Defense Secretary Melvin Laird, on invasion of Cambodia: We will not get bogged down. We will destroy as much as we can as fast as we can and then get out.

[Do not know under what circumstances this was said. In briefing of congressional delegations at meeting with President Nixon 5 May?]*

^{*}Briefing of newsmen at Pentagon 6 May - see NYTimes, William Beecher, 7 May.