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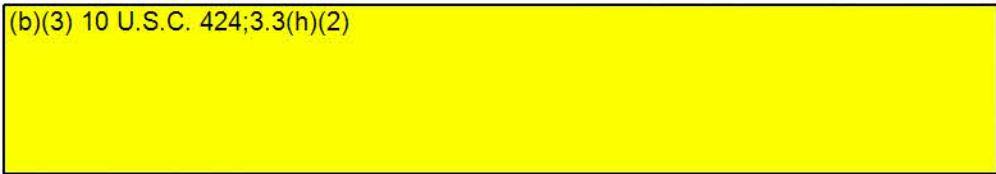
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OPERATIONAL/INTELLIGENCE BRIEFS



SOUTH VIETNAM

GROUND OPERATIONS: 50 bn-size or larger opns in prog: 27 US, 1 FW, 22 ARVN. (S)

1 CTZ: On 18 Jan, USMC unit engaged en force 36 nm NW Hue. Losses -- US: 3 KIA, 25 WIA; VC/NVA: 23 KIA. (S)

Rescue forces reported all 41 pers aboard killed in USMC CH-53A crash 8 Jan, 28 nm W Hue. (S)

ARVN Opn LAMSON 179 term 18 Jan. Cum losses -- ARVN: 9 KIA, 25 WIA, 3 wpns, 1 radio; VC/NVA: 13 KIA, 73 wpns, 4 mortars, med supplies, and rkt, mortar, and small-arms ammo. (S)

ARVN Opn QUYET THANG 6/G init 17 Jan, 4 nm NNE Quang Ngai. Cum losses -- ARVN: 11 KIA, 9 MIA, 26 wpns; VC/NVA: 35 KIA, 4 wpns. (S)

RF unit atkd 17 Jan, 9 nm SW Quang Ngai. ARVN unit reinf. Losses -- RF: 6 KIA, 20 WIA, 9 MIA, 10 wpns; VC/NVA: 46 KIA, 1 wpn. (S)

37 small-unit contacts resulted in following losses -- US: 2 KIA, 29 WIA; ARVN: 3 WIA; VC/NVA: 12 KIA, 234 det, 9 wpns. (C)

2 CTZ: New Pleiku Afld and surrounding instls atkd by en force employing rkt fire 19 Jan. Losses -- US: 17 WIA; 1 bldg dest, 1 bldg damaged; ARVN: 1 KIA, 2 WIA. (S)

On 18 Jan, in Opn DAZZLEM II, 2 US WIA and 2 trks damaged by mines on Hwy 19, 28 nm E Pleiku. (S)

5 small-unit contacts resulted in following losses -- ARVN: 2 KIA; VC/NVA: 3 KIA, 2 det, 2 wpns. (S)

3 CTZ: On 18 Jan, 3 contacts reprd in Opn YELLOWSTONE. Losses -- US: 1 KIA, 24 WIA; VC/NVA: 4 KIA. (S)

On 19 Jan, USA 25th Inf Div received est 50 rds 82-mm mortar fire. Losses -- US: 3 KIA, 45 WIA, 4 UH-1D and 1 OH-23 damaged; VC/NVA: unk. (S)

On 18 Jan, ARVN unit engaged en force 17 nm SW Saigon. Losses -- US: 1 WIA; ARVN: 14 WIA; VC/NVA: 53 KIA, 9 wpns. (C)

11 small-unit contacts resulted in following losses -- US: 5 KIA; ARVN: 2 KIA, 9 WIA; VC/NVA: 10 KIA, 8 wpns. (S)

