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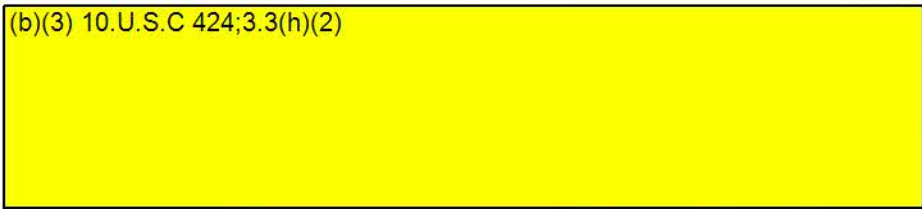
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OPERATIONAL/INTELLIGENCE BRIEFS



SOUTH VIETNAM

GROUND OPERATIONS: 45 bn-size or larger opns in progress: 26 US, 2 FWF, 17 ARVN. (c)

1 CTZ: On 13 and 15 Nov, USA elems in Opn FOSTER found 2 rice caches with 20 tons rice approx 15 nm SSW Da Nang. Of 834 pers det, interrogation revealed 6 suspects, others refugees. (c)

On 15 Nov, 1 USA co in Opn WHEELER/WALLOWA hit by small arms, AW, and mortar fire from unk-size VC/NVA force 25 nm S of Da Nang. 1 additional USA co reinforced. Cas -- US: 7 KIA, 13 WIA. VC/NVA: 4 KIA. Another US co 11 nm W of above action had 2-hr fire fight with unk-size VC/NVA force; 2 US KIA and 5 WIA. VC/NVA losses unk. (c)

2 CTZ: Update of 14 Nov mortar atk on Dak To base in Opn MAC ARTHUR reports ammo dump set on fire, 3 USAF O-1 acft damaged. (c)

Cumulative results of ARVN contacts 35 nm NNE Phan Thiet on 13, 14 Nov -- friendly: 66 ARVN KIA, 44 ARVN and 8 US WIA, 51 ARVN MIA, 2 USA UH-1C helos damaged. (c)

3 CTZ: On 14 Nov, 1 USA co in Opn BARKING SANDS contacted unk-size VC/NVA force 15 nm NW Saigon. Additional USA co reinforced, contacted other unk-size en force. Fire fights lasted 9 hrs. (b)(3)

(b): 14 KIA, 13 WIA, 2 MIA. VC/NVA: 6 KIA. (c)

On 15 Nov, USA base camp 10 nm NE Saigon hit by mortar, recoilless rifle fire. US losses: 4 KIA, 25 WIA, 1 x 2½-ton trk destroyed, 7 helos and 20 bldgs light damage. VC/NVA losses unk. (c)

4 CTZ: No significant contacts. (c)

ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS: 9 B-52s (QUEBEC 6) bombed area 43 nm WNW Hue at 151809 EST containing elems of 90th NVA Regt, bunkers, and supply/ammunition caches. 6 B-52s (QUEBEC 76) bombed area 28 nm WNW Kontum at 150816 EST containing elems of 1st NVA Div. 3 B-52s (QUEBEC 91) bombed area 36 nm N of Nha Trang containing elems of NVA 5th Div and Southern Front Hqs. No gnd follow-up planned for these 3 msns. (c)

NORTH VIETNAM

ROLLING THUNDER 57 OPERATIONS: 160 sorties (80 USAF, 44 USMC, 36 USN) destroyed/damaged 25/9 structures, 18/43 WBLC, 5/19 gun sites, 2/0 bridges, 0/18 stor areas, (b)(3) 10.U.S.C.424.3 0/8 trk pks, 0/7 road segments, 0/3 command posts, 0/3 trp concs, 0/2 ferries, 0/1 afld, 0/1 RR bridge bypass, 0/1 ford, 0/1 radar site, 0/1 RR spur, 0/1 transship pt. (c)

Tgts within 30-nm radius Hanoi: FAN SONG radar, Hai Duong RR bridge bypass, Son Dong barracks. (c)

