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INTEGRATED DIPLOMATIC AND MILITARY SCENARIO

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Time	Action	Agency
D-30	Establish for the record in a low-key way the history of Hanoi's intransigence in Paris and violation of the "understandings;" this will be accomplished by appropriate statements and backgrinders.	State, White House
D-30	Alert military commanders in the field that operations will be carried out as planned; order them to begin necessary preparations.	Defense
D-6-1/2 to D-2	Most distant CVA departs port for Tonkin Gulf (timed to appear as normal movement).	Defense
D-3	Issue alert order to Commander SEVENTH Fleet to prepare to execute mining plans and to Commander SEVENTH Air Force to prepare to execute air strikes.	Defense
D-2	Issue execute order to Commander SEVENTH Fleet and Commander SEVENTH Air Force.	Defense
H-9	All surface forces in launch position for mining operation in Tonkin Gulf. All air forces at ready status for air strikes.	Defense
H-4	Final go - no go.	White House

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H-2	Increase readiness posture for SAC and SIOP forces world-wide.	Defense
H-1	Launch air strikes against NVN targets from bases in Thailand and SVN.	Defense
H-1	Launch mine operation aircraft from carriers to Tonkin Gulf.	Defense
H-1	Inform GVN.	State: Embassy Saigon
H-1	Inform TCC's (including GVN).	State: Meeting of Ambassadors in Washington with Secretary
H-1	Inform UK Prime Minister	State: Ambassador in London
H-1	Inform Japanese Ambassador in Washington and Prime Minister in Tokyo.	State: DepAsst Secretary for East Asian Affairs; Ambassador in Tokyo
H-1	Inform NATO allies.	State: Meeting of Ambassadors in Washington with Hillenbrand
H-1	Inform OAS.	State: OAS Rep
H-1	Inform Laotians.	State: Asst Secretary for East Asian Affairs

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H-1	Inform Ambassadors of countries with ships in or en route to Haiphong, Hon Gai, Cam Pha.	State: Country Directors
H-1	Inform USSR.	White House to Dobrynin
H-1	Inform Cambodia.	White House to Cambodian Charge' and American Charge' to Sihanouk
H-1	Inform Congressional Leadership (call meeting at H-2).	White House
H-1	Alert TV networks.	White House
H-1	Press backgrounder (locked door until 'H').	White House
H-1/2	Inform USSR.	White House: Molink Message
H	Naval aircraft mine all NVN deep-water ports; aircraft strikes at selected NVN targets.	Defense
H	COMUSMACV increases readiness posture.	Defense
H	Speech by President.	White House
H	UN -- Request UNSC meeting.	State: USUN

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H	Summon special meeting of Paris talks.	State: Embassy Paris/ US Delegation
H+2	UNSC meeting.	State: USUN
H+5	OAS meeting.	State: OAS Representative
H+5	Inform other governments.	State: Diplomatic Posts
H+12	SEATO meeting.	State: Embassy Bangkok
D-Day	Commence intensified world-wide diplomatic and informational campaign to gain under standing of our actions.	State, White House
D-Day	Be prepared to contend with NVN escalatory actions in SVN and Laos.	Defense
D+1	Initiate follow-up air strikes .	Defense
D+2	Lay destructor weapons.	Defense
D+3	Minefields activated. Continue combat operations as directed.	Defense