ENTRY SOUTHERN VIETNAM
OCT 3: JANUARY 1969
SOURCE CIA SAIGON
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AS OF 2305 THE SITUATION IS AS FOLLOWS
AS EMBASSY STILL RECEIVING SMALL ARMS FIRE BUT ROCKET AND MORTAR FIRE HAS ABATED.
NO ONE HAS BEEN ABLE TO COME INTO THE EMBASSY SO AT PRESENT TIME THERE ARE 4 CIA PERSONNEL AND 2 STATE IN BUILDING. 3 MARINE GUARDS HAVE BEEN WOUNDED. THEY WERE EVACUATED BY HELICOPTER AFTER SEVERAL PREVIOUS ATTEMPTS TO LAND ON EMBASSY ROOF HAD BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL BECAUSE OF GROUND FIRE.
THE CIA DUTY OFFICER HAS COMMO AS DECS THE SIGNAL CENTER WITH ALL BRANCH HEADS.
THIS SEEMS TO BE A WELL COORDINATED ATTACK.
THE RADIO STATION HAS BEEN ATTACKED AS WELL AS TAN SON NHUT AIRFIELD.
AT PRESENT TIME AMERICAN INFANTRY ARE ON THE WAY TO EMBASSY BY HELICOPTER TO SECURE THE AREA.