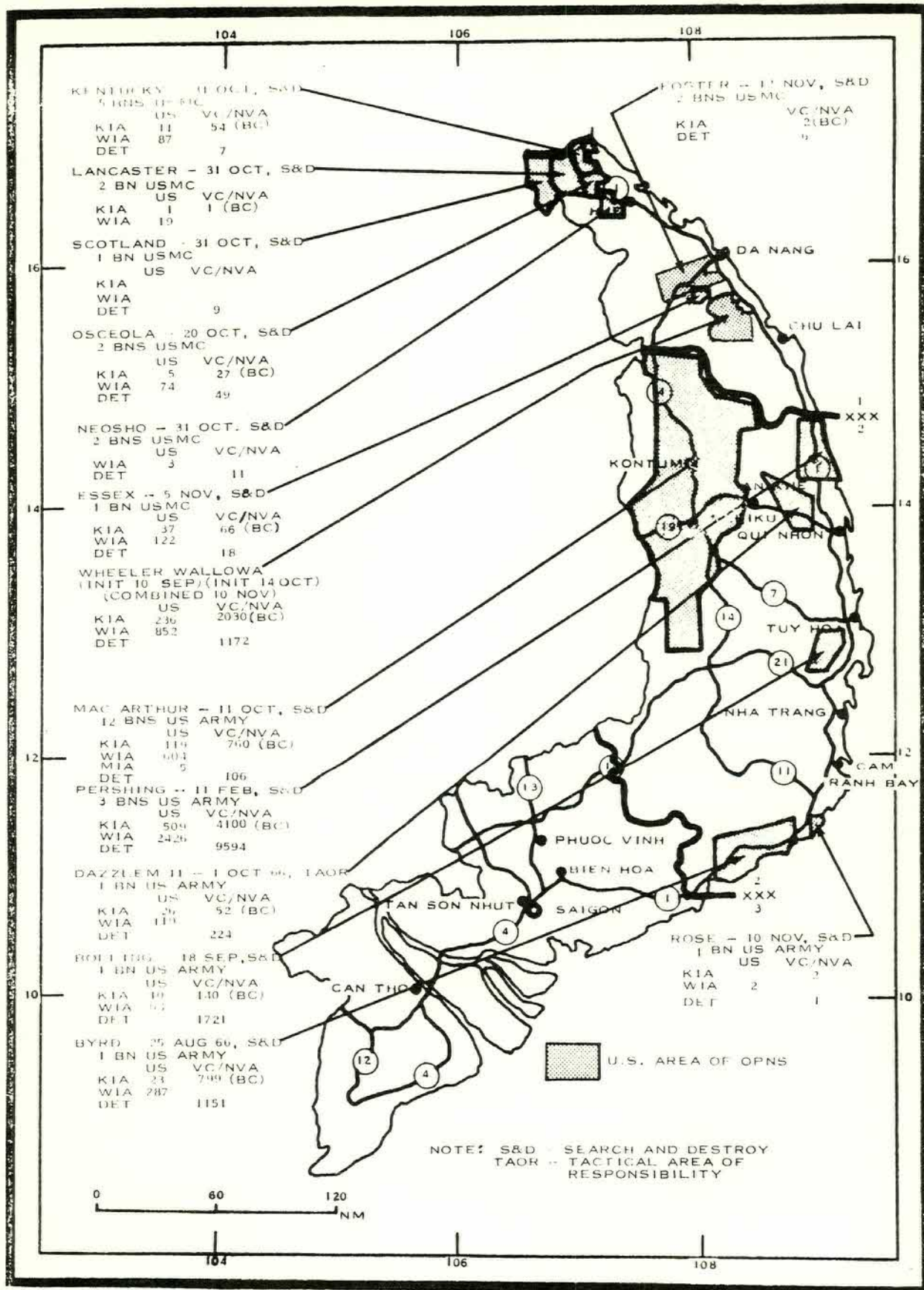
Tgt within 10-nm radius Haiphong: Haiphong Shipyard No. 2. (c)

Other tgts: Ky Dong RR spur/stor facility, Kep Afld. (c)

**SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS IN SOUTH VIETNAM
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AIRCRAFT LOSS 16 NOV: A USN F-4B acft downed from unk causes 24 nm SW Haiphong; 2 chutes obs, no beepers heard; no SAR due to hostile environment. ~~(S)~~

ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS: 6 B-52s (QUEBEC 35) bombed area 49 nm NW Hue at 150659 EST containing arty psns, fortified village, heavily bunkered psns, stor and supply areas, and elems of 164th NVA Arty Regt. ~~(S)~~

ATTACK INDICATIONS: (b)(3) 10.U.S.C 424;3.3(h)(2) en trps in DMZ area are preparing for offensive actions in northern Quang Tri Prov. On 11 Nov, eastern elem of DMZ Front ordered 27th NVA Independent Bn to "make atk plans;" other msgs involving 90th and 803d NVA Regts of 324B Div indicated that poss atk preparations were under way in vic of Con Thien. (b)(3) 10.U.S.C 424;3.

