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MAJOR PAVN BUILDUP IN WESTERN DMZ-KHE SANH AREA

Beginning in late October 1967 and continuing through the present, SIGINT has revealed a major buildup of PAVN forces in the western DMZ-Khe Sanh area.¹ In conjunction with the most recent influx of PAVN units to this area, reconnaissance elements associated with the possible PAVN 325C Division have been reporting on Allied activity in the Khe Sanh area since 27 December, and elements of the PAVN 812th and 90th Regiments have been engaged in transportation activity into the west-central DMZ area.

PAVN units presently located in this general area include:

Possible Hq, 325C Division	16-41N 106-30E (XD 590458)	16 Jan
Possible 95C Regiment	16-48N 106-35E (XD 702579)	13 Jan
Possible 101D Regiment	16-39N 106-27E (XD 565435)	16 Jan
29th Regiment	16-37N 106-23E (XD 471401)	11 Jan
Unidentified major PAVN headquarters ²	16-55N 106-26E (XD 525700)	8 Jan
Way Station BRAVO	16-56N 106-48E (XD 923740)	15 Jan
Way Station ECHO	16-42N 106-40E (XD 780469)	15 Jan
Probable Hq, 320th Division		
vicinity of	16-56N 106-48E (XD 923740)	15 Jan
Probable Hq, 304th Division		
tentatively located	16-30N 106-36E (XD 715407)	19 Jan
Hq, 90th Regiment	16-50N 106-49E (XD 953631)	16 Jan
7th Battalion, 90th Regiment		
ment	16-44N 106-42E (XD 827505)	15 Jan
Hq, 812th Regiment	16-47N 106-45E (XD 856576)	9 Jan
Unidentified subordinate, DMZ Front Headquarters	16-44N 106-31E (XD 613500)	16 Jan

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A suspected infantry regiment, probable 320th Division in the same vicinity of Way Station ECHO since at least 27 December.

An unidentified, probable 320th-associated entity in the same vicinity as Way Station BRAVO.

An element serving the Hq, DMZ Front for communications with Hq, Military Region Tri-Thien-Hue in the vicinity of 16-53N 106-25E (XD 521668) on 16 January.

A suspect infantry regiment, probable 304th Division (16-43N 106-20E, XD 438488) on 17 January.

Unidentified entity associated with the probable Hq, 304th Division, first heard on 17 January and located at 16-28N 106-42E, XD 822235 on 18 January.

The new major PAVN headquarters active northwest of Khe Sanh is apparently assuming more responsibility for the command and control of PAVN forces in the western DMZ-Khe Sanh area.² Since 25 December, the 325C Division has been noted in communications with the major headquarters and the division headquarters was last noted in communications with the DMZ Front on 7 January. In addition, attempted communications between the major headquarters and the PAVN 90th Regiment were noted on 11 January. The relationship between the DMZ Front and this new major headquarters cannot presently be determined.

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 2. 2/0/VCM/R09-68 and Follow-up Number 1, thereto.

A map depicting PAVN units presently located in the Khe Sanh area appears in the hard copy only.

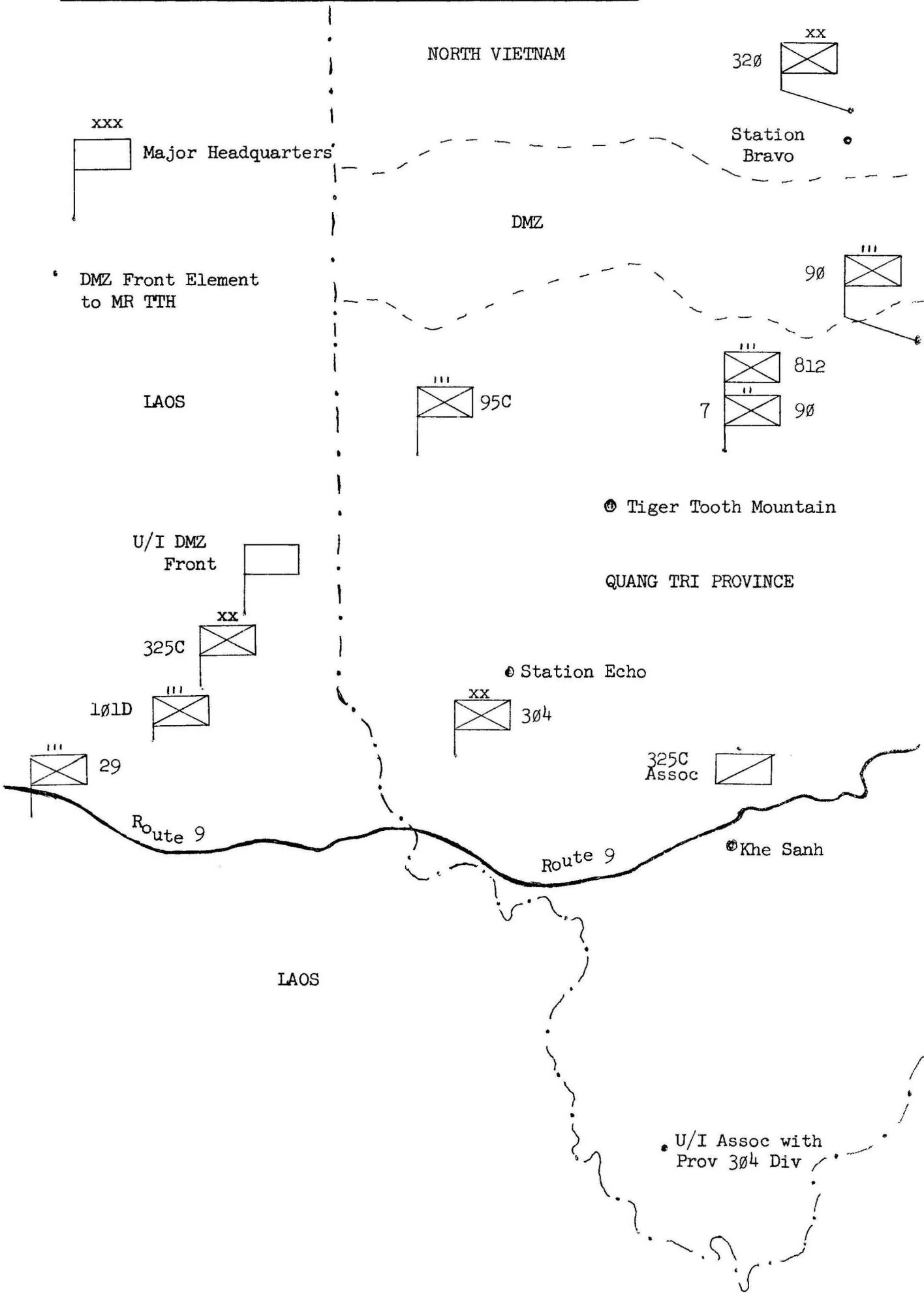
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APPENDIX

Major PAVN Units Presently Located in the Khe Sanh Area



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