

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EAST LANSING

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND PUBLIC SERVICE
SCHOOL OF POLICE ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY

February 9, 1960

Mr. Ralph F. Turner, Chief
Police Administration Division
MSUG, Box 34
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San Francisco, California

Dear Ralph:

Joe Nicol is beginning to renege on his earlier commitment to go to Vietnam. I talked to him last week and he has several reasons for not wanting to go. Among these is a stomach ailment which he described as an ulcer, the fact that he did not want to be away from his family for approximately three months, and that he does not want to return from a long, rigorous trip, such as this one, and go to work, immediately. He seems adamant about going to Vietnam; however, I have been able to convince him that perhaps a six- or eight-week visit to Saigon would not present as many problems to him. He has not agreed to go for a shorter period, but I shall continue to talk to him. In the meantime, I think it is very important for you to write him, immediately, and try to convince him of the importance of his proposed visit. After my last talk with him, I suggested he write you to resolve some of the questions he has in his mind regarding his specific assignment in Vietnam. You should hear from him, soon.

The Academic Senate voted, yesterday, on the ROTC question, and those of us who were in favor of the compulsory program were defeated by a 248 to 400 vote. After getting over the initial reaction to defeat, we felt pretty good about the final vote, as many of our opponents were predicting a 7 or 8 to 1 vote in favor of their position. The ROTC question will now be decided by the Board of Trustees who, at last count, were equally divided on the question. We should have the final decision Thursday when the Board of Trustees meets.

I had lunch with Ryan last week and we had a long discussion regarding the police project in Vietnam and, especially, the manner in which it had been administered for the last three or four years. From each person with whom I have talked regarding this subject, I have received some new information, but most of it is about the same. The comments are similar to those you hear about any program and/or the person administering it. There are pros and cons, depending on one's point of view. However, when it is all summed up, one reaches the conclusion that, generally, a very good job was accomplished. I shall review my discussions with the people with whom I have had a terminal interview, and I think you will be interested to hear some of the comments I have received.

Ryan is doing an excellent job and I repeat that I am very pleased to have him back on the staff. I am turning over the symposia and anniversary program to him because Nicol hasn't done a single thing about either of them. Ryan has been well accepted by all the staff members and one would believe he had been here continuously for the past several years. He does not procrastinate, which is something I appreciate very much.

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You may be interested in knowing that Jim Brennan has made considerable progress with the DeMaso committee regarding juvenile delinquency and prevention. Jim has finally become the senior consultant to the group. He is very pleased with their reaction to his recommendations and is optimistic we may obtain some money from the Legislature to support a modest delinquency study center. Legislation is being proposed to provide a sum of money somewhere between \$30,000 and \$50,000 to initiate the program.

The Mid-Winter Conference of the M.A.C.P. was held at Kellogg Center late in January. In my opinion, it was the best conference that has been held. For the noon program, we had Provost Paul Miller, whom I had involved earlier in our plans for a law enforcement institute, speak to those in attendance regarding the university's position regarding the proposed law enforcement institute. Miller did an excellent job and helped erase any false impressions the audience may have had. In the afternoon, we had a panel discussion regarding the proposed institute, and I answered many questions which were bothering the audience. I believe we came away from the afternoon session with more people thoroughly in favor of the program than we have ever experienced before. Miller has indicated he is willing to invest some risk capital in expanding the short course activities and would just as soon not wait for the Legislature to act on the institute matter.

You may be interested in knowing that the Brandstatters have been instrumental in formulating a group of adults in discussing world issues. This is a part of the movement that has existed in this country which concerns itself with eight major topics regarding problems that face the world and meet once a week for eight weeks straight each year. We have asked the Kobs, the Hoyts, the Refiors, and the Prass, as well as the Al Edwards and Jack Ryan. All accepted and we are having our first meeting tonight. The topic for discussion, tonight, is about Communism. It should be interesting with Ryan and Hoyt present.

Yours sincerely,

A.F.
A. F. Brandstatter
Director

AFB:br
Enc.

P.S. I learned I shall be allowed 50% of air freight. Do I need to complete any special forms and do anything else in order to send something home from Vietnam?

