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WARNING

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

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

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


ARNV Opn QUAYET 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.

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.

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

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.

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

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

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

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.


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


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.

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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. (C)

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 pkrs, 0/16 gun psns, 0/1 bunker, and LOCs. (C) Tgts within 30-nm radius Hanoi: 3 SAM sites. (C) Other tgts: Lang Kay RR siding, Dong Hoi RR siding, Som Tra RR yard. (C)

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

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. (C)

LAOS

BARREL ROLL/STEEL TIGER OPERATIONS 19 JAN: 167 sorties (116 USAF, 43 USN, 8 USMC) dest/damaged 0/4 gun sites, 0/21 stor areas, 0/5 trp concs, 0/19 trk pkrs, 0/3 mil complexes, 17/53 trks, 0/12 WBLC, and LOCs. (C) ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS 19 JAN: 9 B-52s bombed tgt 61 nm W Hue containing infiltration and supply rtls. (C)

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

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