

Report from Minister of Defense for free military aid to Laos, 6 July 1983

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TO THE PRIME MINISTER
COMRADE GRISHA FILIPOV

R E P O R T

From CC BCP Politburo member and Minister of people's defense
Army General Dobri Dzhurov

COMRADE FILIPOV,

From 4 to 8 July this year a military delegation from Laos PDR visited our country. It was led by the member of the Politburo of the Central Committee of the Laos' People's Revolutionary Party, Vice Prime Minister, and Minister of national defense, Army General Camtai Sifandon. The head of the delegation informed me, that the Chinese hegemonists and American imperialists continuously are sending on LPDR territory counterrevolutionary and sabotage groups aiming to destabilize the situation in the country and to impend to the development of the revolutionary process.

The Politburo of the Central Committee of the Laos' People's Revolutionary Party has taken a firm decision to strengthen the defense capability of the country, and it rely particularly on the assistance from the Soviet Union and other fraternal socialist countries, including PR Bulgaria.

In order to enhance the defense capability of the LPDR, the leader of the delegation expressed a request for free aid with delivery of arms, ammunitions, logistic, and medical equipment.

Their requests and our possibilities have been coordinated with the State planning committee, and with the aim to satisfy the requests of the Laos delegation on the grounds of the CC BCP Secretariat's resolution, I suggest the Bureau of the Council of Ministers to approve the following

RESOLUTION:

1. To provide free aid to the Laos people's democratic republic, at the amount of 1 260 000 leva, according to the enclosed list.
2. The ministry of defense shall enroll for training in the higher military institutions of the Bulgarian army, starting 1984, 20 young men from Laos, for a 4-year term of training and one-year course in Bulgarian language. The distribution of cadets in specialties shall be defined by the Ministry of defense, in coordination with the Laotian side.
The Ministry of people's education shall provide accommodation and Bulgarian language training for 20 young men from Laos at the Institute for foreign students "G.A.Nassar" during the academic 1984-1985 year.
The expenses for the training and education to be provided by the state budget at the amount of 650 000 leva.
3. The Ministry of foreign trade, respectively "Kintex", shall provide transportation of military-technical equipment to the Laos people's democratic republic.
4. The Ministry of finance shall cover travel expenses in leva and foreign currency.
5. The ministries and institutions, providing equipment as per Enclosure 1, shall prepare and deliver it to "Kintex" for transportation in

appropriate packing, not later than 30 September of the respective year.

6. The State planning committee and the Ministry of finance shall replenish the inventory and financial resources of the Ministry of defense, Ministry of machine-building and electronics and the Ministry of education

ANNEX: List of the equipment that shall be delivered free of charge

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Minister of people's defense

Army General [Dzhurov]

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