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JORDAN

Fighting has continued into the third day in the north where the army appears to be inflicting heavy casualties on the fedayeen. Only sporadic shooting occurred in Amman, although security force spokesmen claim they will soon clean up trouble spots there. Fedayeen militiamen in refugee camps nearby are preparing for such an attack.

Slowing the army's momentum could become more difficult with the return yesterday of Sharif Nasir, King Husayn's cousin and a hard-line general. The few remaining cease-fire observers announced they were suspending their efforts because of government obstruction.

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CAMBODIA

Prime Minister Lon Nol plans to lead a delegation to Saigon on 20 and 21 January. Discussions will cover both military and economic aspects of the South Vietnamese involvement in Cambodia, including Saigon's request that the Cambodians help pay the cost of South Vietnamese participation.

Earlier lower level negotiations foundered on the payments issue, and there is no evidence that either Lon Nol or Thieu is ready to compromise now. The two men met briefly in Cambodia several months ago. If Lon Nol goes ahead with the trip, it will be the first time he has left Cambodia since Sihanouk's ouster last March.

Communist military activity continues low keyed. Light harassment of government forces has been reported in the east along Route 7 and in the southwest along Route 4 near Pich Nil pass.

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