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—ICCS: PROGRESS REPORT FOR SSEA VISIT: PART II

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF THE ICCS, LIAISON WITH THE PARTIES.

1. Establishment of the Commission. (Art. 15 of ICCS Protocol).

The hqs of the Commission was to be in place and operational within 24 hrs after the ceasefire. On arrival on Jan29 at 0330 hrs we discovered that no/no arrangements had been made to convene the Commission within this deadline, and we therefore took the initiative to call a Commission mtg, which took place at 1000 hrs the same day.

2. Organization of hqs.

The ICSC of 1954 enjoyed a period of several weeks between the date the ceasefire was signed and the date the ceasefire came into effect to take initial steps to organize itself. However, the ICCS has, of necessity, been engaged in working out its structure simultaneously with its attempts to deal with substantive issues. Early in this process the Commission established three cttees—political, military, administrative and financial. The military and administrative cttees have been the most active, the former serving as liaison between hqs and the ICCS field apparatus and the latter coping with the many administrative and financial questions involved in developing an operational institution. The political advisory cttee has met only three times and has been restr to drafting lets already decided upon in principle by the ICCS. In addition to these three main cttees, the Commission established a Special Group on Operating Procedures and a secretariat planning group. With respect to the Secretariat, following confirmation by the Commission of its structure, the planning group proceeded with a preliminary elaboration of the responsibilities and pers requirements of each directorate. Following approval of three further reports dealing with (A) the appointment of the dirgen and directors and the funding of Commission operations; (B) the operational audit section; and (C) the appointment of assistants for the dirgen and directors, Indonesian Ambassador Effendi Nur was unanimously elected dirgen, and directors were named (in our case on an acting basis). At the dirgens request each del has named three additional people to serve in the