacted the Phou Khong Khao Meo. Certain of the Phou Khong Khao Meo are currently receiving rice support.

Background
for status of
LS-170 people
see P. White's
report.

although one
group went to LS-241
following a P.L.
rice raid in
March (another
raid was reported
during July)

Other groups of Meo, especially those located at Phou Khao Khouei, Km. 52, and certain areas of southern ~~Sy~~ Sayaboury

Province and western Vientiane Province (Phou Ngeui, LS-258) are ~~with~~ closely interrelated, and there seems to be a ~~very~~ considerable amount of contact between them, ~~most~~ ~~extensively~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~form~~ ~~of~~ at all levels. Most evident is the fact that people from each area have gone to settle in one of the other areas. Similarly, there seems to be a certain amount of contact between ~~the~~ ~~the~~ certain Meo in Borikhane province (Nong Daeng) and those at Phou Ngeui. By the same token, the Meo at Phou Ngeui are relatives of a group of Meo near Muong Met, *both groups being primarily from the Tham Soan (LS-74) and Kachacham areas.*

For the most part, the Meo in the areas described above originated in Xieng Khouang Province. While those Meo ~~at~~ in Vientiane Province and Sayaboury Province have, for the most part, been in place for at least ten years, new additions to the fold dribble in more or less regularly. Most striking has been the movement of refugees during the past year to Phou Khong Khao ^{and} the move from Phou Dam in Luang Prabang to [^]Phoui in Sayaboury. The Phou Dam refugees have for several years been at odds with Vang Pao with regards to military service. While one large group moved to Sayaboury last year *(with V.P.'s blessings)* the final group consisting of some 860 persons moved in April of this year. *has been reported* It ~~appears~~ that since the latest group moved General Vang Pao has disarmed them. The reason these people moved is clear. Number one, it was impossible for them to plant and harvest a sufficient rice crop to attain self-sufficiency. *at Phou Dam* Secondly, they did not particularly like being under the aegis of Vang Pao (although they continued to pay lip service to him). Instead, they preferred to move to Sayaboury (where their "leader", Capt. Paoleemoua, is presently located) where they stood a chance of attaining a state of "normalacy".

*Also from
Paklay went
to LS-53*

The only other group of Meo between Nam Phoui and Paklay is a concentration of 2,400 people living in twenty-four villages at Phou Fa and Phou Sa (QA-8285 area). These people are more or less firmly under enemy control.

Vang Pao is currently (over a period of the past several months) making efforts to consolidate his position in those Meo enclaves which lie outside ~~MR-II~~ ^{his project area}; namely, Phou Ngeui, Phou Pha Khouay, the area between Phou Ngeui and Phou Chia (LS-25) and Phou Khao Khouay. This effort has not been made without difficulty.

At this point it is difficult to gauge the degree to which he has been successful. However, he has succeeded in establishing himself more or less firmly at Phou Ngeui, and has received assurances from the some 3,000 people in the Phou Pha Khouay area (who have previously been more or less located within the enemy sphere of influence) that they are willing to follow him.

The degree to which the Meo in the Borikhane, Phou Khao Khouay, Km. 52, Phou Khong Khao and Nam Phoui areas direct their allegiance toward Vang Pao is questionable. It appears that Vang Pao is receiving some resistance from these areas, as well as from certain areas within MR-II, itself. One of the key figures in the resistance movement appears to be a certain Lyteck. Born in the San Tiau area, Lyteck left his home in 1951 and went to Vientiane to study. He later went to France, where he spent six years as a student. Upon returning to Laos, he gained employment at the Ministry of Interior political section, and has reportedly since been transferred to another division within the Ministry.

Lyteck comes from a family related to Thouby Lyfong. Some years ago, his family was banished from Xieng Khouang by Vang Pao

In view of this fact, what can you expect in terms of military/political situation?

in spite of problems over soldiers pay 6 months ago which resulted in V.P. firing all the troops (ADQ). Now nearly 200 troops there (a new company added recently, fresh recruitment),

during a critical period in MR II.

also group of Meo at Song Pot. Under leadership of Nankong Sidi Sue, accommodation supposedly reached with P.L. following fall of LS-56. Several thousand Meo in 132 area.

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following a inter-clan power struggle and have not been permitted to return. One member of the family who dared ^{recently} venture to Xieng Khouang was promptly arrested by ~~by~~ the local constabulary and ordered to leave immediately. The family has since established itself at Km. 52 and Vientiane. Relatives are located at Phou Khao Khouay.

maintains V.P. has only 3000 troops and therefore power-base diminishing.

