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1. SAIGON 31 JANUARY 1968

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1. FRAGMENTARY INFORMATION FROM EMBASSY INDICATES

THAT THE INITIAL ATTACK AGAINST THE EMBASSY WAS CARRIED OUT BY

APPROXIMATELY TWENTY VIETNAMESE ALL DRESSED IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES.

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THEY SUCCEEDED IN BLASTING A HOLE IN THE OUTER WALL IN THE EMBASSY AND ATTEMPTED WITHOUT SUCCESS TO ACTUATE SATCHEL CHARGES AGAINST THE EMBASSY WALLS.

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2. THERE ARE STILL AREAS IN SAIGON WHERE VIET CONG ARE RESISTING BUT MOST UNITS APPEAR TO BE EFFECTIVELY CORDONED OFF AND IN FACT, TRAPPED.

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3. CAN THO REPORTS THAT THE CITY AND AIRFIELD HAVE BEEN UNDER MORTAR ATTACK SINCE 2 A.M. MACV CORDS PERSONNEL RESTRICTED TO DWELLINGS BY DEPUTY CORDS. NO INJURIES TO AMERICAN PERSONNEL.

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