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REPORTS ON PLAF MILITARY ACTION IN SOUTH

Binh Thuan Province

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[Text] South Vietnam, March 1 (GPA)--The PLAF in Binh Thuan Province on February 22 and 23 assaulted many enemy bases in the provincial capital and townships, wiping out over 1,000 enemy troops, destroying 38 military vehicles, and shooting down 14 aircraft.

On the night of February 22, the liberation forces shelled the base of a battalion of the U.S. 101st Airborne Division, the military sector, the provincial administrative quarter, and the navy base in the provincial capital.

On February 23 the PLAF, countering an enemy raid on Highway 8, wiped out 200 men, destroying three tanks and knocking down two helicopters.

On February 23, enemy reinforcements heading for Phan Thiet where American airborne troops were under PLAF pressure, were badly mauled, taking some 400 casualties.

Thu Dau Mot Province

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[Text] South Vietnam, March 1 (GPA)--The PLAF in Thu Dau Mot Province at 1:30 am on February 23 assaulted the base of the 3d Brigade, U.S. 25th Infantry Division at Dau Tieng, killing or wounding more than 800 GI's, according to further reports. Targets of the PLAF attack were the brigade's command post, the signal center, the airfield, and storage facilities. The liberation forces set afire two gasoline storages and destroyed two power stations, the signal center, one artillery site, and a number of planes.

Tay Ninh, Binh Hoa

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[Text] South Vietnam February 28 GPA--The People's Liberation Armed Forces in Tay Ninh Province on the night of February 24-25 attacked for the second time the U.S. cantonment at Tra Cao, killing or wounding 450 GI's. In the first attack on the night of February 22-23 the liberation forces killed or wounded more than 400 U.S. troops. After the second attack by the PLAF, the U.S. had to evacuate the position.

In Bien Hoa, the PLAF in the three days ending Feb. 25 launched successive attacks on the province's airfield, the Long Binh logistical complex, and a series of U.S. puppet positions, wiping out over 500 enemy troops.

At the airfield, the PLAF gunners on the night of Feb. 22 and throughout the following day, continuously shelled the jet parking ground, pilots billets, gasoline bomb storages, causing big fire and successive explosions.

At the storages, the PLAF on the night of Feb. 22 and on Feb. 23 and 24 launched several artillery-ground attacks, destroying many ammunition and chemical storages, and knocking out over 100 GI's.

At 1.30 a.m. Feb. 23, the liberation forces attacked many enemy positions in the provincial capital, including the provincial police headquarters.

The PLAF engaged one enemy battalion in the town, wiping out 80 enemy troops including two army captains and one police lieutenant.

In Long An, the Liberation Armed Forces in the morning of Feb. 23, assaulted several positions in the provincial capital, in various district towns and townships, killing or wounding 700 enemy troops including 500 GI's.

In the provincial capital, the liberation fighters launched fierce artillery ground attacks at the headquarters of the 3rd Brigade U.S. 9th Division, damaging two-thirds of the base, setting afire or destroying many billets and a large quantity of war means, and killing or wounding 150 GI's.

In Tan Tru district same province, the patriotic fighters mounted a surprise attack on the enemy at Hong Huan bridge, putting out of action 80 of them and razing four blockhouses. At the same time, liberation gunners shelled the Binh Tinh base and other posts, killing 30 enemy, wrecking three 105 mm and 155mm artillery pieces.

In Can Giuoc district, also in Long An, the liberation armed forces pounded the U.S. artillery site an Nui Tau crossing on Highway 5, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

Meanwhile, the regional forces and guerrillas of Hung Long and Tan Qui villages launched a surprise attack on a ranger position, wiping out the company command and two platoons.

On the night of Feb. 23-24, the liberation fighters bombarded Rach Kien and Binh Tinh bases. During the attack on an enemy cantonment along Highway 4, the patriotic forces wiped out one platoon and destroyed five M-113 armoured cars.

At Rach Kien, the PLAF inflicted on the enemy 150 casualties, demolished the signal centre, and set fire to eight billets and one ammunition dump.

My Tho, Tra Vinh

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[Text] South Vietnam March 2 GPA--The People's Liberation Armed Forces in Cai Be district, My Tho Province, on the night of February 24-25 assaulted many enemy positions, killing or wounding 180 enemy troops and destroying eight military vehicles and one artillery piece. At 2.10 a.m. Feb. 25, the regional forces and guerrillas attacked one company of the 3rd Battalion, 12th Regiment, puppet 7th Division in Hoa Khanh village, wiping out this company, killing or wounding 75 men. At the same time, the enemy posts at Hoa Khanh bridge, one "Civil Guard" platoon stationed nearby and troops of the 3rd Battalion, 12th regiment, puppet 7th Division, were pounded by the PLAF artillery.

