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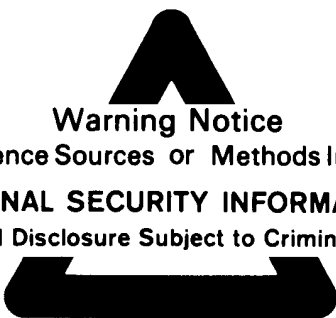
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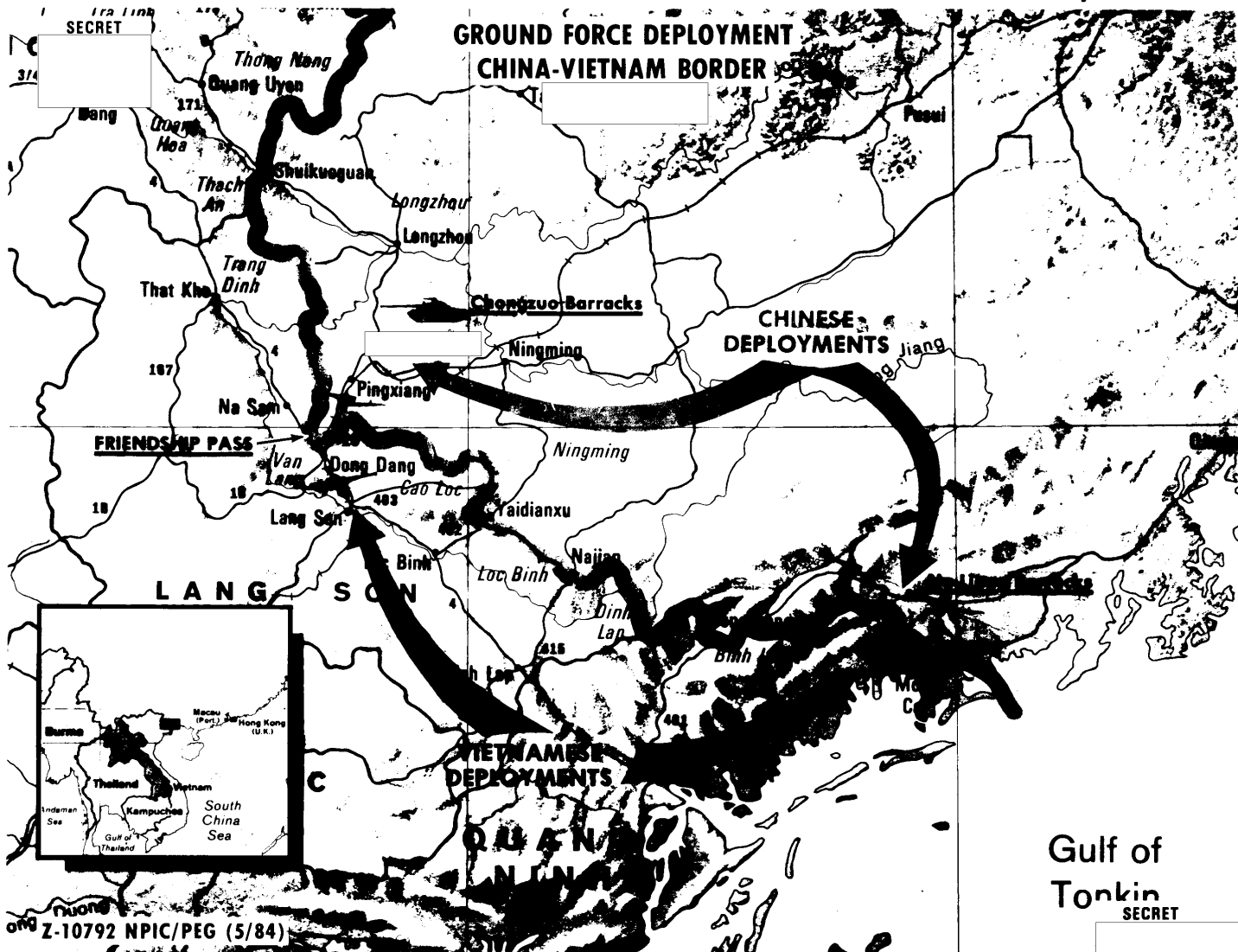
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GROUND FORCE DEPLOYMENT
CHINA-VIETNAM BORDER

