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Organization of Provisional Government

While the final structure of the new provisional government has not yet been settled upon, an unofficial organization chart of the top structure has been assembled from successive GVN announcements. It is believed that most of the substructure has not yet been changed significantly. Also, provincial, district, village and hamlet administrations, while experiencing many staff replacements, continue the same organizationally, except that Province Chiefs now report to the office of the Presidency rather than to the Ministry of Interior. A Commissioner for Local Government Administration and Foreign Immigration will provide the necessary staff on Local Government matters in the office of the Prime Minister.

A copy of the new unofficial organization chart of the provisional Office of the Prime Minister is attached.

Council of Notables Established

A statute establishing a Council of Notables was issued on Nov. 23, 1963 by Prime Minister Nguyen ngoc Tho on authority of the Military Revolutionary Committee. This group, when appointed, will serve as an advisory legislative body (see attached statute).

New Province Chiefs and Deputies Named

The Provisional Government has named new Province Chiefs in most of the 42 Provinces, with some being moved and others replaced more than once. Also, many new Deputy Chiefs for Security and Deputy Chiefs for Administration have been named. The latest available information as of date of publication is contained in the attached list. Additional changes may be expected and will be reported in the next PA Bulletin.

New GVN Hours

The Provisional Government announced new working hours for all civilian government offices effective as of Nov. 18, 1963, as follows:

Monday-Friday	8:00-12:00	13:00-16:30
Saturday	8:00-12:30	

This maintains the same forty-two hour work week as before.

Military activities start one-half hour earlier, or at 7:30 each day.

However, agencies have been asked to study the effects of the new policy, which may be reconsidered.

Delta Provincial Boundaries Being Studied

GVN consideration is being given to reducing the number of provinces in the Delta region by returning to the former (French) provincial boundaries. This would serve to reduce the cost of provincial administration by eliminating provincial headquarters staffs in the more recently formed provinces.

As an example, the new province of Hau Nghia reported in the last PA Bulletin is now being reconsidered and may remain as only a special military district.

As more is learned of these developments it will be reported in future bulletins and a new map will be prepared.

NIA Acquires New Rector

On November 21 Dr. Nguyen van Bong was formally installed as the new Rector of the National Institute of Administration, the GVN staff college. He replaces Dr. Vu quoc Thong who resigned after serving for the past eight years since NIA's founding.

Immediately prior to his appointment, Rector Bong was assistant dean of the Faculty of Law of the University of Saigon. Although only in his mid-thirties, Bong has studied and taught at the University of Paris, from which he received his Docteur en Droit Publique and agrege. He returned to Saigon in 1962.

Vice-Rector Nghiem Dang, who returned at the end of August from a year's study grant under the scholars program of the East-West Center in Hawaii will continue in his position to provide continuity of administration. However, other staff and curriculum changes may be expected to strengthen and accelerate the training of cadres both for central agencies and field services.

"Progress" Magazine Resumes Publication

The NIA sponsored Vietnamese inservice training magazine "Tien-Thu", or "Progress", resumed monthly publication in November with issue number 26, the first since last February's special Tet number. The eighty-eight pages

containing some twenty articles, several illustrated by cartoons, are organized into three parts:

- I. General knowledge and information of interest to civil servants
- II. In-service training information
- III. Informative and entertaining stories for civil servants' families

