From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF (G-3)  
Via: Commanding Officer, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein) (S-3)  

Subj: Command Chronology for period 010001H September to 302400H September 1969  

Ref: (a) HCO P5750.2  
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8A  
(c) DivO P5750.2C  

Encl: (1) First Force Reconnaissance Company Command Chronology  

1. Enclosure (1) is submitted in accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b) and (c).  

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

010001H September 1962 to 302400H September 1962

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ENCLOSURE (1)
PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

1st Force Reconnaissance Company

ATTACHED UNITS

- 1st Plt, Co "A", 5th Recon Bn, FMF (22-30 Sep)
- 2nd Plt, Co "A", 5th Recon Bn, FMF (1-21 Sep)
- 3rd Plt, Co "A", 5th Recon Bn, FMF (1-30 Sep)

2. LOCATION

1-30 September: Da Nang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

- Executive Officer: Capt R. D. WILLIAMS (1-16 Sep)
- S-2: Capt S. L. OWENS (17-30 Sep)
- S-3: 2ndLt R. L. JONES (22-30 Sep)
- Supply Officer: Capt G. R. WILSON (1-22 Sep)
- Communications Officer: 2ndLt R. L. JONES (23-30 Sep)
- Motor Transport Officer: Capt R. D. WILLIAMS (1-16 Sep)
- Motor Transport Officer: Capt S. L. OWENS (17-30 Sep)

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 1st Force Reconnaissance Company conducted long range patrolling in the 1st Marine Division TAOR during the month of September 1969. The results of these operations are documented in part IV of the Chronology.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

01 September69 During the month of September the Company continued to support the 1st Marine Division in long range reconnaissance operations.

21 September69 2nd Platoon Company "A", 5th Reconnaissance Battalion, FMF was detached from 1st Force Reconnaissance Company.

22 September69 1st Platoon Company "A", 5th Reconnaissance Battalion, FMF was attached to 1st Force Reconnaissance Company. (Ref: 1st Reconnaissance Battalion Command Chronology for period 010001H September to 302400H September 1969).

30 September69 5th Platoon secured a helicopter landing zone at coordinates AT949345 and provided initial terminal guidance for Company "K" 3rd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment and Battery "H" 3rd Battalion, 11th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division.

PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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c. SITREPS: 24H-69 through 273-69.
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(b) 1stRECONBn P3000,4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragO #262-69

Unit/Call Sign 3rd Platoon/MINK COAT

1. Situation (a) See current INTSUM’S
(b) See current OPS/PIR’S (S-2/S-3)
(c) See Area Study
(d) Attachments, NONE

   Monitor and report enemy traffic on trails running through these areas.

3. Execution (a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through
   (e) to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HLZ 169 at 290800H, insert
   in the operating area at vic TBA and extract at 020900H vic TBA.

   (b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will
   conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot
   of the insert helicopter on D-1. Primary and alternate insert and
   extract zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics Reference (b) and verbal.
   a. Special Equipment
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Camera
      (3) M-49 Scope
      (4) Binocular 7x50

5. Comm/Electronics: Primary Freq: 33.30 Alternate: 72.95
   Artillery: PAGE AVENUE 65.2
   Radio Relay: CHERRY JAM "A"

G. R. WILLSON
By direction
OPERATION ORDER: # 262-69

PATROL: MINK COAT

EQUIPMENT: 5-SGT. R. BOLAND

MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 1703L SHEET 13 65L0 II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO.

DA NANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

2 SEPTEMBER 1969

1ST FORCE RECON CO

S & C NO 462-69

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PATROL

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PROPS, 1 7x50'S, 1M-49 SCOPE
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-16 M-79 OVERUNDER, 2 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH OBSERVATION OVER AREA ZC2031 AND ZC2131.
   MONITOR AND REPORT ENEMY TRAFFIC ON TRAILS RUNNING THROUGH THESE AREAS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 29307H/021815H SEPTEMBER 1969

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 91 HOURS WITH 3 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 34 NVA, AND NO CONTACTS. THE INSERT ZONE WAS PREPARED BY COEVA HELICOPTERS. NO OTHER SUPPORTING ARMS WERE USED. THE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. ENEMY:
      011730H VIC ZC206315; SIGHTED 6 NVA MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL, MOVING VERY QUICKLY. WEARING COOLIE HATS AND PONCHOS, 1 RPD LIGHT MACHINE GUN, 4 AK-47'S AND 3 UNKNOWN RIFLES.
      011806H VIC ZC206315 SIGHTED 7 NVA MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL, MOVING VERY QUICKLY. WEARING BLACK PJ'S WITH HEAVY PACKS. COULD NOT DETERMINE IF THEY HAD WEAPONS, DUE TO POOR VISIBILITY.
      020725H VIC ZC207311 SIGHTED 19 NVA MOVING WEST ON TRAIL WEARING DARK CLOTHING SIMILAR TO PONCHO. (VISIBILITY BAD. RAIN) ONE MAN WEARING KHAKIES WITH BLUE RAINCOAT. COULD NOT OBSERVE IF THEY HAD WEAPONS. IT APPEARED THAT THEY HAD PACKS AND WEAPONS.

   b. VILLAGE CP PHOC HOI (1) VIC ZC2031. PATROL OBSERVED NORMAL MOVEMENT OF VILLAGERS DURING TIME PATROL WAS OBSERVING. FROM 010630H TO 021700H. DURING TIMES NVA MOVED THRU THE VILLAGE, VILLAGERS PAID LITTLE OR NO ATTENTION TO THEM. ONE VILLAGER (MAN) WAS A POSSIBLE SECURITY MAN FOR NVA MOVING THRU THE VILLAGE AND THE OPEN AREA AROUND IT. HE WAS SEEN LEADING HIS WATER BUFFALO WITH A ROPE BEFORE THE FIRST SIGHTING AND AFTER THE THIRD SIGHTING. THESE WERE THE ONLY 2 TIMES HE WAS SEEN.

   c. VIC ZC208307 AN OLD NVA HARBOR SITE. NVA FISH CANS AND RICE BAGS. NO BUNKERS. HOLES UNDER LARGE ROCKS FOR COVER. ROCKS WERE 15 TO 20 FEET HIGH. CAVE LIKE COVER UNDER ROCKS WITHOUT DIGGING.

   d. TERRAIN WAS VERY STEEP WITH A CANOPY OF 40 FEET IN SOME PLACES. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 6-8 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF ELEPHANT GRASS, BAMBOO, AND FIELDS. MOVEMENT AVERAGED 4 TO 5 MILES PER HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. WATER WAS SCARCE. CONCEALMENT WAS EXCELLENT. COVER OTHER THAN THE THICKNESS OF THE BRUSH WAS POOR. BOTH SIGHTABILITY AND THE IMMEDIATE IMPAIRED MOVEMENT OF THE PATROL WERE NECESSARY TO CRAWL UNDER THE BRUSH.

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MUCH OF THE TIME.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. INSERT LZ: ZC209310, MULTI CH-46. TO OPEN, CAN BE OBSERVED BY VILLA.
   b. EXTRACT LZ: ZD207307, 1xCH-46, FAIR TAILGATE ZONE.
   c. TRAILS: 2 FT WIDE, 1 TO 2 FEET DEEP. LAST USED WITHIN A MONTH.
   d. OP'S: ZC20936 FAIR Z.
   e. COND: VERY GOOD.
   f. OBSTACLES: NONE
   g. MIS: ALL SIGHTING WERE MADE DURING RAIN AND LOW CLOUD COVER.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: TIRED; DUE TO TERRAIN.

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NO ENEMY ACTIVITY ON HIGH GROUND.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED VERY NEAR THE VILLAGE. THIS COULD HAVE CURTAILED ENEMY MOVEMENT IN THE VICINITY. THE ONLY SIGHTINGS WERE MADE DURING RAIN AND LOW CLOUD COVER. OTHER PATROL MEMBERS HAVE STATED AS THIS ONE DID THAT A AO USUALLY FLIES OVER THIS VALLEY DURING THE DAY.

13a. PATROL MEMBERS:

   SSGT. GRIFFITH 1801103
   PFC GAUTHIER 21441813
   PFC DUNLAPP 25130999
   PFC HUGGINS 21241401
   PFC LESSARD 21430174
   PFC STEVENS 22821269
   PFC BERGOLSEN 2137795

DISTRIBUTION:
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(b) lstReconBu P3000.4
(c) lstMarDiv0 P3800.1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
(d) lstMarDiv0 P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragO #263-69

Unit/Call Sign 5th Platoon/SAIL FISH

1. Situation
   (a) See current INTSUM's
   (b) See current OPSUM's and PIR's (S-2/S-3)
   (c) See Area Study
   (d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission
   Monitor traffic on high speed trail vic AT948380. Be prepared to capture a prisoner.

3. Execution
   (a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through (c) to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HLZ 169 at 290800H, insert vic TBA and extract at 020900H vic TBA.
   (b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot of the insert helicopter on D-1. Primary and alternate insert and extract zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics
   Reference (b) and verbal.
   a. Special Equipment
      (1) Camera
      (2) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (3) Binocular 7x50

5. Comm/Electronics
   Primary Freq: 33.30 Alternate: 72.95
   Artillery: PAGE AVENUE 65.2
   Radio Relay: CHERRY JAM "AA"

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OPPERATION ORDER: #263-69
PATROL: SAILFISH (F-51)
DEBRIEFER: CPL R. W. COOPER
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7011
SHEET 66/40 III

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT
   a. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 6 ENL. 1 USN.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25s, 1 G30.
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-14, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: MONITOR TRAFFIC ON HIGH SPEED TRAIL VIC AT93880. BE
   PREPARED TO CAPTURE A PRISONER.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 291145H/021735H

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 102 HOURS WITH NO SIGHTINGS OR
   CONTACTS. NO SUPPORTING ARMS WERE USED. INSERT HLZ WAS PREPARED BY
   1 FLIGHT OF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT. 1 F-4 PHANTOM WAS DOWNE DURING THE
   ZONE PREPARATION.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. ENEMY: 291115H VIC AT932108 PATROL OBSERVED FIXED WING AIRCRAFT
      (F-4) CRASH PRIOR TO THE PATROL'S INSERTION. AFTER THE INSERTION PATROL
      SEARCHED VICINITY AND FOUND NUMEROUS SMALL PIECES OF METAL, 9 PIECES OF PAPER
      3 ELECTRONIC FUSES AND 2 ITEMS OF METAL WITH OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES ON
      THEM. THERE WAS NO TRACE OF THE PILOTS OR ANY OF THEIR GEAR. THE
      LARGEST PIECE OF METAL FOUND WAS 3' X 2' LARGE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. INSERT LZ: AT932697 MULTICH-46, RICE PADDY
   b. EXTRACT LZ: AT913564 1XCH-46
   c. FAIR, GRASSY
   d. OP'S: N/A
   e. COMM: FAIR W/ALPHA
   f. OBSTACLES: BOMB CRATERS
   g. MISC: N/A
   c. NOT WELL USED RECENTLY

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADER DOES NOT FEEL THAT
    THE ENEMY ARE IN THE AREA OF THE PATROL ROUTE.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

2ndLT ROLLINGS  0107099  93
SCT MOORMAN    1394159  41
LCPL MACRI      2178613
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AIRCRAFT CRASH
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Ref (a) Map, VIETNAM, Sheet 6640 III
(b) lstReconBu P3000.4
(c) lstMarDiv P3800.1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
(d) lstMarDiv P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFrag #265-69

Unit/Call Sign 7th Platoon/YOUTH

1. Situation
(a) See current INTSUM's
(b) See current OPSUM's and FIR's
(c) See Area Study
(d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission
Establish observation over trail network from AT900363 to AT885359 and south to AT886350. Monitor and report enemy traffic and frequency of trail usage.

3. Execution
(a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through (e) to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HZ 69 at 010800H, insert in the operating area at vic TBA and extract at Q40900H vic TBA.

(b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will obtain a thorough briefing on HZ's in operating area from S-2 on D-1. Primary and alternate insert and extract zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics
Reference (b) and verbal.

   a. Special Equipment
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Binocular 7X50
      (3) M-49 scope

5. Comm/Electronics:
   Primary Freq: 33.30 Alternate: 72.95
   Artillery: VITAL STEW 34.5
   Radio Relay: CHERRY JAM "A"

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OPERATION ORDER: 265-69
PATROL: LUNCEAH
DEPTEFR: S-G'T. R. BÖLAND
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AND L7014
SHEET 26140 III

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 6 ENL. 1 USN.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS:
   c. COM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50'
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 H-79, 2 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH OBSERVATION OVER TRAIL NETWORK FROM
   AT500263 TO AT885359 AND SOUT TO AT865350. MONITOR AND REPORT
   mirror traffic and frequency of trail usage.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 311131H/050955 SEPTEMBER 1969

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 11.0 HOURS WITH 16 SIGHTINGS
   TOTALING 652 VC/NAV, AND ONE CONTACT WHICH OCCURRED WHEN THE EXTRACT
   HELO RECEIVED FIRE AND SUSTAINED ONE HIT. 2 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED
   AND RESULTED IN ONE HUT DESTROYED AND 2 DAMAGED. THE INSERT ZONE
   WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WIG AIRCRAFT. THE PATROL FLIP FLOPPED WITH
   SWIFT SCOUT. SIGHTED 1 CAUC.

6. OBSERVATION OF EMNELY AND TERRAIN:

   a. ENTRY: THE FIRST 82 VC/NAV SIGHTED WERE SIGHTED FROM AN OP
      VIG AT863837, AT A DISTANCE OF ABOUT 150 METERS. THE REMAINING VC/NAV
      WERE SIGHTED FROM OP VIG AT892139, A DISTANCE OF ABOUT 600 METERS FROM
      THE TRAIL, WHERE THEY WERE SIGHTED. 7x50 U.S. VC/NAV WERE MOVING
      FROM SOUTH AS TO NORTHWEST. 86 VC/NAV WERE MOVING FROM NORTHWEST
      TO SOUTH AS. 13 VC/NAV WERE SIGHTED MOVING IN OTHER DIRECTIONS.

   311514H VIC AT86355 SIGHTED 7 VC/NAV MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON
   TRAIL. WEARING GRAY UTILITIES, LARGE PACKS, RIFLES CARTRIDGE BELTS
   AND NVA PAN HELMETS. PACKS ABOUT THE SIZE OF A FULL WP BAG.

   31155OH VIC AT866355 SIGHTED 4 VC/NAV MOVING SW TO NE ON TRAIL.
   WEARING GRAY UTILITIES, NVA PAN HELMETS, LARGE PACKS, CARTRIDGE BELTS
   AND RIFLES.

   311639H TO 311739H VIC AT866355 SIGHTED 60 VC/NAV MOVING SW TO NE
   ON TRAIL. WEARING GRAY UTILITIES, BLACK PANTS, PACKS LARGE RIFLES,
   NVA PAN HELMETS. MOSTLY AK-47 RIFLES. SPANNED THROUGH THIS
   GROUP WAS APPROX 20 WOMEN AND 15 YOUNG BOYS ABOUT 15 YEARS OLD.

   311759H VIC AT866355 SIGHTED 31 VC/NAV MOVING SW TO NE. WEARING
   GRAY UTILITIES, NVA PAN HELMETS AND US TYPE HELMETS, RIFLES AND 15
   PACKS. ALL VC/NAV WITH PACKS HAD RIFLES. 1 VC/NAV LUG A RIFLE OUT
   OF THE BUSHES ABOUT 5 METERS OFF THE TRAIL. HE SEEN TO KNOW WHAT HE
   WAS LOOKING FOR. THIS GROUP FOLLOWS FRESHLY SUPPORTED PREVIOUS GROUPS.

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011500 VIO AT886355, 5 VC/NVA MOVING SW TO ME ON TRAIL. WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, BUSH HATS, NVA PITH HELMETS, 3 AK-47 RIFLES, AND 5 LARGE PACKS. VC/NVA APPEARED TO BE WELL DRESSED.

013500 VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 13 VC/NVA MOVING SW TO ME ON TRAIL. WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WORE BUSH HATS 1 NVA HELMET, 5 HAD LARGE PACKS 3 HAD AK-47 RIFLES. THE OTHERS HAD RIFLES. IT COULD NOT BE DETERMINED WHAT KIND.

020755H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NE TO SW ON TRAIL. WEARING GRAY AND GREEN UTILITIES, 14 HAD LARGE PACKS AND AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF RIFLES.

020800H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 21 VC/NVA MOVING NE TO SW ON TRAIL. WEARING GRAY AND GREEN UTILITIES, ALL WORE TONGUE AND HEAVY PACKS. WEAPONS MAY HAVE BEEN UNDER PACKS.

020800H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 15 VC/NVA MOVING NE TO SW, ALL WEARING LARGE PACKS AND PACKETS. (SIGHTED DURING HEAVY RAIN)

021000H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 23 VC/NVA MOVING SW TO ME ON TRAIL. WEARING GREEN UTILITIES LARGE PACKS 14 TO 16 HAD PACKS AND RIFLES.

IN THIS GROUP WAS APPROXIMATELY 6 WOMEN AND 6 CHILDREN. CHILDREN 11 TO 16 YEARS OLD. ALL CHILDREN CARRYING PACKS.

021300H VIO AT885357 PATROL NOTICED 3 GRASS HUTS ABOUT 100 METERS FROM TRAIL. (COULD NOT SEE, BEFORE BECAUSE OF FOG AND RAIN) 2 MEN 1 YOUNG BOY AND 2 WOMEN WERE AROUND THE HUTS IN A MALIGN VILLAGE ACTIVELY. (THERE PERSONNEL NOT COUNTERED IN TOTALS, OR AS SIGHTING.)

021300H VIO AT8901365, 1 VC/NVA MOVING ACROSS. RICE PADDY, WEARING BLACK BUNGS, CARRYING AN OBJECT THAT LOOKED LIKE A RIFLE.

021350H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 5 VC/NVA MOVING FROM SW TO NE, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 3 HAD BUSH COVERS, 5 LARGE PACKS AND 2 RIFLES. 1 VC/NVA APPEARED TO BE AT LEAST 6 FEET TALL.

021400H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 10 VC/NVA MOVING SW TO ME ON TRAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 1 NVA PITH HELMET, 8 BUSH COVERS, AND 9 RIFLES. 1 VC/NVA CARRYING A HEAVY PACK AND A BASKET ON HER HEAD.

021450H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 10 VC/NVA MOVING SW TO ME ON TRAIL. WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 5 BUSH COVERS, 10 LARGE PACKS AND 4 RIFLES.

021500V VIO AT886355 VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 14 VC/NVA MOVING FROM SW TO ME ON TRAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND PACKETS, 6 HAD RIFLES, 14 CARRIED LARGE PACKS, 1 CARRYING TRIPODS 1 MAN CARRYING 2 MORTAR TUBES. LOOKED LIKE 82 MM SHELLS.

021500H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 10 VC/NVA MOVING PACK SW TO ME ON TRAIL. WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 10 LARGE PACKS AND 7 RIFLES.

021550H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 30 VC/NVA MOVING SW TO NE ON TRAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND PACKETS, 17 HAD RIFLES, 30 HAD LARGE PACKS AND 30 WORE BUSH COVERS.

021615H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 11 VC/NVA MOVING SW TO ME, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND PACKETS, 1 HAD BUSH COVERS, 2 HAD RIFLES AND ALL CARRIED LARGE PACKS.

021630H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 15 VC/NVA MOVING FROM SW TO NE, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND PACKETS. 15 CARRIED PACKS 10 RIFLES AK-47's AND SKS, 1 VC/NVA CARRIED A SHIRT ON.

021700H VIO AT886355 SIGHTED 11 VC/NVA MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TRAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND PACKETS, 10 HAD LARGE PACKS 1 CARRIED A LIGHT PACK, 7 HAD RIFLES. 1 MAN APPEARED TO BE A GAUD. HE WAS WEARING A AUSTRALIAN TYPE BUSH COVER. WEARING LONG TROUSERS HIS SHIRT SLEEVES WERE ROLLED UP JUST ABOVE THE ELBOW'S. HIS RIFLE WAS CARRIED AT THE HIP LEVEL. 4 HAD THE MAGAZINE OF THE WEAPON SGuRed IN HIS BAND. HE CARRIED HIS GUN AT THE HIP ON TOP OF
THE RIFLE. HE WAS APPROXIMATELY 6 FEET TALL. WELL BUILT, STOCKY TYPE BUT IN WITH A CARRYING BAG THAT THE OTHERS CAME FOR LIKE A GAUGE. HE CARRIED A SMALLER PACK THAN 30 HOH RIFLES, 1 MAN CARRYING A PACK TUBE. IT LOOKED LIKE A 62 HE PROBABLY 825 MORTAR. IT WAS POSSIBLY LARGER THAN AN 82 M MORTAR.

021805 VC AT86355 SIGHTED 30 VC/NA MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. ALL CARRIED LARGE PACKS, 20 CARRIED RIFLES, 1 MAN CARRIED A BAG, 1 MAN CARRIED A SMALL PACK, 2 MORTARS WERE CARRYING GREEN WOOD FOLDS, 14OTS ABOUT THE SIZE OF H-60.

030705 TO 030715 VC AT86355 SIGHTED 11 VC/NA MOVING FROM NE TO SW ON TAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. ALL CARRIED HEAVY PACKS, RIFLES AND BUSH COVERS.

030715 VC AT86355 SIGHTED 1 VC/NA MOVING ACROSS RICE PADDY, WEARING BLACK PJS, ALL WORE HATS AND WERE CARRYING WATER BAGS.

030815 VC AT86355 SIGHTED 1 VC/NA MOVING FROM SW TO NE, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 4 LARGE PACKS, 5 RIFLES, ALL HAD BUSH COVERS. THE MAJORITY OF VC/NA WERE CARRYING BUNDLES OF STICKS AND HOLES, 15-20 FEET LONG.

030915 VC AT86355 SIGHTED 2 VC/NA WALKING ACROSS RICE PADDY FROM WEST TO EAST, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, BOTH CARRIED LARGE PACKS.

030915 VC AT86355 SIGHTED 3 VC/NA RUNNING ACROSS RICE PADDY, WEARING GRAY AND GREEN UTILITIES. ALL HAD PACKS. JETS FLED OVER AND VC/NA STARTED RUNNING TOWARDS TREES.

030915 VC AT86355 SIGHTED 3 VC/NA MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 1 VC/NA TYPE PITH HELMET, 1 GI TYPE HELMET, 1 BUSH COAT, ALL HAD PACKS, 2 CARRIED RIFLES.

031035 VC AT86355 SIGHTED 7 VC/NA MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 1 GI TYPE HELMET, ALL HAD PACKS AND 5 RIFLES.

031115 VC AT86355 SIGHTED 1 VC/NA MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, VC/NA PITH HELMETS, LARGE PACKS AND 2 RIFLES.

031200 VC AT86355 SIGHTED 18 VC/NA MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND BLACK PJS, 3 MORE BUSH COVERS TO HOH VC/NA PITH HELMETS, 2 MORE COOLIE HATS, 11 HOH PACKS, 17 CARRIED RIFLES, 6 MEN CARRYING BRANCHES WITH LEAVES. 1 MAN APPEARED TO HAVE A BANDAGE AROUND HIS HEAD. HE WAS BEING HELD DOWN THE TRAIL BY ANOTHER VC/NA. BANDAGE APPEARED TO BE BLUE IN COLOR. THIS MAN DID NOT CARRY ANYTHING.

031210 VC AT86355 SIGHTED 5 VC/NA MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND BLACK PJS, 1 VC/NA CARRYING BLACK PJ'S, ALL CARRIED PACKS, 2 RIFLES, 2 HOH VC/NA PITH HELMETS. ONE VC/NA CARRYING BLACK PJ'S WORE CARRYING STICKS AND LEAVES.
031615H VIC AT88029326 HEARD VOICES ON TRAIL. CALLED FIRE MISSION ON VOICES. IT TOOK 15 MINUTES TO GETT FIRE MISSION ORDERED.

GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET.

031715H VIC AT8862397 SAW 1 VC/AVA MOVING NORTH TO WEST, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, A VERY HEAVY PACK, HE WALKED INTO SMALL VILLAGE.

031715H VIC AT8862355 SAW 62 VC/AVA MOVING SW TO NE, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 32 RIFLES, AK-47S AND SKS, 12 VC/AVA PITH HELMETS, 21 WERE CARRYING WHAT APPEARED TO BE J/214 ROCKETE, STILL IN THE CANISTER. THEY WERE ABOUT 5 FEET LONG AND ABOUT 6 INCHES IN DIAMETER. 9 CARRIED J/214 KNOTHE TUNES. ALL WERE WALKING IN ONE GROUP ABOUT 1 TO 2 METERS APART. THIS GROUP WAS POSSIBLY PICKED UP THE TRAIL IN THE BRUSH DUE TO THE PRESENCE OF AN AIR OBSERVER. THE SIGHTING WAS ABOUT 15 MINUTES AFTER THE AIR OBSERVER LEFT.

031816H VIC AT8862355 SAW 8 VC/AVA MOVING SW TO NE ON TRAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, BLACK PJS, ALL WORE BLACK, WEARING VC/AVA PITH HELMETS, AND CARRYING RIFLES, SEVERAL MEN CARRYING BRANCHES AND BAMBUS.

031816H VIC AT8802936 SAW 1 VC/AVA, MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TRAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 10 WEARING VC/AVA PITH HELMETS, 30 CARRYING RIFLES, AK-47S AND SKS.

030725H VIC AT8862368 SAW 2 VC/AVA ENTER VILLAGE OF 3 OR 4 HUTS, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, PACKS, RIFLES AND VC/AVA PITH HELMETS. THEY NEVER CAME OUT. 3 DIFFERENT SHOOK COLUMNS STARTED COMING OUT OF THE VILLAGE. CALLED FIRE MISSION ON VILLAGE. GOOD COVERAGE OF THE TARGET. 1 HUT COMPLETELY DESTROYED, THE OTHER HUTS NOT TOUCHED. COULD HEAR GHEE AND SCRAMBS COMING FROM THE VILLAGE AFTER THE FIRE MISSION.

030730H VIC AT8862355 SAW 23 VC/AVA MOVING N TO SW ON TRAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, GREY BLACK PJS, NO HELD GEAR, 27 LARGE PACKS AND 12 RIFLES.

030725H VIC AT8802935 SAW 2 VC/AVA MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TRAIL.

031816H VIC AT8862355 SAW 22 VC/AVA MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TRAIL, 5 WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 27 WEARING BLACK PJS, 10 VC/AVA PITH HELMETS, 9 RIFLES AND ALL CARRIED PACKS. 5 OF THE VC/AVA WEARING BLACK PJS WERE WEARING VC/AVA PITH HELMETS.

031816H VIC AT8862355 SAW 27 VC/AVA MOVING FROM THE SW TO NE, 13 WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 8 WEARING GREY UTILITIES, 17 WEARING VC/AVA PITH HELMETS, 25 CARRIED PACKS, 16 CARRIED RIFLES, 1 MAN CARRYING TRIPODS, 2 CARRYING BANDOLIERS OF AMMO, 8 CARRYING BRANCHES AND LEAVES, 1 APPEARED TO BE A TRAINEE, SHE DIDN'T CARRY ANYTHING.

031816H VIC AT8802935 SAW 1 VC/AVA MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TRAIL, WEARING GREY UTILITIES, VC/AVA PITH HELMETS AND CARRYING LARGE BUNDLES OF BRANCHES AND LEAVES.

031816H VIC AT8862355 SAW 3 VC/AVA MOVING FROM SW TO NE ON TRAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 3 RIFLES AND 3 LARGE PACKS.

031816H VIC AT8862355 SAW 6 VC/AVA MOVING FROM SW TO NE, 1 WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 2 WEARING BLACK PJS, ALL WERE PACKS, 1 HAD RIFLES, 1 WEAR VC/AVA PITH HELMETS AND 1 CARRIED HIS COOLIE HAT.

031830H VIC AT8862355 SAW 1 VC/AVA MOVING FROM SW TO NE, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WEARING BUSH COVERS, 13 CARRIED PACKS, AND 5 HAD RIFLES.

031816H VIC AT8862355 SAW 17 VC/AVA MOVING FROM SW TO NE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, AND BUSH COVERS, 6 WORE PACKS. THE ONES NOT
CARRYING PACKS WERE CARRYING LONG BAMBOO POLES, 15-20 FEET LONG.
THE 93/91A WEARING PACKS HAD THEIR BAGS FULL OF LEAVES AND BRANCHES.
MORE WERE CARRYING RIFLES.

THE PATROL HEARD VEHICLE MOVING EVERY NIGHT AND ONCE IN THE
MORNING WHEN IT WAS VERY FOGGY. IT SOUNDED SIMILAR TO AN ATTACK.
THEY COULD HEAR CEREB SHIFTING AND THE MOTOR UNDER A STRAIN AT TIMES.
THE STRAINS ON THE MOTOR WERE VERY SHORT, LIKE THE VEHICLE WAS
TRAVELING OVER LEVEL GROUND AND HAVING A STRAIN LIKE A RNICE PADDY
DUCK FOR ABOUT 5 TO 10 SECONDS, THEN THE MOTOR HAD A EVEN RUNNING
SOUND AGAIN FOR A WHILE. THE PATROL HEARD THE MOTOR RUN
FOR ABOUT 1/2 HOUR, THEN STOP FOR SEVERAL HOURS AND THEN RINN FOR
ABOUT 1/2 HOUR AGAIN.

THE POSITIVE LOCATION OF THE SOUND WAS ESTIMATED TO BE DUE NORTH
OF THE PATROL ABOUT 3,000 METERS AWAY. IN VICTORY OF GRID AT98238.
NO NOISE WERE HEARD ON TIMES THE MOTOR WAS HEARD. THE APPROXIMATE
ALWAYS THE MOTOR WAS HEARD WERE 0000, 0100, 0200, 0300,
O600 (0700), 0700, AND 0800.

THE SIZE OF THE 93/91A'S PACKS WAS ESTIMATED TO BE ABOUT THE SIZE
OF A FULL WP BAG. NOT QUITE AS LARGE AS A USMC SEABAG. THE PACKS
WERE SQUARE, RATHER THAN ROUND.

b. TERRAIN WAS ROLLING HILLS WITH NO CANOPY. SECONDARY GROWTH
WAS 10 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF BRIARS, SPINES, ELEPHANT GRASS AND VINES.
MOVEMENT WAS SLOW AT THE RATE OF 75-150 METERS PER HOUR FOR A
RECON PATROL. WATER WAS NOT FOUND ON THE PATROL'S ROUTE.
VEGETATION HINDERED MOVEMENT GREATLY. IT WAS NECESSARY TO
CRAWL ABOUT 10% OF THE TIME. CONCEALMENT WAS VERY GOOD. COVER WAS
VERY BAD. MANY GOOD OP'S IN THE AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
a. INSERT LZ: AT916237 MULTI-CR-15 GOOD, LOW GROWTH.
b. EXTRACT LZ: AT92354, 2XCR-15 GOOD GROWTH, 2IT GRASS, FEW FOXHOLES.
c. TRAILS: NETWORK OF OLD TRAILS VICINITY OF AT92351, VERY OLD,
OF LITTLE USE TO MOVEMENT.
d. OPSC: AT962346, AT97349, AT98254 X3 BEST OP AND THE ONE
USED MOST BY THE PATROL.
e. COMM: GOOD IN CLEAR WEATHER. IN CLOUDY WEATHER IS FAIR.
f. OBSTACLES: NONE.
g. WEBC: THE INSERT HELO "PEACH BUSH" DID NOT INSERT PATROL IN
THE PRIMARY ZONE. PATROL WAS INSTRUCTED TO THE SAME TRAIL WHERE
THE PRIMARY ZONE WAS. DISERT WAS ON LOW GROUND WITH HILLS
SURROUNDING AND WAS CONSIDERED VERY DANGEROUS BY THE PATROL LEADER.
TO KEEP THE PATROL AND THE HELO.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: THE EXTRACT HELO
RECEIVED FIRE RESULTS IN ONE HIT ON THE HELO. NO KIA OR WIA.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: DID NOT EAT FOR LAST 48 HOURS. OTHERWISE
IN VERY GOOD CONDITION.

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET.
TAKES TO LONG TO CLEAR A MISSION.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE.
32. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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Ref (a) Map, VIETNAM, Sheet 6640 III
(b) lstReconBn O P3000.4
(c) lstMarDivO P3880.10 Ch 1A2 (Intelligence SOP)
(d) lstMarDivO P00330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragO #266-69

Unit/Call Sign 7th Platoon/ELF SKIN

1. Situation
(a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
(c) See Area Study
(d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission
Conduct a reconnaissance and surveillance of trail network running from AT860270 to AT870271. Monitor and report all enemy movement and activity.

3. Execution
(a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through (e) to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HLZ 469 at 010800H, insert in the operating area vic TBA and extract at 050900H vic TBA.

(b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot of the insert helicopter on D-1. Primary and alternate insert and extract zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics
Reference (b) and verbal.
(a) Special Equipment
(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binocular 7x50
(3) M-49 Scope and Camera

5. Comm/Electronics: Primary Freq: 33,30 Alternate: 72.95
Artillery: VEA STEW 34.5
Radio Relay: CHERRY JAY "A"

DISTRIBUTION:
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S-2, lstForReconCo (1)

G. R. WILLSON
By direction
OPERATION ORDER: #266-69
PATROL: VESPER BELLS (A-21)
IDENTIFIER: SGT M KOZALICH JR
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SUNSET 6640 III

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO
DANANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
051458 SEP 1969

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 6 MIL.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S, 1 35MM CAMERA
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 4 CLAYMores

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OF TRAIL NETWORK RUNNING FROM AT860270 TO AT870271. MONITOR AND REPORT ALL ENEMY MOVEMENT AND ACTIVITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 0613CH/0812CH

4. ROUTE: (SEE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER AND ROUTINELY EXTRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS AFTER 97 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING WHICH 2 GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVED TOTALLING 11 VC/NVA. THERE WERE NO UNUSUAL OBSERVATIONS. THE PATROL MADE 1 CONTACT WITH 8-10 ENEMY; THE RESULTS WERE NOT DETERMINED. 2 FLIGHTS OF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT SUPPORTED THE PATROL.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. ENEMY: 0612CH VIC AT861286 PATROL FOUND 1 FIGHTING HOLE 21'X17'X3' DEEP IN A SMALL RAVINE. HOLE WAS VERY OLD AND A TRENCH LONCH LIUER WAS LYING NEARBY.
   050925H VIC AT863278 PATROL HEARD VIETNAMESE VOICES, POUNDING AND CHOPPING SOUNDS 100-150M TO THE WEST. THERE WAS 10-15 VOICES SHARED OVER AN AREA 501 SQUARE IN A LARGE RAVINE.
   051000H VIC AT861280 PATROL HEARD MORE VOICES, POUNDING, AND CHOPPING 100-150M TO THE NORTHWEST. THERE WAS 5-6 ENEMY IN A 25M SQUARE RAVINE IN THE SAME LOCATION AS MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY.
   051005H VIC AT863278 PATROL FOUND 1 DESTROYED BASE CAMP. THERE WERE 7 SMALL HUTS AND A TRENCH LINE. HUTS HAD FALLEN APART FROM AGE, WEAR, AND OIBSTACE, AND NO SIZE ESTIMATE COULD BE GOTTEN. TRENCHLINE WAS 30'X30' LONG. WHILE PATROL LEADER WAS TAKING PHOTOGRAPHS, HE OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING EAST. NO UNIFORMS OR GEAR COULD BE OBSERVED DUE TO VEGETATION IN THE LINE OF SIGHT.
   051400H VIC AT865288 PATROL OBSERVED 8-10 VC/NVA. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, BOOTS, BUSH COVERS, AND HELMETS. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH AK-47'S. ALL BUT 1 WORE LARGE PACKS. PATROL INITIATED CONTACT DUE TO THE ENEMY HAVING OBSERVED THEM. RESULTS WERE NOT DETERMINED. PATROL CALLED AO WHO ARRIVED IN 5 MINUTES AND DIRECTED 2 FLIGHTS OF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT ON THE ENEMY POSITIONS AROUND THE PATROL AND IN THE RAVINE MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY.

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6. a. ENEMY (continued) [CONFIDENTIAL] [NUFURN] [DECLASSIFIED]

PATROL THREW GRENADES AND FIRED M-79 DURING THE AIR STRIKES. THE RESULTS WERE NOT DETERMINED. WHEN THE FIXED WING AIRCRAFT LEFT, THE PATROL HEARD PEOPLE TALKING AND WORKING ONCE MORE. PATROL FOUND BLOOD AND 1 NVA HELMET AT SITE OF CONTACT.

070539H VIC AT86275 PATROL FOUND 6 FIGHTING HOLES. HOLES WERE NOT USED RECENTLY. THEY WERE 2 x 3 x 3 ft DEEP AND DISPERSED 25M APART ALONG A TRAIL.

071150H VIC AT86274 PATROL FOUND 1 BUNKER WITH 1 x 5 ft LONG STICKS FOR OVERHEAD COVER. THE BUNKER WAS 5 x 8 x 2 ft DEEP AND HAD A 6 in REVERTMENT MADE OF DIRT AROUND IT. THE BUNKER WAS OLD AND WAS PARTIALLY CAVED IN.

071254H VIC AT86274 PATROL FOUND A HOLE 7 x 15 x 15 ft DEEP WITH A VERTICAL HOLE IN THE EAST WALL 2 x 2 x 15 ft DEEP.

071254H VIC AT86271 PATROL FOUND 1 HOLE 1 x 1 x 15 ft DEEP AND LINED WITH WOOD. WHEN 1 PATROL MEMBER'S HAND WAS PLACED INSIDE HE COULD FEEL A SMALL TUNNEL GOING EAST.

071300H VIC AT86274 PATROL FOUND 3 SMALL HOLES ARRANGED IN A RIGHT TRIANGLE. HOLES WERE 2 in DIAMETER AND PATROL MEMBER COULD NOT FEEL THE BOTTOM.

b. TERRAIN: STEEP WITH A CANOPY OF 30-40 FEET. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 10-15 FT HIGH CONSISTING OF SMALL TREES AND A FEW VINES. MOVEMENT WAS MODERATE AT THE RATE OF 150 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. WATER WAS PLENTIFUL DUE TO MANY SMALL STREAMS ON PATROLS ROUTE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT LZ: AT865290, FAIR, 1xCH-46 ZONE, 1 ft ELEPHANT GRASS OF MEDIUM DENSITY. (EASILY MOVED THROUGH BUT STILL OFFERS CONCEALMENT), AND SMALL TREES.

b. EXTRACT LZ: AT866274, GOOD, MULTI-CH-46, 2-3 ft ELEPHANT GRASS ON THE SIDE OF A HILL.

c. TILLS: GENERALLY OLD AND OVERGROWN, 1 TRAIL AT AT86274 RUNS EAST-WEST AND IS WELL TRAVELED. (SEE OVERLAY)

d. OPs: AT861282, GOOD OBSERVATION TO THE WEST AND SOUTHWEST.

e. COMM: POOR

f. OBSTACLES: NONE

g. NTSC: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NO EXCELLENT, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT: EXCELLENT.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADER BELIEVES AT863276, AND AT862820 TO BE BASE AREAS DUE TO THE ACTIVITY HEARD THERE AT 050925H AND 051000H RESPECTIVELY.

12. COMMENTS ON THE DECLASSIFICATION: SMALL HOLE MENTIONED IN 071255H COULD POSSIBLY BE A VENT FOR AN UNDERGROUND BUNKER, AS COULD THE 3 HOLES MENTIONED IN 071300H. SEARCH OF AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:
CPL SOLOMON
2NDLT LARKINS
PFC SYLVESTER
1STPL DUNCAN
PFC BEADBY
PFC WEBER

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S-2, 1stReconBn (1)
S-2, "C" Co 5thSPQA (1)
S-2, 1stForReconCo (5)
S-3, 1stForReconCo (5)
1. Situation (a) See current IN'TSUM'S
   (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
   (c) See Area Study
   (d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission Establish observation over stream and valley area from stream
   intersection AT811261 to AT796255. Monitor and report enemy traffic and
   activity in this area.

3. Execution (a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through (e)
   to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HLZ 469 at 010000H, insert
   into the operating area vic TBA and extract at 050900H vic TBA.

   (b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will
   conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot of
   the insert helicopter on D-1. Primary and alternate insert and extract
   zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics Reference (b) and verbal.
   a. Special Equipment
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Binocular 7x50
      (3) M-49 Scope and camera

5. Comm/Electronics: Primary Freq: 33.30 Alternate: 72.95
   Artillery: VEA STW 31.5
   Radio Relay: CHERRY JAK "A"

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S-2, lstForReconCo (1)
P A T R O L  R E P O R T

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. Composition: 7 ENL
   b. Special Attachments: None
   c. Com and Observation Equip: 2 PRO-25's, 1 7x50's, 1 M-49
   d. Special Equip: 1 M-79, 2 Claymores, 1 Camera.

2. Mission: Establish observation over stream and valley area from stream intersection at Co.24,1261 to AT 79-6255. Monitor and report enemy traffic and activity in this area.


4. Route: (See Overlay)

5. Synopsis: The patrol was inserted by helicopter and routinely extracted by the same means after 27 1/2 hours of patrol activities, during which 2 groups of enemy were observed totaling 5 VC/NVA. There was an unusual observation of a base camp at 2C21-3265, the patrol made one contact which occurred when the patrol's insert helicopter was fired on. Results unknown. Supporting arms were not employed.

6. Observation of Enemy and Terrain:

   a. Enemy: 051200H VC '70-213251' patrol heard 3-4 or more VC/NVA talking. Patrol heard 3 AK47's commence auto fire and fire about 10 rounds each. LAUGHTER FOLLOWED WITH TALKING. THE SOUNDS MOVED ON AND EVENTUALLY DIED AWAY.

   061335H VC 2211.267 patrol sighted base camp. One large hut and numerous huts of small lean-to which could possibly hold from 20-30 men. (Conservative Estimate) no photo taken. (See sketch on page 3) Base camp is located on the side of a moderate slope and extends down into a draw. This area has not been bombed or shelled. Base camp has excellent concealment from the air. Observed for about 2 or 3 minutes only.

   061555H VC 2211.267 patrol heard 1 single shot fired in vicinity of 2C21-272.

   071615H VC at 803257 patrol sighted 3 VC/NVA moving east on trail, 1 with khaki's, black shorts, white bandana around neck, fight helmet and rifle. Patrol could not determine what type of rifle. The 2nd VC/NVA was wearing black P7's, white bandana around the neck and walking with a walking stick. If VC/NVA was carrying a pistol it could not be observed by the patrol. Third man carried a rifle over his shoulder, and was wearing green khaki's. All three enemy carried large heavy packs.

