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PERSONNEL IN SOUTH VIETNAM ON THE BASIS THAT THE FORCE IS TOO
LARGE AND UNMANAGEABLE.

2. SOME VIETNAMESE INVOLVED IN CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIPS
WITH AMERICANS WERE BEING QUESTIONED IN DETAIL BY PRESIDENCY
STAFF MEMBERS AS TO U.S. ACTIVITIES. SOME OF THE INDIVIDUALS
QUESTIONED HAD INDICATED TO THE PRESIDENCY THAT THE U.S. MILITARY,
AND PARTICULARLY THE U.S. SPECIAL FORCES, ALTHOUGH GENERALLY
WELL MOTIVATED, DID NOT SEEM TO UNDERSTAND THE NECESSITY FOR
COORDINATING THEIR ACTIVITIES WITH APPROPRIATE VIETNAMESE
AUTHORITIES.

3. FIELD DISSEM. STATE (AMBASSADOR NOLTING), USMACV
(GENERAL HARKINS), MAAG (GENERAL TIMMES), CINCPAC PACFLT ARPAC
PACAF.

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