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QUANG NGAI PROVINCE
SON TINH DISTRICT
APO 96260

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SUBJECT: District Report

TO : Province Senior Advisor
Quang Ngai Province
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1. District Chief: 1/LT. Tran Ngoc Tan
2. (C) Security: The security situation in the district has improved considerably since the Tet offensive. A great deal of emphasis has been given to the reinforcement of the defenses in the district and sub-sector headquarters. The presence of ARVN units in the district and the pressure placed on the enemy by the U.S. Forces operating in the district has alleviated the hamlet security problem. Still the VC retain the capability of attacking and destroying any of the RD teams and any installation, or combination thereof, throughout the entire district. The GVN controls 20 out of 29 hamlets in the district during the day light hours only.
3. Construction: Because no funds have been released from Province, no 1968 RD projects have been started in the district. However, a number of unfunded self-help projects have been started.
4. Training: The training of PF and RF is improving. The continuous use of these forces in tactical operations is a very effective training vehicle and this has been utilized effectively in the district. A rotation of the PF platoons for training at Da Nang Training Center is in effect. At the present time, one platoon is taking training in that location.
5. Psychological Operations: The District Chief is conducting meetings in the hamlets and explaining the government programs to the people. Much U.S. support is being given to the VIS. Plans have been made to support them in publishing a local newspaper to bring to the people of the district news that affects them.
6. ICEX Program: A very effective liaison with the intelligence sections of the U.S. units in the area is in effect. Much effort has been placed in the processing and transferring of prisoners from the U.S. units to the PIC.

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7. Refugees: Some refugees are drifting back to their home in the camps in the Phu Hoa area. The Province Refugee Service has been paying per diem for the last month in an effort to catch up on back payments. The Red Cross is continuing to do a fine job in supporting the in-camp refugees.

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