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SUBJECT: Department of Defense Assignment of Responsibilities for the OCB Operations Plan for Viet-Nam

PAGE	PARA.	COURSES OF ACTION	RESPONSIBIL	MA
6	17	Popularize, particularly in neutralist nations of Asia, the image of a genuinely independent Viet-Nam striving by its own will and as much as possible with its own resources to enhance its ability to defend and strengthen its independence. (OCB Assignment: All agencies; Timing - Continuing)	Assigned to: Support: CAS	
7	.23	Deter the Viet Cong (formerly called Viet Minh) from attacking or subverting Free Viet-Nam or other neighboring states. (OCB Assignment: State, Defense; Timing - Continuing)	Assigned to:	JOS
7	25	Probe weaknesses of the Viet Cong and exploit them internally and internationally whenever possible. (OCB Assignment: "State, Defense, USIA; Timing - Continuing)	Assigned to:	JCS
0	26	Continue to support the Vietnamese Government by diplomatic, military, economic, and psychological means. In these efforts the main object should be to maximize the attractiveness of Free Viet-Nam in contrast with conditions in the communist zone of North Viet-Nam. (OCB Assignment: All agencies; Timing - Continuing)	Assigned to: Support: OASI	
8		Strengthen Vietnamese relations with and representation in Laos, Cambodia, the Philippines, Thailand, Burma, Malaya and the Republic of China. Keep the GVW as fully informed as possible of developments in Indonesia in order that it may guide its relations in the best interests of the Free World. Support visits by high-ranking officials of Southeast Asian countries to Viet-Nam and vice versa, particularly from neutra countries. (OCB Assignment: All agencies; Timing - Continuing)	Assigned to: Support: OASI	
υ	1,1	Encourage Viet-Nam to develop economic relations with Japan and the Republic of China, and, as appropriate, to accord recognition to the contributions to the Vietnamese economy non-citizen businessmen have made and continue to make under proper conditions. (OCB Assignment: All agencies; Timing - Continuing) 1186 SECRET	Assigned to:	OASD/ISA