PLAF gunners also shelled the Cai Be military sector, Cai Nua and Hoi Cu posts and the U.S. cantonment on Highway 4, wiping out 74 enemy troops including more than 40 GI's.

In Tra Vinh Province, the liberation forces in Cau Ke, Vung Lien, and Tra On district on February 22, 23, and 25, wiped out some 300 U.S. and puppet troops.

On Feb. 23 the guerrillas engaged the enemy reinforcements heading for the Cau Ke military sector which was under the PLAF pressure, killing or wounding nearly 60 men.

On the night of Feb. 24-25, the guerrillas again attacked the Cau Ke military sector and pounded the artillery site, the position of a "Civil Guard" company and the residence of the district chief, killing or wounding some 100 men.

In Vung Liem district, on the night of Feb. 25 the military sector was attacked by the PLAF which levelled one police station and captured many enemy troops.

In Tra On district, the patriotic forces pushed back three enemy counter-attacks, wiping out over 60 men.

In Quang Tri-Thua Thien area, the PLAF on February 23, 25, and 26 launched many attacks on the enemy, wiping out 170 GI's, destroying four tanks and shooting down one plane.

On Feb. 23, four U.S. tanks loaded with GI's was intercepted by the guerrillas near the Cua Viet military port. The patriotic forces destroyed all the four tanks wiping out the GI's.

On Feb. 25, the PLAF in Thua Thien Province assaulted two U.S. encampments 8 km west of Tam Boi, wiping out over 100 GI's.

On Feb. 26, one U.S. company engaged by the PLAF at Tan Lam, Quang Tri Province took 55 casualties.

Ninh Thuan Province

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[Text] South Vietnam, March 1 (GPA)--The PLAF in Ninh Thuan Province on the night of February 25-26 launched an artillery-ground attack on Thanh Son airfield, 7 kilometers west-northwest of Phan Rang provincial capital, destroying 26 aircraft, including 21 jets, and wiping out 80 enemy troops. Immediately after the PLAF attack, 39 puppet troops guarding the outer defences of the airfield deserted.

Gia Dinh Province

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[Text] South Vietnam March 1 (GPA)--The Liberation Armed Forces in Gia Dinh Province at 2 a.m. February 26 launched a fierce artillery-ground attack on the main base of the U.S. 25th Infantry Division at Dong Du, Cu Chi district, killing or wounding over 300 GI's including many officers, destroying 97 military vehicles, including 29 tanks and

armoured cars, destroying 39 aircraft of various kinds, and setting fire to one gasoline and three ammunition storages, 42 barracks, and a good deal of war material.

Quang Nam Province

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[Text] South Vietnam February 28 GPA--The P.L.A.F. in Quang Nam Province and Da Nang city from the night of February 22-23 to February 26 launched fierce attacks on nearly 100 enemy positions.

On the night of February 22-23, while P.L.A.F. gunners were pounding the Da Nang Nuoc Man airfields, the U.S. base in the Son Cha panhandle, and U.S. command posts and positions around Da Nang, P.L.A.F. infantrymen attacked several enemy fortified positions in Trung Nu Vuong Street and in Nam Duong, Hoa Cuong and Cho Moi precincts, the positions of the 1st Battalion of the 5th Regiment of the puppet army, and the U.S. Navy sector, wiping out hundreds of U.S. and puppet troops.

South of Da Nang, the P.L.A.F. attacked Con Khe stronghold, wiping out one enemy battalion command post, killing or wounding 150 U.S. and puppet troops, destroying one artillery site. At the same time, the liberation fighters attacked another enemy position at Cai Lanh, not far away, wiping out one puppet company. The P.L.A.F. hoisted their victorious banners on top of the hilltop position at Non Muoc.

In Hoi An town, the P.L.A.F. on Feb 23, 24, and 25 engaged enemy troops in the downtown streets, and attacked nearby positions, killing or wounding hundreds of the enemy.

In Dien Ban district, the liberation fighters took under fire many enemy positions in the district town and the encampments of the 1st and 3rd battalions of the puppet 51st Regiment. The P.L.A.F. blew up two bridges and damaged another.

In Duy Xuyen district, the P.L.A.F. several times shelled the An Hoa position, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy.

In Dai Loc district, the liberation forces pounded the U.S. position at Loc Tan village, wiping out 100 enemy troops, and destroying four artillery pieces. On Feb. 23-24, the P.L.A.F. launched artillery-ground attacks on the U.S. position at Ben Mount, wiping out nearly 100 GI's.

In the southern part of Quang Nam, the P.L.A.F. on Feb. 23, 24, and 25 intercepted U.S. reinforcements at Thanh Yen and Vu Mount in Tien Phuoc district, causing heavy losses to the enemy. On Feb. 25 alone, nearly 100 GI's were killed and eight aircraft shot down.

According to initial reports, in Tien Phuoc district within three days ending Feb. 25, the liberation forces wiped out 400 enemy troops including 100 GI's.