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~~SECRET SPOKE~~ F471-254-73 CURRENT SIGINT OVERVIEW (CSO) FOR 29 MAY 73 1. NORTH VIETNAM CANCEL THE VIETNAM ITEM CONCERNING TRANSPORT OF TANKS AND HEAVY WEAPONS IN THE CSO FOR 28 MAY 73. FURTHER ANALYSIS HAS REVEALED THAT THE HEAVY VEHICLES WHICH CROSSED THE TROC RIVER WERE TRUCKS AND THE GROUP OF 15 TANKS STILL REMAINS IN THE XUAN SON (XD 3947) AREA, AWAITING TRANSPORT ACROSS THE RIVER. (DIRNSA [REDACTED] 3/00/16014-73) 2. SOUTH VIETNAM CHANGE ITEM ALFA IN CSO FOR 28 MAY TO READ THE NVA 88TH REGIMENT VICE THE 88TH REGIMENT, C30B DIVISION, 3. LAOS A. ON 17 MAY THE HQ, CHINESE FORCES LAOS, (CFL) 179TH ENGINEER REGIMENT INDICATED THAT ITS DEPLOYMENT TO NEW WORK SITES WAS COMPLETED. ELEMENTS OF THE CFL 179TH HAVE BEEN RELOCATING TO THE PHONG SALLY (TK 00 01, 21-14N 102-06E) AREA SINCE MARCH. BOTH THE 1ST AND 4TH BATTALIONS HAVE INDICATED THEY ARE LOCATED IN PHONG SALLY PROVINCE.

[REDACTED] THE 3RD BATTALION'S AREA OF OPERATIONS IS ALSO PROBABLY IN THE PHONG SALLY AREA. (DIRNSA 2/00/8342-73) B. IN A 28 MAY MESSAGE, THE HQ, NVA MILITARY REGION 959, IN THE PLAINE DES JARRES AREA, REPORTED THAT 1 AMERICAN AND 6 MEO PRISONERS WERE CAPTURED AND THAT THE AMERICAN IS GOING TO BE TAKEN TO NORTH VIETNAM. THE FIRST DESTINATION IN NORTH VIETNAM WILL BE THE HQ, MILITARY REGION 4, AT VINH, NORTH VIETNAM. (EARLIER REPORTS CONCERNING THIS ARE CONTAINED IN CSO FOR 16 MAY AND 20 MAY.) [REDACTED] TACREP NR 205-73) 4. INFILTRATION AT LEAST 5 NEW SPECIAL-PURPOSE GROUPS HAVE BEEN DETECTED TRANSITTING THE BINH TRAM (BT) 18 AREA OF NORTH VIETNAM. THE GROUPS ARE; QL472 WITH A STRENGTH OF 8 PEOPLE; QL114 WITH A STRENGTH OF 6; QL211B WITH 13 PEOPLE; QL331 WITH 4 AND AN UNSPECIFIED GROUP WITH 31 PEOPLE. THIS RAISES THE MAY TOTALS TO 37 SPECIAL PURPOSE GROUPS DETECTED. [REDACTED] 2. [REDACTED] 4796-73) XGDS-2 400 #3672 NNNN

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