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US/UK/CANADA/AUS/NZ EYES ONLY PERTAINS TO ITEM 1 OF CHANGES AT THE END OF THIS
REPORT. XXMMEN#2-TB#1#41 CONTAINS ~~ISHTAR~~ (IN PARAGRAPHS SO MARKED)
3/004 [REDACTED] /R79-71 NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMARY XXCC I.
SOUTH VIETNAM MILITARY SITUATION 1. DMZ AREA ON 1 APRIL, HQ, NVA 64TH REGIMENT
WAS LOCATED IN SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE, LAOS EAST OF TCHEPONE AT XD 449451 (16-41N
1#6-21E), 15 KM SOUTHWEST OF ITS 28 MARCH POSITION. AN UNIDENTIFIED B5 FRONT
ASSOCIATE (E1374) WAS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 12 KM NORTH OF KHE SANH ON 31 MARCH
AT XD 858547 (16-45N 1#6-44E), 3# KM FROM THE UNIT'S 3# MARCH LOCATION. AN
UNIDENTIFIED B5 FRONT ASSOCIATE (E1385) WAS LOCATED ON 3# MARCH APPROXIMATELY
25 KM EAST-SOUTHEAST OF KHE SANH AT YD #84354 (16-35N 1#6-56E), 35 KM
EAST-SOUTHEAST OF THE UNIT'S 5 MARCH POSITION. AN UNIDENTIFIED ENTITY ((D2#71)),
WHICH HAD BEEN LOCATED IN LAOS ON 29 MARCH, IS NOW LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF
KHE SANH. ~~DIRECTION-FINDING EVIDENCE OF 31 MARCH, HOWEVER, PLACES THIS ENTITY~~
~~AT TWO LOCATIONS, XD 8#8625 (16-49N 1#6-41E) AND XD 875463 (16-41N 1#6-45E) AND~~
~~FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE REQUIRED TO ASCERTAIN WHICH LOCATION IS ACTUALLY~~
~~VALID~~ TO THE EAST ON 31 MARCH, AN ELEMENT OF THE NVA 27# INDEPENDENT
REGIMENT REPORTED THAT THE 27TH COMPANY (PROBABLY OF THE 6TH AAA BATTALION,
27# REGIMENT HAD SHOT DOWN ONE ALLIED LIGHT OBSERVATION HELICOPTER AT
15#(G), PROBABLY ON 3# MARCH. THE REPORT FURTHER DISCLOSED THAT PERSONNEL HAD
BEEN SENT OUT TO RECOVER EVIDENCE OF THE SHOOT DOWN. ON 1 APRIL, ELEMENT OF THE
NVA 84TH ARTILLERY REGIMENT DISCUSSED TROOP STRENGTHS OF VARIOUS REGIMENTAL
UNITS IN PREPARATION FOR ATTACKS ON ALLIED FORCES IN THE TAN LAM (XD 986552,
16-46N 1#6-52E), 3# DAT (XD 948583, 16-47N 1#6-49E) AND HILL 513 (XD 932586,
16-48N 1#6-49E) AREAS. MOREOVER, RECRUITS ARE BEING SENT IN TO PREPARE FIRING
POSITIONS FOR THE ATTACKS. (2/E1/VCM/T2526-71, #1#627Z) ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ 2.
MILITARY REGION TRI-THIEN-HUE ON 15 MARCH, COMMUNICATIONS OF THE 39TH REGIMENT
CONTAINED A MESSAGE THAT INDICATED AT LEAST TWO BATTALIONS, PROBABLY THE 3D AND
8TH, WERE DEPLOYING FROM THE SOUTHERN QUANG BINH PROVINCE/DMZ AREA TO THE AREA
WEST OF KHE SOC CHANG (YD 6"22 16-28N 1#7-28E) IN \$REGION B\$ (SOUTH VIETNAM).