Lyteck is violently anti-Vang Pao, and is reported to also possess certain ideas which are not akin to those held by

Thouby. During a recent meeting with Lyteck, he reported that the majority of the Lao and Meo in Xieng Khouang Province are

disappointed out H. Phat (additional 500 people move there recently for LS-25)

fed up with Vang Pao and his policies. Specifically, they are angry with the various injustices which Vang Pao has committed.

Among these various injustices, Lyteck pointed out several

examples: 1) Stealing, 2) not paying death benefits to civilian dependants of soldiers killed, 3) the commander of an area sleeping with local girls, and 4) the jailing of over 100 people and

the execution of seven people. (5) forced detention of the population in MR-II by V.P. If the opportunity arose, some 200 more families would come to Vientiane from Song Chong, and a group of Meo in the Muong Phum area (Don Nga) would move to Muong Kassy. According to Lyteck, the solution to the whole problem is the

expulsion of Vang Pao. Once this has been accomplished, he

pointed out that the inhabitants of the area would gladly take

up arms and fight the communists. As it stands right now, the

people in the area have only two choices, ~~the~~ Vang Pao or the

communists, and they have already rejected Vang Pao. On neutrality,

Lyteck pointed out the fact that even the Neutralists are fighting against the communists.

At the present time, Lyteck pointed out that the only solution

to the problem is for the people in the area to move away from

MR-III to either MR-I or MR-V. Once established in these areas,

he stated that the people would be willing to take up arms against the communists. (He seemed to have forgotten about the situation

if given assistance from local P.V. command

also pointed out that large group of people didn't leave Sam Nua and LS-36.

to wit, 4 of Vang Pao's majors have deserted to Vientiane where they are now working 1) for General Khamhouang (CIC) and 2) for Khamphouth. Also stated was the defection of groups of people in the Phou Fa area to the enemy during this year's offensive, and the movement of 1555 refugees to Nam Phou from Phou Dam and from the Phou Fa area. No movement of some 300 families from Song Chong to Vientiane.

which exists at Phou Khao Khouay between the Meo and the FAR, and the splendid cooperation which the Meo at Paksane (the local FAR commander wants to disarm them), Phou Ngeui (the local FAR commander has never been there) and the various other enclaves are receiving from the local FAR commanders). When questioned as to what the Meo in these areas would be willing to fight for, he seemed uncertain, and mentioned only "freedom" and "justice".

Lyteck is currently working hard trying to gather support for his "oust-Vang Pao" campaign, and it appears as though he is having some success, especially in those areas which lie either on the periphery of MR-II or in Vientiane, Borikham and Sayaboury provinces. Playing on the "injustices" committed by Vang Pao, he gave the impression that the people were listening to what he had to say. However, it appears as though Lyteck has thus far done little more than talking (actually, there is not much else that he has to do) and has done little in terms of providing them concrete support. Exceptions would be Km. 52, a ^{and well organized} flourishing Meo refugee village. He is talking, however, of reserving a plot of land north of Tha Ngon for Meo-refugees. During the course of the conversation, he requested that USAID consider supporting several groups of refugees. Among them was the Phou Dam refugees and a group of Meo in the Muong Phun area. (Lyteck was accompanied by the assistant Chao Muong of Hong None who is presently located at Phou He (LS-255) and a naiban of 48 families presently located at Don Nja, the fact that Chao Muong Lao Tai's assistant was in the company of Lyteck is surprising in itself).

Where Lyteck stands in the political spectrum is open to question.

Indeed, these people were/are merchants who travel back and forth to LS-272.

appears that Lyteck is an advocate
of integration of Meo into Lao national
and social life. ~~He~~ It would appear
that he does not have separatist
tendencies.

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Lyteck's objectives and the extent of his support is also open
to conjecture. It would seem, however, that he would not mind
assuming at least a portion of the power in the Meo Nation if
it were made available. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ (as X.K. deputy?)

~~THE IMPORTANCE OF~~

The degree of success which Lyteck will have depends solely on
the approach he takes. In terms of ~~his~~ his family standing ~~XXXX~~
and in terms of his present position in the Ministry of Interior
Lyteck it would appear that he is a relatively insignificant
individual. The significance of his current ambitions lies

~~XX~~

it would seem in his timing. Capitalizing on disillusioned
elements within the Meo community he is attempting to rally
and as much support as possible against General Vang Pao. In
so doing ~~he~~ is not improbable that ~~XXXXXXXX~~ he will be able
to gain a certain amount of support from certain quarters of the
Lao community who may be hostile towards General Vang Pao.

In retrospect, it almost seems as though Lyteck is attempting
to ~~gain~~ play the role of "true neutralist" with regards to
a number of different ~~factions~~ ^{political} factions in Laos.

Speculation, however, is futile unless it can be backed up
with facts. It is important that the Mission analyzes ~~this~~
the current ~~XXXXXXXX~~ ^{in MR II} political milieu within the context
of history and current events in Laos in formulating its MR II policy.



