

*Mac*

# UNITED STATES MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMMAND VIETNAM

*Put in on Vietnam  
Mission -  
File*

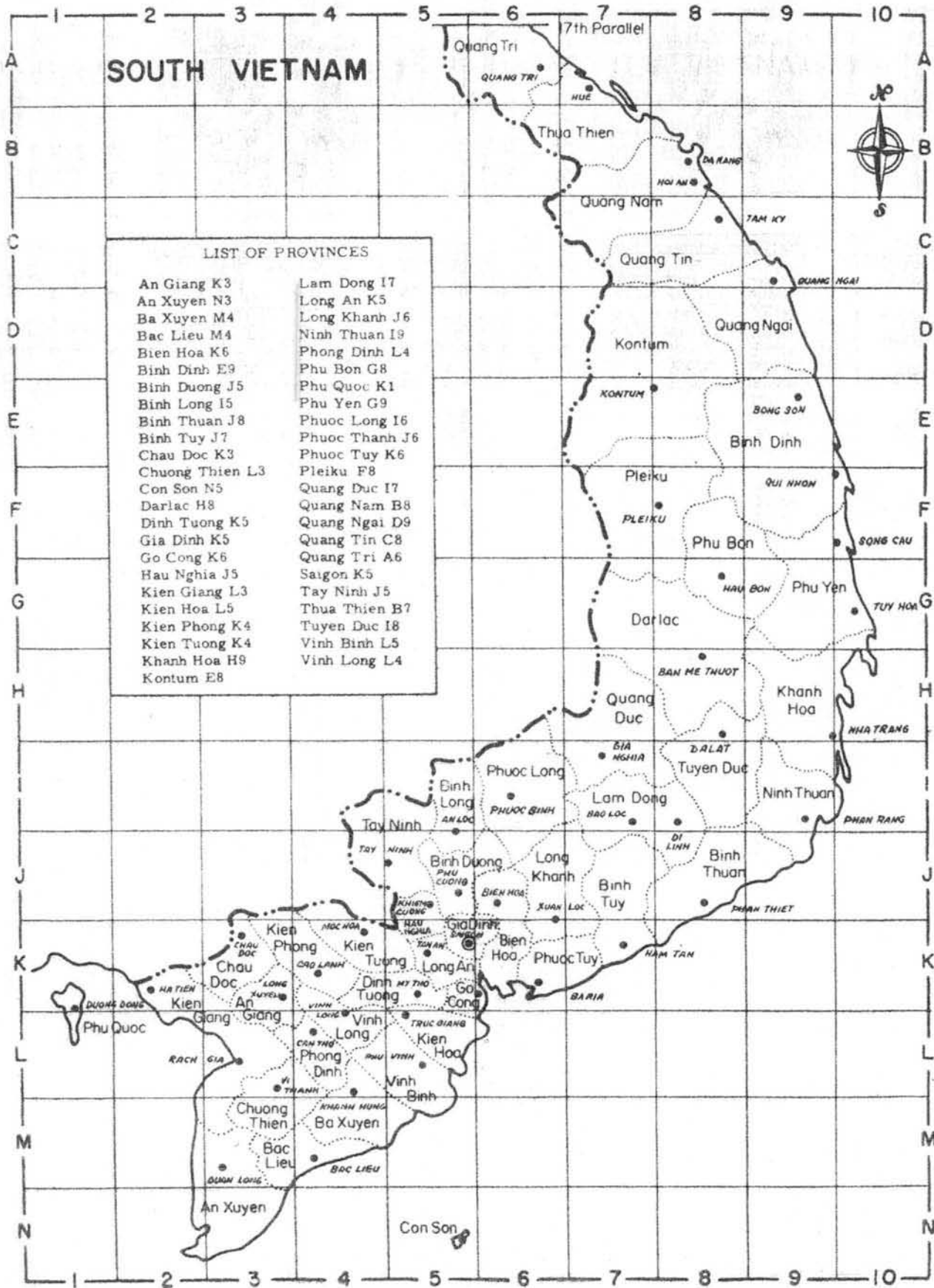


## "THE MACV PATCH"

THE COLORED PATCH ON THE COVER OF THIS FOLDER IS THE OFFICIAL INSIGNIA OF THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMMAND, VIETNAM.