   071655H VC at 7932-58 patrol sighted 2 VC/NVA moving northeast on a trail, wearing black P7's, NVA fight helmets, heavy packs, and may have had rifles. The man in the rear had a walking stick. The patrol could not observe if this VC/NVA carried a weapon.

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b. TERRAIN WAS GENERALLY STEEP WITH A CANOPY OF 40-60 FEET. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 10-30 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF VINES, BRUSH, BRIMES, AND ELEPHANT GRASS. MOVEMENT WAS SLOW EXCEPT ON TRAILS AT THE RATE OF 50 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. WATER WAS NOT AVAILABLE ON THE PATROL'S ROUTE. CONCEALMENT WAS generally EXCELLENT. COVER WAS P.E.R. CONSISTING OF VERY FEW LARGE TREES. ALMOST ALL RIDGELINES TRAVELED WOULD BE GOOD DEFENSIVE POSITION BECAUSE OF THE APPROXIMATELY 30 DEGREE INCLINE ON THE HILLS. THE SKEWINESS OF THE TERRAIN IS A SERIOUS HINDERANCE TO MOVEMENT, IF RIDGELINES ARE NOT FOLLOWED.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT LZ: AT812272 1XC 146, PARA, TAILGATE SITDOWN ZONE.

b. EXTRACT LZ: AT797276 1XG 146, GOOD, SITDOWN ZONE, FLAT AREA IN SADDLE. AREA APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN BURNED OUT BY AIR STRIKES AT ONE TIME, BUT THERE IS A: ELEPHANT GRASS OVER 200 FEET. THE ELEPHANT GRASS HIDES A VERY ROCKY SOIL FROM VIEW. THE NEXT APPROACH IS FROM 325°.

c. TRAILS: V/D 2028286 A HIGH SPEED TRAIL RUNS FROM NORTH-EAST TO SOUTHWEST. IT IS DUO IN 4° AND APPEARS TO BE USED DAILY.

d. OP'S: AT797276 EXCELLENT OF EXCET APPROXIMATELY 35-40% OF THE TIME BECAUSE OF THE EARLY MORNING AND LATE EVENING FOG WHICH COVERS AREAS OF OBSERVATION. WHEN FOG IS NOT CHOOSING THE HIGHLANDS, OBSERVATION IS TO E, NE, SE, S, SW, NW, AND A GOOD VIEW OF MAJOR TRAILS IN 23 TRAIL VALLEY (AT812560). AT820127: GOOD OBSERVATION TO SE, SW, AND S. AT792770 GOOD OBSERVATION TO S, AND SE. BASIL DEFENDERS DUE TO SKEWINESS OF SLOPE.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD. PATROL MUST CARRY 7 CAMPENS FOR A 5 DAY PATROL DURING THE SEASON.

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADER THINKS THAT ENEMY WERE MOVING IN VALLEY (AT 413260) UNDER COVER OF THE FOOG.

PATROL LEADER NOTES THAT VN INTERFERENCE OCCURS ON LOW FREQ. DID NOT OCCUR ON HIGH FREQ., SUCH AS 70.0.

PATROL LEADER RECOMMENDS SPIN OR LADDER EXTRACT IN THIS AREA. THERE ARE VERY FEW HLZ'S IN THIS AREA; AND THEY ARE MOSTLY LOCATED NEAR THE VILLAGES IN GRID SQUARE AT 8125 AND AT 8328, WHICH THE PATROL LEADER CONSIDERS DANGEROUS. MANY OLD MEN AND WOMEN SIGHTED IN THESE VILLAGES BUT NO MEN OF MILITARY AGE.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

Sgt CROCKETT 257776
Cpl PARKER 2209329
Lcpl MAYER 2150198
Ltcl BROWN 2160255
Pfc GIBSON 2502734
Pfc ADAMS 21332756
Pfc CUELLAR 2197682

DISTRIBUTION:

S-2, 1stMarDiv (1)
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PATROL OVERLAY 8/29

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Ref (a) Map, VIETNAM, Sheet 66kO III
(b) lstReconBnO p3000,4
(c) lstMarDivO P3800,1G Ch.2 (Intelligence SOP)
(d) lstMarDivO P03330,2A (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragO #268-69

Unit/Call Sign 8th Platoon/MOOSE PEAK

1. Situation (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and FIR'S (S-2/S-3)
(c) See Area Study
(d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission Conduct reconnaissance along stream beds and possible base camp areas. Locate possible communications wire, tap wire and record communications traffic.

3. Execution (a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through (e) to assist in completing the patrol. Depart H1Z 469 at 0100OH, insert in the operating area Flip Flop with Segment at vic TBA and extract at 050900H vic TBA.
(b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot of the insert helicopter on D-1. Primary and alternate insert and extract zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics Reference (b) and verbal.

a. Special Equipment
(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Camera
(3) Binocular 7x50
(4) Surveillance System 4-114A

5. Comm/Electronics: Primary Freq: 33.30 Alternate: 7295
Artillery: VEAL STW 34,5
Radio Relay: CHERRY JAM "A"

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By direction

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 R-750'S
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-79, 4 CLAYMOR'S, 1 WIRE TAPE

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE ALONG STREAM BEDS AND POSSIBLE
   BASE CAMP AREAS. LOCATE POSSIBLE COMMUNICATIONS WIRE, TAP WIRE AND
   RECORD COMMUNICATIONS TRAFFIC.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 0710H/0930H SEPT. 1969

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER, THE INSERT ZONE
   WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING. 1 MEMBER WAS EXTRACTED BY HOIST.
   THE HOIST BROKE AND THE REMAINING 6 MEMBERS WERE EXTRACTED IN A DIFFERENT
   LOCATION BY HELICOPTER. THE PATROL COVERED A DISTANCE OF 12K, 1/2 HOURS
   DURING WHICH 2 GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE SIGHTED, TOTALING 7 VC/VA.

   THE PATROL MADE 3 CONTACTS WITH THE ENEMY. 2 OCCURRED ON THE GROUND
   AND 1 TOOK PLACE WHEN THE EXTRACT HELO WAS FIRED ON AND SUSTAINED
   3 KNOWN HITS. AN UNUSUAL OBSERVATION WAS 1 RADIO OBSERVED FROM
   A DISTANCE OF 10-15 METERS BY ONE PATROL MEMBER WHICH WAS AMONG
   A GROUP OF 5 VC/VA. ARTY AND FIXED WING SUPPORT WAS NOT EMPLOYED.

   AN AO AND HU Gunships were used for close support.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. ENEMY: 0610H VIC AT 86L328 A TRAIL RUNNING EAST TO WEST.
      RECENTLY USED WITHIN 24 HOURS. VERY RECENTLY DETOURS HAVE BEEN
      MADE AROUND SPOTS OF THE TRAIL THAT WERE BOMBED OUT. THERE WERE
      NUMEROUS HARD SITES WITH BURNT OUT CAMPIFLES ALONG THE TRAIL. SIGNS
      HAD BEEN MADE ON THE TRAIL AT THE SMALL TREE CROSSING AND ON THE SIDE
      OF THE TRAIL. SUCH AS
      3 STICKS LAYED ON THE GROUND, NOTCHES CUT IN TREES, AND A BRANCH
      OF BAMBOO STUCK ACROSS A DOWNED TREE TO FORM A CROSS. THERE
      WERE BUNDLES OF STICKS ALONG THIS TRAIL. DURING THE REST OF DAYLIGHT
      HOURS THE PATROL HEARD TALKING FROM TIME TO TIME IN THIS VICINITY
      FROM THE SOUTHWEST.

      071200H VIC 86L327 PATROL NOTED THAT THIS AREA HAD A HEAVY
      NETWORK OF TRAILS WITH A TRAIL RUNNING OFF THE MAIN TRAIL EVERY
      25 METERS OR SO. MOST OF THE TRAILS WERE COMING DOWN THE NEARBY RIDGE
      LIME CROSSING THE STREAM IN THE VICINITY. MANY TRAILS ALSO RAN
      PARALLEL TO THE STREAM. THERE WERE NOO SAP PRODUCING TREES IN THIS
      AREA. NO LOGICAL REASON FOR THIS NETWORK OF TRAILS COULD BE
      DETERMINED BY THE PATROL OR THE INTERPRETER. THE NEAREST VILLAGE IS
      2500 METERS TO THE NORTHWEST. SMALL PIECES OF BLUE PLASTIC RAINCOAT
      OR PONCHO WERE FOUND IN THE AREA. SOME OLD CAMPIFLES WERE FOUND
      IN THE AREA. OTHERWISE THE AREA WAS WELL POLICED, AT THIS TIME THE

   b. TERRAIN:
      TECHNICAL-SYNOPSIS: TROPICAL SWAMP" PATROL WAS MADE BY HUECOPTER, THE JUMP ZONE
      WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING. 1 MEMBER WAS EXTRACTED BY HOIST. THE HOIST BROKE
      AND THE REMAINING 6 MEMBERS WERE EXTRACTED IN A DIFFERENT LOCATION BY
      HELICOPTER. THE PATROL COVERED A DISTANCE OF 12K, 1/2 HOURS
      DURING WHICH 2 GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE SIGHTED, TOTALING 7 VC/VA.

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      AND 1 TOOK PLACE WHEN THE EXTRACT HELO WAS FIRED ON AND SUSTAINED
      3 KNOWN HITS. AN UNUSUAL OBSERVATION WAS 1 RADIO OBSERVED FROM
      A DISTANCE OF 10-15 METERS BY ONE PATROL MEMBER WHICH WAS AMONG
      A GROUP OF 5 VC/VA. ARTY AND FIXED WING SUPPORT WAS NOT EMPLOYED.

      AN AO AND HU Gunships were used for close support.

   c. SPECIFIC ATTACKS:
      1. M.P. 1 L-1-3

   d. SPECIFIC EQUIP:
      1. COMPUTERS, 4 CLAYMOR'S, 1 WIRE TAPE

   e. COMMAND AND OBSERVATION

   f. MISSION:
      CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE ALONG STREAM BEDS AND POSSIBLE
      BASE CAMP AREAS. LOCATE POSSIBLE COMMUNICATIONS WIRE, TAP WIRE AND
      RECORD COMMUNICATIONS TRAFFIC.

   g. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 0710H/0930H SEPT. 1969

   h. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

   i. SYNOPSIS:
      THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER, THE INSERT ZONE
      WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING. 1 MEMBER WAS EXTRACTED BY HOIST.
      THE HOIST BROKE AND THE REMAINING 6 MEMBERS WERE EXTRACTED IN A DIFFERENT
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      AN AO AND HU Gunships were used for close support.

   j. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

      a. ENEMY:

      b. TERRAIN:

      c. SPECIFIC ATTACKS:

      d. SPECIFIC EQUIP:

      e. COMMAND AND OBSERVATION

      f. MISSION:

      g. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 0710H/0930H SEPT. 1969

      h. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

      i. SYNOPSIS:

      j. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
A patrol was talking to the front heading in the patrol's direction. The patrol stopped, moved off the trail, and observed 5-10 VC/NVA moving toward the patrol, moving east. The VC/NVA were wearing green utilities no cover, the point VC/NVA carried a M-16 rifle. Since it was obvious that the patrol could not avoid contact, the point man initiated contact. Results 2 VC/NVA xtra. The other VC/NVA fled. The patrol broke contact moving back 500 meters to the east. The patrol stopped and heard talking to the north and northwest. Talking eventually ceased.

021330H Vic at 06:03:27 patrol heard talking and laughter coming from valley NW toward's stream. Also heard sounds like mess gear.

021345H Vic at 06:13:320 patrol walked to within 10-25 meters of 5 VC/NVA wearing green utilities. 1 radio was sitting on the ground between 2 of the VC/NVA who were sitting down. The point of the patrol was the only man that seen the radio. He believes that it was a radio. The point man was shown a Ceolk Type 63 radio. He definitely did not think it was a Ceolk 63. The radio had a whip antenna like a radio. He did not observe a helmet. There were 5 improvised lean-tos in the vicinity made from pouncho like material.

A man had a rifle at slung arms. Patrol initiated contact, and then broke contact. VC/NVA fired at patrol. After initial contact, this VC/NVA camp had excellent concealment from the air. The camp was located about 150 meters northeast from a stream on a gentle slope.

091140H Vic at 08:17:327 helo attempted to lift out patrol on host. 1 man was hoisted in helo. The host broke while hoisting the second man.

091515H Vic at 08:43:26 patrol heard movement from area where hoist attempt had been made. Body gushers suppressed movement. The helo was set down and the patrol was extracted. The helo sustained at least 3 hits from ground fire.

b. Terrain: terrain was generally steep with a canopy of 50 feet. Secondary growth was 5-10 feet high consisting of vines, briars, and elephant grass. Movement was slow at the rate of 50-70 meters per hour for a recon patrol. Water was plentiful. All streams marked on the map have water. Most draws had water. It rained the last 4 days of this patrol. Conclusive good cover, fair, both steepness and vegetation hindered movement greatly.

c. Other information:

a. Insert LA: at 08:30:40 1-18-46 bad zone because it is too steep. This is a bombed out area; elephant grass.


c. Trails: trails on most of the ridgelines, usually not well used.

d. OPS at 08:43:26 good observation of grid squares at 08:34:0, 8335, 8336. To the NW, this is a bombed out area.

e. CSM: generally good. No interference and French interference. When the patrol was trying to triangulate it sounded like someone was trying to keep them out. The interference was coming in strong. The interference scared down the com, but did not create a serious problem.

f. Obstacles: none.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 2 KIA CONFIRMED.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: THE PATROL HAD SOME SORE FEET DUE TO HAILS AND COVERING A LOT OF TERRAIN. IT RAINED EACH DAY DURING THE LAST 3 DAYS OF THE PATROL. OTHER WISE PATROL IS IN GOOD SHAPE.

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING AMM: NO ARTY OR FIXED WING USED. HURY'S AND 40's VERY GOOD.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADER THINKS A BASE CAMP EXISTS IN THE VIC AT 630320 AND TO THE NORTH OF THIS GRID COORDINATES.

12. COMMENTS BY THE OBSERVER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:
   SGT. DACTA  2051749
   CPL MARSHALL  2269885
   LEPL ABDIONG  2521123
   PFC ROSAS  2177313
   PFC RICKETS  2205097
   PFC FIRE  2503525
   PFC RECHTE  2497775

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   G-2, 1st MarDiv  (1)
   S-3, 1stMarRegt  (1)
   S-3, 7thMarRegt  (1)
   S-3, 1stMarSOC  2521123
   S-3, 7thMarSOC  2521123
   S-3, 3rdMarSOC  2521123
   S-3, 3rdMarSOC  2521123
   S-3, 3rdMarSOC  2521123
   S-3, 3rdMarSOC  2521123
   S-2, 3rd MarSOC  2521123

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Ref (a) Map, VIETNAM, Sheet 6610 III
(b) lstMarDivO p3000-4
(c) lstMarDivO P3800,16 Ch 1-2 (Intelligence SOP)
(d) lstMarDivO P003330,2A (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragO #269-69

Unit/Call Sign 8th Platoon/RECLINE

1. Situation (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
(c) See Area Study
(d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission Conduct a reconnaissance of assigned operating area. Locate enemy base camps, supply areas and report all enemy activity from AT960431 south to AT964414.

3. Execution (a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through (e) inclusive to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HZ 169 at 010000H, insert via TBA Flip Flop with Reward Money and extract at 050900H vic TBA.

(b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot of the insert helicopter on D-1. Primary and alternate insert and extract zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics Reference (b) and verbal.

a. Special Equipment
   (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
   (2) Binocular 7x50
   (3) Camera and Surveillance System P-1114

5. Comm/Electronics: Primary Freq: 33.30 Alternate: 72.95
   Artillery: VEAL STEW 3.145
   Radio Relay: CHERRY JAM "A"

DISTRIBUTION
FSSC, lstMarDiv (1)
G-3, lstMarDiv (1)
G-2, lstMarDiv (1)
5th Mar (1)
7th Mar (1)
11th Mar (1)
S-3, lstReconBn (1)
S-3, lstForReconCo (5)
S-2, lstForReconCo (1)

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AT 94

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OPERATION ORDER #269-69
PATROL PUFTK SIGN (A-32)
DEPARTMENT: ST. M. KOOKALOOG JR.
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AND LIET;
SIGN: 696-10

1. ITEM 1

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE OF THE ASSIGNED OPERATING AREA. LOCATE ENEMY BASE CAMPS, SUPPLY AREAS AND REPORT ALL ENEMY ACTIVITY FROM AT8600.1D TO AT9600.1D.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 091050H/091255H SEP 69

4. ROUTE: SEE OUTFIT

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WASinserted BY HELICOPTER, ROUTINELY EXTRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS AFTER 99 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING WHICH TWO GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVING TOTALLY 18 VCA/GV. THERE WAS 1 UNUSUAL OBSERVATION ON THE NIGHT OF 9 SEP, SIGNAL LIGHTS AND BOATS WERE OBSERVED MOVING ACROSS THE RIVER AT AT8510. THE PATROL MADE 1 CONTACT BY FIRE. RESULTS: UNKNOWN. NO SUPPORTING AIDS WERE USED.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

5. a. ENEMY: 091036H, VIA AT8515043, AFTER THE INSERT HELICOPTER LIFTED OFF, THE PATROL HEARD SEVERAL (4-6) ROCKS PASS OVER THEIR HEADS FROM THE SOUTH, PATROL COULD NOT IDENTIFY THE SOURCES.

5. b. ENEMY: 091050H, VIA AT8502371, PATROL OBSERVED 2 VCA/GVA MOVING NORTHEAST IN A TREE LINE. ENEMY WORE CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES, BROWN COWSERS, CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE RIFLES WERE UNIDENTIFIED DUE TO THE VEGETATION. AS 1 ST ENTERED THE TREE LINE HE DRAWS THE ENTIRE AREA WITH A PAIR OF BINOCULARS THAT RESemble 75MM.

5. c. ENEMY: 091030H, VIA AT8470422, AT8470422, PATROL OBSERVED A LIGHT FLASH TWICE ON THE WEST BANK OF THE RIVER. THESE WERE ANSWERED BY 2 FLASHES ON THE EAST BANK. AT THIS TIME 2 BOATS MOVED ACROSS THE RIVER TO THE SECOND GRID ABOVE. WHEN THEY REACHED THE RIVER 2 MORE MOVED OUT. THIS CONTINUED UNTIL 6 BOATS HAD MOVED. THE BOATS WERE SIMILAR TO THE EARLIER BOATS IN SHAPE AND WERE HEAVILY LOADED. THERE WAS APPROXIMATELY A THREE MINUTE INTERVAL BETWEEN MOVEMENTS.

5. d. ENEMY: 091050H, VIA AT8403278, PATROL OBSERVED 6 VCA/GVA ENTER A HUT. 4 WORE CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES WITH TROUSERS BLOUSSED OVER BLACK BOOTS. EACH EN HAD A RIFLE, (UNIDENTIFIED DUE TO THE DUST AND VEGETATION) AND 1 EN WORE A US TYPE HELMET. 2 EN WORE BLACK PJ'S AND COOLER HATS. ALL 6 CARRIED PACKS. A FIRE MISSION WAS REQUESTED, BUT CLEARANCE WAS NOT SHOT DUE TO ARTILLERY MISUNDERSTANDING BETWEEN "CHINESE", "NJO GRANDE" AND "ASARACUS". AT 091050H PATROL WAS ASKED IF THEY STILL WANTED TO FIRE THE MISSION. PATROL HAD MOVED AND COULD NO LONGER OBSERVE.
051530H, VIC AT9141L, PATROL OBSERVED WHAT APPEARED TO BE 6-7 MORAR ROUNDS IMPACTING AROUND THEIR OLD OBSERVATION SITE. PATROL HAD MOVED FROM THERE 15 MINUTES EARLIER.

051600H, VIC AT8831L, PATROL OBSERVED 1 PUFF OF SMOKE SIMILAR TO AN INDIAN SMOKE SIGNAL. 3-4 HOURS LATER A SECOND PUFF OF SMOKE WAS OBSERVED AT AT8621L3.

052200H, VIC AT 5071L7, PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT APPROXIMATELY 100 METERS TO THEIR NORTH. PATROL COULD NOT ESTIMATE THE SIZE OF THE GROUP WHICH CONTINUED IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION.

051700H, VIC AT8941L4, PATROL OBSERVED 3 TUNNELS IN THE SIDE OF THE HILL ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF A VALLEY. 2 TUNNELS WERE 21'X2', 1 3'X4' HIGH. THERE WAS A BAMBOO THICKET AROUND THEM. THE PATROL OBSERVED WHITE GREEN VEGETATION HAD BEEN USED TO CAMOUFLAGE THE ENTRANCE TO A TUNNEL.

052200H, VIC AT6041L2, PATROL OBSERVED 5 LIGHTS 25 METERS APART MOVING NORTH. PATROL WAS AT AT6941L7, AND THE AMMUNITION TO THE LIGHTS WAS 260 DEGREES.

062010H, VIC AT8931L4, (APPROXIMATE) PATROL HEARD VOICES AND OBSERVED 4 LIGHTS 50 METERS APART. PATROL HEARD VIETNAMESE VOICES AND 1 AMERICAN VOICE THAT SAID "THIS F**KING RAIN," IT SOUNDED AS IF IT HAD COME THROUGH A POWER MEGAFHONE.

062030H-062100H, VIC AT8931L4, PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT APPROXIMATELY 300 METERS TO THEIR NORTH AND NORTHWEST. MOVEMENT WAS APPROACHING THE PATROL'S POSITION AND THE SOUNDS INDICATED THAT THEY WERE ON LINE AT 2100 THE NOISES CIV.527.

062200H, VIC AT921I4L9, PATROL HEARD MORTAR IMPACTING ON HILL 675 AND BEING TRAVERSED SOUTHWEST TO HILL 654 (AT9071L3). PATROL ESTIMATED THAT 20-30 ROUNDS WERE FIRED. (PATROL HAD COVERED THAT AREA DURING THE DAY WITH NO SUSPICIOUS EVENTS.)

062230H, VIC AT883383, PATROL OBSERVED A FIRE AT THE ABOVE GRID. FIRE APPEARED TO BE THE BURNING OF MORTAR INCENDIARIES.

071730H, VIC AT8941L6, PATROL FOUND AN 8' DIAMETER HOLE NEAR A CAVE IN SECTION OF A TUNNEL. THE PATROL LOOKED INSIDE BUT COULD NOT SEE THE BOTTOM OF THE CAVE, THE CAVE AND THE TUNNEL APPEARED TO BE OLD AND NOT USED RECENTLY.

071740H, VIC AT8931L4, PATROL FOUND 3 10 METER CANS WITH CLEAR VEGETATION WITHIN 25 METERS OF EACH OTHER. 1 CAN WAS FOUND WITH THE MARKINGS 071045 ON IT. THE CAN WAS WHITE AND ABOUT THE SIZE OF A THREE LB COFFEE CAN.

072045H, VIC AT8844L8, PATROL HEARD APPROXIMATELY 50 EN MOVING SOUTHWEST TO AT8314L5, THEN MOVED TO AT8445L6 AND CONTINUED SOUTH.

080930H, VIC AT6841L2, PATROL HEARD A LOUD METALLIC CLINK, LIKE TWO PIECES OF PRECISION MACHINERY FITTING TOGETHER, 25 Meters FROM THEIR POSITION.

NOTE: PATROL OBSERVED A THICK TREELINE THAT EXTENDED ACROSS "ANTENNA VALLEY." (SEE OVERLAY) TREELINE HAS NOT BEEN INTERCEPTED BY AIR OR ARTILLERY AND COULD AFFORD THE ENEMY A CONCEALED ROUTE THROUGH THE RICE PADDY AREAS.

5. TERRAIN WAS STEEP WITH A SCATTERED CANOPY OF 50 FEET. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 20 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF VINES, BRUSH AND SMALL TREES. MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT AND RESTRICTED TO A RATE OF 200 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. WATER WAS AVAILABLE IN SMALL STREAMS ON THE LOWER GROUND.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT LZ: AT9314L4, 1-CH-46, POOR DUE TO 50 DEGREE SLOPE OF RIDGE. ZONE WAS COVERED BY 1 FOOT GRASS.

b. EXTRACT LZ: AT8844L6, 2-CH-46, GOOD ZONE, BUT SURROUNDED BY HIGH GRASS EXCELLENT POSITION FOR AN ENEMY AMBUSH.
7. **OHR INFORMATION (CONT)**
   c. TRAIL: NO TRAILS FOUND
   d. O&G: AT92-90, GOOD OBSERVATION FROM 135-225 DEGREES.
   e. O&G: POOR ON LOW GROUND
   f. OBSTRUCTIONS: NO
   g. HILL: MAP CORRECTIONS: AT92-90, AT90-92, AT93-93, FINGERS AND A
      PORTION OF THE MIDDLEMEN AND NOT SHOWN ON THE MAP.
   h. TRAVEL: SXC (B) DUE TO A BROKEN LEG SUSTAINED DURING THE INCLINE AND 2 CASE
      OF HEAT PROLONGATION.

9. **RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:** N/A

10. **CONDITION OF THE PATROL:** GOOD

11. **EVALUATIONS OF SUPPORTING ARMS:** ARMED. POOR DUE TO A SIX HOUR TIME
      GAP FOR GENERATOR.

11. **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** PATROL LEADER SUGGESTS AN OBSERVATION POST
      BE ESTABLISHED ON HILL 675 DUE TO THE EXCELLENT VIEW AFFORDED OF ANTENNA VALLEY.

12. **CONFLICTS BY THE DEMOCRAT: C60001 T Enemy could indicate that a CAUCASIAN
      IS VICTIM WITH THE HERO OR THEY HAVE A RECORDING IN A ENFORT TO DUPE FMAF
      AS TO THE IDENTITY OF ENEMY INFILTRATORS.

13. **PATROL MEMBERS:**
   SGT ARMENT 2251790
   CPL KODOS 2382903
   PFC KIMNU 2503781
   PFC HUPON 2503545
   PFC JONES 2502391
   PFC SHACK 2180321
   LT SHACK 1305513

* INDICATES NSF (E)

[Signature]

**PATROL LEADER**

**AUTHENTICATED BY**

**DISTRIBUTION:**
S-3, MACOR Int (1)
S-4, SGC (1)
S-5, SGC 15S (1)
S-6, 3rd 15S (1)
S-7, 2nd 15S (1)
S-8, 2nd 15S (1)
S-9, 5th SFCA (1)
S-10, 1st Fort Recon (5)
S-11, 1st Fort Recon (5)

**CONFIDENTIAL MORTH**
1. Situation  (a) See current INTSUM's
          (b) See current OPSUM's and FIR's (S-2/5-3)
          (c) See Area Study
          (d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission Establish observation over trail network from AT90363 to
   AT85399 and south to AT886350. Monitor and report enemy traffic and
   frequency of trail usage.

3. Execution  (a) Concept of Operation: Utilize reference (a) through
           (e) to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HLF 469 at 0500H,
           insert in the operating area at TLP Flip Flop with Lunch Meat and
           extract at 0909H via TBA.

           (b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will
               obtain a thorough briefing on HLFs in operating area from S-2 on D-1.
               Primary and alternate insert and extract zones will be selected at this
               time.

4. Admin/Logistics Reference (b) and Verbal.

   a. Special Equipment

      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Binocular 7x50
      (3) M-19 Scope

5. Comm/Electronics: Primary Freq: 37.0 Alternate: 31.2

     Artillery: IPSWICH 60.0
     Radio Relay: STONE P'TA

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DISTRIBUTION:
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G-3, 1stMarDiv
G-2, 1stMarDiv
5th Mar
7th Mar
11th Mar
S-3, 1stReconBn
S-3, 1stForReconCo
S-2, 1stForReconCo
OPERATION ORDER: # 270-69
1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO.
DA NANG VIETNAM
101800H SEPTEMBER 1969

PATROL: SWIFT SCOUT
DEPLOYED: SGTM R. BOLAND
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L701H

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 5 NFL, 1 USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMBAT AND OBSERVATION EQUIP.: 2 PRC 251S, 1 7X50 IS, 1 CAMER
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP.: 1 M-79, 2 CLAYMORES, 1 CAR-15, 1 SWEDISH-K

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH OBSERVATION OVER TRAIL NETWORK FROM AT900363
to AT867369, AND SOUTH TO AT867350. MONITOR TRAIL AND REPORT ENEMY
TRAFFIC AND FREQUENCY OF TRAIL USAGE.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 0510/20H/2008/14H SEPTEMBER 1969

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER, FLIP FLOPPED
   WITH REPORT CARD, AND EXTRACTED BY HELICOPTER AFTER 110 HOURS
   OF PATROL ACTIVITY, DURING WHICH 76 GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVED,
   TOTALLING 928 VC/NVA. NO CONTACT WAS MADE BY PATROL. NO SUPPORTING
   ARMS WERE UTILIZED. THE INSERT ZONE WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING
   AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. ENEMY: THE FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS OF THE ENEMY PERSONNEL
      WERE MADE FROM 3 DIFFERENT OPS. ALL OF THESE OBSERVATIONS WERE
      MADE FROM A DISTANCE OF APPROXIMATELY 700 TO 1000 METERS WITH 7X50
      BINOCULARS. OF THE TOTAL OF 928 SIGHTED, 590 WERE MOVING NORTH AND 338
      WERE MOVING SOUTH.

      051730H VIC AT891350 PATROL OBSERVED A HOLE IN THE GROUND ON THE
      SIDE OF A HILL. THE HILL WAS SLOPING TOWARD THE WEST, AND THE HOLE
      WAS 1'X6'X5'. LARGE ROCKS WERE LAID AROUND THE TOP OF THE HOLE. A
      LARGE PILE OF ROCKS WAS ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE HOLE.

      051900H VIC AT892354 PATROL OBSERVED MANY RATION CANS IN THIS
      VICINITY.

      060920H VIC AT892347 PATROL OBSERVED ROCKS FORMING TERRACES.
      THERE WERE 3 TERRACES WITH NO APPARENT CULTIVATION IN THE VICINITY.

      061210H VIC AT878317 PATROL OBSERVED A HOLE IN THE GROUND WHICH
      MEASURED 1'X6'X11'. LARGE ROCKS WERE INLAID AROUND THE TOP OF THE HOLE.

      061600H VIC AT89336 PATROL SIGHTED A BAMBOO CAGE (PHOTO ENCLOSED,
      #12). THE CAGE APPEARED TO BE AT LEAST ONE YEAR OLD. IT MEASURED
      18 FEET IN WIDTH, 20 FEET IN LENGTH, 14 FEET IN HEIGHT AT THE HIGHEST
      POINT, 10 FEET IN HEIGHT AT THE LOWEST POINT, AND HAD ONE GATE. CON-
      CERNITE TYPE BARKER WALL WAS SPREAD THINLY, SPACED APPROXIMATELY 6
      FEET FROM THE CAGE, ENCIRCLING IT ENTIRELY. THE CAGE WAS CONSTRUCTED
      OF BAMBOO POLES WOVEN TOGETHER WITH STRIPS OF BAMBOO.
071000H VIC AT886355, AT886311, and AT886317 PATROL SIGHTED A
TRAIL THAT HAD NOT BEEN USED RECENTLY.

071115H VIC AT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 12 VC/NVA MOVING ALONG
A TRAIL AND STREAM. THE ENEMY WAS WEARING BLACK PJ’S, KHAKI UNI-
FORMS, ROLLED UP GRAY TROUSERS AND KHAKI SHIRTS, AND FLOP HATS.
THE ENEMY CARRIED LARGE HEAVY PACKS AND WERE SPREAD OUT ABOUT 15
METERS APART. THEY WERE MOVING VERY SLOWLY AND CAU
tiously.

071215H TO 071215H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 28 VC/NVA MOVING
NORTH ON TRAIL. 20 WORE BLACK PJ’S, 1 WORE KHAKI’S, 7 WORE KHAKI SHIRTS
AND BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 3 WORE BUSH HATS; THE OTHERS DID NOT WEAR COVERS.
ALL CARRIED LARGE HEAVY PACKS. 1 MAN CARRIED A RIFLE, THE TYPE COUL
NOT BE DETERMINED BY THE PATROL.

071000H VIC AT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 12 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
9 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, AND 3 WORE BLACK PJ’S. 7 OF THE ENEMY CARRIED
LARGE PACKS. 1 OF THE ENEMY CARRIED A 122MM ROCKET SHELL IN CANNISTER.

071007H VIC AT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
1 ENEMY WORE A GRAY UNIFORM, AND THE OTHER WORE BLACK PJ’S, BOTH OF THE
ENEMY CARRIED LARGE GRAY PACKS, AND VC/NVA IN GRAY UNIFORM CARRIED SKS
RIFLE.

071537H VIC AT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 8 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
1 WORE A KHAKI UNIFORM, AND 7 WORE BLACK PJ’S. ALL OF THE ENEMY CARRIED
LARGE HEAVY PACKS, AND 3 OF THEM CARRIED RIFLES. THE FIRST MAN WAS 35
METERS IN FRONT OF THE REST; THE OTHERS WERE SPREAD 15 METERS APART, EX-
CEPT FOR THE LAST MAN WHO WAS 35 METERS BEHIND THE OTHERS. THE POINT
MAN AND THE LAST MAN CARRIED RIFLES.

071600H VIC AT886355 PATROL SIGHTED 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
5 OF THE ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ’S AND BOOTS, 1 WORE A GRAY UNIFORM, 1 WORE
A GRAY SHIRT AND BLACK TROUSERS, AND 1 WORE A KHAKI UNIFORM WITH A FLOP
HAT. 5 OF THE ENEMY CARRIED LARGE GRAY PACKS, 1 ENEMY CARRIED A GREEN
PACK, AND 3 CARRIED RIFLES; THE TYPE COULD NOT BE DETERMINED BY THE
PATROL. THE LAST MAN WAS CARRYING A RIFLE, AND HAD FALLEN BEHIND THE
REST OF THE ENEMY ABOUT 35 METERS; HE WAS MOVING AS IF PACK WAS TOO
HEAVY.

071609H VIC AT886355 PATROL SIGHTED 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
ALL WERE WEARING BLACK PJ’S, 3 WERE WEARING NVA PITH HELMETS, 5 WERE
CARRYING LARGE GRAY PACKS, AND 1 WAS CARRYING A LARGE KHAKI PACK WHICH
APPEARED TO BE VERY HEAVY.

071611H VIC AT886355 PATROL SIGHTED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
THE MAN WAS WEARING A KHAKI UNIFORM, BOOTS, AN NVA PITH HELMET, AND WAS
CARRYING A KHAKI PACK. HE APPEARED TO HAVE SOMETHING IN HIS HAND; THE
PATROL COULD NOT DETERMINE WHAT IT WAS.

071617H VIC AT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
1 WAS WEARING A GREEN SHIRT AND BLACK TROUSERS, AND THE OTHER WAS WEAR-
ING BLACK PJ’S; BOTH WERE WEARING NVA PITH HELMETS AND WERE CARRYING
LARGE GRAY PACKS. 1 CARRIED AN RPD AND 1 CARRIED A RIFLE, AND BOTH SEEM-
ED TO BE BURDENED WITH THEIR LOADS.

071648H VIC AT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
ALL WERE WEARING BLACK PJ’S, 1 WAS WEARING AN NVA PITH HELMET, AND ALL
WERE CARRYING LARGE GRAY PACKS WHICH EXTENDED FROM THEIR SHOULDERS TO THEIR
SHOULDERS.

071705H VIC AT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
2 WERE WEARING BLACK PJ’S, AND 1 WAS WEARING A KHAKI SHIRT AND BLACK PJ
TROUSERS. 2 WERE CARRYING GRAY PACKS, 1 WAS CARRYING A GREEN PACK, AND
ALL WERE WEARING TENNIS TYPE BOOTS. 1 MAN WAS CARRYING A RIFLE.
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07173H VICK AT866355 PATROL SIGHTED 7 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ALL WEARING BLACK PJ'S, NVA PITH HELMETS, LARGE HEAVY KHAKI PACKS, AND 1 CARRIED A RIFLE. THEY WERE MOVING AT AN INTERVAL OF 15 METERS BETWEEN EACH MAN.

07173H VICK AT866355 PATROL SIGHTED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. HE WAS WEARING A KHAKI SHIRT, BLACK PJ TROUSERS, AND CARRIED A LARGE HEAVY PACK. SUBJECT WAS NOT CARRYING RIFLE.

07173H VICK AT866355 PATROL OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 WAS WEARING A KHAKI UNIFORM, 2 WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S, AND 1 WAS WEARING A KHAKI SHIRT AND BLACK PJ TROUSERS. 2 WERE CARRYING GREEN PACKS, 1 WAS CARRYING A KHAKI PACK, AND 1 WAS CARRYING A BLACK PACK.

08063H VICK AT866355 PATROL SIGHTED 12 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ALL WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S, AND ALL CARRIED BLACK AND KHAKI COLORED PACKS. AT THIS TIME, A LOW CLOUD COVER MOVED IN, AND PATROL COULD NOT OBSERVE FULL NUMBER OF ENEMY OR EQUIPMENT CARRIED.


081035H VICK AT866355 PATROL SIGHTED 7 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 WAS WEARING A GRAY UNIFORM, 4 WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S, AND 2 WERE WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK PJ TROUSERS. ALL OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING HEAVY GREEN PACKS, AND ALL WERE DOUBLE TIMING.

081037H VICK AT866355 PATROL SIGHTED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ALL WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKI SHORTS. 2 WERE CARRYING KHAKI PACKS, 1 WAS CARRYING A GREEN PACK, AND THE LAST MAN WAS 25 METERS BEHIND THE OTHERS DOUBLE TIMING.

081035H VICK AT866355 PATROL SIGHTED 13 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 10 WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S, 2 WERE WEARING KHAKI SHORTS, AND 1 WAS WEARING A KHAKI UNIFORM. 2 WERE WEARING COOLIE HATS, AND 1 WAS WEARING AN NVA PITH HELMET. 6 WERE WEARING KHAKI PACKS, 3 WERE WEARING GRAY PACKS, 1 WERE WEARING A KHAKI PACK, AND 2 WERE CARRYING RIFLES. THE MAN WITH THE KHAKI SHORTS AND KHAKI PACKS CARRYING A BOX APPEAR IN THEIR HANDS; THE MEASUREMENTS WERE APPROXIMATELY 3'-1'.

081150H VICK AT866355 PATROL SIGHTED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. BOTH WERE WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK PJ TROUSERS. 1 WAS CARRYING A GRAY PACK, AND ONE WAS CARRYING A KHAKI PACK.

081200H VICK AT866355 PATROL SIGHTED 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 2 WERE WEARING BLACK PRIEST-TYPE ROBES AND HAD CREW CUT HAIR (NOT REAL CLOSE), 3 WERE WEARING GRAY SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, AND 3 WERE WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, AND 1 WAS WEARING A COOLIE HAT. THE 3 VC/NVA WEARING BLACK PRIEST-TYPE ROBES WERE WALKING IN FRONT OF THE OTHERS.

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061214H, VIC AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
Both enemy were wearing black PJs and carried khaki packs.

061214H, VIC AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 16 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
16 enemy were wearing ponchos with hoods and 6 were wearing black PJs. Enemy were carrying gray packs and the enemy were wearing ponchos carried equipment which was unobservable. 1 enemy carried a khaki sack over his shoulder and 5 wore NVA type Pith helmets.

061225H, VIC AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 19 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
19 enemy were ponchos with hoods, and 5 wore black PJs, all the enemy carried packs but no rifles were observed.

061225H, VIC AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
6 enemy were wearing black PJs, 1 wearing gray poncho, 5 of the enemy carried gray packs, 1 carried a green pack, 1 enemy wore a NVA Pith helmet and 1 carried a rifle.

061315H VIC AT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
Both enemy wore black PJs and carried khaki packs.

061322H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
The enemy wore black PJs, a khaki bush hat, and carried a khaki pack.

061330H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
All of the enemy wore black PJs, 3 enemy carried khaki packs, 1 carried a gray pack, and 2 enemy wore NVA Pith helmets.

061330H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 9 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
1 enemy were wearing black PJs, 3 enemy carried green packs, 2 carried white packs, 7 wore NVA Pith helmets, 2 enemy carried 1/82mm mortar round each, 2 enemy carried what appeared to be base plates and 1 enemy carried 1 pole approximately 12 feet in length.

061400H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
All of the enemy were black PJs, and carried khaki packs.

061411H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
The enemy wore khaki shirt, black PJ shorts, and carried khaki pack and a rifle.

061420H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL.
1 of the enemy were black PJs, 1 wore khaki uniform and 1 enemy carried a rifle.

061428H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. Both enemy were black PJs and carried no equipment.

061450H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
All of the enemy were black PJs, 1 enemy carried a khaki pack, 3 enemy carried 1 tube each, which were approximately 5 feet in length, and 6 inches in diameter.

061500H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
Enemy wore khaki utilities, what appeared to be binoculars in a case and 1 tube which was approximately 5 feet in length and 6 inches in diameter.

061503H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
Enemy wore black PJ trousers and khaki shirt, and carried a khaki pack.

061515H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
Enemy wore black PJ's and carried a khaki pack. The enemy moved east to a tree line when AO came over the area.

061520H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
Both enemy wore khaki shirt's, black PJ trousers, and both carried khaki packs.

061535H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
Both enemy wore khaki shirt's with black PJ trousers, and both carried khaki packs.
061543H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
1 ENEMY WORE A GRAY SHIRT WITH BLACK TROUSERS, 2 WEARING BLACK PJ'S, 1
CARrying A GRAY PACK, 2 CARRYING KHAKI PACKS, AND ONE ENEMY CARRIED A LARGE
BUNDLE OF LEAVES.

061553H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
2 ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 1 WORE GREEN UNIFORM, 1 CARRIED A KHAKI
PACK, 2 CARRIED GREEN PACKS, AND 1 ENEMY CARRIED A LARGE BUNDLE OF LEAVES.

061630H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
ALL OF THE ENEMY WORE GREEN SHIRTS AND KHAKI TROUSERS, KHAKI PACKS AND
1 ENEMY WORE A NVA PITH HELMET.

061633H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
2 ENEMY WORE GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS, THE OTHER 2 ENEMY WORE BLACK
PJ'S, 1 CARRIED A VERY LARGE PACK, AND 1 CARRIED A RIFLE.

061701H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 11 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
2 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, 7 WORE GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 5
WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, ALL OF THE ENEMY CARRIED GRAY PACKS, AND 3 CARRIED
RIFLES.

061703H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
DOH WORE GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 1 CARRYING A GREEN PACK,
1 WORE A KHAKI PACK, AND 1 WORE A NVA PITH HELMET.

061704H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
DOH ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WORE COOLIE HAT, BOTH CARRIED LARGE
PACKS, AND 1 APPEARED TO HAVE FOOD IN HIS HAND.

