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[Text] South Vietnam June 28 LPA--The Saigon army still continued violating the cease fire by conducting "sweep" and nibbling operations in various provinces across South Vietnam.

In Quang Ngai Province, on June 15 and 16, two companies of the 2d Battalion, Saigon 6th Regiment attacked Binh Phu village, Binh Son district.

On June 16, the 2d Battalion of the Saigon 5th Regiment in coordination with the 2/4 Armor Squadron comprising 13 tanks raided Duc Minh village, Mo Duc district.

On Duc Pho district, on June 15, the same battalion covered by 15 tanks had launched an attack on Pho An and Pho Quang villages, wounding many villagers, arresting 20 others, setting on fire 200 houses and a large quantity of property of the people. More serious still since noon on June 15 and on the following day, the 1st Battalion of the 4th Regiment supported by 12 tanks fiercely attacked Pho Khanh and Pho Hiep villages. Meanwhile, Saigon artillery in bases south of Duc Pho district town fired 728 rounds into the said villages, burning down 171 houses, killing 7 persons, injuring 9 others and destroying many property.

In Tu Nghia district, on June 15, the 436th "Civil Guard" Battalion with 42 tanks nibbled at Nam Phuoc Tay hamlet, Nghia Thuan village, burning to the ground houses, Later, they attacked My Thanh hamlet, same village, and set on fire all houses. Besides, Saigon troops hurled grenades into the people's anti-raid shelters, killing Mr Nguyen Kiet, 80, Mrs Nguyen Thi Thuc and Mrs Tran Thi Lan, both 78, and Pham Thanh, 12, and wounding 10 others. They took away 19 persons including 14 children.

In the said period, Saigon artillery unleashed thousands of rounds into Nghia Thang, Nghia Thuan and Nghia Ky villages.

In Son Tinh district, on June 15, elements of the 2d Battalion, Saigon 6th Regiment laid ambushes along Lam Lo and Van Hoa routes, killing three persons. That night, Saigon soldiers positioned in Nui Dau area assaulted by surprise Vinh Tay, taking away 20 cows. From 1900 hrs to 2100 hrs the same day Saigon artillery shelled Tinh Tho village. Later, elements of the 2d Battalion (6th Regiment) and 11th "Civil Guard" multi-battalion unit raided Tinh Tra and Tinh Tho villages, causing heavy losses to the local people.

In Gia Dinh Province, on June 21, Saigon gunners wantonly fired into the liberated areas of Phu My Hung, An Phu and An Nhon Tay villages (Cu Chi district). The shelling killed a person and caused other losses to the people.

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