CIA's Role Disputed In Viet Pacification

SAIGON, March 27 (AP)- New Life program plays a An Agency for International Development official who re-been involved in supply work signed his post here last week claims that the CLA super, vises the pacification program our other program." in South Vietnam.

charged in quitting his job as But an official who is fully field coordinator for the New informed on the U.S. role in Life (hamlet) development facilitation said that the CIA program that 50,000 Vietnam provides 'a fairly substantial ese pacification workers were part" of the equipment and "recruited, trained and paid under the auspices of the Central Intelligence Agency." ing of the pacification pro-

up," retorted Ambassador knowledge." He said support Robert W. Komer today. Ko- of the program is being transmer, who heads the U.S. paci- ferred to the Department of fication effort in which the Defense.

Komer, who was a member of the CIA for 14 years, dein South Vietnam. Sidney J. Roche, 51, a re- of the CIR for 12 years, us tired army lieutenant colonel, but an official who is fully But an official who is fully

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