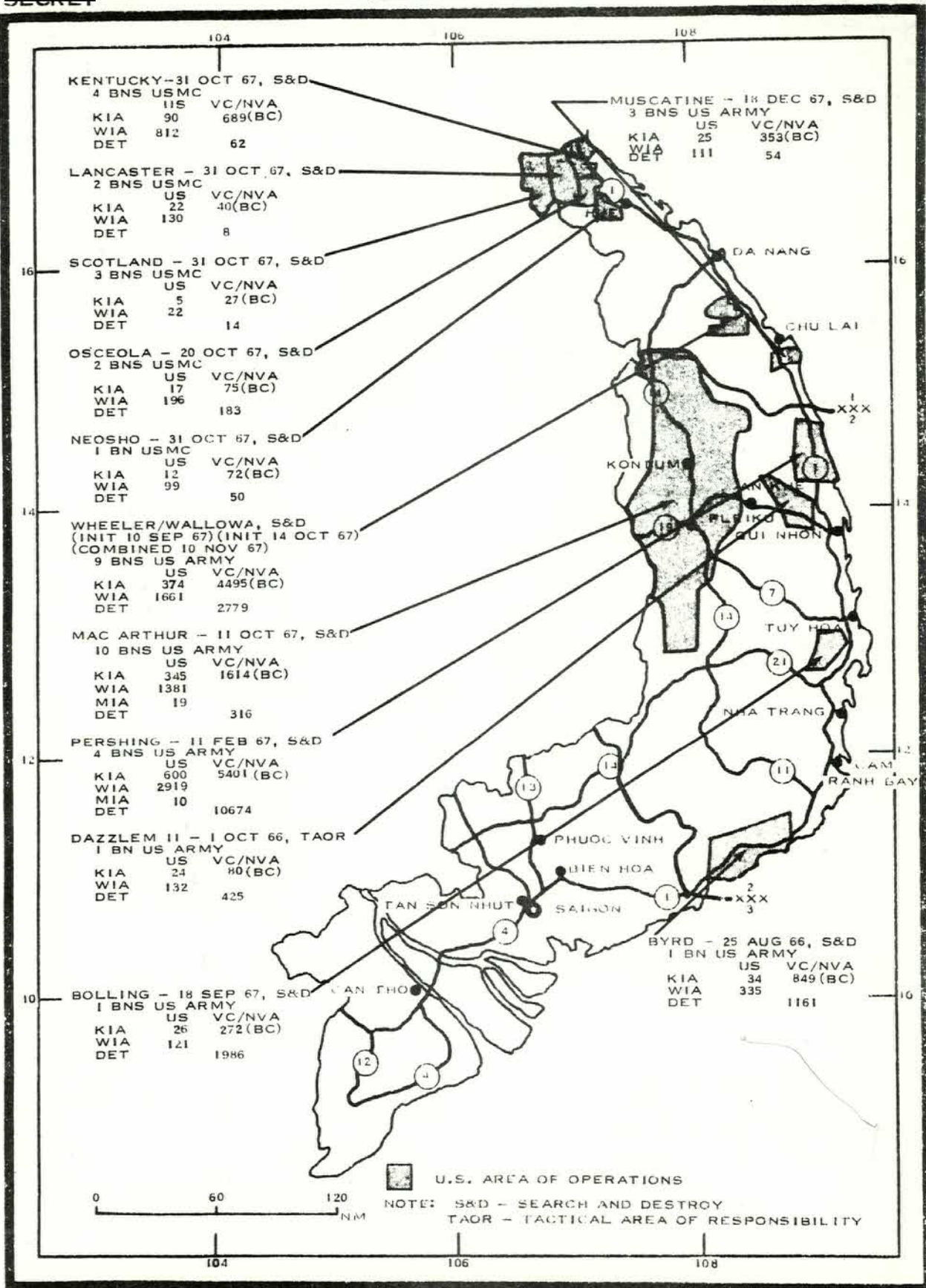
4 CTZ: On 19 Jan, 36 nm NE Can Tho, VNMC unit atkd by en force employing mortars and gnd follow-up. Losses -- VNMC: 14 KIA, 66 WIA; VC/NVA: unk. (S)

3 small-unit contacts resulted in following losses -- ARVN: 6 KIA, 15 WIA, 9 wpns, 1 radio; VC/NVA: 21 KIA, 2 det, 5 wpns. (S)

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ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS 19 JAN: 12 B-52s bombed tgt 48 nm W Hue containing trp concs. 5 B-52s bombed tgt 55 nm S Da Nang containing elms VC MR 5 and stor areas. 9 B-52s bombed tgt 49 nm W Hue containing trp concs and stor areas. No gnd follow-up sked for above msns. (S)

NORTH VIETNAM

ROLLING THUNDER OPERATIONS 19 JAN: 250 sorties (122 USN, 96 USAF, 32 USMC) dest/damaged 21/110 WBLC, 2/35 bridges, 2/1 AAA sites, 1/92 trks, 0/22 RR cars, 0/19 stor areas, 0/2 SAM sites, 0/1 bks, 0/4 trk pks, 0/16 gun psns, 0/1 bunker, and LOCs. (S)

Tgts within 30-nm radius Hanoi: 3 SAM sites. (C)

Other tgts: Lang Kay RR siding, Dong Hoi RR siding, Som Tra RR yard. (S)

SAM SIGHTING: USN A-6A acft obs abn SA-2, 46 nm SSE Hanoi. No damage to US acft. (S)

B-3 FRONT: An 18 Jan msg from a station associated with B-3 Front to a poss arty unit indicates that en was to have launched atks in western Kontum Prov today. (S) Sec. 3.3