A. F. B.

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February 17, 1960

Mr. Ralph F. Turner, Chief
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Dear Ralph:

You will hear directly from the on-campus coordinator's office regarding our reaction to your proposal to remove the communications responsibility to USOM. Ryan and Hoyt are opposed to this suggestion and I am supporting their opinion. A copy of their memorandum is enclosed, although you will receive copies from the coordinator's office, as I have sent our response to him for the purpose of communicating through official channels.

Enclosed are some clippings regarding the Pontiac situation, which should provide interesting reading for you.

Ryan and I are wondering what you are doing over there. It seems to us you have more time to sharpen your needle for the purpose of prodding us in East Lansing. I become more convinced that you fellows have more time to think and dream about how to create problems for us than we could ever consider taking time to reciprocate.

How about giving me an idea of what kind of field trip you are planning for me so that I can load up with the proper medicine to counteract the bugs and bacteria to which I expect to be exposed.

Frank Day and I are leaving tomorrow noon to attend an International Conference on Criminal Law Administration sponsored by Fred Inbau and the School of Law at Northwestern University. It begins Friday morning and ends Saturday afternoon. Fred has an imposing array of speakers from Canada, England, France, Germany, Israel, Japan, Norway, and of course the United States. O. W. Wilson and Virgil Peterson are on the program. I expect to have a long talk with O. W. regarding the committee he is chairing in order to find a new commissioner of police in Chicago. This is a recent development which I have not written to you about; a wholesale scandal hit the Chicago Police Department a few weeks ago and many officers are being arrested and prosecuted for the usual corrupt activities, as well as burglary and a few other sundry and unsavory acts. In any event, a wholesale investigation is being conducted by the state attorney general, who has expressed a complete lack of confidence in Mayor Daly of Chicago. Needless to say, he is strongly supported by the governor of Illinois. Consequently, politics are waging hot and fast in the Windy City at the moment. In any event, O. W. Wilson has been asked to chair a committee whose responsibility is to select a new head for the Chicago Police Department; the other members are Frank Kreml, Virgil Peterson, and one or two other persons whose names I do not recall. I understand from


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my intelligence sources that Fred Inbau is operating quietly behind the scenes, giving the committee the benefit of his sage counsel.

Yours sincerely,


A. F. Brandstatter
Director

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Encs.

February 19, 1960

Professor A. F. Brandstatter, Director
School of Police Administration
Michigan State University
East Lansing, Michigan

Dear Art:

I have your letters of January 27 and February 9 before me and will answer both. I have delayed answering your letter of January 27 because I was waiting for some reaction to our cable and memorandum re the communications replacement. Incidentally, your cable arrived February 18 and we sent a cable reply the same day.

We have followed your accounts of the ROTC controversy with great interest. I have circulated all of the reports to interested staff members and after learning the results of the senate vote, we are now awaiting the results of Board of Trustees' action. I can appreciate how much of an uproar this is causing on campus and if we understand the positions of the board members as reported in the papers, etc., the ball has been tossed squarely in their laps.

With Ruben Austin out here I am quite sure that everything has been done to clear your trip insofar as this end is concerned. In other words, we have obtained the GVN country clearance some time ago, a copy of which was sent to East Lansing. We have also notified USOM out here. I have discussed your proposed visit with Frank Walton and he has been properly alerted. So we are all under the impression that everything has been taken care of out here. Just as an added precaution, Musolf is writing a letter to East Lansing requesting your services, although after discussing this with Austin, according to your letter of January 27, Ruben feels that everything has been taken care of.

I have just rechecked with Don Aschom to make certain that there will be apartment space for you and Nicol and he assures me that everything is taken care of. Musolf and Austin have been tied up with the Public Administration conference all week so I have not looked into the possibility of my meeting you in Hong Kong. I will let you know about this later.

