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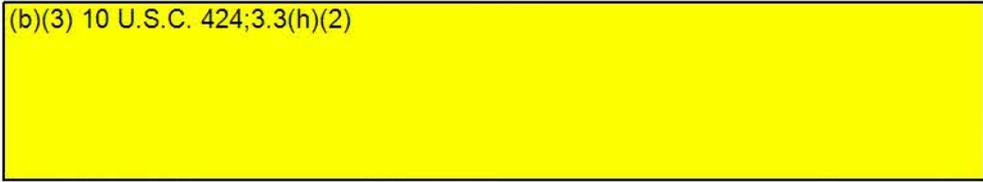
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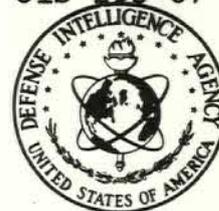
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OPERATIONAL/INTELLIGENCE BRIEFS

SOUTH VIETNAM

GROUND OPERATIONS: 44 bn-size or larger opns in prog (24 US, 17 ARVN, 1 ROK, 1 Thai, 1 Aust). (e)

1 CTZ: 15 small-unit contacts resulted 12 VC/NVA KIA. 1 US, 1 ARVN KIA; 3 ARVN WIA. (e)

2 CTZ: On 6 Dec, ARVN bn engaged by est en co 45 nm NW Qui Nhon in firefight and mortar atk. 1 US, 7 ARVN KIA; 2 US, 9 ARVN WIA. (e)

On 7 Dec in Opn PERSHING, 2 USA cos rein by elms US bn overran en co in fortified psns 43 nm NNW Qui Nhon. 12 US KIA, 59 WIA, 3 MIA. 159 VC/NVA KIA, 10 indiv, 3 crew served wpns seized. (e)

On 7 Dec, during sweep of area 14 nm NW Qui Nhon after airstrike on 2 en cos, elms ROK Capital Div counted 34 VC/NVA KIA, seized 23 indiv wpns. 4 ROK KIA, 15 WIA. (e)

3 CTZ: 2 USA bns in vic Bu Dop subjected to mortar, rkt, and gnd atks by unk-size en forces on 7 Dec. 45 VC/NVA KIA. 4 US KIA, 6 WIA. (e)

2d Bn, 506th Abn Inf, 3 Bde, 101 Abn Div closed Phuoc Vinh at 061800 EST. Strength 920. (C)

1st Bn, same parent unit, closed Bien Hoa Air Base at 070312 EST. Strength 920. (e)

Updated results USA co contact 23 nm NNE Saigon (OIS 7 Dec) -- 16 US KIA vice 6; 76 WIA vice 30; 1 MIA vice 9. 2 VC/NVA KIA. (e)

Heloborne ARVN co engaged by est en co in landing zone 14 nm NNW Saigon for approx 8 hrs. 1 US pilot, 14 ARVN KIA; 2 US crewmen, 45 ARVN WIA. (e)

11 small-unit contacts resulted 10 VC/NVA KIA 2 wpns seized. 7 ARVN KIA; 3 US, 9 ARVN KIA. (e)

4 CTZ: On 7 Dec, unk en force conducted mortar and gnd atk on Mo Cay, a district town housing USSF compound 32 nm ENE Can Tho, 17 VC/NVA KIA, 8 indiv wpns, 1 mine seized. 1 RF KIA, 13 WIA. (e)

DAN CHI 315B, ARVN 2-bn S&D opn, term 6 Dec after 1 day. 4 ARVN KIA, 9 WIA. 15 VC/NVA KIA, 4 indiv wpns, 3 rds 82-mm mort ammo, 600 grenades, 200 CBU bomblets seized. (e)