In effect USAID is supporting Lyteck -
we are feeding Phou Khao Khonay, Km 52,
Nong Daeng, Phou Kong Khao, Hoi Tui
Meo and (I think) Phou Dam Mao,

Re:
Lyteck's
reports

Sam Nana
people, mid,
Q.K. & others, such
as Sam Nana, etc.
some of his friends in
V.V., such as Maj
Epi who spent time
at 222 March.

Big mistake
over the years in that
the Americans
are so have other
been ignored
or received 2nd
priority. This is
partially because
however, in view of
nature of priorities
elsewhere.

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(LS-132) ^{6000 mao in}
LS-132/74 area

Gia Sue relative of

Tou Long, etc. Now in

^{at 20A} jail same he led PL/NVA to
LS-74 this spring.

(LS-126)
Gia Tong (Vu clan)

LS-258 (fm My Pham)

Pha Theng (fm LS-74)

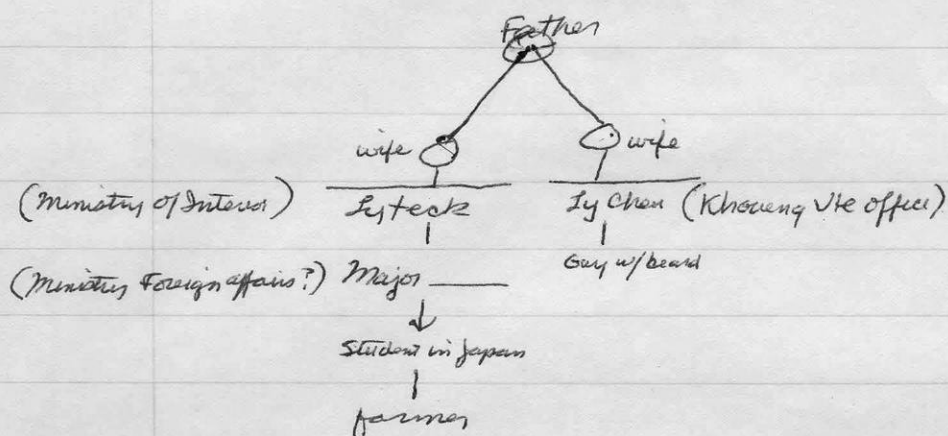
(LS-126 mao)
Nong Daeng (north of 258)

20 families ^{vi enemy}
area = bombed
this spring

leader of this group went with
PL. this week. was captured by troops at
258, however, and succeeded to keep them
to a pulp. This passed off 50 families at
Pha Theng & they moved on 258 with
carbines, mao rifles, etc. He Chuy then
landed & everyone put down their guns,
including He Chuy.

11 Aug 71

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- Info obtained at boss' at Ly Chen's house on 11 Aug for his ~~bro~~ ~~half brother~~ ~~which is~~ cousin who is departing for a year of study in France, and for his half-brother who is returning to complete his study in Tokyo in field of electronics.

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Subj: Conversation bet. Virati & Lyteck

Lyteck claims that up to 25,000
Meo desire to "defect" fm. MR-II
because of lack of rice support, etc.
He is presently ~~on the road~~ negotiating
with General Thenglit on the subject of
support on the Vientiane Plain, ^{providing} in return,
~~for~~ several companies of Meo troops.

already
known
that Lyteck
has been
eyeballing a
piece of land
in the Nam
area, presumably
across the Nam
Meyun and
east of the
road.

Once assurances of support are received,
Lyteck claims that additional groups of
Meo will filter down from MR-II.

USAID was not brought up in terms of
support. However, Lyteck mentioned
that he may request USAID to
assist in land clearing, etc.

Xieng Khouang

On February 3rd IS-57 (TG-8124) and IS-80 (TG-8587) fell to enemy force, approximately 1,500 people from previously self-sufficient villages were forced Southward to IS-102 (TG-6570). Of this number, approximately 200 were captured by P.L./N.V.A. Unexpectedly, by February 7th the six remaining sites in the IS-102 area bounded by IS-16 (TG-7074) and IS-312 (TG-7383) were encircled by the enemy preventing movements from the area. In the process, however, 3,000 people at IS-312 did move to TG-6880.

Defensive forces within the IS-102 area have thus far been able to hold back the enemy, but the situation remains tenuous.

Increasing pressure on the Long Thieng area caused the population to move southward toward Pha Khe (TF-8299). Increased harassment of IS-14 precipitated the movement of IS-14 people to Pha Khe. Further, enemy presence in the vicinity of the Nam Ngam River west of Long Thieng prompted residents of that area to move to Pha Khe.

Between February 4th and 6th refugees in the IS-161 (TG-6529) and IS-112 (TG-6037) area began moving southward.