You have received the cable re the appointment of Adkins. We are assuming that you have acquainted Adkins fully with the job description which I sent to you earlier and have also taken note of my subsequent comments about him. As far as I am concerned, he will be acceptable if he can do a first class job in fingerprint identification work, guiding the national identification card program, and personality-wise will fit into the work pattern and living conditions out here. There is still no change in his proposed work assignment, namely, he will be responsible for the guidance, direction, and implementation of the national identity card program on one hand, and secondly, he will be responsible for overhauling the fingerprint identification files. As Jack has undoubtedly told you, the program got underway during Corey Dymond's tour and was followed up by Chamberlin. After Chamberlin's departure there was no MSU advisor who could ride herd on this program and also there was a change in administration within the ident. bureau. We have all heard reports that efficiency and accuracy may have slipped a bit. I am most interested in having Adkins step in and overhaul the system if necessary. In other words, when MSU leaves here we want this ident. bureau to be able to stand a USOM or FBI inspection with regard to technical accuracy. Naturally, we can expect that in the years to come after MSU has left the technical proficiency of this bureau will have its ups and downs, depending upon who is running the show. However, I do not think we or USOM can be expected to provide a nursemaid indefinitely. The best I think we can do is to have the record show that when we are leaving we have established a bureau which is functioning properly, still recognizing and acknowledging the questionable nature of its future performance. I hope that Jack has had a visit with Adkins and was able to discuss these matters. If not, I hope that he can do it before Adkins takes off.

We all appreciate the problems which you are having with regard to the salary question, and I hope no one feels that this has been initiated solely by me. As the record shows, Sheinbaum made a simple statement that when I replaced Ryan there would be some increase in salary. I am quite content to wait until next July to see how this is resolved. Ruben Austin seemed to think that Nicol's salary would be nearer \$1400 than \$1500.

As far as the continuation of the program beyond 1962, I think this will have to be discussed more fully when Ruben returns. He is getting a pretty good picture of the USOM-MSU relations out here and should be able to discuss the matter fully with you and the Deans. Naturally, you will also get a clearer picture when you come out here.

With regard to the plans for a foreign police institute, we, too, have a lot of ideas out here and I trust that as a result of your participant interviews and evaluations, you will be able to understand some of the problems which should be handled by such a police institute.

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I was interested in your accounts on the PIA staff problems and hope that things will work out all right as far as George Eastman is concerned. As you know, many people have some reservations about him. With regard to Scott, this is the best yet. Both Arnella and I are anxiously awaiting further information.

Enclosed is a copy of the letter which I have just sent to Nicol. Assuming that his doctor will approve the trip, I certainly hope he will be able to make it. If not, it will throw our time table out of whack. Because of Joe's familiarity with the participants, I would not be particularly interested in trying to recruit someone else to come out here for a short time period, but rather, will try to do the work as best I can.

As far as your discussions with returned advisors and their evaluations of the work done out here, I would certainly agree that the overall result is generally good. Charlie Sloane is going right along on his documentation of the total police project and the accumulated efforts are quite impressive. It is only the day-to-day problems and irritations which sometimes cause one to be a little pessimistic.

As you probably have heard, My Vernon was called to the states for an interview re the Chicago job. As of today, we have not heard whether or not he has accepted it.

I will not cover any matters regarding the communications problem in this letter because I feel that our memorandum of January 29 outlined the situation as of that date and we are now awaiting your memorandum which you referred to in your cable of February 18. As soon as that arrives, I will send back an immediate reply.

As far as using your 50 pounds of air freight, I am not aware of any advance preparations which have to be made. Whatever you accumulate out here can be shipped home by the project. In other words, I did not have to do anything special on my previous trips.

While Vic has had his ups and downs, he went through a pretty thorough physical last week and was reported to be free of amoebiasis. Charlotte Sloane was in the hospital with amoebiasis last week but is back home and recovering satisfactorily. Everyone else seems to be in good health at the moment.

