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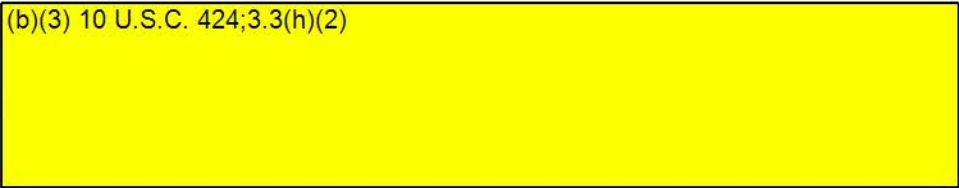
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OPERATIONAL/INTELLIGENCE BRIEFS



SOUTH VIETNAM

GROUND OPERATIONS: 40 bn-size or larger opns in prog: 26 US, 2 FWF, 12 ARVN. (e)

1 CTZ: 15 small-unit contacts. Losses -- US: 2 KIA, 11 WIA. ARVN: 4 WIA. VC/NVA: 20 KIA, 3 pers det. (e)

2 CTZ: On 11 Nov, in Opn PERSHING, 2 USA cos engaged enemy 41 nm NNW Qui Nhon. Losses -- US: 0. VC/NVA: 9 KIA, 1 per det. (S)

On 22 Nov, USA discovered 82 en KIA on 20-21 contacts 14 nm SW Dak To. (e)

On 21 Nov, in Opn BYRD, 2 USA cos engaged enemy 13 nm NE Phan Thiet. Losses -- US: 6 KIA, 36 WIA, 4 MIA. VC/NVA: unk. (C)

At 222230 EST, 2 USA abn inf cos secured Hill 875 SW of Dak To. (e)

12 small-unit contacts repta. Losses -- US: 1 KIA, 1 WIA. ARVN: 4 KIA, 7 WIA. ROK: 3 WIA. VC/NVA: 27 KIA, 10 pers det, 16 wpns. (e)

3 CTZ: On 22 Nov, 6 nm NNW Bien Hoa, area containing ARVN regt CP, bn CP, a PF outpost, and a bridge came under mortar, AW, and gnd atk. Losses -- ARVN: 8 KIA, 2 WIA. VC/NVA: unk. Bridge dest. (e)

16 small-unit contacts. Losses -- US: 21 WIA. ARVN: 20 WIA. VC/NVA: 7 KIA. (e)

4 CTZ: 5 small-unit contacts. Losses -- ARVN: 3 KIA, 10 WIA. VC/NVA: 13 KIA, 3 pers det. (e)

ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS: 9 B-52s bombed fortified village and trp complex 55 nm NW Hue. 18 B-52s bombed en conc and psns in current Dak To engagement 33 nm WNW Kontum. 9 B-52s bombed trp conc and def psns 44 nm SW Saigon. No gnd follow-up sked. (e)

NORTH VIETNAM

ROLLING THUNDER OPERATIONS: 185 sorties (84 USAF, 59 USN, 42 USMC) dest/damaged 1/4 bridges, 16/75 WBL craft, 5/16 road segments, 1/0 structure, 1/4 RR cars, 0/14 trks, 0/15 gun sites, 0/12 stor areas, 0/9 trk pks, (b)(3) 10 U.S.C. 424 0/2 bunkers, 0/1 trp conc, 0/1 supply area, 0/1 staging area, 0/1 radar site, 0/2 CD sites, 0/1 RR segment, 0/1 barracks, 0/1 ferry, 0/2 fords, 0/1 RR yd, 0/1 transfer pt. (S)

Significant targets include: Hai Duong RR Bridge, and Ga Am Thuong RR yd. (S)