On February 13 an enemy force attacked IS-5 (UG-0212). Most of the people moved toward IS-113 (UF-0091). Due to enemy activity on February 16 and 17 around IS-103 (TG-5243) and IS-74 (TG-4133) people in the area have started to move towards the IS-90 (TG-5020) and Vang Vieng areas.

Beginning on February 18 enemy forces attacked various refugee sites north of Route 7 extending from the junction of Route 7 and Route 13 to north of Muong Souei. As a result people in the area fled into the jungle or to other areas from: IS-16 (TG-7074) IS-102 (TG-6570), IS-312 (TG-7383), Phou Mang (TG-7881), Phu Lak (TG-6882), Ban Pao (TG-6174) and IS-170 (TG-2967). Approximately 800 people from these areas moved to IS-213.

On February 23 at 0230 hours the enemy attacked IS-50 causing 5000, 6000 people to move to UH-0503 and TH-9607. During the attack, a large number of civilians were killed and captured by the enemy, and many of the houses were burned. Cut off ca. 2,400 lost L.T enroute from IS-102 area.

During the morning of 26 February at 1100 enemy forces pressured the government outpost at IS-213 (TG-4374). This action hastened the exodus of refugees moving west from previous attacks on outposts in the IS-16 and IS-102 area. By February 28, refugees from these areas arrived at IS-4 (TG-0968), the enemy action cut off about 2,400 refugees attempting to escape westward from the IS-102 area.

For the present, LS-6 (UG-0789) and LS-32 (UG-2686) remain relationly quiet.

Though enemy pressure continues on the Long Thieng/Ban Na (LS-15 TG-8536) force, movement of refugees from Long Thieng itself and surrounding areas continues at an orderly, but steady pace.

On Saturday morning, March 6, LS-272 was attacked. Extensive on USAID facilities damage was not caused. However nine civilians were killed and twelve wounded in the action.

On March 3 the enemy attacked LS-65 (UG-1810) causing a groups of self-sufficient villagers to move south.

Refugees from the LS-102 LS-213 areas are moving toward LS-25 (SG-9950) and the Xieng Ngam area (TG-0783).

On April 2 the enemy attacked LS-63, killing 6 civilians and capturing 600 others.

During the later part of May and June LS-32 came under siege by north Vietnamese forces,. During the course of the siege, an estimated 160 civilians were killed by enemy rocket, mortas and sinall arms fire. An additional 200 were reported wounded. Also, numerous house and other building, including the dispinsary, were ignited by incoming rounds and burned.

On June 8, Phu Bia (UG-1489) was attacked and approximately 2,000 civilians were captured. Later reconnasance by friendly patrols discovered bodies of 50 dead civilians on the site.

On June 28 LS-6 (UG-0790) was attacked and a large percentage of the 2,100 unhaltants were captured by the enemy.

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Interview with Ly Chen/Williamson

Phao Cha = Ly Chen's father



former naibong of ^{Khong} Mg. Pha, which
consisted of tasseng Phou Sangop

" Mg Cha

" Ban Na

" Na Wa (15-20)

at time when Thoubry was CM. Mg Meo.

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LT Ref fm Operation Golden Mountain
E of Phon Khoun:

Keo Nhoak - 18/89

Phu Yang - 6/28

Nam Path 3/17

Phu Veng Noi - 9/60

Phu Veng Hinjak - 17/110

53/304

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Newts an. X. Dat a couple days
ago.

V.P. est. himself
at Long Theng 1962-63,

2 Sept 77
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Prior to ~~1964-65~~ 1963-64

LS-132, 74, 170, Phu Veng,
Phu Khoun, 25 areas enemy.

after V.P. established himself
in Long Theng he concentrated
his efforts on retaking the
surrounding area.

Naikong Sia Sue, a V.P.
appointee, was in charge of
a ADC company charged
with retaking RS-132,

During the ensuing struggle,
about 1,500 people in the
area fled to LS-258,
Cham

The original leaders in the
area were:

- 1) Sing Ha - LS-132
- 2) Sing Yang - LS-170
- 3) Sing Shoun - LS-25
- 4) Sing Tao }

These individuals went also to
LS-258, where they planned
to repose until the fighting
was over.

During the time spent under

Ban Xom wa PL
Battalion HQ

from My Ch.
LS-66 to LS-272
north,
incl Phu Khao
Khoun

meeting from LS-57

The enemy, portage duties
were required to Phu Khoun,
LS-270,

Sometime during the ensuing
period, Gasie split with
V.P. /

Group of Meo at LS-319 (Mg Sao) =
mostly indigenous, but one group from
Ban Bouak on P.D.T., 400-500 people
are now mil depts.

Claimed
80,000
followers

(Bac) Chay was leader of Meo
revolts in 1919-20 against
The French on P.D.T. (~~Ban Bouak~~).