You may wish to tell Jack and Howard that the USOM auditor made trips to Tanan and Mytho and found everything in excellent shape. In fact they were very much impressed and pleased with what they found and at the way the Surete treated them. I sent Jack and Howard some reports from the local newspapers and as they have probably told you, things

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have gone to hell with regard to security conditions in the South. The Viet Cong have been very active for the last month and the GVN is about ready to mount some intensive operations in the South. As I recall it, after being fairly quiet last year, things are about the same as they were in 1956, although some newcomers feel that the security situation is very serious. I think we'll have to wait for several months to see how well GVN can get things under control.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

RALPH F. TURNER, Chief
Police Administration Division

Enclosure

cc: Coordinator
Chief Advisor

March 8, 1960

Prof. A.P. Brandstatter, Director
School of Police Administration & Public Safety
Michigan State University
East Lansing, Michigan

Dear Art:

I have just prepared a long memo regarding the communications program for consideration by Austin, Hendry, yourself, Hoyt and Ryan. I hope this gives you a little better picture of the current situation. In this letter I will reply to your letter of February 17 and your letter of the same date to Hendry.

With regard to your letter of February 17 to Hendry, I want to clarify the matter of "Turner's suggestion." My memo of January 28 should not be regarded as "Turner's suggestion," but rather an attempt to give you at that time a picture of what things were like out here and how we were reacting to the various problems. This memorandum was the result of several conferences between Musolf, Hemmye and myself and represents a joint feeling. As you see we have considered the matter further and now feel that you should go ahead with recruitment of a communications advisor. We are most interested in East Lansing having a clear understanding of our situation here in Saigon. Frankly, things have changed very markedly since last July and we feel quite sure that East Lansing does not fully understand or appreciate what has transpired. As you will see from my communications memo, we are hoping that you can tentatively line up someone but will not make final commitment until you get out here. If after a thorough briefing in the matter you agree with our current proposals, you may be able to complete the recruitment by cable.

With regard to your forthcoming trip, as you know some questions were raised by USOM/Saigon and I had to outline the details of your trip and assure them of the need for this visit and also explain what I hope you will accomplish upon your return. As we had discussed previously, I will arrange for you to interview returned participants using a questionnaire which USOM is considering using on its worldwide participant interview. You will find that this probably will turn out to be a

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tedious job, but it is something which will have to be done. As we have also discussed in the past, I hope that you will be able to get a very clear understanding of all of the results of stateside participant training as you see them in action in Vietnam.

With regard to field trips, I don't think that you have to bring any special medicine or gear along. We will take care of these matters when you arrive. I plan to arrange for you to visit with some of the returned participants who are out in the field and also see the national identification card program in action. There is a possibility, however, that field trips may be curtailed because of security conditions. This is not a matter of General Ia being uncooperative, but rather recognizing the fact that security in the countryside has gone to hell in a hurry. In fact they had four policemen stationed in our yard last night, thanks to the kind offices of General Ia and Director Tu. All of the Police and Security people in GVN have been on a full alert for the past two weeks, cars are being searched at night, and patrols are continually in evidence on the streets of Saigon. The Viet Cong have hit several Civil Guard installations on the outskirts of the city. The American community is not getting panicky, but we must admit that things are not as peaceful and quiet as they were last summer. We all believe that as the GVN Army gets back into action and resumes mopping up action and sweeps, something which they have relaxed during the last year, things will be brought under control.

After you have obtained the aforementioned picture of the participant program here in Vietnam, we all are hoping that you will be able to make a strong and forceful presentation to ICA/W with regard to improvement of the stateside participant program. While I may be overstating the problem, I feel that your trip out here with emphasis on the participant program, plus whatever you can accomplish in Washington, should be the last final effort in an attempt to get something done. If there are not marked improvements in the stateside program, particularly the way ICA/W administers it, I am inclined at this stage of the game to recommend that the participant program be downgraded considering the amount of money which is invested. However, we will be able to discuss this in detail when you arrive.

As you know I sent a long letter to Joe Nicol recently, a copy of which was sent to you, but as yet I haven't received any reply. We are awaiting developments on his trip.

We have been well informed on the Chicago police chief situation and naturally were surprised at the outcome. All I can say is that we will continue to watch developments with great interest.

USOM/PSD learned about your hiring Eastman and all I can do is warn you in advance that there will be a lot of needling and ribbing about that one.

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When you are out here you should be prepared to discuss with Walton the final plans for MSU's phasedown, my successor, and the gradual turnover of the program to USOM/PSD. I had a meeting with Walton on this matter again and just reviewed the same points which I have discussed with you in previous letters. Naturally, we will want to firm these matters up when you are here.