DESCRIPTION : THE INSIGNIA CONSISTS OF A SWORD WITH YELLOW HILT AND WHITE BLADE POINT TO TOP BETWEEN TWO SEGMENTS OF A YELLOW ARCHED EMBATTLED FESS AND A RED SHIELD THREE INCHES OVERALL IN HEIGHT, ALL WITHIN A 1/8 INCH YELLOW BORDER.

SYMBOLISM OF INSIGNIA : YELLOW AND RED ARE THE VIETNAM COLORS. THE RED GROUND ALLUDES TO THE INFILTRATION AND OPPRESSION FROM BEYOND THE EMBATTLED WALL (I.E. THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA). THE OPENING IN THE "WALL" THROUGH WHICH THIS INFILTRATION AND OPPRESSION FLOW IS BLOCKED BY THE SWORD REPRESENTING UNITED STATES MILITARY AID AND SUPPORT. THE "WALL" IS ARCHED AND THE SWORD POINTED UPWARD IN REFERENCE TO THE OFFENSIVE ACTION PUSHING THE AGGRESSOR BACK.



The Deputy Director  
of the United States Operations Mission to Vietnam  
Mr. J. Howard Edwards  
requests the pleasure of the company of  
Senator Mondale  
at dinner  
on Thursday, January the sixth  
at seven-thirty o'clock

In record  
R. J. V. P.  
Ext. 43,234  
Ext. 400/640

Inferral

Apk. 53

H. D. van Ooyen

The Honorable  
William F. Mondale  
Senator of Minnesota

Mac

### Cam Rahn Bay

"If ever there was an example of American engineering skill, it is Cam Rahn Bay. Within weeks, a desert over 10,000 miles from the United States was transformed into a mammoth airport, a petroleum depot, and a giant seaport - all critically needed in our war effort in Vietnam."

### Pacified Village

"The Marines showed us Le Ma close to Da Nang as an example of a pacified village. Efforts are being made there to improve the lives of the villagers by providing such things as medical care and education, and establishing a stable local government. The Viet Cong have repeatedly tried to block these efforts, making necessary close Marine guards. In fact, the mayor of this town - Cai M - whom we met on our visit - was assassinated a few weeks after we left."

### Minnesotans:

"I wish all Minnesotans could have visited our Minnesotan G.I.'s in Vietnam as I was privileged to do. You would have been enormously proud. They were alert, their morale was high and their officers told me they were among the best first of our fighting men in Vietnam today."

*Senator Mondale*

*Mar*

Dinner  
Apartment 33, 14 Doan Cong Buu  
Thursday, January 6, 1966  
Seven-thirty o'clock  
Informal

Host:

Mr. J. H. Edwards  
Deputy Director, USOM

Guests of honor:

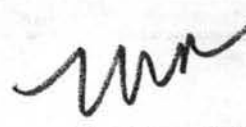
The Honorable Walter F. Mondale  
Senator of Minnesota  
Mr. Levi C. Nelson  
Hubbard Broadcasting Company  
Mr. James Borman  
Midwest Radio-TV Corporation

Guests:

Mr. Harry S. Casler  
Deputy Director, JUSPAO  
Major General Richard S. Abbey  
Deputy Chief of Staff, MACJO2  
Mr. Leroy S. Wehrle  
Assistant Director for Program  
and Economic Policy, USOM  
Mr. Edward Marks  
Chief, Office of the Refugee  
Coordinator, USOM  
Colonel George Jacobson  
Chief, Plans and Projects Branch,  
Provincial Operations, USOM  
??? Mr. Carl Van Haeften  
Chief, Agriculture Division, USOM

*Mac*

<u>Name and Title</u>	<u>Mailing Address</u>	<u>Where You Met Him</u>
Henry Cabot Lodge, Ambassador	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	His residence for luncheon.
J. Howard Edwards, Acting Director, USOM	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon and dinner, his residence
Maj. Gen. W. B. Rosson Chief of Staff, USA	MACV J-2 APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
Leroy S. Wehrle Embassy Economic Counselor	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
Thomas J. Corcoran Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
Edward K. Marks Chief, Refugee Coordination	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
David F. Lambertson Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
William H. Marsh Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Briefing at Embassy
John R. Burke Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Briefing at Embassy
Col. George Jacobson Chief, Plans and Projects Br., Provincial Operations, USOM	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Mr. Edwards' dinner
Douglas E. Pike Deputy Chief, Planning Office	JUSPAO APO San Francisco 96243	Mr. Edwards' dinner



