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15	MEMO W/ATTACH	KISSINGER TO THE PRESIDENT	3/23/71	B

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18	MEMO W/ATTACH	KISSINGER TO THE PRESIDENT	3/20/71	B
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SOUTHEAST ASIAN OPERATIONAL STATUS FEBRUARY, 1971 (4)

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23	MEMO W/ATTACH	KISSINGER TO THE PRESIDENT	3/15/71	B
24	MEMO	KISSINGER TO THE PRESIDENT	3/14/71	B
25	MEMO W/ATTACH	KISSINGER TO THE PRESIDENT	3/13/71	B

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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WASHINGTON

April 6, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM

HENRY A. KISSINGER HK

SUBJECT

Southeast Asian Operational Status (Final Report)

Laos

Operation LAM SON 719.

Combat activity remained light with only two minor contacts reported.

-- In the last action of LAM SON 719, a 150 man ARVN reconnaissance team was helilifted to a cold landing zone in Laos about 12 miles south by southeast from Khe Sanh. Seven hours later, the raiding force was extracted after having destroyed 10 tons of food, 16 houses, and 2 bunkers. There were no friendly casualties or aircraft damages. Fifteen enemy soldiers were killed by supporting air strikes.

-- The redeployment of South Vietnamese forces from the LAM SON area continues with four infantry battalions and miscellaneous support units remaining in the Khe Sanh area. There are currently about 9,000 U.S. troops within a 10-mile radius at Khe Sanh.

Intelligence: Enemy combat strength in the LAM SON area now totals some 30,000 personnel including 57 battalions most of which are located in Laos.

-- The 2nd North Vietnamese Division will probably have primary responsibility for the security of Tchepone if and when the other divisions return to their normal operating areas.

-- There have been isolated late afternoon and nighttime showers and thunderstorms in the Tchepone area.

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By CS NARA, Date 10/22/11

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Cambodia

Operation TOAN THANG 01/71

There were two contacts as ARVN forces continued search and security operations.

- In an engagement in the Snuol Plantation area, 218 enemy soldiers were killed while ARVN forces sustained losses of 8 KIA, 47 WIA, and 82 MIA.
- The bodies of 30 enemy soldiers killed in recent actions were discovered by ARVN units.

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MEMORANDUM

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT  
 FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER  
 SUBJECT: ARVN Operations

General Abrams has sent his personal appraisal of the progress of Operations Lam Son 719 and Toan Thang during the past week. Highlights of the report include:

Operation Lam Son 719:

- Enemy activity decreased during the week, probably as a result of losses suffered in the previous week's attacks on ARVN positions north of Route 9.
- The ARVN move into Tchepone and the subsequent search and clear operations near the town were marked by a high order of professionalism throughout and produced splendid results.
- Six of the ten regiments the enemy has committed against Lam Son 719 have received significant casualties from Allied air, artillery and ground operations. The enemy has also lost an estimated one-sixth of his rear service force in the area.
- Approximately one-half of the enemy's heavier AAA weapons have been destroyed; however, the SAM threat in the area has increased with the deployment of SAM firing units to the northwest of the DMZ.
- Over 70 tanks have been destroyed, leaving an estimated 40 to 45 enemy tanks in the area.

A map of the Lam Son area of operations may be found at Tab A.

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Operation Toan Thang:

- Following a period of rest for reorganization, replacement and reequipping, ARVN forces have begun seeking out the enemy in the Dambe-Chup area.
- ARVN operations in the Kampong Trach and Snuol areas continue without significant results.
- While the enemy has suffered significant personnel losses, there have been no major logistical areas uncovered by ARVN and the enemy's supporting structure remains intact.
- General Minh has adjusted the command structure of the operation to suit his own style, preferring to work through his division commanders, rather than retain personal control over the task forces.

A map of the Toan Thang area of operations may be found at Tab B.

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April 4, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT  
FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER  
SUBJECT: Southeast Asian  
Operations Status

Laos

Operation Lam Son 719: Action in the Lam Son area remained light.

- There are now no South Vietnamese forces in Laos and the South Vietnamese are continuing to deploy eastward.
- There were some minor actions involving U.S. forces in the Khe Sanh area.
- Routine clearing and security operations are continuing in South Vietnam.

Intelligence. There are intelligence indications that elements of North Vietnamese units may be preparing to redeploy from Laos to North Vietnam.

Cambodia

Operation Toan Thang 01/71: Action remained light, with South Vietnamese forces continuing routine operations.

- Three actions were reported which resulted in four enemy killed and eleven ARVN wounded.

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WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR. THE PRESIDENT  
FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER  
SUBJECT: Southeast Asian Operational Status  
March 30, 1971

Laos

Operation LAM SON 719:

Combat activity remained light during the period.

- The 13 man ARVN reconnaissance team in Laos again reported no contacts.
- There were no aircraft losses or major units moves during the period, the withdrawal from Khe Sanh continues.
- U.S. casualties in the LAMSON area of South Vietnam were four killed and twenty wounded.

Cambodia

Operation TOAN THANG 01/71.

No report received.

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WASHINGTON

March 27, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL HAIG

FROM: Dave McManis

This will be a final report, unless there are some significant changes.

## MEMORANDUM

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WASHINGTON

March 27, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of March 27, 1971Laos (LAMSON 719)Totals

Individual weapons	4,959
Crew-served weapons	1,915
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	633,181,932
Other assorted ammo (rounds)	78,093
Food (pounds)	3,160,300
Vehicles	297
Tanks	104
Petroleum (gallons)	209,710
Structures destroyed	1,181
Bunkers destroyed	1,222
Medical supplies (pounds)	7,900
Miscellaneous equipment & supplies (pounds)	80,000
Enemy KIA	13,418
U.S. KIA	148
ARVN KIA	1,279

Cambodia (TOAN THANG 1/71)

Individual weapons	534
Crew-served weapons	127
Small arms ammunition	8,800
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	410
Mines	16
Food	240,800
Structures destroyed	197
Bunkers destroyed	156
Enemy KIA	4,352
ARVN KIA	432
U.S. KIA	10

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WASHINGTON

March 21, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT  
FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER  
SUBJECT: Southeast Asian Operational Status

Laos

Operation LAM SON 719

All ARVN units report contact with the enemy as eastward troop relocations continue.

- Fire Support Base Delta 1 (about 5 miles south of Ban Dong) has been closed and its defending units have been moved to Khe Sanh.
- All ARVN equipment and units are now clear of FSB's Alpha and Bravo which straddle Route 9 a few miles west of the South Vietnamese border.
- In a March 20-21 battle South Vietnamese Marines killed 314 of the enemy and lost 48 KIA.
- On March 19, an ARVN infantry battalion killed 380 enemy soldiers during a 12 hour battle
- An ARVN column moving east on Route 9 suffered losses of 20 KIA and 60 WIA when it was attacked just west of the South Vietnamese border.
- The four battalion Desert Rat force, which has been harassing Communist traffic on Route 23 since early February, is now withdrawing westward toward Muong Phalane. The battalions were preparing for a fresh effort against Muong Phine when they were dispersed by a sharp Communist counterattack.

