FOLLOW UP NR 71 TO USM 627 CRITIC 2-68
CAMBODIAN P/L
CAMBODIANS REPORT TWO NVN REGIMENTS ADVANCING ON DA NANG XXCC
FM PHNOM PENH G2, GENERAL STAFF/FARK 25 FEB 68 1227
TO ((U/L)) G2, GENERAL STAFF/FARK/ON MISSION((1))
Y ((EMERGENCY))
NR 265
REFERENCE MESSAGE NR 64/ERE((2)) DATED 4 FEBRUARY 1968.
((SUBJECT)) SITUATION IN SOUTH VIETNAM ON 5 FEBRUARY 1968.
1. ((XGM)) OBJECTIVES OF FORTHCOMING VIET CONG AND NORTH VIET NAM EFFORTS. THE POSITIONS AT DA NANG WERE ATTACKED ON 5 FEBRUARY 1968 AT 0420G BY NORTH VIETNAMESE FORCES AFTER BOMBARDMENT. (TWO ASSAULTS WERE PUSHED BACK BY THE US. TWO NORTH VIETNAMESE REGIMENTS ARE HEADING TOWARD DA NANG) FIGHTING CONTINUES IN PLEIKU AND KONTUM.
NEW INFILTRATIONS ARE REPORTED TO BE GOING TO SAIGON TO REINFORCE THE 5200 TO 7500 VIET CONG WHO ARE ALREADY AROUND THE CITY AND IN CERTAIN SECTORS.
2. THE NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT USED 6,000 MEN FOR THE FIRST PHASE AND THEY STILL HAVE 55,000 MEN ((AVAILABLE)) FOR THE NEW PHASE WHICH IS BEGINNING. NORTH VIETNAM IS ONLY USING A PART OF THEIR 130,000 MEN.
3. LOSSES AS OF 4 FEBRUARY 1968 ACCORDING TO THE US 17,032 V. C. WERE KILLED, 4,083 PRISONERS ((XM))
((1)) ALSO SENT INFO TO G3, GENERAL STAFF/FARK ALL MIL REGION CO'S.
((2)) NOT AVAILABLE
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CN CEM 515886
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