<u>Name and Title</u>	<u>Mailing Address</u>	<u>Where You Met Him</u>
Henry Cabot Lodge, Ambassador	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	His residence for luncheon.
J. Howard Edwards, Acting Director, USOM	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon and dinner, his residence
Maj. Gen. W. B. Rosson Chief of Staff, USA	MACV J-2 APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
Leroy S. Wehrle Embassy Economic Counselor	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
Thomas J. Corcoran Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
Edward K. Marks Chief, Refugee Coordination	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
David F. Lambertson Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
William H. Marsh Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Briefing at Embassy
John R. Burke Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Briefing at Embassy
Col. George Jacobson Chief, Plans and Projects Br., Provincial Operations, USOM	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Mr. Edwards' dinner
Douglas E. Pike Deputy Chief, Planning Office	JUSPAO APO San Francisco 96243	Mr. Edwards' dinner

*Mar*

<u>Name and Title</u>	<u>Mailing Address</u>	<u>Where You Met Him</u>
Henry Cabot Lodge, Ambassador	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	His residence for luncheon.
J. Howard Edwards, Acting Director, USOM	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon and dinner, his residence
Maj. Gen. W. B. Rosson Chief of Staff, USA	MACV J-2 APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
Leroy S. Wehrle Embassy Economic Counselor	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
Thomas J. Corcoran Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
Edward K. Marks Chief, Refugee Coordination	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
David F. Lambertson Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Ambassador's luncheon
William H. Marsh Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Briefing at Embassy
John R. Burke Political Officer	American Embassy APO San Francisco 96243	Briefing at Embassy
Col. George Jacobson Chief, Plans and Projects Br., Provincial Operations, USOM	USOM APO San Francisco 96243	Mr. Edwards' dinner
Douglas E. Pike Deputy Chief, Planning Office	JUSPAO APO San Francisco 96243	Mr. Edwards' dinner



Remained hope for Self-Sufficiency  
India says by 70/71  
Too ~~much~~ dependent.

Ag growth has been 3%  
in ~~the~~ 50's, perhaps not  
sustained in 60's  
Running out of land —  
Now must increase yield.  
"Potty Cereal"

Need 5% - (3% not  
enough)

I.A.P. - Great Promise

Policy experiment

Subramaniam  
Cabinet now really  
believe in Agriculture  
New Step —  
+ Incentive Price Support

Subramaniam speech in Dec 1965  
- Important Blueprint for A.P.  
@ Increased Fertilizer Supply  
~~75%~~

- ⑥ High target for domestic  
Fertilizer Production
- ⑦ Parliament granted free fertilizer

Seeds  
Potatoes  
Minor Irrigation

I.A.P. -

Sub Grants

33 Million acres -

But Water -

+ better fertilizers, Potatoes  
Crop Varieties,

More effort needed -  
but feasible

Hybrid Varieties could  
double or triple  
rice & wheat,  
etc., yields

What we be doing

① Should help in some  
areas.

② Some expert help - Technical assistance  
③ Helping land grant <sup>(including some cases)</sup> ~~first~~ <sup>Ag Universities</sup> ~~first~~ <sup>AID -</sup> ~~first~~ <sup>Severe Ag Universities</sup>  
Now

④ Fertilizer  
⑤ Imports  
⑥ Fertilizer Production

1 (Prices increase unmanaged  
~~and~~ Federal Price)

Now 1165 - 400 M Tons.

~~Need~~ - ~~for~~

1965 - 1 Million

25% increase per year

5 year plan  
Calls for → 1971 - 2.4 Nitrogen

Needs Extended Fish  
6 million  
Very helpful.

Rupia Funding

Tube wells - for rigs - 200 million  
foreign exchange

Rupia - Can help in allocation of  
resources. ~~then through~~  
~~to~~

U.S. Uses in the Problem  
- Could use for Ag. related  
projects.  
- Can only get more  
~~if~~ if appropriate  
by Congress.

Say 1005

Country Grants program  
is virtually eliminated.

∴ U.S. Uses fund is rising

◦◦◦ Would help of some  
Rupees - (grant) - eg  
Health & Education

amounts - 100 million  
per year

But must meter release  
of Rupees.

B1 - National Foundation  
An excellent idea.

Would become national  
Ford Foundation -  
- Work for Education  
& Science

\* → Burch Cardinal → Now a serious effort

- 40/1000

- 25/1000 - tapered for level.