Cambodia

Operation TOAN THANG 01/71.

Only light enemy contact has been reported.

- ARVN units searching in the Chup Plantation discovered the bodies of 312 enemy soldiers killed by B-52 strikes and previous ground contacts.

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-- ARVN elements near Krek lost 48 tons of ammunition destroyed in a mortar attack.

Diplomatic

Chou En-lai's remarks at a banquet honoring Sihanouk March 18 described the situation in Indochina as "never so favorable as it is today" and characterized China's role as that of the "reliable rear area."

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## MEMORANDUM

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WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of March 21, 1971

<u>Laos (LAMSON 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>	<u>24-hour Change</u>
Individual weapons	4,561	+10
Crew-served weapons	1,662*	-31
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	408,636*	-3,600
Other assorted ammo (rounds)	77,921*	+581
Food (pounds)	3,160,240	+40
Vehicles	287	--
Tanks	99	--
Petroleum (gallons)	209,710	--
Structures destroyed	1,165	--
Bunkers destroyed	1,120	+3
Medical supplies (pounds)	7,900	--
Miscellaneous equipment & supplies (pounds)	80,000	+200
Enemy KIA	12,212	+898
U.S. KIA	111	+6
ARVN KIA	989	+98
<u>Cambodia (TOAN THANG 1/71)</u>		
Individual weapons	529	+2
Crew-served weapons	126	+1
Small arms ammunition	8,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	410	+1
Mines	16	--
Food (pounds)	190,000	--
Structures destroyed	197	+12
Bunkers destroyed	136	+4
Enemy KIA	4,179	+84
ARVN KIA	394	+3
U.S. KIA	8	--

\*Adjusted figure based on updated information.

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WASHINGTON

March 17, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Southeast Asian  
Operational Status

Laos

Operation LAM SON 719

Combat activity has generally increased. ARVN is presently concentrating on carrying out an orderly evacuation to Khe Sanh of the westernmost elements of the 1st ARVN Division (including those from Fire Support Base Lolo).

- ARVN forces continue to secure two landing zones about 4 miles southeast of evacuated FSB Lolo.
- Since March 13, ARVN units have been in sporadic heavy contact with large enemy forces east of FSB Lolo. During the last four days these units have taken losses of 66 KIA and 192 WIA. Enemy forces in the area reportedly lost 1,100 KIA during this period and 270 individual weapons.
- Part of Route 914 is being effectively interdicted by ARVN units.
- Sensor devices showed no evidence of vehicle movements on March 15 and 16 along that part of Route 914 affected by ARVN ground operations.
- Vietnamese Marines discovered bodies of 36 enemy soldiers killed by airstrikes.

Cambodia

Operation TOAN THANG 01/71:

- ARVN units moving into the Chup Plantation engaged an estimated enemy battalion. Results have not yet been reported.
- The movement of enemy main force units out at the plantation suggest that the Communists intend to avoid major engagements with the ARVN at this time.

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MEMORANDUM FOR.

THE PRESIDENT

FROM

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of March 17, 1971

<u>Laos (LAMSON 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>	<u>24-hour Change</u>
Individual weapons	4,136	+293
Crew-served weapons	1,227	+66
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	466,646	+510
Other assorted ammo (rounds)	75,740	-1,046
Food (pounds)	3,150,740	+70,000
Vehicles	286	+1
Tanks	99	--
Petroleum (gallons)	209,710	--
Structures destroyed	1,097	+ 10
Bunkers destroyed	979	--
Medical supplies (pounds)	7,900	--
Miscellaneous equipment & supplies (pounds)	79,800	--
Enemy KIA	10,012*	+1,356
U.S. KIA	97*	-4
ARVN KIA	762	+7
<u>Cambodia (TOAN THANG 1/71)</u>		
Individual weapons	454	+2
Crew-served weapons	115	+1
Small arms ammunition	8,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	409	+15
Mines	16	--
Food (pounds)	190,000	--
Structures destroyed	184	+1
Bunkers destroyed	131	+2
Enemy KIA	3,661	+43
ARVN KIA	361	+6
U.S. KIA	7	--

\*Adjusted figure based on updated information.

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March 16, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT

Southeast Asian Operational  
StatusLaosOperation LAM SON 719

Combat activity remained light except for enemy shelling of Khe Sanh and the ARVN base "Lolo."

- The ARVN have evacuated Lolo and moved 3½ miles southeast to the high ground.
- In search operations in three different areas, ARVN elements found enemy base areas which had suffered heavy losses from air attacks. In one base area over 200 bunkers, 350 oil drums, and 30 tons of rice were destroyed.
- ARVN forces near Tchepone are now beginning to move southeast along Route 914, searching for installations and bases.
- There are indications that the North Vietnamese are moving to counter this threat. All four NVA divisional headquarters committed in the Lam Son area are now south of Route 9.
- There are also indications that North Vietnamese traffic in the Lam Son area is now very largely blocked. However, there is more traffic volume on Route 23 west of the operation.

CambodiaOperation TOAN THANG 01/71

Action remains light. No significant engagements were reported as the ARVN continued search operations.

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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of March 16, 1971

Laos (LAMSON 719)

Cumulative

24-hour Change

Individual weapons  
Crew-served weapons

3,843  
1,161

+291  
+122

Small arms ammunition (rounds)  
Other assorted ammo (rounds)

466,136  
76,786\*

--  
+16,420

Food (pounds)

3,080,740\*

+128,000

Vehicles

~~285~~  
285\*

--

Tanks

99

--

Petroleum (gallons)  
Structures destroyed  
Bunkers destroyed

209,710  
1,087  
979

+19,250  
+248  
+221

Medical supplies (pounds)

7,900

--

Miscellaneous equipment &  
supplies (pounds)

79,800

--

Enemy KIA

8,656

+152

U.S. KIA  
ARVN KIA

101\*  
755

+2  
+9

Cambodia (TOAN THANG 1/71)

Individual weapons

452

+3

Crew-served weapons  
Small arms ammunition

114  
8,800

--  
--

Small rocket & mortar  
ammunition (rounds)

394

--

Mines

16

--

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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM.

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT.

