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CAMBODIANS REPORT ON SOUTH VIETNAMESE SITUATION

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TO ((U/L)) G2 GENERAL STAFF/FARK/ON MISSION((1))

NR 062

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REFERENCE MY MESSAGE NR 061((2)) DATED 2 FEBRUARY 1968.

((SUBJECT)) SOUTH VIETNAMESE SITUATION AS OF 3 FEBRUARY 1968

1. THE U.S. APPEARS TO HAVE REGAINED CONTROL OF CERTAIN PROVINCIAL CAPITALS WHICH WERE ATTACKED, HOWEVER, COMBAT CONTINUES IN PLAIKU, KCNTUM, AND HUE.
2. ON 2 FEBRUARY 1968, THE VIET CONG OCCUPIED THE PRINCIPAL CAPITAL OF BINH THUAN IN LONG KHANH.
- 3.

IN SAIGON, CERTAIN SECTIONS CLOSE TO GIA DINH AND CHOLON ARE STILL HELD BY SMALL UNITS OF VIET CONG. PROPAGANDA EFFORTS BY THE NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT DIRECTED TOWARDS THE POPULATION SEEM TO STRESS PARTICULARLY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PATRIOTIC AND PACIFIST ALLIANCE. THE INTERNAL SITUATION IS STILL CONFUSED.

4. VIET CONG ACTIONS IN THE PROVINCIAL CAPITALS HAVE NOW SPREAD TO THE DISTRICT CAPITALS. THEIR MAIN OBJECTIVES ARE POST OFFICES, THOROUGHFARES AND ENGINEERING WORKS THE DISORGANIZATION OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE ((CREATING)) GREAT DIFFICULTIES IN THE REPLINISHMENT OF THE POPULATION.

5. FOLLOWING IS A TEMPORARY LIST OF CASUALTIES FROM A SAIGON SOURCE, TO INCLUDE THE WHOLE COUNTRY DURING THE PERIOD FROM 29 JANUARY TO MIDNIGHT, 2 FEBRUARY 1968
 NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT 12,704 KILLED, 3576 CAPTURED, AND 2359 VIET CONG WEAPONS RECOVERED BY U.S. FORCES.
 U.S.-ARVN FORCES 982 KILLED OF WHO 317 WERE AMERICANS, 3482 WOUNDED OF WHOM 1539 ARE AMERICANS.

((1)) ALSO SENT INFO TO G3, GENERAL STAFF/FARK 80B
 ((B VAL G5, GENERAL STAFF/FARK)) ALL MIL REGION CO'S.

((2)) POSSIBLY FOLLOW-UP NUMBER TO USM-627 CRITIC
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