Chay was "Chao Fa", ~~related~~
similar to various Chao Fas²
appearing this year, ~~the~~
apparently ~~the~~ part of
group participating in Taping
rebellion, etc. Followers
located in North Vietnam,

after Taping
drove south
in N. Viet-Nam
to Northern Laos (Sum Nam)
(Phu Thi area)

are from
Phong Sahy

Perhaps also related the group
in ~~the~~ "Chao Fa" currently
at Phou Pha Khouay (Pak Lay).

10 Sept 71

Conversation w/ Col Siap and C.M. Pha
at My Kassy on 10 Sept 71

LS-132

F. Benson

Background

During the early 50s, ^{the Lao Issara} ~~after the~~ movement had been formed and was attempting to push the French from Laos. In the Muong Kassy area, one of the major points of French resistance was Long Pot (LS-132), where the French formed an alliance with the local Meo. ^{The C.M. Mykassy fought} at Long Pot with the Issara in a bloody battle which left many dead.

The period during the early sixties (61-65) Col. Siap was a Captain with the Neutralists at Muong Phum. After the split in neutralist ranks, Siap recruited Meo in the area, including the Long Pot Meo, to assist in the resistance against the P.L. According to Col. Siap they were good fighters, but now...

Present Situation

There are ~~two~~ two tassengs in the Long Pot area:

1) Tasseng Tham Keo (Meo)

Tasseng Tham Keo consists of seven villages / 97 houses and 497 people. The Nai-tasseng is a man by name of Sao Tao. The

during the time prior to the split, the greater My Kassy area, (including, presumably Long Pot) was P.L. The C.M. My Kassy lived ~~there~~ in Kassy until '63 when he fled to Ute. The enemy killed his younger brother & he was tired of the B.S.

SGO/ADC
mil & mil depts → VP

556 →

636 →

rep → Kassy
Sec. Service ~~from~~

(2)

military commander of local
ADC's is Grasue, ^{a native of area} all Meo in
area are Meo Khao. Grasue is still
at Song Pot, and Prakane ^{he pays} (CDA/Mg
Kassy) a visit every time he is in
town. Prakane says he is a good
man.

2) Tasseng Nam Sa (L.T.)

Tasseng Nam Sa consists of
20 villages, and 375 houses.
The nai-tasseng is Thao Ker,
and his assistant is Thao
Tung. aside from being nai
Tasseng, Thao Ker is, according
to Trapp, one of V.P.'s Narkong.

There was always
~~contact~~ a good
deal of contact
between Song Pot
and Muong
Kassy. The
C.M. had
been there
several times,
as has
Prakane, the
CDA/Mg Kassy.
(in the company
of an USMC
Gary Davis).

In February 1971 PL/NVA elements
attacked and captured Muong
Chun (LS-56), ~~the~~ and the Tham
Sorn (LS-74) / Phu Miang area.
Upon hearing of fighting in the area,
all of the villagers in the LS-132
area began a mass exodus, which
began when the enemy was fighting
in the LS-56/74 areas and which
finished when the enemy was within
a few km. of LS-132.

on Feb 20th

According to Jaip,
they made a verbal
request, but no action
was taken.

If assistance
was ~~accepted~~, the
request was a
verbal one only;
requests for assistance
must be accompanied
by a list of
refugees before
serious attention
is given.

reported
Feb 23, 71
Sitrep MacP ^{mann}
(Chon file)

^{and}
The Lao Theung villagers went to
Ban Nam Ok Hou, and ^{also} the
meo villagers went to Muang
Kassy. ~~During~~ It is not certain
that the "refugees" requested assistance,
as they only remained in the Kassy
area ~~for~~ between 4 and 10 days
before returned to their villages.
It is certain, however, that 22/150
meo fm Tass. Nam Keo
went to Phon Khong Khao where
they remain to this day.
This group of 22 families
requested and received rice
assistance - They are currently
receiving rice at Phon Khong Khao.

Apparently, the village soldiers
fm the LS-132 area returned to the
LS-132 area before their families
did in an attempt to "resecure"
the area. According to Jaip,
however, the enemy never even
entered LS-132. However, ~~in~~
the village soldiers apparently
had some contact with the
enemy in the LS-132 area
and succeeded in capturing two
enemy and killing four others.
Once they were reestablished
in their village (early March),

277 ^{Mod}
650 CW
363 100kg

339
235
1

64

200
300
000

40000

40
200

700
12350

4

4 Radio operators arrived ~~the~~ ^{from}
LS-20A.

Since that time, LS-132 area has been, it seems, for all intents and purposes, secure. In fact, the only period that 132 was "insecure" was the 10 day period when no-one was there.

