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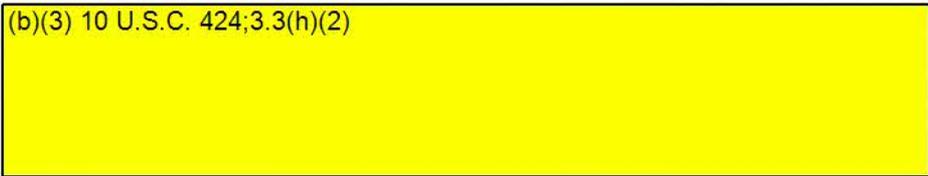
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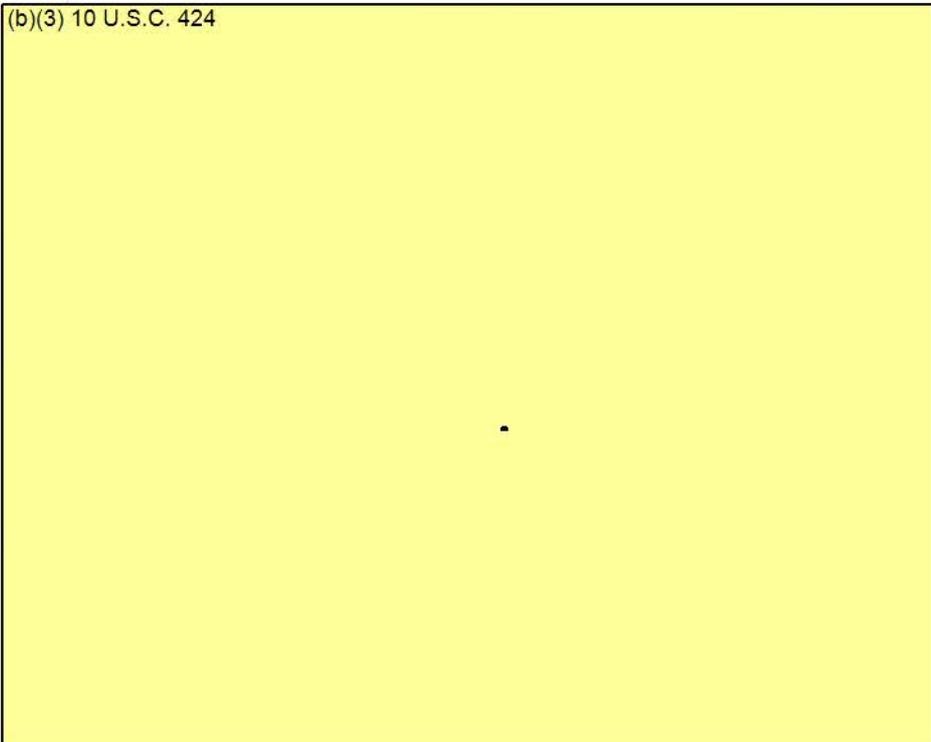
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OPERATIONAL/INTELLIGENCE BRIEFS



SOUTH VIETNAM

GROUND OPERATIONS: 44 bn-size or larger opns in prog: 24 US, 19 ARVN, 1 FWF. (S)

1 CTZ: On 12 Jan, in Opn LANCASTER, elms of USMC bn in convoy was ambushed by est en reinfd plat 19 nm W of Quang Tri. Arty, gunships, tanks sptd marines. Results -- US: 19 KIA, 70 WIA, 2 veh dest; VC/NVA: 10 KIA, 1 per det, 2 crew-served wpns seized. (S)

On 13 Jan, a USSF patrol sptd by arty engaged an est 2 en sqds 31 nm WSW Quang Tri. Results -- US: 2 WIA; VC/NVA: 10 KIA. (S)

On 11 Jan, in Opn WHEELER/WALLOWA, a USA co on S&D mission engaged small en force 25 nm S of Da Nang. En used mort and AW fire from trenchline. Arty, tac air sptd. USA OH-13 helo was downed by gnd fire and later removed. Results -- US: 4 WIA, 1 OH-13 damaged; VC/NVA: 12 KIA. (S)

