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COMMENTS:

- a good analysis.

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SUBJECT: Asia Task Force meeting 2/1/63

KWT attended, and JGH joined us later. These are the signals I got:

1. Manila. Continue exploring medical school project along lines previously discussed, with knowledge that Romulo wants to move medicine to Diliman and that AID would be sympathetic in helping with dollar costs. What about local resources? Japanese reparations? LAG feels we should have some assurance that the Filipinos are serious enough about development to put up the peso costs or a substantial share. Then we can talk about sending out an adviser. No one objected to this line. *good line*
2. Bangkok. University development program as evolved elsewhere cannot be expected to fit conditions in Bangkok where there are five partial universities. KWT talked about trying to tie some of this together through a high-level committee of Government. Pending effective coordination among the several special universities, we might encourage some bolting together of the separate parts of the University of Medical Sciences by demonstrating the strength and economy of collaboration - such as in library area. JGH pointed out that this approach would involve assigning savvy staff there, not designated as advisers but as visiting staff for the university. *Don't want to do it - if we can't find a good way to do it*
3. India. In lieu of university development in Delhi, in this critical region we might try to encourage the authorities to tie together the separate institutions in which we have had interest or may become interested. The University of Punjab at Chandigarh is a promising provincial institution, but not potentially of national importance and therefore not attractive for UDP - but might complement Delhi scheme and thus deserves another look. KWT expressed concern lest a new program in India prematurely divert resources from ongoing activities. All agreed that we need another meeting to settle the Indian question. *Where this concern is understood*

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cc: JZM