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of March 16, 1971

<u>Laos (LAMSON 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>	<u>24-hour Change</u>
Individual weapons	3,843	+291
Crew-served weapons	1,161	+122
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	466,136	--
Other assorted ammo (rounds)	76,786*	+16,420
Food (pounds)	3,080,740*	+128,000
Vehicles	<del>384</del> <sup>285</sup> *	<del>16</del> --
Tanks	99	--
Petroleum (gallons)	209,710	+19,250
Structures destroyed	1,087	+248
Bunkers destroyed	979	+221
Medical supplies (pounds)	7,900	--
Miscellaneous equipment & supplies (pounds)	79,800	--
Enemy KIA	8,656	+152
U.S. KIA	101*	+2
ARVN KIA	755	+9
<u>Cambodia (TOAN THANG 1/71)</u>		
Individual weapons	452	+3
Crew-served weapons	114	--
Small arms ammunition	8,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	394	--
Mines	16	--
Food (pounds)	190,000	+400
Structures destroyed	183	--
Bunkers destroyed	129	--
Enemy KIA	3,618	+8
ARVN KIA	355	+1
U.S. KIA	7	--

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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of March 14, 1971

<u>Laos (LAMSON 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>	<u>24-hour Change</u>
Individual weapons	3,519	+21
Crew-served weapons	1,033	+9
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	460,136	+19,000
Other assorted ammo (rounds)	55,442*	+2,267
Food (pounds)	2,952,740	+61,000
Vehicles	367	+91
Tanks	91	--
Petroleum (gallons)	190,460	--
Structures destroyed	824	+14
Bunkers destroyed	756	--
Medical supplies (pounds)	7,900	--
Miscellaneous equipment & supplies (pounds)	79,800	--
Enemy KIA	8,498	+159
U.S. KIA	92*	-2
ARVN KIA	734	+21
<u>Cambodia (TOAN THANG 1/71)</u>		
Individual weapons	444	+1
Crew-served weapons	114	--
Small arms ammunition	8,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	394	--
Mines	16	--
Food (pounds)	189,600	--
Structures destroyed	183	+2
Bunkers destroyed	124	+4
Enemy KIA	3,565	+92
ARVN KIA	353	--
U.S. KIA	7	--

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March 12, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR.

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT.

Southeast Asian  
Operational Status

Laos

Operation Lam Son 719.

-- ARVN reported no significant results as a consequence of the search operations, which engendered a moderate level of combat activity.

-- Eight damaged 105-mm howitzers abandoned by ARVN at a fire support base were destroyed by U.S. tactical air.

-- Air operations were hampered by adverse weather conditions including fog.

-- The Communists seem to be repositioning their forces for some kind of counterattack to drive the South Vietnamese back from the critical Route 914 complex south of Tchepone, but just where they will strike is not yet clear. One North Vietnamese regiment has shifted west to the area north of Tchepone, elements of two others seem to be bolstering enemy defenses along the roads south of Tchepone and another regiment may be moving from southern North Vietnam to join the enemy concentration north of Route 9 between Tchepone and the South Vietnam border. A large volume of supplies is still moving over various portions of the Ho Chi Minh Trail.

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Cambodia

Operation Toan Thang 01/71

-- Contacts with the enemy continue at a very light level.

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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM.

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT.

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of March 12, 1971

<u>Laos (LAMSON 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>	<u>24-hour Change</u>
Individual weapons	3,091	+20
Crew-served weapons	1,014	+6
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	437,136	+10,700
Other assorted ammo (pounds)	717,880	+7,560
Food (pounds)	2,883,740	+2,000
Vehicles	247	+3
Tanks	77	--
Petroleum (gallons)	190,460	+825
Structures destroyed	787	+1
Bunkers destroyed	720	+91
Medical supplies (pounds)	7,900	--
Miscellaneous equipment & supplies (pounds)	79,800	--
Enemy KIA	7,999	+249
U.S. KIA	91	+6
ARVN KIA	713	+3
<u>Cambodia (TOAN THANG 1/71)</u>		
Individual weapons	438	--
Crew-served weapons	114	--
Small arms ammunition	8,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	394	--
Mines	16	--
Food (pounds)	182,200	--
Structures destroyed	171	--
Bunkers destroyed	111	+56
Enemy KIA	3,402	+6
ARVN KIA	352	--
U.S. KIA	7	+2

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March 10, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM.

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT

Southeast Asian Operational Status

Laos

Operation LAM SON 719.

- Adverse weather conditions, particularly fog at Khe Sanh, prevented helicopter and C-130 operations. Tactical air support continued. Repairs on the Khe Sanh runway are not completed. However, elements of the 1st ARVN Regiment have reported on results of a B-52 strike southeast of Tchepone which killed 391 enemy and destroyed an assortment of weapons and ammunition, including 100 rounds of 122-mm rockets.
- ARVN continued to search for enemy caches. There were six enemy attacks by fire on ARVN forces and positions.
- The Communists continue to build up their forces south of Ban Dong in eastern Laos. The Communists also evidently want to step up action against allied rear areas to the east in South Vietnam's Quang Tri Province. Vehicle traffic in the Lao panhandle so far this week is running at the highest level of the current dry season.
- Three enemy tanks were destroyed and two damaged by ARVN artillery fire six miles east of Tchepone on Route 9. Another five tanks were attacked by air with results unreported.

Cambodia

Operation TOAN THANG 01/71:

- No significant operations were reported. Enemy response to ARVN task force movement was light.

Three U.S. air crew members were killed when a helicopter was downed northwest of Snuol.

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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of March 10, 1971

<u>Laos (LAMSON 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>	<u>24-hour Change</u>
Individual weapons	3,360	+902
Crew-served weapons	871	+31
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	417,436	+37,000
Other assorted ammo (pounds)	673,940	+1,740
Food (pounds)	2,881,740	+12,000
Vehicles	253	+61
Tanks	73	-22*
Petroleum (gallons)	217,135	+82,500
Structures destroyed	786	--
Bunkers destroyed	629	--
Medical supplies (pounds)	7,900	--
Miscellaneous equipment & supplies (pounds)	79,400	--
Enemy KIA	7,742	+673
U.S. KIA	82	+1
ARVN KIA	705	+250*
<u>Cambodia (TOAN THANG 1/71)</u>		
Individual weapons	438	+1
Crew-served weapons	114	+2
Small arms ammunition	8,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	393	+4
Mines	16	--
Food (pounds)	182,200	+22,000
Structures destroyed	171	+4
Bunkers destroyed	55	+15
Enemy KIA	3,374	+24
ARVN KIA	352	+2
U.S. KIA	4	--

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March 8, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR.

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Southeast Asian Operational Status

Laos

Operation LAM SON 719:

It was a relatively quiet period in the operation.

- There was an increase in enemy indirect fire on ARVN bases and supply lines, but no direct attacks.
- ARVN units continued to find evidence of substantial enemy equipment and personnel losses resulting from air strikes. For example, one unit found a cache of 2,000 122-mm rockets destroyed in a B-52 strike.
- A battalion of the 20th ARVN Infantry Division has reported establishing a command post in the town of Tchepone.
- There are continuing indications of an enemy build-up around the junction of Routes 9 and 92 at Ban Dong, but no evidence of immediate readiness to strike. In the meantime, artillery and air strikes continue to destroy enemy tanks. ARVN claims a total of 93 tanks have been destroyed, of which U.S. sources confirm 45 as destroyed by us.