THE 3D AND 8TH BATTALIONS ALONG WITH THE 96TH BATTALION HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY
IDENTIFIED IN COMMUNICATIONS AS SUBORDINATE UNITS OF THE 39TH REGIMENT. A 15
MARCH MESSAGE REVEALED THAT THE 3D BATTALION WAS SUBORDINATE TO THE 28# AAA
REGIMENT (UNLOCATED) AND PROBABLY WAS DEPLOYED TO AND WAS UNDER THE COMMAND
CONTROL OF THE 39TH REGIMENT AND THE FRONT COMMAND COMMITTEE (UNLOCATED AND
UNIDENTIFIED) OF \$REGION B.\$ THE PRECISE FUNCTIONS AND SUBORDINATION OF THE
39TH REGIMENT AND THE 8TH AND 96TH BATTALIONS STILL REMAIN UNKNOWN; HOWEVER,

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THEIR COMMUNICATIONS ACTIVITIES CONTINUE TO REFLECT A STRONG AIR DEFENSE ROLE WITH A STRIKE CAPABILITY AGAINST ENEMY TARGETS. (2/00/VCK/R92-71, 312030Z; R65-71, 152103Z; 3/00/R65-71) ~~SECRET SPOKE~~ 3. MILITARY REGION 5 THE RESULTS OF PHASE 1 ATTACKS, PARTICULARLY THOSE AT DUC DUC/AN HOA, ARE STILL THE MAIN TOPIC OF DISCUSSION AMONG FRONT 4 UNITS IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE. THE FRONT'S COMMUNICATIONS SHOW AN INCREASING CONCERN WITH THE ALLIED REACTION TO THESE ATTACKS. THE LOCATIONS OF TWO BATTALIONS OF THE NVA 38TH REGIMENT WHICH TOOK PART IN THE ATTACKS HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED BY ARVN FORCES ACCORDING TO TEAM 1, COMINT UNIT 508. THE MESSAGE CONTENTED THAT THE ARVN 51ST REGIMENT AND SOUTH KOREAN FORCES WERE BEING RUSHED TO THE DIEN BAN DU Y XUYEN-DAI LOC DISTRICT BORDER AREA, EVIDENTLY TO COUNTER THE COMMUNIST TROOPS. ALSO IN THE DUC DUC/AN HOA AREA, FRONT 4 COMMUNICATIONS CLAIM THAT THREE ARVN COMPANIES MAY BE POSITIONED NEAR THANH XUYEN (AT 866477, 15-47N 108-04E) OR ALONG THE ROAD BETWEEN AN HOA (COMBAT BASE, AT 878478, 15-47N 108-05E) AND PHUONG RANG (AT 8544, 15-45N 108-05E). COMMUNIST ELEMENTS INTEND TO ATTACK THIS FORCE EN MASSE WHEN THEY LAND. IN HOA VANG DISTRICT, COMMUNIST ELEMENTS HAVE REPORTED THAT SEVERAL BIVOUAC AND MESSING AREAS HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED BY AMERICAN AND ARVN SWEEPS IN MAN QUANG (BT 032689, 15-58N 108-13E), THI AN (BT 030669, 15-58N 108-14E) AND AN LUU (BT 036678, 15-58N 108-14E). ON THE WHOLE, HOWEVER, HIGH-LEVEL CADRE OF FRONT 4 APPEAR SATISFIED WITH THE RESULTS OF THEIR ATTACKS. THE VC 89TH SAPPER BATTALION HAS REPORTED \$OPENING FIRE WELL\$ AND DOMINATING THE AREAS OF QUA GIAN (BT 010660, 15-57N 108-12E), TAN THO, AND THE BA XA MARKET (BOTH UNLOCATED); WHILE IN HOA VANG DISTRICT, PLANS FOR POSSIBLE RESUPPLY AND REINFORCEMENT TO SUSTAIN THE CURRENT COMBAT PHASE ARE BEING DISCUSSED. FINALLY, A MESSAGE TO ALL FRONT 4 STATIONS HAD DISCLOSED THAT \$THE FRONT'S RECEIVING STATION FOR PRISONERS OF WAR\$ IS NEAR DOC GIO (ZC 057415, 15-44N 107-51E). XXHH 900 #3042 NNNH

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