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DIRECTORATE OF REAR SERVICES SUMMARY NUMBER 089, 29 MARCH 1972

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THE FOLLOWING NORTHWARD PERSONNEL MOVEMENTS WERE REIPRTED BY T-9 OF BT 14, 25 MARCH, DISPATCHED -- 15 DESERTERS REMAINING -- 6 PERSONNEL CONSISTING OF 3 CHILDREN, 2 SICK AND WOUNDED AND 1 UNIDENTIFIED TYPE 26 MARCH, RECEIVED -- 11 PERSONNEL, CONSISTING OF 7 SICK AND WOUNDED, 3 CHILDREN AND ONE STRTCHER CASE DISPATCHED -- 10 PERSONNEL, CONSISTING OF 4 SICK AND WOUNDED; 3 BLIND; 2 CHILDREN AND WOMAN C. GENERAL A FURTHER REFERENCE TO \$270,\$ AN UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENT, WAS CONTAINED IN A 24 MARCH REPORT FROM THE LAOTIAN PANHANDLE. THE HIGHLY FRAGMENTED REPORT MENTIONED VEHICLES WITH \$SPECIAL WEAPONS WHICH BELONG TO GROUP 012 OF 270.\$ THE REPORT FURTHER STATED THAT \$NUMBER 176 IS CARRYING SPECIAL WEAPONS OF 270.\$ ON 8 MARCH, BT 35 REPORTED THAT \$A FORCE OF 270\$ WAS GOING ON FOOT, \$ALONG WITH 461\$ TO THE GROUP 471 AREA (DGDRSS NR. 75, 15 MARCH). THE IDENTITY OF 012 AND 270 CANNOT BE DETERMINED AT THIS TIME; HOWEVER, GROUP 461 IS A PROBABLE ELEMENT OF THE NVA 2D DIVISION. III. GENERAL DEVELOPMENTS -- LAOS A. THE ASSISTANT POLITICAL OFFICER OF THE 16TH AAA BATTALION PASSED INFORMATION ABOUT THE SHOOTDOWN OF A C-130 IN A 29 MARCH REPORT TO BT 32. THE AIRCRAFT HAD BEEN REPORTEDLY DOWNED AT THE 591ST AAA REGIMENT'S OLD VEHICLE PARK AT KI; HOWEVER, THE 16TH BATTALION OFFICER WAS NOT SURE THAT THIS WAS CORRECT. THE AIR- CRAFT DEBRIS WAS SCATTERED OVER A ONE-ACRE AREA, AND ONLY THE TAILPIECE, TWO METERS BY ONE METER, REMAINED INTACT. THE REMAINDER WAS IN BURNED FRAGMENTS. AN INSIGNIA WAS PICKED UP, BEARING THE FOLLOWING LEGEND, MOB ORD LALI LE FIL CFFR (1AA3) OBAR PN001 N001 P08159 C001 FFFR1 APR R0 94990 338855 T002 PAN 115 V0R CG 4990 33P0 85 169003. THE 16TH BATTALION SENT TWO TEAMS TO SEARCH FOR THE SPOT WHERE THE AIRCRAFT WENT DOWN, AND THE BATTALION STAFF OFFICER PROMISED TO REPORT TO BT 32 WHEN THE LOCATION HAD BEEN DETERMINED AND PLOTTED. ACCORDING TO COLLATERAL INFORMATION, AN AMERICAN C130 AIR- CRAFT WAS DOWNED BY PROBABLY A SAM IN AN AREA SOUTH OF TCHÉPONE. THE ESCORT AIRCRAFT REPORTED THAT ALL CREWMEMBERS HAD BEEN KILLED WHEN A PROBABLE SAM PENETRATED THE FUSELAGE AND IGNITED THE AMMUNITION ON BOARD. (2 [] VCI/T480-72, 290910Z) B. BINH TRAM 45 DISCUSSED FOOD AND MEDICAL SUPPLY SHORTAGES IN A 27 MARCH CONVERSATION WITH GROUP 472. THE BINH TRAM REPORTED THAT THE FOODSTUFF SITUATION WAS EXTREMELY CRITICAL, WARRANTING THE DECLARATION OF A LEVEL 1 ALERT. THE STORAGE AREA WAS OUT OF MEAT AND OTHER FOODSTUFFS, AND NEARLY OUT OF COOKING OIL. THE 52D TRANSPORTATION BATTALION HAD BEEN DRAWING GOODS FROM THE STORAGE AREA, SINCE THEY HAD ALREADY EXCEEDED THE TOTAL THEY WERE PERMITTED TO DRAW FROM BT 32 DURING MARCH. THE LEVEL 1 ALERT ALSO APPLIED TO MEDICAL SUPPLIES, ALTHOUGH THE SITUATION DID NOT APPEAR TO BE

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AS CRITICAL. BINH TRAM 45 REQUESTED THAT ONE VEHICLE OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND ONE OF FOODSTUFFS BE DISPATCHED, STATING THAT IF THESE ITEMS WERE NOT PROVIDED BY THE FOLLOWING DAY, THE SITUATION WOULD \$EXPLODE.\$ (2) ☐ VJCJ/T466-72, 201138Z) IV. MATERIEL A. NORTH VIETNAM ON 27 MARCH AN UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENT OF BT 18 REPORTED ON THE DISPOSITION OF THE FOLLOWING CARGO, SENDER RECIPIENT CARGO AMOUNT C31 710 12.7-MM AMMUNITION 31,500 KG (1125 CASES) C3 710 107-MM ROCKETS 25,560 KG (82 CASES) K50 AMMUNITION 18,720 KG (510 CASES) 82-MM MORTAR AMMUNITION 16,000 KG (400 CASES) REMAINING AT U/I 12.7-MM AMMUNITION 425 CASES LOCATION U/I CARGO 73,000 KG B. LAOS ON 29 MARCH BT 37 ISSUED THE FOLLOWING CARGO REPORT FOR AN UNSPECIFIED PERIOD, SENDER RECIPIENT CARGO XXHH 900 #8732 NNNN

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