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OPERATIONAL/INTELLIGENCE BRIEFS

SOUTH VIETNAM

GROUND OPERATIONS 26 JAN: 31 bn-size or larger opns in progress: 10 US, 1 ROK, and 20 ARVN. (S)

In USMC search-and-destroy Opn PRAIRIE, a recon team reinforced by 2 heliborne reaction forces engaged est 40 VC/NVA. Results -- US: 5 WIA, 3 helos destroyed; VC/NVA: unk. (S)

USMC bn, supported by air and arty, engaged est VC/NVA bn 13 nm SSW of Da Nang. Results -- US: 15 KIA, 36 WIA; VC/NVA: 74 KIA (US BC). (S)

Combined US/ARVN search-and-destroy Opn CEDAR FALLS, initiated 7 Jan in Iron Triangle area NW of Saigon, terminated. Final results -- US: 72 KIA, 337 WIA; VC/NVA: 720 KIA (US BC), 213 cptr, 512 persons detained. (S)

AIRCRAFT DOWN 26 JAN: USAF F-100D acft down, cause unk, 25 nm N of Saigon. Acft destroyed, pilot killed. (S)

ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS 26 JAN: 6 B-52s bombed tgt area 36 nm WNW of Pleiku reported to contain NVA div hqs. Gnd follow-up not scheduled. (S)

6 B-52s bombed tgt area 54 nm NW of Bien Hoa reported to contain ord hqs, field fortifications, and mine fields. Gnd follow-up not scheduled. (S)

9 B-52s bombed tgt area 34 nm SSW of Cam Ranh Bay reported to contain storage bunkers and tunnels. Gnd follow-up scheduled. (S)

VC RECRUITING: Document prepared by staff of MR T4 (Gia Dinh Prov), dated 20 Dec 66, and captured during Opn CEDAR FALLS states that evacuation of people during "enemy" sweep opns has caused recruiting difficulties. Thus, in 1966 MR T4 had required 5,000 young men but recruited only 600. Also, Chieu Hoi program was considered "great asset" for SVN/Allied forces, particularly in area of intelligence collection. (S)

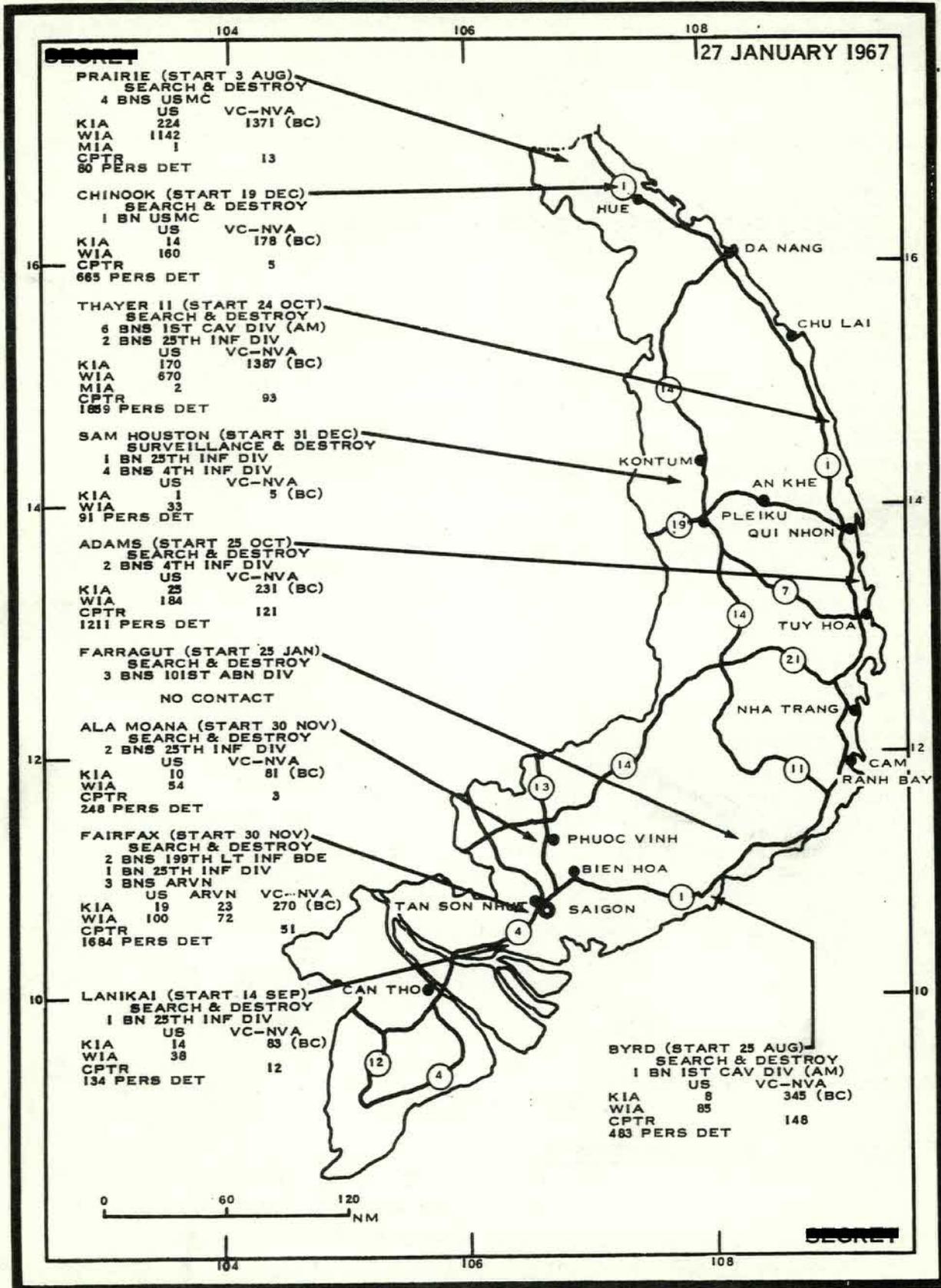
POLITICAL: AmAmb Saigon observes that Gen Thieu is out on the campaign trail, with several recent actions of his pretty clearly designed to offset PM Ky's successes in Australia/New Zealand. (Ky is back in Saigon. Late press says that C/S Gen Cao Van Vien is new DefMin and remains as C/S.) (b)(3)

