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COUNTRY SOUTH VIETNAM
DOI 11 FEBRUARY 1968
SUBJECT SITUATION REPORT AS OF 2400 HOURS
LOCAL TIME

ACQ SOURCE VIETNAM, SAIGON (11 FEBRUARY 1968) [REDACTED]
THIS IS A VIETNAM SITUATION REPORT PREPARED
AT 2400 HOURS LOCAL TIME ON 11 FEBRUARY 1968.

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1. DURING THE TWELVE HOUR PERIOD ENDING AT 2400 HOURS 11 FEBRUARY THERE HAD BEEN LITTLE SIGNIFICANT CONTACT IN SAIGON WITH THE VC. THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF NATIONAL POLICE STATED AT 2240 HOURS THAT THE SITUATION APPEARS TO BE QUIET AND UNDER CONTROL. AT 2145 HOURS THE VC FIRED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF B-40 ROCKETS INTO THE NGUYEN VAN PHU POLICE SUB-STATION IN THE SEVENTH PRECINCT. EARLIER TODAY, POLICE MADE CONTACT WITH A VC FORCE AT THE INTERSECTION OF VINH VIEN AND TRIEU DA STREETS NEAR THE CONG HOA STADIUM IN THE FIFTH PRECINCT. A FIRE ALSO WAS REPORTED AT THIS LOCATION. AT 2357 HOURS THE RESULTS OF THE POLICE CLEARING ACTION IN THIS OPERATION INCLUDED ONE ARVN KIA AND SIX WOUNDED; THE ENEMY HAD FOUR KIA AND FIVE CAPTURED. ARVN FORCES CAPTURED ONE SUB-MACHINEGUN AND ONE PISTOL, AND CONFISCATED 100,000 PIASTERS.

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2. INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED AT 1400 HOURS 11 FEBRUARY 1963 FROM TRAVELLERS WHO CAME TO SAIGON FROM BINH DUONG PROVINCE ON 11 FEBRUARY THAT TWO VIET CONG UNITS, DESCRIBED AS "DIVISIONS", ARE MOVING TOWARD SAIGON TO ATTACK THE CITY WITHIN A FEW DAYS. ONE OF THESE TWO VC "DIVISIONS" IS MOVING FROM BINH DUONG PROVINCE, NORTH OF SAIGON, AND WILL ATTACK SAIGON FROM THE DIRECTION OF XOM MOI VILLAGE, GO VAP DISTRICT IN GIA DINH PROVINCE. THE "DIVISION" COMMAND POST WILL BE LOCATED IN THE VILLA OF PACIFIST LAWYER TRIN DINH TAO AT HANH THANG TAY LOCATED ON THE ROAD FROM XOM MOI TO QUANG TRUNG. SCOUTS WHO HAVE ALREADY INFILTRATED INTO SAIGON AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS WILL REPORT TO THE COMMAND POST. THE OTHER "DIVISION" WILL ATTACK SAIGON FROM THE DIRECTION OF PHU LAM OR THU TRIEM, WEST OF THE CITY. (SOURCE COMMENT: VC CADRES PASSING THROUGH BINH DUONG INDISCREETLY REVEALED THIS INFORMATION TO THE LOCAL POPULACE).

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