Since the return of the villagers, whether or not 132 was secure was ~~not~~ ^{neither} a question nor cause for concern ~~by~~ by civilian and military authorities in My. Kassy. That this was the case ~~was~~ is ~~based on the~~ ^{based on the} fact that people from 132 continued to journey to My Kassy to buy goods, etc. etc.

As of the 25th of August, FAR elements taking part in Operation Phon Khao Kham (Operation Gold Mountain) entered the LS-132 (564) and Nam Petz (561) area, when they are currently located. Col. Leup said there is no problem there and no problem ~~keeping~~ ^{keeping}. As to V.P.'s element at 132, "V.P.'s business is his own".

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There are only 2 groups of ^{Mo & L.T.} refugees in the Jony Port area. The refugees are from two villages in Mg. Xung Nyeun, Ban Tham Jung (18 families) and Ban Pha Ngam (28 families), and are presently located at Ban Nam Pek. Fighting in ~~the~~ their original area early this year prompted them to move to relatives at Nam Pek.

There only formal request for assistance from these people was received by the C.M. Mg Kassy on Sept. 9 in the form of a Bansii. Prior to the 9th. several "requests" for help had been presented, but never in the form of a letter. ^{The C.M. believes that a one-shot use} distribution would handle these people.

To These oral requests the C.M. told these people that they could borrow rice from their relatives until such time as they were able to harvest their own crop.

aside from these two groups of refugees, the C.M. stated that there were no people in the CS-132 area who had made any requests for assistance.

for political reasons
 It would seem prudent, that
 any and all ^{USAID/} support to
 civilians in the CS-132 area
~~be channeled through~~
~~come from~~ Muong Kassy. Politically
 and geographically, it appears
 as though the 132 area is
 much more closely aligned with
 Muong Kassy than with Ban
 Ton. ^(no light support w/ 272) All civilian administrative
 matters in the CS-132 area are
 handled through proper channels
 in Muong Kassy. This support
~~should~~ extend to medical and
 "developmental" assistance if requested
 by local & KLG authorities in area.
~~and for~~

~~It is~~
 aside from support from Muong Kassy,
 no other support appears to be
 required. It is recommended that
 further investigation of refugees
 reportedly at Nam Pek be carried
 out through local military &
 civilian authorities in Kassy.

~~ADE MR-II~~ supported
 as for support to military elements
 in 132 area, ~~that~~ Muong Kassy area
officials regard this as V.P.'s business
 and no, repeat no support should
 be issued unless based on V.P.'s request,
 specifically

V.P. should
 be soundchecked
 out as to
 his intentions
 in area.

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~~This matter~~

That this should be the case is illustrated by the fact that Già Sue, ~~the~~ ~~the~~ V.P.'s Meo making emilitary commander in the area seems to ~~be~~ ~~more~~ ~~contact~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~settlement~~ ~~by~~ My Kassy people than with 204 people.

Già Sue has, for as it appears, ~~that~~ ~~is~~ ~~no~~ ~~longer~~ one reason or another, ~~and~~ ceased to go to V.P. for support, and is, for all practical purposes, a big LS-132 personality, in view of My Kassy authorities.

Circumstances dictate, therefore, that it would be wise to approach the 132 problem thru ^{RLC} My Kassy rather than thru LS-272.

↓
(neutralist/royalist)

11 Sept 71

V.P.S
Business
is his own

remain } Nam Ken
 (today) } Nam Ou

all 13 vill

6 vill L.T

8 vill mee

CO1 requested assistance

Can sleep at
 132 now
 never was
 enemy

never fight 132

enemy never fought at 132 !!
 went from 56 → 74 -

Came down from
 north on
 operation -
 arr. 25 May

Far troops at 132 (564)
 Nam Pek (561)

22 Jan from 132 →
 Phon Khong Khoo after
 full of 132" - now receive
 use

Leap at LS-37
 (aiming this time)
 but 61 & 65 = before
 132 people fought well
 with leap, not, do not

CM Pia
Feb 20 = 22/150

2 Jan Tham Res
are mid depts

Tham 92 houses 7 vill Mao
497 people

never requested → when fall → Kassy
Gua Sue = seminar
Lao Tao = top

Nam So
20 vill - 375 houses → took Hou

Thao Gen (taso)

19/11/71 (Feb 20 71)

Nam Pek
3± me. ago

So PL went water hall
found captured 2 people

enemy fought with taham Ban
2 captured → enemy
4 killed

Mao, Pha Nyaan
L.T. - Pha Kerry

Came last year

Pha Nyaan → Nam Pek
Long BT

Sent request for rice on 9/15
B. Tham Jung (18 Jan) → Nam Pek
B. Phu Nyaan (28 Jan) → Nam Pek