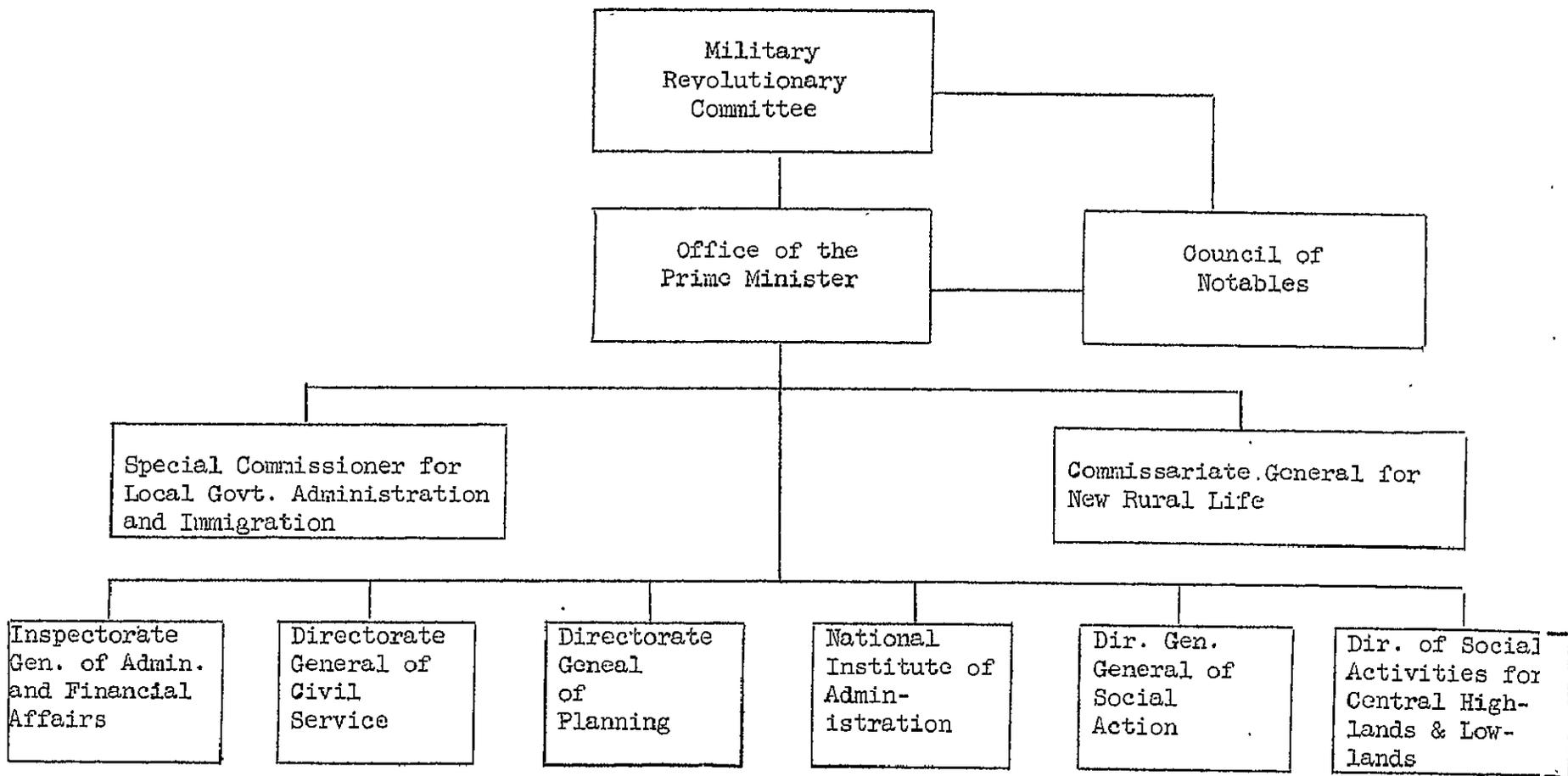
Over two thousand copies were distributed to central government agencies without charge. However, a price of 7.00\$VN is shown on the back cover with a view to future sale of copies in an effort to become self-sustaining. A small supply was obtained by PAD for limited distribution to interested offices with an English translation of the table of contents only.

Case Study Seminar held at NIA

The Inservice Training Division of NIA, with the assistance of the USOM advisors, conducted a five-morning seminar in public administration case study methods. It was attended by over twenty bureau chiefs from central agencies, eight of whom were former US participant trainees.

The seminar opened with a lecture on the nature of public administration case studies and methods for their use. This was followed by demonstrations of selected cases from the Montgomery casebook in Vietnamese Administration in which the entire group took part. A final lecture covered how to write a case study. Participants returned to their agencies with instructions to prepare and publish cases based upon their own experiences and observations. These will then be used to train additional cadres.

Attendees as well as officials agreed that the seminar was most successful and should be repeated for other groups, including chiefs of services and provincial officers.



STATUTE OF COUNCIL NOTABLES FIXED BY DECREE OF CHAIRMAN
OF MILITARY REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL

Saigon (VP) Nov. 24

Article 1. - The statute of the Council of Notables is defined by the following provisions.

SECTION I

Competence

Article 2: - The competence of the Council of Notables has been defined by Decree 2-HDQN of Nov. 6 1963 of Chairman of the Military Revolutionary Council.

SECTION II

Organization

Article 3. - The Council of Notables will consist of 40 to 80 members selected from circles representing all nationalist tendencies and walks of life.

Prominent people will be invited by the Chairman of the Military Revolutionary Council to participate.

Article 4. - Council members may not be prosecuted, pursued, arrested or convicted for any statement or resolution made in the Council or in a Council committee.

During their term, no Council member may be sued, searched for, arrested or tried for any major or minor offense without prior consultation with the Council of Notables, with the exception of cases of treason, attempts on national security, or flagrante delicto.

Article 5. - The members of the Council of Notables will receive no salary. Any remuneration for them will be fixed by the Prime Minister on the recommendation of the Council and with the approval of the Military Revolutionary Council.

