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III. NORTHERN MILITARY REGION 5; A. FRONT DOUR, A 25 JANUARY MESSAGE FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED FRONT FOUR ASSOCIATE (B8528) TO THE HEADQUARTERS, FRONT FOUR, FORWARD ELEMENT ONE STATEC THAT $PERSONS FROM DIEN BAN DISTRICT CAME AGAINST THE VC$ AT AT 993 627 (15-55N 1Ø8-11E), WHILE $ARTILLERY WAS FIRED$ AT POSSIBLY BT Ø55 618 (15-55N 1Ø8-15E), Ø23 613 (15-55N 1Ø8-13E) AND Ø23 615 (15-55N 1Ø8-13E). FINALLY, IT WAS NOTED THAT $122 MM ROCKETS$ WERE PLACED AT POSSIBLY BT ØØ5 4Ø9 (15-44N 1Ø8-12E), BUT THE $ARTILLER FIRED$, WHILE AT 12ØØG ON AN UNDISCLOSED DATE, THE $79TH ARVN RANGERS M6$ (UNEUQATED DESIGNATOR) AT POSSIBLY AT 835 44Ø (15-45N 1Ø8-Ø2E), $CAPTURED A FORWARD LEMENT$. (2/F1/VCM/TØ386-72) A 25 JANUARY COMMUNIQUE FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED FRONT FOUR ASSOCIATE TO THE HEADQUARTERS, FRONT FOUR REVEALED THAT AT ØØØØG ON 25 JANUARY, THE $ENEMY$ USED EIGHT HU1A HELICOPTERS TO $INSERT TROOOPS$ AT TAY GIA (AT 862 54Ø, 15-5ØN 1Ø8-Ø3E), WHILE IT WAS MENTIONED THAT THE $ENEMY$ INCREASED THE USE OF LOH HELICOPTERS. FINALLY, IT WAS REPORTED THAT ON 24 JANUARY, $LOH'S AND HU1A'S INSERTED TROOPS$ AT MY DONG (VICINITY AT 842 545, 15-51N 1Ø8-Ø2E) AND $SURPRIZE ATTACKED LOCAL AGENTS$. (2/S1/VCM/TØ391-72) A 25 JANUARY MESSAGE FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED FRONT FOUR ASSOCIATE TO THE HEADQUARTERS, FRONT FOUR, FORWARD ELEMENT ONE STATED THAT AN UNSPECIFIED ENTITY $FIREC MANY ROUNDS$, WHILE THE CONSTANT PRESENCE OF HU1A HELICOPTERYHWWS NOTED. FINALLY, IT WAS REPORTED THAT HELICOPTERS (NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED, NFI) WENT $ALONG THE CORRIDER FROM SANH (UNLOCATED) TO VONG (UNLTCATED). 2/F1/VCM/TØ388-72) B. QUANG NAM PROVINCIAL UNIT, N 26 JANUARY, THE QUANG NAM PROVINCIAL UNIT FORWARD ELEMENT WAS LTCATED NEAR BT 143 216 (15-33N 1Ø8-2ØE), PLACING THIS ENTITY APPROXIMATELY FIVE KILOMETERS SOUTH OF AN ALLIED BASE (BT 145 267, 15-36N 1Ø8-2ØE). THIS RELOCATION REPRESENTS A MOVE OF APPROXIMATELY FOUR KILOMETERS IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION FROM THIS ENTITY'S LAST KNOOWN LOCATION ON 21 JANUARY 1972 NEAR BT 1Ø3 252 (15-35N 1Ø8-17E). (USM 649 TACREP NR Ø63-72 DTG 26Ø335Z JAN 72) C. QUANG NGAI PROVINCIAL UNIT, ON 26 JANUARY, THE QUANG NGAI PROVINCIAL UNIT WAS LOCATED NEAR BS 481 616 (15-Ø1N 1Ø8-39E), PLACING THIS ENTITY APPROXIMATELY FIVE KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF FIRE SUPPORT BASE CUSTER (BS 513 572, 14-58N 1Ø8-41E). THIS LOCATION REPRESENTS A MOVE OF APPROXIMATELY SEVENTEEN KILOMETERS IN A NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTION FROM THIS ENTITY'S LAST KNOWN LOCATION ON 22 JANUARY 1972, NEAR BS451 448 (14-52N 1Ø8-37E). (TACREP NR Ø31Ø-72 PASEP USM 8Ø8/HOTEL DTG 261315Z JAN 1972) 271ØØØZ JANUARY 72 IV.