57 small-unit contacts reported. Results -- US: 2 KIA, 28 WIA; ARVN: 2 KIA, 10 WIA; VC/NVA: 32 KIA, 15 pers det, 11 wpns seized. (S)

2 CTZ: On 13 Jan, 2 ARVN bns engaged an est en bn 47 nm NNW Qui Nhon. Elms of USA bn and ARVN arty sptd. After 6 hrs, en broke contact. Results -- US: 2 WIA; ARVN: 9 KIA, 15 WIA; VC/NVA: 76 KIA, 12 indiv wpns seized. (S)

On 14 Jan, a USA helo LZ in PERSHING area was hit by 7 82-mm rds. Results -- No pers cas; 4 UH-1Ds, 1 OH-13, 2 veh received minor damage. (S)

On 14 Jan, a USAF O-1G on FAC mission was dest by en fire 10 nm E of Phan Rang. Pilot recovered in critical condition. (S)

20 small-unit contacts reported. Results -- US: none; ARVN: 8 KIA, 11 WIA; ROK: 2 WIA; VC/NVA: 20 KIA, 1 per det, 11 wpns seized. (S)

3 CTZ: On 13 Jan, USA bn located en cache containing 10.5 tons polished rice in 100-lb bags 38 nm NE Tay Ninh. (S)

On 14 Jan, USAF F-100 crashed on take-off from Bien Hoa Afld. Pilot was killed; acft dest. Apparently acft was hit by gnd fire. (S)

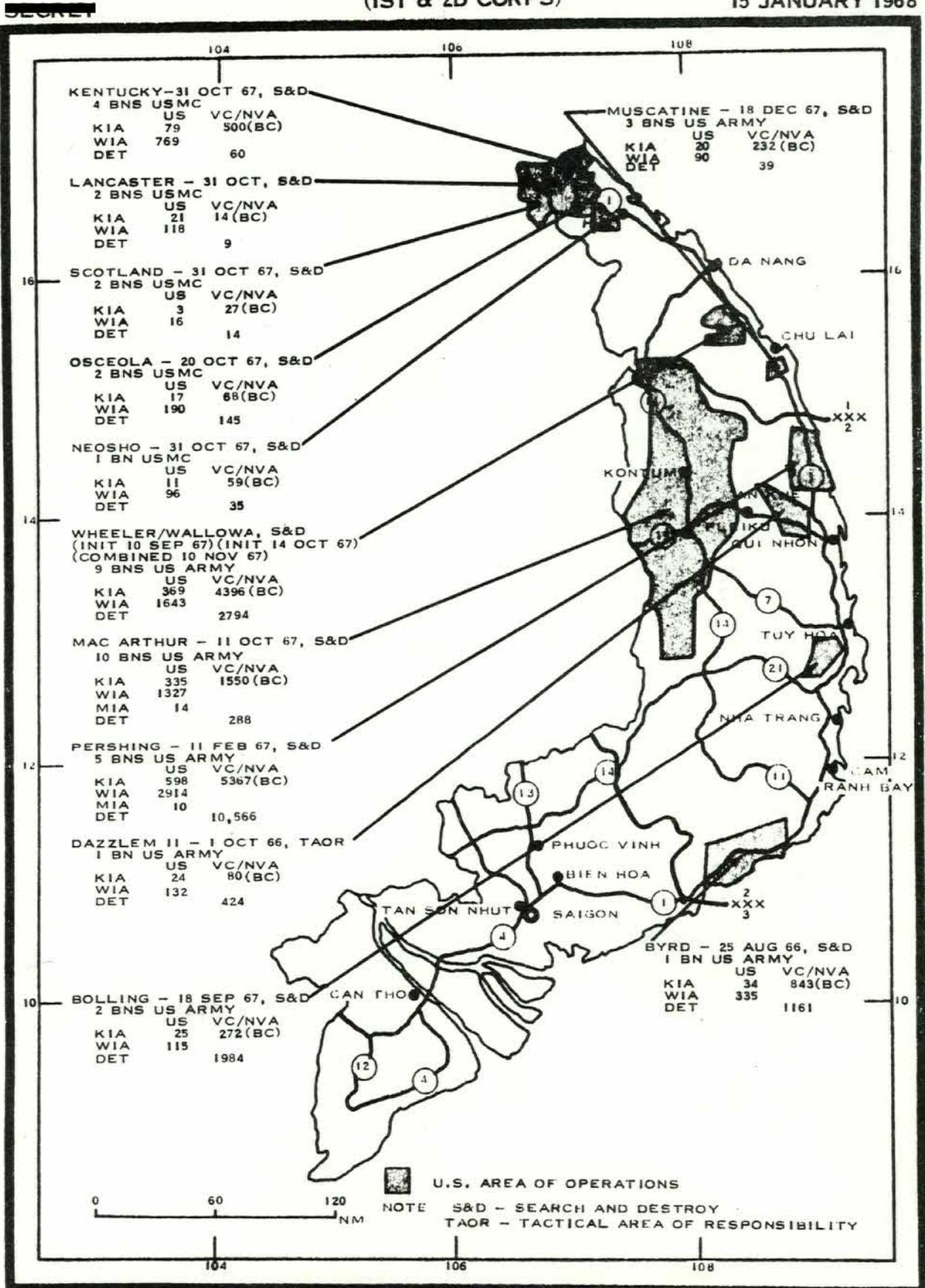
On 13 Jan, in Opn AKRON V, USA co engaged unk-size en force in bunkers 24 nm ESE Saigon. Arty, helos sptd; 2 additional cos reinfd. Results -- US: 2 KIA, 7 WIA; VC/NVA: 5 KIA. Same day, in same gen area, elms of 2d RAR engaged en force. Results -- No Aust cas; VC/NVA: 6 KIA, 5 indiv and 3 crew-served wpns seized. (S)

