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In November/December 1967, at the request of the Central Vietnam Staff the QUANG DA/DANG Special Zone was established to take charge of all military political activities in the zone. Fully developed by January 1968 the Zone consisted of 11 districts. The following units were available in the QUANG DA/DANG Zone for the general offensive. Sapper Battalions T87 and T89, Rocket Regiments 575 and 577, Provincial Mobile Battalions R20 and R25, NVA Regiment 31, a Special Mobile Company inside DANANG City and the City Combined Operational Section.

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1. The QUANG DA-DANANG Special Zone was established during November and December 1967 to take charge of all military/political activities within the zone at the request of the Central Vietnam (TRUONG BO) Staff, an organization which ranks over VIET CONG (VC) Military Region V. Its creation was a response to the large and modern character of the Government of Vietnam and Allied forces in the area, including the large installations in DANANG Municipality. Considered fully developed by January 1968, the Special Zone is composed of 11 Districts: VC HOA VANG, DIEN BAN, DAI UC, DUY XUYEN, TAY GIANG, BAC GIANG, NAM GIANG, HOI and Districts 1, 2 and 3. District 1 runs from the HUE conjunction to THUY TU, District 2 falls within DANANG Municipality, and District 3 comprises the DONG GIANG area of NHON NUOC. TAY GIANG, BAC GIANG and NAM GIANG are newly created districts which the VC established in the mountainous areas and are bounded by the THUONG DUC River. Of the 11 districts, District 2 is considered as the most critical. The VC cadres of District 2 will compose the DANANG Administrative Committee if the VC succeed in their offensive.
2. The Special Zone has both a headquarters base command staff and a mobile staff. The mobile staff is composed of about 20 officers who have one 15-watt radio, and who operate in DUY XUYEN, DAI LOC, and GO NOI areas. The command level, located at QUE SON Mountain, DUY XUYEN, is staffed by the following personnel.
 - A. HO PHUOC, political officer of field grade rank, also a committee member of Military Region 5.
 - B. Colonel VO THU, aka NGOC, Chief of the Special Zone.
 - C. Senior Colonel HOE, Assistant Chief.
 - D. Major DUC, Chief of Staff.
 - E. Major HOAN, Chief of the Staff Section.
 - F. Lieutenant Colonel DU, Chief of the Political Section.
 - G. Chief of the Rear Service Section (name unknown).

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4. The following VC units are in the QUANG BA/DANANG zone and are available for use in the general offensive.
- A. Sapper Battalion T87, Composed of approximately 350 people and located north of DANANG in the NAM O area.
 - B. Sapper Battalion T89, composed of about 350 people and located in HAO THO and HOA THAI Villages near DANANG City.
 - C. Two rocket regiments (575 and 577) whose total strength is approximately 2,400 men. Both units are located west of DANANG City at approximately AT 810760.
 - D. Provincial Mobile Battalion R20 composed of approximately 500 people. It is located south of DANANG and is operating in GO NOI, DUY XUYEN, and DAI LOC Districts.
 - E. Provincial Mobile Battalion R25, composed of about 500 troops. Located south of DANANG, it is operating in HOI AN and DUY XUYEN Districts.
 - F. North Vietnamese Army (NVA) Regiment 31 which infiltrated from North Vietnam during January 1968 is located at AN HOA Village area, DUY XUYEN Districts.
 - G. One Special Mobile Company located inside DANANG City for the General offensive, led by Company Commander HIEN, and Assistant Commander THAN who is also a DANANG City Security Committee Member. The strength of this company is approximately 40 people, most being between the ages of 16 and 17. Their mission is to destroy gas tanks, power stations, and to occupy the DANANG weapons depot during the offensive. In addition, they are to discover enemy intelligence personnel and their employees and to either assassinate or kidnap them. The unit is armed with pistols (with silencers) submachine guns, and TNT.
 - H. The DANANG City "Combined Operational Section." This unit is charged with the mission of proselyting both GVN military personnel and all classes of civilian personnel within the DANANG City area.

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