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SILC - DAILY [redacted] DRV DIGEST, DESOTO P TROLS 02 AUGUST 1&/.

THIS REPORT INCLUDES A SYNOPSCINZ DRV REACTIONS TO ND REFLECTIONS OF DESOTO PATROLS AND A SUMMARY OF [redacted] DRV NAVAL/SHIPPING IN AREA ACTIVITY. IN VIEW ESTTBLISHMENT SIGINT READINESS BRAVO, LANTERN, THIS REPORT IS ISSUED TO AN EXPANDED DISTRIBUTION VICE THE NORMAL DISSEMINATION APPLICABLE TO THE SERIES.

I. HIGHLIGHT:

[redacted]. ON 02 AUGUST DRV NAVAL ELEMENTS LAUNCHED A TORPEDO ATTACK ON THE DESOTO VESSEL AT APPROXIMATELY 0200:$"3;8, 5&3

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OF DAMAGE TO THE DESOTO. AT 021503Z HON NGU (18847-48N 105 45508E) REPORTED TO DRV NAVAL HEADQUARTERY HAIPHONG THAT ONE VESSEL OF (FLOTILLA) 135 HAD RETURNED TO HON ME (19-21N 105-56E). SUBSEQUENT INTERCEPT FROM THE T-142 TO AN UNIDENTIFIED AUTHORITY STTTES THAT THE T-142, " T 1525G SAW 135 ATTACK ENEMY." IT IS NOTHKNOWN WHETHER OR NOT THE "135" REFERS TO THE " FLOTILLA 135" VESSELS (POSSIBLY THREE MTBS) OR TO THE VESSEL T 135 SEE 2/Q/VHN/R26-64 AND FOLLOW UP REPORTS)

II. DRV NAVY, FLEET OPERATIONS:

A. LEVEL OF ACTIVITY

1. DURING THE PERIOD 012301Z - 022300Z DRV NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS WERE NORMAL WITH AMINIMUM OF TEN VESSELS REFLECTED, INCLUDING: SWATOW CLASS PGMS T-142, T-146, T-165; PROBABLE SWATOW CLASS T-255, T-339, T-377; UNIDENTIFIED T-135, T-145 (POSSIBLE MTBS); ND TWO UNIDENTIFIED.

B. MAINLINE NETS:

1. DRV NAVAL HEADQUARTERS HAIPHONG WAS ACTIVE WITH ONE MOBILE, T-339, AND THREE UNLOCATED OUTSTATIONS ON THE OMM ND NET AND WITH NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN FLEET HEEDQUARTERS, PORT WOLLUT AND BEN THUY ON THE OPERATIONAL NET. REMAINING COMMAND ECHELON NETS NORMAL.

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C. NORTHZRN FLEET AREA, PORT WALLUT:

1. SEVEN VESSELS WERE OBSERVED ACTIVE INCLUDING SWATOW CLASS PGMS T-142, T-146, PROBABLE SWTOW T-339; T-135, T-145 (POSSIBLE MTBS) AND TWO UNIDENTIFIED.

2. AT LEAST FIVE OF THESKZZW VESSELS WERE IN THE AREA AND/OR ENGAGED IN THE ATTACK ON THE DESOTO VESSEL. (SEE 2/Q/VHN/R26-64 AND FOLLOWUPS).

D. SOUTHERN FLEET AREA, BEN THUY:

1. THREE VESSELS WERE OBSERVED ACTIVE INCLUDING SWATOW CLWSS PGM T-165 AND POSSIBLE SWATOW CLASS T-255 AND T-377. THESE VESSELS MOVED IN THE NORTHERN FLEET WATERS TO ASSIST IN THE DESOTO ATTACK (SEE 2/Q/VHN/R29-64).

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3. NAVAL TRACKING:

1. HAIPHONG, PORT WALLUT AND BEN THUY TRACKING CONTROLS WERE ACTIVE WITH VINH SON, HON NGU, HON MATT AND EIGHT UNLOCATED OUTSTATIONS. EIGHTY MESSAGES WERE OBSERVED OF WHICH THE MAJORITY RELFECTED A CONTINUOUS TRACK OF THE DESOTO. MY DUK (19-52N 105-57E) TRACKING SITE, NOT ISLOATED ON THE TRACKING NET, CONTRIBSEED SEVENTY-ONE TRACKING REPORTS VIA THE NAVAL TACTICAL NET CONCERNING THE PATROL (SEE 2/Q/HN/R30-64).

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IV. DRV SHIPPING/FISHING

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A. COASTAL SHIPPING:

1. DRV COASTAL SHIPPING COMMUNICATIONS APPEARED NORMAL WITH FOUR VESSELS NOTED ACTIVE.

B. FISHING FLEET:

1. DRV FISHING FLEET UNOBSERVED.

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