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Feasibility Study Approved for Saigon-Cholon Prefecture

On October 9, the Director General for Reconstruction, Nguyen duy Duc signed the "Letter of Agreement" approving a comprehensive feasibility study for the Saigon-Cholon Prefecture.

The study will be conducted by Doxiadis Associates of Athens, Greece. A team of approximately nine consultants with experience in engineering, city planning, and administration is expected to arrive shortly.

By terms of the Contract, the report will include a proposed administrative reorganization plan for the Prefecture, a 20- or 30-year development program for the metropolitan area, a comparative study of "house-types" suitable for Vietnamese environmental conditions, an inventory of technicians, craftsmen, and other of skilled, semi-skilled, and unskilled workers now available in the country, and a pilot housing project of 1,000 houses.

The Consultant firm will publish its report 100 days after initiation of the study.

New Decrees Issued

Of arretes promulgated since publication of the last Bulletin, Decree No. 295-NV, temporarily postponing the organization of elections for the prefecture council, the provincial citizen councils, and the municipality councils, will be of general interest.

Decree No. 295-NV, dated October 9, 1964.

DECREE

Art. 1 - The organization of elections for the prefecture council, the provincial citizen councils, and the municipality councils, previously

scheduled on October 4, 1964 (1st phase) and October 11, 1964 (2nd phase), is hereby temporarily postponed.

The election day will be fixed at a later date by an arrete from the Minister of Interior with the approval of the Government.

Art. 2 - All vice prime ministers, ministers, secretaries of state, commissioners, prefect, province chiefs and mayors are charged, each to that which concerns him, with the carrying out of this decree.

This decree is promulgated through emergency procedures.

October 9, 1964
/s/ Nguyen Khanh

Current and 1965 Projected Population Figures for Provincial Capitals
Autonomous Cities, and Prefecture

The following data on estimated population figures for provincial capitals, autonomous cities, and the Saigon-Cholon Prefecture were obtained from the consolidated population accounting system maintained by the National Institute of Statistics (N.I.S.). These figures, in turn, depend on reports from province chiefs of the counts made from family declarations (police registration) within each hamlet, village, and district.

Based upon the accompanying one-year population projections, twenty-one of the forty-eight municipalities will experience no significant change in their population.

"Rough" population data have been compiled on district capitals and these figures are available through PAD's office upon request.

Estimated Populations of Provincial Capitals, Autonomous
Cities, and Prefecture, Vietnam

PROVINCE	Provincial Capital		
	Name	Estimated Population 1 July, 1964	Projected Population 1 July, 1965
<u>South Vietnam - West</u>			
An Giang	Long Xuyen	26,000	27,000
An Xuyen	Quang Long	34,000	35,000
Ba Xuyen	Khanh Hung	44,000	45,000
Bac Lieu	Vinh Loi	20,000	20,000
Chau Doc	Chau Phu	11,000	11,000
Chuong Thien	Vi Thanh	3,000	3,000

PROVINCE	Provincial Capital		
	Name	Estimated Population 1 July, 1964	Projected Population 1 July, 1965
<u>South Vietnam - West (cont'd)</u>			
Con Son	Con Son	2,000	2,000
Dinh Tuong	My Tho	65,000	67,000
Go Cong	Go Cong	18,000	18,000
Kien Giang	Rach Gia	47,000	48,000
Kien Hoa	Truc Giang	17,000	18,000
Kien Phong	Cao Lanh	5,000	5,000
Kien Tuong	Moc Hoa	7,000	7,000
Long An	Tan An	22,000	23,000
Phong Dinh	Can Tho	75,000	77,000
Vinh Binh	Phu Vinh	20,000	20,000
Vinh Long	Vinh Long	32,000	33,000
<u>South Vietnam - East</u>			
Bien Hoa	Bien Hoa	42,000	43,000
Binh Duong	Phu Cuong	30,000	31,000
Binh Long	An Loc	13,000	14,000
Binh Tuy	Ham Tan	11,000	11,000
Gia Dinh	Gia Dinh	76,000	78,000
Hau Nghia	Khien Juong	1,000	2,000
Long Khanh	Xuan Loc	17,000	17,000
Phuoc Long	Phuoc Binh	2,000	2,000
Phuoc Thanh	Phuoc Vinh	3,000	3,000
Phuoc Tuy	Phuoc Le	10,000	10,000
Tay Ninh	Tay Ninh	19,000	20,000
	Saigon**	1,503,000	1,541,000
	Vung Tau*	16,000	16,000
<u>Central Vietnam Lowlands</u>			
Binh Dinh	Qui Nhon	50,000	52,000
Binh Thuan	Phan Thiet	61,000	62,000
Khanh Hoa	Nha Trang	55,000	57,000

Source: National Institute of Statistics

Note: Unofficial estimates prepared by USOM/PAD

* Indicates autonomous city.

