*******C D N F I D E N T I A L****** COPY

#4383 3490622 Z 150619Z DEC 73 ZYH ZFF-1 ZFF-4 FM THE SITUATION ROOM TOHAK 087			25 X 1
TO USDEL RIYADH			
	1414-74-00		- 25X1

WH37602

TOHAK 087

CONFIDENTIAL

DELIVER IMMEDIATELY TO LARRY EAGLEBURGER FOR THE SECRETARY

NMCC REPORTS THAT A JOINT CASUALTY RESOLUTION CENTER TEAM WAS AMBUSHED ON LANDING AT A SEARCH SITE 10 MILES SOUTHWEST OF SAIGON. INITIAL REPORTS INDICATED THAT ONE OF THE THREE HELICOPTERS CARRYING THE TEAM WAS HIT BY B-40 AND MACHINE GUN FIRE UPON LANDING. THE OTHER TWO HELICOPTERS DID NOT LAND AND WERE NOT HIT. VNAF GUNSHIPS CLEARED THE AREA AND THE RESCUE IS COMPLETE. ONE U.S. ARMY MEMBER WAS KILLED AND FOUR WERE WOUNDED. ONE VNAF MEMBER WAS KILLED AND THREE WERE WOUNDED. ALL HAVE BEEN EVACUATED.

JCS review completed.

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

SCOWCROFT, MCFARLANE

PSN:009576 PAGE 01 DF 01 TDR:349/06:28Z DTG:150619Z DEC 73