Everyone is in good health and we are all looking forward to your arrival.

Sincerely yours,

RALPH F. TURNER, Chief
Police Administration Division

cc:

Coordinator
Chief Advisor

March 8, 1960

To: Dr. Lloyd D. Musolf, Chief Advisor

From: Ralph F. Turner, Chief RT
Police Administration Division

For 1) James B. Hendry, Acting Coordinator
Transmittal 2) Ruben Austin, Coordinator
To: 3) A. F. Brandstatter

Subject: Communications Replacement

Since the dispatch of Turner's memo dated January 28 re communications advisor, and Ruben Austin's arrival in Saigon, many meetings have been held between Musolf, Austin, Hemmye, Turner, and Walton regarding the communications program. Replies from Brandstatter, Ryan and Hoyt have been received in Saigon and have the subject of additional conferences. Needless to say the entire matter has been given considerable thought and it is hoped that this current memo will give you a clearer picture of the situation here in Saigon. It is difficult to convey by letter the exact nature of the climate and conditions under which we are presently working and I feel it is most important that the people in East Lansing meet with Ruben Austin as soon as he returns for a first-hand description of the MSU program.

The information contained in Hoyt's and Ryan's memo of February 9, which arrived on February 23, was helpful and informative but did not deal with the situation as it now stands. I call your attention to the second paragraph of Turner's memo of January 28 and remind you that this probably is an understatement, since USOM is taking a very firm, aggressive and positive part in the implementation of the communications program. The matter of whether an integrated or separate communications system will be installed has been decided by the Country Team which told GVN that the US Government would only provide equipment for an integrated system. The GVN is resisting this steadily; however, as of this date it looks as though they probably will capitulate. Another point to be considered is the very real possibility that if MSU continues to argue for a so-called separate system, the money which is tied up in the suspended PIOC's may be turned back to the US

Government, with the result that the Surete would not receive any more communications equipment inasmuch as we have not programed a million and a half dollars for FY-60 or 61. I think this is a remote possibility, but one which we cannot take too lightly. If it would come to pass, we will take the matter up with Gardiner for this would represent a violation of the project agreement. You must appreciate also the fact that Washington has put a great deal of pressure on ICA to turn back the money which has been tied up in the pipeline for too long a time.

I am well aware of the fact that the people in East Lansing are wondering why MSU doesn't take a stronger stand and fight for these initial proposals. Ruben will be able to fill you in on the current attitude which USOM holds toward MSU. In plain facts, MSU does not enjoy the confidence of USOM which it did in former years, and regardless of the eventual outcome of the Rundlett case and a few other activities on the part of MSU, we are very definitely in the position of having to acknowledge past mistakes and we are not operating from a position of advisory strength. I realize this is probably difficult for the people in East Lansing to appreciate, but nevertheless, represents the current state of affairs. At best, we are working under difficult circumstances.

In spite of these difficulties we are continuing to try and fulfill our obligations to the PROAG and the Surete, and feel that a few concessions here and there will be necessary if we are to accomplish anything near our original goal. Therefore, after considerable discussion on the matter of a communications advisor, we presently feel that East Lansing should go ahead and begin recruitment. However, we also believe that final commitment should be held up until Brandstatter arrives in Saigon and has a chance to get a clearer picture of the situation.

We are basing our recommendation to continue recruitment of a communications advisor on a meeting which I had with Walton on March 4. Enclosed please find a copy of a memorandum which I have sent to Walton.

We in Saigon feel that the communications advisor, when he is recruited, should not be indoctrinated with the idea that he is going to implement 100% the communications program as originally proposed by MSU. If he comes out here with this idea we will only have a repetition of what has been occurring the last several months and will serve only to complicate matters. Instead, we feel that East Lansing should recruit a good technical man who personality-wise will be able to fit into a team and get the job done. We are assuming that the policy matters of an integrated vs. a separate system will have been resolved by the time he arrives and his job will be to counsel, advise, and supervise the installation of the system.