27 small-unit contacts reported. Results -- US: 6 WIA; ARVN: 4 KIA, 31 WIA; VC/NVA: 5 KIA, 1 wpn seized. (S)

4 CTZ: CUU LONG 74, a 4-bn ARVN opn 23 nm NNE Can Tho, terminated on 14 Jan after 9 days duration. Cum results -- ARVN: 8 KIA, 55 WIA; VC/NVA: 47 KIA, 19 pers det, 94 indiv wpns, 7 crew-served wpns,

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80,250 rds SA ammo, 630 grenades, 241 RR rds, 199 mort rds, 72 mines 30 bangalore torpedoes seized. (S)

8 small-unit contacts reported. Results -- US: none; ARVN: 9 KIA, 10 WIA, 3 MIA, 10 indiv wpns lost; VC/NVA: 23 KIA, 1 per det, 8 wpns seized. (S)

ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS: 6 B-52s struck tgt at 131250 EST 30 nm NE Tay Ninh containing base area of NVA 88th Regt; follow-up sked by elms 11th Armored Cav Regt. 9 B-52s struck tgt at 140027 EST 44 nm NW Hue containing base camps, stor areas, staging and biv areas, and elms of NVA 50th Regt. 8 B-52s struck tgt at 141537 EST 57 nm WNW Hue containing staging area and increased trp acty indicative of a future offensive. 9 B-52s struck tgt at 141625 EST 58 nm WNW Hue containing staging area and increased trp acty indicative of a future offensive. No gnd follow-up sked last 3 msns. (S)

QUANG TRI PROVINCE: NVA units deployed in DMZ may be preparing to atk trps/mil installations just S of zone. Msgs from elms of NVA 803d Regt of 324B Div on 11 and 12 Jan suggest that gnd assaults, poss supported by arty, will be launched against Con Thien and the anti-infiltration barrier under construction. Recent msgs from 324B's 90th and 812th Regts suggest they are prob a few miles W of Con Thien. (S) Sec. 3.3

NORTH VIETNAM

ROLLING THUNDER OPERATIONS: 327 sorties (196 USAF, 77 USN, 54 USMC) dest/damaged 11/65 trks, 7/27 WBL craft, 2/1 AAA sites, 1/12 bridges, 0/33 stor areas, 0/26 road segs, 0/19 gun psns, 0/13 ferries, 0/11 trk pks, 0/6 radar sites, 0/4 RR segs, 0/3 bulldozers, 0/3 fords, 0/2 trp concs, 0/1 bunker, 0/1 ferry approach, 0/1 ferry complex, 0/1 staging area. (S)