061733H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
2 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, AND NVA PITH HELMETS, 1 WORE GREEN SHIRT WITH
BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 2 ENEMY CARRYING GRAY PACKS, AND 1 CARRYING GREEN PACK.

061736H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 16 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
ALL OF THE ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, 3 ENEMY WORE PONCHOS, 6 KHAKI PACKS,
4 OF THE PACKS HAD ROUND OBJECTS SHAPED LIKE THE FOLLOWING DRAWING ( )
THESE OBJECTS WERE APPROXIMATELY 30 TO 35 INCHES IN DIAMETER. 1 ENEMY
CARRIED AN OBJECT THAT APPEARED TO BE A 122MM ROCKET STILL IN THE
CANNISTER. THIS OBJECT WAS APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET LONG AND 6 INCHES IN
DIAMETER.

061738H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
2 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, 1 WORE A GREEN SHIRT WITH BLACK TROUSERS, 2
CARRIED GRAY PACKS, 1 GREEN PACK, AND 1 WORE A NVA PITH HELMET.

061740H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 9 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
ALL OF THE ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, 4 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, 1 CARRIED KHAKI
PACKS, 1 CARRIED A GREEN PACK, 2 CARRIED RIFLES, AND 1 CARRIED WHAT
APPEARED TO BE 122MM ROCKET ROUNDS STILL IN CANNISTERS.

061746H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH, 1 OF THE
ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, 2 ENEMY WORE GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS,
3 CARRIED KHAKI PACKS, 2 CARRIED RIFLES, AND 1 SMALL DOG TRAVELED WITH
THIS GROUP.

061900H VIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 11 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH. 4 OF THE
ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, IT WAS TO DARK TO OBSERVE THE DRESS OF THE OTHER
7 ENEMY. 4 OF THE ENEMY CARRIED RIFLES. THIS GROUP WAS MOVING VERY
CAUTIOUSLY, HALTING AND LOOKING BACK OFTEN.
FROM 0906355 TO 090704H VICT 0908355 TEAM OBSERVED 93 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH. 28 ENEMY WORE BLACK Trousers, 10 WORE NAVY HAT HELMETS, 12 WORE COOLIE HATS, 2 WORE COMPLETE GRAY UNIFORMS, 15 WORE KHAKI PACKS, 5 WORE GREEN PACKS, AND 5 CARRIED GRAY PACKS. THIS GROUP OF ENEMY MOVED UNUSUALLY CLOSE TOGETHER. THE TEAM CANNOT OBSERVE THE WEAPONS. THE TEAM CANNOT OBSERVE THE WEAPONS BECAUSE OF THE PONCHO. SOME OF THE ENEMY APPEARED TO HAVE VERY HEAVY LOADS. AT THIS TIME THE TEAM FELL ON THE LINES OF THE PATROL DUE TO CLOUDS AND RAIN.

090704H TO 0908355 TEAM CANNOT OBSERVE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES AT 0906355 DUE TO CLOUD COVER.

090800H TO 090812H VICT 0908355 TEAM OBSERVED 27 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. 16 OF THE ENEMY WORE PONCHO, 2 WORE KHAKI RAINCOATS, 3 WORE NAVY HELMETS, AND 5 OF THE ENEMY CARRIED PACKS. TEAM CANNOT OBSERVE ANY RIFLES. RIFLES COULD HAVE BEEN UNDER THE PONCHOS.

090800H VICT 0908355 TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ALL OF THE ENEMY WORE PONCHOS, WITHOUT PACKS UNDER THE PONCHOS.

090900H VICT 0908355 TEAM OBSERVED 27 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. 25 ENEMY WORE PONCHO, 2 ENEMY WORE KHAKI RAINCOATS, ALL CARRIED GRAPE PACKS, AND ONE ENEMY WORE NAVY HELMETS. TEAM CANNOT OBSERVE ANY RIFLES BUT THERE COULD HAVE BEEN SOME RIFLES UNDER THE PONCHOS.

090900H TO 090912H VICT 0908355 TEAM OBSERVED 11 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 2 ENEMY WORE SOLID KHAKI UNIFORMS, 6 WORE GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS, 3 WORE BLACK TROUSERS, 1 WORE AN NAVY HELMET, 3 WORE COOLIE HATS, 6 WORE KHAKI PACKS, 1 CARRIED KHAKI PACKS, AND 1 CARRIED A GREEN PACK.

091112H VICT 0908355 TEAM OBSERVED 21 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
7 ENEMY WORE PONCHOS, 1 WORE SOLID KHAKI UNIFORM, 5 WORE GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS, 5 WORE KHAKI SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS, 3 WORE GREEN UNIFORMS, 2 WORE BLACK PANTS, 11 CARRIED GREEN PACKS, 5 CARRIED KHAKI PACKS, 3 CARRIED GRAPE PACKS, 1 ENEMY WORE A NAVY HELMET AND 1 WORE A COOLIE HAT.

091200H TO 091300H VICT 0908355 TEAM OBSERVED 40 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH.
11 ENEMY WORE BLACK PANTS, 20 WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 3 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 6 WORE KHAKI PACKS, 5 CARRIED GREEN PACKS, 21 CARRIED KHAKI PACKS, 11 WORE NAVY HELMETS, 9 ENEMY CARRIED RIFLES, 1 ENEMY WORE A BACKPACK OVER HIS HEAD, 1 ENEMY CARRIED A BLACK BOX 1 1/2 X 1 1/2 X 1 FEET ON A 7 FOOT LONG POLE, OVER HIS SHOULDER, THE 6 ENEMY ON THE END OF THE COLUMN WERE DOUBLE TRAFFIC.

091300H VICT 0908355 TEAM OBSERVED 32 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL.
11 ENEMY WORE BLACK PANTS, 7 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 9 WORE GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, 10 CARRIED GREEN PACKS AND 1 CARRIED A KHAKI PACK.
1 ENEMY CARRIED A POLE APPROXIMATELY 6 FEET IN LENGTH WITH A BLACK BOX 1 1/2 X 1 1/2 X 1 FEET ON THE END OF THE POLE. ANOTHER ENEMY WAS CARRYING A BLACK POLE APPROXIMATELY THE SAME LENGTH UNDER HIS ARMS, 3 ENEMY CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE 1/2 X 1/2 X 1/2 FEET IN LENGTH. 3 OF THE ENEMY CARRIED RIFLES. 5 OF THE ENEMY CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE 122MM ROCKET ROCKETS (IN CARRIERS), EACH OF THESE 5 CARRIED 1 EACH.

091400H VICT 0908355 VICT 0908355 TEAM OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 3 OF THE ENEMY WORE BLACK PANTS, 3 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 2 ENEMY WORE GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS, ALL OF THE ENEMY CARRIED PACKS, 1 ENEMY CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A ROCKET LAUNCHER. THIS OBJECT WAS APPROXIMATELY 8 FEET IN LENGTH.
091136H V/NIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ALL OF THE ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 2 WORE GREEN SHIRTS, 2 WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS, ALL OF THE ENEMY CARRIED LARGE BUNDLES OF WOOD, AND 1 CARRIED A POLE APPROXIMATELY 6 FEET IN LENGTH.

091136H V/NIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 3 ENEMY WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WEARING KHAKI UNIFORM, 1 WORE A DUSK HAT, 3 CARRIED KHAKI PACKS, AND 1 ENEMY CARRIED A GREEN PACK.

091178H V/NIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WEARING BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 1 WEARING A GREEN UNIFORM, 2 WEARING GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 2 WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS WITH BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 2 WEARING NVA PITH HELMETS, ALL CARRYING GRAY PACKS. THE FIRST AND THE LAST MAN CARRIED RIFLES.

091126H V/NIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. BOTH OF THE ENEMY WEAR BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 1 WEAR A KHAKI UNIFORM, 1 CARRIED A KHAKI PACK, 1 CARRIED A GREEN PACK, AND BOTH ENEMY CARRIED RIFLES OVER THEIR SHOULDER HOLDING THE BARREL IN THEIR HAND.

091163H V/NIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 10 OF THE ENEMY WERE MALES, THE FEMALE ENEMY WORE BLACK DRESSES AND DID NOT CARRY ANY EQUIPMENT. 6 OF THE ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 10 WEARING GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS, 5 WEARING BLACK PJS, 3 CARRIED GRAY PACKS, 2 CARRIED KHAKI PACKS, 7 CARRIED KHAKI PACKS, AND 6 CARRIED NVA HELMETS. 6 OF THE ENEMY WEARING NVA HELMETS CARRIED RIFLES.

091163H V/NIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 37 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 12 OF THE ENEMY WERE WOMEN, THE FEMALE ENEMY WORE BLACK DRESSES AND DID NOT CARRY ANY EQUIPMENT. 12 OF THE ENEMY MALES WORE KHAKI SHIRTS WITH BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 3 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 6 WORE GREEN UNIFORMS, 4 WORE GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 50 OF THE ENEMY WORE NVA PITH HELMETS AND CARRIED RIFLES.

091115H V/NIC AT866355 THE PATROL OBSERVED 56 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 39 OF 56 WERE MALES, THE 8 FEMALE VC/NVA WERE ALL BLACK DRESSES. 10 WERE BLACK PJS, 3 WERE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 14 WEARING GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 14 WERE KHAKI SHIRTS WITH BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 9 KHAKI PACKS, 10 PACKS CAMOUFLAGE WITH BRANCHES, 17 WORE PITH HELMETS, AND 7 CARRIED RIFLES.

091134H V/NIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED A LIGHT WEIGHT KHAKI PACK. THE ENEMY MOVED VERY FAST.

091130H V/NIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. THE ENEMY WORE BLACK'S, AND CARRIED A KHAKI PACK. ENEMY DID NOT CARRY RIFLE.

100614H V/NIC AT866355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. 29 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJS, 26 WORE KHAKI SHIRTS WITH BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 30 WORE GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK PJ TROUSERS, 1 WORE A COOLIE HAT, 129 ENEMY CARRIED KHAKI PACKS, 10 GREEN PACKS, 7 PACKS WERE CAMOUFLAGED WITH BRANCHES, 8 CARRIED RIFLES, 2 ENEMY CARRIED ANOTHER MAN IN A HAMBOCK WHICH WAS HUNG ON A POLE. THE POLE WAS ON THE 2 MEN'S SHOULDERS, 2 ENEMY CARRIED ROUND, FLAT OBJECTS APPROXIMATELY 30 INCHES LONG AND 12 INCHES IN DIAMETER AT THE MIDDLE. 1 ENEMY WEARING GREEN TROUSERS CUT OFF AT KNEES, AND BOOTS, CARRIED NOTHING AND MINGLED WITH DIFFERENT ELEMENTS OF THE COLUMN. ANOTHER ENEMY WEARING KHAKI TROUSERS CUT OFF AT THE KNEES, AND CARRYING NO EQUIPMENT, ALSO MINGLED WITH DIFFERENT ELEMENTS OF THE COLUMN.
LOOTICH VIC AT 886355 THIS TEAM HEARD WHAT SOUNDED TO THEM LIKE A TRACK TYPE VEHICLE. THE SOUND WAS HEARD AT LEAST ONCE DURING EVERY 24-HOUR PERIOD OF THE PATROL. THE DIFFERENT TIMES THAT THE SOUND WAS HEARD WERE APPROXIMATELY 0000, 0500, 0600, AND 0800 HOURS. IF THE SOUND WAS HEARD DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS THERE WAS ALWAYS HEAVY FOG PRESENT. THE SOUND LASTED FOR APPROXIMATELY 2 HOURS ONE TIME. THE PATROL ESTIMATES THAT THE SOUND WAS COMING FROM THE NORTHWEST APPROXIMATELY 3000 TO 4000 METERS FROM THE PATROL'S POSITION. THE PATROL'S LOCATION WHEN THE VEHICLE WAS HEARD WAS VIC AT 886350.

100720 VIC AT 886355 TEAM OBSERVED 7 VC/AVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. 2 ENEMY WORE GREEN CUT OFF UTILITIES, 1 WORE GRAY CUT OFF UTILITIES, 1 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 2 WORE COOLIE HATS, AND 1 CARRIED KHAKI PACKS.

100725H VIC AT 886355 TEAM OBSERVED 6 VC/AVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. 1 OF WHICH WAS A FEMALE. THE FEMALE WORE A PLASTIC COVER OVER HER HEAD, WALKED IN FRONT OF THE COLUMN AND DID NOT CARRY ANY EQUIPMENT. OF THE MALE ENEMY 2 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 2 WORE KHAKI UTILITIES, 2 WORE GREEN UTILITIES, AND ALL THE MALE ENEMY CARRIED KHAKI PACKS.

b. TERRAIN: TERRAIN WAS FRANKLY VERY STEEP TO ROLLING HILLS, WITH A CANOPY OF 15-20 FEET. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 8-10 FEET IN HEIGHT CONSISTING OF BAMBOO, ELEPHANT GRASS AND BRUSH. THE SECONDARY GROWTH HINDERED MOVEMENT TO 150 TO 200 METERS FOR A RECON PATROL IN THE LOW GROUND. IN THE HIGHER GROUND, THE SECONDARY GROWTH THICKENED OUT, CONSISTING OF ELEPHANT GRASS AND BRUSH. SECONDARY GROWTH DID NOT HINDER MOVEMENT GREATLY IN THE HIGHER GROUND. USUALLY A TRAIL COULD BE FOUND ON THE RIDGELINES. CONCEALMENT WAS FAIR, SOME BURNT OFF SECTIONS WERE OBSERVED. COVER WAS AVAILABLE PERIODICALLY, IN THE FORM OF FOXHOLES AND LARGE ROCKS. WATER WAS NOT AVAILABLE ON THE HIGHER GROUND. ADEQUATE WATER CAN BE FOUND IN THE LOWER GROUND.
7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT LZ: AT891356 2xCH-46. ON SMALL KNOLL. ELEPHANT
   GRASS, GRAVES, AND FOXHOLES. BEST APPROACH FROM NORTH.

b. EXTRACT LZ: AT860350 2xCH-46, ON 30 DEGREE SLOPE. SHRUBS
   2-3 FEET HIGH, SOME FIGHTING HOLES.

c. TRAILS: THE RIDGELINE ON THE PATROL'S ROUTE HAS AN OLD TRAIL
   WHICH HAS NOT BEEN USED IN THE LAST 4-5 MONTHS.

d. CP'S: CP'S ALL ALONG THE RIDGELINE IN VICINITY OF AT880350.
   PROVIDES GOOD OBSERVATION TO THE N, NE. PROVIDES GOOD OBSERVATION
   OF VICINITY AT886355.

e. COMM: USED DOUBLET ANTENNA. RECEIVED REAR 5x5. REAR RECEIVED
   DIRECT. USED ALFA RELAY. COMM WAS POOR BECAUSE NETWORK WAS TIED UP
   WITH INSERT, EXTRACT INFORMATION. VERY LITTLE VN INTERFERENCE. PATROL
   COULD HEAR VN CALLING. RABBIT HUTCH.

f. OBSTACLES: NONE.

g. MISC: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: THIS IS THE SECOND RECENT REPORT OF
    HEARING TRACKED VEHICLES IN SAME VICINITY.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

   SGT. GRIMES 2183988
   CPL. BROWN 2292760
   H M3 DOYLE 8117391
   LCPL RODRIGUEZ 2425542
   PFC THOMAS 2482431
   LCPL ROTH 2345049

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PATROL ROUTE 34 + 3
X EXTRACT 90
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Patrol Leader
Ref (a) Map, VIETNAM, Sheet 66K-3
(b) 1stReconBuP3000.I
(c) 1stMarDivP3800.1GCh182(Intelligence SCP)
(d) 1stMarDivPPO3330.2A(Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragO #271-69

Unit/Call Sign 5th Platoon/GRIM REAPER

1. Situation (a) See current INTSUM'S
   (b) See current OPSIM'S and PIR'S(S-2/S-3)
   (c) See Area Study
   (d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission Conduct a reconnaissance of assigned operating area.
   Monitor enemy traffic on trail network in grid square AT8533, AT8433 and
   AT8533. Execute a prisoner acquisition.

3. Execution (a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through
   (e) inclusive to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HLZ 469 at
   0800H, insert via AT848:324, Flip Flop with Rabbit Hutch and extract at
   120900H via TBA.

   (b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will
   conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot of
   the insert helicopter on B-2. Primary and alternate extract and
   alternate insert zones will be selected at this time.

   (l) 5th Platoon/Grim Reaper will operate in conjunc-
   tion with 6th Platoon/Report Card. Ref: Operation Order #274-69

4. Admin/Logistics Reference (b) and verbal.

   a. Special Equipment
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Camera

5. Comm/Electronics: Primary Freq: 37.00 Alternate: 59.9
   Artillery: IPSWICH 60.0
   Radio Relay: STONE PIT "W"

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       (b) lstReconBnO P3000,1
       (c) lstMarDivO F3800.1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence ST)
       (d) lstMarDivO P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
       (e) CoFragO #272-69

Unit/Call Sign 7th Platoon/VIETNAM

1. Situation
   (a) See current INTSUM'S
   (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
   (c) See Area Study
   (d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission
   Conduct a reconnaissance of assigned operating area. Locate enemy base
   camps and supply areas. Monitor trail networks and report frequency of enemy
   usage.

3. Execution
   (a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through (e) inclusive to assist in
   completing the patrol. Depart HLZ 469 at 080800 and insert via AT30417 and
   extract at 120900 via TBA.

       (b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will conduct a map study of the
       operating area and consult the S-2 for intelligence information on D-1. Primary and
       alternate insert and extract zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics
   Reference (b) and verbal.
   a. Special Equipment
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Camera
      (3) Binocular/7x50

5. Comm/Electronics
   Primary Freq: 37.0 Alternate: 59.9
   Artillery: IFPWH 60.0
   Radio Relay: STONE PIT MAN

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(c) 1stMarDiv0 P3800.10 Ch 182 (Intelligence OP)
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Unit/Call Sign 3rd Platoon/RECORD

1. Situation
(a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
(c) See Area Study
(d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission
Conduct a reconnaissance of assigned operating area.
Monitor trail and stream system running from AT820264 to AT860270.
Determine the volume of enemy movement and activity.

3. Execution
(a) Concept of Operation: Utilize reference (a) through (e) inclusive to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HLZ 469 at 080800H, insert vic AT855274, Flip Flop with Vesper Bells and extract at 120900H vic TBA.

(b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot of the insert helicopter on D-2. Primary and alternate extract and alternate insert zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics
Reference (b) and verbal.

a. Special Equipment
(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Camera
(3) Binocular/7x50, M-49 Scope

5. Comm/Electronics:
Primary Freq: 37.0 Alternate: 59.2
Artillery: IPSWITCH 60.0
Radio Relay: STONE PIT RB1

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT
   a. Composition: 6 en, 1 usn
   b. Special Attachments: None
   c. Com and Observation Equip.: 2 IRC-25's, 1 7x50-1 M-19 Scope
   d. Special Equip.: 2 claymores, 1 M-16, M-49 overunder

2. MISSION: Conduct a reconnaissance of assumed operating area.
   Monitor trail and stream system running from AT820264 to AT600270.
   Determine the volume of enemy movement and activity.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 061230H/111600H SEPTEMBER 1969

4. ROUTE: See Overlay

5. SYNOPSIS: The patrol was inserted by means of helicopter, flip
   flopped with vesper reels, and routinely split after 77 hours of patrol
   activity, during which 1 group of enemy were observed, totaling 3
   VC/NA. The patrol made 1 contact. Results: 1 VC/NA KIA. No sup-
   porting arms were utilized.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. Enemy: 061500H VIC AT857272 patrol sighted 2 harbor sites
      overlooking a stream. Harbor sites were spread apart approximately
      30 meters, and there was 1 on each side of the stream. Both sites
      were over 1 month old, and had not been recently used. 1 site con-
      sisted of 1 lean-to, which would accommodate approximately 3 men,
      with 1 hole 5 meters away, approximately 1 foot deep, by 2 feet in
      width, by 5 feet in length. The other site consisted of 1 lean-to,
      large enough to accommodate a approximately 3 men. Both sites were
      well policed.
      
      091500H VIC AT853272 patrol sighted trail, not on map, and not
      recently used. The trail was approximately 1/2 feet in width (see
      overlay).
      
      091230H patrol heard a dog barking in a manner as if he was
      tracking something (wild pigs had been observed in this vicinity).
      There is a possibility that dogs are used to catch pigs. Approx-
      imate vicinity: AT852268.
      
      091545H VIE AT815267 patrol sighted 3 VC/NA moving southwest
      on a trail. Patrol was moving west on another trail. The center element
      of the patrol made contact with the VC/NA at the intersection of the
      two trails. Contact was unavailable. 1 of the VC/NA was female, she
      was hit immediately after contact had been initiated by the patrol.
      The two men ran back in the direction from which they had come. Patrol
      requested permission to get a POW extraction. The request was denied
      and the female VC/NA died as a result of her wounds approximately 40
      minutes after initial contact. POW extraction was denied due to the

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The female VC/NVA was approximately 18 years old and was wearing black pants. The attire of the 2 male VC/NVAs could not be determined. All 3 packs carried by the 3 VC/NVAs contained different items. The female VC/NVA's pack contained 1 hammock, 1 bag of food, and 1 roll of money. The male VC/NVAs carried firewood, ammunition, and a variety of other supplies.

At 104500H, 106630H, VC/At865267 patrol heard a large volume of noise and movement on a trail. All movement was to the east. The noise and movement seemed to be at a 100 meter interval. There was a lot of coughing, wood chopping, a little laughing and giggling, and metal clanging noises. At 104600H, movement heard by patrol seemed to approach spot where body of VC/NVA KIA was left on the previous afternoon. At this time, the movement seemed to converge around the body, the voices seemed to be excited. This continued for approximately 10 minutes.

At 104630H to 104800H, VC/At865267 patrol heard movement going in a westerly direction. All movement towards the east seemed to stop. There was very little coughing, and a smaller amount of talking, although there was 5 minutes of wood chopping. The movement was almost constant until 0630H.

At 104900H to 105100H, patrol heard small group of VC/NVA moving in an easterly direction. Patrol stationed in this position until 105000H. No more noise was heard. A patrol located at 37461271 observed light at 10525576, also observed fire fight general VC/At8267. 50 cal. mg fire aimed at spook. This fire fight lasted until approximately 110600H.

110600H, VC/At865267 patrol heard movement in an easterly direction. Patrol departed this area. Movement still in progress when patrol moved out. This movement had considerably more noise discipline than the previous movements.

At 110700H, VC/At861171 patrol heard movement in an easterly direction. This movement lasted for approximately 3 - 4 minutes.

b. Terrain was steep with a canopy of 60-70 feet. Secondary growth was 3 - 15 feet high consisting of vines, briars, elephant grass, and bamboo. Movement was slow at the rate of 100 meters per hour for a recon patrol. Water was plentiful in streams marked on map.

d. Other information:

a. Insert LZ: At860260, 2x6H-15 zone, old rice paddy with short grass. Approach from the south, exit to the north.

b. Extract LZ: At863272, side zone, very small trees the patrol was dragged into. No one was hurt.

c. Trails: Trails were 3 - 4 feet wide, dug into ground from 2 - 5 feet.

d. OP's: At864273, good observation of trail from At86270 to At850268.

e. Comm: Good. Bravo relay had trouble picking up patrol's transmissions due to friendly interference on net. No comm was obtainable in the vicinity of At865267.

f. Obstacles: None.

g. Misc: None.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC/NVA KIA

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL DID NOT BELIEVE THAT THE TRAIL HAD BEEN USED IN APPROXIMATELY 3-4 WEEKS, UNTIL CONTACT WAS MADE AND THE MOVEMENT WAS HEARD ON 100500H-TO-100600H.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: DEBRIEFER EXPLAINED TO THE PATROL MEMBERS THE IMPORTANCE OF MONEY TO THE VC/NVA, AND IN FUTURE Instances, TO ENSURE SUCH FINDS ARE RETURNED.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT GRIFFITH 1801103
PFC BERCEN 2493795
PFC GAITHNER 2411833
PFC LESSARD 2419074
HM3 BOX 2811666
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1. **Situation**  
   (a) See current INTSUM'S  
   (b) See current OPSUM'S and FIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
   (c) See Area Study  
   (d) Attachments, NONE

2. **Mission**  
   Conduct a reconnaissance of assigned operating area.  
   Monitor enemy traffic on trail network in grid square AT6332, AT8433 and AT8533. Execute a prisoner acquisition.

3. **Execution**  
   (a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through (e) inclusive to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HIZ 469 at 0800H, insert vic AT848324, Flip Flop with Rabbit Hutch and extract at 1200H vic TBA.
   (b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot of the insert helicopter on D-2. Primary and alternate extract and alternate insert zones will be selected at this time.

   (1) 6th Platoon/Report Card will operate in conjunction with 5th Platoon/Grim Reaper. Ref: Operation Order #271-69

4. **Admin/Logistics**  
   Reference (b) and verbal.
   a. Special Equipment  
      (1) 6x30/Binocular, Long Wire Antenna (each radio)  
      (2) Machine Gun/M-60

5. **Comm/Electronics**: Primary Freq: 37.00 Alternate: 59.9  
   Artillery: IPSWICH 60.0  
   Radio Relay: STONE PIT "A"

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(b) lstReconBn P3000.4
(c) lstMarDiv P3800.1G Ch 162 (Intelligence SOF)
(d) lstMarDiv P00330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFrago #275-69

Unit/Call Sign 5th Platoon/GRIM REAPER

1. Situation
   (a) See current INTSUM'S
   (b) See current OPSUM'S and Phins (S-2/S-3)
   (c) See Area Study
   (d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission
   (a) Conduct a thorough reconnaissance of assigned operating area. Locate Regimental or larger size base camps at vic grid squares AT8431 and AT8531. Be prepared to employ land line communications monitoring system.

3. Execution
   (a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through (e) inclusive to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HLZ 469 at 090800H, insert vic AT848323, Flip Flop with Rabbit Hutch and extract at 130900H vic TBA.

   (b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will conduct a map study of the operating area and consult the S-2 for intelligence information on D-1. Primary and alternate extract and alternate insert zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics
   (a) Special Equipment
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Camera
      (3) Binocular/6x30
      (4) Surveillance System 4-14.4A

5. Comm/Electronics
   Primary Freq: 37.0 Alternate: 59.9
   Artillery: IPSWICH 60.0
   Recon Artillery: ASPARAGUS 57.20
   Radio Relay: STONE PIT "A"

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 2 O.F.F. 5 ENL. 1 UN.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 6x30's, 1 WIRE TAP KIT
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 2 M-14, 1 M-79, 3 CLAYMORES, 1 M-45B

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A THOROUGH RECONNAISSANCE OF ASSIGNED OPERATING
   AREA, LOCATE REGIMENTAL OR LARGER SIZE BASE CAMPS AT VIC GRID SQUARES
   AT8431 AND AT8531. BE PREPARED TO EMPLOY LAND LINE COMMUNICATIONS
   MONITORING SYSTEM.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 0913H/1311H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER, AND ROUTINELY EX-
   TRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS AFTER 97 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING
   WHICH 16 GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVED TOTALING 36 VC/NVA. THERE
   WERE NO UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS. THE PATROL MADE NO CONTACTS AND UTILIZED
   NO SUPPORTING ARMS.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. ENEMY: 101330H-101355H VIC AT874307 PATROL OBSERVED 73 VC/NVA
      MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 10 ENEMY WORE KHAKI AND GREEN
      SHIRTS AND TROUSERS MIXED. 42 WORE NVA HELMETS. ENEMY
      WERE ARMED WITH 26 AK-47'S, 15 SKS'S, 1 12.7 HMG, AND 1 RPD. PATROL
      OBSERVED 2 82MM MORTAR TUBES, 1 122 ROCKETS AND 1 RADIO SIMILAR TO A
      PRC-10. ENEMY CARRIED 42 PACKS, 7 APPEARED TO BE FILLED WITH MORTAR
      ROUNDS AND 13 WERE LIGHTLY LOADED. AT THIS TIME TEAM BEGAN TO HEAR
      VOICES FROM DIFFERENT POSITIONS ON THE TRAIL. THESE VOICES DIDN'T
      MOVE, POSITION FOR THE ENTIRE TIME THE PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT AND
      VOICES ALL AROUND THEIR POSITION.
      101410H-101455H VIC AT874307 PATROL OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA MOVING
      SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 22 ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 16 GREEN UTIL-
      LITIES, 7 MIXED KHAKI AND GREEN UTILITIES AND 1 SET OF PLAIN PJ'S.
      31 ENEMY WORE KHAKI HELMETS. ENEMY WAS EQUIPPED WITH 1 RPD, 5 SKS'S,
      13 AK-47'S, 1 122 ROCKET, 35 HEAVY PACKS AND 11 LIGHT PACKS.
      101510H-101545H VIC AT874307 PATROL OBSERVED 34 VC/NVA OF WHICH
      13 WERE WOMEN MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 7 ENEMY WORE KHAKI, 9
      WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 5 MIXED KHAKI AND GREEN UTILITIES. 9 WOMEN
      WORE BLACK PJ'S AND 4 WERE MIXED BLACK AND WHITE CLOTHING. ENEMY
      WERE EQUIPPED WITH 5 AK-47'S, 4 SKS'S, 17 HEAVY PACKS, AND 2 LIGHT
      PACKS.

10/01/2/30H V/C 18/87/3/306 PATROL HEARD APPROXIMATELY 15 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON THE TRAIL. THE PATROL WAS NOT YET IN POSITION TO OBSERVE MOVEMENT. THE ENEMY WERE TALKING AND COUGHING LOUDLY.

11/0/3/30H V/C 18/87/3/306 PATROL OBSERVED 23 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 11 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS, 6 GREEN UTILITIES, 9 NVA WEARED HELMETS. WOMEN WORE 3 BLACK PJ'S AND 1 GRAY SWEATER AND BLACK PJ PANTS. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 5 AK-47'S, 3 SKS'S, 9 HEAVY PACKS AND 6 LIGHT PACKS.

11/1/2/30H V/C 18/87/3/306 PATROL OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA. 1 WAS A FEMALE. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND HAD NO EQUIPMENT. THESE PEOPLE WERE COUGHING BADLY.

11/1/2/30H V/C 18/87/3/306 PATROL OBSERVED 17 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. THE ENEMY WORE 5 BLACK PJ'S, 6 KHAKIS, 4 GREEN UTILITIES, 2 MIXED KHAKI GREEN, 6 STEEL HELMETS WITH COVERS (BROWN SIDE OUT) AND 7 NVA HELMETS. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 3 AK-47'S, 2 M-16'S, 6 LIGHT PACKS, 1 GOLD WRIST WATCH, AND 13 HEAVY PACKS. THESE ENEMY WERE COUGHING QUITE A BIT.

11/1/1/30H-11/1/2/30H V/C 18/87/3/306 PATROL OBSERVED 22 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 11 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS, 6 GREEN UTILITIES MIXED WITH KHAKI AND 2 WORE BLACK PJ'S. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 10 HEAVY PACKS, 12 LIGHT PACKS, 7 AK-47'S, 2 SKS'S, AND 10 NVA HELMETS.

11/1/3/30H V/C 18/87/3/306 PATROL OBSERVED 11 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 8 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS, 3 MIXED KHAKI GREEN UTILITIES AND 3 NVA HELMETS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 2 AK-47'S, 2 SKS'S, 6 HEAVY PACKS AND 3 LIGHT PACKS.

11/1/3/30H V/C 18/87/3/306 PATROL OBSERVED 17 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 7 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS, 5 WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 5 WORE KHAKI GREEN MIXED UTILITIES. 7 ENEMY HAD NVA HELMETS. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 6 AK-47'S, 3 SKS'S, 11 HEAVY PACKS, AND 4 LIGHT PACKS.

11/1/3/30H-11/1/3/45H V/C 18/87/3/306 PATROL OBSERVED 27 VC/NVA, 18 OF WHICH WERE WOMEN, MOVING NORTHWEST ON A TRAIL. 7 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS, 2 WERE GREEN UTILITIES, 5 WOMEN WORE BLACK PJ'S, 12 WOMEN WORE WHITE SWEATERS AND BLACK PJ PANTS, AND 1 WOMAN WORE A GREEN SWEATER AND GREEN GLASSES THAT LOOKED NEW. THE MEN WERE EQUIPPED WITH 3 AK-47'S, 2 SKS'S, AND 9 LIGHT PACKS. THE WOMEN CARRIED 15 BROWN CONTAINERS WHICH APPEARED TO HAVE FOOD IN THEM. THE CONTAINERS WERE ABOUT 1 GALLON CAPACITY. THERE WERE 3 GROUPS OF WOMEN WITH 6 WOMEN IN EACH GROUP. THE FIRST GROUP HAD 2 MEN IN FRONT AND 1 BEHIND IT. THE FRONT AND REAR MAN HAD AK-47'S.
THE SECOND GROUP HAD 2 MEN IN FRONT AND 1 BEHIND. THE FRONT MAN HAD AN SKS. THE THIRD GROUP HAD 1 MAN IN FRONT AND 2 BEHIND. THE MAN IN FRONT HAD A SKS AND THE ONE IN THE REAR HAD A AK-47. THERE WAS 25 METERS BETWEEN GROUPS. THE WOMEN WERE TALKING AND JOKING.

111120H VIC AT874306 PATROL OBSERVED 16 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. ALL THE ENEMY WORE KHAKIS AND NVA HELMETS. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 7 AK-47'S, 1 SKS, 5 HEAVY PACKS AND 11 LIGHT PACKS. THESE EN WERE NEAT AND CLEAN AND OBSERVED GOOD NOISE DISCIPLINE.

121035H VIC AT874306 PATROL OBSERVED 20 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 13 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS, 7 GREEN UTILITIES AND KHAKIS MIXED, AND 16 NVA HELMETS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 6 AK-47'S, 3 SKS'S, 1 M-3, 1 M-16, 15 HEAVY PACKS AND 5 LIGHT PACKS.

121000H VIC AT874306 PATROL OBSERVED 12 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 8 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 4 WORE KHAKIS, AND 9 NVA PITH HELMETS. ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 3 AK-47'S, 2 SKS'S, 8 HEAVY PACKS AND 4 LIGHT PACKS.

120230H VIC AT874306 PATROL OBSERVED 23 VC/NVA, 4 OF WHICH WERE WOMEN, MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 11 WERE KHAKI'S 3 WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND KHAKI'S, WHILE THE WOMEN WORE WHITE BLOUSES AND BLACK PJ PANTS. 7 MEN WORE NVA PITH HELMETS. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 6 AK-47'S, 2 SKS'S, 13 LIGHT PACKS, AND 6 HEAVY PACKS.

121240H VIC AT874306 PATROL OBSERVED 17 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. ALL OF THE ENEMY WORE KHAKI'S AND 11 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 7 AK-47'S, 5 SKS'S, 1 RPD, 4 HEAVY PACKS AND 13 LIGHT PACKS. THIS GROUP OF ENEMY WAS VERY NEAT, HAD GOOD HAIRCUTS, USED GOOD NOISE DISCIPLINE, AND APPEARED TO BE EATING WELL. THEY WERE OBVIOUSLY WELL-DISCIPLINED TROOPS.


b. TERRAIN: STEEP AND VERY ROUGH WITH A ROCKY SOIL THAT WOULD NOT SUPPORT THE WEIGHT OF A MAN WITHOUT GIVING WAY IN SOME PLACES AND CAUSING SMALL ROCK SLIDES. THE CANOPY WAS THICK AT 50-60 FT HIGH WITH VERY FEW OPENINGS. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 15 FT HIGH CONSISTING OF VINES, BAOBCO, AND SMALL TREES AND WAS UNUSUALLY THICK. PATROL HAD TO CRAWL IN SOME PLACES. MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT AND RESTRICTED TO A RATE OF 100 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. THERE WAS WATER AVAILABLE AND IT WAS SWIFT RUNNING.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT LZ: AT863313, LCH-16, FAIR TAILGATE ZONE, LARGE WITH 5-6 FT ELEPHANT GRASS BUT A DIFFICULT MANEUVER FOR THE HELICOPTER DUE TO THE FACT THAT IT MUST TURN 180° TO SET IN KAMP. BEST DIRECTION OF APPROACH IS SW AND LEAVE TO NW.

b. EXTRACT LZ: SAME AS INSERT LZ.

c. TRAILS: PATROL FOUND 1 TRAIL AT AT874307, IT RAN NW-SE, WAS 18-20 INCHES WIDE, 6 INCHES DEEP, AND VERY WELL USED. PATROL ESTIMATED DISTANCE AND LOCATION OF TRAIL ON OVERLAY BY VOICES AND SOUNDS THEY HEARD THAT WERE MOVING ON IT.
7. (CONTINUED)
   d. OP'S: NONE USED OR FOUND.
   e. COMM: FAIR WITH "STONE PIT A".
   f. OBSTACLES: PATROL HAD TO SKIRT SOME ROCKY AREAS BECAUSE THEY
      WOULD BE NOISY TO MOVE THROUGH.
   g. MISC: AT AT861311 PATROL FOUND A 250 LB BOMB THAT WAS APPEARENTLY
      A DUD. THE FUSE HAD BEEN REMOVED BUT NOTHING ELSE WAS DISTURBED. PATROL
      DID NOT BLOW IT IN PLACE DUE TO THE PROXIMITY OF THE EXTRACT ZONE AND
      NOT WANTING TO COMPROMISE IT.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADER SUGGESTS A LARGE
     AIR STRIKE ON THE RIDGELINE FROM AT874306 TO AT851312. THIS AREA, IN
     THE PATROL LEADERS OPINION, IS A LARGE BASE COMPLEX.

11. DEBRIEFERS COMMENTS: THE ENEMY MOVING SE COULD POSSIBLY HAVE
     BEEN MOVING TO THE LARGE TRAIL FOLLOWING THE RIDGELINE THAT ACTS
     AS A BOUNDARY BETWEEN DUC DUC AND QUE SON DISTRICTS.

12. PATROL MEMBERS:
    1STLT ROLLINGS 0107099  PATROL OVERLAY 89 +32
    1STLT JACKSON 0107418
    SGT HOORMAN 1994359
    CPL CRANE 24121435
    LCPL HUCKSTEP 2458910
    LCPL MAGRE 2478633
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Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Sheet 66h0 III
       (b) 1st Recon RnO P3800.41
       (c) 1stMarDiv P3800.14 Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
       (d) 1stMarDiv P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
       (e) CoPrag0 #276-69

Unit/Call Sign: 6th Platoon/REPORT CARD

1. Situation
   a. See current INTELLSUMS
   b. See current OPSUMS and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
   c. See Area Study
   d. Attachments, NONE

2. Mission. Establish observation and report enemy activities over the trail network from AT900365 to AT885359 and south to AT890345.

3. Execution
   a. Concept of Operation: Depart HIZ 469 at 100800H, insert at AT880350 (Flip Flop with 469) and extract at 140900H via TBA. Swift Scout
   b. Coordinating Instructions: Utilize references (a) through (e).
      Acquire HIZ briefing and enemy situation from S-2 on D-1.

4. Add/Logistics. Ref: (b) and verbal.
   a. Special equipment
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Binocular 7x50
      (3) Scope M-49

5. Comm/Electronics
   a. Communications Network
      (1) Stone Pit; prim: 37.0 alt: 59.9
      (2) Stone Pit "A"; radio relay
      (3) Ipswich; prim: 60.0; artillery
      (4) Asparagus; prim: 57.2, arty Recon.

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1. OBJECTIVE: TO DETERMINE THE REACTIVITY OF THE VC/NVA TO THE AREA.

2. MISSION: TO DETERMINE THE AREA'S CAPABILITY OF PROVIDING ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINMENT FOR THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE IN THE VICINITY OF AT86355.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 0730, 151530Z SEPTEMBER 1969

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER, PHLIP, AND RECOVERED VIA THE SAME MEANS. THE PATROL WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY THE VC/NVA WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE REGIMENT AFTER 137 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY. DURING WHICH 65 CONTACTS WERE OBSERVED AND FAILED 21 VC/NVA. THERE WERE 2 VC/NVA THAT WERE OBSERVED ON FIRE AT AT86355. NO OTHER SUPPORTING ARMS WERE UTILIZED.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:


b. 100925Z VIC AT86355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE A GREEN UNIFORM, GREEN PACK, NVA PITH HAT, AND BOOTS. ENEMY WAS CARPETED WITH LEAVES, MOVING VERY SLOWLY AND STANDING OFF TO LOOK AROUND.

c. 101130Z TO 101140Z VIC AT86355 TEAM OBSERVED 11 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 10 ENEMY WORE GREY UNIFORMS, 11 WORE BLACK PANTS, 5 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 6 WORE GRAY UNIFORMS, 2 WORE ALLOY UNIFORMS, 3 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, 28 CARRIED PACKS, 2 CARRIED AK-47 HUMPS, 1 CARRIED A ROUND OBJECT WHICH APPEARED TO BE A 32 MM MORTAR CASE, AND ENEMY WORE A RAINCOAT.

The Enemy's packs were very small or empty. All of the Enemy Double Time. The Enemy column came from the West and moved north in vicinity AT86355. Main enemy column was approx 150 yards.

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101155H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA MOVING EAST THEN NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE A KHAKI UNIFORM, 2 WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 3 WORE MIXED UNIFORMS, 2 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, 6 CARRIED PACKS AND 1 CARRIED A BROWN CYLINDER APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET LONG AND 4 INCHES IN DIAMETER.

101300H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, 1 WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WORE A NVA PITH HELMET, 1 CARRIED A SMALL PACK AND 1 WORE A CARTRIDGE BELT.

101320H TO 101345H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 15 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 17 OF THE ENEMY WORE KHAKI'S, 8 WORE GREEN UNIFORMS, 2 WORE GRAY UNIFORMS, 2 WORE BLUE UNIFORMS, 10 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 6 WORE MIXED UNIFORMS, 26 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, 42 CARRIED PACKS, 2 CARRIED RIFLES, 1 WORE A CARTRIDGE BELT, AND 1 POSSIBLY CARRIED A PISTOL. THESE PACKS WERE LARGER THEN THE PACKS OF THE ENEMY SIGHTED EARLIER IN THE DAY. THE FIRST 30 ENEMY WERE GANGLICED WITH LEAVES. THIS GROUP OF ENEMY HID AS A PLANE FLEW OVER. THE LAST 2, ENEMY IN THE COLUMN LEFT THE TRAIL AT VIC AT886355. PATROL LEADER BELIEVES A BASE CAMP IS LOCATED HERE.

101500H TO 101510H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE A KHAKI UNIFORM, 1 WORE A GRAY UNIFORM, 1 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 1 WORE A NVA PITH HELMET, 1 WORE A COOLIE HAT, 1 CARRIED PACKS, AND 1 CARRIED A METAL CYLINDER APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET LONG AND 6 INCHES IN DIAMETER. WHEN THIS GROUP APPROACHED VIC AT886355 THERE WAS SUDDENLY A LOT OF TALKING.

