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(2) Herbicide Review - Saigon

- (a) Tasking by Ambassador
- (b) Committee membership
- (c) COMUSMACV position
- (d) Present status of final report
- (3) Suspension of BLUE Shipments
- (4) Vietnamization Program

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(5) ORANGE Stockpile in Vietnam

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JCS Status of Vietnamization as related to the herbicide program. · . . · · · · Future consideration by Senate of Ceneva Protocol.

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Possible action by MACV relative to stocks of ORANGE in RVN.

Recent statements of policy concerning the defoliation program in RVN are given in the following two releases:

(1) White House Statement issued on Saturday, 26 Dec 1970:

"In response to the President's direction to reduce the use of herbicides in Vietnam, the Secretary of Defense has reported the following actions to the President: · · · ·

"--Steps are being taken to assure that there will be strict conformance in Vietnam with policies governing the use of herbicides in the United States. •••• .

"--Ambassador Bunker and General Abrams are initiating a program for an orderly, yet rapid phase-out of the berbicide opera-tions. 1. ang shi

"--During the phase-out, the use of herbicides in Vietnam will be restricted to the perimeter of fire bases, in US installations, or remote unpopulated areas.

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"-- The ban on herbicide known as "ORANGE" remains in effect."

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