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: VIETNAMESE AND CHINESE GROUND FORCES DEPLOY NEAR
THE CHINA-VIETNAM BORDER. (SWN)2. REMARKS: IN CHINA --

A FOUR-GUN CHINESE ARTILLERY (ARTY) BATTERY (BTRY) IS DEPLOYED BESIDE THE ROAD AT 21-43-30N 107-47-45E APPROXIMATELY 4 NM NORTH OF THE CHINA-VIETNAM BORDER, AND 6 NM NORTHWEST OF NI-LIANG. THREE SMALL BIVOUACS OF AT LEAST 14 TENTS ARE IN THE AREA, AND 14 TRUCKS ARE NEAR THE BIVOUACS. A SOUTH BOUND CONVOY OF 11 TRUCKS IS ON THE ROAD AT 21-44-15N 107-46-40E NEXT TO ONE OF THE BIVOUACS. TWENTY-SEVEN OTHER TRUCKS ARE PARKED NEXT TO SEVERAL BUILDINGS APPROXIMATELY 3 NM NORTH-NORTHEAST OF THE ARTY BTRY. (SWN)

AT NI-LIANG ARMY BARRACKS EAST [REDACTED] AT LEAST FOUR FIELD ARTILLERY (FA) PIECES ARE LOADED UP TO PRIME MOVERS AND ARE PROBABLY PREPARING TO DEPART. A CONVOY OF FIVE TRUCKS IS DEPARTING A VEHICLE PARKING AREA NEAR THE FA PIECES. NI-LIANG IS APPROXIMATELY 5 NM NORTHEAST OF THE CHINA-VIETNAM BORDER.

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[REDACTED] ELEMENTS OF THE TANK BATTALION HOUSED AT CHONGGUO ARMY BARRACKS SOUTHWEST AL 3 [REDACTED] HAD DEPARTED GARRISON. CHONGGUO IS APPROXIMATELY 40 NM NORTHEAST OF THE CHINA-VIETNAM BORDER NEAR LANG SON. (SWN)

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TWO DEPLOYED ARTY BTRY HAVE REMAINED IN THE VICINITY OF 22-03-40N 106-44-30E JUST SOUTH OF PINGXIANG RAILROAD TRANSLOADING YARD STATION AND SHOPS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NINETEEN TRUCKS HAVE REMAINED IN THE RAILYARD SINCE THAT DATE. PINGXIANG IS AT THE NORTH END OF FRIENDSHIP PASS AND IS APPROXIMATELY 6 NM NORTH OF THE CHINA-VIETNAM BORDER. (SWN)

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IN VIETNAM --

AT LEAST THREE OCCUPIED VIETNAMESE THREE-POSITION FA SITES, THREE TANKS, AND ONE ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY SITE (AAA) ARE DEPLOYED ALONG THE CHINA-VIETNAM BORDER BETWEEN 21-33N 107-55E AND 21-35N 107-51E. THESE FORCES ARE APPROXIMATELY 2 NM SOUTH OF THE BORDER AND APPROXIMATELY 6 NM NORTHWEST OF DONGXING/MONG CAI, AND ARE IMMEDIATELY OPPOSITE CHINESE ARTILLERY DEPLOYMENTS. OTHER DEPLOYMENTS RECENTLY OBSERVED INCLUDED AT LEAST FIVE VIETNAMESE FA AND TWO AAA SITES NEAR FRIENDSHIP PASS. THE SITES WERE SEEN ON 20 APRIL IN AN AREA NORTHWEST OF LANG SON BETWEEN 21-56N 106-43E AND 21-52N 106-45E. FRIENDSHIP PASS IS APPROXIMATELY 65 NM WEST OF DONGXING/MONG CAI. (SWN)

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