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SUMMARY

Regiment 673 composed of 160 cadres and soldiers armed with 81mm mortars, machine guns, RPD automatic rifles, submachine guns and Russian rifles arrived in SO PHU Village, QUANG NAM Province, on 27 January 1968 and received a supply of ammunition transferred there by laborers. Battalion 7 arrived in HIEU DUC District, QUANG NAM Province, and was reinforced by another unit composed of 100 men. On 3 February Battalion engaged in battle near HIEU DUC District.

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1. In September 1967, Regiment 673 received orders to move from MOC CHAU city area to HA TINH Province and prepared to infiltrate SVN. Upon arriving in HA TINH Province, Regiment 673 changed its name to Worksite 31 and organized its infiltration training by battalion. Worksite 31 was composed of three battalions: Battalions 7, 8 and 9.
2. From September to November 1967 Worksite 31 was located at TAM HA Village, CAM XUYEN District, HA TINH Province. The strength of the training battalions was taken from the populated areas around CAM XUYEN District. Battalion 7 was composed of 150 cadres and soldiers armed with regular weapons: 81mm mortars, machine guns (type unknown), RDP automatic rifles; submachine guns, and Russian rifles. Battalion 7 had not carried its own ammunition in order to move faster.
3. In late January 1968, Worksite 31 arrived in the QUANG NAM area. Battalion 7 received orders to operate separately. On about 27 January, Battalion 7 arrived in SON PHUC Village (District name unknown), QUANG NAM Province, in order to receive a supply of ammunition which had been transferred by laborers coming from the opposite direction. After receiving ammunition, Battalion 7 was discovered by an L.19 and a serious air strike was dealt by three jets at about 1600 hours. Three members were killed and after their immediate funeral on the spot, Battalion 7 moved to its objective.
4. Battalion 7 arrived in HIEU DUC District, QUANG NAM Province on about 3 February and was reinforced by another unit which was composed of over 100 men. Battalion 7 was engaged in battle near HIEU DUC District.

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