101530H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA OF WHICH 3 WERE WOMEN MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. THE 3 ENEMY FEMALES WORE BLUE SHORTS WITH BLACK TROUSER, 3 MALE ENEMY WORE GREEN UNIFORMS, 1 MALE ENEMY WORE A GRAY UNIFORM, 3 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, 7 CARRIED PACKS, 1 CARRIED A BROWN CYLINDER, APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET LONG AND 4 INCHES IN DIAMETER, AND 3 CARRIED BUNDLES OF STICKS.

101600H TO 101610H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 2 OF THE ENEMY APPEARED TO BE CAUCASIAN. THE CAUCASIANS WERE APPROXIMATELY 5 MINUTES AHEAD OF THE OTHER VC/NVA. BOTH CAUCASIANS WORE KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRTS, BOTH THE SHORTS AND SHIRTS WERE ROLLED UP, BOTH WORE NVA PITH HELMETS; CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES AT SHOULDER ARMS. 1 CAUCASIAN APPEARED TO AWE ABOUT 6 FEET TALL WEIGHING ABOUT 200 POUNDS, THE OTHER WAS ABOUT 5 FT. 10 INCHES TALL AND WEIGHING ABOUT 220 POUNDS. OF THE OTHER 8 VC/NVA, 6 ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 1 WORE A GRAY UNIFORM, 1 WORE A MIXED UNIFORM AND 5 OF THE ENEMY WORE NVA PITH HELMETS. THE VIC VC/NVA CARRIED NO RIFLES.

101620H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. THE ENEMY WORE A KHAKI UNIFORM AND CARRIED A AK-47 RIFLE. THIS VC/NVA CARRIED NO PACK.

101630H TO 101645H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 31 VC/NVA... OF WHICH 5 WERE WOMEN MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL, 1 ENEMY WORE GREEN UNIFORMS, 20 WORE MIXED UNIFORMS, 1 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 6 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 5 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, 6 CARRIED PACKS, 1 CARRIED AN AK-47 RIFLE, 4 CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE 122MM ROCKETS, 1 CARRIED AN OBJECT THAT LOOKED LIKE A ROCKET WARHEAD, AND 22 CARRIED BROWN TUBES APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET LONG AND 4 INCHES IN DIAMETER. THESE OBJECTS LOOKED LIKE 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS IN CANNISTERS.

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10170H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. BOTH ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, 1 CARRIED A PACK, 1 WORE NVA 'PITH HELMET,' 1 CARRIED A AK-47 RIFLE, AND 1 CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A ROCKET WARHEAD.

10170H TO 101725H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 17 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 5 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WORE BLACK ORANGE, 5 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 6 WORE MIXED COLORED UNIFORMS, 6 CARRIED PACKS, 7 WORE NVA 'PITH HELMETS,' 3 CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE 122MM ROCKETS, AND 3 ENEMY CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE ROCKET WARHEADS.

101725H TO 101745H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 4 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WORE BLACK ORANGE, 2 WORE MIXED COLORED CLOTHING, 6 CARRIED PACKS, 6 CARRIED NVA 'PITH HELMETS,' 2 CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE 122MM ROCKETS, AND 3 ENEMY CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE ROCKET WARHEADS.

101745H TO 101755H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 13 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 7 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 6 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 4 WORE NVA 'PITH HELMETS,' AND 12 OF THE ENEMY CARRIED PACKS. THE CARRIED ENEMY MOVING NORTH WERE CAMELLOURED WITH LEAVES.

110715H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, NVA 'PITH HELMET,' AND 1 ENEMY CARRIED 'A PACK WITH A CYLINDER SHAPED OBJECT STRAPPED ON HIS BACK. THE PACK WAS APPROXIMATELY 3 FEET LONG AND 5 INCHES IN DIAMETER.' 

110725H TO 110730H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 11 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH, OF WHICH 2 WERE MOVING NORTH AND 9 WERE MOVING SOUTH. 

5 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 2 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 3 WORE GREEN 'SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS,' 3 WORE NVA 'PITH HELMETS,' 1 WORE A BUSH HAT AND 7 CARRIED PACKS. 1 ENEMY WAS BEING CARRIED BY 2 VC/NVA IN A LITTER.

110815H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S. NO OTHER EQUIPMENT COULD BE OBSERVED.

110825H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL, 2 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 2 WORE NVA 'PITH HELMETS,' ALL 3 ENEMY CARRIED PACKS, AND 1 ENEMY CARRIED AN 122MM RK-47 RIFLE. ALL OF THE ENEMY WERE CAMELLOURED WITH LEAVES.

110835H TO 110845H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, A NVA 'PITH HELMET,' AND CARRIED A PACK.

110855H TO 110900H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA NORTH ON TRAIL. 2 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 2 WORE BLACK PJ'S, ALL OF THE ENEMY WERE NVA 'PITH HELMETS AND PACKS. 1 ENEMY CARRIED A AK-47 RIFLE.
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1. The enemy was camouflaged with leaves.

2. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. Both enemy wore khaki uniforms, 1 wore a white hat, and 1 carried an AK-47 rifle.

3. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 1 enemy wore a white helmet, 1 carried an AK-47 rifle.

4. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 1 man carried a bag.

5. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 1 enemy wore a white helmet.

6. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 6 enemy were camouflaged with leaves.

7. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 2 enemy wore black helmets, 1 carried an AK-47 rifle.

8. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 1 man carried a bag.

9. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 3 enemy wore black helmets, 1 carried an AK-47 rifle.

10. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 2 enemy were camouflaged with leaves.

11. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 1 man carried a bag.

12. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 5 enemy wore black helmets, 2 carried an AK-47 rifle.

13. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 2 enemy were camouflaged with leaves.

14. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 1 man carried a bag.

15. VC/NVA Moving North on Trail. 3 enemy wore black helmets, 2 carried an AK-47 rifle.
121230H VIC AT865355 TEAM OBSERVED 6 VC/NAV MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 3 ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 1 WORE A GREEN UNIFORM, 1 WORE MIXED UNIFORMS, 5 CARRIED PACKS, 1 CARRIED A S-K-47 RIFLE AND 2 ENEMY CARRIED AN UNKNOWN TYPE RIFLE. ALL OF THE ENEMY WERE CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES.

121300H TO 121310H VIC AT865355 TEAM OBSERVED 12 VC/NAV MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 7 ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 3 WORE GREEN UNIFORMS, 2 WORE BLACK PJ’S, 6 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, 12 CARRIED PACKS, AND 1 CARRIED A RIFLE, THE TYPE OF WHICH COULD NOT BE DETERMINED. ALL OF THESE ENEMY WERE CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES.

121345H VIC AT865355 TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NAV MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ALL OF THE ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS WITH PITH HELMETS AND CARRIED PACKS.

121620H VIC AT865355 TEAM OBSERVED 6 VC/NAV MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ALL OF THE ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, AND PACKS, AND 3 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS. THIS GROUP OF ENEMY WAS RUNNING AT FULL SPEED.

121645H VIC AT865355 TEAM OBSERVED 13 VC/NAV MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. THERE WAS A FEMALE PRESENT IN THIS GROUP. THE FEMALE WORE A WHITE Blouse WITH BLACK TROUSERS, AND CARRIED A PACK. 7 OF THE ENEMY MALES WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 4 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 1 WORE BLACK PJ’S, 1 WORE A CARTRIDGE BELT AND 1 CARRIED A RIFLE. THE FIRST 6 ENEMY WERE RUNNING AT FULL SPEED.

121735H VIC AT865355 TEAM OBSERVED 9 VC/NAV MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 5 ENEMY WORE GREEN UNIFORMS, 3 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 1 WORE BLACK PJ UNIFORMS, 5 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS AND 9 CARRIED PACKS. ALL OF THE ENEMY WERE CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES AND WALKED SLOWLY.

121750H VIC AT865355 TEAM OBSERVED 4 VC/NAV MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 3 ENEMY WORE GREEN UNIFORMS, 1 WORE A KHAKI UNIFORM, 5 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS AND ALL OF THIS GROUP CARRIED SMALL PACKS. THIS GROUP OF ENEMY WALKED VERY SLOW.

130710H VIC AT865355 TEAM OBSERVED 2 VC/NAV MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ALL ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, NVA PITH HELMETS AND PACKS. THIS GROUP OF ENEMY WAS RUNNING AT FULL SPEED. AT THIS TIME TOO WAS COVERING THE TRAIL AND THE TEAM COULD NOT OBSERVE THE TRAIL VERY WELL.

130815H VIC AT865355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NAV MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UNIFORM, NVA PITH HELMET AND A SMALL PACK.

130825H VIC AT865355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NAV MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UNIFORM, CARRIED A SMALL PACK AND A S-K-47 RIFLE. THE ENEMY WAS CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES AND WALKED SLOW.

130910H VIC AT865355 TEAM OBSERVED 10 VC/NAV MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. 9 ENEMY WORE GREEN UNIFORMS, 1 WORE A KHAKI SHIRT WITH GREEN TROUSERS, ALL OF THE ENEMY WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, ALL CARRIED PACKS, 1 CARRIED A RPG ROCKET GRENADE LAUNCHER AND 3 CARRIED AK-47 RIFLES. THIS COLUMN OF ENEMY TURNED WEST IN VICINITY OF AT865355.

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131755H TO 131755H VIO 8786355 TEAM OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY IN THIS GROUP WAS A FEMALE. THE FEMALE WORE BLACK PJS, A COOLIE HAT AND CARRIED A HEAVY PACK. OF THE 9 ENEMY MALES, 6 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 2 WORE GREEN UNIFORMS, 1 WORE BLACK PJS, 6 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, AND 1 WORE A COOLIE HAT, ALL CARRIED PACKS AND 2 CARRIED AK-47 RIFLES.

131030H VIO 8786355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. THE ENEMY WORE A GREEN UNIFORM, A NVA PITH HELMET AND CARRIED A PACK.

131055H VIO 8786355 TEAM OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 3 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WORE BLACK PJS, 3 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, ALL OF THE ENEMY CARRIED PACKS, AND 1 ENEMY CARRIED A AK-47 RIFLE. THE ENEMY WAS WALKING VERY FAST.

131030H VIO 8786355 TEAM OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 2 OF THE GROUP OF ENEMY WERE FEMALES. 1 ENEMY FEMALE WORE BLACK PJS, AND 1 WORE A WHITE BLouse WITH BLACK TROUSERS. EACH FEMALE CARRIED 2 LARGE PACKS ON A STICK OVER THEIR SHOULDERS.

131030H VIO 8786355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY MALE WORE A KHAKI UNIFORM, 1 WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WORE A NVA PITH HELMET, BOTH CARRIED PACKS, AND 1 ENEMY CARRIED A RIFLE. TYPE OF RIFLE COULD NOT BE DETERMINED.

131040H VIO 8786355 TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE A KHAKI UNIFORM, 1 WORE BLACK PJS, 1 WORE A BLACK SHIRT WITH GREEN TROUSERS, 1 WORE A NVA PITH HELMET, 2 CARRIED LIGHT BROWN PACKS, 1 CARRIED A DARK GREEN PACK, AND 1 ENEMY CARRIED A AK-47 RIFLE.

131040H VIO 8786355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE A BLACK SHIRT WITH GREEN TROUSERS AND CARRIED A PACK.

131103H TO 131125H VIO 8786355 TEAM OBSERVED 12 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 7 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WORE BLACK PJS, 1 WORE A BLACK SHIRT WITH KHAKI TROUSERS, 8 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, 8 CARRIED PACKS, 1 CARRIED A RIFLE. UNDETERMINED, 2 CARRIED AK-47 RIFLES, 3 CARRIED OBJECTS THAT APPEARED TO BE ROCKETS. THESE OBJECTS WERE APPARENTLY 15 FEET LONG, 5 INCHES IN DIAMETER AND METAL IN COLOR. 1 ENEMY CARRIED A CYLINDER WHICH WAS APPARENTLY 3 FEET LONG AND 6 INCHES IN DIAMETER. 1 ENEMY CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A WARHEAD FOR A ROCKET.

131103H VIO 8786355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. TEAM COULD NOT OBSERVE THE UNIFORM OR EQUIPMENT OF THE ENEMY.

131102H VIO 8786355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY CARRIED A PACK, THE ENEMIES UNIFORM COULD NOT BE OBSERVED.

131113H VIO 8786355 TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, NVA PITH HELMETS, PACKS, AND CARRIED RIFLES. AT THE PRECEDING GRID COORDINATES 1 ENEMY CONTINUED MOVING NORTH, THE OTHER 2 ENEMY DISAPPEARED. PATROL LEADER BELIEVES THEY ARE SENTINELS.
1215H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, PACKS, 1 WORE A NVA PITH HELMET, AND 1 CARRIED A RIFLE. THE TYPE OF THE RIFLE COULD NOT BE DETERMINED.

141355H TO 141405H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 12 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 3 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 1 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 6 WORE BLACK TROUSERS WITH WHITE SHIRTS, 1 WORE A KHAKI SHIRT WITH BLACK TROUSERS, 1 WORE A BRIGHT BLUE PJ TYPE UNIFORM, 3 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, ALL OF THE ENEMY CARRIED PACKS, AND RIFLES. THE TYPE OF RIFLES THEY CARRIED COULD NOT BE DETERMINED. THIS GROUP OF ENEMY STOPPED ON THE TRAIL, THEN RAN ACROSS THE CLEARING.

141755H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED A PACK. THIS ENEMY WAS MONITORED ON THE SIDS.

141735H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 2 WORE KHAKI SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS, 2 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, 2 CARRIED PACKS, AND 1 CARRIED A RIFLE. THE TYPE OF RIFLE CARRIED COULD NOT BE DETERMINED. THIS GROUP OF ENEMY WAS MONITORED ON THE SIDS.

141755H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 17 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 4 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 2 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 7 WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 4 WORE LIGHT BLUE COLORED UNIFORMS, 6 WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, 17 CARRIED PACKS, 1 CARRIED A AK-47 RIFLE, 1 CARRIED AN UNKNOWN TYPE OF RIFLE, AND 2 ENEMY CARRIED METAL CYLINDERS APPROXIMATELY 4 FEET LONG, AND 2 INCHES IN DIAMETER, WITH PERPENDICULAR FINS LIKE A SNAKE BOMB ON BOTH ENDS.

150645H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, A NVA PITH HELMET AND CARRIED A PACK.

150710H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE A KHAKI UNIFORM, 4 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 4 CARRIED PACKS AND 1 CARRIED A AK-47. THE SECOND ENEMY IN THE COLUMN WORE KHAKI'S CARRIED THE AK-47 AND DID NOT CARRY A PACK. THIS GROUP OF ENEMY WAS NOT PICKED UP ON THE SIDS.

151110H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, 1 WORE A WHITE SHIRT WITH GRAY SHORTS, AND BOTH ENEMY CARRIED PACKS. THESE 2 ENEMY WERE RUNNING VERY FAST. THE SIDS DID NOT PICKUP THIS GROUP OF ENEMY.

151125H VIC AT886355 TEAM OBSERVED 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ALL OF THE ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS. 3 ENEMY WORE NVA PITH HELMETS, 1 CARRIED A AK-47 RIFLE AND 1 CARRIED A SKS RIFLE. ALL OF THIS GROUP OF ENEMY WERE CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES AND WERE RUNNING VERY FAST. THIS GROUP OF ENEMY WAS NOT PICKED UP BY THE SIDS.

b. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN WAS STEEP WITH NO CANOPY. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 5-6 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF ELEPHANT GRASS, AND SHRUBS.
MOVEMENT WAS EASY AT THE RATE OF 400 METERS PER HOUR FOR A FEBRON PATROL. WATER WAS NOT AVAILABLE ON THE PATROLS ROUTE.
THE PATROL DID NOT MOVE MORE THAN 200 METERS; THEREFORE, NOT VERY MUCH OF THE TERRAIN WAS OBSERVED.

PENETRATION WAS SCARCE, CONSISTING OF ELEPHANT GLASS, WHICH WAS ABOUT 1-3 FEET HIGH WITH AN OCCASIONAL TREE. MOVEMENT WOULD BE DIFFICULT IFRESS TO CONCEALMENT. COVER IS BAD IN THIS AREA. MOST OF THE AREA IS WIDE OPEN WITH AN OCCASIONAL DRAW THAT CAN BE USED FOR COVER.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT 1Z: AT880350, 2CM-16. GOOD ZONE ON A GENTLE SLOPE.

b. VEGETATION: CONSISTED OF ELEPHANT GLASS AND SHRUBS. THE BEST APPROACH WAS ON A AZIMUTH OF 300 DEGREES. THE BEST EXIT WAS ON An AZIMUTH OF 300 DEGREES.

c. EXTRACT 1Z: SAME AS INSERT 1Z.

d. TRAILS: 1 TRAIL RUNNING NE TO NW VIC AT880350, 1/2

F. WIND NOT WIND, NOT A WELL USED TRAIL.

e. OP-5S: THE ENTIRE RIDGELINE VIC AT880350 IS A GOOD OP.

f. VICINITY GIVES GOOD OBSERVATION OF A WELL DEFINED TRAIL VIC AT886355. GENERALLY IT GIVES GOOD OBSERVATION OF THE VALLEY TO THE NORTH AND TO THE SOUTH.

G. COMM: GOOD ON HIGH GROUND. COMM WAS FAIR WHEN THE PATROL MOVED OFF THE HIGH GROUND. PATROL HEARD FRENCH SPEAKED ON THE RADIO SEVERAL TIMES. PATROL RELAYED THRU ALFA RELAY.

f. OBSTACLES: NONE

g. MISSED: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTER WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD. PREPARATORY MISSION IS DIFFICULT, HOWEVER IT IS EASY TO CALL A ACTUAL FIRE MISSION.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADER THINKS THERE IS POSSIBLY A BASE CAM VIC AT886355.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

a. LT. RITCHIE 01858820
b. CPL. STERRY 2301682
CPL. BROWN 21877591
CPL. SMITH 2396761
PFC. MYERS 2163985
PFC. WIESE 202115

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Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Sheet 6640 III
(b) 1stReconBnO P3000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.10 Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO PCO3330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragO #277-69

Unit/Call Sign: 8th Platoon/RABBIT HUTCH

1. Situation
   a. See current INTSUM'S
   b. See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
   c. See Area Study
   d. Attachments, NONE

2. Mission. Conduct a reconnaissance of grid squares AT8930, AT8830
   and AT8689. Locate Regimental or larger size base camps and monitor
   enemy traffic on trail networks in the assigned grid squares. Be Pre-
   to employ land line communications monitoring system.

3. Execution
   a. Concept of Operation: Depart HLT L69 at 120800H, insert at
      AT8930 and extract at 120900H via TMA.
   b. Coordinating Instructions: Utilize references (a) through (e).
      Acquire briefing from S-2 regarding enemy situation in operating area.
   c. Conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the
      pilot of the insert helicopter on D-1. Primary and alternate insert and
      extract zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b) and verbal.
   a. Special equipment
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Binoculars 7x50
      (3) Camera
      (4) Surveillance System 4-11LA.

5. Comm/Electronics
   a. Communications Network/call sign
      (1) Stone Pit; prim: 37.0 alt: 59.9
      (2) Stone Pit "A"; radio relay
      (3) Asparagus; prim: 57.2; arty recon.
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OPERATION ORDER

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY
   a. COMPOSITION: 7 END.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: N/A
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 M-79, 4 CLAYMOR.
   d. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 4 CLAYMOR.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE OF GRID SQUARES AT 950, AT 950, AT 950.
   AND AT 950. LOCATE ENEMY OR LARGE SIZE BUNKER CAMPS AND
   ENEMY INFRASTRUCTURE. MONITOR ENEMY TRAFFIC IN THE ALIENED GRID
   SQUARES. BE PREPARED TO ENSURE AND/OR SUPPORT COMPETITIONS
   WRITING A TACTICAL SYSTEM.


4. METEOROLOGICAL AND OTHER INFORMATION
   a. WEATHER: CLEAR.

5. SIGHTS: THE PATROL WAS ENTERED BY HELICOPTER AND ROUTINELY
   EXTRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS AFTER 3 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY.
   DURING WHICH NO ENEMY WERE OBSERVED. THE PATROL MADE NO CONTACTS
   WITH THE ENEMY AND DID NOT UTILIZE ANY SUPPORTING ARMS. THE INSERT
   ZONE WAS WANTED PREPARED BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT. THE MARINE WAS
   EVACUATED BY HELICOPTER AT 9500 BECAUSE OF INJURIES SUSTAINED FROM
   FALLING AN A CLIFF.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. ENEMY: 95000 VEL AT 9500 VEL AT 9500. TEAM OBSERVED SMOKE COMING
      FROM THE PRECEDING GRID COORDINATES FOR APPROXIMATELY 15 TO 20
      MINUTES BEFORE MED EVAC ARRIVED. THE SMOKE WAS NO LONGER VISIBLE
      WHEN HELICOPTER ARRIVED OVER THE AREA.
      b. TERRAIN: SIERRA 15000. TEAM IN VEL AT 9500 OBSERVED ISOLATED INSTANCES
         OF TALKING AND MOVEMENT FROM VEL AT 9500. TEAM ALSO OBSERVED FIRES
         FROM THE SAME LOCATION, AT APPROXIMATELY 15000 ON AN AO ARRIVED ON
         STATION. WHENEVER THE AO PLEW OVER THE AREA THE SMOKE COULD NO
         BE OBSERVED. THE AO COMPLETED A THOROUGH SEARCH OF THE
         AREA BUT WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE A TARGET.

7. TERRAIN:
   a. LANDSCAPE: TERRAIN WAS STEEP WITH A CANYON OF 10-50 FEET.
   b. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 8-10 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF WHITE, VINES, SHRUBS,
   c. ELEPHANT GRASS AND BEARS. MOVEMENT WAS SLOW AND RESTRICTED TO
   d. THE RATE OF 150 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. WATER WAS
   e. AVAILABLE AT 9500. TEAM FOUND STREAMS VEL AT 9500.

8. OTHER INFORMATION
   a. INSERT L2: AT 9500. INSERT AT 9500. TEAM MADE A FAIR TAILGATE ZONE.

9. CONCLUSION
   a. VEGETATION CONSIST OF ELEPHANT GRASS
   b. HAD TO JUMP ABOUT 5 FEET.
   c. APPROXIMATELY 10 FEET HIGH. BEST APPROACH IS FROM THE SOUTH.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION (CONTINUED)
   a. EXTRACT LB: ZE97302. 1X OH-6 GOOD ZONE. LOCATED ON A
      30°-35° SLOPE. VEGETATION CONSIST OF 10 FOOT HIGH ELEPHANT
      GRASS.  BEST APPROACH IS FROM THE SOUTH.  BEST EXIT IS TO SOUTH.
      NO OTHER HELICOPTERS WERE OBSERVED ON THIS PATROL.
   b. TRAILS: NO TRAILS WERE OBSERVED DURING THISPATROL.
   c. OTS: NONE OBSERVED.
   d. COMM: GOOD. TEAM USED BRAVO RELAY. SOME VI INTERFERENCE.
      THIS INTERFERENCE DID NOT SERIOUSLY HINDER COMM. AT ONE TIME A
      VI VOICE WAS HEARD SAY, "HEY MARINE, HOW MUCH TIME YOU GOT LEFT IN
      CORPS.
   e. OBSTACLES: NONE.
   f. MISC: 1 MARINE NBC INJURED ON FALL FROM CLIFF. EVAC
      BY HOIST 110800CH.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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PATROL MEMBERS:
   COL GRIESS 245130
   CAPT ATKINSON 2521115 (WO)
   CAPT SERAS 2477116
   LIEUT SHAWTER 2479205 (2X OH-6 GOOD ZONE. LOCATED ON A
   30°-35° SLOPE. VEGETATION CONSIST OF 10 FOOT HIGH ELEPHANT
   GRASS.  BEST APPROACH IS FROM THE SOUTH.  BEST EXIT IS TO SOUTH.
   NO OTHER HELICOPTERS WERE OBSERVED ON THIS PATROL.
   OTS: NONE OBSERVED.
   COMM: GOOD. TEAM USED BRAVO RELAY. SOME VI INTERFERENCE.
   THIS INTERFERENCE DID NOT SERIOUSLY HINDER COMM. AT ONE TIME A
   VI VOICE WAS HEARD SAY, "HEY MARINE, HOW MUCH TIME YOU GOT LEFT IN
   CORPS.
   OBSTACLES: NONE.
   MISC: 1 MARINE NBC INJURED ON FALL FROM CLIFF. EVAC
   BY HOIST 110800CH.

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AFTER ACTION REPORT OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY

PATROL LEADER:

DEBRIEFER:

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Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Sheet 6640 III
(b) lstReconBr0 P3000.1h
(c) lstMarDivO P3800.1d Ch 1 & 2 (Intelligence SOP)
(d) lstMarDivO P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(e) GtFrag #278-69

Unit/Call Sign: 8th Platoon/PUPPET SHOW

1. Situation
   a. See current INTSUM'S
   b. See current OPSUM'S and FIR'S (S-2/S-3)
   c. See Area Study
   d. Attachments, NONE

2. Mission. Establish observation and report enemy activities over the trail network from AT950366 to AT970356. Day and night observation required.

3. Execution
   a. Concept of Operation: Depart HLZ 469 at 120600H, insert at AT957377 and extract at 160900H vic TEA.

   b. Coordinating Instructions: Utilize references (a) through (e). Acquire briefing from S-2 regarding enemy situation in operating area.

   c. Conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot of the insert helicopter on D-1. Primary and alternate insert and extract zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b) and verbal.
   a. Special equipment
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Binocular 7x50
      (3) Scope M-19
      (4) Camera

5. Comm/Electronics.
   a. Communications Network/call sign
      (1) Stone Pit; prim: 37.0 alt: 59.2
      (2) Stone Pit "A"; radio relay
      (3) Asparagus; prim: 57.2, arty recon.
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Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Sheet 66h0 III
    (b) lstReconBr0 P3000.4
    (c) lstMarDiv0 P3800,1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
    (d) lstMarDiv0 P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
    (e) CoFragO #279-69

Unit/Call Sign: 7th Platoon/LUNCH MEAT

1. Situation
   a. See current INTSUM'S
   b. See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
   c. See Area Study
   d. Attachments, NONE


3. Execution
   a. Concept of Operation: Depart HLZ 469 at 120000H, insert at AT924402 and extract at 160900H via TBA.
   b. Coordinating Instructions: Utilize references (a) through (e).
   c. Conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot of the insert helicopter on D-1. Primary and alternate insert and extract zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics
   a. Special equipment
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Binoculars 7x50
      (3) Camera

5. Comm/Electronics:
   a. Communications Network/call sign
      (1) Stone Pit; prim: 37.0 alt: 59.2
      (2) Stone Pit "A"; radio relay
      (3) Asparagus; prim: 57.2, arty recon

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SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

a. COMPOSITION: 6 ENE, 1 USN
b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25's, 1 M-60's, 1 M-49 Scope
d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-79, 2 Claymores

MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE OF GRID SQUARE AT9210, AT9310,
AT9239, AT9339, AND AT9338. LOCATE ENEMY BASE CAMPS AND MONITOR
TRAFFIC ON TRAIL NETWORKS IN THE ASSIGNED GRID SQUARES.

TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 121330H/164000H SEPTEMBER 1969

ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER ROUTINELY
AND FLIP FLOPPED WITH PATROL PUPPET SHOW WHEN EXTRACTED BY THE
SAME MEANS AFTER 92 1/2 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING WHICH
NO GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVED. PATROL MADE NO CONTACTS WITH
THE ENEMY. NO SUPPORTING ARMS WERE UTILIZED AND THE INSERT ZONE
WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED-WING AIRCRAFT.

OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. ENEMY. 121330H VIC AT91396 TEAM HEARD AUTOMATIC SMALL ARMS
FIRE COMING FROM APPROXIMATE VICINITY OF AT91396. THE FIRE WAS
CONCURRENT WITH THE INSERT HELICOPTER TAKING OFF FROM THE INSERT
ZONE. THE RIFLE FIRE ORIGINATED APPROXIMATELY 200 METERS FROM
THE INSERT ZONE.

121615H VIC AT921403 TEAM OBSERVED WHAT APPEARS TO BE A JET
ENGINE, FROM A JET AIRCRAFT. THE ENGINE IS 3 FEET LONG AND 3 FEET
IN DIAMETER. THE EXTERIOR OF THE ENGINE WAS SILVER IN COLOR AND REVEALED
VERY LITTLE RUST. THE ENGINE SEEMS TO BE ABOUT 2 WEEKS TO
1 MONTH SINCE IT WAS WRECKED. ANOTHER PIECE OF METAL BY THE
PATROL'S POSITION WAS APPROXIMATELY 1 1/2 FEET WIDE AND 2 FEET IN
DIAMETER. THIS PIECE WAS CYLINDER SHAPED, COLORED BLACK AS IF
BURNED AND APPEARED TO BE REASONABLY HEAVY.

121150H VIC AT923397 TEAM LOCATED A WELL DEFINED TRAIL,
2'-3' FEET WIDE. IT APPEARED THAT THIS TRAIL WAS NOT FREQUENTLY
USED. SOME SECTIONS OF THE TRAIL CAN BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR. TEAM
HEARD SOME MOVEMENT ABOUT 200 METERS NORTH OF THE PRECEDING: GRID
VIC AT9245397.

b. TERRAIN WAS FAIRLY STEEP TO ROLLING HILLS, WITH A CANOPY
60 TO 80 FEET ON THE HIGH GROUND. ON THE LOWER GROUND APPROXIMATELY
80 PERCENT OF THE CANOPY WAS 13-14 FEET HIGH. SECONDARY GROWTH
WAS VERY THICK AND 4-5 FEET HIGH. ONE SPECIES OF ELEPHANT GRASS.
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b. TERRAIN: (CONTINUED) AND SHRUBS. MOVEMENT WAS VERY SLOW AND
WAS RESTRICTED TO THE RATE OF 100 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON
PATROL. CONCEALMENT WAS GOOD, CONSISTING OF VERY LOW, THICK
SHRUBS AND VINES. COVER WAS GENERALLY GOOD CONSISTING OF LARGE
ROCKS AND BOULDERS. WATER WAS SCARCE AND WHEN FOUND CONSISTED OF
A SMALL TRICKLE IN STREAM. THIS WATER WAS LOCATED IN DRAW VICINITY
OF AT927397.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT L2: AT918399 10CH-16 GOOD ZONE. VEGETATION CONSISTED
OF SPARSE BRUSH. THE AREA HAD BEEN BURNT OFF RECENTLY. THE BEST
APPROACH WAS FROM THE WEST, THE BEST EXIT WAS TO THE WEST.
b. EXTRACT L2: SAME AS INSERT ZONE. NO OTHER HL2'S WERE
OBSERVED BY THE PATROL.
c. TRAILS: VIC AT923397 A WELL DEFINED TRAIL 2'-3' WIDE.
IT APPEARED THIS TRAIL WAS NOT FREQUENTLY USED. SECTIONS OF
THE TRAIL COULD BE SEEN FROM THE AIR.
d. OPS: none observed.
e. COMM: FAIRLY GOOD. FROM THE VIC AT923397 THE TEAM COULD
HEAR STONE PIT LOUD AND CLEAR WITH A TAPE ANTENNA.
f. OBSTACLES: none.
g. Misc: none.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

[List of names with numbers next to each]

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ROUTE OF PATROL

PATROL LEADER

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Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Sheet 6640 III
(b) 1stReconBravo P3000
(c) 1stMarDivP3600.1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivP003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CCFragO #280-69

Unit/Call Sign 2d Sq 6th Plt, 1stForReconCo/RUDGER

1. Situation
(a) See current intelligence
(b) See current OPORD's and PIR's (S-2/S-3)
(c) See Area Study
(d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission
Conduct a thorough reconnaissance of assigned operation areas.
Locate Regimental or larger size base camps at vic grid squares AT8730, AT8630 and AT8531. Be prepared to employ land line communication monitoring system.

3. Execution
(a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through (e) inclusive to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HLZ 469 at 130000H, insert vic AT8823, Flip Flop with Grim Reaper and extract at 170900H vic TBA.

(b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will conduct a map study of the operating area and consult the S-2 for intelligence information on 12 September 1969. Primary and alternate extraction zones and alternate insert zone will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics
Reference (b) and verbal.

a. Special Equipment
   (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
   (2) Camera
   (3) Binocular/7X50
   (4) Surveillance System 4-114A

5. Comm/Electronics:
   Primary Freq: 37.0 Alternate: 59.9
   Recon Artillery: ASPARAGUS
   Radio Relay: STONE PIT "A"

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OPERATION ORDER: #280-69
PATROL: BUDDER (P-62)
DEERTEST: STG M KOZAKIEWICH JR.
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 17014
SHEET 6640 III

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 6 MIL
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 AN/PRC-25'S, 1 7050'S
   d. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 2 CLAYMOR

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE OF ASSIGNED OPERATION AREA.
   LOCATE REGIMENTAL OR LARGER SIZE BATTLE CAMP AT VIC GRID SQUARES AT 8730,
   AT 8630, AND AT 8531. BE PREPARED TO EMPLOY LAND LINE COMMUNICATIONS
   MONITORING SYSTEM.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 131430H/181030H SEP 1969

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY
   DETAILED MAP COPY OF OVERLAY M 125K 1:50,000 K194N 6-62 ON FILE

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER AND ROUTINELY EXTRACTED
   PREMATURELY DUE THE SAME WEATHER. TYPICAL WEATHER WAS RAINY, WINDY, AND INFIRM.
   PATROL MADE 24 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY. WHILE THE PATROL WAS IN ACTION, a GROUP
   OF ENEMY WAS OBSERVED TOTALING 2 VC/NVA. THERE WERE NO UNUSUAL
   OBSERVATIONS. PATROL MADE NO CONTACTS AND USED NO SUPPORTING ARMS.
   INSERT HELS WERE NOT INSERTED.

6. OBSERVATIONS OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. ENEMY: 131125H, VIC AT 867317, WHILE PATROL WAS BEING INSERTED,
      THEY OBTAINED 3-4 VC/NVA STANDING IN A STREAMED AT ABOVE GRID. 1 RIFLE
      WAS OBSERVED BUT COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED DUE TO THE DISTANCE OF THE PATROL
      FROM THE ENEMY. THE ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND DID NOT TAKE COVER AS
      THE HELICOPTER PLEW OVER.
   b. VIC AT 883314, WHILE PATROL WAS BEING INSERTED THEY OBSERVED
      2 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND
      CARRIED WEAPONS THAT COULD NOT BE OBSERVED DUE TO THE DISTANCE FROM
      THE PATROL ABOARD THE HELICOPTER.
   c. VIC AT 873512, AS THE INSERT HELI LIFTED OFF THE HELI全区 Began TAKING 50 CAL FIRE FROM THE ABOVE GRID. IT ALSO BEGAN TAKING
      AK-47 FIRE FROM 1-5 RIFLES AT AT 863320. HELI RETURNED FIRE. RESULTS:
      UNDETERMINED. THE GUNSHIPS EXPENDED THEIR ROCKETS ON THE ABOVE GRID
      AND THE ENEMY FIREceased.
   d. VIC AT 868317, PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA TAKING A BATH IN
      A STREAM. NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT COULD BE OBSERVED.
   e. VIC AT 875323, PATROL FOUND 20-25 SMALL 5-6 MAN HARBOR SITES
      WHERE VEGETATION HAD BEEN CUT AND CLEARED DURING THE PAST 24 HOURS.
      NEAR THE CENTER OF THE HARBOR SITE 1. A SMALL EXTINGUISHED CAMPFIRE
      WAS OBSERVED.

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161315H VIC AT852326 PATROL FOUND 1 US BUCKET WITH A BAMBOO HANDLE AND SOLIDIFIED TAR INSIDE. IN THIS SAME AREA THERE WERE MANY SMALL TRAILS, SIMILAR TO THOSE USED BY WOOD CUTTERS, RUNNING NORTH-SOUTH. THESE TRAILS WERE BECOMING OVERGROWN FROM LACK OF USE.

161620H VIC AT818326 PATROL OBSERVED 2" ROUND HOLES CUT INTO THE WALLS OF A 6-8 FT DEEP TRAIL. HOLES WERE 3"-4" FT HIGH MEASURED FROM THE TRAIL UP THE WALLS. HOLES WERE SLIGHTLY ERODED AND APPEARED TO BE APPROXIMATELY 1 MONTH OLD. HOLES EXTENDED FOR 150 METERS ON EITHER SIDE OF THE ABOVE GRID AND WERE SPACED APPROXIMATELY 20 METERS APART. IN ONE SECTION A PATROL MEMBER PUSHED HIS HAND THROUGH THE WALL AND FOUND IT WAS ONLY 2-3 INCHES THICK. MOST AREAS WERE SOLID THOUGH. PATROL LEADER BELIEVES HOLES TO BE VENTS FOR A TUNNEL RUNNING PARALLEL TO THE DUG IN ALTHOUGH HE COULD FIND NO ENTRANCES.

170830H VIC AT812226, PATROL HEARD VOICES MOVING SOUTHWEST IN A DRAW NEAR THE PATROL'S POSITION. WHAT THE PATROL HEARD WAS LAUGHTER, TALKING AND AT LEAST 1 FEMALE VOICE. WAS HEARD BY THE PATROL.

171205H VIC AT813333 PATROL HEARD 12-15 (ESTIMATED) VC/AVA MOVING EAST IN THREE GROUPS. EACH GROUP HAD 4-5 VC/AVA IN IT AND AT LEAST 1 FEMALE BY THE SOUND OF THE VOICES. THERE WAS A 15 MINUTE INTERVAL BETWEEN GROUPS PASSING THE PATROL'S POSITION.

B. TERRAIN: GENERALLY THE TERRAIN WAS STEEP WITH A THICK CANOPY OF 40-60 FT. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 10-15 FT HIGH AND CONSISTED OF VINES, SHRUBS, AND SMALL TREES. MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT AND RESTRICTED PATROLS PROGRESS TO 50 METERS PER HOUR MOVING CLAUSTROPHOBICALLY. SWIFT RUNNING AND VEGETATION WARRANTIES TREES AND ARE HEAVILY POPULATED WITH WATER IN THE AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT LZ: AT881313, LNCH-16, TAILGATE ZONE, VEGETATION CONSISTED OF THIN ELEPHANT GRASS 6-8 FT HIGH AND SMALL ROCKS WERE ALSO FOUND. BEST APPROACH IS FROM NORTH.

b. EXTRACT LZ: AT845327, LNCH-16, SITDOWN ZONE, VEGETATION CONSISTED OF SMALL SHRUBS AND GRASS 4-5 FT HIGH. BEST APPROACH IS FROM THE NORTH.

c. TRAILS: AT860322, RUNNING E-W, 3 FT WIDE AND WELL USED, AT860327, RUNNING NW-SE TO AT817333, 3-5 FT WIDE AND WELL USED, SOME CUTS ON THIS TRAIL WERE 8 FT DEEP. AT848325, RUNNING SW-NE, 6-8 FT WIDE, CUT IN 5 FT DEEP, HAS NOT BEEN USED IN APPROXIMATELY 1 MONTH, NO VEHICULAR TRACKS SEEN.

d. OP-8: AT873226, GOOD OBSERVATION TO THE NORTH AND NORTHWEST TO THE RIVER.

e. "COMM": POOR COMM WITH STONE PTT "A"

f. OBSTACLES: AREA BOMBED OUT CAUSING PATROL TO HAVE TO SKIRT SOME AREAS DUE TO DECREASED CONCEALMENT

g. MISC: "NONE"

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE
11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADER BELIEVES ENEMY ARE MOVING INTO THIS AREA BECAUSE OF SUITABILITY OF TERRAIN AND RECENTLY CUT HARBOR SITES.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:
   SGT CROCKETT 2257776
   CPL PARKER 2109329
   PFC CUELLAR 2497682
   PFC ABRAHAM 2413786
   LCPL CASTRO 2102275
   PFC GIBSON 2502734

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PATROL OVERLAY

6-8 FT TRAIL

PATROL LEADER

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S-2, 1stForReconCo (5)
S-3, 1stForReconCo (5)

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1. Situation
   (a) See current INTSUM'S
   (b) See current OPSUM'S and FIR'S (S-2/S-3)
   (c) See Area Study
   (d) Attachments, NONE

2. Mission
   Conduct a thorough reconnaissance of assigned operating area. Locate base camps and report enemy activity in vic grid squares AT8229, AT8329 and AT8330.

3. Execution
   (a) Concept of Operation: Utilize references (a) through (e) inclusive to assist in completing the patrol. Depart HLZ b69 at 130800H, insert vic AT815266 and extract at 170900H vic TBA.
   (b) Coordinating Instructions: The patrol leader will conduct a map study of the operating area and consult the S-2 for intelligence information prior to insertion. Conduct a visual reconnaissance of the operating area with the pilot of the insert helicopter on 12 September 1969. Primary and alternate insert and extract zones will be selected at this time.

4. Admin/Logistics
   Reference (b) and verbal.
   a. Special equipment
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Binocular/7X50
      (3) Camera

5. Comm/Electronics
   Primary Freq: 37/0 Alternate: 59/2
   Recon Artillery: ASPARAGUS 57-20
   Radio Relay: STONE PIT "A"

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OPERATION ORDER #282-69

Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Series 17071; 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6640 III
     (b) lstMarDivO P3800.10 Ch 162 (Intelligence SOP)
     (c) lstMarDivO P0035.2A (Rules of Engagement)
     (d) lstReconBnO P3000.4
     (e) CoFragO #282-69

Time Zones: H

Task Organization:

1st Platoon
2nd Platoon

1. SITUATION.

   a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM'S,
      PIR'S and S-2 briefings.

   b. Friendly Forces.
      
      (1) See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

      (2) 6th Platoon (-) is located in the area bounded by (UL)
      AT8737 and (LR) AT903c.

2. MISSION. Acquire at least one enemy soldier. Install ground
surveillance Anti-Intrusion SID's on trail network from AT86350 north
to AT86360, and coordinate an air and/or artillery ambush against
major enemy troops moving along the trail.

3. EXECUTION.

   a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate simultaneously by helicopter
in to the assigned objective area. Install ground surveillance devices.
Acquire at least one enemy soldier and coordinate an air/artillery
ambush of enemy troop movement within a four day period. Be prepared
for extraction upon completion of prisoner acquisition and/or the fourth
day following insertion.
b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 13 September/HLZ 469 (AT990709)

(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 16 September/HLZ 469

(3) Insertion/extraction HLZ: TBA.

(4) Operational area: Bounded by (UL) AT8737 and (LR) AT9034.

