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DATE: 20 March 68

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MEETING

TO: Jack

FROM: Ed

3.3(h)(2) SUBJECT: More on [   ] Trip (2 Cables)

REMARKS:

3.3(h)(2)   1. [   ] reports on his 19 March visit to the Danang area:

a. Lt. Gen. Cushman, Marines, said he had <u>ample forewarning</u>. Only specific target known was Danang. He much intel indicating <u>something coming around Tet</u>, and attacks on cities were expected and defense forces positioned <u>Scale</u> of infiltration <u>not expected</u>, and precise <u>timing</u> was <u>not known</u>.
—No Tet truce in I Corps; <u>all units were fully alented</u>.

b. <u>Team</u> visited [   ] regional HQ and Deputy Chief [   ] briefed on various programs.
3.3(h)(2) Clear that <u>close coordination</u> had been maintained <u>between</u> [   ] <u>and the US and GVN military</u>.

3.3(h)(2)   2. [   ] has been asked to see [   ] when in [   ] on 23 March. He will see [   ]

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Danang

1. TEAM VISITED III MAF, ARVN I CORPS, PROVISIONAL

CORPS VIETNAM, AND REGION I [ ] ON 19 MARCH. BRIEFING AT

III MAF WAS CONDUCTED BY LG CUSHMAN AND STAFF, INCLUDING

MG ROBERTSON, CG I MARDIV.

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2. IN SUMMARY, GENERAL CUSHMAN FELT HE HAD AMPLE

FOREWARNING; WAS ABLE TO KEEP UP WITH MOVEMENTS OF HOSTILE

ELEMENTS, AND ACTED ACCORDINGLY. ALL AGREED THAT, ASIDE

FROM DANANG, SPECIFIC VC TARGETS WERE NOT KNOWN, ALTHOUGH

THERE WAS A GREAT DEAL OF INTELLIGENCE INDICATING SOMETHING

WAS COMING AROUND TET. GENERAL CUSHMAN NOTED THAT ATTACKS

ON CITIES WERE EXPECTED. DEFENSE FORCES HAD BEEN

POSITIONED, HOWEVER, TO DEAL WITH DIRECT ATTACKS (FORCES

WERE STATIONED ABOUT 3 KILOMETERS OUTSIDE CITIES).

INFILTRATION WAS NOT ANTICIPATED ON THE SCALE USED BY THE

VC.

3. AS FOR DANANG, IT HAD BEEN CLEAR FOR SOMETIME [ ]

[ ] THAT THE CITY WOULD BE THE

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TARGET OF AN ATTACK; BUT AGAIN, THE PRECISE TIMING WAS

NOT KNOWN.

4. THERE WERE ONLY TWO KNOWN REPORTS OF CIVILIANS

VOLUNTEERING INFORMATION. GENERAL CUSHMAN NOTED, HOWEVER,

THAT VILLAGERS HAD NO MEANS OF COMMUNICATING ONCE THE VC

HAD MOVED IN.

5. THERE WAS NO TET TRUCE IN I CORPS AND ALL UNITS,

INCLUDING ARVN AND ROK MARINES, WERE ON FULL ALERT STATUS.

GENERAL CUSHMAN FEELS COOPERATION AMONG THE INTELLIGENCE

SERVICES IN THE CORPS AREA WAS GOOD.

6. THE III MAF G-3 SAID HE FELT HE HAD AMPLE INTELLIGENCE

FOR HIS PURPOSES. BOTH HE AND GENERAL ROBERTSON NOTED THAT

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO SPREAD FORCES TO COVER ALL POSSIBLE

TARGETS WHEN EXACT ENEMY INTENTIONS ARE NOT KNOWN.

7. MEMBERS OF THE TEAM VISITED [   ]   3.3(h)(2)

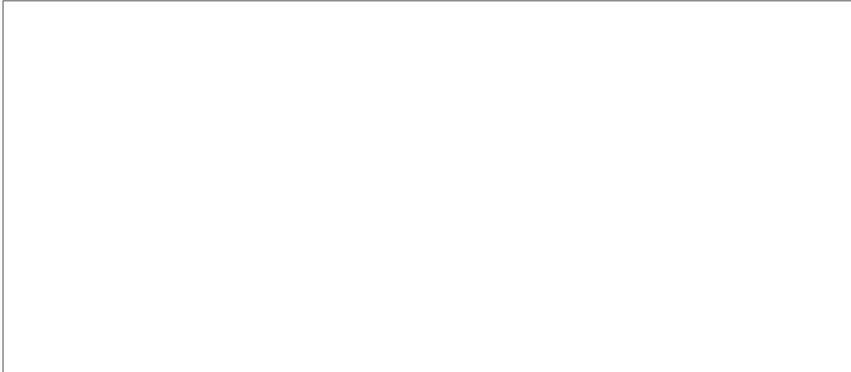WHERE [   ] BRIEFED ON THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS:

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METHODS OF HANDLING AND COORDINATING INTELLIGENCE RECEIVED

[____] AND FROM OTHER [__] SOURCES WERE DISCUSSED   3.3(h)(2)

IN CONSIDERABLE DETAIL AND IT WAS APPARENT THAT CLOSE

COORDINATION HAD BEEN MAINTAINED AMONG [__] AND THE   3.3(h)(2)

UNITED STATES AND GVN MILITARY AUTHORITIES.   3.3(h)(2)

8. [____] PLEASE PASS TO DIA AND J-3; [____]   3.3(h)(2)

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[ ] CONTACTED STATION REQUESTING TO SEE [ ]   3.3(h)(2)

DURING SCHEDULED (REF) 23 MARCH [ ] STOPOVER. APPOINTMENT   3.3(h)(2)

CURRENTLY SET FOR 0930 23 MARCH WITH [ ]   3.3(h)(2)

[ ] LATTER WILL BE ELSEWHERE   3.3(h)(2)

ON TDY THAT DATE. SUBJECT DIRECTOR 81153.

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