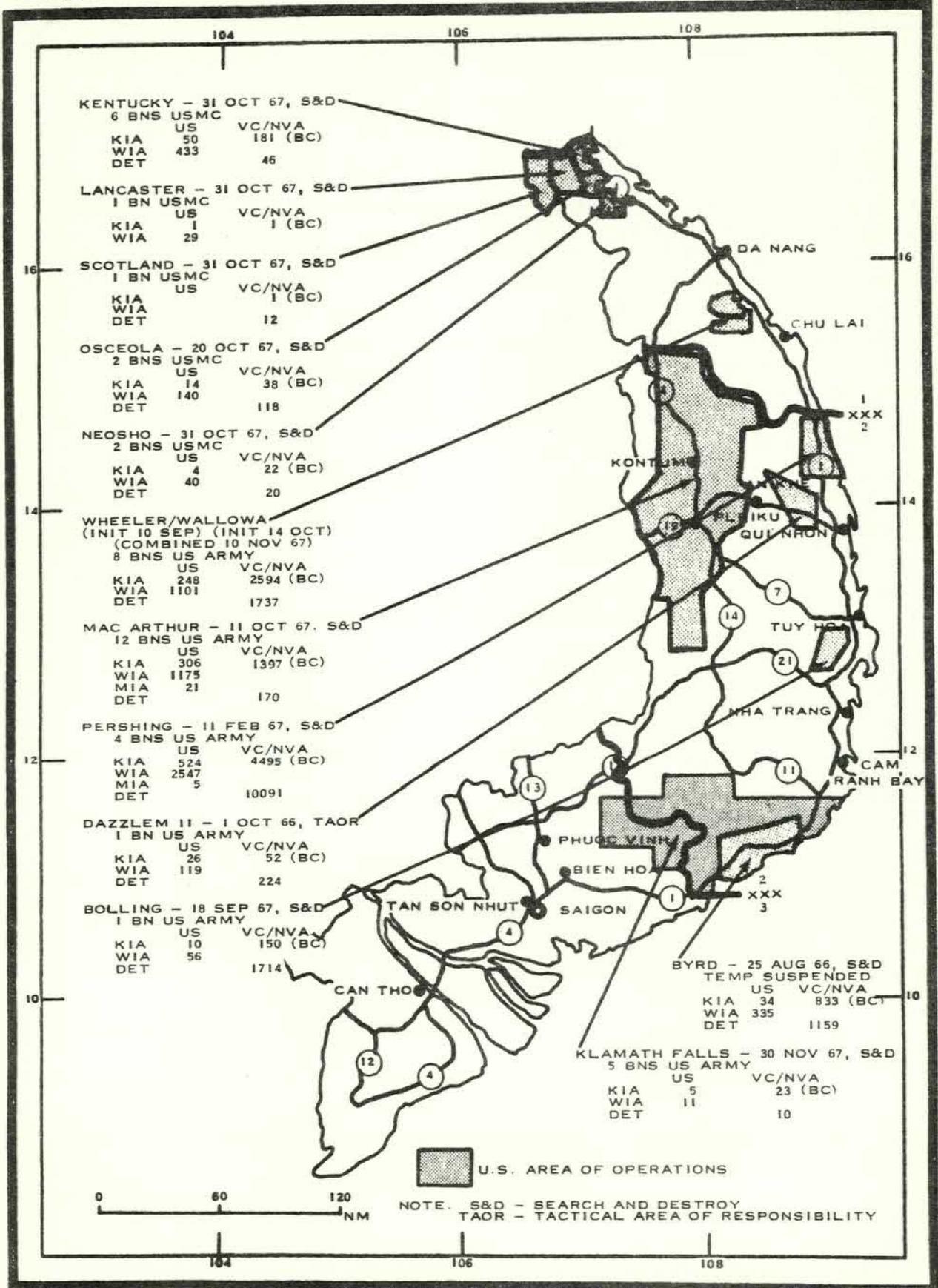
9 small-unit contacts resulted 12 VC/NVA KIA, 5 wpns seized. 9 ARVN KIA, 22 MIA; 25 indiv wpns, 1 radio lost. (e)

