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PART I. SIGNIFICANT PHOTO INTERPRETATIONS

B. NEW TARGETS AND SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

ZZZ01:PROB INSUR ACTY BASE AREA 740 SGM:UNK CTY:CB 12300N1073100E
 PHOTOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS REVEALS A RAPID INCREASE IN THE LEVEL OF
 PROBABLE INSURGENT-ASSOCIATED ACTIVITY WITHIN THE NAM LYR INSURGENT
 SUPPORT AND INFILTRATION COMPLEX (BASE AREA 740), CAMBODIA WHICH
 APPEARS TO COINCIDE WITH ATTACKS THAT WERE LAUNCHED BY NVA/VC
 FORCES AGAINST BAN ME THUOT DURING THE TET TRUCE PERIOD. MOST OF
 THE ACTIVITY IS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 30 NM WEST OF BAN ME THUOT,
 0.5 TO 4 NM INSIDE CAMBODIA, AND CENTERED WITHIN UTM COORDINATES
 YU710920, YU810920, YU780670, AND YU700670. NEWLY IDENTIFIED
 ACTIVITY INCLUDES RECENT ROAD CONSTRUCTION WITH 3 ASSOCIATED
 VEHICULAR TURNAROUND AREAS, A POSSIBLE TRUCK PARK AND TRANSSHIPMENT
 AREA, SEVERAL PROBABLE STORAGE AREAS AND ENCAMPMENTS, A PROBABLE
 INSURGENT LIAISON/SUPPORT AREA WITH ASSOCIATED SECURITY FACILITIES,
 AND EXTENSIVE INSURGENT-TYPE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION AREAS (ROW
 CROPS). THE AREA IS SERVED BY A MOTORABLE ROAD CONSTRUCTED BETWEEN
 FEBRUARY AND MAY 1966. PROBABLE INSURGENT ACTIVITY, INCLUDING
 ENCAMPMENTS AND STORAGE AND SUPPORT FACILITIES, WAS FIRST DETECTED
 IN AUGUST 1966. BETWEEN AUGUST 1966 AND DECEMBER 1967, THE LEVEL
 OF ACTIVITY REMAINED SOMEWHAT THE SAME. THE MOST SIGNIFICANT CHANGE
 OCCURRED [Redacted] WHEN NEW ROAD CONSTRU-
 TION EXTENDED THE PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED UNNUMBERED ROAD EAST TO WITH-
 IN 2.5 NM OF THE SVN BORDER. HEAVILY USED TRAILS CONNECT THIS NEW
 ROAD SEGMENT TO ROUTES 6B AND 14 IN SVN -- SUGGESTING THE PROBABLE
 MOVEMENT OF SUPPLIES ACROSS THE BORDER FROM CAMBODIA INTO A RICE
 DEFICIENT AREA OF SOUTH VIETNAM ADJACENT AND WEST OF BAN ME THUOT.
 A TOTAL OF 11 PROBABLE AND POSSIBLE INSURGENT FACILITIES HAVE BEEN
 DETECTED. THE UTM COORDINATES AND COMPOSITION OF EACH ARE LISTED
 IN ITEMS 2 THROUGH 6

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ZZZ02:ROAD CONST BASE AREA 740 SGM:UNK CTY:CB 123200N1073100E
 THE EASTERN TERMINUS OF AN UNNUMBERED ROAD PRESENTLY SERVING BASE
 AREA 740 FROM CAMBODIA ROUTE 141 HAS BEEN EXTENDED AN ADDITIONAL
 1.6 NM EAST FROM UTM COORDINATES YU733877 TO WITHIN 2.5 NM OF THE
 SVN BORDER WHERE IT FORMS A VEHICULAR TURNAROUND AT UTM YU760883.

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HEAVILY USED TRAILS INTERCONNECT THIS ROAD SEGMENT WITH SEVERAL ENCAMPMENTS AND STORAGE AREAS. SEVERAL HEAVILY USED TRAILS CONTINUE EAST THEN SOUTH WHERE THEY CROSS INTO SVN. ADDITIONAL ROAD SEGMENTS HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED FROM YU732877 SOUTH TO A VEHICULAR TURN-ROUND AT YU719866 AND FROM YU736877 SOUTH TO ANOTHER TURNAROUND AT YU732872.

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ZZZ03:PROB INSUR ACT BASE AREA 740 SGM:UNK CTY:CB 123300N1072900E PROBABLE INSURGENT ACTIVITY INCLUDING ENCAMPMENTS AND LIAISON/SUPPORT AREAS HAVE BEEN DETECTED AT THE FOLLOWING UTM COORDINATES --ENCAMPMENT WITH AT LEAST 5 BUILDINGS DISCERNIBLE AT YU786939, ENCAMPMENT WITH AT LEAST 3 BUILDINGS DISCERNIBLE AT YU785906, ENCAMPMENT WITH AT LEAST 4 BUILDINGS DISCERNIBLE AT YU725837, ENCAMPMENT WITH AT LEAST 2 BUILDINGS DISCERNIBLE AT YU727863, ENCAMPMENT WITH AT LEAST 4 BUILDINGS DISCERNIBLE AT YU746826. LIAISON SUPPORT AREAS LOCATED WITHIN ABANDONED OR PARTIALLY ABANDONED PROBABLE BU PRANG NATIVE VILLAGE ARE OBSERVED AT THE FOLLOWING COORDINATES -- AT LEAST 2 BUILDINGS DISCERNIBLE AT YU768781, AT LEAST 4 BUILDINGS AND 5 SHED-TYPE DWELLINGS DISCERNIBLE AT YU766736, AT LEAST 2 BUILDINGS DISCERNIBLE AT YU758733, AT LEAST 15 BUILDINGS (3 WITHIN A FENCED AREA CONTAINING ROW CROPS) AND 12 SHED-TYPE DWELLINGS ARE DISCERNIBLE AT YU740738.

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ZZZ04:PROB STOR AREAS BASE AREA 740 SGM:UNK CTY:CB 123300N1072900E PROBABLE STORAGE AREAS ARE LOCATED AS FOLLOWS -- AT LEAST 5 BUILDINGS AND 2 SHED-TYPE DWELLINGS ADJACENT TO EXTENSIVE PLOTS OF ROW CROP AGRICULTURE AT YU749863, AT LEAST 4 BUILDINGS DISCERNIBLE AT YU763882, AND AT LEAST 10 SHED-TYPE DWELLINGS DISCERNIBLE AT YU759691.

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ZZZ05:PROB INSUR AGRICUL PROD AREAS SGM UNK CTY CB 123200N1073000E EXTENSIVE PLOTS OF INSURGENT AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION (ROW CROPS) HAVE BEEN DETECTED AT YU789912, YU754898, YU772875, YU774874, YU784816, YU787824 AND YU778828. MOST OF THIS ACTIVITY IS GENERALLY CENTERED AROUND A SMALL STREAM OR RIVER.

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ZZZ06:BORDER CROSS PTS BASE AR 740 SGM:UNK CTY:CB 123100N1073400E HEAVILY USED TRAILS INTERCONNECTED WITH THE PROBABLE INSURGENT SUPPORT AND INFILTRATION COMPLEX (BASE AREA 740) CROSS THE BORDER INTO SVN WHERE THEY JOIN SVN ROUTE 6B AND 14. THE BORDER CROSSING POINTS ARE LOCATED AT YU795859, YU782751, YU778739 AND YU777702.

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PART II. OTHER PHOTO INTERPRETATIONS - NONE

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