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SUBJECT. Activity Programs for 1960

I. Participant Program.

Because MSU Contract scholarships are no longer being offered, this work will consist of the selection, English instruction, periodic examination, orientation and other pre-departure preparation of USOM Civil Police and Security participants. Following are the more important activities contemplated. The dates are approximate because of our dependence upon GVN schedules of selection.

- A. GVN screening of initial 80 candidates -- January 18.
 1. English translation test.
 2. General information test.
- B. Receipt of GVN list of acceptable candidates -- January 25-30.
- C. USOM-MSU interviews of candidates -- January 25 - February 15.

Interview forms for this process have been prepared, as well as a control chart dealing with the entire pre-departure processing.
- D. Initial X-Ray examination of participants who pass the USOM-MSU interview board. -- January 30 - February 15.
- E. Negotiate contract for English instruction with the VAA. Arrange for classrooms, teachers, teaching materials, and tape laboratory. -- January 25 - February 15.
- F. Begin English instruction for acceptable candidates at seven (7) hours per day -- February 1 - 20.

1. Five hours of classroom instruction.
2. One hour of pronunciation drill.
3. One hour of practice in tape laboratory.

- G. Final Physical Examinations -- May 15.
- H. Begin English language panel discussions - June 1.
- I. Application for Arrete - June 1.
- J. Police orientation lectures in English -- July 1.
- K. Final English examinations scheduled every four weeks.
- L. Departure for U.S. -- August 1.

1. One month of English training in the U.S.

II. Follow-up Evaluation of Participant Program.

Mr. William Parker, USOM Training Officer, has authorized the use of the ICA questionnaire form designed for this purpose, provided that MSUG furnish his office with duplicates of all completed questionnaires. We have agreed to this provision.

The systematic interviewing of forty-seven (47) returned participants, a time consuming procedure which will remove the interviewees from their jobs for several hours in each case, will depend upon the cooperation of the Director-General of Police and Security, and in a few cases, the Commandant of the Civil Guard.

Following are the steps involved in the evaluation program:

- A. Questionnaires have been reproduced from the sample provided by USOM. in sufficient quantity to produce a copy for USOM.
- B. Returned participants will be interviewed by the writer, either at the MSUG office, or at the interviewee's place of work. A highly qualified interpreter should be detailed to assist in this work.
- C. A form will be designed for the statistical interpretation and summarization of interview data.
- D. Collected data will be presented, examined and interpreted in the form of a written report, with whatever conclusions and recommendations may result from the examination and interpretation.
- E. The interviewing of five (5) returned participants who are assigned to the Saigon area will be reserved to Mr.

Brandstatter, for completion during his visit to Saigon.

- F. Some field trips will be necessary for complete coverage of returned participants. This is deemed especially important because those men working in the Saigon area may not be representative of all returned participants. The scheduling of field trips must await a favorable response from the Director-General of Police and Security, and a location list of all returned participants.
- G. The interviewing of forty-two (42) participants should be completed by March 20, to be followed by a tentative examination of the data completed not later than April 1.
- H. The small amount of time requires that we receive GVN clearance and assignment location information at the earliest possible time.

III. Model Central Records Bureau Operation for the Second Precinct.

This project will be carried out with only minor modifications of the proposals made by Mr. Raymond C. Johnston in his March, 1959 report. With other programs taking precedence, this work will probably not commence until May, 1960, following a series of preparatory meetings with Commissioner Bay of the Second Precinct.

Projected target dates will be reported when there has been an opportunity for discussion with Commissioner Bay.