(5) Monitor reports made by the 6th Platoon (-) of enemy movements along the trail extending from AT866350 north to AT866360.

(6) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.

(7) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of four days.

c. Evacuation of POWs, detainees and Ho Chanhs will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment.

(1) Machine Gun, M-60
(2) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(3) Binoculars, 7x50
(4) Camera
(5) Anti-Intrusion Handsesd system

f. Command and Communications-Electronics.

g. Communications-Electronics

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 3 OFF. 7 MNG. 2 USN.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 AN/ARC-5AV, 1 J-SC85.
   d. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M-79, 1 M-60, 4 CHATTHOS, 1 M-458, 1 AR-15.

2. MISSION: ACQUIRE AT LEAST 1 ENEMY SOLDIER. INSTALL GROUND SURVEILLANCE
   AND INTRUSION SIDS ON TRAIL NETWORK FROM AT86350 NORTH TO AT86360, AND
   COORDINATE AN AIR/ARTY AMBUSH AGAINST MAJOR ENEMY TROOP MOVEMENTS ALONG THE
   TRAIL.


4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPTIC: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER ROUTINELY AND WAS
   EXTRACTED BY HELICOPTER AFTER 50 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY. 1 ENEMY GROUP
   WAS OBSERVED TOTALLY OF 12 NVA. THERE WAS 1 UNUSUAL OBSERVATION. PATROL
   MADE 1 CONTACT. THE RESULTS WERE NOT DETERMINED. 1 AO WAS UTILIZED.
   RESULTS: UNKNOWN. THE INSERT HZ WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATIONS OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. ENEMY: 131745H, VIC AT89354, PATROL OBSERVED 12 NVA WALKING
      NORTHWEST ON A TRAIL. 1N WORE GREEN AND KHAKI UTILITIES, AND NVA TYPE PITH
      HELMETS. 1N CARRIED LARGE RUCKSACK TYPE PACKS, 1 MORTAR BOUND, 1 MORTAR
      TUBE (POSSIBLY 82 MM), AND 2 AK-47'S. THE AK-47'S WERE POSITIONED IN THE
      FRONT AND THE MIDDLE OF THE COLUMN. THE TROOPS WERE CLEAN AND APPEARED TO
      BE WELL-DISCIPLINED. THEY MAINTAINED A 1 METER INTERVAL BETWEEN MEN.
      131747H, VIC AT89354, ONE OF THE MEN PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED ABOVE TURNED
      AND OBSERVED THE POINT ELEMENT OF THE RECON TEAM. THE TEAM INITIATED CONTACT
      WITH SMALL ARMS. THE RESULTS WERE NOT DETERMINED DUE TO THE UNDERGROWTH
      AND THE RAPID MOVEMENT OF THE ENEMY. THE TEAM WITHDREW AND HEARD MOVEMENT
      IN THE VALLEY TO THEIR NORTH. THERE WAS NO ACTION TAKEN.
      150630H, VIC AT89355, PATROL HEARD AN ENGINE START UP TO THEIR NORTH
      APPROXIMATELY 1500 METERS AWAY. FROM THE SOUND, THE PATROL IS REASONABLY
      CERTAIN THAT IT WAS A DIESEL TYPE ENGINE SIMILAR TO THAT OF A TANK OR A
      LARGE GENERATOR.

   b. TERRAIN WAS GENERALLY STEEP WITH A SCATTERED CANOPY CONSISTING OF
      SMALL TREES AND BAMBOO. THE SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 10-15 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF
      VINES, ELEPHANT GRASS AND SHRUBS. MOVEMENT WAS AT A MODERATE PACE AND
      RESTRICTED TO THE RATE OF 300 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. WATER
      WAS NOT FOUND IN THE OPERATING AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

   a. INSERT LZ: AT89390L, 12CH-46, GOOD ZONE. VEGETATION WAS 4 FT GRASS
      AND SCRUB GROWTH. THE BEST APPROACH WAS FROM THE EAST AND EXIT THE ZONE WEST.
7. OTHER INFORMATION (CONT)

b. EXTRACT LZ: AT 892355, 15G-46, FAIR ZONE, VEGETATION WAS MAINLY SCRUB GROWTH WITH NO LARGE OBSTACLES. THE BEST APPROACH WAS FROM THE SOUTH AND EXIT TO THE NORTHWEST.

c. TRAILS: FROM AT 878352 TO AT 900368, WELL USED TRAIL, MAJOR WELL DEFINED TRAIL.

d. OP IS: NO OBSERVATION POSTS WERE USED ON THIS PATROL.

e. COMM: THE PATROL HAD GOOD COMMUNICATIONS WITH RADIO RELAY "A".

f. OBSTACLES: NONE OBSERVED.

g. RISC: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNDETERMINED

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS:

   a. THE PATROL UTILIZED 1.00 WHICH GAVE OUTSTANDING SUPPORT.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

   a. THE PATROL LEADER RECOMMENDS A COORDINATED AMBUSH BE CONDUCTED IN THIS AREA.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DESERTER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

   1ST LT. LINDER 0107449
   2ND LT. PETERS 0107002
   SGT. GRUMS 2183968
   SGT. ATERS 1680579
   SGT. MUNIN 2141186
   LCPL. HORN 2166357
   PFC. FOLEY 2132029
   PFC. MENTHIT 2136029
   LCPL. WIT 2160776
   HM3. THOMAS 2301713
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   2ND LT. LARKIN 0109050

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PATROL LEADER
C. L. LINDER

DESERTER
R. W. COPPER

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b. Command.

(1) The 1st Force Reconnaissance Company Command Post (CP) is located at Hill 34 (coordinate AT990709). Patrols will execute all orders originating from the Commanding Officer or his designated representative.

(2) The 1st Platoon Commander has command control of 1st Force Reconnaissance personnel within the operational area.

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OPERATION ORDER #283-69

Ref: (a) MAP, VIETNAM, Series L701h 1:50,000, Sheet No. 69.0 III
(b) 1ST MARINELo F3000.1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence-SOP)
(c) 1ST MARINELo RN0332.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) 1ST RECONNOIT. F3000.4
(e) CoReco #283-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:
3rd Platoon
1st Lt Champa

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM’S, PIR’S, and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.
   (1) See current OPSUM’S, SITREP’S, and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Establish observation post and report enemy activities over the trail network from AT900365 to AT885359 and south to AT890345. Coordinate an air and/or artillery ambush against major enemy troops moving along the trail.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area, select observation post in via AT881349 and coordinate an air/artillery ambush of enemy troops movement within a five day period.

b. Coordinating Instructions.
   (1) Date/Place of Departure. 15 September/H LZ 469
   (2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 19 September/H LZ 469
   (3) Insertion H LZ AT878353 Flip Flop w/Report Card, extraction H LZ, T/R.
   (4) Operational areas. Bounded by (UL) AT8737 and (IR) AT9024
   (5) Monitor reports made by the 1st Platoon of enemy movements along the trail extending from AT886350 north to AT866360.

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(6) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.

(7) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.

**ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.**

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of four days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Ho Chi Minh will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

**Special Equipment.**

(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binocular, 7x50
(3) Scope, M-49

**COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.**

**UNIY LOCATION CALLSIGN FREQUENCY**

| 3rd Platoon | AT881351 | RECORD | 37.0 Prim. 59.9 Alt. |
| 42nd Relay | AT837378 | STONE PIT "A" | 37.0 Prim. 59.9 Alt. |
| 42nd Relay | AT990250 | STONE PIT "B" | 37.0 Prim. 59.9 Alt. |
| 42nd Battalion | AT907075 | ASPARAGUS | 57.20 |
| CO 1st Recon Co | AT990709 | STONE PIT | 37.0 Prim. 59.9 Alt. |

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OPERATION ORDER: 283-69
PATROL: RECORD (P-31)
LOCATION: VIETNAM (150,000 AMS 174114)
MAP: 6640 III

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 1 UCN OFF, 6 UCN ENLISTED, 1 UCN ENLISTED
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMMUNICATION AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 AN/PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S, 1 M-49 SCOPE
   d. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 OVER-UNDER M-16/M-79, 2 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH OBSERVATION POST AND REPORT ENEMY ACTIVITY OVER THE TRAIL NETWORK FROM AT 800355 TO AT 886355 AND SOUTH TO AT 800355. COORDINATE AN ATR AND/OR ARMY AMBUSH AGAINST MAJOR ENEMY TROOPS MOVING ALONG THE TRAIL.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 151530H/191730H SEP 69

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER AND ROUTINELY EXTRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS AFTER 98 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING WHICH 31 GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVED TOLLING 24 I VC/NVA. THERE WERE 4 UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS: (1) THE OBSERVATION OF A PCM, (2) THE OBSERVATION OF A POSSIBLE BASE CAMP, (3) THE SIGHTING OF AN UNUSUALLY TALL ENEMY THAT DID NOT WALK LIKE A VC, (4) THE OBSERVATION OF 3 VC/NVA WEARING UNUSUAL UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT. THERE WERE NO CONTACTS. NO SUPPORTING ARMS WERE USED. ZONE WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATIONS OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. ENEMY: 151700H, AT 886355, PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING FROM A TREE LINE O'CLOCK AND THEN MOVE SOUTH. IT APPEARED THAT THE ENEMY WERE ACTING AS SECURITY FOR THE TRAIL. THE ENEMY WERE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND BUSH COVERS, BOTH WORE A PACK AND CARRIED AK-47 RIFLES.

b. 151715H, AT 886355, PATROL OBSERVED 8 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.

   5 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 3 WORE KHAKIS. ENEMY CARRIED 4 BOLT ACTION RIFLES (TYPE UNKNOWN), 5 US TYPE HELMETS AND 1 LARGE PACKS WERE ALSO OBSERVED.

   151720H, AT 886355, PATROL OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.

   6 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 3 WORE SHIRT SLEEVE KHAKI SHIRTS AND KHAKI SHORTS. 1 ENEMY WORE WHAT LOOKED LIKE DRESS GREEN TROUSERS AND A SHORT SLEEVE KHAKI SHIRT. THE ENEMY DID NOT HAVE THE CHARACTERISTIC VIETNAMESE WALK AND HE WAS TALLER THAN THE REST OF THE COLUMN. HE WAS HAT AND ARMED.

   160023H, AT 886355, PATROL OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA WALKING NORTH ON A TRAIL.

   1 ENEMY WORE BLACK JERSEY AND CARRIED A BOLT ACTION RIFLE (TYPE UNKNOWN).

   160105H, AT 886355, PATROL OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.

   1 ENEMY WORE 3 GREEN UTILITIES, 1 SET OF KHAKI, 1 BUSH COVER, 1 NVA HELMET.

   1 ENEMY CARRIED A BOLT ACTION RIFLE (TYPE UNKNOWN). THE ENEMY DID NOT APPEAR TO BE IN A GROUP, BUT WALKED ALONG THE TRAIL.
161105H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 3 WORE KHAKIS. ENEMY CARRIED 5 HEAVY PACKS, 2 AK-47'S, 1 BOLT ACTION RIFLE, AND 5 US TYPE HELMETS WITH THE BROWN CAMOUFLAGE COVER SIDE OUT.

161117H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA RUNNING NORTH ON THE TRAIL. ENEMY WORE KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRTS. THE ENEMY SEEMED TO BE MESSAGERS. THEY CARRIED 6X11" LEATHER POUCHES STRAPPED TO THEIR WAIST.

161133H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 3 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, 2 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, AND 2 WORE KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRTS. ENEMY CARRIED 3 HEAVY PACKS, 1 PITH HELMET, 1 AK-47, 2 BUSH COVERS, AND SOMETHING THAT RESEMBLED A SEABAG SLUNG OVER HIS SHOULDER.

161150H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 8 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 2 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 3 WORE BLACK PJ'S, AND 3 WORE KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRTS. ENEMY ALSO WORE 3 BUSH COVERS, 2 NVA TYPE HELMETS, 1 HEAVY PACKS WITH BLANKET ROLLS AND 1 LIGHT PACK. ENEMY WERE ARMED WITH 1 AK-47'S AND 2 SKS78S. SIX OF THE ENEMY WERE CAMOUFLAGED WITH GREEN BRANCHES AND LEAVES.

161200H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 1 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S. 1 ENEMY WORE A NVA TYPE HELMET AND CARRIED AN AK-47.

161220H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 2 EN WERE 2 KHAKI SHIRTS AND 2 SETS OF BLACK PJ' BOTTOMS. 1 EN CARRIED A HEAVY PACK AND 1 CARRIED AN SKS.

161235H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 1 EN WERE BLACK PJ'S, 1 EN CARRIED A HEAVY PACK WITH A BLANKET ROLL SLUNG ACROSS HIS BODY. THE ENEMY SEEMED TO BE EXTREMELY NEAT AND CLEAN. THE OTHER ENEMY CARRIED 1 HEAVY PACK, 2 AK-47'S AND 1 NVA TYPE HELMET. 3 OF THE ENEMY EMERGED FROM THE BRUSH BESIDE THE TRAIL AND JOINED THE OTHER TWO. TESS ERROR COULD POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN A TRAIL SECURITY.

161300H AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 3 ENEMY WERE KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRTS AND 2 ENEMY WERE GREEN UTILITIES. ALL ENEMY CARRIED HEAVY PACKS, 2 CARRIED AK-47'S AND 2 CARRIED SKS78'S.

161350H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 2 EN WERE BLACK PJ'S WITH BLUE REFLECTORS. 1 ENEMY WERE GREEN UTILITIES, AND 3 WERE KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRTS. ALL THE ENEMY CARRIED LIGHT PACKS AND 1 CARRIED AN AK-47.

161425H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. ENEMY WERE BLACK PJ SHORTS AND GREEN SHIRTS. 3 ENEMY CARRIED HEAVY PACKS AND 1 CARRIED LIGHT PACKS. 2 EN CARRIED AK-47'S AND 2 CARRIED SKS78'S.

161430H AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. ENEMY WERE BLACK PJ'S AND 1 CARRIED A SMALL PACK. 1 ENEMY WORE AN NVA TYPE HELMET. BOTH ENEMY WERE HEAVILY CAMOUFLAGED.

171245H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 8 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 6 ENEMY WERE BLACK PJ SHORTS AND KHAKI SHIRTS AND 2 ENEMY WERE KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRTS AND 1 WORE A BUSH COVER. 1 EN WORE A U.S. TYPE HELMET, 1 WORE AN NVA TYPE HELMET, 5 CARRIED HEAVY PACKS, AND 2 CARRIED BOLT ACTION RIFLES. ALL THE ENEMY WERE HEAVILY CAMOUFLAGED AND 1 CARRIED A CHI-COM GRENADE IN HIS HAND. THE ENEMY MAINTAINED A 50-75 METER INTERVAL.

171250H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 17 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 5 ENEMY WERE BLACK PJ'S, 6 ENEMY WERE GREEN UTILITIES, AND 6 ENEMY WERE BLACK PJ SHORTS AND KHAKI SHIRTS. 1 ENEMY CARRIED AN AK-47, AND ALL CARRIED LIGHT PACKS. 2 OF THE ENEMY WERE FEMALE.
17J30H, AT 06355, PATROL OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
11 EN WORE KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRTS, 2 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, AND 1 ENEMY CHAD ONLY IN KHAKI SHORTS. THE ENEMY CHAD ONLY IN SHORTS WAS TIED UP. 1 EN CARRIED 2 M-16'S, 2 SUBMACHINE GUNS (TYPE UNKNOWN) 3 AK-47'S, AND 2 PISTOLS. THE ENEMY IN KHAKI CARRIED THE PISTOLS. THIS GROUP WAS THE ONLY ONE WEARING BOOTS. THE ENEMY IN KHAKI SHORTS WAS A PRISONER OF THE TWO IN GREEN UTILITIES.

150730H, AT 06355, PATROL OBSERVED 16 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRTS. ENEMY WORE CARRIED ACK-47'S.'

18J05H, AT 06355, PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
1 ENEMY WEARING TROUSERS AND SHIRTS. ENEMY WERE ARMED WITH 1 SKS.

17J50H, AT 06355, PATROL OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
2 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 2 WERE BLACK PJ'S WITH KHAKI SHORTS.
3 ENEMY CARRIED HEAVY PACKS.

17J225H, AT 06355, PATROL OBSERVED 14 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
12 ENEMY WORE GREEN SHIRTS AND KHAKI TROUSERS AND 2 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S.
ALL THE ENEMY CARRIED HEAVY PACKS AND 2 CARRIED SKS.

16J030H, AT 06355, PATROL OBSERVED 16 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
ALL THE ENEMY WERE WEARING CLOTHING AND THE PATROL COULD NOT OBSERVE CLOTHING.

18J09H, AT 06352, PATROL OBSERVED A BASE CAMP LOCATED IN A VALLEY.
PATROL HAS BEEN OBSERVING THE ENEMY HARBOR IN THIS SITE TO REST AND COOK. PATROL COULD HEAR TALKING AND SMELL FOOD.

18J122H, AT 06355, PATROL OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHEAST THROUGH A DOME CRATER. 3 ENEMY WEAR KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRTS. 2 ENEMY WEAR GREEN UTILITIES, AND 1 ENEMY CHAD ONLY IN KHAKI SHORTS. THE ENEMY CHAD ONLY IN SHORTS WAS TIED UP. 1 EN CARRIED 2 M-16'S, 2 SUBMACHINE GUNS (TYPE UNKNOWN) 3 AK-47'S, AND 2 PISTOLS. THE ENEMY IN KHAKI CARRIED THE PISTOLS. THIS GROUP WAS THE ONLY ONE WEARING BOOTS. THE ENEMY IN KHAKI SHORTS WAS A PRISONER OF THE TWO IN GREEN UTILITIES.

18J224H, AT 06355, PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WEAR KHAKI SHORTS AND GREEN SHORTS. ENEMY CARRIED 3 LIGHT PACKS, AND 2 NVA TYPE HELMETS. 1 OF THE ENEMY WAS WOUNDED IN THE LEG. (HE LIMPED AND HAD A CLEAN BANDAGE ON)

18J233H, AT 06355, PATROL OBSERVED 9 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
ENEMY WERE BLACK PJ SHORTS AND GREEN SHIRTS. 5 ENEMY CARRIED PACKS AND 6 WERE NVA TYPE HELMETS. 1 EN ALSO CARRIED 1 60MM MORTAR AND A BAG (PLATE).
PATROL OBSERVED 3 CANNISTERS 5" IN DIAMETER, 1 R" LONG WITH YELLOW AND WHITE BANDS AROUND IT. PATROL BELIEVED THESE TO BE 110 MM ROCKETS.
18:31.8H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 16 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
6 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ SHORTS AND SHIRTS, 3 ENEMY WORE KHAKI SHORTS AND KHAKI SHORTS, 1 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 1 WORE YELLOW SHORTS AND SHIRT. ENEMY CARRIED 2 GREEN CANNISTERS 5" IN DIAMETER, 1/4\" LONG, WITH A YELLOW TIP AND WHITE BAND AROUND IT. ENEMY CARRIED 2 60MM MORTARS WITH 1 BASE PACK, 2 PISTOLS (UNKNOWN TYPE), 2 AK-47'S, 2 BOLT ACTION RIFLES (UNKNOWN TYPE) 3 CARTRIDGE BELTS, 2 SMALL PACKS, AND 8 HEAVY PACKS. THE ENEMY WAS MOVING IN GROUPS OF 4 100 METERS APART.

18:32.0H, AT886355, PATROL SIGHTED 10 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
2 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 6 ENEMY WORE KHAKI SHORTS AND SHORTS, AND 2 WORE BLACK PJ SHORTS AND SHORTS. 4 ENEMY WORE NVA TYPE HELMETS AND ALL CARRIED LIGHT PACKS. ENEMY WAS ARMED WITH 2 BOLT ACTION RIFLES.

18:36.5H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 21 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
9 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 5 WORE KHAKI'S, 4 KHAKI SHORTS AND GREEN SHIRTS, AND 3 BLACK SHORTS AND KHAKI SHORTS. ENEMY CARRIED 7 HEAVY PACKS, 14 LIGHT PACKS, 10 NVA TYPE HELMETS, AND 3 SKS'S.

18:41.5H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
4 ENEMY WORE KHAKI UTILITIES, 6 ENEMY WORE KHAKI SHORTS AND GREEN SHIRTS, 1 ENEMY WORE AN AMERICAN TYPE PIK JACKET AND 3 CARRIED LIGHT PACKS.

18:41.5H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
4 ENEMY WERE BLACK PJ'S. AND 2 ENEMY WORE KHAKI UTILITIES. ENEMY CARRIED PACKS AND 2 AK-47'S.

18:41.5H, AT886355, PATROL OBSERVED 22 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL.
10 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ SHORTS AND SHIRTS, 1 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 2 ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 7 WORE BLACK SHORTS AND KHAKI SHORTS. ENEMY CARRIED HEAVY PACKS, 4 AK-47'S AND 1 SKS.

The terrain was generally rolling with a canopy of 30-40 feet. Secondary growth was 6 feet high consisting of scrub growth, and bamboo. Movement was easy and not restricted to the rate of 300 meters per hour. Water was readily available when found was clean and cool. Water was not difficult to get to. Valleys were the best place to find water.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT LZ: AT880351, 1 OCH-16, FAIR ZONE. VEGETATION IN THE ZONE CONSISTED OF 1/4 GRASS. THE BEST APPROACH WAS FROM THE SOUTHWEST.

b. EXTRACT LZ: SAME AS ABOVE

c. TRAILS: AT887354, EXTREMELY WELL USED RECENTLY, 2' WIDE, SUNKEN 1'.

d. OP'S: AT883331, GOOD OBSERVATION TO THE NORTH, THE OBSERVATION POST IS NOT EASILY DEFENDABLE.

e. COMM: GOOD COMMUNICATIONS WITH "A" RELAY.

f. OBSTACLES: NONE ENCOUNTERED

g. MISC: N/A

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

9. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL, LEADER RECOMMENDS EXTENSIVE ARC-LIGHT RAIDS ESPECIALLY IN THE BASE CAMP AND TRAIL AREAS.
12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

1st Lt. Champe 0102666
GFL Car 2102995
PFC Cannon 2179251
PFC Duniapp 2518099
PFC Gautheir 2166113
PFC Berg-Olsen 2193795
PFC Dobre 2504996
KMG Dox 1804186

[Signature]
Patrol Leader

[Diagram]

Base Camp Area
VIG AT 865352

Hill

Bomb Crater

O.P. AT 865353

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OPERATION ORDER #284-69

Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Series L7014, 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6640 III
(b) 1st MarDivO P3800, IG Ch 162 (Intelligence SOP)
(c) 1st MarDivO P00333.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) 1st ReconBn0 P3000.24
(e) CoFragO #284-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:
2d Sqd. 2d Platoon Co. "A" 5th Recon Bn

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM'S, PIR'S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Establish observation post and report enemy activities over the trails running from ZC190305 to ZC198315 and ZC190361 to ZC200311. Be prepared to coordinate an air and/or artillery ambush against major enemy troop movement in the objective area.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area. Select a vantage point and maintain continued surveillance of the trail networks in grid squares ZC1930, ZC1931 and ZC2031.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 15 September/HLZ 469

(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 19 September/HLZ 469

(3) Insertion/extraction HLZ. TBA.

(4) Operational area: Bounded by (UL) ZC1832 and (LR) AT7929

(5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (e) will be followed.
4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of four days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Hoi Chanks will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment.

(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binocular, 7x50
(3) Scope, M-49

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

a. Communications-Electronics

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b. Command.

(1) The 1st Force Reconnaissance Company Command Post (CP) is located at Hill 34 (coordinate AT990709). Patrols will execute all orders originating from the Commanding Officer or his designated representative.
1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 5 USMC ENG, 1 USMC BN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRO-25's, 2 7.62's
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-79, 2 CLAYMores

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH OBSERVATION POST AND REPORT ENEMY ACTIVITIES OVER THE TRAILS RUNNING FROM 20190305 TO 20193115 AND 20190304 TO 20200311. BE PREPARED TO COORDINATE AN AIR AND/OR ARTILLERY AMBUSH AGAINST MAJOR ENEMY TROOP MOVEMENT IN THE OBJECTIVE AREA.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 151115H/191755H SEPTEMBER 1969

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER AND EXTRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS AFTER 102 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING WHICH 12 GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVED TOTTALING 73 VC/AVN. THERE WERE NO UNUSUAL OBSERVATIONS. PATROL MADE NO CONTACTS. NO SUPPORTING ARMS WERE UTILIZED. THE INSERT WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. ENEMY: 160715H V/C 202069295 PATROL FOUND 14 BUNDLES OF STICKS 14" LONG BY 1". THERE WERE APPROX. 20 STICKS TO A BUNDLE AND THEY WERE SPLIT IN HALF LENGTHWISE. 3 BUNDLES WERE POINTING NE DOWN A TRAIL AND 1 BUNDLE POINTED E APPROX. 5 FT AWAY. TREES IN THIS AREA HAD BEEN CUT FOR THE COLLECTION OF SAP.

   170715H V/C 20203304 PATROL OBSERVED 2 HUTS BUILT ON THE SIDE OF A HILL. THE HUTS WERE 6 FT HIGH, 10 FT WIDE. 1 WAS 15' LONG AND THE OTHER WAS 30 FT. THE HUTS SEEMED TO BE IN GOOD REPAIR AND NO SOUNDS COULD BE HEARD FROM WITHIN. HUTS WERE PARUTLY HIDEN BY THE SURROUNDING VEGETATION. PATROL DID NOT INVESTIGATE DUE TO OPEN AREAS NEAR THE HUTS.

   171000H - 171100H V/C 2196306 PATROL OBSERVED 19 VC/AVN MOVING SW ON A TRAIL (TRAIL MARKED ON MAP). 1 ENEMY WAS WEARING KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRT. THE REMAINING ENEMY WERE FULL KHAKI UNIFORMS. THE ENEMY WAS EQUIPPED WITH 1 AK-47, 1 SKS, AND 6 RIFLES THAT COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED DUE TO THE VEGETATION AND AMOUNT OF TIME THEY WERE OBSERVABLE. 3 ENEMY WORE NVA HELMETS, 5 WORE LARGE HEAVY PACKS AND 1 WORE A LIGHT PACK. 2 ENEMY WERE OBSERVED CARRYING SOMETHING LARGE AND HEAVY BETWEEN THEM. PATROL COULD NOT OBSERVE THE OBJECT DUE TO THE VEGETATION.

   171335H V/C 2196236 PATROL OBSERVED 25 VC/AVN MOVING SW ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, 1 NVA HELMET, 3 BUSH COVERS AND MAROON BERETS WITH NO INSIGNIA. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 18 RIFLES THAT COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED AND 22 LARGE HEAVY PACKS.
17130H VDO ZC195315 PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/AVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL.  
ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS. 1 ENEMY WAS CARRYING A SMALL 
BAG SIMILAR TO A US MUSSETTE BAG.  
171230H - 171300H VDO ZC195308 PATROL OBSERVED 7 VC/AVA MOVING NE 
on a trail. 2 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS, 1 BLACK SHIRTS, AND 1 CAMOUFLAGE SHIRT.  
(TROUSERS CANNOT NOT BE OBSERVED DUE TO VEGETATION) THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING 
2 RIFLES AND 5 PACKS.  
171315H VDO ZC195308 PATROL OBSERVED 1 VC/AVA MOVING SW ON A TRAIL.  
THE ENEMY WORE A BLACK SHIRT AND BUSH COVER. (TROUSERS CANNOT NOT BE 
OBSERVED) ENEMY WAS CARRYING 1 HEAVY PACK.  
171610H VDO ZC195308 PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/AVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL.  
THE ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS AND CARRIED 2 SMALL BOATS. THE BOATS WERE 
5 FT LONG AND 2 FT WIDE. BOTH RESEMBLED A COLLAPSIBLE CANOE.  
171720H VDO ZC195315 PATROL OBSERVED 4 VC/AVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL.  
3 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS AND 1 WORE A KHAKI SHIRT AND SHIRTS. ENEMY WERE 
cARRYING 2 HEAVY PACKS, 3 NVA HELMETS, AND 1 RIFLE, WHICH CANNOT NOT BE 
IDENTIFIED DUE TO THE THICKNESS OF THE VEGETATION NEAR THE ENEMY.  
171745H VDO ZC195315 PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/AVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL.  
ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED 2 HEAVY PACKS.  
171805H VDO ZC195308 PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/AVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL.  
1 ENEMY WORE A BLACK UNIFORM THAT WAS NOT CUT LIKE PJ'S BUT RATHER LIKE 
ARVN UTILITIES 2 OTHER ENEMY WORE GRAY PONCHO'S SIMILAR TO THE US TYPE.  
ALL THREE WORE MARCON BERETS.  THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 1 RIFLE 
AND 2 LIGHT PACKS.  
18015H VDO ZC195308 PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/AVA MOVING SW ON A TRAIL.  
THE ENEMY WORE BLACK UTILITIES SIMILAR TO THOSE MENTIONED IN THE 171805H 
ENTRY.  ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 3 HEAVY PACKS.  
180415H VDO ZC195315 PATROL OBSERVED 1 VC/AVA MOVING SW ON A TRAIL.  
ENEMY WORE A GRAY PONCHO AND CARRIED AN IDENTIFIED RIFLE.  
181310H VDO ZC195308 PATROL OBSERVED 4 VC/AVA MOVING SW ON A TRAIL.  
1 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 3 WORE KHAKIS, 1 WORE A BUSH COVER, AND 3  
WORE MARCON BERETS.  THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 3 RIFLES, 1 GRAY PACK,  
AND 3 VERY LARGE PACKS. (PACKS 4 FT LONG BY 2 FT WIDE BY 2 FT THICK)  

b. TERRAIN: WAS STEEP WITH A SCATTERED CANOPY OF 40'-50'. SECONDARY 
GROWTH WAS 6-10 FT HIGH CONSISTING OF THICK BAMBOO AND VINES.  
MOVEMENT WAS VERY DIFFICULT DUE TO THE UNDERGROWTH AND RESTRICTED TO THE 
RATE OF 50 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. WATER WAS ABUNDANT AND  
WHEN FOUND WAS NOT STAGNANT. WATER WAS NOT DIFFICULT TO GET TO.  
ZC195308 IS THE BEST PLACE TO GET WATER. DUE TO THE THICKNESS OF THE 
UNDERGROWTH, CONCEALMENT WAS GOOD, BUT COVER WAS ALMOST NON-EXISTENT.  

7. OTHER INFORMATION:  
   c. INSET 1Z: ZC20539L, 1XCH-16, 10' JUMP ZONE (HELICOPTER COULD NOT  
   LANDING DUE TO TREES AROUND THE ZONE). VEGETATION WAS THICK BAMBOO AND  
eLEPHANT GRASS 4-6 FT TALL. THE BEST APPROACH IS FROM THE SW.  
   c. EXTEND 1Z: ZC195306, 2XCH-46, GOOD STANDOFF ZONE WITH 3-4 FT  
eLEPHANT GRASS. THE BEST APPROACH IS FROM THE SOUTH.  
   d. TRAILS: AS MARKED ON MAP  
   d. OPUS: ZC199306, FAIR OBSERVATION TO THE WEST AND NORTHWEST.  
   THIS OP IS EASILY DEFENDABLE. VERY GOOD CONCEALMENT IN THIS AREA.  
   e. COMM: COMMUNICATIONS WITH STONE PIT "A" WAS POOR. PATROL LEAD-  
   "DER BELIEVES RADIOS MAY HAVE BEEN MALFUNCTIONING.
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADER BELIEVES ENEMY HAVE BASE CAMP IN THE AREA DUE TO THE NUMBER OF ENEMY OBSERVED.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: THE PATROL HAD DIFFICULTY OBSERVING EQUIPMENT DUE TO ELEPHANT GRASS ALONG THE TRAIL AREAS. NO BETTER OP COULD BE FOUND IN THAT AREA AND THEREFORE THERE IS LITTLE SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO IDENTIFY THE RIFLES.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL SOLOMAN
Sgt DECENTI
LCPL LORD
LCPL DUNCAN
PFC BEAUDRY
HM3 HEISE

Patrol Leader: M. Solomon

DEBRIEFER

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Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Series L7014 1:50,000, Sheet No. 66A0 III
(b) 1stMarDivO P3800.1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence Staff)
(c) 1stMarDivO P00333.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) CoFragO P3000.4
(e) CoFragO #285-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:
1/4th Platoon

Sgt Grimes

SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM'S, PIR'S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

MISSION. Establish observation Post and report enemy activities over trail running from ZC20244 to AT79028. Be prepared to coordinate an ambush against major enemy troop movement in the objective area.

EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area. Select a vantage point and maintain continued surveillance of grid squares ZC2024, ZC2124 and ZC2125.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 16 September/HLZ 1469
(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 20 September/HLZ 1469
(3) Insertion/extraction HLZ. TBA.
(4) Operational area: Bound by (UL) ZC2026 and (LR) AT8023
(5) Rules of engagement set fourth in reference (c) will be followed.
(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of four days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Ho Chi Chans will be subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment.

(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binocular, 7x50
(3) Scope, M-49

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

a. Communications-Electronics

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b. Command.

(1) The 1st Force Reconnaissance Company Command Post (CP) is located at Hill 34 (coordinate AT990709). Patrols will execute all orders originating from the Commanding Officer or his designated representative.

BY COMMAND OF, MAJOR R. E. SIMMONS

G. R. WILLSON
Captain U. S. Marine Corps
Operation Officer

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6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. ENEMY: 121150H VIC AT797238, TEAM OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. ENEMY STOPPED ON TRAIL, PROCEEDED TO TAKE OFF THEIR GEAR AND EAT CHOW. TEAM OBSERVED AND LISTENED TO VC/NVA FOR APPROXIMATELY 15 TO 20 MINUTES. A KIT CARSON SCOUT WITH THE PATROL OVERHEARD THE VC/NVA STATE THAT THEY HAD ARRIVED IN SVN FROM HANOI NVN DURING 1966, THAT AMERICAN RECON MUST BE WATCHED FOR, BECAUSE THEY WERE FREQUENTLY IN THE AREA, THAT THEY MUST ARRIVE AT THEIR BASE CAMP THIS EVENING, WHICH WAS LOCATED 3000 TO 4000 METERS NORTH OF THEIR PRESENT POSITION, AND THAT A VC/NVA COMPANY WAS BEHIND THEM AND SHOULD PASS THRU THIS LOCATION AT APPROXIMATELY 1700 HOURS THE SAME DAY. THE PATROL LEADER AND 1 KOS HAO, STEPPED OUT ON THE TRAIL AND INITIATED CONTACT. RESULTS 3 VC/NVA KIA, AND 1 VC/NVA WIA. THE PATROL BROKE CONTACT, MOVED WEST AND CALLED FOR AN AC. AT APPROXIMATELY 181230H THE AC ARRIVED OVER THE AREA. WHEN THE AC ARRIVED THE PATROL MOVED TO WHERE THE VC/NVA "KIA'S" AND THE WIA WERE LOCATED. THE VC/NVA WIA WAS NOW A KIA. THE PATROL STRIPED THE BODIES AND FOUND THAT ALL THE VC/NVA CARRIED LARGE PACKS FULL OF RICE (SAMPLE OF RICE FORWARDED TO 1ST DIV G-2) AND 1 VC/NVA MEDICAL BAG WITH A NOTE BOOK IN IT, (FORWARDED TO 1ST DIV, G-2). ALL OF THE ENEMY WERE GREEN UTILITIES, VC/NVA PITH
b. TERRAIN WAS STEEP WITH A CANOPY OF 20 TO 30 FEET. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 10 FEET HIGH Consisting of ELEPHANT GRASS, SHRUBS AND BRITERS. MOVEMENT OFF THE TRAILS IN THIS AREA WOULD BE DIFFICULT. THIS PATROL MOVED LESS THAN 200 METERS DURING THEIR PATROL AND HAVE LIMITED AMOUNT OF INFORMATION ON THE TERRAIN AND STATE OF MOVEMENT. CONCEALMENT WAS GOOD CONSISTING OF HEAVY UNDERGROWTH. WATER WAS NOT FOUND DURING THIS PATROL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. INSET L2: AT98239 1 IN CH-146 ON GENTLE SLOPE, VEGETATION CONSISTS OF ELEPHANT GRASS, FAIR ZONE. BEST APPROACH AND EXIT UNKNOWN.
   b. EXTRACT L2: AT99239 EXTRACTED BY THE SPIE SYSTEM, VEGETATION CONSISTED OF ELEPHANT GRASS AND SHRUB BRUSH. COULD POSSIBLY LAND A HueY IN THIS ZONE. COULD NOT LAND A CH-146.
   c. TRAILS: VIC AT97238 TRAIL RUNNING EAST TO WEST, A WELL DEFINED TRAIL, UP TO 10 FEET WIDE IN PLACES, AND 1 FEET DEEP IN SOME SECTIONS. APPEARS TO BE HEAVILY USED.
   d. OP'S: NONE OBSERVED.
   e. COMM: ADEQUATE COMMUNICATIONS WITH BRAVO RELAY.
   f. OBSTACLES: NONE OBSERVED.
   g. MISC: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 5 VC/NVA KIA

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: SUPPORT OF 2 AO'S AND AN UNDETERMINED AMOUNT OF JET GUNSHIPS WAS GOOD.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEVERS: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:
   SGT. CRIMES 2183988
   KOS. HOA 1 LC/USMC
   PFC. THOMAS 2168231
   H/M. DOYLE 8117391
   KOS. HOA 1288390
   CPT. SNODDING 2251300

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**Route Overlay**

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**Patrol Leader**

James [Signature]

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Robert [Signature]
OPERATION ORDER #286-69

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(a) Map, VIETNAM, Series L701h 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6640 III
(b) lstMarDivO P3800.10 Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
(c) lstMarDivO PO0333.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) lstReconBnO PO0004
(e) CoFragO #286-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

2d Sqd. 3rd Platoon Co. "A" 5th Recon Bn

1stLt Jackson

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM's, PIR'S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Monitor and report enemy activity on trails running from AT920395 to AT929100 and AT918398 to AT930403.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned observation area and establish observation/surveillance of trail network periodically in grid squares AT9239 and AT9240.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 16 September/HLZ 469

(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 20 September/HLZ 469

(3) Insertion HLZ AT92399 Flip Flop w/Lunch Meat, extraction HLZ TNA.

(4) Operational area: Bounded by (UL) AT9141 and (LR) AT9138

(5) Rules of engagement set fourth in reference (c) will be followed.

(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of four days.

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e. Special Equipment.

   (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
   (2) Binocular, 7x50
   (3) Camera

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OPERATION ORDER: 286-69
PATROL: PUPPET SHOW (SLF)
DESIGNER: SGT M. KOZAKIEWICZ JR.
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS LT011
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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 6 ENL, 1 USA
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMMAND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FGR 2516, 2 M-19 SCOPE
   d. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 2 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH OBSERVATION POST AND REPORT ENEMY ACTIVITIES
   OVER THE TRAILS RUNNING FROM AT920395 TO AT924000 AND AT928398 TO
   AT930403.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 161005H/201120H

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER AND EXTRACTED BY
   THE SAME MEANS AFTER 100 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY, DURING WHICH NO
   ENEMY OBSERVATIONS WERE MADE. THERE WERE NO UNUSUAL OBSERVATIONS MADE.
   THE PATROL MADE NO CONTACTS. NO SUPPORTING ARMS WERE UTILIZED. THE
   INSERT LZ WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN
   a. ENEMY: 171030H VIC AT923397 THE PATROL FOUND PIECES OF AN
      UNIDENTIFIABLE AIRCRAFT; 1 PIECE APPEARED TO BE AN HYDRAULIC CYLINDER;
      ALSO FOUND WAS A PLASTIC HELMET THAT WAS EXTENSIVELY DAMAGED AND
      BURNED, AND A 10 INCH PIECE OF PLASTIC SUIT.

   b. TERRAIN: WAS STEEP WITH A COMPLETE CANOPY OF 50-60 FT. SECONDARY
      GROWTH WAS 6-10 FT HIGH CONSISTING OF BRUSH, BAMBOO, AND ELEPHANT
      GRASS. MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT AND RESTRICTED TO THE RATE OF 100-150
      METERS AN HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. WATER WAS SCARCE AND WHEN FOUND
      WAS SWIFT MOVING. WATER WAS FOUND AT AT937384. RIDEWAYS WERE
      EASY TO TRAVERSE IF PATROL DID NOT ATTEMPT TO MOVE DOWN OR ALONG
      THE SLOPES.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. INSERT LZ: AT920400, 1XCH-16, SITDOWN ZONE, VEGETATION WAS LOW
      SHRUBS AND GRASS. ZONE IS BEEST APPROACHED FROM THE NORTH.
   b. EXTRACT LZ: AT935380, 2XCH-16, SITDOWN ZONE, VEGETATION WAS
      6-8 INCH GRASS. THE LZ WAS AN OLD RIDE PAD.
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CLAIRES: AS MARKED ON MAP

SPAN. AT 1921398, GOOD OBSERVATION TO THE NW; FAIRLY EASY TO
DEPLOY. AT 1935383, GOOD OBSERVATION TO THE SOUTH AND SW; EASILY DEPLOYED.

COMM: COMMUNICATIONS WITH STONE PIT "A" WAS GOOD
OBS.: OBSTACLES: DOME CRATERS
MISE: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE PATROL LEADER BELIEVES THE
ENEMY MAY BE MOVING IN THIS AREA, BUT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE THEY ARE
HARBORING THERE.

12. COMMENTS BY DEREFER: NONE

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OPERATION ORDER #287-69

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Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Series L7014, 1:50,000, Sheet 6080 III 487-69
(b) 1stMarDivO P3600.1G Ch 162 (Intelligence SOP)
(c) 1stMarDivO P00333.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) CoReconBn O P3000.4
(e) CoFragO #287-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

5th Platoon

1stLt. Hollings

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM'S, PIR'S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Conduct a reconnaissance of the assigned operating area. Locate Regimental or larger base camps and report enemy activity in vic grid squares AT6432, AT8431 and AT8430. Employ land line communications monitoring system.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation: Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area. Move overland south, southwest and locate enemy base camps and monitor trail networks. Be prepared to provide terminal guidance for a helicopter landing force.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 17 September/HLZ 469

(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 21 September/HLZ 469

(3) Insertion HLZ AT 8452632 Flip Flop w/Rudder, extraction HLZ TRC.

(4) Operational area: Bounded by (UL) AT8333 and (LR) AT8730

(5) Rules of engagement set fourth in reference (c) will be followed.

(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of four days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and HoI Chans will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment.