Has been U.N., World Bank,  
+ AID Team.

"Loop" is now blessed. +  
is basic to program  
- New administration

States are also pushing -  
Partly because of Ford  
Revolutions effort.

Have Loop factor - 14M  
per day.  
" Improve inserters

Demand is rising ahead  
of inserters + follow-up.

Will be very significant  
over next decade.

India - Shastri

Very Serious Food  
Crisis. Worst  
drought in century.

## Result

- Result  
 ⑦ approx 14 Million f.g. Short-fall  
 - 76 Million - need at  
 least 90  
 - A Unacc.

- ② U.S. will have to help ~~out~~

- ⑨ Sharp inflation since  
Urban poor -  
- Deep Political  
Crisis

- ⑥ Station &  
Deaths

- Not necessarily from famine but ~~from deliberate cannibalism~~  
unwhimpered resistance

- ③ Legumes became India under Jharkhand & Subman taking 1st major steps
- Fertilizer, Seed Variety,
  - Fertilizer, Seed Variety, In Ag Problem
  - Pesticide - Light Impulse

Peace offensive —  
too early to say it has failed  
~~and~~ especially in view of developments  
of past 24 hours —

X - Hanoi accepted letter from  
U. S. (which presumably  
~~contains~~ contains ~~the~~  
a peace proposal) this  
is hopeful in view of fact that  
similar letter was rejected  
during ~~last~~ the bombing last  
last year

X - Hanoi ~~is~~ has not yet  
responded to U. S. letter

X - Sheptin's remarks in  
Hanoi repeatedly warning  
~~stressing~~ that conflict could  
escalate into WWII

X Japan's New  
Effort

Thailand

Econ

Rapidly growing economy - 7%

~~per~~ per capita 115

Strong trade balance.

Second ~~Best~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~world~~.

Growth - Industrial - Ag.

Political → Independent & Strong -

- Monarchy - really controlled by military & some military bureaucrats - Loyalty to central Gov
- May be bigger - No tradition of citizen involvement

Friends of US + Strongly Anti-Communist.

- Supports us in Vietnam
- Thailand is building its defensive strength - air & air force. Parts, etc
- ~~Challenged by~~ ~~Comm~~ ~~in~~ ~~N E Thailand~~ - Communist & small activities - Will grow in several

? Helps us <sup>in many ways</sup> ex A Dev Bank.  
Has helped Thai Gov - 850 - Bid

Thais: is most helpful  
to role may prove to  
be critical in the  
power struggle w/ Commun

- Potentially - as  
militia grows, stronger  
Others give clean help  
as in A.D.B.

- ? - Feb of summer

Col. Brebeck

3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade - 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Div

Ben Kat Area. LAI - HAE Platoon

Strength - 4,500 approx

Here since Oct 12,

Training to pacify area w/  
Civil Action Program

- Have 19 Village Chiefs  
who must live in  
Ben Kat

- Help w/ Medicine &  
Food.

- Retain V.C. tax collection  
they block the  
Road.

86 Days - Kill 569  
U.C. / Casualties 1196  
US →

Covid Season - III Brigade

---

10 m. Say Miles - III Corps

---

70 % of V.C. are locally  
trained, recruited, &  
supplied

• • • Basically depends  
upon appeal & terrorism

- V.C. Cadre ~~are very~~  
effective & they are  
dispersed down to hamlets.  
Regular

---

We don't have ~~any~~ <sup>efficient</sup> Cadre  
type help.

---

⇒ Main Force - V.C.  
⇒ Guerrilla Force

V.C. growing faster  
than here in sheer.

## What do you Need

Doubling of Troops  
Air Mobility.

Doubling strength will  
more than double efficiency.

- also civilians.
- Can't stay clear enough
- " hold long enough

- Enlightened  
Government (especially  
Rural Administration)

- Needs to develop  
following

- V Nam Gov. ~~not~~ particularly

Strong W.I. Forces

V.C. in  
Yunnan

More  
~~the~~ Advisors can  
improve ~~ARUN~~ ARUN  
tools

Field leadership  
is weak.



# MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Copyright in the Walter F. Mondale Papers belongs to the Minnesota Historical Society and its content may not be copied without the copyright holder's express written permission. Users may print, download, link to, or email content, however, for individual use.

To request permission for commercial or educational use, please contact the Minnesota Historical Society.



[www.mnhs.org](http://www.mnhs.org)