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RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AFFECTING SIZE, FUNCTIONS ETC OF AUM 352.

2. IT HAS NOW BEEN DECIDED THAT AUM-352 SHOULD BE INCREASED TO DOUBLE ITS PRESENT SIZE (FROM 15 TO 30 MEN): THIS INCREASE IS STILL SUBJECT TO MINISTERIAL APPROVAL BUT THIS IS EXPECTED VERY SOON. ADDITIONAL MANPOWER WILL BE SUPPLIED FROM

3. OBJECTS OF BUILD-UP ARE:

X (A) TO INCREASE CAPABILITY TO TOTAL OF FOUR 18-HOUR POSITIONS, THUS ENABLING UNIT COVER ALL KNOWN ENEMY COMMS IN 1 ATF AREA OF INTEREST (PHUOC TOY PROVINCE) AND ALSO UNDERTAKE SEARCH/DEV AGAINST HITHERTO UNDISCOVERED TARGETS IN AND ADJACENT TO THAT AREA.

(B) TO ENABLE UNIT CONTROL ITS OWN ARDF CAPABILITY (WHICH FOR TIME BEING WILL TAKE FORM OF LIGHT AIRCRAFT EQUIPPED WITH

, C) TO EASE ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROCESSING BURDEN BY PROVIDING ADEQUATE PERSONNEL FOR THESE FUNCTIONS. X

4. TWO PROBLEMS IN PARTICULAR WERE NOTED DURING RECENT VISIT TO SAIGON OF

(A) PRESENT EMBARGO ON VISITS BY AUM 352 PERSONNEL

IS INEVITABLY INHIBITING MOST EFFECTIVE USE OF UNIT'S
RESOURCES AS CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL VIETNAM SIGINT EFFORT.

(B) DESIRABILITY OF HAVING [REDACTED] A DSD LIAISON OFFICER WHO WOULD
SPEND PART OF HIS TIME ACTING AS LINK BETWEEN AUM 352 AND

[REDACTED]
AND REMAINDER AS WORKING MEMBER OF [REDACTED] ANALYSIS/PROCESSING
SECTION.

5. POINTS IN MY PARA 4 HAVE BEEN TAKEN UP [REDACTED].

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