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## THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY BRIEF



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1. Vietnam

There is no intelligence to support the sensational press reports that Chinese Communist ground forces are moving into North Vietnam.

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In Hanoi, the military has asked the International Control Commission to withdraw its fixed observation teams, allegedly out of concern for the security of the teams. This suggests that Hanoi may want to conduct military movements without risk of discovery by ICC observers.

In South Vietnam, attacks on other US targets may be forthcoming. This is suggested by a captured Viet Cong document which allegedly cites in addition to Pleiku and Qui Nhon, already attacked, three other localities in which there are US targets. US forces are taking precautions.

Preparations are also under way to stand off a possible Viet Cong attack tonight on the US Marine Hawk battalion at Danang.

Elsewhere, the Viet Cong have maintained an intense level of activity during the past few days.

On the Saigon political front, Interior Minister Vien says he has in writing an agreement with the Armed Forces Council outlining the working relations concerning his projected new government. Vien says he is trying to get the signature of First Corps General Thi, who seems to be the last main obstacle to completion of negotiations on the new cabinet. (See map.)

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2. Sudan

Non-Communist political parties planned to start massive demonstrations in Khartoum today in an effort to force the Communist-dominated government's resignation. No reports of further developments are yet available.

3. Laos

Communist convoys are continuing to move into Laos in some volume. Between 1-11 February, for example, approximately 115 trucks were counted entering central Laos from North Vietnam, accompanied by 450-500 troops on foot. Similar traffic also continued in the north.

4. Cyprus

5. USSR



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## 6. Congo

What is going on is far from clear, but it now appears that renewed efforts in the past few days to strengthen the Congo's relations in Africa have backfired. Tshombé is said to be miffed by the hostile treatment accorded his emissary to a recent meeting with representatives of the French-speaking African states. He also is said to have refused to send a delegate to the meeting in Nairobi of the OAU sub-commission on the Congo planned for today.

Tshombé thus seems strengthened in his reluctance to do anything to improve his relations with his neighbors.

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