NORTH VIETNAM

ROLLING THUNDER OPERATIONS 26 JAN: 187 armed recce sorties destroyed/damaged 2/2 AW sites, 6/27 barges, 1/2 bridges, 0/2 trucks, 0/1 transshipment point, LOCs, and struck 2 troop concentrations. (S)

SEA DRAGON OPERATIONS 26 JAN: 4 enemy waterborne logistical craft sunk by US destroyer STODDARD. (S)

SUMMARY OF MAJOR OPERATIONS IN SOUTH VIETNAM WHICH INVOLVE PARTICIPATION BY US FORCES



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PRAIRIE (START 3 AUG)
SEARCH & DESTROY
4 BNS USMC
US VC-NVA
KIA 224 1371 (BC)
WIA 1142
MIA 1
CPTR 13
80 PERS DET

CHINOOK (START 19 DEC)
SEARCH & DESTROY
1 BN USMC
US VC-NVA
KIA 14 178 (BC)
WIA 160
CPTR 5
665 PERS DET

THAYER II (START 24 OCT)
SEARCH & DESTROY
6 BNS 1ST CAV DIV (AM)
2 BNS 25TH INF DIV
US VC-NVA
KIA 170 1387 (BC)
WIA 670
MIA 2
CPTR 93
1859 PERS DET

SAM HOUSTON (START 31 DEC)
SURVEILLANCE & DESTROY
1 BN 25TH INF DIV
4 BNS 4TH INF DIV
US VC-NVA
KIA 1 5 (BC)
WIA 33
CPTR 91 PERS DET

ADAMS (START 25 OCT)
SEARCH & DESTROY
2 BNS 4TH INF DIV
US VC-NVA
KIA 25 231 (BC)
WIA 184
CPTR 121
1211 PERS DET

FARRAGUT (START 25 JAN)
SEARCH & DESTROY
3 BNS 101ST ABN DIV
NO CONTACT

ALA MOANA (START 30 NOV)
SEARCH & DESTROY
2 BNS 25TH INF DIV
US VC-NVA
KIA 10 81 (BC)
WIA 54
CPTR 3
248 PERS DET

FAIRFAX (START 30 NOV)
SEARCH & DESTROY
2 BNS 199TH LT INF BDE
1 BN 25TH INF DIV
3 BNS ARVN
US ARVN VC-NVA
KIA 19 23 270 (BC)
WIA 100 72
CPTR 51
1684 PERS DET

LANIKAI (START 14 SEP)
SEARCH & DESTROY
1 BN 25TH INF DIV
US VC-NVA
KIA 14 83 (BC)
WIA 38
CPTR 12
134 PERS DET

BYRD (START 25 AUG)
SEARCH & DESTROY
1 BN 1ST CAV DIV (AM)
US VC-NVA
KIA 8 345 (BC)
WIA 85
CPTR 148
483 PERS DET

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AIRCRAFT DOWN 27 JAN: USAF F-4C downed, cause unk, 29 nm SE of Dong Hoi. Crew of 2 rescued. ~~(S)~~

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ANOTHER SAM SITE: Site 168 has been identified 40 nm N of Hanoi. (S/NFD)

LAOS

BARREL ROLL/STEEL TIGER OPERATIONS 26 JAN: 294 armed recce sorties destroyed/damaged 4/0 AW sites, 7/2 structures, 2/3 trucks, 0/7 storage areas, 0/10 truck parks, 0/3 mil complexes, 0/1 way station, 0/1 gun site, LOCs, and struck 3 troop concentrations. ~~(S)~~

COMMUNIST SUPPLY MOVEMENTS: NVN is evidently moving substantial quantities of supplies southward through Panhandle, apparently to depots. Some large trucks are being used, and acft have attacked munitions carriers as far south as Chavane area. ~~(S)~~

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