Cambodia

Operation TOAN THANG 01/71:

The level of activity in this operation remained low at the beginning of the period, but increased somewhat during the period with three communist attacks by fire against ARVN units on Highway 7.

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MEMORANDUM FOR.

THE PRESIDENT

FROM

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of March 8, 1971

<u>Laos (LAMSON 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>	<u>24-hour Change</u>
Individual weapons	2,333	+61
Crew-served weapons	839	+115
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	164,640	+4,000
Other assorted ammo (pounds)	622,020	+325,620
Food (pounds)	2,869,000	-- ..
Vehicles	164	+3
Tanks	93*	+20
Petroleum (gallons)	134,635	--
Structures destroyed	785	+15
Bunkers destroyed	629	+28
Medical supplies (pounds)	7,900	--
Miscellaneous equipment & supplies (pounds)	79,400	+20
Enemy KIA	6,838	+379
U.S. KIA	79	--
ARVN KIA	436	+13
<u>Cambodia (TOAN THANG 1/71)</u>		
Individual weapons	437	+15
Crew-served weapons	111	+7
Small arms ammunition	8,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	386	+1
Mines	16	--
Food (pounds)	160,200	+2,000
Structures destroyed	165	+1
Bunkers destroyed	40	+6
Enemy KIA	3,339	+92
ARVN KIA	345	+8
US KIA	4	--

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March 4, 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR.

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Southeast Asian Operational Status

Laos

Operation LAM SON 719.

Enemy activity during the reporting period was generally moderate except for some heavy contacts north of Route 9. Planned westward extension of ARVN forces continues.

- The buildup at Landing Zone Lolo, southeast of Tchepone, has been completed, farther west, Landing Zone Liz has been occupied by an ARVN battalion.
- An ARVN armored force yesterday inflicted losses on the enemy of 383 KIA and 14 tanks destroyed.
- After a five day lull, sensors indicate that enemy truck traffic has returned to the level observed during the February 1-24 period throughout much of the Laotian Panhandle, however, sensors also indicate that the current traffic flow is behind the pace set last dry season and that the enemy is far from reaching his supply objectives.
- Cumulative KIA now stand at 74 U.S., 353 ARVN and 4,384 enemy.

Cambodia

Operation TOAN THANG 01/71:

- The level of activity was light during this period.
- ARVN operations in the Dambe area have succeeded in eliminating over 1,000 enemy troops.
- During the first month of the operation, enemy troop strength in Cambodia has been reduced by some 2,100

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## MEMORANDUM

## THE WHITE HOUSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR.

THE PRESIDENT

FROM

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of March 4, 1971

<u>Laos (LAMSON 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>	<u>24-hour Change</u>
Individual weapons	1,821	+224
Crew-served weapons	338	+22
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	158,380	--
Other assorted ammo (pounds)	262,220	+20
Food (pounds)	718,800	+400
Vehicles	153	+7
Tanks	52	--
Petroleum (gallons)	134,360	+2,000
Structures destroyed	702	--
Bunkers destroyed	523	--
Medical supplies (pounds)	7,400	--
Miscellaneous equipment & supplies (pounds)	75,780	--
Enemy KIA	4,384	+485
U.S. KIA	74	+2
ARVN KIA	353	+12
<u>Cambodia (TOAN THANG 1/71)</u>		
Individual weapons	419	--
Crew-served weapons	115	+13
Small arms ammunition	8,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	365	+23
Mines	16	--
Food (pounds)	158,200	--
Structures destroyed	64	--
Bunkers destroyed	83	--
Enemy KIA	2,824	+254
ARVN KIA	335	--
U.S. KIA	4	--

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WASHINGTON

February 28, 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Southeast Asian Operational  
StatusLaosOperation LAM SON 719:

Fighting continues, characterized by sharp, solid contacts.

- Contact around Fire Support Base 31 has slackened. ARVN reports indicate recapture of the position, but North Vietnamese units are still occupying portions of the hill.
- Enemy activity in the vicinity of Fire Support Base 30 has also eased.
- South of Route 9, a first ARVN division unit has left one fire support base, destroying its equipment, and is searching for another area from which it will be lifted out.
- As the unit moved through a B-52 strike area, it counted 157 enemy bodies.
- There are intelligence indications that the North Vietnamese are planning to attack Ban Dong, the junction of Routes 9 and 92.
- One U.S. Helicopter and one U.S. airplane were downed during the period. The crews were recovered.
- The North Vietnamese claim to have captured an ARVN colonel as well as over a dozen other officers.

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Cambodia

Operation TOAN THANG:

There was a sharp increase in combat activity.

- There were enemy attacks on the operation headquarters and on a Ranger Battalion.
- Initial reports indicate moderately heavy casualties on both sides.

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## MEMORANDUM

## THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of February 28, 1971

<u>Laos (LAMSON 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>	<u>24-hour Change</u>
Individual weapons	1,571	+200
Crew-served weapons	301	+34
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	158,380	+5,720
Other assorted ammo (pounds)	255,760	+200
Food (pounds)	709,740	+3,740
Vehicles	120	+2
Tanks	34	+3
Petroleum (gallons)	134,600	--
Structures destroyed	695	+1
Bunkers destroyed	434	+68
Medical supplies (pounds)	7,400	--
Miscellaneous equipment & supplies (pounds)	75,780	+20
Enemy KIA	3,132	+264
U.S. KIA	69	+1
ARVN KIA	319	+9
<u>Cambodia (TOAN THANG 1/71)</u>		
Individual weapons	405	--
Crew-served weapons	94	+4
Small arms ammunition	8,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	332	--
Mines	16	--
Food (pounds)	156,200	+72,600
Structures destroyed	62	+52
Bunkers destroyed	71	+39
Enemy KIA	2,134	+69
ARVN KIA	241	+32

\*Adjusted figure based on updated information.

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 22, 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM.

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT.

Southeast Asian Operational Status

Laos

Operation LAM SON 719

- ARVN reports no major combat activity during the reporting period. Sizable caches of equipment and materiel are being located and destroyed.
- Medical evacuation of 123 wounded, including one U.S. helicopter crew chief, was completed from the 21st and 39th Ranger Battalion location. Enemy attacks are continuing on the approximately 400 ARVN soldiers remaining at this location.
- The North Vietnamese seem to be shifting some of their surface-to-air missiles into the extreme southern part of the country. This could bring the missiles within range to attack allied aircraft near the Demilitarized Zone and possibly in the far northern part of the Lam Son 719 operational area.
- Cumulative casualties for the operation are 2,058 enemy KIA, and 53 ARVN KIA. (The ARVN casualties do not reflect those incurred by the 39th ARVN Ranger Battalion.)