(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binlinear, 7x50
(3) Camera
(4) Surveillance System H-114A

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

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12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

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OPERATION ORDER 288-69

PATROL: DETROIT TIMERS (F-11)

DETAILS: SGT R. S. BOLAND

MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 17024

SHEET 6620 L

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 1 USMC OFF., 1 USMC ENLISTED, 1 USM ENLISTED.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 1 STAFF.
   c. SENSE AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 AN/PVS-25, 1 7.62mm.
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-79, 4 CLAYMOR.

2. MISSION: LOCATE AND ESTABLISH OBSERVATION POST AND REPORT ENEMY ACTIVITY OVER THE TRAIL NETWORK RUNNING FROM AT500356 TO AT686359 AND SOUTH TO AT890354.
   INSTALL GROUND SURVEILLANCE ANTI-INTRUSION SIDS ON TRAIL NETWORK, GRID SQUARE AT6535 AND AT8775. COORDINATE AN AIR AND OR ARTILLERY AMBUSH AGAINST MAJOR ENEMY TROOP MOVEMENT IN THE OPERATIONAL AREA.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 191725H/231146H SEPTEMBER 1969

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER, FLIP-FLOPPED WITH REPORT CARD, AND ROUTINE EXTRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS AFTER 90 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY, DURING WHICH 30 GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVED, TOTALING 162 VC/NVA. THERE WAS 1 UNUSUAL OBSERVATION: 1 VC/NVA, WHO APPEARED TO BE A FEMALE, DRESSED IN A KHAKI UNIFORM AND WEARING AN NVA PITH HELMET. SHE DID NOT WALK OR CARRY HERSELF LIKE A VIETNAMESE. THERE WERE NO CONTACTS. THE ARTILLERY FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED BY THE PATROL ON A GROUP OF 25 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHWEST ON A TRAIL IN THE VICINITY OF AT86355. RESULTS: UNDETERMINED. THE INSERT HLZ WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. ENEMY: 191800H VIC AT912733 THE TEAM HEARD SOUNDS SIMILAR TO THOSE OF A DIESEL ENGINE BEING REVVED COMING FROM THE APPROXIMATE VICINITY OF AT912733. THESE SOUNDS CONTINUED FOR APPROXIMATELY 15 MINUTES, AND THEN STopped COMPLETELY. THERE WERE NO CLOUD COVER OR FOG DURING THE PERIOD THE SOUNDS WERE HEARD.

   200820H VIC AT686355 THE TEAM OBSERVED 12 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 6 ENEMY WERE WEARING BLACK TROUSERS AND GREEN SHIRTS, AND 6 WERE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. 3 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING NVA PITH HELMETS; 9 WERE CARRYING PACKS AND 8 WERE WEARING RAIN COATS.

   200850H VIC AT686355 THE TEAM OBSERVED 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHEAST TO SOUTHWEST ON A TRAIL. 4 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING BLACK PANTS AND 2 WERE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. 1 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING MOUNTAIN PACKS, 6 WERE WEARING NVA PITH HELMETS AND 6 WERE WEARING PLASTIC RAIN SUITS.

THE TEAM OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 5 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS. 1 WAS WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND 1 WAS WEARING BLACK PJ'S. 6 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING PACKS APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET LONG AND 2 FEET WIDE, WHICH EXTENDED TO THE MIDDLE OF THEIR HEADS. THE PACKS APPEARED TO BE VERY HEAVY. 1 MAN WAS CARRYING A PAIR OF BINOCULARS IN A CASE SUSPENDED FROM HIS SHOULDER. THE FIRST 3 MEN IN THE COLUMN WERE CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES AND BRANCHES.

THE TEAM OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 2 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING LIGHT MARCHING PACKS, AND 1 WAS WEARING AN NVA PITH HELMET. ALL OF THE ENEMY CARRIED A BRANCH FROM A TREE FOR CAMOUFLAGE, AND THEY ALL KEPT APPROXIMATELY A 25 METER INTERVAL.

THE TEAM OBSERVED 22 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 7 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. 1 WAS WEARING BLUE UTILITIES. 7 WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS. 3 WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND 1 WERE WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. 16 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING NVA PITH HELMETS. 12 WERE CARRYING LARGE PACKS, 2 WERE CARRYING LARGE BUNDLES OF STICKS, 2 WERE CARRYING 1 CANTEEN APiece, 1 WAS CARRYING A BLACK DISC APPROXIMATELY 30 INCHES IN DIAMETER (POSSIBLY A TANK MINE), 1 WAS CARRYING A BROWN CYLINDER APPROXIMATELY 3 FEET LONG AND 1 INCH IN DIAMETER. 1 WAS WEARING A CARTRIDGE BELT AND 1 WERE CARRYING 1 AK-47 RIFLE EACH. 1 ENEMY WAS CARRYING WHAT POSSIBLY WAS A 120MM MORTAR ROUND IN A CANNISTER. THE ENEMY WAS TRAVELLING IN GROUPS OF 4 TO 6 MEN, AT APPROXIMATELY A 25 METER INTERVAL.

THE TEAM OBSERVED 15 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 8 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S, 4 WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS AND 3 WERE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. 6 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING LIGHT MARCHING PACKS; 2 WERE CARRYING LARGER PACKS AND 2 WERE CARRYING VERY LARGE WHITE PACKS. 1 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING COOLIE HATS AND 1 WAS WEARING AN NVA PITH HELMET. 1 MAN WAS WEARING A CARTRIDGE BELT AND 2 WERE CARRYING WEB GEAR. 1 MAN WAS CARRYING AN AK-47 RIFLE.

THE TEAM OBSERVED 21 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 7 WERE WEARING BLACK TROUSERS AND KHAKI SHIRTS. 11 WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS. 2 WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND 1 WAS WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. 13 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING NVA PITH HELMETS. 11 WERE CARRYING MARCHING PACKS; 1 WAS CARRYING A LARGE PACK, 1 WAS CARRYING A BULLETPROOF VEST AND 1 WAS WEARING A DUFFLE COVER. 5 WERE CARRYING 1 AK-47 RIFLE EACH AND 2 WERE CARRYING WEB GEAR (CARTRIDGE BELTS AND CANTEENS).

THE TEAM OBSERVED 26 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. 10 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS; 9 WERE WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, AND 7 WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S. 3 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING NVA PITH HELMETS AND 1 WERE WEARING A COOLIE HAT. 16 WERE CARRYING LARGE PACKS; 1 WAS CARRYING A VERY LARGE WHITE PACK, 2 WERE CARRYING MARCHING PACKS AND 2 WERE CARRYING 120MM MORTAR ROUND APiece. 1 OF THE ENEMY WAS CARRYING AN AK-56 RIFLE; 2 WERE CARRYING AK-47 RIFLES; AND 1 WAS CARRYING A BOLT ACTION RIFLE (TYPE UNDETERMINED). 1 OF THE ENEMY IN KHAKI UNIFORM AND NVA PITH HELMET HAD A VERY LIGHT COMPLEXION AND WALKED LIKE A WOMAN, BUT NOT A VIETNAMESE.
OPERATION ORDER # 889-69

Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Series L701h 1:50,000, Sheet No. 66i0 III
(b) 1st MarDivO P3800, LG Ch la2 (Intelligence SOP)
(c) 1st MarDivP PO0330,2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) 1st ReconBn P3000,4
(e) CoFragO #889-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

1st Platoon
1st Platoon

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current TRUSSUM's, PIR'S and S-2 Briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) See current OPSUM'S, STREP'S and 3-3 Briefings.

2. MISSION. Locate and establish observation post and report enemy activity over the trail network running from AT900365 to AT885359 and south to AT82315. Install ground surveillance anti-intrusion SID's on trail network, grid square AT8635 and AT8735. Coordinate an air and/or artillery ambush against major enemy troop movement in the operational area.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area, select observation post in vic AT882351 and coordinate an air/artillery ambush on enemy troop movement within a five day period.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 19 September/HLZ 469

(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 23 September/HLZ 469

(3) Insertion HLZ AT877353 Flip Flop w/Record, extraction HLZ THA.

(4) Operational area: Bounded by (UL) AT8737 and (LR) AT9034

(5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.

(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.

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1. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of five days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees, and HoI Chans will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment:

(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binocular, 7x50
(3) Scope, M-19
(4) Anti-Intrusion HANDSID System

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

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2014:1:2H VIC AT856055 THE TEAM OBSERVED 25 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST TO NORTHWEST ON A TRAIL. 15 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS; 6 WERE WEARING BLACK PANTS AND 4 WERE WEARING GREEN SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS. 18 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING LIGHT MARCHING PACKS; 4 WERE CARRYING LARGE PACKS; 1 WAS CARRYING A VERY LARGE WHITE PACK; 5 WERE CARRYING NVA FIRST HELMETS; AND 2 WERE WEARING USMC SOFT COVERS. 1 WERE CARRYING 120MM MORTAR ROUND BACK AND 1 WERE CARRYING A DONUT ACTION RIFLE (TYPE UNDETERMINED).

2015:0:3H VIC AT866355 THE TEAM OBSERVED 11 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST TO NORTHWEST ON A TRAIL. 9 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS; 1 WAS WEARING BLACK PANTS AND 1 WAS WEARING A BLACK SHIRT AND WHITE SHORTS. 7 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING LARGE PACKS AND APPEARED TO BE STOOPED OVER FROM THE BURDEN OF THEIR LOAD AND 4 WERE CARRYING LIGHT MARCHING PACKS. 1 MAN WAS CARRYING A SILVER CYLINDER 4 FEET LONG AND 5 INCHES IN DIAMETER; 3 WERE CARRYING 1 CANTILEVER EACH AND 1 WAS WEARING A CANTILEVER BACK. 1 MAN WAS CARRYING AN AK-47 RIFLE.

2016:3:0H VIC AT866355 THE TEAM OBSERVED 17 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST TO NORTHWEST ON A TRAIL. 1 OF THE ENEMY WAS WEARING BLACK UTILITIES AND 16 WERE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. 11 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING PACKS AND 5 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING NVA FIRST HELMETS. ALL OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING MARCHING PACKS, 9 WERE WEARING CARTRIDGE BELTS AND 7 WERE CARRYING CANTILEVERS ON THE CARTRIDGE BELTS.

2102:0:4K VIC AT886355 THE TEAM OBSERVED 109 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH-EAST TO SOUTHWEST ON A TRAIL. 68 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS; 20 WERE WEARING GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS AND 10 WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS. 59 WERE CARRYING LIGHT MARCHING PACKS; 16 WERE CARRYING LARGE PACKS; AND 3 WERE CARRYING VERY LARGE WHITE PACKS (APPROXIMATELY 3\(\frac{3}{4}\) FEET LONG AND 2\(\frac{1}{2}\) FEET WIDE). 70 WERE WEARING NVA FIRST HELMETS AND 1 WAS WEARING A USMC SOFT COVER. 8 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING AK-47 RIFLES; 1 WAS CARRYING AN RPG LAUNCHER; AND 2 WERE CARRYING 120MM MORTAR ROUND EACH. 2 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING A BAMBOO FLEECE STRETCHER WITH 1 MAN ON IT.

2110:0:4H VIC AT8056955 THE TEAM OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST TO NORTH-EAST ON A TRAIL. 2 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES; 2 WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS; AND 1 WAS WEARING A KHAKI SHIRT AND BLACK TROUSERS. 2 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING NVA FIRST HELMETS; 1 WAS CARRYING A LARGE PACK; AND 4 WERE CARRYING MARCHING PACKS.

2110:0:4K VIC AT866355 THE TEAM OBSERVED 12 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH-EAST TO SOUTHWEST ON A TRAIL. 2 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS; 7 WERE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES; 1 WAS WEARING A GREEN SHIRT AND KHAKI TROUSERS; AND 2 WERE WEARING KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. 1 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING A BLACK DESERT HELMET AND 4 WERE WEARING NVA FIRST HELMETS. 5 WERE CARRYING MARCHING PACKS AND 2 WERE WEARING CARTRIDGE BELTS WITH U.S. TYPE MAGAZINE POUCHES. ALL OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING A BRANCH FROM A TREE FOR USE AS CAMOUFLAGE.

2110:0:5H VIC AT076361 THE TEAM HEARD SOUNDS SIMILAR TO THOSE MADE BY A DIESEL ENGINE BEING REVVED, COMING FROM THE GENERAL VICINITY OF COORDINATES AT076361. THESE SOUNDS CONTINUED FOR APPROXIMATELY 15 MINUTES AND THEN STopped COMPLETELY. THERE WAS NO FOG OR CLOUD COVER DURING THE TIME THE SOUNDS WERE HEARD.
THE TEAM OBSERVED 16 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST TOWARDS A CLUSTER OF VILLAGE HOUSES. 5 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING BLACK PANTS, 3 WERE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, AND 2 WERE WEARING BLACK UNIFORMS. 15 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING A CARTRIDGE BELT AND 7 WERE CARRYING PISTOL HELMETS.


THE TEAM OBSERVED 6 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 5 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS AND 1 WAS WEARING BLACK PANTS. 1 WERE WEARING NVA PISTOL HELMETS; 3 WERE CARRYING LIGHT MARCHING PACKS; AND 1 WERE CARRYING A WALKING STICK. ALL OF THE ENEMY WERE HEAVILY CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES AND BRUSH AND WALKED VERY FAST IN OPEN AREAS, MAINTAINING A 15 TO 30 METER INTERVAL BETWEEN EACH MAN.

THE TEAM OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 1 OF THE ENEMY WAS WEARING A GREEN SHIRT WITH BLACK TROUSERS, 1 WAS WEARING LIGHT GREEN UTILITIES AND 1 WAS WEARING REGULAR KHAKI UTILITIES. 2 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING NVA PISTOL HELMETS AND ALL 3 WERE CARRYING LIGHT MARCHING PACKS. 1 OF THE ENEMY WAS WEARING A CARTRIDGE BELT. ALL OF THE ENEMY WERE HEAVILY CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES AND BRUSH, AND THEY WALKED BLINDLY THROUGH OPEN AREAS MAINTAINING A 15 TO 30 METER INTERVAL BETWEEN EACH MAN.
221210h Vic AT086355 The team observed 23 VC/NVA moving southwest to northeast on a trail. 2 of the enemy were wearing khaki uniforms, 11 were wearing green utilities and 3 were wearing black paj's. 16 of the enemy were carrying light marching packs, 2 were carrying a large disc approximately 2 feet in diameter (possibly a tank mine), camouflaged with either canvas or plastic, 1 was carrying a large white pack, 1 was wearing web gear with 2 canteens and 1 was carrying a brown shoulder pack approximately 1 foot by 1 foot.

221300h Vic AT086355 The team observed 1 VC/NVA moving from southwest to northeast on a trail. 9 of the enemy were wearing khaki uniforms, 11 were wearing green utilities and 3 were wearing black paj's. 15 of the enemy were carrying light marching packs, 1 was carrying a large white pack, and 1 was carrying a large bundle of sticks. 5 were wearing NVA pith helmets. 1 was carrying a circular pack, 2 feet in diameter (possibly a tank mine), 3 were carrying 1 canteen each, and 1 was carrying an AK-47 rifle. The enemy were moving in 8 man groups, at 15 minute intervals, with 30 meters between each man.

221330h Vic AT086355 The team observed 3 VC/NVA moving southwest to northeast on a trail. 2 of the enemy were wearing green utilities and 1 was wearing black paj's. All of the enemy were carrying light marching packs and 1 was wearing a cartridge belt with 1 canteen on it.

221530h Vic AT086355 The team observed 3 VC/NVA moving southwest to northeast on a trail. 1 of the enemy was wearing green utilities. 1 was wearing a khaki uniform and 1 was wearing a khaki shirt with black trousers. All of the enemy were carrying light marching packs, 1 was wearing a cartridge belt and 1 was wearing web gear. All were carrying branches from trees used as camouflage and they all were double timing.

221715h Vic AT086355 The team observed 6 VC/NVA moving southwest to northeast on a trail. 4 of the enemy were wearing green utilities, and 2 were wearing khaki shirts and black trousers. 4 of the enemy were carrying 1 cpl-on grenade each. 1 man was carrying a light submachine gun (possibly an MP) and 2 were carrying NVA pith helmets. The enemy were travelling in groups of 2, with a 15 meter interval between each man and a 5 minute interval between each group.

221730h Vic AT086355 The team observed 5 VC/NVA moving southwest to northeast on a trail. 4 of the enemy were wearing khaki uniforms and 1 was wearing a black shirt with green trousers. 4 of the enemy were wearing NVA pith helmets, 4 were carrying light marching packs, and 1 was carrying an SKS rifle. The enemy were travelling in 2 groups with 15 meters between each man and 5 minutes between each group.

221730h Vic AT086355 The team observed 15 VC/NVA moving southwest to northeast on a trail. 1 of the enemy was wearing a black shirt with khaki trousers, 1 was wearing a green shirt with khaki trousers, 8 were wearing green utilities, and 5 were wearing khaki uniforms. 2 of the enemy were wearing cartridge belts with 2 canteens on each belt, 13 were carrying 1 large bundle of sticks each and 1 was carrying a black disc approximately 2 feet in diameter and 1 inches thick (possibly a tank mine). 1 man was carrying an AK-47 rifle.
6221750H VIC AT886355 THE TEAM OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 1 OF THE ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORMS AND 1 WAS WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. ALL OF ENEMY WERE CARRYING LARGE PACKS, APPROXIMATELY 23 FEET LONG BY 13 FOOT WIDE; 2 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING BLACK DISCS EACH, APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET IN DIAMETER (POSSIBLY A TANK MINES) AND 1 MAN WAS CARRYING AN AK-47 RIFLE. THERE WAS A 25-METER INTERVAL BETWEEN EACH MAN.

b. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN WAS VERY STEEP WITH NO CANOPY. THE SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 4 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF SMALL SHRUBS AND GRASS. MOVEMENT WAS MODERATE AT THE RATE OF 250 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RICE PADDY PATROL. THERE WAS NO WATER AVAILABLE IN THE AREA OF OPERATIONS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. INSERT LZ AT878051, LH-46; GOOD HLV, CONSISTING OF GRASS AND SHRUBS APPROXIMATELY 4 FEET HIGH; BEST APPROACH, WEST TO EAST; BEST EXIT, TO NORTH.
   b. EXTRACT LZ AT883351, LH-46; GOOD HLV, CONSISTING OF GRASS AND SHRUBS 4 FEET HIGH; BEST APPROACH, WEST TO EAST; BEST EXIT, TO NORTH.
   c. TRAILS: RUN THE LENGTH OF THE RIDGELINE APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET WIDE; NOT USED IN APPROXIMATELY 5 MONTHS.
   d. OPFS: AT862352, AT861351, AT882369, AT833350; ALL OPFS PROVIDED GOOD OBSERVATION OF ANTEA VALLEY TO THE EAST, NORTHEAST, NORTH AND NORTHWEST, AND THE SONG TIN DON LIVER. THE ONLY RESTRICTIONS OF OBSERVATION IN ANTENA VALLEY WERE VEGETATION IN THE AREA BEING OBSERVED.
   e. COMM. COMMUNICATIONS WITH "A" RELAY WERE EXCELLENT.
   f. OBSTACLES: NONE.
   g. MISC: NONE.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: EXCELLENT.

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE PATROL LEADER OF THIS PATROL AND 4 OTHER PATROL LEADERS OF PREVIOUS PATROLS IN THIS AREA ALL CONCLUDE THAT THERE COULD POSSIBLY BE A BASE CAMP IN THE VICINITY OF AT891354.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DÉBRIEFER: 179 VC/NVA WERE OBSERVED BY THE PATROL. 280 WERE MOVING NORTHEAST; 39 MOVING NORTH AND 160 MOVING SOUTHWEST. 4 OF THE ENEMY OBSERVED WERE FEMALE. 247 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING PACKS; 15 OF THESE PACKS WERE LARGE AND 182 WERE OF VARIOUS SMALLER SIZES. 15 OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING SMALL ARMS; 1 WAS CARRYING AN RPG. 2 WERE CARRYING WHAT WERE POSSIBLY MORTARS; 6 WERE CARRYING WHAT WERE POSSIBLY MORTAR ROUNDS; 7 WERE CARRYING WHAT WERE POSSIBLY ANTI-TANK MINES; AND 1 WAS CARRYING WHAT WERE POSSIBLY A ROCKET. NONE OF THE ENEMY COULD BE OBSERVED WEARING SHEET OR BOOTS. THE ENEMY OBSERVED WERE WEARING HO CHI MINH SANDLES, WALKING BAREFOOT OR WALKING BAREFOOT WITH THEIR SANDLES IN THEIR HANDS. THE ENEMY MOVED ACROSS THE OPEN AREA, WHICH WAS UNDER
OBSERVATION BY THE PATROL, AT AN AVERAGE INTERVAL OF APPROXIMATELY
25 METERS BETWEEN EACH MAN. THE PATROL OBSERVED THAT A FEW OF THE
ENEMY GROUPS WOULD STAGE AT THE EDGE OF THE OPEN AREA BEFORE CROSS-
ING. THE PATROL COULD USUALLY ANTICIPATE N & NE ENEMY MOVEMENTS ACROSS
THE OPEN AREA BY THE COMMOTION AND NOISE AT THE EDGE OF THE OPEN AREA
PRIOR TO AN ENEMY SIGHTING. BEFORE 0800, THE ENEMY WAS USUALLY NOT
CAMOUFLAGED, BUT AFTER 0800 THEY WERE USUALLY CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES
OR BRUSH. SOME OF THE ENEMY COULD BE OBSERVED PICKING UP BRUSH TO
USE AS CAMOUFLAGE AT THE EDGE OF THE OPEN AREA. THE PATROL HEARD AN
ENGINE RUNNING NUMEROUS TIMES DURING THE TIME THEY WERE IN THE OPER-
ATIONAL AREA. USUALLY, THE ENGINE WAS OPERATED AT APPROXIMATELY
20 MINUTES AT A TIME. THE USUAL TIMES OF OPERATION WERE APPROXIMATELY 0700
TO 0800 AND AT 1900. ALTHOUGH PREVIOUS PATROLS CONSISTENTLY RE-
PORTED OPERATION OF THE ENGINE DURING FG OR LOW CLOUD COVER AND AT
NIGHT, THIS PATROL HEARD THE ENGINE BEING OPERATED ONCE AT 1105 UNDER
CLEAR SKIES. THE FIRST POSITION OF THE ENGINE WAS APPROXIMATED AT
AT 05372. THE PATROL LATER HEARD THE ENGINE AND APPROXIMATED ITS
POSITION AT AT 05372. THE PREVIOUS APPROXIMATED POSITIONS HAVE BEEN:
AT 05369; 15 SEP; AT 05375; 10 SEP; AT 05369; 3 SEP.

13. PATROL MEMBERS.  PATROL ROUTE

| 1STIT LOWER | 010019 |
| 2CT MORIN  | 2101086 |
| FFC STROUD  | 2101001 |
| FFC BROADWAY | 2503666 |
| FMC ANDREWS | 533755 |
| FFC WIX  | 2106776 |

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DEBRIEFER: CPL R. W. COOPER
DANANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
191600H SEP 1969

MAPS: VIETNAM 1:500,000 AMS L7014

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
A. UNIT: 1 OFF, 6 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, GOR-3018, AOF-16
D. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-11, 1 M-79, 4 CLAMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE OF THE ASSIGNED OPERATIONS AREA.
LOCATE REGIMENTAL OR LARGER BASE CAMPS AND REPORT ENEMY ACTIVITY IN VIC
GRID SQUARES AT8432, AT8431, AND AT8430. EMPLOY LAND LINE COMMUNICATIONS
MONITORING SYSTEM.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 181017H/181658H

4. ROUTE SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER AND ROUTINELY EXTRACTED
BY THE SAME MEANS AFTER 7 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING WHICH 3 GROUPS
OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVED TOTALLING 25 VC/NVA. THERE WERE 5 UNUSUAL OBSER-
VATIONS. PATROL MADE 3 CONTACTS. RESULTS: 11 VC/NVA KIA. 3 FLIGHTS
OF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT WERE UTILIZED. RESULTS: UNDETERMINED. INSERT
HLZ WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
A. ENEMY: 101026H VIC AT848329, PATROL HEARD TALKING AND MOVEMENT
APPROXIMATELY 50 METERS TO THEIR WEST. PATROL LEADER ESTIMATES THAT
THERE WERE 10-15 PEOPLE. PEOPLE SPOKE IN LOW TONES. THE NOISE CAME
FROM NEAR THE INSERT HLZ.
181030H VIC AT848329, PATROL HEARD TALKING APPROXIMATELY 30-50
METERS FROM THEIR POSITION. PATROL MOVED TO THE WEST AND STOPPED.
THERE WAS TALKING AND MOVEMENT WITHIN 50 METERS OF THEIR POSITION THAT
CONTINUED TO BE HEARD.
181105H VIC AT847328, PATROL OBSERVED 13 VC/NVA IN A TREELINE APPROX-
IMATELY 15 METERS SOUTH OF THEIR POSITION. EN WERE WEARING MIXED KHAKI
AND GREEN UNIFORMS AND BLACK PJ'S. ENEMY CARRIED 2 AK-47'S, 2 SKS'S, 1
M-16 NAD SOME CHI-COM GRENADES. ENEMY DID NOT APPEAR TO BE WELL DIS-
CIPLINED AND THEY WERE SLOPPY AND DIRTY. PATROL INITIATED CONTACT WITH
SMALL ARMS. RESULTS: 8 VC/NVA KIA.
181115H VIC AT848329, (APPROXIMATELY 25 METERS SOUTHEAST FROM THE
FIRST CONTACT) PATROL OBSERVED 8 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHEAST ON AN OLD
TRAIL. 2 ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS AND THE REST MIXED GREEN AND BLACK.
ENEMY CARRIED 2 AK-47'S AND 1 LARGE PACK. PATROL INITIATED CONTACT
WITH SMALL ARMS. RESULTS: 1 VC/NVA KIA.
181430H VIC AT848339, PATROL OBSERVED A COLUMN OF 5 VC/AVA MOVING WEST ON A TRAIL. ENEMY WORE KHAKI UTILITIES; THEY CARRIED 1 SMG AND 1 M-16. THE SECOND MAN IN THE COLUMN CARRIED A LIGHT PACK. PATROL INITIATED CONTACT WITH SMALL ARMS. RESULTS: 2 VC/AVA KIA.

181500H VIC AT848331, PATROL UTILIZED THREE AERIAL OBSERVERS AND THREE FLIGHTS OF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT. THE FIXED WING AIRCRAFT EXPENDED THEIR ORDNANCE WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF THE TARGETS TO THE SOUTHEAST, SOUTHWEST, AND SOUTH, OF THE PATROL'S POSITION. RESULTS: UNDETERMINED.

181530H VIC AT848339, PATROL OBSERVED A WELL USED, WELL DEFINED TRAIL RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH. ALONG SIDE OF THE TRAIL LAY 6 MORTAR CANNISTERS (POSSIBLY 62MM). THE TRAIL ITSELF WAS CUT UP TO 6-8 FEET IN PLACES. MANY WELL BUILT SPIDER TRAPS, FOXHOLES, AND TRENCH SYSTEMS WERE ALSO IN THE AREA.

181610H VIC AT847331; AT847332, TRAIL 5'6" WIDE, RUNNING NORTH, WELL USED. THE TRAIL WENT IN A NORTH-EASTERN DIRECTION. PATROL OBSERVED A LARGE CAVE APPROXIMATELY 10 METERS NORTHEAST FROM THE TRAIL MENTIONED ABOVE. IT APPEARED TO BE QUITE LARGE AND NOT USED RECENTLY. PATROL DID NOT INVESTIGATE DUE TO THE PROXIMITY OF THE ENEMY.

181615H VIC AT845335, PATROL OBSERVED A WIDE, WELL USED TRAIL AS MARKED ON THE MAP AND OBSERVABLE FROM THE AIR. PARALLEL TO THIS TRAIL WERE 2 TRAILS WHICH WERE CONCEALED FROM THE AIR. THE TRAILS RAN ON EACH SIDE OF THE MAIN TRAIL. IT APPEARED THAT THE ENEMY UTILIZED THE ALTERNATE TRAILS WHEN AN AERIAL OBSERVER OR A HELICOPTER WAS IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA.

b. TERRAIN WAS RUGGED WITH A CANOPY OF 60 FEET. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 15 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF VINES, BAMBOO, AND SCRUB GROWTH. MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT AND RESTRICTED TO A RATE OF 150 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. WATER WAS AVAILABLE; BUT, GENERAL RESTRICTED TO THE LOW GROUND.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. INSERT LZ: AT846329; MULTI-CH-46 ZONE, GOOD VEGETATION WAS 1' HIGH GRASS. THE BEST APPROACH IS FROM THE NORTH OR SOUTH.
   b. EXTRACT LZ: AT840336, MULTI-CH-46, GOOD ZONE, VEGETATION WAS 3' GRASS. THE BEST APPROACH WAS FROM THE NORTH TO THE SOUTH.
   c. TRAILS: AT845329, TRAIL 3'-5' WIDE RUNNING NORTH, WELL USED.
   d. GPS: NONE USED
   e. COMM: GOOD COMMUNICATIONS WITH STONE PIT "A".
   f. OBSTACLES: NONE ENCOUNTERED
   g. MISCELLANEOUS: N/A

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 11 VC/AVA KIA

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: AERIAL OBSERVERS, GOOD; FIXED WING AIRCRAFT EXCELLENT.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADER RECOMMENDS THAT THIS AREA UNDERGO EXTENSIVE TPQ-10 RAIDS.
OPERATION ORDER #289-69

Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Series L7014 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6640 III
(b) lstMarDivO P3800.1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
(c) lstMarDivO P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) lstReconBrnO P3000.4
(e) CoFragO #289-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

1st Sqd. 3rd Platoon Co. "A" 5th Recon Br

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM'S, PIR'S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Monitor and report enemy activity on trail networks in grid squares AT9437, AT9438, AT9537 and AT9538.

3. EXECUTION.


b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 20 September/HLZ 169

(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 24 September/HLZ 469

(3) Insertion HLZ AT935380 Flip Flop w/Puppet Show, extraction HLZ TBA.

(4) Operational area. Bounded by (UL) AT93540 and (IR) AT9637

(5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.

(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of five days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Ho Chi Chans will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment.

(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binocular, 7x50
(3) Camera

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

a. Communications-Electronics

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b. Command.

(1) The 1st Force Reconnaissance Company Command Post (CP) is located at Hill 34 (co ordinate AT 990709). Patrols will execute all orders originating from the Commanding Officer or his designated representative.

BY COMMAND OF, MAJOR R. E. SIMMONS

G. B. WILSON
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OPERATION ORDER: 289-69

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO

PATROL: HABIT HUTCH

DA NANG, SOUTH VIETNAM

DIRECTOR: SSgt. R. BOLAND

212000H SEPTEMBER 1969

MAP: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7011

SHEET 6640 III

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 7 USMC ENL.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S, 1 CAMERA
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-79, 3 CLAYMORDES.

2. MISSION: MONITOR AND REPORT ENEMY ACTIVITY ON TRAIL NETWORKS IN GRID SQUARES AT9437, AT9438, AT9537, AND AT9538.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 211200H/211815H SEPTEMBER 1969

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER, FLIP FLOPPING WITH PUPPET SHOW UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS, AND WERE EXTRACTED BY LADDER UNDER EMERGENCY CONDITIONS, AFTER 22 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITIES. THERE WAS ONE UNUSUAL OBSERVATION OF A POSSIBLE HEAVY GUN POSITION. THE PATROL MADE 1 CONTACT RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA; NO ENEMY WERE SIGHTED. NO ARTILLERY OR FIXED WING AIRCRAFT WERE UTILIZED. ARTILLERY OR FIXED WING AIRCRAFT WERE UTILIZED TO PROTECT THE PATROL AND THE EXTRACT HELICOPTER DURING THE EMERGENCY EXTRACTION. THE 1 USMC KIA WAS TORN FROM THE LADDER BY THE CANOPY DURING THE LADDER EXTRACTION.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN.

   a. ENEMY. 211700H VIC AT937381. THE PATROL HEARD AUTO AK-47 RIFLE FIRE COMING FROM THE APPROXIMATE VICINITY OF AT935381. THIS ESTIMATED LOCATION WAS APPROXIMATELY 200 METERS EAST OF THE PATROL'S LOCATION. THE FIRST BURST IMPACTED APPROXIMATELY 50 METERS FROM THE PATROL'S POSITION, AND SEEMED TO TRAVERSE UNTIL IT IMPACTED APPROXIMATELY 500 METERS SOUTH OF THE PATROL. THE PATROL ESTIMATES 1 TO 5, 30 ROUND MAGAZINES WERE FIRED. ONLY 1 RIFLE FIRED AT A TIME BUT THE SOURCE OF THE Firing SEEMED TO ORIGINATE IN SEVERAL SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT LOCATIONS.

   b. VC/NVA. THE VC/NVA BELIEVES VC/NVA WERE RECONNOITRING BY FIRE. 212000H TO 212200H VIC AT935381. TEAM EXPERIENCED A COMPLETE LOSS OF COMMUNICATIONS ON BOTH PRC-25 RADIO'S. PATROL COULD HEAR A STRONG HUMMING SOUND ON BOTH RADIO'S. PATROL TURNED OFF BOTH RADIO'S AND COULD STILL HEAR THE STRONG HUMMING SOUND. THE HUMMING SOUND WAS COMING FROM THE APPROXIMATE GRID COORDINATES OF AT937381. AT 214000H THE HUMMING SOUND STOPPED AND THE PATROL HAD GOOD COMM.

   c. MOVEMENTS. 211500H VIC AT912381. PATROL HEARD TALKING FROM THE APPROXIMATE VIC OF AT910380. MOVING TO VIC AT910382, THE PATROL HAD STOPPED THEN THE VC/NVA INITIATED THE CONTACT. PATROL INITIALLY RECEIVED 2 ROUNDS OF SEMI AUTO FIRE ONE OF WHICH KILLED THE ASSISTANT
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PATROL LEADER. ENEMY FIRE CAME FROM THE APPROXIMATE GRID COORDINATES OF AT940380. PATROL COULD NOT FIND A TARGET BUT RETURNED 1 ROUND IN THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF THE ENEMY. ENEMY FIRED APPROXIMATELY 10 MORE ROUNDS WHICH CAME NEAR TO THE PATROL. AN AIR OBSERVER ARRIVED IN APPROXIMATELY 1 HOUR AFTER CONTACT. 3 A01S, 2 COBRAS, AND 2 HUEY GUNSHIPS PROVIDED CLOSE AIR SUPPORT TO THE PATROL UNTIL THE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED AT 211815H.

211815H VIC AT940383. DURING THE LADDER EXTRACTION OF THE RECON TEAM THE BODY OF THE USMC KIA HAVING BEEN SECURED TO THE LADDER WAS TORN FROM IT AS THE HELICOPTER DRAGGED THE LADDER THRU THE CANOPY. THE HELICOPTER DID NOT STOP TO RECOVER THE BODY.

211150 TO 211200H VIC AT940383 (LATE ENTRY) WHILE ON OP AT THE PRECEDING GRID COORDINATES, TEAM OBSERVED A POSSIBLE HEAVY GUN POSITION IN THE APPROXIMATE VICINITY OF AT953377. (SEE SKETCH) TEAM OBSERVED WHAT APPEARED TO BE 3 GUNS THE APPROXIMATE SIZE OF A 105 MM ARTILLERY PIECE. THE GUNS WERE DIRECTED GENERAL IN A NORTHWEST DIRECTION. SOUTH OF THE POSSIBLE GUNS WERE 4 BOX TYPE OBJECTS WHICH WERE APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET HIGH AND 8 FEET LONG. THE 4 BOX TYPE OBJECTS WERE LOCATED INSIDE OF A CIRCLE TYPE ARRANGEMENT. THE 3 GUNS WERE OBSERVED JUST OUTSIDE OF THE CIRCLE TYPE ARRANGEMENT. THE CIRCLE HAD A WHITE SUBSTANCE AROUND IT WHICH COULD POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN, WHITE SAND, ROCK OR GRAVEL, WHICH WAS NOTED IN THIS AREA. THIS POSITION APPEARED TO HAVE EXCELLENT CONCEALMENT FROM THE AIR UNLESS APPROACHED FROM THE NORTHWEST AT A VERY LOW ALTITUDE. WHILE THIS OBSERVATION WAS MADE AT A DISTANCE OF OVER 1,000 METERS AND WAS IN THE SHADE THE PATROL STATES THAT THE DISTINCTIVE FEATURES AND CONSISTANT DIMENSIONS OF THIS OBSERVATION WERE NOT A NATURAL FEATURE OF THE JUNGLE.

6. TERRAIN WAS GENERALLY STEEP WITH A CANOPY OF 30-40 FEET. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS EXTREMELY THICK, 10-20 FEET HIGH AND CONSISTING OF VINES, BRIARS, SHRUBS AND ELEPHANT GRASS. MOVEMENT WAS AT A SLOW RATE OF 25-50 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL WHILE MOVEMENT IS PAINFULLY SLOW ON THE LOWER GROUND IT BECOMES SLIGHTLY BETTER ON THE HIGHER GROUND. WATER CAN BE FOUND VIC AT935380, HOWEVER THIS SMALL STREAM WOULD PROBABLY NOT HAVE WATER DURING THE DRY SEASON. RICE PADDY WATER CAN BE FOUND IN VIC AT937385. PATROL DID NOT PHYSICALLY REACH THE STREAM VICINITY AT940380 BUT COULD HEAR THE WATER RUNNING.

CONCEALMENT WAS GOOD. VISIBILITY WAS GENERALLY APPROXIMATELY 10 METERS IN THE VEGETATION. COVER WAS AVAILABLE ONLY ON RIDGELINES CONSISTING OF LARGE ROCKS AND BOULDERS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

6. INSERT LZ AT935380 LX-8 FLAT, GOOD ZONE. CONSIST OF ABANDONED RICE PADDY, GRASS 2 FEET HIGH.

5. LADDER ZONE. ON 15 DEGREE SLOPE. BOMBED OUT LEAVING TREE TRUNKS FROM 10 ft TO 20 FEET HIGH. LARGE ROCKS AND BOULDERS WERE ON THE SURFACE.

OTHER LZ'S. VIC 935384 MULTIBIRD ZONE. ABANDONED RICE PADDY.
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. TRAILS: VIC AT945378 TRAIL 5-6 FEET WIDE. APPROXIMATELY 50 PERCENT OF TRAIL IS OPEN TO AIR OBSERVATION. A WELL DEFINED TRAIL WHICH IS HUMPED UP IN THE MIDDLE AND WORN DOWN ON BOTH SIDES AS IF TRAVELED BY A WHEELED VEHICLE.

b. OP'S. VIC AT940383 GOOD OBSERVATION OF TRAIL VIC AT945378, AND OF TRAIL VIC AT921374.

c. COMM: SEE ENTRY 210220H TO 210400H UNDER ENEMY: OTHERWISE COMMUNICATIONS WAS GOOD WITH ALFA RELAY.

d. OBSTACLES. VIC AT933381 ROCKS AND DOLCHER MAKE MOVEMENT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT BUT IT IS POSSIBLE TO CROSS THIS AREA.

e. MISCE. LOST L. 7x50'S WITH BODY. DURING LADDER EXTRACTION PATROL WAS DRAGGED THRU THE TREES.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 USMC KIA.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD.

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD 3 AO'S, 2 COBRAS, 2 HUEY GUNSHIPs, UTILIZED.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

* LCPL ATKISON 2521145 KIA
PFC Z. RICKETS 2768097
PFC PSARS 2477136
PFC SCHULTZ 2511877
PFC FLEIS 2503825
PFC SHOVR 2175260
CPL WARFIELD 2359886

* DENOTES KIA

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PATROL LEADER

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ENTIRE AREA CONCEALED FROM AIR OBSERVATION

NCROTH

White substance laid around outer edge of position

NORTH

150'

3 large guns
(possibly small artillery pieces)

5' high x 8' long

AT953377

PATROL'S OBSERVATION POST

HILL 231

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OPERATION ORDER: BODY RECOVERY

PATROL: RABBIT HUTCH
DEERTERPET: SSgt R. Boland
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEET 664.033

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT
   a. COMPOSITION: 1 USMC OFF, 6 USMC EML
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PROC-25's
   d. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 BODY BAG

2. MISSION: RECOVER BODY OF LCPL ATKINSON, KILLED IN ACTION 21 SEPTEMBER 1969. BODY LOCATED VICINITY OF AT940383.


4. ROUTE: PATROL DID NOT MOVE OUT OF THE INSERT HLZ.


6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. ENEMY: 271120H VIC AT925375 THE EXTRACT HELICOPTER RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 10 ROUNDS OF SEMI-AUTOMATIC RIFLED FIRE FROM THE PRECEDEING GRID COORDINATES DURING THE APPROACH TO THE EXTRACT ZONE.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT LZ. AT90382; PATROL RAPPELLED INTO ZONE; THE ZONE IS
ON A 45 DEGREE SLOPE, AND HAS BEEN BOMBED OUT, LEAVING 10 TO 20 FOOT
TREE STUMPS IN THE AREA. THE SURFACE CONSISTS OF LARGE ROCKS AND BOULDERS.
b. EXTRACT LZ. SAME AS INSERT ZONE; SPIE SYSTEM WAS USED TO EXTRACT
THE PATROL.
c. TRAILS. NONE OBSERVED.
d. OP(S). NONE OBSERVED.
e. COMM. GOOD.
f. OBSTACIES. NONE ENCOUNTERED.
g. MISC. N/A.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: COULD NOT OBSERVE.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LISTIT JACKSON 0107418 PATROL LEADER
CPL HANTFIELD 2369868
CPL DAVIS 2380023
ICPL SCHUITZ 2511877
PFC PSARAS 2177316
PFC PIERE 2502255
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Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Series L7014 1:50,000 sheet no. 6030 III
(b) lstMarDivO P3800.1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
(c) lstMarDivO PO03330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) lstReconBnO P3000.4
(e) CoFragO #290-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

4th Platoon
Sgt Grimes

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM's, PIR's and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.
   (1) See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Establish an observation post. Maintain surveillance over trail/stream running from ZC2027 to AT790255. Report enemy activity over this transportation route and be prepared to coordinate an air ambush against major enemy troop movement in the objective area.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area. Select a vantage point and observe enemy activity in grid squares ZC2027, ZC2124 and ZC2125.

b. Coordinating Instructions
   (1) Date/Place of Departure. 21 September/HLZ 469
   (2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 25 September/HLZ 469
   (3) Insertion/extraction HLZ. Insert via AT831265/Extract via TBA.
   (4) Operational area: Bounded by (UL) ZC2027 and (IR) AT8023
   (5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.
   (6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.

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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of five days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and HoI Chihhs will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment.

(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binocular, 7x50
(3) Scope, M-49
(4) Camera

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

a. Communications-Electronics

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b. Command.