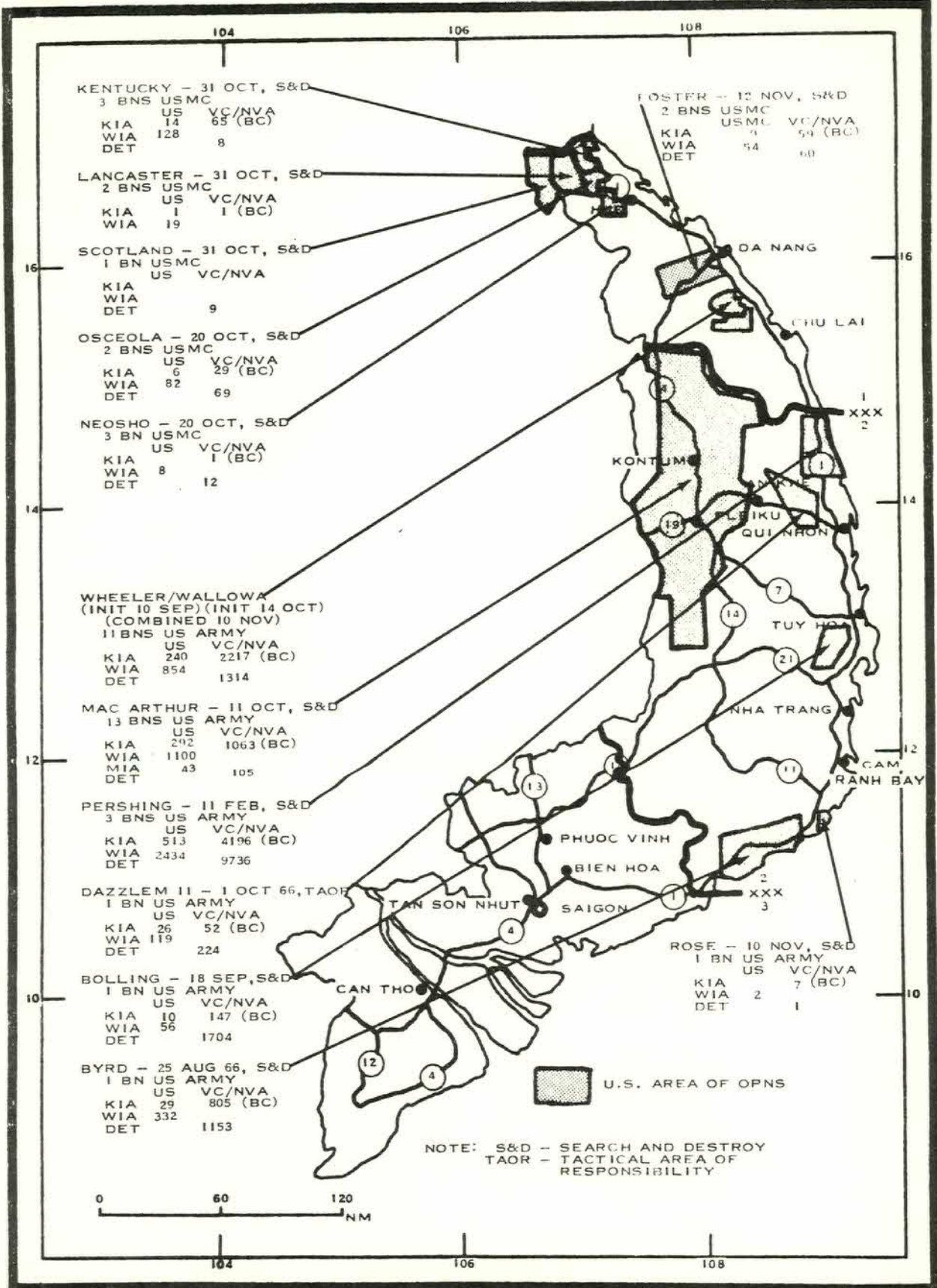
MIG ENGAGEMENT: At 222003 EST, 4 USAF F-4Ds engaged 2 MIG-21s 62 nm NNW Hanoi. 1 F-4D fired 3 Sparrow msls. Large explosion with black smoke obs. Another flight of US acft reported seeing msls fired and explosion. A prob MIG-21 kill is claimed. (S)

REPORT FROM HANOI: A Western journalist who was in NVN for 3 wks in Oct at invitation of Hanoi found damage in Hanoi and Haiphong

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considerably more extensive than when he was there in Mar. NVNese officials admitted privately that US pilots were aiming at specific targets and economic installations, but maintained that the pilots were becoming less accurate. Officials felt this was so because of NVNese air defenses and that US had lost many experienced pilots. The journalist said NVNese were overcoming bomb damage with great efficiency. (b)(3) 10 U.S.C. 424;3.3(h)(2)