I am aware of the fact that Hoyt and Ryan probably will feel that we are selling the MSU proposal down the river. This is not the case. If things go the way we anticipate they will, there unquestionably will be a communications system which will serve all of Vietnam. It will not represent 100% MSU's proposals, but I think will represent about 85% of our thinking. Admittedly, the remaining 15% which could be described as the crux of the problem, namely, integrated vs. separate communications equipment at the district level, is the most important feature of the total program insofar as a smooth operation is concerned. So far we have not been able to sway the Country Team on the importance of this matter. Before Hemye leaves he probably will go on record as saying that this integrated system will not work. Time will reveal who is correct. Hoyt and Ryan should be appraised of the fact that it appears as though there is some change in the thinking of the Vietnamese. For example, at our last meeting with General Ia he indicated he would be quite willing to have the Civil Guard man and operate the transmitting and receiving stations at Phu Lam and Thu Duc. Considerable pressure is also being exerted at top level and we may find that the Vietnamese will change slightly their attitude toward inter-service rivalries.

At the risk of boring you with endless repetition, I cannot overemphasize the fact that we are laboring under an atmosphere of suspicion and distrust and USOM is constantly reminding us of the things which they do not like about MSU's past activities. In the interests of getting as much done as possible we have to admit to some of these slips and try and regain lost ground.

I must add also the information that we are not encountering any difficulty with USOM/PSD in any of the other phases of the police project. It would be grossly unfair to even suggest that USOM/PSD is interfering in any way whatsoever in the other programs.

Enclosure

Frank E. Walton, Chief
Public Safety Division, USOM

March 7, 1960

Ralph F. Turner, Chief, Police Administration Division
Communications Advisor

On March 4, 1960, I discussed with you the matter of MSUM providing a communications advisor to replace Mr. Heanye, who will be leaving on or before October 12, 1960. As you will recall, the principal purpose of my visit was to obtain a clearcut statement with regard to matters of policy and responsibility. After considerable discussion involving the communications program, it was agreed, and later explained also to Mr. Vernon, that MSU would recruit a communications advisor and upon his arrival there would be meetings with the USOM/PSD communications advisors at which time these advisors would agree upon a joint operation with regard to the installation of communication equipment for both the Civil Guard and Surete. Such agreements would have the concurrence of chief police advisors of USOM/PSD and MSUM.

On the basis of this discussion I will request Dr. Musolf, MSUM chief advisor, to notify MSU East Lansing to begin active recruitment of a communications advisor, with the instruction that if at all possible this advisor arrive in Saigon before Heanye's departure so that he can be fully advised of the status of current work in progress and plans for future implementation of the communications program.

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March 10, 1960

Arrives Mar. 21, 1960

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Dear Ralph:

Enclosed is a copy of a memorandum I addressed to Ruben Austin, which is self-explanatory. I sincerely believe that terminating the police phase of the program in June 1962 is premature. I base my comments on the experience I had and the observations I made regarding the public safety activities that were carried out in Germany at the close of World War II. I believe that a small group of three or four people, highly motivated, can continue to give direction and counsel to the Vietnamese police forces for a period of at least three or four years beyond 1962. The areas in which advice can be given are the general field of administration and organization; in traffic law enforcement; in criminal investigation, with specific support in the laboratory and identification areas; and finally, a thorough assessment and evaluation of the impact of what has occurred in South Vietnam since the arrival of the American police advisory group. I envision a program which would permit us to function under the type of contract now existing or by association with the National Institute of Administration as members of its faculty with teaching and research responsibilities. Of course, there are many questions I cannot answer. For instance, I am not certain whether the Vietnamese government would be reluctant to permit the type of research which we, as law enforcement educators, would develop, and I am not certain whether the climate among the Vietnamese police administrators is such that they would be willing to cooperate. In any event, I envision research which would be of value to the Vietnamese, as well as to add knowledge to the international police field. It is quite likely we might even be able to develop a relationship with not only N.I.A., but the universities in Saigon and Hue. Another thought occurs to me that as we do this job in the years ahead, assuming it can be finalized, we could make Saigon the center for police research and study for this part of the world, namely South-east Asia. I plan on asking both Ryan and Hoyt to develop for me a list of research projects, by title, that could be carried out in Vietnam. I would also like to ask you and your staff to undertake a similar project so that we can compare notes and perhaps consider a proposal concerned with law enforcement research for submission to the university, the U.S. Government, or to a foundation.