COMMANDERS' CONFERENCE: A radio terminal serving the DMZ Forward Hqs was located on 14 Nov in the area where "DMZ Commanders' Conference" is expected to be held. Conference is reportedly sked to begin today (originally sked 5-10 Nov -- OIS 23 Oct) in Quang Binh Prov in NVN and will prob consist of high-level commanders. Purpose prob is to coordinate future NVA offensive opns in DMZ-Tri Thien Mil Region area. (b)(3) 10.U.S.C

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BARREL ROLL/STEEL TIGER OPERATIONS: 121 USAF sorties destroyed/damaged 16/28 trks, 5/0 barges, 2/1 gun sites, 2/0 structures, 1/5 AAA sites, 1/3 bridges, 0/17 road segments, 0/15 stor areas, 0/10 trk pks, 0/6 trp concs, 0/4 bridge approaches, 0/3 bivouac areas, 0/3 fords, 0/1 interdiction pt. ~~(S)~~

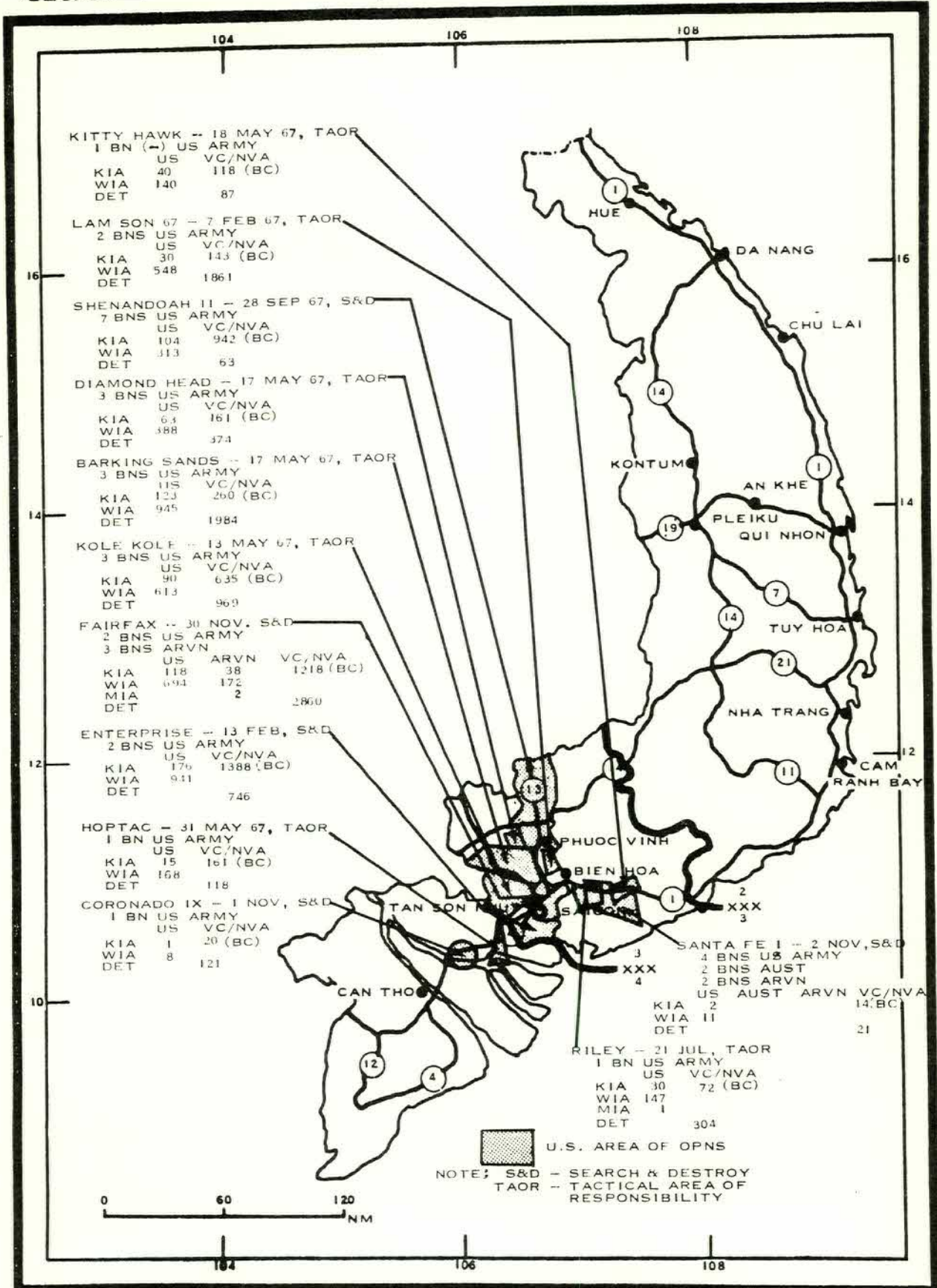
ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS: 3 B-52s (PONY TRACK 1) bombed area 32 nm WSW Hue at 151650 EST containing est multiple companies, suspected stor area, and a motor capable rd. No gnd follow-up sked. ~~(S)~~

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