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SUBJ: Annual Report of the Party Headquarters, Phước Long District, VC Sóc Trăng Province, VC Region 3. (B)

(C-Jun 71) (11 pages, typewritten; B-5) Report, dated 31 Dec 70, ((possibly prepared during the meeting held by the Party Headquarters, Phước Long District, VC Sóc Trăng Province, VC Region 3)), concerns achievements gained by units and agencies subordinate to Phước Long District during 1970.

The document first describes Phước Long District, which was surrounded by Thanh Tri District, VC Cà Mau Province, VC Gia Rai District, and Long Mỹ District, with a population of approximately 85,000 people, and composed of nine villages and two district seats, designated ((VC)) Ninh Quới, Ninh Hoà, Vĩnh Lộc, Lộc Ninh, Vĩnh Phú Đông, Vĩnh Phú Tây, Vĩnh Hưng, PL, and Ninh Thành Lợi Villages and Phước Long and Ngân Dừa District Seats. Because, Phước Long District had fertile cultivated areas and strategic terrain features, the enemy ((FVMAF/RVNAF)) has considered it a pilot area for his pacification program. In addition to ((RVNAF)) Regional Force and Popular Force units, the ((RVNAF)) 14th Regiment, 9th Division; 33rd Regiment, 21st Infantry Division; M-113 APC's; and Marines were used to conduct repeated sweep operations in conjunction with psywar and pacification activities in Phước Long District. Enemy troops have killed 225 friendly ((VC/NVA)) personnel, wounded 347 others, drafted 970 youths, and destroyed valuable property.

In the second part, the document states that no matter how fierce the enemy actions and no matter how many sweep operations the enemy launched, friendly combatants still showed their bravery and sacrifice and devoted themselves to the Revolution. Many youths risked their lives for the independence of the fatherland and set brilliant examples of sacrifice. Comrade Truỳnh strove to kill three enemy soldiers before his death and Comrade Ba Cá Phi refused to cooperate with the enemy and was killed. It was reported that during 1970, friendly forces ((subordinate to Phước Long District Unit)) killed 300 enemy personnel and captured 257 weapons and 135,197 assorted rounds in 400 battles; gained control over 42 hamlets with 40,000 people; motivated 470 families to return to their villages and participate in farm production; instigated 570 enemy soldiers to wage military revolts; recruited 799 guerrillas; collected 290,000 gia ((one gia equals 36 kilograms)) of rice; gave medical care to 3,724 patients; and trained 605 Party members.