Article 6. - The term of the Council of Notables will end when a National Assembly is elected.

Article 7. - At the first meeting of the first regular session, the Council will elect a Chairman, two Vice Chairmen, a Secretary General, and three Commissioners. The above officers comprise the Council Secretariat.

Article 8. - The Council can set up permanent committees to study specific problems.

The Council will decide the composition and responsibilities of the committees.

Article 9. - Council members may be dismissed and the Council dissolved by decree of the Chairman of the Military Revolutionary Council

- upon decision taken by the two-thirds of the total number of the Council's members,

- or upon proposal of the Prime Minister of the Provisional Government.

Another member will be appointed or another Council set up, according to each case.

SECTION III

Operations

Article 10. - The Council will hold regular sessions in January, April, July and October.

Each session will begin on the first Monday of the above months, and will not exceed 30 days.

Between sessions, the Council Secretariat will act for the Council.

Article 11. - The Council can be called to hold an extraordinary session at the request of the Chairman of the Military Revolutionary Council, or of the Prime Minister of the Provisional Government, or of two-thirds of the total number of the Council's members. Each extraordinary session will not exceed 15 days.

Whenever the Chairman of the Military Revolutionary Council or the Prime Minister of the Provisional Government calls an extraordinary session, its agenda will be set up by the Council Secretariat after consultation with the Prime Minister and with the approval of the Chairman of the Military Revolutionary Council.

Article 12. - A Council meeting and its decisions will be valid if more than half of the Council's members are present.

If the first meeting is not attended by the required number of members as specified above, the Council can meet again 24 hours later and vote legally, whatever the number of members present.

Article 13. - In its voting the Council will decide by simple majority.

In case of a tie the Chairman's vote is decisive.
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Council members/delegate their right to vote to anyone.

Article 14. - The Council will determine its by-laws and regulations, and submit them for the approval of the Provisional Government.

Article 15. - The meetings of the Council and of its committees will not be public. However, if need be, the Council Secretariat may hold some public meetings at each session with the approval of the Prime Minister of the Provisional Government.

The Ministers and Secretaries of State concerned are entitled to attend and speak at the meetings of the Council's committees, but have no vote.

The Ministers and Secretaries of State can attend the Council meetings. When the problems under debate fall within their competence, the Ministers or Secretaries of State concerned (or their representatives) may ask permission to present their views before the Council takes a vote.

Civil servants who head the agencies concerned or public figures familiar with the problems under debate may be asked to participate in the meetings of the committees to present their views, but may not vote. In this circumstances the questions must be sent to the Council Secretariat beforehand for the preparation of documents.

Article 16. - The Council only discusses and votes on topics inscribed on its agenda.

Article 17. - The minutes of the meetings, signed by the Chairman, will be sent to the Secretariat of the Military Revolutionary Council and the Prime Minister's Office within a period not exceeding five full days.

Article 18. - The Council has an Administrator General appointed by the Prime Minister to handle the affairs of the Secretariat and direct the administrative agencies of the Council.

The expenses of the Council of Notables will be borne by the National Budget.

Article 19. - If necessary, the modalities of implementation of this decree will be fixed later by an order of the Prime Minister of the Provisional Government.

Article 20. - The Prime Minister of the Provisional Government is entrusted with the implementation of this decree.

LIST OF PROVINCE CHIEFS
AND DEPUTIES PROVINCE CHIEFS

South VN - West

Province	Province Chiefs	D/Province Chiefs for Security	D/Province Chiefs for Administration
An-Giang	* Maj Nguyễn Đăng Chât	Maj Trần Chí Thâm	Trương Văn Nam
An-Xuyen	* Maj Châu Văn Tiên	Capt Nguyễn Văn Ngưu	Bùi Văn Nghê
Ba-Xuyen	* LtCol Nguyễn Thành Hoàng	Capt Lò Nguyễn Tân	Trần Đắc Thành
Chuong-Thiên	* Maj Nguyễn Thanh Go	Capt Nguyễn Minh Dường	Nguyễn Long Vinh
Định-Tướng	* LtCol Trần Hoàng Quán	Maj Trần Văn Phúc	Huỳnh Văn Liêm
Kiên-Giang	* Maj Đặng Đình Thụy	Capt Nguyễn Phi Phùng	Phạm Văn Minh
Kiên-Hoã	Maj Lê Hữu Đức	Maj Trần Văn Thi	Nguyễn Duy Phước
Kiên-Phong	* Maj Đoàn Văn Cường		Lê Văn Lợi
Kiên-Tường	* Maj Phạm Việt Hùng	Capt Hà Kim Nhiên	Phạm Văn Chu
Long-An	* Maj Lê Minh Đạo	Capt Hồ Vinh	Lý Hoàng Huy
Phong-Dinh	Maj Trần Bá Di	Capt Lê Công Thường	Buu Viên
Vĩnh-Bình	* Maj Lý Trường Nhón	Capt Nguyễn Văn Của	Nguyễn Tăng Hồng
Vĩnh-Long	* LtCol Nguyễn Khắc Tuấn	Maj Huỳnh Ngọc Diệp	Nguyễn Xuân Liêm

