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ENP01-F101041 2/F1/VCJ/R132-71 RPT 2/F1/VCJ/R132-71 SUMMARY OF VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST ACTIVITY IN THE DMZ, DRV, MILITARY REGION TRI-THIEN-HUE AND LAOS WHICH HAS BECOME AVAILABLE DURING THE PERIOD 310000Z MARCH-010959Z APRIL 1971., XXCC

SITUATION SUMMARY, IN NORTH VIETNAM, MESSAGE ACTIVITY OF THE NVA 164TH ARTILLERY REGIMENT, 271ST INDEPENDENT REGIMENT AND QUANG BINH PROVINCIAL UNIT WAS CONCERNED WITH INCREASED RECONNAISSANCE EFFORTS, PARTICULARLY IN REGARDS TO ALLIED AIR ACTIVITY, AND COMMUNICATIONS INSTRUCTIONS. IN THE DMZ AREA, COMMUNICATIONS OF THE 27B INFANTRY REGIMENT REPORTED ON AMBUSH RESULTS, STRIKE INTENTIONS AND COORDINATION WITH THE 84TH ARTILLERY REGIMENT, WHILE THE 84TH ARTILLERY REGIMENT MENTIONED REINFORCEMENTS DESTINED FOR LAUNCHING SITE ONE AND THE EMPLOYMENT OF RESTRAINING FIRE. IN LAOS, - 308TH DIVISION COMMUNIQUE REPORTED ON PROBLEMS CREATED BY DROPPED ALLIED MINES AND RECONNAISSANCE ACTIVITY, WHILE A 320TH DIVISION MESSAGE DISCLOSED THAT WOUNDED AND SICK PERSONNEL OF COMPANY 24 WERE TO BE EVACUATED ON EITHER 2 OR 3 APRIL. I. EASTERN/CENTRAL DMZ, A. NVA B-5 FRONT, ON 31 MARCH, AN UNIDENTIFIED SUBORDINATE (D2071), B-5 FRONT WAS LOCATED NEAR XD 808 625 (16-50N 106-41E), PLACING THIS ENTITY APPROXIMATELY 20 KILOMETERS NORTH OF KHE SANH COMBAT BASE (XD 848 417, 16-38N 106-42E). IF VALID, THIS REPRESENTS A RELOCATION OF APPROXIMATELY 18 KILOMETERS IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION FROM ITS PREVIOUS 31 MARCH LOCATION NEAR XD 875 463 (16-41N 106-44E). (TACREP NR 1095-71 PASEP USM-808/HOTEL 311253Z MAR 71) B. NVA 27B INFANTRY REGIMENT, MESSAGE ACTIVITY ON 31 MARCH BETWEEN UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENTS OF THE NVA 27B INFANTRY REGIMENT REVEALED THAT IN ORDER TO COORDINATE WITH THE 84TH REGIMENT (NVA 84TH ARTILLERY REGIMENT) ON 1 AND 2 APRIL, COMPANY 17 (17TH MORTAR COMPANY, 27B INFANTRY REGIMENT) WAS TO HAVE 80MM MORTARS BROUGHT TO REGIMENT. IT WAS NOTED THAT ON 31 MARCH, COMPANIES TWO AND FOUR HAD LAID AN AMBUSH AT KHONG TEN MOUNTAIN (VICINITY OF YD 06 67, 16-52N 106-54E OR YD 04 63, 16-50N 106-53E), WHERE 120 ENEMYS HAD BEEN ANIHILATED, AND FOUR RIFLES AND ONE RADIO CAPTURED. REPORTEDLY OTHER EQUIPMENT HAD BEEN CAPTURED AT BAL LAO (XD 927 547, 16-46N 106-47E). COMMUNIST ELEMENTS REPORTED WAITING FOR THE ENEMYS TO RETURN TO PICK UP WAR DEAD IN ORDER TO STRIKE AGAIN FROM TWO EMPLACEMENTS. IN ADDITION, UNDISCLOSED ELEMENTS WERE INSTRUCTED NOT TO STRIKE HIGHPOINT 822 (XD 885 543, 16-45N 106-45E). OTHER MESSAGES REFERENCED AN AMBUSH NEAR UNLOCATED SA MA ON 11 MARCH. IT WAS STATED THAT A CONVOY FROM KHE SANH (XD 848 417, 16-38N 106-43E) HAD BEEN AMBUSHED BY AN UNSPECIFIED TEAM. REPORTEDLY ONE M113 (ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIER) AND SEVERAL OTHER VEHICLES HAD BEEN DESTROYED. FINALLY, COMMUNIST ELEMENTS NOTED THAT B-40 (REFERENCE TO RPT-2 ANTI-TANK GRDGADE LAUNCHER) AND AK-47 FIRE HAD BEEN UTILIZED FOR THIS ACTIVITY. (2/F1/VCJ/T2508-71, T2512-71, T2513-71; USN-645 TRANSLATIONS NR 682-71 AND

