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~~SECRET~~ SECTION ONE 3/0/STY/R305-67 NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY
 SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMARY THIS REPORT SUMMARIZES DEVELOPMENTS NOTED
 THROUGHOUT SOUTHEAST ASIA AVAILABLE TO NSA AT TIME OF PUBLICATION ON 24
 DECEMBER 1967. ALL INFORMATION IN THIS REPORT IS BASED ENTIRELY ON SIGINT
 EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY INDICATED. SITUATION SUMMARY DEVELOPMENTS
 IN THE MILITARY REGION (MR) 5 IN SOUTH VIETNAM HAVE BEEN HIGHLIGHTED BY THE
 ISOLATION OF A NEW COMMUNICATIONS GROUP IN THE SOUTHERN QUANG NAM PROVINCE AREA
 WHICH IS SUSPECTED TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE PAVN 320TH DIVISION. OTHER
 DEVELOPMENTS IN MR 5 SUGGEST THAT VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST MAY CONDUCT TACTICAL
 OPERATIONS IN THE QUANG TIN-QUANG NAM PROVINCES. INDICATIONS OF COMMUNIST
 PREPARATIONS TO AMBUSH AND CAPTURE ALLIED TROOPS IN THE DAK TO AREA CONTINUED
 TO BE NOTE IN SIGINT. IN ONE MESSAGE THE MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SECTION (MIS),
 PAVN 1ST DIVISION, B3 FRONT REQUESTED THE LOCATION WHERE THE PLAN TO CAPTURE
 PRISONERS AND CONFISCATE DOCUMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED. IN THE DMZ AREA AN
 ELEMENT OF THE PAVN 90TH REGIMENT REPORTED THAT IT HAD MORTARED BAI SON
 CAUSING SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS THAT LASTED FOR A PERIOD OF ONE HOUR. NORTH
 VIETNAMESE MILITARY COMMUNICATIONS HAVE INDICATED THE EXISTENCE OF A HERETOFORE
 UNKNOWN PAVN 375TH REGIMENT. ALTHOUGH REFERENCED IN COMMUNICATIONS THE FUNCTION
 AND LOCATION OF THE REGIMENT WAS NOT DISCLOSED. AN UNIDENTIFIED NORTH
 VIETNAMESE SPEAKER, APPARENTLY USING A CAPTURED U.S. RADIO, REPORTED THAT THE
 COMRADES HAD CAPTURED TWO AMERICAN PILOTS AND INDICATED A WILLINGNESS TO
 DISCUSS THE SITUATION AND COMPROMISE IN OTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN NORTH VIETNAM

ALSO REVEALED IN SIGINT WERE THE RESULTS OF THE
 22 DECEMBER AIRSTRIKE ON THE KEP AIRFIELD. I. COMMUNIST SOUTHEAST ASIA A.
 MILITARY 1. VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST COMMUNICATIONS - SOUTH VIETNAM MILITARY REGION
 5 DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS REGION HAVE BEEN HIGHLIGHTED BY THE ISOLATION OF A NEW
 COMMUNICATIONS GROUP IN THE SOUTHERN QUANG NAM PROVINCE AREA WHICH IS SUSPECTED
 TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE PAVN 320TH DIVISION. SIGINT SINCE EARLY NOVEMBER HAS
 INDICATED THAT THE 320TH DIVISION WAS DEPLOYING TOWARD SOUTH VIETNAM. THE NEW
 COMMUNICATIONS GROUP, CONSISTING OF A CONTROL STATION AND FIVE SUBSCRIBERS, HAS
 BEEN NOTED ACTIVE SINCE 11 DECEMBER. THE CONTROL STATION WAS LOCATED ON 11
 DECEMBER NEAR 15-51N 108-05E (AT 879528), AND AGAIN ON 18 DECEMBER NEAR 15-43N
 108-04E (AT 950345). OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS OF THIS NEW FACILITY SUGGEST
 THAT IT MAY SERVE A UNIT WHICH ORIGINATED FROM NORTH VIETNAM. OTHER
 DEVELOPMENTS HAVE SUGGESTED THAT COMMUNIST OFFENSIVES MAY ERUPT IN THE QUANG
 TIN-QUANG NAM AREA. THESE OTHER DEVELOPMENTS CONSIST OF THE MOVEMENT OF THE
 MR 5 MAIN FORCE AND PROVINCIAL UNIT CONTROLS TO SOUTHERN QUANG NAM PROVINCE

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FROM THE DO XA BASE AREA, THE EMERGENCE OF A COMMUNICATIONS COMPLEX IN QUANG
NGAI WHICH REFERRED TO "PREPARING THE BATTLEFIELD," AND TO THE PAVN 2ND
DIVISION, WHICH NORMALLY OPERATES IN THE QUANG NAM-QUANG TIN BORDER AREA. THE
QUANG NGAI COMMUNICATIONS COMPLEX WAS LAST OBSERVED ON 9 DECEMBER, AND AT LEAST
ONE OF ITS ELEMENTS --THE PROBABLE VC 2ND SIGNAL BATTALION--HAS MOVED TO THE
QUANG TIN AREA. ACCORDING TO COLLATERAL, THIS BATTALION SUPPORTS TACTICAL
ACTIVITIES IN NR . 900 NHHN

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THAT A U.S. F-105F WAS DOWNED ON 20 DECEMBER, AND THE TWO U.S. PILOTS WERE CAPTURED. ON 21 DECEMBER REPORTS FROM THE SAME SOURCE INDICATED THAT THE NORTH VIETNAMESE CAPTORS AND ONE CAPTURED U.S. PILOT TALKED WITH OTHER U.S. PILOTS AIRBORNE OVER NORTH VIETNAM THAT DAY. THE CAPTURED U.S. PILOT INDICATED HE WAS TO BE SHIPPED TO HANOI. HOWEVER, "HIS TWO CAPTORS SEEMED TO BE IN A BARGAINING MOOD." (2413/VCJ/RD1-67, 220155Z 24 12VCA/R53-67, 220830Z) (SECRET SAVIN) 4.

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