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VIETNAM: North Vietnamese forces in the Quang Tri area appear to be preparing for renewed activity against the provincial capital. [redacted]

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Subordinate combat units of the North Vietnamese 711th Division are making new moves toward the populated coastal regions south of Hue. [redacted]

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These new signs and recent movements of some of the enemy's major combat units point to an increase in fighting, although not on the scale of the action earlier this year. Many of the enemy's forces, especially in the northern sector, have been hard hit during the last six months of fighting. Furthermore, increasing rains and allied operations will hamper their preparations, and the current lull in military action has given government forces time to regroup and strengthen their positions. [redacted]

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