Tgts within 30-nm radius Hanoi: SAM Site 43; SAM Site 267; Hoa Lac Afld; Co Trai RR/hwy bridge (bridge dest). (S)

Other significant tgts: Yen Bai Afld and 4 suspected SAM sites. (S)

AIRCRAFT LOSS: USAF EB-66C down unk causes 72 nm WSW Thanh Hoa at 140403 EST. Voice contact established with 4 of 7 crew members; SAR in prog. (S)

NVNese air def fac reflected shutdown of an EB-66 by 1 of 2 MIG-21s from Phuc Yen Afld during this time period. (S) Sec. 3.3

MIG ENGAGEMENT/SIGHTING: 4 USAF acft (2 F-105F, 2 F-105D) engaged by 2 MIG-21s 61 nm NW Hanoi at 132022 EST. 1 F-105D downed by msl fired by MIGs. Pilot ejected and beeper heard; SAR in prog. 1 US acft fired 200 rds 20-mm at 1 MIG but no hits observed. 12 MK-82s and 3 CBU-24s were jettisoned. (S)

4 USAF F-105Fs observed MIG-17 97 nm W of Hanoi at 121957 EST. (S)
SAM SIGHTINGS 13 JAN: 8 SAMs observed; 4 vic Hanoi and 4 vic Haiphong. (S)

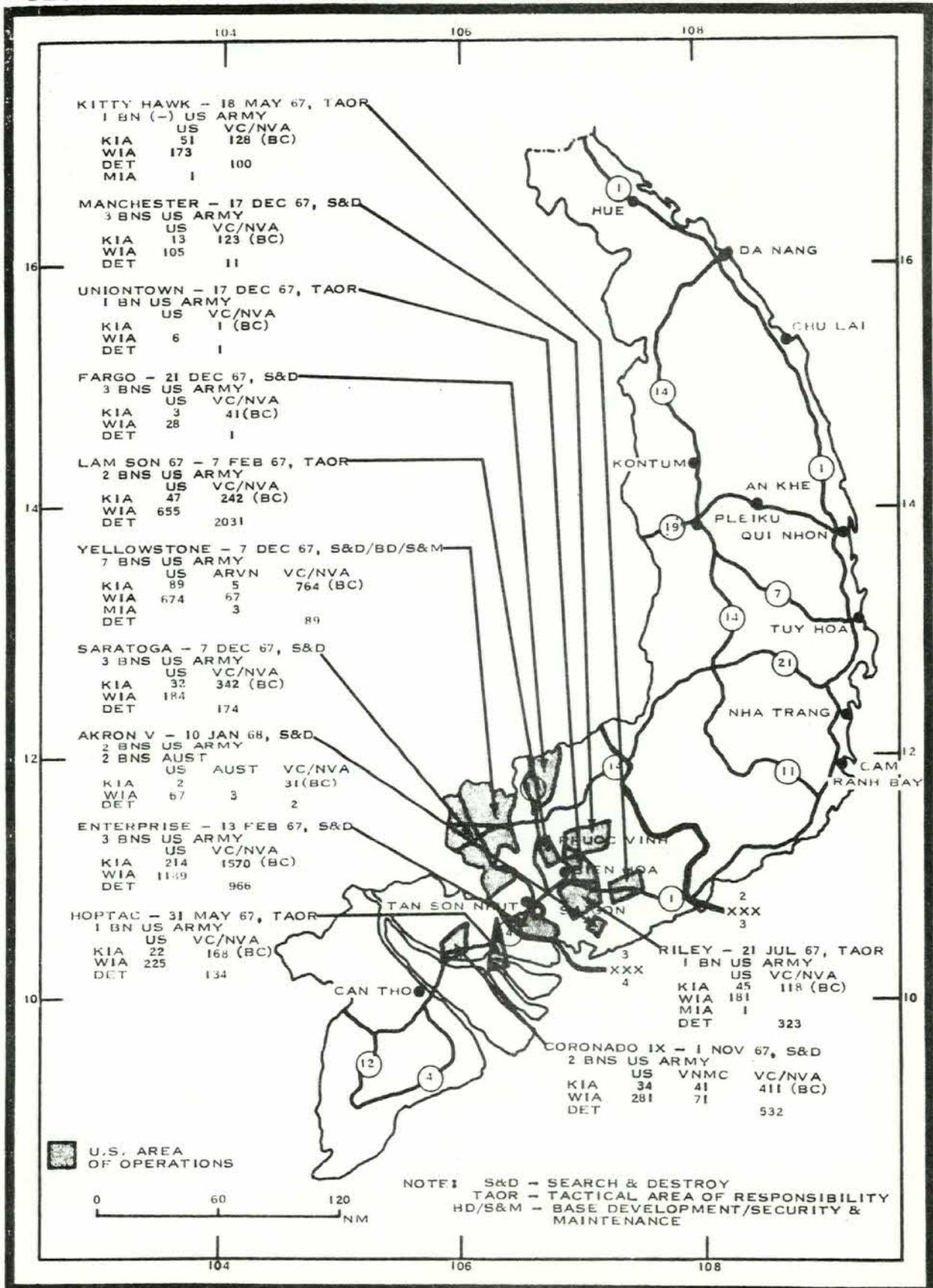
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BARREL ROLL/STEEL TIGER OPERATIONS: 400 sorties (336 USAF, 33 USN, 31 USMC) dest/damaged 60/63 trks, 25/45 gun sites, 7/0 structures, 2/5 AAA sites, 0/69 road segs, 0/49 trk pks, 0/33 stor areas, 0/19 trp concs, 0/7 fords, 0/2 POL stor areas. (S)

ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS: 6 B-52s struck tgt at 131727 EST 61 nm NW Pleiku containing stor complex and base of opns in conjunction with increased emphasis on Cambodian supply routes. 6 B-52s struck tgt at 140240 EST 32 nm WSW Dong Hoi containing large trk pk, stor area, and AW psns. 9 B-52s struck tgt at 150114 EST 61 nm NW Pleiku containing stor complex and base of opns in conjunction with increased emphasis on Cambodian supply routes. (S)

NAM BAC/LUANG PRABANG: FAR psns around Nam Bac crumbled on 13/14 Jan and Luang Prabang afd and town were subjected to 5-hr coordinated atk on the 15th. An est 40-man en elm dest 2 acft at Luang Prabang afd and about 15 en atkd FAR 105-mm howitzer psn on W side of town. Incoming fire ended when Lao AF T-28s provided close air spt. Some en trps reportedly trapped. AmEmb Vientiane views atk on Luang Prabang as harassment and believes that en does not intend to push much farther S than Nam Bac. (b)(3) 10 U.S.C. 424.3.3(h)(2)

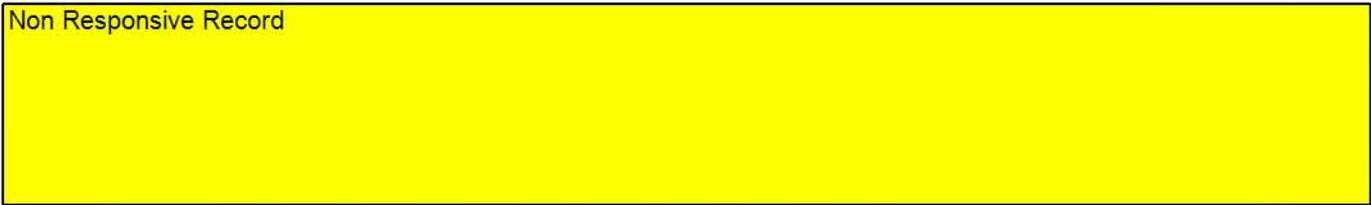
Loss of Nam Bac will have severe psychological impact since govt had staked much on retaining its psns there. A period of instability within armed forces' senior levels can be anticipated as high command's reputation severely tarnished by this setback. (S/NFD)

SITE 85: It is now confirmed that 2 of 4 NVNese AN-2 tpts involved in atk on Site 85 on 12 Jan were shot down -- one by gnd fire, other by helo. Three bodies found at one crash site. (b)(3) 10 U.S.C. 424.3.

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