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Tuesday, April 2, 1968 - 9:30 am

Mr. President:

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Khe Sanh-DMZ-A Shau:

- 1261 rounds friendly;
- 155 rounds enemy incoming;
- 147 tons resupply;
- 66 tactical sorties, plus 8 B-52's;
- Pegasus continued with light contact.

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Tuesday, April 2, 1968, 8:15 a.m.

TEXT OF CABLE FROM GENERAL WESTMORELAND

This is report number fifty-eight on the situation in the Khe Sanh/DMZ/A Shau Valley for the 24-hour period of April 1, 1968.

Yesterday at Khe Sanh clouds and fog persisted through late morning. At 11:00 a.m. clouds became scattered and visibility was good until after sunset. Ceilings then formed again reducing visibility to four miles. At 3:00 a.m. today, skies cleared. A similar pattern is expected tomorrow.

Operation Pegasus continued with light contact. The First Marine Regiment seized its objectives west of Ca Lu. The Third Brigade, First Air Cavalry Division assaulted into a fire support base eight kilometers east of Khe Sanh Combat Base at 1:00 p.m. Along the DMZ, deception attacks northeast of Dong Ha continued with light contact. Friendly forces secured objectives south of the DMZ with no casualties reported.

There were 173 friendly artillery fire support missions for Khe Sanh expending 1261 rounds. Eight missions were observed. No COFRAM ammunition was fired.

Eight ARC LIGHT strikes (48 sorties) were scheduled in support of Operation Pegasus. Five aircraft were diverted to secondary targets. Two strikes reported secondary explosions. Seven missions are scheduled for today.

Sixty-six tactical air sorties supported Operation Pegasus. There was no bomb damage assessment. Tactical air sorties planned for tomorrow total 104 with an additional 100 on call. There are 610 additional preplanned sorties that can be diverted into the Pegasus area.

Resupply for the reporting period accounted for 147 short tons. Forty-nine replacements were landed at Khe Sanh. C-130 and C-123 aircraft conducted 12 air drops. One C-123 and 24 helicopters landed and delivered cargo and passengers.

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At Khe Sanh, a total of 155 rounds of enemy indirect fire was received; 55 artillery and 100 mortar. These attacks wounded three Marines.

One radar mission in A Shau noted five returns. The morning photo mission revealed no significant activity other than normally occupied anti-aircraft positions along the valley.

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THE NATIONAL MILITARY COMMAND CENTER  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

2 April 1968  
5:00 AM EST

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THE JOINT STAFF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM

Subject: Supply Status at Khe Sanh as of 8:00 PM EST  
1 April (9:00 AM 2 April, SVN time)

1. The Khe Sanh Dump and Ammunition Supply Point (ASP) status as of the above time is as follows:

	8:00 PM 1 Apr EST	
ON HAND	(9:00 AM 2 Apr SVN)	

CLASS I (Rations)

Meal, Combat, Individual	21	22 days
B Rations	6	6 days

CLASS III (Fuel)

Aviation Gas (AVGAS)	3	3 days
JP-4 Fuel (Jet Fuel)	10	10.6 days
Motor Gasoline (MOGAS)	11	9 days
Diesel	14	21.9 days

CLASS V (Ammunition)

A. High Explosive

60-mm mortar	48	46 days
81-mm mortar	31	31 days
90-mm (tank)	68	68 days
4.2" mortar	28	28 days
105-mm howitzer	22	22 days
155-mm howitzer	33	35 days

B. Antitank

ROUNDS ON HAND

90-mm AP-T	254
90-mm HEAT	1,089
66-mm rocket (LAW)	2,212
Antitank mines (M-15)	349
Antitank mines (M-19)	469
Antitank mines (M-21)	48
106-mm HEAT	1,538
106-mm recoilless rifle (HEP-T)	1,883
3.5" rocket	2,114

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8:00 PM 1 Apr EST  
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C. Antipersonnel

ROUNDS ON HAND

90-mm BEEHIVE	542
105-mm BEEHIVE	1,090
106-mm BEEHIVE	1,689
90-mm CANNISTER	323

CLASS V (COFRAM)

105-mm howitzer	1,684
155-mm howitzer	990
40-mm grenade launcher	6,729
Hand grenades	2,945

2. On 1 April, Khe Sanh was resupplied with 147 short tons as follows:

CLASS I	37 tons
CLASS II	4 tons
CLASS III	1 ton
CLASS IV	39 tons
CLASS V	66 tons

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