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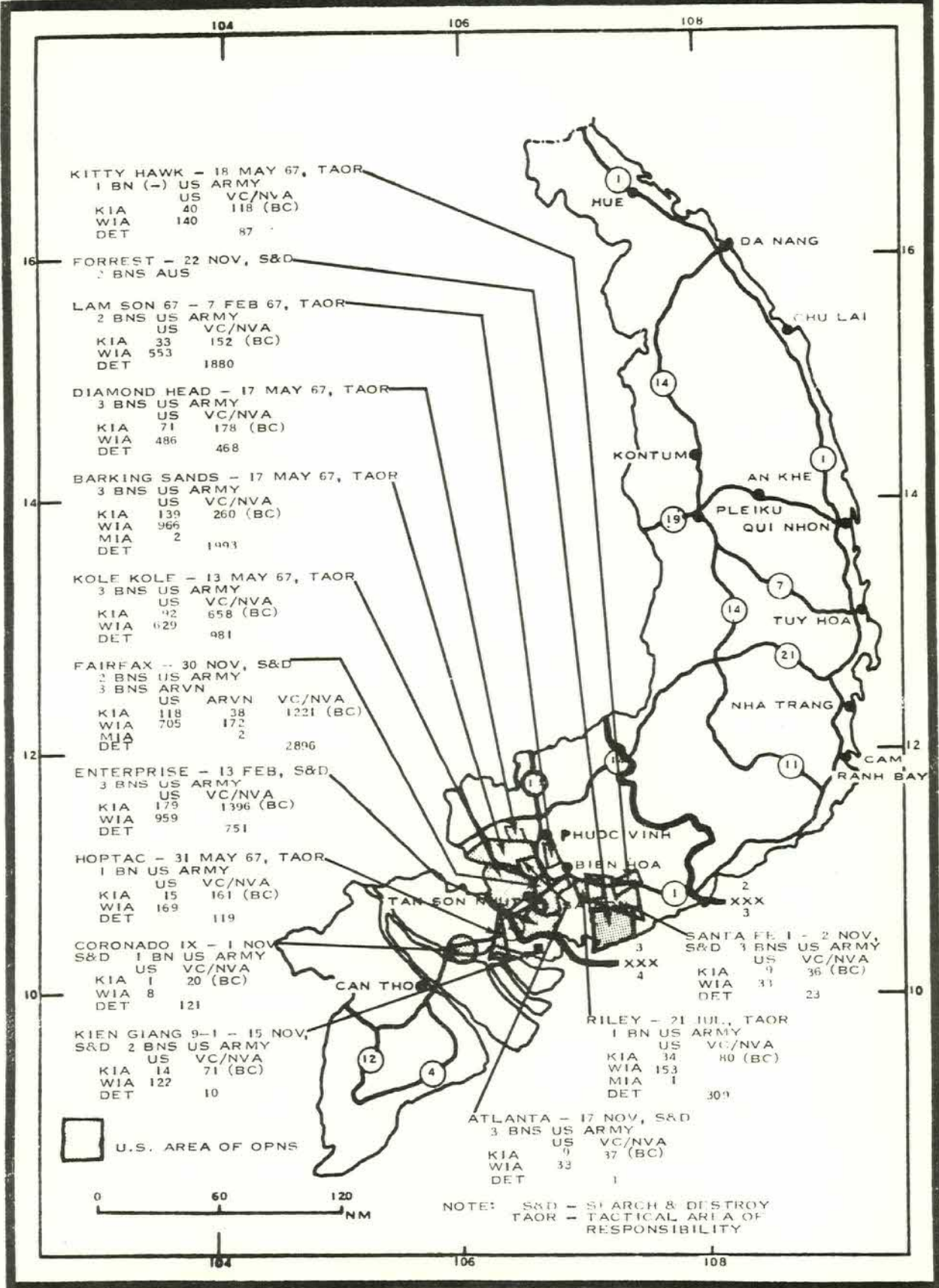
BARREL ROLL/STEEL TIGER: 153 sorties (137 USAF, 16 USN) dest/damaged 20/29 trks, 5/11 gun sites, 0/9 stor areas, 0/23 road segments, 0/4 mil complexes, 0/11 trp conc, (b)(3) 10 U.S.C. 0/6 bridges, and 0/3 fords. (S)

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