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XXMMENP04-T008050 3/0/ R110-70 NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA
SIGINT SUMMARY XXCC IN THE CAMBODIA-CHAU DOC PROVINCE BORDER AREA, RECENTLY
AVAILABLE MESSAGES OF 2 AND 3 MAY DISCLOSED PLANS FOR TACTICAL ACTIVITY BY THE
NVA 95TH REGIMENT ASSOCIATES IN THE KAMPOT MSD AREA OF CAMBODIA. ON 2 MAY AN
APPARENT CONTROL ENTITY DIRECTED AN UNIDENTIFIED ASSOCIATE TO DESTROY BRIDGES
AROUND AN UNDETERMINED LOCATION, IN ORDER TO PROHIBIT A CROSSING. THE ASSOCIATE
WAS FURTHER INSTRUCTED TO RETURN TO AN INTERSECTION AT KAMPONG TRACH (VS 4266,
10-33N 104-28E) IN ORDER TO REPORT TO GROUP. ON 3 MAY THE CONTROL ISSUED
INSTRUCTIONS FOR A 9TH BATTALION AND K10 (POSSIBLY A 10TH COMPANY) TO
DISCONTINUE DISPLAYING ALL-RED SYMBOLS WORN ON THEIR JACKET POCKETS, AS THE
SYMBOLS APPARENTLY CAUSED THE POPULACE TO IDENTIFY THE TROOPS AS \$KHMER.\$ THE
CONTROL ALSO NOTIFIED ANOTHER ASSOCIATE THAT IT WAS LOCATED ABOUT TEN
KILOMETERS FROM THE 9TH BATTALION. THE ASSOCIATE WAS INSTRUCTED TO MAKE
ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE BATTALION FOR THE RETURN OF WOUNDED PERSONNEL AND ALLIED
PRISONERS. IN KOMPONG CHAM MSD, MR1, TWO COMPANIES FROM THE CAMBODIAN 5TH
BRIGADE SKIRMISHED WITH 200 VC NEAR DAMNAK CHAR WU 795118 (11-51N 105-43E),
ACCORDING TO A 3 MAY MESSAGE. APPROXIMATELY 10 VC WERE KILLED AND SEVERAL
WOUNDED, WHILE CAMBODIAN LOSSES WERE REPORTED AS ONE WOUNDED. IN THE SAME MSD
ON 1 MAY, CAMBODIAN FORCES DIRECTED MORTAR FIRE, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS, ON BANDS
OF VC AND REBELS LOCATED NEAR O RAING EUV (WU 5503, 11-47N 105-30E). THE 65TH
BATTALION, PREVIOUSLY IN KANDAL MSD, WAS PLACED AT THE DISPOSITION OF THE CO,
MILITARY REGION 1, EFFECTIVE 6 MAY, IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OPERATION TO
RECAPTURE NEAK LUONG (WT 3142, 11-14N 105-17E), PREY VENG MSD. IN NORTHERN PREY
VENG MSD A 5 MAY AIR EVACUATION FROM THE SVAY ANTOR AIRFIELD, WT 456700 (11-35N
105-25E) WAS REQUESTED FOR 11 SERIOUSLY WOUNDED CAMBODIAN SOLDIERS. THE SAME
MESSAGE REQUESTED AIR COVER FOR A CAMBODIAN OPERATION ON BOTH \$DANKS\$ FROM SVAY
ANTOR TO PREY VENG (WT 3669, 11-29N 105-20E), PARTICULARLY ME BON VILLAGE WT
435764 (11-33N 105-24E), AND TRAKOR, WT 395738 (11-31N 105-21E). IN SVAY RIENG
MSD, ONE COMPANY OF THE 9TH INFANTRY BATTALION LAUNCHED AN OPERATION IN PURSUIT
OF VC WHO CAPTURED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF AMERICAN JOURNALISTS AT WT 836268
(11-05N 105-45E) ON 7 MAY. ON THE NIGHT OF 6-7 MAY, \$ENEMYS\$ ELEMENTS REPORTEDLY
ATTACKED THE CAMBODIAN 28TH AND 60TH BATTALION POSITIONS; THE 28TH BATTALION
WAS LAST REPORTED AT SAANG (VT 9453, 11-10N 104-57E), IN KANDAL MSD ON 23 APRIL
AND THE 60TH BATTALION WAS LAST REPORTED IN KANDAL MSD ON 2 MAY. VC REPORTEDLY
ARRIVED AT CHAMBAK (VT 8043, 11-14N 104-49E) FROM PREY LOVEA (VT 9534, 11-10N
104-58E) IN FIVE TRUCKS, ACCORDING TO A 1 MAY MESSAGE. A 2 MAY MESSAGE REPORTED
THAT THE VC/NORTH VIETNAMESE OCCUPY NOREAY (VT 5002, 10-52N 104-32E) AS WELL AS

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ANG TASSOM (VT 6317, 11-01N 104-42E). IN ORDER TO BLOCK ENEMY INFILTRATION AND NEUTRALIZE VC/NORTH VIETNAMESE ACTIVITY, THE CAMBODIAN 11TH AND 13TH BRIGADES HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED SPECIFIC AREAS OF OPERATION AS FOLLOWS, ACCORDING TO THE SAME MESSAGE, THE 11TH BRIGADE, FROM TRAM KHAR (VT 6848, 11-17N 104-45E) TO ANG TASSOM, AND THE 13TH BRIGADE, THE AREA BOUNDED BY TRAPEANG KRALENG (VT 3458, 11-23N 104-24E), SRANG (VT 5948, 11-17N 104-38E), KOMPONG KRASSAING, VT 450345 (11-10N 104-29E), AND SLAP LENG (VT 5938, 11-12N 104-35E). ALSO IN TAKEO MSD, A 7 MAY MESSAGE REPORTED THAT VC ARE SPREADING \$INTENSE\$ PROPAGANDA AND TERRORIZING THE POPULATION IN BAT ROKAR (VT 7931, 11-09N 104-48E). CAMBODIAN RICE-MILL OWNERS ARE BEING FORCED TO PAY A RANSOM OF 10,000 RIELS OR BE SHOT. ALL VEHICLES IN VC-OCCUPIED AREAS HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN REQUISITIONED TO TRANSPORT VC TROOPS. XXHH 900 NNNH

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