(Kham) came by
1700 fm N. Kham area →

Tham Koo
Gua Sue = Mao Nyaan
L.T. Nyaan

Barh Tung = Kassy
Barh Koo = L.T.
Nam So
Nam Pek
Nam Pek

21 September 1971

Meo Clan Structure

<u>Clan</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Clan Leader</u>
1) Ly (Choua	Meo Lay/Meo Khao	Touby
2) Vang (Vou)	Meo Lay/Meo Khao	Gen. Vang Pao
3) Moua (Gane)	Meo Lay/Meo Khao	Col. Tu Lu
4) Her (Droua)	Meo Lay/Meo Khao	Lt. Herchay (Acting)
5) Hang	Meo Lay	Maj. Hang Xao
6) Xiang	Meo Lay/Meo Khao	Col. Jua Pao Xiang
7) Tao (Drou)	Meo Lay/Meo Khao	Col. Ly Cheu
8) Yang	Meo Lay/Meo Khao	Col. Xua Yang
9) Geu	Meo Lay	Maj. Geu Sing
10) Kang	Meo Lay	Maj. Vang Sing
11) Chang	Meo Lay/Meo Khao	Sy Toua
12) Lo	Meo Khao	Nao Tou

Twelve Meo clans incorporate all Meo in Laos, as well as those Meo who live in Thailand, China and North Vietnam.

Since their migration from China, members of each clan are not located together as a geographical unit, but are dispersed over a wide area.

Clan leadership is based on a patriarchal system.

JANUARY 1972

				Solds	Deps	Refuges	total Purple Feed	40 by Rice	Hash	Rice Drop 27%	CM	Meat Suppl	Meat Farmed	total Meat	Salt	Veg oil	Banana	
cut	D2 016	P. Vang Fong	TG-8605	X	756	958	1714	240	480			240	120	360	21			13/1
	047	Muong Yen	TF-8093	V	405		405	120	120			60	20	81	5			
	0142	Pha Khe	TF-8299	E	10,000	-	10000	600	3960			1980		1980	120	(14 salt drop)		15/1
cut	0144	P. Sam Kang	TG-8606	TI	415	388	753	120	240			120	30	150	9			
	0176	Kao Mak Feuang	TG-6005	HP			1096	120	360			180	40	220	13	11	10/1	
cut	0184	Phu Fai Mai	TG-9203	KK	3620	2526	6146	360	2400	30	120	1200	29	1229	53	77	17/1	
	0192	Ban Na Li	TF-9690	H	191	862	1053	360		50		180	200	200	13	11		
	0193	Nam Tong	TF-7292	IP	296	859	1155	480					225	225	14	12		
	0194	Phu Kheung	TF-8799	LI			1200	480			120		230	230	15	12		
x	0196	B. Houei Sao	TF-6896	ZI	141	921	1062	120	360			180	32	212	13	11		
	0201	Sop Ao	TF-9778	III	169	288	457	120	120			60	30	90	6	5		
	0202	Phu Bia	UG-0707	HO	614		614	240					120	120	7	6		
	0204	Pha Houei	TG-7900	A	930	930	930	240	120			60	44	104	11	5	7/1	
	0205	Pung Moh	TF-8795	LL	493	380	873	240	120			60	100	160	11	9		
	0206	Kao Sakai Tai	TF-7791	TI	870	940	1810	360	360		120	180	180	360	22	18		
cut	0208	Nyot Moh	TG-9108	L		801	801	240	240			120	30	150	10	8		
cut	0209	Long Muong	TG-8805	FF		77	776	360					150	150	10		Have some rice on hand	
	0212	Kao Pha Khoun	TF-8091	HH	150	188	338	120					60	60	4	5		
	0215	Nam Phat	TG-2836	T	295		295	120		40			24	24	1			
cut	0216	Pha Chong	TG-8200	LII			3145	480	720	30		360	60	420	28		120 rice extra	15/1
✓	0219	Sop Hien	TF-7284	TF		107	107			40			20	20	1	1		
	0222	Pung Hai	TG-5131	N	247	621	868	240	120			60	120	180	11	9		
cut	0223	Kang Tai	TG-8205	NN			1393	120	480	20		240	40	280	17	21	8/1	13/1
	0224	Kao Pha	TF-7899	TT		1233	1233		480	80		240		240	15	12	7/1	
	0226	Hak Sh	TG-7613	A			1072	120	360			180	34	214	13		AT	max to 337x
cut	0227	Kua Nam Pha	TG-8509	H		116	116			44			20	20	2			10/1
		Houei Nam Phai	TG 7103	FL		158	158	60					30		2			Jan 17, 1972