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684-71) C. GROUP 31, ON 31 MARCH, MESSAGES BETWEEN UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENTS OF GROUP 31 DISCLOSED THAT ALLIED RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT HAD FLOWN OVER BEN PHU (YD115 727+ 16-56N 106-57E), UNLOCATED GIA VONG, BEN TAT (VICINITY OF YD 08 76, 16-57N 106-53E), AND THE REAR AREA\$. REPORTEDLY ALLIED ELEMENTS HAD SUBSEQUENTLY FIRED 50 ROUNDS OF 105MM AMMUNITION AND SIX VOLLEYS OF 175MM ROUNDS AT UNLOCATED BEN DOC AND BEN TAT. FINALLY, IT WAS NOTED THAT GROUP ELEMENTS HAD BEEN UNABLE TO STRIKE DUE TO THE PRESENCE OF ALLIED INFANTRY ELEMENTS. (2/F1/VCM/T2525-71; USM-645) TRANSLATION NR 685-71) D. NVA 84TH ARTILLERY REGIMENT, 31?+3? 9, 31 MARCH BETWEEN UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENTS OF THE NVA 84TH ARTILLERY REGIMENT REVEALED THAT COMPANIES 7 AND 8 (SUBORDINATE TO THE REGIMENT'S 3RD BATTALION) HAD USED RESTRAINING FIRE WELL AGAINST UNSPECIFIED TARGETS, IT WAS ADDED THAT AN UNDISCLOSED ENTITY WAS ABLE TO COMMUNICATE WITH 360 (XD 971 660, 16-52N 106-50E). REPORTEDLY COMMUNIST PERSONNEL WERE TO BE SENT TO REINFORCE LAUNCHING SITE ONE (PREVIOUSLY LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF XD 965 596, 16-48N 106-49E). FINALLY, IT WAS STATED THAT THE FIRING ANGLES FOR 425 (XD 960 617, 16-50N 116-49E) AND 513 (XD 935 585, 16-48N 106-47E) WERE NOT YET CLEAR, HOWEVER, IT WAS NOT CLEAR IN TEXT WHETHER THOSE HIGHPOINTS WERE TARGET AREAS OR FIRING LOCATIONS. ON 1 APRIL, UNIDENTIFIED REGIMENTAL ELEMENTS (NO RD'S) WERE LOCATED AS FOLLOWS, NEAR XD 958 461 (16-41N 106-48E), APPROXIMATELY EIGHT KILOMETERS WEST OF FSB SARGE (YD029478, 16-42N 106-52E); NEAR XD 958 667 (16-52N 106-48E), APPROXIMATELY NINE KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF FSB FULLER (YD019 593, 16-48N 106-51E); AND NEAR XD 928 459 (16-41N 106-47E), APPROXIMATELY 12 KILOMETERS WEST OF THE SANH COMBAT BASE (XD 848 417, 16-38, 106-42E). TACREPS NR 1102-71, 1104-71, 1106-71 PASEP USM-808/HOTEL 010233Z, 010621Z, 010643Z MAR 71; 2/F1/VCM/T2514-71, T2515-71; AND (USM-645) TRANSLATION NR 681-71) E. NVA 38TH ARTILLERY REGIMENT, A MESSAGE ON 31 MARCH BETWEEN UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENTS OF THE NVA 38TH ARTILLERY REGIMENT NOTED THAT AN ALLIED HELICOPTER FLEW OVER A POSSIBLE COMMAND POST AT HIGHPOINT 202 (XD 988 722, 16-55N 106-51E OR XD 995 696, 16-53N 106-51E) (USM-645) TACREP NR 195-71) F. NVA 270TH INDEPENDENT REGIMENT, A MESSAGE ON 31 MARCH BETWEEN UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENTS OF THE NVA 270TH INDEPENDENT REGIMENT REVEALED THAT COMPANY 27 (SUBORDINATE TO THE 6TH AAA BATTALION, 270TH INDEPENDENT REGIMENT) HAD SHOT DOWN ONE OH6 (LIGHT OBSERVATION HELICOPTER). REPORTEDLY 48 UNSPECIFIED ROUNDS HAD BEEN EXPENDED AND UNSPECIFIED ELEMENTS WERE TO GO OUT TO PICK UP EVIDENCE. (2/F1/VCM/T2526-71) II. MILITARY REGION TRI-THIEN-HUE (MR TTH); NVA 324B DIVISION, THE HQ, 6TH BATTALION, 812TH REGIMENT, NVA 324B DIVISION HAS NOT BEEN OBSERVED IN COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE HQ, 812TH REGIMENT SINCE 25 MARCH. PRIOR TO THIS, THESE ENTITIES HAD MAINTAINED NEAR DAILY COMMUNICATIONS. THE HQ, 6TH BATTALION WAS LAST LOCATED ON 11 MARCH NEAR YD000 194 (16-27N 106-51E), PLACING THIS ENTITY APPROXIMATELY 32 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF THE SANH COMBAT BASE (XD 848 417, 16-38N 106-42E) IN THE LAOTIAN SALIENT. XXHH 900 00165 NNNN

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