VEHICLE ACTIVITY TET TRUCE PERIOD
NORTH VIETNAM

1. **SIGNIFICANCE:**

   THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE NATURE, NUMBER, AND DIRECTION OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC IN NORTH VIETNAM OBSERVED DURING THE 1968 TET TRUCE.

2. **REMARKS:**


   OBSERVATION OF THE ROUTES BETWEEN VINH AND THANH HOA WAS GREATLY LIMITED BY HEAVY CLOUD COVER AND INTERMITTENT ROUTE COVERAGE. THIS IS THE AREA WHERE MOST OF THE VEHICLE SIGHTINGS WERE OBSERVED ON THE 1967-68 CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR TRUCE.

   ROUTES AROUND THANH HOA AND TO THE NORTH REFLECTED A GREATER AMOUNT OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC, PERHAPS REFLECTING THE SAFETY AFFORDED BY THE CESSATION OF BOMBING IN THIS AREA. HOWEVER, THE TRAFFIC PATTERNS OBSERVED

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DID NOT DIFFER MARKEDLY FROM THAT NORMALLY OBSERVED.

THE TABLE OF VEHICLE SIGHTINGS AND DIRECTION SHOWN ON GRAPHIC WAS

COMPILED FROM

3. MISSION READOUT:

SEVERAL EXAMPLES OF VEHICLES SIGHTINGS ARE SHOWN TO DEPICT THE

TRAFFIC PATTERNS:

1. PHOTOGRAPHY \(\ldots\) REVEALS AT LEAST 10 PROBABLE CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED ON ROUTE 10 AT 202940N 1062150E NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 10 AND ROUTE 92.

2. PHOTOGRAPHY \(\ldots\) REVEALS A PONTOON BRIDGE ACROSS THE SONG DAY (RIVER) AT NINH BINH (201535N 1055918E) ON ROUTE 10 NORTH. VEHICLES OBSERVED; ONE COVERED BED CARGO TRUCK AND ONE EMPTY CARGO TRUCK SOUTHBOUND ON THE BRIDGE, ONE EMPTY NORTHBOUND CARGO TRUCK ON THE SOUTHERN BRIDGE APPROACH, AND ONE NORTHBOUND CARGO TRUCK CARRYING A POL STORAGE TANK ON ROUTE 10 NORTH OF THE CROSSING.

3. PHOTOGRAPHY \(\ldots\) REVEALS 4 CARGO TRUCKS, THREE CARRYING PROBABLE POL DRUMS, AT 194835N 1054553E MOVING NORTH ON A SECONDARY ROAD TOWARD ROUTE 118 NEAR THANH HOA.
4. PHOTOGRAPHY REVEALS 11 CARGO TRUCKS PARKED AT 184005N 1054010E IN THE CITY OF VINH.

5. PHOTOGRAPHY REVEALS 7 CARGO TRUCKS AT 182025N 1055445E, PARKED ALONG CITY STREETS IN HA TINH. THESE TRUCKS APPEAR TO BE RELATIVELY SAFE FROM SIGHTINGS AND AIR STRIKES.