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BARREL ROLL/STEEL TIGER OPERATIONS 19 JAN: 167 sorties (116 USAF, 43 USN, 8 USMC) dest/damaged (b)(3) 10 U.S.C. 424. 0/4 gun sites, 0/21 stor areas, 0/5 trp concs, 0/19 trk pks, 0/3 mil complexes, 17/53 trks, 0/12 WBLC, and LOCs. (S)

ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS 19 JAN: 9 B-52s bombed tgt 61 nm W Hue containing infiltration and supply rte. (S)

MIG SIGHTINGS: 2 USAF A-1Es sighted 2 unmarked MIG-21s, 69 nm WNW Than Hoa. (S)

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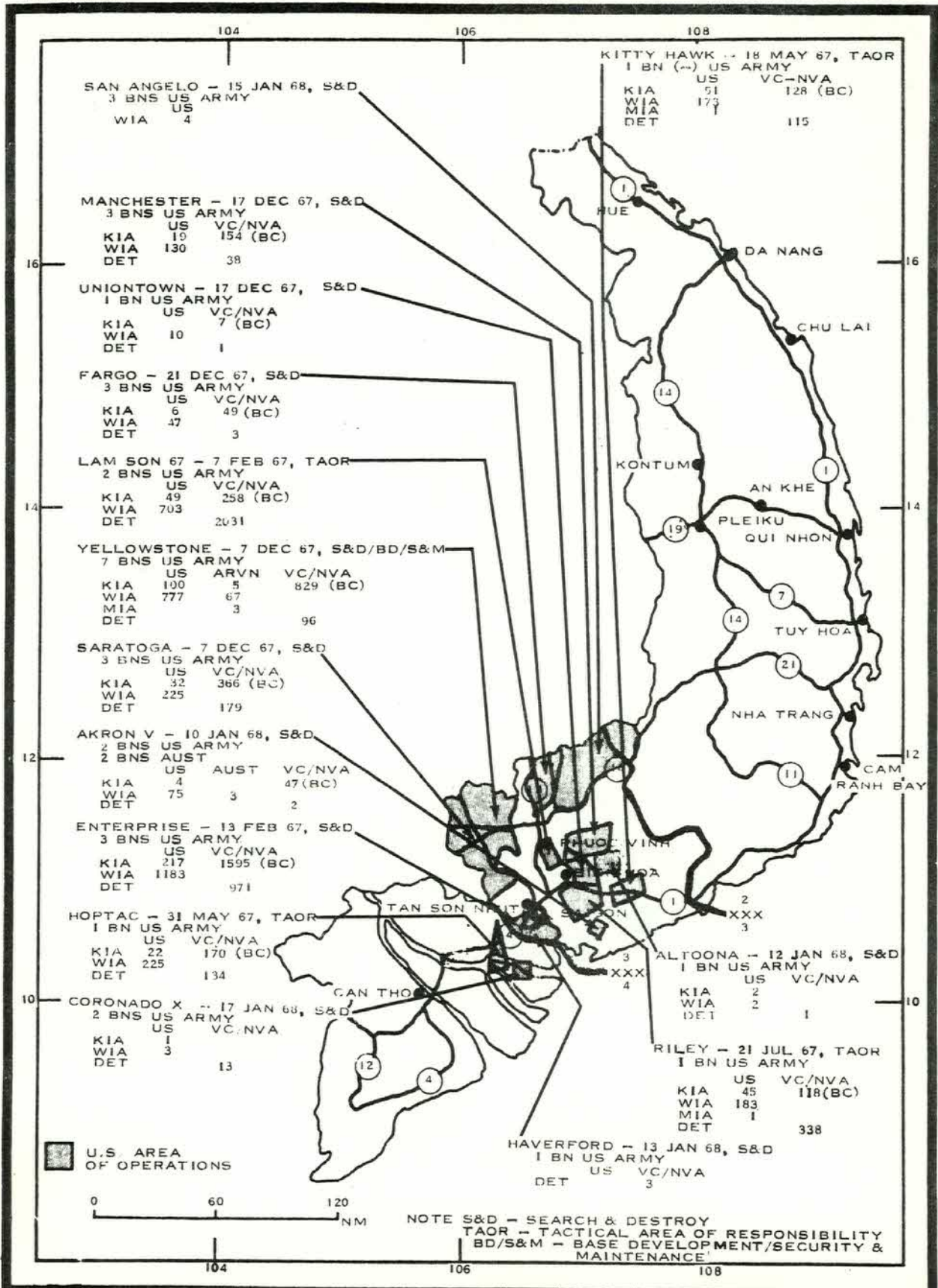
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