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SOUTH VIETNAM


AIRCRAFT DOWN 26 JAN: USAF F-100D acft down, cause unk, 25 nm N of Saigon. Acft destroyed, pilot killed.

ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS 26 JAN: 6 B-52s bombed tgt area 36 nm WNW of Pleiku reported to contain NVA div hgs. Gnd follow-up not scheduled.

6 B-52s bombed tgt area 54 nm NW of Bien Hoa reported to contain ord hgs, field fortifications, and mine fields. Gnd follow-up not scheduled.

9 B-52s bombed tgt area 34 nm SSW of Cam Ranh Bay reported to contain storage bunkers and tunnels. Gnd follow-up scheduled.

VC RECRUITING: Document prepared by staff of MR T4 (Gia Dinh Prov), dated 20 Dec 66, and captured during Opn CEDAR FALLS states that evacuation of people during "enemy" sweep opns has caused recruiting difficulties. Thus, in 1966 MR T4 had required 5,000 young men but recruited only 600. Also, Chieu Hoi program was considered "great asset" for SVN/Allied forces, particularly in area of intelligence collection.

POLITICAL: AmAmb Saigon observes that Gen Thieu is out on the campaign trail, with several recent actions of his pretty clearly designed to offset PM Ky's successes in Australia/New Zealand. (Ky is back in Saigon. Late press says that C/S Gen Cao Van Vien is new DefMin and remains as C/S.)

NORTH VIETNAM

ROLLING THUNDER OPERATIONS 26 JAN: 187 armed recce sorties destroyed/damaged 2/2 AW sites, 6/27 barges, 1/2 bridges, 0/2 trucks, 0/1 transshipment point, LOCs, and struck 2 troop concentrations.

SEA DRAGON OPERATIONS 26 JAN: 4 enemy waterborne logistical craft sunk by US destroyer STODDARD.
AIRCRAFT DOWN 27 JAN: USAF F-4C downed, cause unk, 29 nm SE of Dong Hoi. Crew of 2 rescued. (†)

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ANOTHER SAM SITE: Site 168 has been identified 40 nm W of Hanoi. (S/NFD)

LAOS

BARREL ROLL/STEEL TIGER OPERATIONS 26 JAN: 294 armed recce sorties destroyed/damaged 4/0 AW sites, 7/2 structures, 2/3 trucks, 0/7 storage areas, 0/10 truck parks, 0/3 mil complexes, 0/1 way station, 0/1 gun site, LOCs, and struck 3 troop concentrations. NVN is evidently moving substantial quantities of supplies southward through Panhandle, apparently to depots. Some large trucks are being used, and acft have attacked munitions carriers as far south as Chavane area. (†)

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Non Responsive
French threat to withdraw from W. G. and agree to allow the N.A.T.O. role for French

Interview to discuss role of French troops only on agreement for 14

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