ARC LIGHT OPERATIONS 7 DEC: At 071410 EST, 9 B-52s (ROMEO 28) bombed base camp and elms NVA 141 Regt 26 nm N of Tay Ninh. 6 B-52s (ROMEO 4) bombed base camps and stor areas 14 nm NNE Tay Ninh at 071607 EST. 6 B-52s (ROMEO 23) bombed supply rte and regt-size unit 25 nm N of Saigon at 070730 EST. Gnd follow-up by 25 Inf Div sked for ROMEO 28, 4; by 199 Inf Bde for ROMEO 23. (e)

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POPULATION CONTROL: VC having difficulty maintaining hold on people in Tuy Hoa area of Phu Yen Prov. Cptrd docs reveal that during Sep-Oct: (1) "warnings" given to some 400 civs for violating VC edicts (2) preparations made to "arrest" some 225 others; (3) 14 civs sentenced to death (first such doc evidence received). (C)

VC RECRUITMENT: En recruitment effort in Vinh Binh Prov not going well, according to former member VC Prov Mil Staff. Main reasons: (1) relocation of villagers to govt-controlled areas; (2) VC inability spt/compensate families of deceased trps; (3) increasing opposition by elders to effort sign up youths (incl 15-yr-old boys/14-yr-old girls). Source said Prov Cmte had been able by Aug 67 to recruit for regional main-force units only 360 men of the 600 they had been ordered in Dec 66 to conscript. (b)(3) 10

CHIEU HOI: OIS 7 Dec Brief to effect that, in single day, 38 VC guerrillas surrendered to ARVN in Quang Tin Prov was wrong. Later info indicates that there were 38 guerrilla ralliers alright -- but over period 15 Nov-4 Dec and in both Quang Nam and Quang Tin Provs. 18 of these are described as village guerrilla plat members; 20, infrastructure cadre. Whether the 18 were from 1, or more, plat(s) is not entirely clear. (C)

NORTH VIETNAM

ROLLING THUNDER 57 OPERATIONS 7 DEC: 92 sorties (63 USAF, 17 USMC, 12 USN) dest/damaged; 1/29 WBLC, 1/1 radar sites, 0/29 gun psns, 0/13 trks, 0/13 stor areas, 0/10 trk pks, 0/2 AAA sites, 0/2 trp concs, 0/1 stage area, 0/1 ferry, 0/1 RR yd, and LOCs in opns limited by adverse wx. (C)

NOVEMBER SEABORNE IMPORTS: Identified seaborne imports totaled 106,000 MT, an increase of 17,000 MT over Oct figure but 5% below Jan-Oct 67 average. No shipments arms/ammo detected. (b)(3) 10

Silting prob responsible for smaller cgos delivered by Sov ships from Black -- last 8 arrivals carried average of 4800 MT each; the 30 arrivals Jan-Jul, 7500 MT. (Sov merships en route Haiphong are discharging more of their cgos in Indo and Spore than heretofore.)

