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**\*South Vietnam:** The tempo of enemy military activity has not been reduced significantly since the beginning of the Viet Cong - announced cease-fire period three days ago.

Numerous attacks, including both shellings and ground assaults, were staged by the Communists over the weekend. A total of 150 North Vietnamese were killed during a fierce battle which developed after a US Marine patrol was hit just north of Camp Carroll in northernmost Quang Tri Province. American casualties totaled 109 in this encounter. Sporadic barrages of mortar, rocket, and artillery fire were directed at US positions throughout the northern provinces including the posts at Khe Sanh, Dong Ha, Gio Linh, and Chu Lai.

Battle preparations are being completed by North Vietnamese main force units in the western highlands of Pleiku and Kontum provinces and there are indications in communications intelligence that the beginning of a well-coordinated series of large-scale attacks may be imminent. Intercepted enemy tactical messages indicate the often mentioned "N-Day" may be set for as soon as 30 January. [REDACTED]

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