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UNUSUAL MESSAGE ACTIVITY ON PAVN HIGH COMMAND INTERNAL NETWORK

An unusual increase in the number of circular messages passed by the PAVN High Command on the internal DRV network was noted on six occasions during the period 10 to 24 January. During this period, a total of 29 circular messages, i.e., those normally intended for more than one recipient, were noted being received by either Hq, Military Region (MR) 3 South or Hq, MR Northwest, as follows:

On 10 January five consecutive messages were sent to Hq, MR 3 South, most with routine precedence.^a

On 15 January five consecutive messages were sent to Hq, MR Northwest, most with urgent precedence.^b

On 17 January three consecutive messages were sent to Hq, MR Northwest, most with urgent precedence.^b

On 20 January four consecutive messages were sent to Hq, MR 3 South, all at urgent precedence.^a

On 22 January nine consecutive messages were sent to Hq, MR 3 South, most with very urgent precedence.^b

On 24 January three consecutive messages were sent to Hq, MR 3 South, all at very urgent precedence.^b

Although no correlation can be made, there was one instance of similar activity on 21 November 1967 when five consecutive messages were noted being sent to Hq, MR's Northwest, 3 North and 3 South, all at urgent precedence. This date falls in the initial phase of the deployment of the probable PAVN 304th and 320th Divisions from MR's 3 North and South.^c

- a. These messages were of a type believed to be sent to all subscribers on the DRV internal network (2/O/VCM/R12-68). The volume of this type of message averages less than one message per day.
- b. These messages were the other type of circular message which appears on the internal network. This type is received only by headquarters of the military regions and by the two major service headquarters, namely the Naval Headquarter and Hq, Air/Air Defense Command. The volume of this type of message varies between one and three per day.
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