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Average Nov turnaround time for freighters was 17 days, compared to 19 in Oct and the high of 33 in Aug. (b)(3) 10
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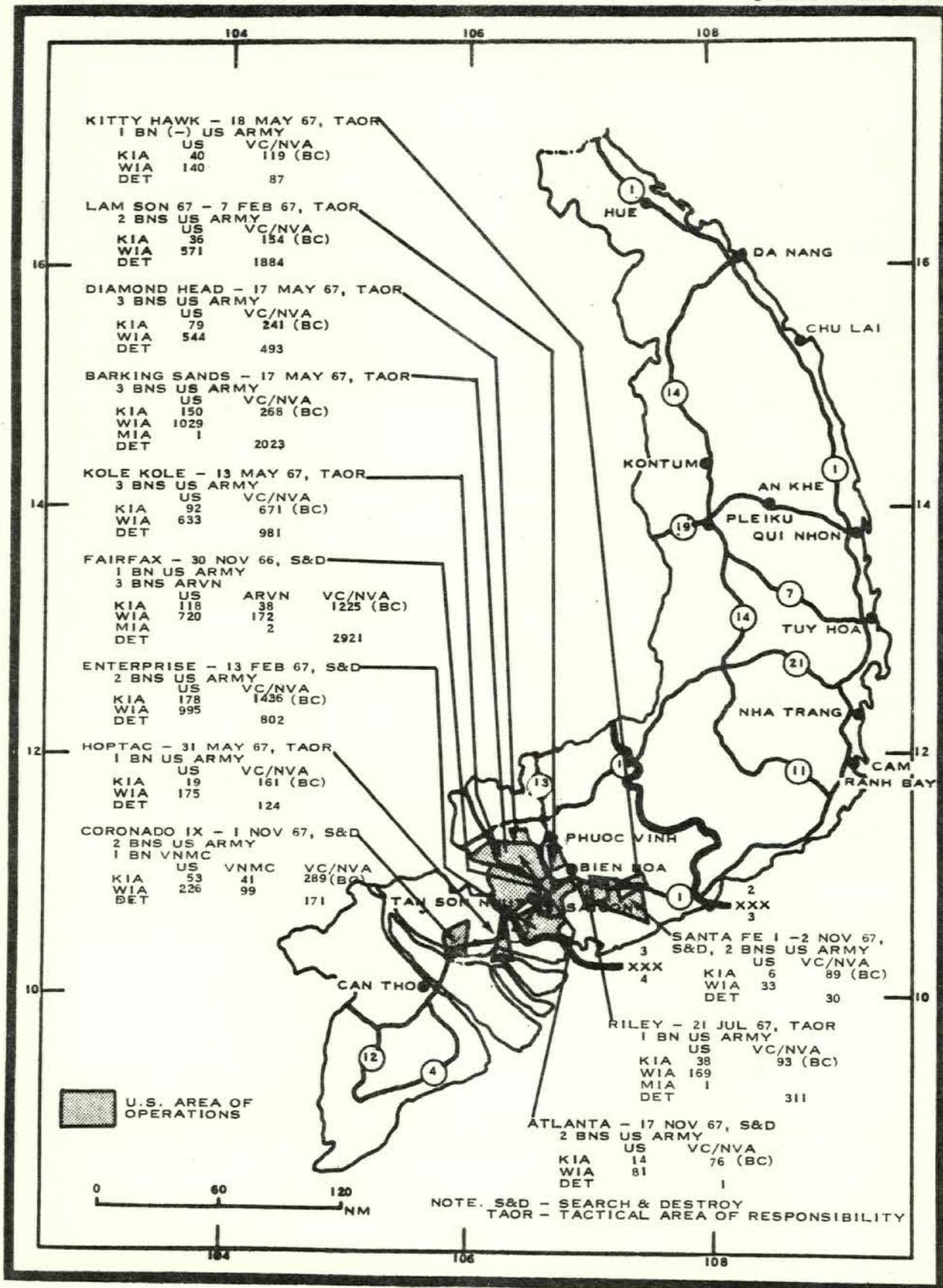
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BARREL ROLL/STEEL TIGER OPERATIONS 7 DEC: 241 sorties (178 USAF, 57 USN, 6 USMC) dest/damaged; 35/66 trks, 3/4 bunkers, 2/6 gun sites, 1/5 bridges, 1/1 WBLC, 0/28 trk pks, 0/11 stor areas, 0/7 trp conc, 0/4 mil complex, 0/1 supply areas, and LOCs. (S)

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AIRCRAFT LOSS: USAF F-4C downed by gnd fire 69 nm SSW Quang Tri at 070405 EST. Both crew members recovered in good condition. ~~(S)~~

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CAMBODIA: (b)(3) 10 U.S.C. 424;3.3(h)(2) Cambodia taking steps institute para-mil instruction throughout the country, in accordance with directives given by Sihanouk at a special Council of Ministers meeting 29 Nov. Activity attests to Sihanouk's fear that war will spread to Cambodia.

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