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(FIRST OF SEVERAL TAKES--FOREIGN MINISTRY STATEMENT)

(TEXT) HANOI VNA NOVEMBER 26--THE SPOKESMAN OF THE DRVN FOREIGN
MINISTRY TODAY ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

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AT 1030 HRS ON NOVEMBER 25, 1968, U.S. AIRCRAFT VIOLATED THE
AIRSPACE OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM OVER NGHE AN PROVINCE.
THE ARMED FORCES AND PEOPLE IN NGHE AN SHOT DOWN AN A3J (A3J),
AND CAPTURED ITS PILOT. THE U.S. FIRED ROCKETS ON THE AREA WHERE
ITS PLANE WAS DOWNED. THE SAME DAY, AT 12.30, U.S. AIRCRAFT BOMBED
AND STRAFED AN AREA IN QUANG BINH PROVINCE. THE LOCAL ARMED FORCES
AND PEOPLE BROUGHT DOWN AN F4C (F4C), AND CAPTURED ITS PILOTS.
AT 8 AND 11:15 A.M. OF NOVEMBER 26, 1968, THE U.S. AGAIN SENT 7
(SEVEN) AIR-CRAFT TO TWICE BOMB AND STRAFE THE ABOVE- SAID AREA IN
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