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SUBJECT COMMENTS [REDACTED] ON DEVELOPMENTS IN THE XIENG KHOUANG TOWN AREA AND ON SOUVANNA PHOUMA DATE DISTR. 8 APRIL 1963

DATE OF INFO. 7 APRIL 1963 PRECEDENCE PRIORITY

PLACE & DATE ACQ. LAOS, VIENTIANE (8 APRIL 1963) REFERENCES IN 13214

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1. [REDACTED] OUTLINED DEVELOPMENTS IN THE XIENG KHOUANG TOWN AREA AS FOLLOWS:

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- A. 5 APRIL - THE PATHET LAO (PL) BEGAN ATTACKING KONG LE (KL) TROOPS IN XIENG KHOUANG TOWN.
- B. 6 APRIL - THE PL CAPTURED THE TOWN AREA.
- C. 7 APRIL - THE PL CONTINUED THE ATTACK AGAINST KL POSITIONS OUTSIDE THE TOWN. ( [REDACTED] COMMENT: A MEO AUTO DEFENSE DE CHOC UNIT IN THE AREA REPORTED HEARING HEAVY SHELLING FROM THE DIRECTION OF XIENG KHOUANG TOWN ON 5 APRIL.

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THE UNIT HAS NOT REPORTED SHELLING SINCE THAT TIME. A KONG LE POLICE OFFICER SAID ON 5 APRIL THAT PL TROOPS HAD JUST MOVED MANY TROOPS SOUTH FROM UG 2838 TO BLOCK ROUTE 4 AGAINST KL TROOPS COMING FROM THA THOM (UG 5300).)

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2. [REDACTED] THE KL FORCES WOULD

LOSE THEIR POSITIONS IN THE PLAINE DES JARRES TO THE PL ON 8 APRIL UNLESS THE LAO ARMED FORCES (FAR) SENT TROOPS TO HELP THE KL UNITS. HE SAID THAT AS OF THE EARLY EVENING OF 7 APRIL SOUVANNA PHOUMA HAD NOT REQUESTED THE FAR TO SEND TROOPS BECAUSE SOUVANNA NOT ONLY FEARED BEING BLAMED, BUT ALSO FEARED HE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO RETAIN CONTROL OF THE SITUATION AND OF THE COALITION GOVERNMENT.

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4. [REDACTED] DISSEM STATE ARMY USAID CINCPAC PACFLT ARPAC PACAF.

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