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COUNTRY: SOUTH VIETNAM

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SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT ON ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THE PROVINCES  
OF III CORPS AS OF 2400 HOURS 3 FEBRUARY 1968

ACQ: [REDACTED]

SOURCE: [REDACTED]

1. GIA DINH PROVINCE: THE CITY OF GIA DINH WAS QUIET AS OF 1830 HOURS. SOME MILITARY ACTIVITY WAS REPORTED IN THU DUC AND HOC MON DISTRICTS, HOWEVER, NO RESULTS ARE AVAILABLE CONCERNING THIS ACTIVITY.

2. HAU NGHIA PROVINCE: THE SITUATION WAS DESCRIBED AS QUIET AS OF 2100 HOURS.

3. LONG KHANH PROVINCE: THE SITUATION WAS DESCRIBED AS QUIET AS OF 2115 HOURS. LATEST REPORTS IN THE PROVINCE INDICATE THAT THE ANTICIPATED ATTACK ON THE PROVINCE CAPITAL WILL BEGIN AROUND 0200 HOURS 4 FEBRUARY. THE SECURITY FORCE AT THE U.S. CIVILIAN COMPOUND IN XUAN LOC HAS BEEN AUGMENTED BY 11 MEN FROM THE PROVINCIAL RECONNAISSANCE UNIT (PRU).

4. TAY NINH PROVINCE: REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT (RD) CADRES HAVE BEEN EVACUATED FROM THEIR HAMLETS TO THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICT TOWNS TO AUGMENT EXISTING DISTRICT SECURITY FORCES. AS OF 1930 HOURS [REDACTED] OBSERVERS REPORTED ALL WAS QUIET IN TAY NINH CITY AND THE OUTLYING DISTRICTS. PRICES FOR FOOD ARE STEADILY RISING IN THE LOCAL MARKET. LOCAL SUPPLIES OF RICE AND FISH SAUCE HAVE BEEN SOLD OUT. SPARE RIBS WHICH WERE FORMERLY VDS 160 (US\$1.35) ARE NOW VDS250 (US\$2.07) PER KILOGRAM. (THE OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATE IS VDS118 EQUALS US\$1.00). PORK LOIN IS UP FROM VDS220 (US\$1.36) PER KILOGRAM TO VDS350 (US\$2.96). THE PRICE OF CHICKENS, FISH, AND BREAD HAS DOUBLED. HOWEVER IT IS UNLIKELY THE FOOD SUPPLIES IN THE PROVINCE WILL BECOME CRITICAL IN THE NEAR FUTURE BECAUSE THERE IS MUCH TRADING ACROSS THE BORDER IN CAMBODIA.

5. THERE HAVE BEEN NO REPORTS SINCE 1800 HOURS FROM THE FOLLOWING PROVINCES: BINH DUONG, BINH LONG, BINH TUY, BIEN HOA, LONG AN, PHUOC LONG AND PHUOC TUY.

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