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STATUS OF PACIFICATION ASSETS,
ASSESSMENT, AND REQUIRED ACTIONS

1. 1 CTG (3)

2. Quang Nam - Province.

3. Territorial Security:

a. NSRD battalions:

(1) No. bns: 4; avg. str: 619.

(2) Employment: Unknown.

(a) No. still in pre-Tet mission: .

(b) No. redeployed: .

b. RF companies:

(1) No. cos: 41; avg. str: 113.

(2) Employment: Unknown.

(a) No. still in pre-Tet mission: .

(b) No. redeployed: .

c. PF platoons:

(1) No. plts: 162; avg. str: 32.

(2) Employment: Unknown.

(a) No. still in pre-Tet mission: .

(b) No. redeployed: .

d. RDC teams:

(1) No. teams: 34; avg. str: Unk..

(2) Employment:

(a) No. still in pre-Tet mission: 22
24.

(b) No. redeployed: 10.

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Truong Son RD Teams:

(1) No. teams: 8; avg. size: unk.

(2) Employment: Unknown.

(a) No. still in pre-Tet missions:

(b) No. redeployed:

f. RF Field Forces:

(1) No. companies: 6; avg. size: 161 (4 in Damang)

(2) Employment: Unknown.

(a) No. still in pre-Tet missions: 0

(b) No. redeployed: 6

g. National Police strength: 1212

h. FRU strength:

4. USA's general assessment of present pacification status:

RD Cadre Teams are for the most part disorganized and are near district or province headquarters, or CAP platoons. Response to refugee needs has been good. The average Vietnamese doubts that a family could live in security outside the large population centers.

5. Actions required to resume pacification operations:

1. A review of 1963 pacification plans with emphasis on security and on deployment of ARVN and territorial forces.
2. Immediate emphasis on the infrastructure: counteract political gains from the Tet offensive.
3. Vitalize refugee programs.

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ARVN distinguished itself in repelling enemy attacks during the period 30 Jan - 6 Feb. Hoi An suffered relatively little damage. The local people are impressed by the VC military capability. The prolonged lack of contact on Hue is also difficult for them to comprehend. The Province Chief has visited all the districts and is doing an outstanding job. The service chiefs are functioning -- the MSWR Chief is doing particularly good job. About 250 civilians, mostly civil servants, have been armed. Local civil servants have been formed into 10 platoons of militia. Primary schools were opened on 19 Feb. PSA reports much US advisor doubt about the honesty of the Loc District Chief, the Deputy for Administration, and the Police Chief, who are apparently selling commodities issued for 3,000 refugees in the area, and who seemingly are selling in VC-controlled areas.