Cambodia

Operation Toan Thang:

- ARVN Task Force elements are moving toward Chhlong. No enemy contact has been reported in the area.
- Cumulative casualties are 1,498 enemy KIA; 176 ARVN KIA.

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By CAZ NARA, Date 16 SEP 11

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## MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

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February 22, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER *HK*

SUBJECT:

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of February 22, 1971

<u>Laos (LAMSON 719)</u>	Cumulative	24-hour change
Individual weapons	1,302	+473
Crew-served weapons	224	+23
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	34,840	--
Other assorted ammunition (pounds)	69,000	+21,200
Food (pounds)	642,000	+209,800
Vehicles	118	-12
Petroleum (gallons)	139,860	+11,000
Structures destroyed	691	+3
Bunkers destroyed	235	+17
Enemy KIA	2,058	+838
U.S. KIA	53	+3
ARVN KIA	343	+158
Miscellaneous		
Equipment & supplies (pounds)	74,600	--
Medical supplies	7,400	--
<u>Cambodia (Toan Thang 1/71)</u>		
Individual weapons	361	+16
Crew-served weapons	72	+1
Small arms ammunition	2,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	252	-10
Food (pounds)	83,600	--
Structures destroyed	10	--
Bunkers destroyed	32	--
Enemy KIA	1,498	+55
ARVN KIA	176	+7

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<u>Laos (LAMSON 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>
Individual weapons	829
Crew-served weapons	201
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	34,840
Other assorted ammunition (pounds)	47,800
Food (pounds)	432,200
Vehicles	130
Petroleum (gallons)	128,860
Structures destroyed	688
Bunkers destroyed	218
Enemy KIA	1,220
U.S. KIA	50
ARVN KIA	183
Miscellaneous	
Equipment & supplies (pounds)	74,760
Medical Supplies	7,400
 <u>Cambodia (Toan Thang 1/71)</u>	
Individual weapons	340
Crew-served weapons	71
Small arms ammunition	2,800
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	262
Food (pounds)	83,600
Structures destroyed	10
Bunkers destroyed	32
Enemy KIA	1,443
ARVN KIA	169

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February 21, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT

Southeast Asian Operational Status

Laos

Operation LAMSON 719

- ARVN forces are expanding search operations to the west and south in the vicinity of Routes 9, 92 and 914.
- Elements of the 1st and 3rd ARVN Infantry Regiments have cut Route 92 and established blocking positions.
- Elements of the 39th Ranger Battalion withdrew to the 21st ARVN Ranger Battalion position, bringing all their weapons and ammunition and 145 wounded.
- KIA during the period were 107 enemy, 15 ARVN and 2 U.S. Preliminary reports on the recent 39th ARVN Ranger Battalion action set ARVN losses at 178 KIA or MIA with an unconfirmed 639 enemy KIA.

Cambodia

Operation Toan Thang

- Light and scattered contact was reported during the period. There was no significant change in task force operations or location.
- Updated reports on recent action south of the Chup Plantation reflect 110 enemy and 4 ARVN KIA (vice 54 and 1).

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February 21, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of February 21, 1971Laos (Lam Son 719)

	Cumulative	24-hour change
Individual weapons	829	+14
Crew-served weapons	201	+1
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	34,840	--
Other assorted ammunition (pounds)	47,800	-27,800
Food (pounds)	432,200	--
Vehicles	130	-8
Petroleum (gallons)	128,860	+8,000
Structures destroyed	688	+2
Bunkers destroyed	218	+7
Enemy KIA	1,220	+7
U.S. KIA	50	+4
ARVN KIA	183	+18
Miscellaneous		
Equipment & supplies (pounds)	74,760	--
Medical Supplies	7,400	--

Cambodia (Toan Thang 1/71)

Individual weapons	340	+5
Crew-served weapons	71	+2
Small arms ammunition	2,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	262	--
Food (pounds)	83,600	--
Structures destroyed	10	-20
Bunkers destroyed	32	--
Enemy KIA	1,443	+60
ARVN KIA	169	+19

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 18, 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT: Southeast Asian Operational Status

Military Situation

Laos/Operation Lam Son 719:

ARVN units experienced only sporadic enemy contact while they continued to search for enemy installations, interdict LOC's, and deploy additional units forward.

- The poor weather experienced on February 17 improved considerably today, permitting helicopters to undertake some effective tactical and logistical operations.
- Two infantry units completed helicopter assault operations which had previously been delayed because of weather and enemy activity.
- Helicopter gunships operating forward of friendly units cut three POL pipelines (6-8 inch diameter) approximately seven miles east of Tchepone. Two of the cuts resulted in fires and the other left fuel draining on the ground.
- Enemy harassment in northern South Vietnam subsided, with only limited contact reported.
- KIA's during the period totalled no U.S.; nine ARVN; and 134 enemy.

Cambodia/Operation Toan Thang 01/71:

Enemy activity has increased in the vicinity of the Chup rubber plantation.

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- In two separate engagements northeast and southeast of the plantation, ARVN units sustained 3 KIA while killing 116 enemy.
- Five enemy were also taken prisoner, and have been tentatively identified as members of the 7th NVA and 9th VC Divisions.

The continued presence of large enemy units in this area has led to a change in ARVN plans.

- Originally, ARVN forces were scheduled to sweep northward away from the plantation. But the ARVN task forces now plan to reverse their field tomorrow morning and to close once more on the Chup plantation.

Political/Diplomatic

Japan/Indonesia/Malaysia

The Indonesians have announced that Japan, Indonesia and Malaysia will submit separate but concerted appeals to the Geneva Conference co-chairmen -- the UK and the USSR -- and to the International Control Commission to take immediate steps for a peaceful settlement on Laos. The Japanese are urging that the appeals be issued tomorrow.