South Vn - East

Province	Province Chiefs	D/Province Chiefs for Security	D/Province Chiefs for Administration
Bien-Hoa	* LtCol Phạm Đăng Tân	Capt Do Cao Thanh	Đồ Thành Nhơn
Binh-Duong	Maj Nguyễn Văn Tú	Capt Trần Văn Nguyễn	Lê Công Chất
Binh-Long	<i>Maj Lê Bá Hy</i> * Capt Đăng Văn Tân	Maj Trần Bửu Châu	Nguyễn Văn Khánh
Binh-Tuy	* Maj Lê Mông Chi	Capt Thái Công Lạc	Nguyễn Văn Tuyên
Con-Son	Maj Nguyễn Văn Sáu	Capt Tăng Tu từ Sao	
Gia-Dinh	<i>UHL</i> * Maj Huỳnh Văn Tôn	Maj Ngô Thanh Tùng	Nguyễn Thôn Độ
Long-Khanh	* Capt Nguyễn Tri Hạnh	Capt Nguyễn Tri Hạnh	Đàng Ngọc Liêu
Phuoc-Long	<i>Capt Phạm Văn Tu</i> * Maj Lê Mông Chi	Capt Phạm Văn Tu	Nguyễn Tinh Thuật
Phuoc-Thanh	* Maj Nguyễn Hữu Mân	Maj Hoàng Công Thu	Huỳnh Đình Trọng
Phuoc-Tuy	Maj Lê Qui Đồ	Maj Trần Vinh Huyền	Nguyễn Ba Căn
Tay-Ninh	Maj Vu Đức Nhuận	Capt Phan Tài Diệt	Lê Phú Nhan

Central VN - Lowlands

Province	Province Chief's	Province Chief's for Security	Province Chief's for Administration
Binh-Dinh	* LtCol Trần Văn Tú	Maj Nguyễn Ba Linh	Tôn Thất Văn Bui Duy Mai
Binh-Thuan	* Col Nguyễn Quang Hoành	Capt Lê Văn Phúc	Tôn Thất Tường
Khánh-Hòa	* Col Nguyễn Vinh Xuân	Capt Ngô Thành Nhan	Hoàng Đình Giang
Ninh-Thuan	* LtCol Ngô Nhu ... Bích	Capt Hoàng Công Đuân	Thâm Huy Khôi
Phu-Yen	* LtCol Phạm Anh	Capt Hồ Đắc Xu	Nguyễn Văn Đăng
Quang-Nam	* LtCol Trần Văn Khoai <i>Nguyễn Văn</i> <i>Thiếu</i>	Maj Đỗ Nguyễn Tu	Nguyễn Xuân and Trần Lộc
Quang-Ngai	* LtCol Lê Trung Tùng	Maj Bửu Dĩ	Trần Khanh
Quang-Tri	* Mr. Lê Tá	Capt Đoàn Công Hậu	Bùi Hữu Duệ Phạm Trí
Quang-Tin	LtCol Thân Minh	Maj Hoàng Đình Tho	Võ Văn Khúc Vinh Ca
Thừa-Thiên	* Maj Võ Hữu Thu	Capt Trương Đình Cầu	Hồ Ung Đan

Central VN - Highlands

Province	Province Chiefs	D/Province Chiefs for Security	D/Province Chiefs for Administration
Darlac	* LtCol Lê Văn Thành	Capt Kha Vang Huy	Ho Duy Sat Y-Djap-Kpor
Lam-Dong	* Capt Lê Tắt Tiên	Capt Nguyen Ngoc The	Đình Văn Thắng
Kontum	Maj Hoang Van Đình	Capt Lê Chính Đình	Thôn Thất Ký Ron
Pleiku	* LtCol Phan Trong Chính	Maj Vo Van Ba	Nguyen Trung Luân Ranlan Beo
Phú-Bôn	Maj Phạm Đình Chi	Capt Trương Văn Tạng	Nguyen Van Tien Hay Houll
Quảng-Đức	* LtCol Nguyễn Huy Hồng	Maj Đoàn Thanh Văn	Le Quang Quý
Tuyên-Đức	* LtCol Đình Văn Đê	Capt Nguyễn Văn Chuyên	Nguyễn Văn Đãi

* New Appointees