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GENERAL DIRECTORATE OF REAR SERVICES(GDRS), SUMMARY, COMMUNICATIONS SERVING GDRS ENTITIES DURING THIS PERIOD WERE HIGHLIGHTED BY A BINH TRAM 41 REPORT OF A C-13Ø ATTACK. A. BINH TRAM 41, IN A MESSAGE PASSED ON 24 JANUARY BETWEEN POSSIBLE BINH TRAM 41 AND POSFRBLE GROUP 472, IT WAS REPORTED THAT A CONVOY BELONGING TO THE 55TH TRANSPORTION BATTALION (SUBORDINATE TO BINH TRAM 42) WAS ATTACKED BY C-13Ø'S -," ?3;34-) ;3#8,)3? 2343 ?74,3". FURTHER, IT WAS REPORTED THAT AT 193ØG AT KM-73 (UNLOCATED) ON ROUTE B45 (ALSO KNOWN AS ROUTE 922), TWO VEHICLES INCLUDING ONE ZIL-157 BURNED. IT WAS ALSO REVEALED THAT AT 23ØØG, A VEHICLE (NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED, NFI) BURNED AT KM 76 (UNLOCATED) ON ROUTE B45. IT WAS ALSO STATED THAT AT 19ØØG, A ZIL-157 WAS BURNED AT KM 29 (POSSIBLY LOCATED VICINITY OF XD 739 Ø28, 16-37N 1Ø6-38E) ON ROUTE 128 (ALSO KNOWN AS US ROUTE 92D/E), AND THAT AT 2ØØØG, A ZIL-157 WAS BURNED AT KM1 (POSSIBLY LOCATED AT XD 511 38Ø, 16-37N 1Ø6-25E) ON ROUTE 29J(ALSO KNOWN AS ROUTE 92C). (2/F1/VCJ/TØ434-72) B. BINH TRAM 34, IN A MESSAGE PASSED ON 26 JANUARY FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENT OF BINH TRAM 34, IT WAS REVEALED THAT FOUR WEAPONS (NFI) AT KM 46 (LOCATED XC 71Ø 777, 16-Ø4N 1Ø6-35E) ON ROUTE 22, OR XC 818 852, 16-Ø8N 1Ø6-42E ON ROUTE 92E) AND KM 56 (XC 719 778, 16-Ø4N 1Ø6-35E ON ROUTE 22, OR XC 819 842, 16-Ø7N 1Ø6-42E ON ROUTE 92E) WERE TO BE CAMOUFLAGED. FURTHER, IT WAS REPORTED THAT TWO UNSPECIFIED WEAPONS WERE TO BE MOVED FROM KM 55 (XC 71Ø 777, 16-Ø4N 1Ø6-35E ON ROUTE 22, OR XC 818 852, 16-Ø8N 1Ø6-42E ON ROUTE 92E). 2/F1/VCJ/TØ442-72) 271ØØØZ JANUARY 72 C. BINH TRAM 42, IN A 26 JANUARY MESSAGE FROM PROBABLE BINH TRAM 42 ()5 559TH TRANSPORTATION GROUP, IT WAS REPORTED THAT COMPANIES 11, 12, AND 22 WERE TRAINING IN ARTILLERY AND ANTIAIRCRAFT. FURTHER, IT WAS DISCLOSED THAT ON 24 JANUARY , THERE WAS ONE GROUP OF $RAIDERS$ NEAR COODINATES 563 Ø78 (POSSIBLY EXPANING TO YC Ø86 552, 15-51N 1Ø6-56E). AND THAT THE COMMUNIST PERSONNEL WERE KEEPING THE ABOVE MENTIONED $UNDER SURVEILLANCE$. 2/F1/VCJ/TØ438-72) D. 591ST AAA REGIMENT, IN A MESSAGE PASSED ON 27 JANUARY BETWEEN TWO UNIDENIFIED SUBORDINATES OF THE 591ST AAA REGIMENT, IT WAS STATED $POSITIVELY AN F4 WAS DOWNED AROUND 1ØØØG$. THE SHOOTDOWN OF ANOTHER F4 WAS ALSO DISCLOSED BY AN UNIDENIFIED ELEMENT TEXT THE ORIGINATOR IN REFERENGING $THE FALLEN F4$, STATES THAT, $THE INVADER PILOT WAS KILLED AND WE COULD NOT RESCUE HIM, AND SUGGESTED THE BODY EXAMINED$. (2/F1/VCJ/TØ443-72 AND TØ447-72) XXHH 9ØØ ‡Ø3ØØ M ZZZXXCZCTCAØ76

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