## MEMORANDUM

## THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 18, 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT.

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of February 18, 1971

<u>Laos (Lam Son 719)</u>	Cumulative	24-hour change
Individual weapons	1,059	+13
Crew-served weapons	119	+2
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	34,840	--
Other assorted ammunition (pounds)	71,860	+160
Food (pounds)	100,800	--
Vehicles	80	+10
Petroleum (gallons)	117,000	--
Structures destroyed	681	--
Bunkers destroyed	171	+10
Enemy KIA	980	+192
U.S. KIA	31	--
ARVN KIA	135	+41
Miscellaneous		
Equipment & supplies (pounds)	73,600	--
Medical Supplies	8,260	--
<u>Cambodia (Toan Thang 1/71)</u>		
Individual Weapons	342	+59
Crew-served weapons	63	+8
Small arms ammunition	2,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	234	--
Food (pounds)	98,800	+17,600
Structures destroyed	10	--
Bunkers destroyed	32	--
Enemy KIA	1,314	+135
ARVN KIA	155	+4

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February 17, 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR:	THE PRESIDENT
FROM:	HENRY A. KISSINGER <i>[Signature]</i>
SUBJECT	Southeast Asian Operational Status

Military Situation

Laos/Operation LAMSON 719:

- ARVN forces continue to consolidate their positions and conduct sweep and security operations along Route 9.
- ARVN units are in a position to physically interdict enemy movement on Routes 9, 92 and 914 (see attached map) and by fire along Route 234.
- The enemy continues frequent attacks by fire against Allied positions in both Laos and South Vietnam.
- There have been frequent small, but sharp, contacts with enemy forces in Laos.
- Numerous caches are still being uncovered. One Russian PT-76 tank, 2 trucks and other military equipment were found north of Route 9.
- The enemy continues to harass Allied positions in northern South Vietnam with attacks by fire and small ground attacks.
- Total KIA's for the period are no U.S.; 1 ARVN; 69 enemy.
- Total enemy strength in the LAMSON area is now estimated at 27,750.

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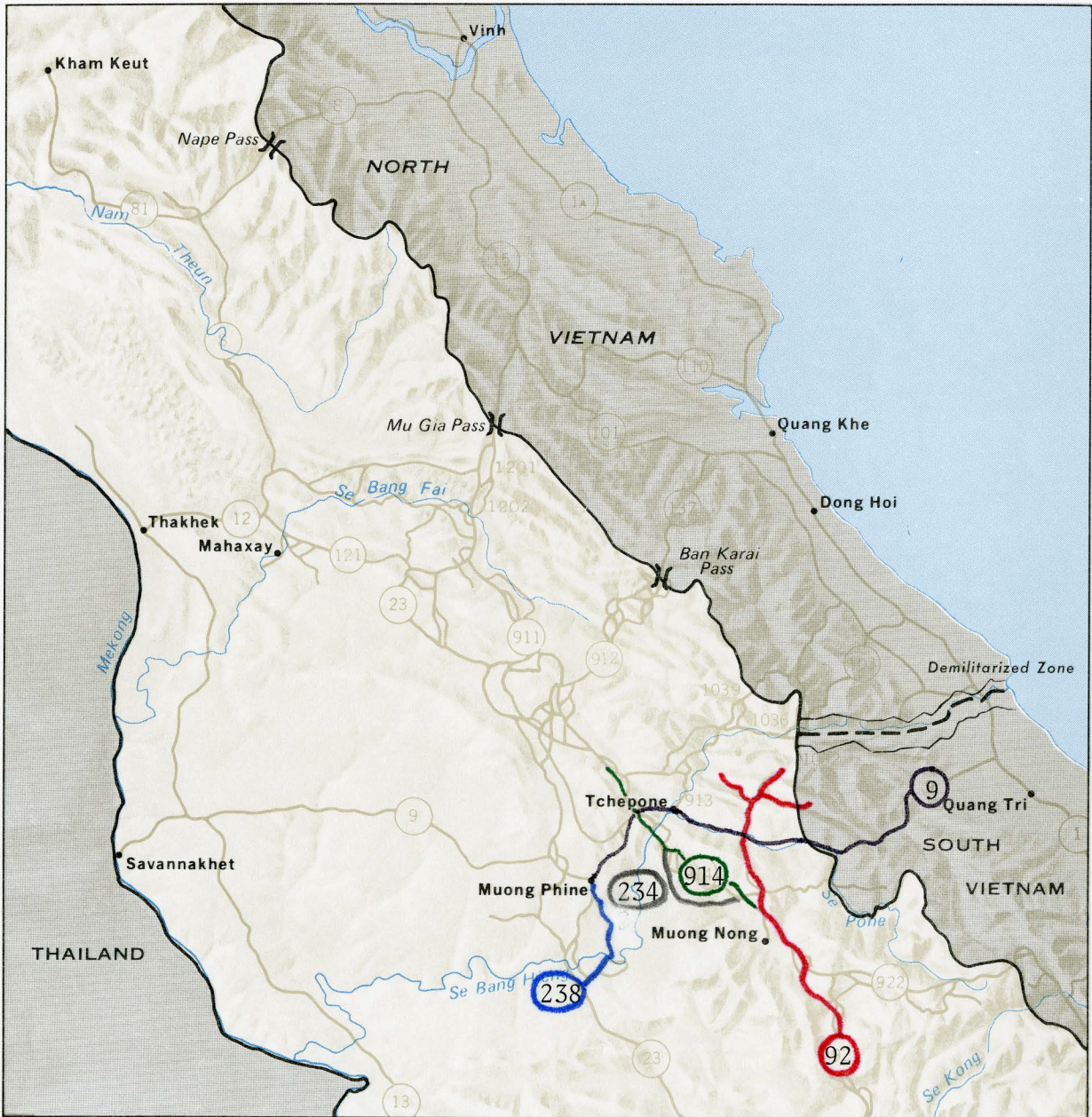
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Operation Toan Thang 07/71

- 2 ARVN task forces are moving north beyond the Chup plantation. Another task force is conducting search operations in the eastern part of the plantation.
- The ARVN task force in the Snoul area continues sweep operations north of Snoul.
- The enemy has not yet revealed its defensive pattern in the Chup area.

Diplomatic

- Malaysia and Indonesia appear to prefer making their own parallel appeals to the ICC Co-chairmen on Laos rather than support Japan's call for a joint appeal.



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## MEMORANDUM

## THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 17, 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR.

THE PRESIDENT

FROM

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT:

Significant Enemy Losses in  
Laotian and Chup Operations  
as of February 17, 1971

<u>Laos (Lam Son 719)</u>	Cumulative	24-hour change
Individual weapons	1,046	+36
Crew-served weapons	117	+4
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	34,840	+800
Other assorted ammunition (pounds)	71,700	+720
Food (pounds)	100,800	+2,000
Vehicles	70	+4
Petroleum (gallons)	117,000	--
Structures destroyed	681	+81
Bunkers destroyed	161	+2
Enemy KIA	788	+94
U.S. KIA	31	+3
ARVN KIA	94	+7
Miscellaneous		
Equipment & supplies (pounds)	73,600	--
Medical Supplies	8,260	--
<u>Cambodia (Toan Thang 1/71)</u>		
Individual Weapons	283	+4
Crew-served weapons	55	--
Small arms ammunition	2,800	--
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	234	--
Food (pounds)	81,200	+1,200
Structures destroyed	10	--
Bunkers destroyed	32	--
Enemy KIA	1,179	+10
ARVN KIA	151	+13

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 15, 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT.

Southeast Asian Operational Status

Military Situation

Laos/Operation LAMSON 719.