Please note Item 4 under Musolf of the Planning Group Meeting minutes dated February 26, 1960. I see no reason why we can't be concerned with similar research projects related directly to the police organization in Vietnam. If time permits, I would like to have your reaction to my proposal regarding research before I arrive in Saigon. If not, I shall place it on my agenda for discussion

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with you. Also, on Page 2 of the same minutes under Item 2, Musolf, there is reference to the possibility of microfilming historical documents at Hue for the purpose of having copies in the M.S.U. library. I am wondering if we can't use this microfilming service to also copy other documents which may be of particular importance to the police field. Austin, apparently, feels this program ought to be expanded and indicates the need to have extensive materials from the Vietnam Project within the main library on campus. We ought not to overlook the possibility of obtaining extensive materials of this kind for our purposes.

I finally received Joe Nicol's word that he would accept an assignment to Vietnam and is planning to leave for a seven-week period on July 1. We are processing his papers and you should plan, accordingly. I assume you will carry on personal correspondence with him regarding any details that are of mutual concern.

Adkins has accepted our offer of \$12,000 per annum as a base salary and is prepared to leave just as soon as he can be oriented and the necessary clearances obtained. The processing is now in the hands of the on-campus coordinator's office. We are urging Adkins to spend some time with the FBI office in order to determine how they reduce the margin of error in processing fingerprints. I assume this is done through high-level supervisory effort, but I am sure Adkins will explore this aspect, carefully. A detailed account of his background in the identification field is enclosed for your information.

Your letter of February 19 mentions the fact that I ought to discuss the continuation of the program beyond 1962 with Ruben Austin when he returns. This I shall do, but I am wondering what affect or impact the USOM-MSU relations has on this decision. I am assuming there must be a pretty aggressive attempt on the part of USOM to assume complete responsibility for all police technical aid. If this is the case, I suggest you resist it to the full extent of your ability and I shall give you whatever support is necessary when I arrive in Saigon. Needless to say, one of the first meetings I want to have is with Frank Walton. I agree that I will have a clearer picture of what is happening when I arrive in Saigon.

Again, with respect to our plans for a foreign police institute, I strongly urge that you reduce all your thoughts and ideas to writing so that we may benefit from them upon your return. This is especially true with respect to the participant program. Having been at both ends of the trail, you and Vic perhaps have a better grasp of the problems and their solution than we do. In any event, make thorough notes of your observations and experiences.

George Eastman has been employed and Bob Scott has turned down our offer. I am pleased with Eastman's acceptance and, of course, I am unhappy about Bob's decision, but can understand why he made it. Eastman is being relieved of teaching assignments spring quarter and will be assigned to conduct the police-community relations study for us. Thus, at long last I have found someone to take over this responsibility. We are hiring Bob Lothian and Glen Leonard as lecturers to teach PLA 320 and PLA 321, which were originally assigned to Eastman.

Reports from Chicago indicate that O. W. is having his problems. We understand that the State's Attorney in Cook County has attacked his appointment on a legal basis, and this has been the subject of headlines in the newspapers in the last few days. If anything new develops, I shall keep you informed.

Mr. Turner

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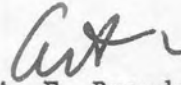
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I am enclosing several newspaper clippings which will be of interest to you.

The department is beginning to socialize a little bit more than it has in the past. Glenn Schultz and a few others have assumed the responsibility for giving direction to the social activities, and last night we had our first dinner together. Nine couples had dinner at the new Holliday Inn at the corner of US 16 and 78. It was a very pleasant evening and everyone enjoyed themselves. Baril turned out to be the only real extrovert among the group, as he attempted to persuade everyone to dance with him. It seems he and Florentine have been taking dancing lessons and he wanted all of us to see the excellent progress he has been making.

Will you be able to join me in Hong Kong?

Yours sincerely,



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