Note:- It was the intention of the International Commission that all PVV/PL troops in Middle and Lower Laos - Serial Nos. 7-11 - should be checked at their starting places and finally at BAN PHA NOP, a post close to the Frontier. The post BAN PHA NOP was selected because this was a common point to all units moving from these areas. Owing to short notices it is possible that some of these personnel moving out were not checked, but the majority of the PVV/PL units were checked at BAN PHA NOP between the period October 12 and November 16, 1954. The numbers checked at BAN PHA NOP were as follows:-

Oct 11/12	PVV 400 plus PL 500	
Nov 2	PVV 500 plus PL 500	
Nov 14	PVV 309 plus PL 15	
Nov 16	PVV 422 plus PL 13	
Total	PVV 1631 plus PL 1028	

As it was not possible to control all the troops, the totals as finally checked did not tally with those given in the "strength" column. We therefore think that withdrawals actually started prior to the dates notified. We sent a team to carry out a check at BAN PHA NOP of such movements on September 28. The Team could not get to BAN PHA NOP. It was confirmed by the PVV representatives of the Sub-Commission at Mahaxay that a PVV unit was passing through that area on September 28, and that they could not give the team information of it owing to the movement having taken place at short notice.