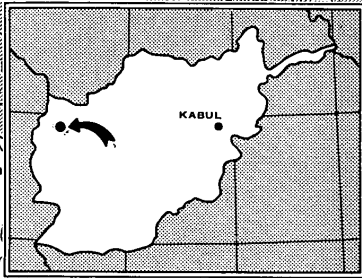


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- ARTILLERY FIRE SUPPORT BASE
- ▲ MRL FIRE SUPPORT BASE
- ★ COMMAND POST
- ⊙ FORWARD COMMAND POST
- ▨ COMBAT UNITS

ELEMENTS OF
TWO TANK COMPANIES
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	APPROVAL	DISPATCH	RECOMMENDATION
	COMMENT	FILE	RETURN
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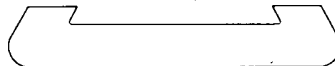


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SOVIET/AFGHAN SWEEP OPERATION
HERAT, AFGHANISTAN (SWN)

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: A MAJOR SOVIET/AFGHAN SWEEP OPERATION AT HERAT WAS OBSERVED [Redacted] (SWN)

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2. REMARKS: ELEMENTS OF TWO MOTORIZED RIFLE (MR) REGIMENTS AND ONE TANK REGIMENT HAD CORDONED OFF THREE SIDES OF HERAT. ELEMENTS OF TWO MOTORIZED RIFLE COMPANIES AND TWO TANK COMPANIES WERE DEPLOYED ONLINE ON THE NORTHWEST EDGE OF THE CITY. AN EQUIVALENT FORCE WAS MANEUVERING TOWARD HERAT FROM THE SOUTHWEST AND ELEMENTS OF AN ADDITIONAL MOTORIZED RIFLE COMPANY AND TANK COMPANY WERE ADVANCING ON THE CITY FROM THE SOUTHEAST. ONE FORWARD COMMAND POST WAS DEPLOYED WITH THE FORCE TO THE NORTHWEST. IN ADDITION, AT LEAST SIX TANKS AND EIGHT ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS HAD SET UP ROADBLOCKS AT KEY INTERSECTIONS INSIDE HERAT AND A POSSIBLE AFGHAN TRUCK CONVOY WAS PARKED IN THE CENTER OF TOWN. (SWN)

ONE PROBABLE SOVIET ARTILLERY BATTALION AND TWO AFGHAN ARTILLERY BATTERIES WERE DEPLOYED IN TWO ARTILLERY FIRE SUPPORT BASES ON THE NORTH EDGE OF HERAT. AN ADDITIONAL AFGHAN ARTILLERY BATTERY WAS IN A FIRE SUPPORT BASE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF HERAT. EXTENSIVE NEW CRATERING ON THE SOUTHWEST EDGE OF THE CITY INDICATES HEAVY ARTILLERY SHELLING HAS OCCURRED IN THAT AREA. (SWN)

THE INITIAL EVIDENCE OF THIS OPERATION WAS OBSERVED [Redacted] WHEN ONE BM-27 EQUIPPED MULTIPLE ROCKET LAUNCHER (MRL) BATTERY, ONE MOTORIZED RIFLE COMPANY, AND ONE PROBABLE COMMAND POST WERE DEPLOYED WEST OF HERAT AIRFIELD [Redacted] THE MULTIPLE ROCKET LAUNCHERS WERE IN FIRING POSITION FACING HERAT. (SWN)

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3. BE NONE, COORDINATES 34-20-20N 069-12-00E (S)

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