- ARVN forces have moved north and south along Route 92 engaging the enemy in a series of light clashes and discovering numerous caches. Among the more significant finds were 9,000 rounds of anti-aircraft ammunition, 4,000 pounds of 122-mm rockets, a Russian-made tank, 1,100 gallons of POL, 16,000 pounds of rice, and 300 bicycles.
- An enemy training center consisting of 400 huts and numerous training areas was also discovered near Route 92.
- Route 9 from Khe Sanh is open and traversable to the border and road repair and widening operations are continuing.
- The ARVN armored task force is preparing to continue west on Route 9, and north along Route 92. An ARVN infantry regiment is preparing to seize the important junction of Routes 92 and 914 in the south. (See map attached)
- In South Vietnam there were a series of clashes between U.S. and enemy forces near the Rock Pile resulting in two U.S. and at least eight enemy KIA.
- Total KIAs for the twenty-four hour period are:  
Enemy 41, ARVN 12, U.S. 2.

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- Additional elements of the NVA 308th Division may be deploying south to augment enemy forces along the DMZ in Laos. The 88th Regiment and a forward element recently moved into Laos to an area slightly north of Route 9.
- No significant enemy logistics activity has been noted in the operational area.

Operation Toan Thang 01/71

- There were no significant changes in Task Force locations during the reporting period.
- During two clashes Sunday the enemy sustained 100 KIA and ARVN only six KIA.
- Casualties for the period are Enemy 117 KIA; ARVN 8 KIA.

Diplomatic and Political Reactions

- Communist China. Peking is publicizing the massive rallies Sunday in major cities. This is consistent with the Chinese pattern of protest against U.S. sponsored actions in Indochina.

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February 15, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

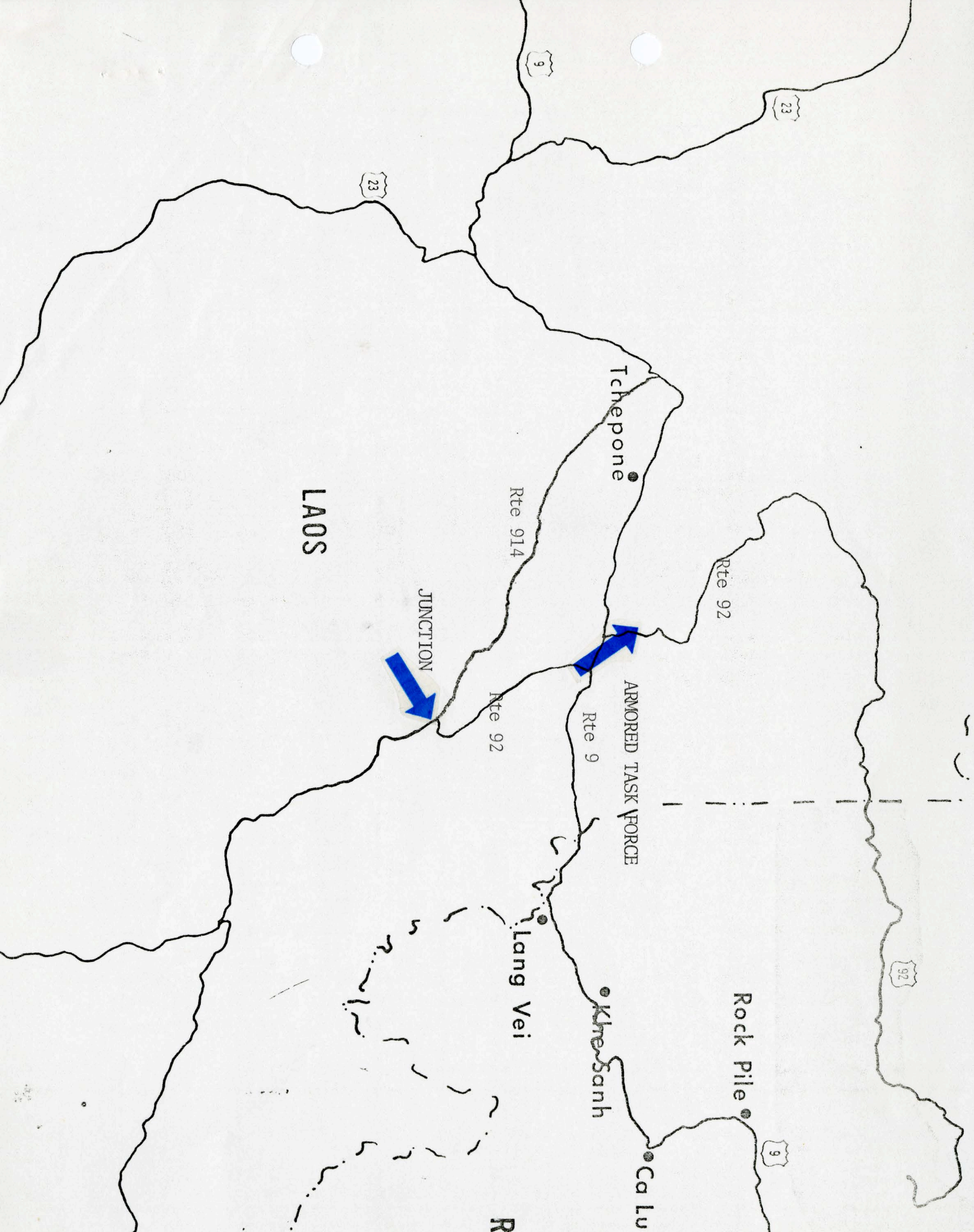
FROM General Haig

SUBJECT Significant Enemy Losses in Laotian and Chup  
Operations as of February 15, 1971

<u>Laos (Lam Son 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>	<u>24-hour change</u>
Individual weapons	959	+183
Crew-served weapons	104	+9
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	34,040	+6000
Other assorted ammunition (pounds)	68,980	+21,000
Food (pounds)	77,400	+16,000
Vehicles	61	+13
Medical supplies (pounds)	8,260	+6,000
Petroleum (gallons)	117,000	+7,000
Structures destroyed	600	+403
Bunkers destroyed	151	+6
Enemy KIA	536	+41
U.S. KIA	24	+4
ARVN KIA	76	+12
Miscellaneous Equipment & supplies (pounds)	73,600	+21,000
<u>Cambodia (Toan Thang 1/71)</u>		
Individual weapons	263	+11
Crew-served weapons	50	+7
Small arms ammunition	2,800	Unchanged
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	234	Unchanged
Food (pounds)	29,600	+10,000
Structures destroyed	10	Unchanged
Bunkers destroyed	32	Unchanged
Enemy KIA	969	+117
ARVN KIA	123	+8

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

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February 13, 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT: Southeast Asian  
Operational Status

Military Situation

Laos/Operation LAMSON 719: The ARVN continued to achieve its scheduled objectives during the period, while inflicting some substantial personnel and materiel losses on the enemy.