** Indicates prefecture.

-- In addition to being autonomous cities, Dalat and Hue also serve as provincial capitals for Tuyen Duc and Thuan Thiem, respectively.

PROVINCE	Provincial Capital		
	Name	Estimated Population 1 July, 1964	Projected Population 1 July, 1965
<u>Central Vietnam Lowlands (cont'd)</u>			
Ninh Thuan	Thuan Rang	24,000	25,000
Phu Yen	Tuy Hoa	24,000	25,000
Quang Nam	Hoi An	18,000	19,000
Quang Ngai	Quang Ngai	10,000	10,000
Quang Tin	Tam Ky	11,000	11,000
Quang Tri	Quang Tri	12,000	12,000
Thua Thien	Hue*	117,000	117,000
	Danang*	150,000	154,000
<u>Central Vietnam Highlands</u>			
Darlac	Banmethuot	33,000	33,000
Kontum	Kontum	20,000	20,000
Lam Dong	Bao Loc	10,000	11,000
Phu Bon	Kau Bon	3,000	3,000
Fleiku	Fleiku	15,000	15,000
Quang Duc	Gia Nghia	3,000	3,000
Tuyen Duc	Palat*	56,000	57,000

The GVN Salary System

Attached is a brief descriptive analysis of the GVN salary system prepared by PAD in early October, 1964. This exposition was written to provide a capsule glance of the overall system. It is the first phase of a comprehensive study of the GVN civil service system.

The attachment does not, however, reflect certain changes that will be made during November (See The Saigon Post, October 26, 1964). Pursuant to a GVN directive, the base salary for all government employees, both civil servants and non-civil servants, will be increased approximately 10 percent (effective November 1, 1964). Further, all civil servants in Grade C will receive the same family allowances as civil servants in Grades A and B.

TALLY: GVN Officials Killed/Kidnapped January 1, 1964 - August 31, 1964

According to information received from various authoritative sources, more than 1,000 civil government employees were killed or kidnapped from January 1, 1964, through August 31, 1964. Of this total, sixty eight percent were abducted (see next page).

VC ACTION AGAINST
CIVIL GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL*
January-October, 1964

<u>Region</u>	<u>Assassinated</u>	<u>Abducted</u>
I	68	125
II**	216	111
III	67	139
IV	78	107
	<u>429</u>	<u>482</u>

Source: Survey by USOM/PA Regional Civil Administration Advisors.

* Includes Province, District, Village, Hamlet personnel, MAC and GAMO cadres.

** Data on Province and District officials in II Region not available at time of report.

New Map of Local Administration

The attached copy of the latest PAD map of Vietnam shows regional, province and district boundaries and names, as well as charting the field administration of local government as of October 15, 1964. While necessarily unofficial, the most authoritative sources available were consulted. Since the map was drawn, an additional district was reported in Dinh Tuong province, making a total of 241. Also the exact number of villages reported by the Ministry of Interior is now 2,547.

Note: To the list of Provinces and Chief Towns in Region II
Please add Khanh Hoa - Nha Trang.

List of Province Officials Updated

Several changes in Province and Deputy Province Chiefs have been made since the list was published in Public Administration Bulletin #16 September 30, 1964.

<u>Province</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
An Xuyen	Maj. Huynh van Neu	Dep. Prov. Ch. Security
Ba Xuyen	Lt.Col. Pham van Ut	Prov. Chief
Bac Lieu	Capt. Phan van Le	Dep. Prov. Ch. Security
Binh Tuan	Lt Col. Dinh van De	Province Chief
Chau Doc	Maj. Nguyen thoi Re	Dep. Prov. Ch. Security

<u>Province</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Darlac	Maj. Nguyen hinh Vinh	Province Chief
Dinh Tuong	Maj. Tran van Phuc	Province Chief
Dinh Tuong	Maj. Loi nguyen Tan	Dep. Prov. Ch. Security
Kien Giang	Lt Col. Nguyen Khac Tuan	Province Chief
Kien Tuong	Lt Col. Tran trong Minh	Province Chief
Quang Nam	Maj. Phan Cao Dong	Province Chief
Quang Tin	Maj. Hoang dinh Luyen	Province Chief
Vinh Long	Maj. Phan thank Thai	Province Chief

Additional changes, including new District Chiefs, will be reported in future bulletins.