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The International Commission for Supervision and Control in Laos presents its compliments to the Permanent Secretariat of the Political Mission of the Royal Laotian Government, and has the honour to state that the International Commission's Fixed Team at Pakse has reported the following difficulties experienced by them in checking a convoy on 15th March 1956.

- (a) No previous notice of the arrival of the convoy was given, but the team was informed only after a few vehicles had already passed through. These had to be called back.
- (b) A general store convoy was mixed up with an armaments convoy. The team was not informed that there were two separate convoys but had to find this out itself.
- (c) In some cases, probably due to typographical error, the vehicle numbers did not correspond with those shown on the manifests.
- (d) Some of the manifests mentioned only "Armaments" and did not specify any other details.
- 2. The above defects resulted in unnecessary delay to the convoy and avoidable inconvenience to all concerned.
- 3. The International Commission requests that in order to avoid recurrences of such incidents, the procedure outlined in the "Instructions to the Mobile and Fixed Teams" should be strictly adhered.to:
- 4. The International Commission for Supervision and Control in Laos avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Secretariat of the Political Mission of the Royal Laotian Government the assurances of its high consideration.

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