- An ARVN Ranger battalion north of Route 9 suffered only one KIA while killing 43 of the enemy and capturing two 37-mm anti-aircraft guns, 15 other weapons, and 5,000 rounds of ammunition.
- Elements of the ARVN 1st Division entered a large enemy depot south of Route 9 and killed 28 enemy without sustaining any casualties. So far, they have uncovered 14 crew-served weapons and about 16,000 pounds of food and clothing. The search continues.
- Somewhat to the east of this depot, ARVN 1st Division troops also captured three new Russian trucks.
- KIA during the period totaled one ARVN, no US, and 88 enemy. Cumulative KIA now stand at 45 ARVN, 19 US, and 448 enemy.
- Cumulative enemy materiel losses include more than 850 weapons, 34,000 pounds of assorted ammunition, 46,000 pounds of food, and 52,000 pounds of other equipment and supplies.

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- There were no aircraft losses during the period. Air cavalry elements report that the intensity of enemy anti-aircraft fire has diminished during the past two days. Cumulative helicopter losses remain at 15 US and two South Vietnamese.
- There were no major enemy units noted moving during the period, and no new signs of a major enemy counter-attack in the immediate future, however, individual sightings of enemy personnel are becoming more numerous.

Cambodia/Operation Toan Thang 01/71: The ARVN continued sweep operations in the vicinity of the Chup rubber plantation on schedule, with little enemy resistance reported.

- Cumulative KIA now total 114 ARVN and 745 enemy.

Diplomatic/Political

Communist China. The Chinese Communists have termed the ARVN operation in Laos a threat to China.

- This is a clear escalation of Chinese rhetoric on the war, the "threat" formulation was carefully avoided during the Cambodian incursion last spring and has been absent from Chinese propaganda for several years.
- Statements of Chinese assistance to Hanoi, however, are still couched in terms of rear base support.
- There is nothing in Peking's public or private comments to suggest that the Chinese intend to intervene militarily because of the current ARVN operation in South Laos.

## MEMORANDUM

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February 13, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

FROM: General Haig

SUBJECT. Significant Enemy Losses in Laotian and Chup  
Operations as of February 13, 1971

<u>Laos (Lam Son 719)</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>	<u>24-hour change</u>
Individual weapons	768	+29
Crew-served weapons	90	+49
Small arms ammunition (rounds)	20,450	+6,530
Other assorted ammunition (pounds)	33,980	+160
Food (pounds)	47,400	+14,000
Vehicles	48	+21
Petroleum (gallons)	110,000*	+10,000
Structures destroyed	142	+98
Bunkers destroyed	100	+83
Enemy KIA	448	+109
U.S. KIA	19	+1
ARVN KIA	45	+4
Miscellaneous Equipment & supplies (pounds)	52,600	+48,000
<u>Cambodia (Toan Thang 1/71)</u>		
Individual Weapons	239	+24
Crew-served weapons	40	+1
Small arms ammunition	2,800	Unchanged
Small rocket & mortar ammunition (rounds)	234	+16
Food (pounds)	19,600*	Unchanged
Structures destroyed	10	Unchanged
Bunkers destroyed	32	Unchanged
Enemy KIA	745	+37
ARVN KIA	114	+26

\* Estimated destroyed

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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

FROM: Al Haig

SUBJECT Southeast Asia Operations

Operation Lam Son: The main body of the ARVN force has progressed along Route 9 as planned and is reported to be within 11 1/2 miles of Tchepone. ARVN troops are meeting only scattered resistance, although one ARVN unit reported a sharp engagement during which 13 of the enemy were killed. ARVN losses were 4 killed and six wounded. Search operations continue to produce sizable quantities of materiel. One unit discovered a small cache of tools, POL and weapons, another found a complex of 80 buildings containing about three tons of supplies.

Casualties now stand at 18 Americans killed, 91 wounded and 4 missing. The ARVN have had 44 killed and enemy losses are 360. There were no aircraft losses reported during this period. Fifteen helicopters have been lost to date. The VNAF has lost two.

Operation Toun Thang. Only one significant engagement was reported as the ARVN units in Cambodia move toward their assigned objectives. An ARVN battalion and an armored cavalry troop killed 28 and captured two of the enemy during a three hour contact and seized a small quantity of weapons. Two South Vietnamese were killed and 14 others wounded. Two other smaller contacts reported 21 of the enemy killed with only light ARVN casualties. Cumulative casualties stand at 108 ARVN troops and 737 of the enemy killed.

cc: Secretary Rogers

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February 12, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR.

THE PRESIDENT

FROM.

HENRY A. KISSINGER

SUBJECT.

Southeast Asian  
Operations Status

Military Situation

Laos/Operation Lam Son 719:

- All preplanned objectives for the period were accomplished.
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- Patrol operations are beginning to uncover significant amounts of materiel. Two caches, for example, contained 15,000 pounds of rice and over 600 individual weapons, respectively.

Cambodia Operations are continuing according to plan, with no noteworthy developments.

Intelligence

Laos:

- Signs continue that the Communists will put up stiffer resistance as the South Vietnamese approach more sensitive areas, but no major counterattacks now

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appear at operational readiness. There have been additional anti-aircraft emplacements.

-- There are also indications that the North Vietnamese launched a major personnel infiltration drive just as the ARVN operation began. It is not yet clear whether they will now stop this drive or try to continue it.

Cambodia: Nothing unusual to report.

Diplomatic

-- The Japanese Government has called on Britain and the USSR, as co-chairmen of the Geneva Conference, to "act in seeking peace."

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Cambodia. Operations are continuing according to plan, with no noteworthy developments. However, communications intelligence indicates that large groups of enemy forces north of the Chup Plantation were withdrawing. Although unsubstantiated, it is possible that some regimental elements could have withdrawn from the northern portion of the plantation. The regimental headquarters, however, remains in the Chup Plantation.

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February 10, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

FROM: J.H. Holdridge

SUBJECT: Evening Supplement to the Indochina Operations Report

Late Item: News reports indicate that Tchepone is now under ARVN control. However, as of 1900 EST MACV cannot confirm this information.

Lamson 719: During the reporting period operations continued with light enemy ground contact reported.

- An ARVN airborne battalion engaged an unknown size enemy force north of Route 9 between Tchepone and the border, and captured three trucks. One was loaded with 120 mm ammunition.
- Four ARVN helicopters were downed resulting in the death of four newsmen (three American and one Japanese). Two members of General Lam's MRI staff are also missing.

Cambodia: In two separate actions near the Chup rubber plantation and Snoul, ARVN forces sustained 9 KIA while killing 35 NVA.

-- During these two engagements, ARVN captured 100 field packs and 1400 lbs. of rice.

There have been no new significant intelligence indicators or diplomatic developments.

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