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EE
TF 337

	Location			Soldo Depo	Refugees	total people fed	40kg Rice	Heard	Rice Drop 272	CM	Meat Dropp	Meat Pander	total meat	Salt	Veg oil	Banai	
DL-0228	Phu Nyoj Tan	UF-0492	I		154	154			60			30	30	2	2		
	Muong Gio Tai	UF-0079	V	20	3	23			12					1			
0156		TF-8198	TL	1106	170	1276	120	480	90		240	420	240	15			22/1
UT	Nam Kap Nua	TG-5807	KN			844	120	240	70		120	50	170	10	8		19/1
		TG-7804	PH			806	120	240			120	40	160	10			
	Ban Kang Mai	TF-7197	H			200			70			40	40	3			
		TF-7295	UL		178	178			70			33	33	2			
	Nam Song	TG-4413	F			704		240	70		120	20	140	10	7		19/1
	Nam Phouak	TG-6411	T			1789	120	720			360		360	20			(20000 570 for 12)
		TG-4202				801	120	240			120	40	160	10			19/1 14/1
		TG-4419	E			492		120	90			40	100	6	5		12/1
	x	TF-7895	VL			1092	120	360			180	38	218	14			
		TG-7211	VI			620		240	40		120			8			
	CUT	TG-8101	H			669		240	60		120	14	134	8			
	CUT	TG-8900	L			801	120	240			120	40	160	10	8		
		TG-7405	F			30			10								
	(Held until ✓)	TG-3730	T			749		240	90		120	30	150	10	7		12/1
		TG-3228															
031	Phu Houei Kham	TF-7991	III			392		120	50		60	18	78	5			14/1
	Nam Cia	UG0207	HZ														
	San Bouan Mou	TG-6604	X			443	120	(75%)									22/1
		TG-8005	HV														

eat at KH

		Location			Soldo	Deps	Refugees	total people fed	40 kg Rice	Hash	Oil Drop 222	CM	Meat Onipped	Meat candied	total meat	Salt	veg oil	Banai	Remarks
LS	05	Pa Dong	UG-0212	I		120	528	648	240					110	110	8	6	went to HZ	12/1
cut	14	Pha Khao	TG-9205	T		1837	76	1913	480	360			180	200	380	23		(800KK)	
	25	Phu Chia	SG-9950	H			2000	2000	240	480		120	240		240	25	20	(1 noodle)	
	32	Bouam Long	UG-2686	U			5166	5166	600	1800		240	900	100	1000	120	52	(1 noodle)	
cut	61	Tha Si	UF-7684	I				903	120	240			120	60	180	12	9	- 1 special reg 11/1	+ 625 up to 1000 pm 63
cut	63	Muong Nyam	UF-7496	Z	1058	995	420	2473	840	360			180	200	380	31	11		
	66	Na Luang	TF-6692	L		629		629	240					120		8			
cut	74	Tham Sorn	TG-4133	T		369	179	548	120	120			60	40	100	7	6		12/1
cut	90	Tui Bang	TG-5202	E	176	13	382	571	120	120			60	60	120	7	6		
	113	Muong Cha	UF-0091	F				253	120							4			
cut	132	Song Pot	TG-3637	U				2200	120							10			
	191	Thong Khun	TF-9387	F			151	151			45			10	10	2	2		
	207	Nam Mch	TF-8287	L		105		105			40			5	5	2			
	223	Nam Feng	TF-1491	L		29	811	835	360			120		150	150	10	8		
	227	M. Do Nena	UF-0781	U	20		626	646	240					125	125	8	7		
	255	Phu He	TF-9377	T				4068	1200	480		360	240	570	810	51	41		
	266	Thong Muang	TF-8987	P				2658	840	360		240	180	350	530	33	27	(1 noodle)	
	270	P. San Ngop	UF-0990	O				540	240					100	100	7	5		
	288	Nam Yon	TF-7795	K		1124		2638	120	360	50		180	39	219	30			
							114	178			70			37	27	2			
	280	Thong Noi	TF-9483	AI		60	744	800	240	120			60	100	160	10	8		
	333	N. Feng Nena	UF-0893	EF				2197	840			120		420	420	27	22		
	335	Nam Va	TF-7295	UI		163	2465	2628	720	480		120	240	270	510	32	26		
	336	Phu Sa	TH-9607	E				1280	240	360		120	180	50	230	16	13		
	337	P. Kang Nena	TG-7509	EE				1550	120	480	80	120	240	270	510	19	15	8/1	
	339	Phu Cum	UH-0503	PT				3479	480	1200		120	600	100	700	45	35	(1 noodle)	
	340	Pa Dong Noi	UF-0689	LA				782	240	120			60	80	140	10	8		
	344	Nam Poun	TF-9887	K		72	2624	2696	600	600		120	300	230	530	33	27		
	349	San Kake	UF-0686	TH		14	1625	1639	360	360		120	180	140	320	20	17		

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