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CAMBODIANS REPORT ON SOUTH VIETNAMESE SITUATION AS
OF 01 FEBRUARY 1968.

1. ON THE NIGHT OF 29-30 JANUARY 1968, THE NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT LAUNCHED A GENERAL OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE PROVINCIAL CAPITALS AND CERTAIN U.S. BASES IN THE NORTH AND CENTRAL REGIONS, AT HUE, DANANG, QUINHIN, TUY CHAG, NHA TRANG, KATUM, PLEIKU, AND BAN ME THUOT.
2. ON THE NIGHT OF 30-31 JANUARY 1968, THE VIET CONG LAUNCHED SIMULTANEOUS OFFENSIVES IN THE DELTA, SAIGON, MY THO AND CAN THO.
3. IN A GENERAL FASHION, VIET CONG COMMANDOS, WITH A STRENGTH OF ONE OR TWO BATTALIONS, INFILTRATING DURING THE NIGHT, TEMPORARILY OCCUPIED ALL OR PART OF THE CITIES. ACTION DIRECTED AGAINST MILITARY INSTALLATIONS 30 TO 40 US AIRCRAFT WERE DESTROYED ON THE U.S. AIRSTRIPS BY COMMANDOS OR MORTAR FIRE.
4. STRENGTH OF THE VIET CONG ENGAGED IN SAIGON HAS NOT BEEN SPECIFIED. ((THEY ATTACKED)) THE RADIC STATION, GOVERNMENT PALACE, US, PHILIPPINE AND SOUTH KOREAN EMBASSIES, AND TAN SON NHUT AIRFIELD. HOWEVER, MATERIAL LOSSES AND INJURIES AMONG THE DEFENDERS WERE REPORTEDLY ((XGM)). EVACUATION OF VARIOUS SECTORS IN ORDER ((TO LAUNCH)) OPERATIONS TO CLEAR THE TAN SON NHUT RUNWAY BY THE DESTRUCTION OF THE SUBURB OF BAQUEG IN THE NORTHWEST SECTOR OF SAIGON. CONTRARY TO INITIAL INFORMATION REPORTED YESTERDAY, THEIU AND KY ARE SAFE AND SOUND. THEY HAVE DECLARED MARTIAL LAW IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY.
5. UPON THE ARRIVAL OF REINFORCEMENTS, US-ARVN FORCES WERE PROGRESSIVELY ABLE TO REGAIN CONTROL IN BESEIGED VILLAGES. COMBAT CONTINUES WITH THE VIET CONG COMMANDOS WHO ARE SURROUNDED IN SAIGON.
6. ACCORDING TO AN INITIAL REPORT OF LOSSES FROM THE SAIGON ((GOVERNMENT)), ABOUT 4000 VIET CONG HAVE BEEN KILLED IN THE WHOLEE COUNTRY IN THE PAST TWO DAYS. US LOSSES ABOUT 200 KILLED OVERALL, OF WHICH ABOUT 50 WERE KILLED IN SAIGON. ARVN LOSSES 300 KILLED OVER ALL. CIVILIAN LOSSES WERE HEAVY.
7. LATEST INFORMATION REPORTED A RESUMPTION OF COMBAT

BY THE VIET CONG AGAINST THE US AND ARVN BASES AT
QUANG BINH AND PLEIKU THIS MORNING, 1 FEBRUARY 1968.
8. THIS ATTACK CONSTITUTES A GENERAL VIET CONG
PSYCHOLOGICAL SUCCESS IN THE ((EYES OF THE)) WORLD. THE
US ANTICIPATES VIGOROUS VIET CONG AND NORTH VIETNAMESE
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