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COORDINATED VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST OFFENSIVE EVIDENCED

IN SOUTH VIETNAM (252332Z)

The military intelligence elements of the PAVN 1st Division believed to be involved in an impending attack in the Pleiku Province area (the Military Intelligence Section (MIS), Hq, 1st Division and a subordinate) have indicated in messages of 28 January that the attack is to commence "as soon as possible" but no later than 0030 hours (Golf) on 30 January. The MIS identified the target as "B3." The MIS stated that a friendly unit had arrived at "B6" and instructed the subordinate of the MIS to initiate communications with that unit immediately. The MIS notified its subordinate that the friendly units would enter "B3" (the target area) at 0200 hours (Golf) on 30 January. In messages passed later in the day, the subordinate of the MIS, Hq, 1st Division reported that Allied forces were very much in control of the air and ground and that the terrain in the subordinate's area was very exposed. It said that it had "tried in every way to bring the troops in but they have not been able to enter yet." The subordinate said that its rice supply would be exhausted by 3 February and added, "I did not dare report back to the commander because I find it very difficult to talk about the situation." *me*