(1) The 1st Force Reconnaissance Company Command Post (CP) is located at Hill 34 (coordinate AT990709). Patrols will execute all orders originating from the Commanding Officer or his designated representative.

BY COMMAND OF, MAJOR R. E. SIMMONS

G. R. WILLSON
Captain U. S. Marine Corps
Operations Officer

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S-2, S-3: 1stForReconCo (1/5)
1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. Composition: 3 USMC Enlisted, 1 USN Enlisted, 2 KOs.
   b. Special Attachments: None.
   c. Comm and Observation Equipment: 2 AN/PRC 25As, 2 AN/PRC 931As.

2. MISSION: Establish an Observation Post and maintain surveillance over trail/steam running from 20201214 to AT791235. Report enemy activity over this transportation route and be prepared to coordinate an arty/air ambush against major enemy troop movement in the objective area.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 210615H/210615H Sep 1969

4. ROUTE: (Patrol did not disembark from the insert helicopter)

5. SYNOPSIS: The patrol attempted insertion by helicopter and received a heavy volume of S/A ground fire from the vicinity of the landing zone. The patrol observed one VC/AVa in the HZ. The patrol utilized 1 flight of fixed wing aircraft on the insert landing zone. Results: Unknown.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. Enemy: 210815H V/C AT813269. The insertion helicopter received ground fire from the south during its approach to the HZ. The patrol observed 1 VC/AVa standing in the insert landing zone. The enemy was wearing green utilities and carrying an AK-47. Enemy was not using his weapon, but was carrying it at the ready. Patrol returned fire from the helicopter with small arms. Results: Unknown.
   b. Terrain: Terrain around the insert HZ was generally steep with a heavy canopy. The HZ was not determined.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. Insert LZ: (AT813269, 1GCH-46) It is a good zone with dense elephant grass. The best approach is from the northwest. The best exit is to the east.
   b. Extract LZ: N/A
   c. Trails: None observed.
   d. OPs: The patrol did not observe any.
   e. Comm: N/A
   f. Obstacles: N/A
   g. Misc: None

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: Unknown

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: Good

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: Fixed wing aircraft extended their wings on the insert HZ after the patrol left the area. The results were not determined.
11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE PATROL LEADER RECOMMENDS THAT
THEIR MEANS OF INSERTION BE UTILIZED IN THIS AREA BECAUSE OF THE LACK
OF HELICOPTER LANDING ZONES.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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(b) 1stMarDivO P3800.1G Ch 162 (Intelligence SOP)
(c) 1stMarDivO P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) 1stReconBuO P3000.4
(e) CoFragO #291-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

5th Platoon 1stLt. Rollings

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Conduct a reconnaissance of the assigned operating area. Locate Regimental or larger base camps and report enemy activity in vic grid squares AT8630, AT8730 and AT8830. Be prepared to employ special communications equipment.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation: Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area. Move over land east and locate enemy base camps and monitor trail networks.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure: 20 September/HLZ 469

(2) Date/Place of Return: NLT 21 September/HLZ 469

(3) Insertion HLZ AT869292 and extraction HLZ TBA.

(4) Operational area: Bounded by (UL) AT8633 and (IR) AT9030

(5) Rules of engagement set fourth in reference (c) will be followed.

(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.

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(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binocular, 7x50
(3) Camera
(4) Surveillance System 4-111A

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 1 USMC OFF. 6 USMC ENLISTED
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 AN/PRC-25/18, 1 6X30/18, 1 4X/46/93

1 WIRE TAPE KIT.

2. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-141, 1 M-79, 2 CLAYMORES.

3. MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE OF THE ASSIGNED OPERATING AREA.
   LOCATE REGIMENTAL OR LARGER BASE CAMPS AND REPORT ENEMY ACTIVITY IN
   VIC GRID SQUARES AT8630, AT8730 AND AT8830. BE PREPARED TO EMPLOY
   SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT.


5. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER AND ROUTINELY
   EXTRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS AFTER 91 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING
   WHICH 4 GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVED TOTTING 25 VC/NVA. THERE WERE
   NO UNUSUAL OBSERVATIONS. THE PATROL MADE NO CONTACTS. NO SUPPORTING
   ARMS WERE UTILIZED. THE INSERTION HIZ WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING
   AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. ENEMY: 211510H VIC AT87305, PATROL HEARD 10-15 VC/NVA TALKING.
      PATROL CANNOT OBESE SEEN DUE TO THICK UNDERSOUTH IN THE AREA.
      THE ENEMY WERE COUGHING LOUDLY. THE SOUNDS HEARD BY THE PATROL INDICATED
      THE ENEMY WERE NOT MOVING.

   221335H VIC AT88309, PATROL HEARD APPOXIMATELY 10 VC/NVA TALKING
   AND MOVING NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL. ENEMY COULD NOT BE OBSERVED DUE TO
   THICK UNDERSOUTH IN THE AREA. ENEMY WERE COUGHING LOUDLY.

   222230H VIC AT88325 (APPROXIMATE), PATROL HEARD 10-12 MORTAR
   ROUNDS FIRED, THE ROUNDS APPEARED TO BE IMPACTING IN GRID SQUARE
   AT8728. 2-3 ROUNDS WERE FIRED; THEN THERE WAS A 10-20 MINUTE INTERVAL
   THEN 2-3 MORE ROUNDS WERE FIRED. THIS CONTINUED UNTIL APPROXIMATELY
   222300H. THE SAME SEQUENCE WAS REPEATED ON THE EVENING OF THE 23RD AT
   2200H.

   230924H VIC AT888908, PATROL OBSERVED 11 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHEAST ON
   A TRAIL. 2 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS, 3 WORE BLACK PJ'S, 5 WORE KHAKI SHIRTS AND
   BLACK TROUSERS, AND 2 WORE NVA TYPE HELMETS. ENEMY CARRIED 1 AK-47
   1 SKS, 2 LIGHT PACKS AND 9 HEAVY PACKS.

   230950H VIC AT889309, PATROL HEARD APPROXIMATELY 5 VC/NVA TALKING
   AND COUGHING HEAVILY. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE ENEMY WERE SITING NEAR A
   TRAIL

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231026H VIC AT989309, PATROL OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS, 2 WORE GREEN UTILITIES, AND 3 WORE NVA TYPE HELMETS. 2 ENEMY CARRIED AK-47's, 1 CARRIED AN SKS, AND ALL 6 HAD HEAVY PACKS.

231026H VIC AT989309, PATROL OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA TALKING AND SITTING IN WHAT APPEARED TO BE A HARBOR SITE. ALL THE ENEMY WORE KHAKIS AND 1 WORE AN NVA TYPE HELMET. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 1 SKS, 1 AK-47, 3 HEAVY PACKS, AND 2 LIGHT PACKS. THE ENEMY HAD THEIR PACKS OFF AND THE RIFLES WERE LYING ACROSS THEM. THE PATROL BELIEVES THERE WERE 2 OR MORE - ENEMY HIDDEN BY THE UNDERGROWTH, BY THE AMOUNT OF TALKING.

231026H VIC AT989309, PATROL HEARD APPROXIMATELY 10 VC/NVA TALKING. THE ENEMY SEEMED TO BE SITTING NEAR A TRAIL. THE PATROL COULD SMELL TOBACCO SMOKE AND FOOD COOKING.

231026H VIC AT989309, PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL. 3 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS, 2 WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 2 WORE BLACK FIS, AND 5 WORE NVA HELMETS. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 2 AK-47's, 6 HEAVY PACKS AND 1 LIGHT PACK.

b. TERRAIN WAS STEEP AND EXTREMELY ROUGH WITH A THICK CANOPY OF 50'-60'. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 15'-20 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF VINES, BAMBOO, AND ELEPHANT GRASS. MOVEMENT WAS MODERATE AND RESTRICTED TO THE RATE OF 200 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. WATER WAS PLENTIFUL AND WHEN FOUND WAS SWIFT MOVING. WATER WAS NOT DIFFICULT TO GET TO. AT989298 WAS THE BEST PLACE TO GET WATER.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT LZ: AT989298, 1XH-16, FAIR TAIL-GATE ZONE. THE VEGETATION WAS 3'-5' ELEPHANT GRASS, THE BEST APPROACH WAS FROM THE NORTH TO THE SOUTH.

b. EXTRACT LZ: AT989292, 1XH-16, FAIR SITDOWN ZONE. THE VEGETATION WAS 3'-5' ELEPHANT GRASS AND BROKEN TREES. THE BEST APPROACH WAS FROM THE NORTH AND EXIT TO THE SOUTH.

c. TRAILS: AT989305, THIS IS A WELL USED TRAIL RUNNING NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST. IT WAS APPROXIMATELY 18'-24' WIDE.

AT989301, THIS IS A WELL USED TRAIL RUNNING SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST. IT WAS APPROXIMATELY 18'-24' WIDE.

AT989300, THIS IS A WELL USED TRAIL RUNNING FROM SOUTHWEST TO NORTHEAST. IT IS APPROXIMATELY 18'-24' WIDE.

1A. UP'S: THERE WERE NO OBSERVATION POSTS USED.

1E. COMMUNICATIONS WAS GOOD WITH STONE PTT "B".

1F. OBSTACLES: THERE WERE NO OBSTACLES ENCOUNTERED.

g. MISC: N/A

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE UTILIZED.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE PATROL LEADER BELIEVES THAT THE AREA SHOULD BE HEAVILY INTERCEPTED WITH ART/AIR.
12. Confront the defender with the names, if any, dictated:

- William Smith
- John Doe
- Jane Brown

13. Patrol members:

- Lt. Jones
- Capt. Brown
- Sgt. Andrews

DISTRIBUTION:

- 1st Platoon
- 3rd Platoon
- 5th Platoon

PAW PRINTS:

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OPERATION ORDER #292-69

Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Series L7011, 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6640 III
(b) lstMarDivO P3800.10 Ch 162 (Intelligence SOF)
(c) lstMarDivO P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) lstReconBnO P3000.4
(e) CoFragO #292-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

1st Sqd. 6th Platoon
1stLt. Ritchie

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM'S, PIR'S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Establish surveillance day and night over road and tangent/adjacent trails running from coordinates AT943438 to AT963662. Register artillery concentrations in the objective area and be prepared to coordinate an artillery ambush against major enemy troop movement.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area. Move over-land and select an observation post and coordinate an air/artillery ambush on enemy troop movement within a five day period.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 20 September/HIZ 469

(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 24 September/HIZ 469

(3) Insertion HIZ AT953355, extraction HIZ TBA.

(4) Operational area: Bounded by (UL) AT9437 and (LR) AT9734

(5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.

(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
l. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of five days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Hoi Chams will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment.

- (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
- (2) Binocular, 7x50
- (3) Scope, M-49
- (4) StarLight Scope

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

a. Communications-Electronics

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b. Command.

(1) The 1st Force Reconnaissance Company Command Post (CP) is located at Hill 34 (coordinate AT990709). Patrols will execute all orders originating from the Commanding Officer or his designated representative.

By Command of, Major R. E. Simmons

U. S. Marine Corps
Operations Officer
OPERATION ORDER #293-69

Ref: (a) Map, VIETNAM, Series L701h 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6610.III
(b) 1stMarDiv  P3800.1ch 1&2 (Intelligence OP)  
(c) 1stMarDiv P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)  
(d) 1stMarDiv P3000.H  
(e) CoFragO #293-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:  
1stSqd. 6th Platoon  
lstLt. Ritchie

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM'S, PIR'S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Locate and establish observation post and report enemy activity over the trail network running from AT900365 to AT861359 and south to AT890355. Install ground surveillance anti-intrusion SID's on trail network, grid square AT8634 and AT8735. Coordinate an air and/or artillery ambush against major enemy troop movement in the operational area.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area, select observation post in vic AT82351 and coordinate an air/artillery ambush on enemy troop movement within a five day period.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 23 September/HLZ 469

(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 27 September/HLZ 469

(3) Insertion HLZ AT877352 Flip Flop w/Detroit Tigers, extraction HLZ TRA.

(4) Operational area: Bounded by (UL) AT8737 and (LR) AT9034

(5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (a) will be followed.

(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of five days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Ho Chi Minh will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment.

(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binocular, 7x50
(3) Scope, M-60
(4) Anti-Intrusion HANDS Patreon System
(5) Camera

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

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BY COMMAND OF, MAJOR R. E. SIMMONS

G. R. WILLSON
Captain U. S. Marine Corps
Operations Officer

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OPERATION ORDER: 293-69
PATROL: REPORT CARD: (F-61)
DEPLOYER: SGT M. KOZAKIEWICH JR
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SHEET 6640 III

FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO
DANANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
271600H SEP 1969

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 1 USMC OFF. 7 USMC ENL.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 FRC-251'S, 1 7x50'S
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-79, 2 CLAYMORE

2. MISSION: LOCATE AND ESTABLISH OBSERVATION POST AND REPORT ENEMY ACTIVITY OVER THE TRAIL NETWORK RUNNING FROM AT900365 TO AT65359 AND SOUTH TO AT890345. INSTALL GROUND SURVEILLANCE ANTI-INTRUSION SID'S ON TRAIL NETWORK, GRID SQUARE AT88834 AND AT8735. COORDINATE AN AIR AND/ACR ARTILLERY AMBUSH AGAINST MAJOR ENEMY TROOP MOVEMENT IN THE OPERATIONAL AREA.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 2311H/2353H SEP 69 (SEE SECT. 7 g.)
   2409H/2713H SEP 69

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER ROUTinely AND EXTRACTED BY THE SAME KRANG AFTER 76 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING WHICH 29 GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVED TOTALING 29 VC/NVA. THERE WERE NO UNUSUAL OBSERVATIONS. PATROL MADE NO CONTACTS. 1 4O, 1 AIR STROKE AND 134 FIRE MISSIONS WERE UTILIZED RESULTING 1390 VC/NVA KIA. INSERT HE/14 WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT. 23 SEPTEMBER PATROL WAS INSERTED AND AFTER 4 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY WAS EXTRACTED DUE TO 4 HEAT CASUALTIES BEING SUSTAINED.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. ENEMY: 2311H VIC AT87535L PATROL OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING SW ON A TRAIL. NO UNIFORMS OR EQUIPMENT COULd BE OBSERVED DUE TO THE VEGETATION IN THE VICINITY. (PATROL LEADER BELIEVES THE ENEMY MAY HAVE BEEN CAMOUFLAGED.
   2506H VIC AT818352 WHILE AT THIS POSITION, PATROL HEARD WHAT SOUNDED LIKE A DIESEL ENGINE. 1 PATROL MEMBER OBSERVED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A COLUMN OF SMOKE AT AT857377. SOURCE OF SMOKE WAS OBSCURED BY GROUND FOG. PATROL COULD NOT DETERMINE THE LOCATION OF THE ENGINE BUT AS THE GROUND FOG DISSIPATED, THE SOUND STOPPED. WHEN THE FOG LIFTED COMPLETELY THE SOURCE OF THE SMOKE WAS HIDDEN BY 20' CANOPY.
   2507H VIC AT87535L PATROL OBSERVED 9 VC/NVA MOVING SW ON A TRAIL. ALL ENEMY WERE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND 5 WORE NVA HELMETS. ALL CARRIED HEAVY PACKS WHILE 3 OF THOSE HAD 2X2X1 FT WIDE SHUT METAL BOXES ATTACHED UNDER THE PACKS. THE ENEMY WERE CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES TIED TO THEIR PACKS.

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250800H VIC AT 875354, PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING SW ON A TRAIL. 2 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES WHILE 1 WORE GREEN SHORTS AND A BLACK SHORT SLEEVED SHIRT. 1 ENEMY HAD A LARGE WHITE PACK; 1 HAD A LIGHT PACK AND 1 HAD A RICE BAG AROUND HIS NECK WITH AN NVA HELMET HANGING FROM IT.

250815H VIC AT 875354, PATROL OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING SW ON A TRAIL. 2 ENEMY WORE KHAKI; 1 WORE BLACK PJS; 1 WORE GREEN UTILITIES; AND 1 WORE A GRAY SHIRT WITH GREEN TROUSERS. THE ENEMY WITH GREEN UTILITIES WORE A WHITE SCARF AROUND HIS NECK. 1 ENEMY WORE NVA HELMETS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 2 HEAVY PACKS, 2 WHITE PACKS AND 1 BROWN MARCHING PACK. 1 ENEMY HAD A FULL SAND BAG TIED TO HIS PACK. THE ENEMIES' UNIFORMS APPEARED TO BE FRESHLY LAUNDERED.

250800H VIC AT 875363, PATROL OBSERVED 8 VC/NVA HARVESTING RICE. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJS. 1 ENEMY CARRIED AN AK-47 AT SLING-ARM. CALLED FIRE MISSION AND RECEIVED GOOD COVERAGE. RESULTS: ENEMY DISPERSED INTO TIMELINE NEARBY. PATROL USED WP IN ATTEMPT TO BURN THE ENEMY RICE SUPPLY BUT WERE NOT SUCCESSFUL. THE WP ROUNDS ONLY BURNED A SMALL AREA WERE THEY IMPACTED.

250850H VIC AT 875365, PATROL OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING SW ON A TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJS; 2 WORE KHAKI; AND 2 WORE GREEN UTILITIES. 1 ENEMY CARRIED BROWN RUCKSACKS; 1 HAD A MARCHING PACK; AND 1 HAD A WHITE PACK. 1 ENEMY CARRIED AN M-16. 1 ENEMY WORE NVA HELMETS.

250915H VIC AT 875365, PATROL OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. ENEMY WORE KHAKI SHORTS AND A SHORT-SLEEVED SHIRT. HE WAS EQUIPPED WITH AN NVA HELMET.

250915H VIC AT 866355, PATROL OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN SHORTS AND SHIRT WITH AN NVA HELMET. ENEMY WAS EQUIPPED WITH A MARCHING PACK AND CAMOUFLAUGHED WITH LEAVES.

251015H VIC AT 866355, PATROL OBSERVED 9 VC/NVA HARVESTING RICE. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJS AND WERE ARMED WITH 1 AK-47. CALLED FIRE MISSION AND RECEIVED GOOD COVERAGE. RESULTS: UNKNOWN. FIRECRACKER ROUNDS WERE UTILIZED DESTROYING APPROXIMATELY 50% OF THE RICE IN THE TARGET AREA.

251030H VIC AT 875354, PATROL OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED 2 MARCHING PACKS, 1 HEAVY PACK, 3 CARTRIDGE BELTS, 1 ASSAULT PACK AND NVA HELMETS. 1 ENEMY HAD A BROWN SACK TIED ACROSS HIS CHEST.

251045H VIC AT 875354, PATROL OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED 1 SKS AND 1 UNIDENTIFIED RIFLE. (RIFLE UNIDENTIFIED DUE TO ANGLE IT WAS ON IN RELATION TO THE OBSERVER.) 1 ENEMY HAD A WHITE TOWEL DRAPPED OVER HIS HEAD. THE ENEMY WERE CAMOUFLAUGHED WITH LEAVES.

251100H VIC AT 886355, PATROL OBSERVED 8 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. PATROL COULD ONLY OBSERVE 3 GREEN UNIFORMS DUE TO THE VEGETATION. ENEMY HAD A 10 METER INTERVAL. CALLED FIRE MISSION BUT RECEIVED POOR COVERAGE DUE TO WIDE DISPERSION OF THE ENEMY. WHEN FIRST ROUND IMPACTED ENEMY BEGAN RUNNING TOWARD THE VILLAGE NE OF THE ABOVE GRID.

251220H VIC AT 886355, PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES; 1 WORE GREEN SHIRT AND SHORTS, AND 1 WORE BLACK PJS. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 1 HEAVY PACK AND 2 SMALL PACKS. CALLED FIRE MISSION, BUT RECEIVED CLEARANCE AFTER ENEMY HAD MOVED FROM THE AREA.
251105H VICKAT87535h PATROL OBSERVED 11 VC/NVA MOVING SW ON A TRAIL. 3 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS AND THE OTHER WORE GREEN UTILITIES. ALL THE ENEMY WERE CAMOUFLAGED BY BRUSH AND LEAVES. FIRST MAN IN THE COLUMN WORE A BUSH COVER, WAS 5 FT 11 IN TALL, WEIGHED 160 LBS, AND APPEARED TO WALK LIKE A CAUCASIAN. THE PATROL COULD NOT SEE THE MAN'S FACE.

251115H VICKAT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 12 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND THE OTHER WORE KHAKIS. THE ENEMY ALSO HAD 2 BUSH COVERS AND 2 MARCHING PACKS. THE ENEMY MOVED THROUGH THE AREA QUICKLY AND A FIRE MISSION COULD NOT BE CALLED.

251125H VICKAT887355 PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKIS, 2 NVA HELMETS AND 2 PACKS. THE ENEMY KEPT A 50 METER INTERVAL. CALLED FIRE MISSION, BUT ENEMY MOVED THROUGH THIS AREA QUICKLY AND CLEARANCE COULD NOT BE OBTAINED IN TIME.

251135H VICKAT87535h PATROL OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. 7 ENEMY WERE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, 3 WORE KHAKIS AND 2 WORE PACKS. 1 ENEMY WAS ARMED WITH AN RPD. ENEMY WERE CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES AND BRUSH.

251205H VICKAT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 8 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. 4 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, 4 WORE KHAKI SHIRTS AND SHORTS. 3 ENEMY WORE HEAVY PACKS; 1 WORE A LIGHT PACK; AND 1 AN NVA HELMET. THERE WAS 1 UNIDENTIFIED RIFLE OBSERVED. CALLED FIRE MISSION; RECEIVED GOOD COVERAGE. RESULTS WERE 2 VC/NVA KIA.

251230H VICKAT866355 PATROL OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. 7 EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 3 WORE KHAKIS. ALL ENEMY WORE LARGE PACKS. CALLED FIRE MISSION AND RECEIVED GOOD COVERAGE. RESULTS: 2 VC/NVA KIA.

251305h-251355h VICKAT87535h PATROL OBSERVED 102 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. 25 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 17 WORE KHAKIS. THE ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 13 PACKS, 2 NVA HELMETS, 6 AK-47'S, 2 SKS'S, 1 RPD, 1 82MM MORTAR TUBES, 3 82MM MORTAR BOMBS, 1 PISTOL, AND 3 RICE SACKS. PATROL CALLED PREPLOTTED ARTILLERY AMMO FOR 252000H. MISSION WAS NOT PULLED. THE REASON WAS UNKNOWN.

251335H VICKAT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 11 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. THE ENEMY HAD A 20 METER INTERVAL. 8 ENEMY WORE GREEN SHIRTS AND SHORTS, 2 WORE BLACK PJs, AND 1 WORE KHAKIS. 7 ENEMY WERE EQUIPPED WITH HEAVY PACKS, 4 WITH LIGHT PACKS; 3 HAD NVA HELMETS; AND 1 AK-47 WAS OBSERVED. CALLED FIRE MISSION AND RECEIVED GOOD COVERAGE. RESULTS WERE UNKNOWN.

251345H VICKAT886352 PATROL OBSERVED 13 VC/NVA RUNNING NE ON A TRAIL. ALL ENEMY HAD GREEN SHIRTS, SHORTS, AND HEAVY PACKS. ENEMY MOVED TOO QUICKLY FOR THE PATROL TO CALL A FIRE MISSION.

251355H VICKAT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. 2 ENEMY WORE KHAKIS, 1 WORE BLACK PJs, AND 1 WORE KHAKIS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH 4 PACKS AND 1 NVA HELMET. CALLED FIRE MISSION AND RECEIVED GOOD COVERAGE. RESULTS: UNKNOWN

251455H VICKAT886352 PATROL OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. ENEMY WORE KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. ALL ENEMY HAD LIGHT PACKS AND NVA HELMETS. CALLED FIRE MISSION, AND RECEIVED POOR COVERAGE DUE TO THE IMPACT IN RECEIVING CLEARANCE. RESULTS: UNKNOWN.

251620H VICKAT885355 PATROL OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. 4 ENEMY WORE KHAKI SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS AND 1 WORE TSHIRTS. ALL ENEMY HAD LIGHT PACKS. CALLED FIRE MISSION, RECEIVED GOOD COVERAGE RESULTING IN 1 VC/NVA KIA.

251670H VICKAT886355 PATROL OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. 3 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES; 1 WORE GREEN SHIRT WITH SHORTS; AND 1 WORE KHAKIS. 3 ENEMY WORE NVA HELMETS AND 4 WORE LIGHT PACKS. CALLED FIRE MISSION, RECEIVED GOOD COVERAGE. RESULTS: 1 VC/NVA KIA.
261726H VIC AT866355 PATROL OBSERVED 21 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON A TRAIL.
9 ENEMY WERE WEARING KHAKIS; 8 WERE GREEN UTILITIES; 2 WERE GREEN SHORTS
WITH SHORTS; AND 2 HAD ON KHAKI SHORTS AND GREEN SHORTS. 7 ENEMY WORE
NVA HELMETS; 7 CARRIED RPG LAUNCHERS. 16 HAD PAGES; AND 1 HAD A LARGE
100 LB. BAG. PATROL CALLED FIRE MISSION AND RECEIVED GOOD COVERAGE.
RESULTS: 3 VC/NVA KIA.
261805H VIC AT866355 PATROL OBSERVED 17 VC/NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL.
27 WERE GREEN UTILITIES; 15 WERE KHAKIS; AND 5 WEAR BLACK PANTS. ENEMY
WERE EQUIPPED WITH 25 PAGES AND 25 NVA HELMETS. CALLED FIRE MISSION
AND AN AERIAL OBSERVER DIRECTED AN AIR STRIKE. RESULTS: UNKNOWN.
(ALTHOUGH IT WAS TAKEN DUE TO MISUNDERSTANDING WITH HEADQUARTERS OVER
EMPLOYMENT OF SORTIES).

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. INSERT LZ, AT069359; MULTI CH-46 SITDOWN ZONE; ABANDONED FIRE
      SUPPORT BASE; NO VEGETATION; BEST APPROACH FROM 160 OR 360 DEGREES.
   b. EXTRACT LZ, AT083327; 1 CH-46 SITDOWN ZONE; VEGETATION WAS
      3-5 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF GRASS AND SCRUB BRUSH; 2-3 SMALL FIGHTING
      HOLES IN ZONE; BEST APPROACH FROM 600 OR 90 DEGREES.
   c. TRAILS, AT855355; APPROXIMATELY 2 FEET WIDE AND 6 INCHES
      DEEP; VERY HEAVILY TRAVELLED.
   d. OPs, AT076352; GOOD OBSERVATION TO THE NE, E, AND SE; IS NOT
      EASILY DEFENDABLE; ESPECIALLY FROM THE SURROUNDING HIGH GROUND.
   e. COMM, COMMUNICATIONS WERE GOOD WITH "AN" Relay; COMMUNICATIONS
      WERE NOT GOOD WITH ASPARAGUS.
   f. OBSTACLES, THERE ARE SOME AREAS THAT ARE CLEAR WITH NO COVER
      AND HAVE TO BE AVOIDED OR MOVED THROUGH WITH GREAT CAUTION!
   g. MISC, 2311L5H VIC AT083327 PATROL WAS INSERTED AT THIS ORI.
      AND EXTRACTED AT 2315L5H VIC AT888350 DUE TO 3 CASES OF HEAT EXHAUSTION
      AND 1 SKINNED ANKLE. NO INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED DURING THIS INSERT.
      ON FREQUENCY 37.0, PATROL HEAD VIETNAMESE VOICES SPEAKING IN
      ENGLISH AT VARIOUS TIMES OF THE DAY; THE VOICES SPOKE OF THE 5TH MARINE
      REGIMENT; RECEPTION WERE POOR AND NOTHING MORE THAN A FEW WORDS AT A
      TIME COULD BE HEARD.

3. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. NO DIRECT CONTACT WAS MADE
   BY THE PATROL; 10 VC/NVA KIA.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. GOOD.

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS. ARTILLERY; FAIR; POOR ADJUSTING,
     300-400 METERS OFF TARGET. AERIAL OBSERVER; EXCELLENT. FIXED WING
     AIRCRAFT; EXCELLENT, CLEARANCE WAS VERY SLOW AT FIRST.
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11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. TRAIL IS PROBABLY BEING USED
AT DUSK, DAWN AND DURING DARKNESS. PATROL LEADER BELIEVES THAT SATUR-
ATION PATROLLING IN THIS VICINITY MAY LEAD TO A COMPROMISE OF OUR
OBSERVATION POSTS OR THE MAIN LINE OF COMMUNICATION.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER. NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS.

1ST LT RITCHIE  010000
Sgt CROCKETT    2257776
LCPL BROWN      2107777
PFC CUELLAR     2197806
PFC BREWER      2160974
PFC ABRAHAM     2132783
LCPL SMITH      2256762
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good OP; AT87635

ENEMY TRAVELLED TRAILS THAT CAN
BE OBSERVED

PATROL ROUTE
INSERT HLT
EXTRACT HLT
EXCELLENT OP; AT878352
GOOD OP; AT876351
SUSPECTED VC/NVA HARBOR SITE

PATROL LEADER

DEBRIEFER

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OPERATION ORDER #294-69

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(b) 1stMarDivO P3800.1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
(c) 1stMarDivO PC03330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) 1stReconBnO P3000.4
(e) CoFragO #294-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

2nd Platoon

1stLt. Peters

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM’S, PIR’S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.

   (1) See current OPSUM’S, SITREP’S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Locate and establish observation post and report enemy activity over trail/stream network running from ZC160273 to ZC180296 and stream intersection ZC170284 to ZC160287. Coordinate an air and/or artillery ambush against major enemy troop movement in the operational area.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area, select observation post in vic ZC160287 and be prepared to conduct artillery registration missions.

b. Coordinating Instructions

   (1) Date/Place of Departure. 22 September/HILZ 469

   (2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 26 September/HILZ 469

   (3) Insertion HILZ ZC171290, extraction HILZ TBA.

   (4) Operational area: Bounded by (UL) ZC1630 and (LR) ZC2027

   (5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.

   (6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
1. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.
   a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.
   b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of five days.
   c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Hoi Chanhs will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.
   d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.
   e. Special Equipment.
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Binocular, 7x50
      (3) Scope, M-49
      (4) StarLight Scope

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.
   a. Communications-Electronics

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b. Command.
   (1) The 1st Force Reconnaissance Company Command Post (CP) is located at Hill 34 (ordinate AT990709). Patrols will execute all orders originating from the Commanding Officer or his designated representative.

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OPERATION ORDER: 29L-69
PATROL: FLAXY SHIN
DISTRIBUTOR: SSGT R. BOLAND
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AND L7014

1. SIZE COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 1 USMC OFF, 1 USMC ENL.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRG-25's, 1 TK-6's.
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-79, 3 CLAYMOR'S, 1 CAR-15.

2. MISSION: LOCATE AND ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST AND REPORT ENEMY
   ACTIVITY OVER TRAIL/STREAM NETWORK RUNNING FROM 21160273 TO 21160276,
   AND THE STREAM INTERSECTION AT 21170234 TO 21160237. COORDINATE AN AIR
   AND/OR ARTILLERY ATTACK AGAINST MAJOR ENEMY TROOP MOVEMENT IN THE
   OPERATIONAL AREA.


4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAYS.

5. SIGNED: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER WITHOUT INCIDENT
   AND EXTRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS AFTER 935 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITIES,
   DURING WHICH 2 GROUPS OF ENEMY WERE OBSERVED TOTALLING 25 VC/NVA. THERE
   WERE NO UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS. THE PATROL MADE NO CONTACTS. ONE ROUND OF
   ARTILLERY WAS FIRED FOR THE PURPOSE OF REGISTERING ARTILLERY FIRE. NO OTHER SUPPORTING ARMS WERE UTILIZED. THE INSERT HZ
   WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED VINCENT AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. ENEMY: 241739H VIC 25163977 THE TEAM OBSERVED 6 VC/NVA MOVING
      NORTH ON A TRAIL. 4 OF THE ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS AND 2 WORE BLACK
      PJS. 1 OF THE ENEMY WORE AN NVA WITH HELMET AND 1 CARRIED LIGHT MARCH
      VINO PACKS. NO WEAPONS COULD BE OBSERVED. THE GROUP OF ENEMY WAS MOVING
      VERY FAST.

   230700H VIC 25223297 THE TEAM OBSERVED 9 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST ON
   A TRAIL. 5 OF THE ENEMY WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS AND 4 WORE BLACK PJS. ALL
   OF THE ENEMY CARRIED HEAVY BACKPACK TYPE PACKS. NO WEAPONS COULD BE OBSERVED.

   241500H WHILE THE PATROL WAS OBSERVING A FRIENDLY AIRSTRIKE, THEY
   OBSERVED 1 BURST OF APPROXIMATELY 10 ROUNDS OF MACHINE GUN FIRE ORI-
   GIATING IN THE VICINITY OF 21171503, DIRECTED AT THE AIRCRAFT. THE PATROL
   DETERMINED THE MACHINE GUN FIRE WAS 30 CAL., OR A SIMILAR SIZE.

   231200H VIC 25177297 THE TEAM OBSERVED 3 BUNKERS ON THE SLOPE OF
   A HILL. THE BUNKERS WERE 15 FEET LONG, 6 FEET WIDE AND 5 FEET DEEP.
   EACH BUNKER HAD A BUNK SHELVING IN THE BEAR. 1 BUNKER LOCATED
   IN THE VICINITY OF 25177293, WAS CONSTRUCTED SIMILAR TO THE BUNKERS
   LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF 25177297. ALTHOUGH THE REST OF THE AREA...
PATROL ROUTE

DEFOILATED AREA THAT COULD BE OBSERVED BY THE PATROL.

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PATROL LEADER

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Was defoliated, the bunkers had good concealment from aerial observation.

b. Terrain was generally rolling hills with no canopy. Secondary growth consisted of very sparse elephant grass. This area was defoliated over 1 year ago. The canopy had been 20 to 30 feet high before being defoliated. The canopy is still standing minus the leaves. The rate of movement is slow at the rate of 100 meters per hour for a recon patrol. Water is available in the perennial stream running from ZC145290 to ZC170281.

Concealment is poor consisting of defoliated trees. The surface of the ground is covered with dead leaves, branches, and bamboo, from 6 inches to 24 inches deep, making movement extremely noisy. Concealment from the air would be fair to poor. Cover is poor consisting of small dead trees. The defoliated area that the patrol could observe is shown in the attached overlay.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. Insert LZ. ZC165282; LCH-46; FAIR TAILGATE ZONE ON A BOMB CRATER THAT HAS A 25 DEGREE SLOPE. THE PATROL LEADER DOES NOT THINK THAT THE DIRECTION OF APPROACH OR EXIT IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE IN THIS ZONE.
   b. Extract LZ. ZC164283; LCH-46; FAIR TAILGATE ZONE IN A BOMB CRATER THAT HAS A 25 DEGREE SLOPE. THE PATROL LEADER DOES NOT THINK THAT THE DIRECTION OF APPROACH OR EXIT IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE IN THIS ZONE.
   c. Trails. See overlay. Trail not used in approximately 1½ years. The trail is 1 ft. wide. Trails are marked on the map in the vicinity of ZC179291. Is a well defined trail.
   d. OPTs. ZC164283; ZC152925; ZC162296; ALL GIVE OBSERVATION OF TRAIL IN VALLEY IN THE VICINITY OF OP 20176295 TO 20182295.
   e. COMM. GOOD WITH "A" RELAY. NO INTERFERENCE.
   f. OBSTACLES. NONE.
   g. Misc. NONE.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT.

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: IT TOOK APPROXIMATELY 1 HOUR TO REGISTER 1 ROUND.

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADER RECOMMENDS THAT THIS AREA NOT BE USED FOR PATROLLING, ONLY OBSERVATION POSTS IN THE FUTURE, BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF CONCEALMENT AND THE DIFFICULTY IN MOVING WITHOUT MAKING NOISE.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:
   1STIR PETERS 10107002  PFC HARRINGTON 2281956
   SGT AYERS 1680579  HTS THOMAS 2301713
   LCPL HORN 2465357  LCPL COLEMAN 2107272
   LCPL COLEMAN 2852293

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(e) C/O/NO/ #295-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

2nd Sqd. 6th Platoon

Sgt. Crockett

1. SITUATION.
   a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM'S, PIR'S and S-2 briefings.
   b. Friendly Forces.
      (1) See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Establish surveillance both (day and night) over road, adjacent trail, networks via coordinates AT943361 to AT966302. Register artillery concentrations in the objective area and be prepared to coordinate an artillery ambush against major enemy troop movement.

3. EXECUTION.
   a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area. Move over-land and select an observation post and coordinate an air/artillery ambush on enemy troop movement within a four day period.
   b. Coordinating Instructions
      (1) Date/Place of Departure. 23 September/HLZ h69.
      (2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 26 September/HLZ h69.
      (3) Insertion HLZ AT953355, extraction HLZ TBA.
      (4) Operational area: Bounded by (UL) AT9437 and (IR) AT9731.
      (5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.
      (6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS
   a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.
   b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of four days.
   c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees, and Ho Chi Minh will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.
   d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.
   e. Special Equipment:
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Binocular, 7x50
      (3) Scope, M-49
      (4) Starlight Scope

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.
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(c) 1stMarDivO P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) 1stReconBnC P3000.4
(e) OpOrder #296-69

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:
4th Platoon

Sgt. Grimes

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces; See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM’S, PIR’S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) See current OPSUM’S, SITREP’S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Acquire at least one enemy soldier. Locate base camps and report enemy activity in the assigned operating area.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area. Move overland and locate and report enemy base camps and activities. Be prepared for an extraction upon completion of prisoner acquisition and/or the fourth day following insertion.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 23 September/HZ 469.

(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 26 September/HZ 469.

(3) Insertion/Extraction HZ; TBA.

(4) Operational area. Bounded by (UL) AT9740 and (LR) BT9047.

(5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (d) will be followed.

(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
4. **ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS**

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of four days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Red Cross will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. **Special Equipment**

   (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
   (2) Binocular, 7x50
   (3) Camera

5. **COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS**

a. **Communications-Electronics**

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. Composition: 5 USMC ENL, 1 USN ENL, 2 KCS.
   b. Special Attachments: None
   c. COM and Observation Equip: 2 RC-25's, 1 7x50, 1 M-49 Scope,
      1 35mm Camera, 2 RC-93's.
   d. Special Equip: 1 M-79, 1 M-45B, 1 CAR-15, 1 AK-47, 2 Claymores

2. MISSION: Acquire at least one enemy soldier. Locate base camps and
   report enemy activity in the assigned operating area.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 231022H/231024H

4. ROUTE: (Patrol did not disembark from the insert helicopter)

5. SYNOPSIS: Patrol attempted insertion by helicopter and received a
   light volume of small arms fire from the vicinity of the landing zone.
   The patrol observed 3 VC/NVA in the insertion HZ. Results: 1 USMC
   WIA (E). Insert HZ was not prepared by fixed wing aircraft.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. 231022H VIC AT992395 as insertion helicopter was sitting down
      in the landing zone it received a light volume of fire (6-15 rounds)
      from the west. 1 patrol member observed 3 VC/NVA 50 meters to the west
      running from the zone. All enemy wore green utilities with no covers.
      1 enemy was armed with an AK-47. The helicopter immediately lifted off
      and the insertion was aborted. Results: 1 USMC WIA (E). Neither patrol
      nor helicopter crew members returned fire due to the speed in which
      the HZ exited the HZ.
   b. TERRAIN: Was rolling with a thin canopy of approximately
      20 ft. Secondary growth appeared to be 3-4 ft high and consist of
      scrub and vines.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. INSERT LZ: AT992395, 1CH-46 SITDOWN ZONE, VEGETATION WAS
      2-3 FT GRASS, AND ZONE HAD SEVERAL BOMB CRATERS IN IT
      (NO HINDERANCE TO LANDING). BEST APPROACH WAS FROM THE NORTHEAST.
   b. EXTRACT LZ: N/A
   c. TRAILS: None observed
   d. CP's: N/A
   e. COMM: N/A
   f. OBSTACLES: N/A
   g. MISC: None

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 USMC WIA (E)
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE UTILIZED

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

- SGT GRIMES * 2183988 WIA
- CPL STOCKHAM 2251309
- CPL BROWN 2292760
- LCPL CASTRO 2402295
- PFC THOMAS 2482131
- HM3 DOYLE 8117391
- KCS HAO 129USMC
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(b) 1stMarDivO P3000.1G Ch 1&2 (Intelligence SOP)
(c) 1stMarDivO P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) 1stReconBnO P3000.4

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:
1stSqd, 1stPlt, Co."A", 5th ReconBn

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1. SITUATION.
   a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM'S, PIR'S and S-2 briefings.
   b. Friendly Forces. See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Locate and monitor enemy traffic over trail networks running north and south in the operating area. Examine trails for future ground surveillance anti-intrusion sights. Be prepared to provide terminal guidance 30Sep69 for Heliborne Raiding Force via AT909332.

3. EXECUTION.
   a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area, establish surveillance over trails in grid squares AT9034, AT9134 and AT9234.
   b. Coordinating Instructions
      (1) Date/Place of Departure. 26 September/HIZ 1-69.
      (2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 29 September/HIZ 1-69.
      (3) Insertion/Extraction HIZ. TBA.
      (4) Operational area. Bounded by (UL) AT9036 and (IR) AT9332.
      (5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.
      (6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
4. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTICS.
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   c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Ho Chi Minh will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.
   d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

5. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT
   a. (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
   b. Binocular, 7x50
   c. Camera

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OPERATION ORDER: 297-69

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO.

PATROL: LUNCHEAT

DANANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

DEBRIEFER: SSGT R. BOLAND

VITNM 1:50,000 AMS 17011

SHEET 6640 III

OPERATION ORDER: 297-69

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO.

DANANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

DEBRIEFER: SSGT R. BOLAND

VITNM 1:50,000 AMS 17011

SHEET 6640 III

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

a. COMPOSITION: 1 USMC OFF., 5 USMC ERL.

b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRG-25'S, 1 7x50'S, 1 CAMERA

d. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 3 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: LOCATE AND MONITOR ENEMY TRAFFIC OVER TRAIL NETWORKS RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH IN THE OPERATING AREA. EXAMINE TRAILS FOR FUTURE GROUND SURVEILLANCE ANTI-INTRUSION SIGHTS. BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE TERMINAL GUIDANCE FOR A HELIBORNE LANDING FORCE 30SEP69 IN THE VICINITY OF AT909322.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 261013H/301203H SEPTEMBER 1969

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS ROUTINELY INSERTED BY HELICOPTER AND EXTRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS AFTER 96 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING WHICH NO ENEMY WERE OBSERVED, NO CONTACTS OCCURRED AND NO UNUSUAL OBSERVATIONS WERE MADE. NO SUPPORTING ARMS WERE UTILIZED AND THE INSERT ZONE WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. ENEMY: 282400H VIC AT923337 THE TEAM HEARD APPROXIMATELY 10 VC/NVA MOVING WEST IN STREAM BED.

b. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN WAS FAIRLY STEEP, CONSISTING OF HILLS WITH MOSTLY 40-60 DEGREE SLOPES. THE CANOPY WAS 10-20 FEET HIGH; SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 6-7 FEET HIGH CONSISTING OF VINES, ELEPHANT GRASS AND BRIARS. MOVEMENT WAS SLOW AT THE RATE OF 100 TO 200 METERS PER HOUR FOR A RECON TEAM. MOVEMENT WAS IMPAIRED BY BOTH STEEPNESS AND VEGETATION, OF WHICH VEGETATION WAS THE GREATEST HINDERANCE TO MOVEMENT. CONCEALMENT WAS VERY GOOD ON THE PATROL ROUTE. COVER WAS FAIR, CONSISTING OF LARGE ROCKS AND BOULDERS. WATER WAS FOUND IN THE PERENNIAL STREAMS SHOWN ON THE MAP AND ALSO IN A STREAM THAT SHOULD CONTAIN WATER EXCEPT DURING VERY DRY PERIODS. THE STREAM IS LOCATED IN A DRAW IN THE VICINITY OF AT928342.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

a. INSERT LZ: AT927345; 1xOH-16; GOOD ZONE CONSisting OF 1-2 FOOT HIGH GRASS ON FLAT GROUND. NO BEST APPROACH OR EXIT CAN BE RECOMMENDED.

b. EXTRACT ZONE - SAME AS INSERT LZ.
TRAILS. A TRAIL WHICH WAS NOT MARKED ON THE MAP WAS SIGHTED IN THE VICINITY OF AT927314, RUNNING FROM SOUTHEAST TO NORTHWEST. THE TRAIL WAS APPROXIMATELY 1 FOOT WIDE AND WORN BELOW THE SURFACE OF THE GROUND APPROXIMATELY 2 INCHES. IT HAS NOT BEEN USED IN APPROXIMATELY 1 MONTH; HOWEVER, NO VEGETATION OF SIGNIFICANCE HAD STARTED TO GROW ON THE TRAIL.

d. CP'S. NONE OBSERVED.

e. COMM. COMMUNICATIONS WERE GOOD, EXCEPT DURING RAIN. ALPHA RELAY COULD NOT RECEIVE THE PATROL'S TRANSMISSIONS DURING RAIN, BUT THE PATROL COULD HEAR ALPHA RELAY. CONTACT WAS MAINTAINED BY THE KEYING OF THE HANDSET.

f. OBSTACLES. NONE OBSERVED.

g. MISCELLANEOUS. THE PATROL LEADER NOTES THAT THE MAP IS EXTREMELY ACCURATE IN THIS AREA.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD. CPL RILEY MED (E) 291635H DUE TO BLOOD POISONING.

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE PATROL LEADER BELIEVES THAT THIS AREA SHOULD NOT BE PATROLLED IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE, DUE TO THE APPARENT LACK OF ENEMY ACTIVITY.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NO GOOD CP'S HAVE BEEN LOCATED IN THIS AREA.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

2ND LT MANCINI: 0106913
CPL RILEY: 2383195
LCPL GOODWIN: 2439060
PFC PUCKET: 2457098
PFC MORROW: 2471116
PFC MORAN: 2412806

PATROL LEADER

DEBRIEFER:

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S-2, 7th Cav Regt
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S-3, 1st For Recon Co

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OPERATION ORDER 298-69

Ref: (a) Map: VIETNAM, Series L7011, 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6014, HIL
(b) 1stMarDivO P3800.1G (Intelligence S0C)
(c) 1stMarDivO P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) 1stReconBnO P3000.4

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

2ndSqd, 1st Plt, Co. "A", 5th ReconBn

SIT 1.

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate Area Studies, current INTSUM'S, PIR'S and 5-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces. See current OFSUM'S, SITREP'S and 5-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Conduct a reconnaissance of the assigned operating area. Locate base camps and report enemy activity in grid squares AT9541, AT9540 and AT9539. Monitor traffic on trail network running from vic AT954390 to AT955413.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate into the assigned objective area by helicopter. Move overland to vic AT955413 and monitor trail network south and southeast.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 26 September/HLZ 469.
(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 29 September/HLZ 469.
(3) Insertion/Extraction HLZ. TBA.
(4) Operational area. Bounded by (UL) AT9442 and (IR) AT9739.
(5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.
(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
1. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of four days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Hoi Chans will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment

(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binocular, 7x50
(3) Camera

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

a. Communications-Electronics

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b. Command. The 1st Force Reconnaissance Company Command Post (CP) is located at Hill 34 (coordinates AT990709). Patrons will execute all orders originating from the Commanding Officer or his designated representative.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR R. E. SIMMONS

S. L. OWENS
Captain, U. S. Marine Corps
Executive Officer

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OPERATION ORDER: 286-69
PATROL: WESTERN HELLS (SLF)
DEBRIEFER: SGT R. F. SOLAND
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L701M SHEET 6640 III

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. DA NANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM 301400H SEP 1969 5 20-69 0300

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 6 USMC EN.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. OCM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRO-25'S, 1 7X50'S
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-79, 3 CLAYMOR

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE OF THE ASSIGNED OPERATING AREA. LOCATE BASE CAMPS AND REPORT ENEMY ACTIVITY IN GRID SQUARES AT 95411, AT 95610, AND AT 95539. MONITOR TRAFFIC ON TRAIL NETWORK RUNNING FROM VIC AT 9541090 TO AT 955413.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 260930H/301215H SEPTEMBER 1969

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL WAS INSERTED IN ALTERNATE HIZ BY HELICOPTER WITHOUT INCIDENT AND EXTRACTED BY THE Same MEANS. FLIP FLOPPING WITH SWIFT SNOOT AFTER 96 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITIES DURING WHICH 1 GROUP OF ENEMY WAS OBSERVED TOTALLING 4 VC/AWA. PATROL AND THE ENEMY MADE VISUAL CONTACT WITH EACH OTHER; HOWEVER NO FIRE WAS EXCHANGED. ONE BASE CAMP COMPLEX WAS OBSERVED. ONE SMALL BASE CAMP WAS ALSO OBSERVED AND ONE VENTILATION HOLE WAS FOUND WHICH WAS PROBABLY PART OF A LARGE TUNNEL COMPLEX. NO SUPPORTING ARMS WERE USED AND THE INSERT ZONE WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATIONS OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   260900H TEAM OBSERVED A SERIES OF BASE CAMPS EXTENDING APPROXIMATELY 500 TO 600 METERS ALONG A TRAIL RUNNING FROM VIC AT 956117 TO AT 957106. TEAM OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 16. HUTS. THE 'HUTS' WERE CONSTRUCTED OF SAPLINGS AND GRASS. (BAMBOO WAS NOT USED. NO BAMBOO WAS OBSERVED GROWING IN THE AREA). HUTS WERE 10-15 FEET LONG, 6-10 FEET WIDE AND APPROXIMATELY 6 FEET HIGH. 2 SIDES OF THE HUTS 4" WERE NOT HAVE WALLS. A BASEMENT TYPE BUNKER WAS DUG UNDER THE HUTS, USUALLY WITH 2 ENTRANCES TO THE BUNKER LOCATED OUTSIDE THE HUTS. THE BUNKERS WERE 3-4 FEET DEEP. SLEEPING PLATFORMS WERE USUALLY FOUND IN THE BUNKERS. IN THIS BASE CAMP AREA THE TEAM ALSO OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 3 CAVES DUG IN THE SIDES OF THE SLOPE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE BASE CAMP. EACH OF THE CAVES HAD ROOM FOR 1-3 MEN.
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7. OTHER INFORMATION.

a. INSERT LZ. AT939L14 ECH-14 GOOD ZONE. ON FLAT GROUND CONSISTING OF ELEPHANT GRASS AND SHRUBS.

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1. EXTRACT LZ. AT955100. 1xCH-46 GOOD ZONE ON FLAT TERRAIN, GROWING ON ELEPHANT GRASS AND SHRUBS. BOMB CRATERS WERE IN THIS VICINITY.

2. TRAILS. IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATE AT955403 IS A NETWORK OF TRAILS 1 TO 2 FEET WIDE AND APPEAR TO BE USED DAILY.

3. O.P.'S. AT957100 PROVIDES OBSERVATION TO THE EAST, SOUTH, AND THE WEST, BUT NO TRAILS CAN BE OBSERVED FROM THIS POSITION.

4. TO OBSERVE TRAILS IN THIS AREA A PATROL MUST MOVE CLOSE TO THE TRAIL ACCORDING TO THIS PATROL LEADER.

5. COMM. COMM WAS GENERALLY POOR WITH ALFA AND BRAVO RELAY WHEN PATROL WAS IN LOW GROUND. COMM WAS USUALLY GOOD ON HIGH GROUND IF NO CANOPY WAS PRESENT. COMM WAS BAD ON HIGH GROUND UNDER A CANOPY.

6. DURING THE NIGHT OF THE 28TH OF SEPTEMBER THE PATROL COULD NOT RECEIVE OR TRANSMIT WITH ALFA OR BRAVO, BUT COULD TRANSMIT TO AND RECEIVE STONE PIT 3 GOOD. DURING THE NIGHTS OF THE 28TH AND 29TH OF SEPTEMBER PATROL HEARD A HUMMING SOUND AND A HIGH-PITCHED WHISTLE ON THEIR RADIO'S. PATROL EXPERIENCED A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF INTERFERENCE.

7. OBSTACLES: IN VIC AT955405 SMALL LAKES ARE AN OBSTACLE TO MOVEMENT.

8. MISCELLANEOUS. PATROL MEMBER LOST HIS PAL NAL CAMERA ON THE EXTRACT LZ.

9. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTER WITH THE ENEMY. NONE

10. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. GOOD

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS. N/A

12. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. PATROL LEADER BELIEVES BASE CAMP AREA THE PATROL OBSERVED HAS LIVING SPACES FOR APPROXIMATELY 2 COMPANIES OF VC/NVA. PATROL LEADER BELIEVES THAT THE BASE CAMP OBSERVED IS MORE EXTENSIVE THAN THE PATROL WAS ABLE TO OBSERVE.

13. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER. NONE

14. PATROL MEMBERS.

Sgt Arnessen 2205707
Cpl Schupp 2171211
Lcpl Herron 2163778
Lcpl Topping 2191474
Lcpl Stephens 2129163
Lcpl Warren 2163778

Patrol Leader

Robert J. Boland

DEBRIEFER

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RAVINE

CAVE

TOP VIEW

CAVES WITH CONNECTING TUNNEL

BUNKER

LATTICEWORK AWNING COVERING CAVE ENTRANCE

BASE CAMP AREA
AT 957406 TO
AT 956412

TABLE & BENCH

GROUND LEVEL

SIDE VIEW

TERRACED LEVELS OF BASE CAMP AREA

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16 huts 100-150 meters north of cave complex area; huts ran along trail.

These drawings are not done to scale. The base camp area was spread out over an area of approximately 600 meters, leaving a larger space between huts and cave entrances; but this is the basic layout of the base camp area.
OPERATION ORDER 299-69

Ref: (a) Map: VIETNAM, Series L7014 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6640 III
(b) 1stMarDivO P3800.16 (Intelligence SOP)
(c) 1stMarDivO P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement) F16-69
(d) 1stReconBnO P3000.4

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:
2ndSqd, 3rd Plt, Co "A" 5th ReconBn

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate area studies, current INTSUM'S, PIR'S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces. See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Monitor enemy traffic over trail networks running northwest to southeast in the operating area. Examine trails for future ground surveillance anti-intrusion sights.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area, establish observation over trail networks running from AT920312 to AT937306 and AT933314 to AT934306 and AT938323 to AT950319.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 26 September/HLZ 469.
(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 30 September/HLZ 469.
(3) Insertion/Extraction HLZ. TBA.
(4) Operational area. Bounded by (UL) AT9233 and (IR) AT9530.
(5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.
(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
l. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of five days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Ho Chi Chans will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment

(1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
(2) Binocular, 7x50
(3) Cameras

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

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OPERATION ORDER: 299-69
PATROL: PUPPET SHOW (SLF)
DEPLOYER: SGT M KOZAKIEWICH JR
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 17014

PATROL REPORT

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO
DANANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
31JL330H SEP 1969

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1ST FORCE RECON CO

PERSONAL REPORT

S & C NO: 527-69

OPERATION ORDER

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 7 USMC, 1 USN.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 M-203
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 2 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: MONITOR ENEMY TRAFFIC OVER TRAIL NETWORKS RUNNING NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST IN THE OPERATING AREA. EXAMINE TRAILS FOR FUTURE GROUND SURVEILLANCE AND INTRUSION SIGHTS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 261045H/301145H

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER ROUTINELY AND EXTRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS AFTER 97 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING WHICH NO ENEMY WERE OBSERVED. THERE WERE NO UNUSUAL OBSERVATIONS AND THE PATROL MADE NO CONTACTS. NO SUPPORTING ARMS WERE UTILIZED. THE INSERT HIZ WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED-WING AIRCRAFT.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. ENEMY: 261930H VIC AT 955312 (APPROXIMATE) PATROL OBSERVED SEVERAL LIGHTS THAT SEEMED TO BE SIGNALING EACH OTHER. THESE LIGHTS BLINKED AT IRREGULAR INTERVALS THAT RESEMBLED MORSE CODE. AT 262100H ARTILLERY HIT THIS AREA AND LIGHTS WERE EXTINQUISHED.
   b. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP IF MOVING OFF RIDGELINES. THERE WAS NO CANOPY. SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 2-3 FT HIGH CONSISTING OF SCRUB AND GRASS. MOVEMENT WAS EASY AND PATROL COULD COVER 800 METERS AN HOUR MOVING CLANDESTINELY. WATER WAS PLENTIFUL OFF THE RIDGELINE BUT MOVEMENT TO IT IS DIFFICULT. IN THIS AREA CONCEALMENT WAS POOR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. INSERT LZ: AT 933230, LH4-46, GOOD SITDOWN ZONE, ZONE WAS COVERED BY 3-4 FT SCRUB AND LOW STUMPS. THE BEST APPROACH WAS FROM THE SOUTH.
   b. EXTRACT LZ: AT 942310, LH4-46, GOOD SITDOWN ZONE, VEGETATED BY LOW GRASS WITH 1-2 FT SCRUB WITH SCATTERED ROCKS, THE BEST APPROACH TO THE ZONE IS FROM THE SOUTH AND SETTE INTO THE ZONE WITH THE HELO NOSE POINTING EAST.
   c. TRAILS: NONE FOUND
   d. OPAL: AT 942325, GOOD OP, WITH OBSERVATION TO THE SE AND E OF VALLEY AT 955312. OP IS NOT VERY DEFENDABLE BUT DOES HAVE GOOD COVER.
   e. COMM: POOR WITH STONE FIT "A" AND "B".
   f. OBSTACLES: NONE ENCOUNTERED.
   g. MISC: MAP CORRECTION: STREAM FROM AT 933230 RUNS TO THE MARKED STREAM AT 955310.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE IS NO NEED FOR ANY OTHER PATROLS TO WORK OVER THIS AREA. RIDGELINE CAN BE OBSERVED BY FRIENDLY FORCES ON SEVERAL OF THE FIRE BASES IN THE VICINITY.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:
   SGT BACHTA 2051749
   CPL KOUNTZ 2369585
   CPL GIBSON 2454030
   CPL GIFFORD 2464050
   PFC GIBBON 2158873
   PFC SIMPSON 2521506
   PVT JOHNSON 2279552
   PVT MCNAIRNA B611720

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OPERATION ORDER 303-69

Ref: (a) Map: VIETNAM, Series 1701H 1:50,000 Sheet No. 6510 III
(b) 1stMarDiv P3000.10 (Intelligence SOP)
(c) 1stMarDiv P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) 1stReconEn P3000.4

Task Organization:

5th Platoon

Sgt MOOREMAN

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate area studies, current INTSUM'S, FIR'S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces. See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Conduct a helicopter landing area survey via AT946345 and provide initial terminal guidance for helicopterborne landing force.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area. Move overland to AT946345 (FSB RYDER). Conduct a thorough reconnaissance of the area and submit a HELIS report ASAP the morning of 30 September 1969.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 291800H September/HLZ 469.

(2) Date/Place of Return. 30 September/HLZ 469.

(3) Insertion HLZ AT947346, alternate AT952355 and extract HLZ TBA.

(4) Operational area. Bounded by (UL) AT93336 and (IR) AT96363

(5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.

(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of 24 hours.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and HoI Champs will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

e. Special Equipment
   (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
   (2) Binocular, 7x50

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

a. Communications-Electronics

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S. L. OWENS
Captain, U. S. Marine Corps
Executive Officer
PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: 8 USMC ENL
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-251'S, 1 7x501'S, 1 STARLITE SCOPE.
   d. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 1 M-60, 8 CLAYMores

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A HELICOPTER AREA SURVEY AT949345, AND PROVIDE INITIAL TERMINAL GUIDANCE FOR HELICOPTERBORNE LANDING FORCE.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 291745H/300807H

4. ROUTE: NOT APPLICABLE (PATROL DID NOT MOVE OVER 100 METERS)

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY HELICOPTER ROUTINELY AND EXTRACTED BY THE SAME MEANS AFTER 15 HOURS OF PATROL ACTIVITY DURING WHICH NO ENEMY WERE SIGHTED. THERE WERE NO UNUSUAL OBSERVATIONS AND NO CONTACTS. INSERT HIZ WAS NOT PREPARED BY FIXED WING AIRCRAFT. MISSION OF PROVIDING INITIAL TERMINAL GUIDANCE FOR A HELICOPTERBORNE LANDING FORCE WAS ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT INCIDENT.

6. OBSERVATIONS OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. ENEMY: NONE
   b. TERRAIN: WAS GENERALLY STEEP WITH A CANOPY OF 10-15 FEET. SECONDARY GROWTH CONSISTED OF SHRUBS AND VINES AND WAS 3-6 FT HIGH. PATROL DID NOT EXPERIENCE MOVEMENT IN THE HEAVY UNDERGROWTH ON THE SIDES OF THE FIRE SUPPORT BASE, BUT PATROL LEADER ESTIMATES MOVEMENT WOULD BE DIFFICULT AT THE RATE OF 100 METERS AN HOUR FOR A RECON PATROL. WATER WAS NON-EXISTENT ON THE HILLTOP ITSELF.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a. INSERT HIZ: AT950344H, 1xCH-46, GOOD SIDEDOWN ZONE, FLAT AND CLEARED. NO OBSTACLES. BEST APPROACH IS FROM THE EAST.
   b. EXTRACT HIZ: AT949345, 1xCH-46, GOOD SIDEDOWN ZONE, FLAT AND CLEARED, VERY DUSTY. BEST APPROACH TO ZONE IS FROM THE EAST.
   c. TRAILS: NONE OBSERVED
   d. OP'S: NONE USED
   e. COMM: GOOD COMMUNICATIONS WITH STONE P.T. "A"
   f. OBSTACLES: NONE ENCOUNTERED

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7. OTHER INFORMATION (CONT)

g. MISC: HELICOPTER LANDING AREA SURVEY; SECTION 2: THE LANDING AREA DESCRIPTION. LANDING WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY H/3/11.
   a. SIZE: 400 X 400
   b. SURFACE MATERIALS: SMALL ROCKS AND 2-3 FT SHRUBS.
   c. BREAKS OR INTERRUPTIONS: TRENCHES SURROUND EACH HELICOPTER LANDING POINT.
   d. OBSTACLES: BARBED WIRE AND ENGINEERING STAKES ON THE EDGES OF THE ZONE.
   e. SLOPES: ZONE SLOPES APPROXIMATELY 45° TO THE NORTH.
   f. VEGETATION: GRASS 1-3 FT HIGH
   g. LOCAL USE: NONE
   h. CULTURAL FEATURES: NONE
   i. DESCRIPTION OF ADJACENT TERRAIN: SW, S, AND N STEEP W/DENSE FOLIAGE, 20-40 FT CANOPY. TO EAST IS LOW GRASS AND SHRUBS.
   j. EXITS: TO EAST AND SOUTH
   k. SURFACE WINDS: 3-5 KNOTS FROM THE NW.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

11. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADER RECOMMENDS THAT THIS TYPE MISSION ALWAYS BE INSERTED AT 1800... EARLIER INSERTION ONLY LEAVES THE PATROL MORE VULNERABLE BECAUSE IT GIVES THE ENEMY TIME TO MOVE TO THIS AREA BEFORE DARKNESS, THEREFORE COMPROMISING LANDING FORCE WHEN THEY ARE INSERTED.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

   SGT MOORMAN 199159
   LCPL HUCKSTEPP 21573910
   LCPL MAGRI 21766336
   PFC LAMBERT 21658271
   CPL SMITH 21470612
   PFC HEATMAN 25153691
   SGT PHIEGAR 23413039
   PFC MYERS 21685981

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ORDER 30h-69

Ref: (a) Map: VIETNAM, Series 1/50,000, Sheet No. 6610, INTCOM
(b) 1stMarDiv o P3800.4G (Intelligence Group)
(c) 1stMarDiv o P001300.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) 1stMarDiv o P3000.4h

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

2ndSqd, 6th Platoon

SGT CROCKETT

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate area studies, current INTSUM'S, FIR'S and 8-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces. See current OFSUM'S, SITREP'S and 8-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Conduct a helicopter landing area survey via AT871358 and provide initial terminal guidance for helicopterborne landing force.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area. Move overload to AT871358. Conduct a thorough reconnaissance of the area and submit a HELAS report ASAP the morning of 30 September 1969.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 30h00h September/HLZ 469.
(2) Date/Place of Return. 01 October/HLZ 469.
(3) Insertion HLZ AT872358, extraction HLZ TRA.
(4) Operational area. Bounded by (UL) AT8637 and (LR) AT8934.
(5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.

(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.
   
a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.
   
b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of 24 hours.
   
c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Hoi Chanshs will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.
   
d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.
   
e. Special Equipment
      
      (1) Long Wire Antenna (each radio)
      (2) Binocular, 7x50

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.
   
a. Communications-Electronics

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OPERATION ORDER 306-69

Ref: (a) Map: VIETNAM, Series L70cl, 1:50,000, Sheet No. 66b0 III
(b) 1stMarDiv P3800.1G (Intelligence SOP)
(c) 1stMarDiv P003330.2A (Rules of Engagement)
(d) 1stReconBnO P3000.4

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

2ndSqd, 6th Platoon

MG CROCKETT

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. See appropriate area studies, current INTSUM'S, PIR'S and S-2 briefings.

b. Friendly Forces. See current OPSUM'S, SITREP'S and S-3 briefings.

2. MISSION. Monitor enemy traffic over trail networks running from AT872353 east to AT890360. On order to conduct an artillery ambush on targets of opportunity.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. Infiltrate by helicopter into the assigned objective area. Move overland to a vantage point and monitor trail running from AT872353 to AT890360 and report enemy activity. Coordinate with artillery for fire mission capability on enemy targets. Routine extract by helicopter.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Date/Place of Departure. 2 October/HLZ 469.

(2) Date/Place of Return. NLT 6 October/HLZ 469.

(3) Insertion HZ via AT893350 and extraction HZ TBA.

(4) Operational area. Bounded by coordinates (UL) AT8637 and (IR) AT8934.

(5) Rules of engagement set forth in reference (c) will be followed.

(6) The preparation and conduct of the patrol will be in accordance with reference (d) and supplementary verbal instructions.
4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (d) and other supplementary instructions.

b. Uniform and equipment carried by the patrol will be sufficient to accomplish their mission and sustain themselves for a period of five days.

c. Evacuation of POW's, detainees and Ho Chi Minh will be the subject of verbal instructions when these situations present themselves.

d. Medical. The nature of a patrol member's injury and/or illness and the enemy situation will be the determining factors influencing subsequent evacuation.

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RECON CO SIT REP #214-69 010000H TO 012400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

(1) OF (7) RECON TSC THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOCATIONS IN
THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (1) (SLF) RECON TSC THERE IS (1) TM
OPER AT (1) LOCATION IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

(2) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

A. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
NONE

B. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
NONE

C. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED

(1) F-52 TRAILER PARK
(2) A-22 ELF SKIN (SLF)
(3) A-31 MOOSE PEAK (SLF)
(4) A-32 RECLINE (SLF)
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1. EXTRICATIONS NOT COMPLETED
NONE

2. REASON INSERTIONS/EXTRICATIONS NOT COMPLETED
TM NOT INSERTED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

3. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 2 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-52 TRAILER PARK HAVEN UL-ZC2126 LR-AT8235 VIC AP803274
(2) A-22 ELF SKIN (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT8129 LR-AT6626 VIC AP854269
(3) L-31 MOOSE PEAK (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT8434 LR-AT8333 VIC ATW-9315
(4) A-32 RECLINE (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT9444 LR-AT974 VIC AP803139

4. EXTRICATIONS PLANNED FOR 2 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-31 MINK COAT ZC206306
(2) F-51 SAIL FISH AT946388

5. (4) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TM
NA

6. (7) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

(1) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 011500H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (5) NVA
MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES, BUSH HATS AND
HELMETS. EN CARRIED (3) AK-47'S AND (5) PACKS. NO ACTION
TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(2) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 011520H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (5) NVA
MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES, BUSH HATS AND
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HELMETS. EN CARRIED (3) AK-47'S AND (5) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(3) F-31 MINK COAT AT 011645H VIC ZG-206315. TM OBSR (8) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE COOLER HATS AND PONCHOS. EN CARRIED (1) LIGHT MACHINE GUN, (4) AK-47'S AND (3) OTHER RIFLES OF UNK TYPE. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(4) F-31 MINK COAT AT 011715H VIC ZG-206315. TM OBSR (7) VC MOVING NE DOWN THE TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJS AND CARRIED HEAVY PACKS. EN WAS MOVING VERY QUICKLY. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

6. (6) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

N/A

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FROM: CG FIRST MAR DIV
TO: CG II MAF

INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAR
CG AMERICAN DIV
CG LOS ANGELES DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAG ONE SIX
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LIII MAF FOR CCC (Q-2 COL)
FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #245-69 020000H TO 022400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (c) OF (7) RECON TMS THERE ARE NO TMS OPER IN THE FIRST MAR DIV

TAOR. OF (h) (SIP) RECON TMS THERE IS (1) TM OPER AT (1) LOCATION
IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (c) INSERTIONS & EXTRATIONS

A. INSERTIONS COMPLETED

NONE

B. EXTRATIONS COMPLETED

(1) J-52 SKIN AT 021730H VIC 37°43’18”

(2) F-51 SKIN 2041 AT 021815 VIC 37°42’35”

C. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED

(1) F-52 TRAILER PARK

(2) A-22 ELF SKIN (SIP)

(3) A-31 MOOSE PEAK (SIP)

(4) A-32 ELOTE (SIP)

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D. Extractions not completed

None

E. Reason insertions/extractions not completed

TMS not inserted due to inclement weather.

F. Insertions planned for 03 September 69

1. F-62 Trailer Park Haven UL-212228 IR-AT0225 VIC AT0327
2. A-22 Elf Skin (SLF) Haven UL-AT0429 IR-AT0632 VIC AT0642
3. A-31 Moose Peak (SLF) Haven UL-AT0531 IR-AT0831 VIC AT0841
4. A-32 Reclining (SLF) Haven UL-AT0644 IR-AT0944 VIC AT0954

G. Extractions planned for 03 September 69

None

3. LOC of Oper Recon TMS as of 024400H

1. Radio Relay Cherry Jam "A" AT0373
2. Radio Relay Cherry Jam "B" AT099050
3. Radio Relay Cherry Jam "C" AT099745
4. A-21 Youth (SLF) AT092352

4. Increase/decrease in avail Recon TMS

N/A

5. Sightings & Contacts

1. F-31 Mink Coat at 020700H VIC ZG073l4. TM Obsr (19) Vc moving W on trail. En wore dark clothing. TM could not Obsr equipment due to poor visibility. No action taken.

2. A-21 Youth (SLF) at 020755H VIC AT084555. TM Obsr (14) Nva moving SW on trail. En wore gray and green utilities and carried (14) packs and (14) rifles. No action taken.
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A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 020810H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (20) NVA MOVING SW ON TRAIL. EN WORE GRAY AND GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED HEAVY PACKS AND PONCHOS. NO ACTION TAKEN.

(1) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 020915H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (20) NVA MOVING SW ON TRAIL. EN WORE PONCHOS AND CARRIED HEAVY PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN.

(5) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 021200H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (11) NVA.

(6) WOMEN AND (6) CHILDREN AGES (14) TO (16) MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. NO ACTION TAKEN.

A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 021340H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (5) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GRN UTILITIES AND (3) BUSH HATS AND CARRIED (2) RIFLES AND (5) PACKS. (1) EN APPEARED TO BE AT LEAST A HEAD TALLER THAN THE OTHERS. COULD NOT IDENTIFY DUE TO POOR VISIBILITY AND DISTANCE. NO ACTION TAKEN.

A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 021350H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (9) NVA AND (1) WOMAN MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED (9) RIFLES AND (1) HELMET. NO ACTION TAKEN.

(8) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 021415H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (10) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND BUSH HATS AND CARRIED (4) RIFLES AND (10) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN.

A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 021420H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (11) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND PONCHOS AND CARRIED (6) RIFLES, (1) TRIPOD, (2) MORTAR TUBES AND (14) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN.

A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 021535H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (30) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES, BUSH HATS, PONCHOS AND CARRIED (17) RIFLES AND (10) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN.
(11) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 021615H VIC AT86355. TM OBSR (11) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES, PONCHOS, BUSH HATS AND CARRIED (5) RIFLES AND (11) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN.

(12) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 021635H VIC AT86355. TM OBSR (15) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND PONCHOS. EN CARRIED (15) PACKS, (10) AK-47'S, (1) MORTAR AMPHOD AND (1) MORTAR TUBE, BELIEVED TO BE AN 82MM MORTAR. NO ACTION TAKEN.

(13) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 021700H VIC AT86355. TM OBSR (10) NVA AND (1) MALE CAUCASIAN MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND PONCHOS. THE CAUCASIAN WORE AN AUSTRALIAN BUSH HAT AND HAD HIS SLEEVES ROLLED UP. HE WAS APPROX (6) FT TALL. THE CAUCASIAN CARRIED A PACK AND (1) RIFLE AT SLING ARMS. THE NVA CARRIED (10) PACKS AND (6) RIFLES. NO ACTION TAKEN.

(14) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 021755H VIC AT866355. TM OBSR (33) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED (32) PACKS, (30) RIFLES, AND (1) MORTAR TUBE WHICH APPEARED TO BE AN 82MM MORTAR. NO ACTION TAKEN.

6. (C) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

NONE

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FROM: CG FIRST MAR DIV

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INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAR
CG AMERTICA DIV
CG IOIST ARN DIV
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III MAR FOR COG (G-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #246-69 030000H TO 052400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (7) RECON TKS THERE ARE NO TKS OPER IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TACR. OF (1) (SLF) RECON TKS THERE IS (1) TM OPER AT (1) LOCATION IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TACR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS
   A. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   B. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   C. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      (1) F-62 TRAILER PARK
      (2) A-22 ELF SKIN (SLF)
      (3) A-31 NOOSE PEAK (SLF)
      (4) A-32 RECLINE (SLF)
D. EXTRCTIONS NOT COMPLETED

E. REASON INSERTIONS/EXTRCTIONS NOT COMPLETED

THIS NOT INSERTED DUE TO NON-AVAILABILITY OF MEAS.

F. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 4 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-62 TRAILER PARK HAVEN UL-ZC2138 LR-AT8225 VIC AT803274

(2) A-22 ELF SKIN (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT8429 LR-AT8626 VIC AT861289

(3) A-31 MOOSER PEAK (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT8434 LR-AT8631 VIC AT879235

(4) A-32 RECLINE (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT8132 LR-AT8429 VIC AT861289

G. EXTRCTIONS PLANNED FOR 4 SEPTEMBER 69

NONE

3. (c) LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 032400H

(1) RADIO RELAY CHERRY JAM "A" AT837378

(2) RADIO RELAY CHERRY JAM "B" AT996250

(3) RADIO RELAY CHERRY JAM "C" AT997463

(4) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT892352

4. (c) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS

N/A

5. (c) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

(1) (LATE ENTRY) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 021810H VIC AT866355. TM

OBSR (30) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES

AND BUSH HATS AND CARRIED (26) RIFLES, (1) BASE PLATE, (1)

MORTAR TUBE WHICH APPEARED TO BE AN 82MM MORTAR, (2) MACHINE

GUNS AND (30) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (3) SECOND

OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.

(2) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 030700H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (11) NVA

MOVING SW ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND BUSH HATS

AND CARRIED (11) RIFLES AND (11) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (3) SECOND

OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.
(3) A-21 youth (SIF) at 030755H VIC AT896364. TM OBSR (4) VC moving NE across rice paddies. En wore brown PJs and carried (1) packs. En were leading water buffalo. En moved out of view before action could be taken.

(4) A-21 youth (SIF) at 030835H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (15) NVA moving NE on trail. En wore green utilities and bush hats and carried (5) rifles, (4) packs and bushes and poles. No action taken due to an (8) second observation window on trail.

(5) A-21 youth (SIF) at 030945H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (2) NVA moving NE across rice paddies. En wore green utilities and carried (2) heavy packs. No action taken due to an (8) second observation window on trail.

(6) A-21 youth (SIF) at 030955H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (3) NVA moving NE on trail. En wore green utilities and (1) bush hat and carried (2) rifles, (1) pith helmet, (1) steel helmet and (3) packs. No action taken due to an (8) second observation window on trail.

(7) A-21 youth (SIF) at 030955H VIC AT903304. TM OBSR (3) NVA moving NE across rice paddies. En wore gray and green utilities and carried (3) packs. En started running when fixed wing flew over. No action taken.

(8) A-21 youth (SIF) at 031035H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (7) NVA moving NE on trail. En wore green utilities and carried (5) rifles, (7) packs, and (7) steel helmets. No action taken due to an (8) second observation window on trail.
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(9) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 031215H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (1) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED (2') RIFLES, (4) STEEL HELMETS AND (4) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (8) SECOND OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.

(10) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 031200H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (18) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED (17) RIFLES, (11) PACKS AND (10) HELMETS. EN USED BUSHES AS CAMOUFLAGE. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (8) SECOND OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.

(11) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 031240H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (5) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED (2) RIFLES, (5) PACKS AND (2) STEEL HELMETS. EN USED BUSHES AS CAMOUFLAGE. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (8) SECOND OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.

(12) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 031530H VIC AT886352. TM HEARD NUMEROUS VOICES ON TRAIL. TM CALLED FIRE MISSION ON VOICES AND SUSPECTED WAY STATION. IT TOOK (45) MINUTES TO SET MISSION CLEARED. GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET. RESULTS: JNK.

(13) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 031700H VIC AT886357. TM OBSR (1) NVA WALKING INTO VILLAGE, EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED (1) HEAVY PACK. NO ACTION TAKEN.

(14) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 031740H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (62) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES. EN CARRIED (32) RIFLES (AK-47'S & SKS'S), (24) EN WERE EACH CARRYING (1) HEAVY BLACK TUBE (5') FT LONG AND (6) IN. IN DIAMETER AND (9) EN WERE CARRYING 82MM MORTAR TUBES. THEY WERE ALL IN ONE GROUP. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (8) SECOND OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.
(5) N-VI YOUTH (SIE) AT 031823H VIC AT886355. TM O SR (8) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S.
EN CARRIED (8) PACKS, (3) NVA HELMETS, (4) RIFLES, TYPE UNK, AND SEVERAL OF THE EN WERE CARRYING BRANCHES AND TWIGS. NO
ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (8) SECOND OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.

6. (C) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
NONE

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TO: CG I I MAF
INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAF
CG I MERICAL DIV
CG I OSTAIN DIV
FIRST MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAG ONE SIX
CO I FIFTH SFFA

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III MAR FOR CO (G-2 COL)
FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #247-69 OHIOH TO OHIOH SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (7) RECON TME THERE IS (1) RECON THAT (1) LOCATION IN THE
FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (1) (SLF) RECON THS THERE ARE (4) VICT AUD
(1) LOCATIONS IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

A. INSERTIONS COMPLETED

(1) F-52 TRAILER PARK HAVEN UL-ZC2728 IR-AT8225 VIC AT803274
(2) A-22 ELF SKIN (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT8129 IR-AT826 VIC AT856289
(3) A-31 MOOSE PEAK (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT8134 IR-AT8831 VIC AT879315
(4) A-32 RECLINE (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT8142 IR-AT9039 VIC AT903949

B. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED

NONE

C. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED

NONE

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DECLASSIFIED
(1) F-14 EAVEN VIC AT837378
(2) A-21 LUNCH MEAT (SLF) VIC AT893355

3. (1) LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 042000H
   (1) RADIO RELAY CHERRY JAM "AN" AT837378
   (2) RADIO RELAY CHERRY JAM "BN" AT990250
   (3) RADIO RELAY CHERRY JAM "CN" AT993763
   (4) F-62 TRAILER PARK AT893274
   (5) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT890354
   (6) A-22 ELF SKI (SLF) AT862282
   (7) A-31 MOOSE PEAK (SLF) AT879373
   (8) A-32 RECLINE (SLF) AT914419

4. (2) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS
   N/A

5. (1) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS
   (1) (LATE ENTRY) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 031345H VIC AT886355. TM OBRSH
      (10) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREY UTILITIES AND
      CARRIED (30) RIFLES AND (10) HELMETS. TM CALLED FM BUT EN
      MOVED OUT OF SIGHT BEFORE FM CLEARED.
   (2) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 040725H VIC AT885360. TM OBRSH (2) NVA
      ENTER A GROUP OF (4) HUTS. EN WORE GREY UTILITIES AND CARRIED
      (2) RIFLES AND (2) PACKS. TM CALLED FM AND DESTROYED (1) HUT.
   (3) A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 040625H VIC AT891335. TM OBRSH (1)
A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 04:0915H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (2) NVA
MOVING S; ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN AND GRAY UTILITIES AND
CARRIED (1) RIFLE AND (1) PACK. NO ACTION TAKEN.

A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 04:103CH VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (22) NVA
MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S
AND CARRIED (2) RIFLES, (22) HELMETS AND (22) PACKS. NO
ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (8) SECOND OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.

A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 04:104CH VIC AT993374. TM OBR (2) NVA
MOVING NE IN TREELINE. EN WORE CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES AND BUSH
HATS AND CARRIED (2) RIFLES AND (2) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN.

A-22 BIF SKIN (SLF) AT 04:123CH VIC AT864286. TM Found fox
holes measuring (2) FT WIDE, (4) FT LONG AND (3) FT DEEP
RUNNING N TO S ON TRAIL. TRAIL NOT USED IN SEVERAL WEEKS.

A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 04:1245H VIC AT886355. TM OBR (26) NVA
AND (1) WOMAN MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GRAY AND GREEN
UTILITIES AND CARRIED (16) RIFLES, (17) HELMETS, (1) TRIPOD
AND (26) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (8) SECOND OBSERVA-
TION WINDOW ON TRAIL.

A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 04:125CH VIC AT886355. TM OBR (1) NVA
MOVING S; ON TRAIL. EN WORE GRAY UTILITIES. NO ACTION TAKEN.

A-21 YOUTH (SLF) AT 04:1435R VIC AT886355. TM OBR (9) NVA
MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE (7) GREEN UTILITIES AND (2)
BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED (7) RIFLES, (4) HELMETS AND (9) PACKS.
NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (8) SECOND OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.
1.1 A-29 YOUTH (SDF) AT QL1530 H VIC AT386355. TM OBSR (11) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND BUSH HATS AND CARRIED (5) RIFLES AND (13) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (8) SECOND OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.

1.2 A-21 YOUTH (SDF) AT QL1615H VIC AT386355. TM OBSR (17) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND BUSH HATS. EN CARRIED (8) PACKS, (9) BUNDLES OF LEAVES AND (2) BAMBOO POLES APPROX (15) TO (20) FT LONG. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO AN (8) SECOND OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.

6.6 ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

NONE

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TO: CG III MAF
INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAR
CG AMERICAL DIV
CG ICIST AEN DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAG ONE SIX
CG C FIFTH SFCA

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III MAF FOR CIC (G-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #218-69 050000H TO 051400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (7) RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOCATIONS IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (1) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE ARE (3) TMS OPER. AT (3) LOCATIONS IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS
A. INSERTIONS COMPLETED

(1) F-4L SWIFT SCOUT AT 051255H ATK8737 AT-9234 VIC AT89355
B. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED

(1) RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "G" AT 050915H VICT927 AT-997463
(2) A-21 LUNCH MEAT (SLF) AT 051025H VICT89255
C. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
NONE

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3. EXTRAC TIONS NOT COMPLETED
   NONE

REASON INSERTIONS/EXTRAC TIONS NOT COMPLETED
   N/A

5. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 6 SEPTEMBER 69
   NONE

EXTRAC TIONS PLANNED FOR 6 SEPTEMBER 69
   NONE

3. (C) LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 052400H
   (1) RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378
   (2) RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250
   (3) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT892348
   (4) F-62 RUDDER AT793272
   (5) A-22 VESPER BELL S (SLF) AT866288
   (6) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) AT859319
   (7) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT907414

4. (C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN-AVAIL RECON TMS
   N/A

5. (C) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS
   (1) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 051000 VIC AT863278. TM FOUND (1) OLD BASE CAMP ON FLAT SIDE OF HILL. BASE CAMP WAS SEVERAL WEEKS OLD. BASE CAMP HAD (7) SMALL HUTS AND A TRENCH LINE (1) FT DEEP, (3) FT WIDE AND (3) FT LONG.
   (2) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 051000 VIC AT863278. TM OBSR (3) VC MOVING SW. EN WERE WALKING TOWARD STREAM. DUE TO VEGETATION, TM WAS UNABLE TO OBSR UNIFORM. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
MADE UNAVOIDABLE CONTACT WITH (8) TO (10) NVA MOVING SW DOWN TRAIL. EN WERE WEARING UTILITIES AND BOOTS. EN CARRIED AK-47'S, PACKS AND PITH HELMETS. TM UTILIZED (3) AO'S AND (2) FLIGHTS OF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT. TM BROKE CONTACT AND CONTINUED THEIR MISSION.

6. (c) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

NONE

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FROM: CG FIRST MAR DIV
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INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAW
CG AMERICAN DIV
CG 101ST ABN DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAG ONE SIX
CO C FIFTH SFQA

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III MAP FOR COC (1-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #249-69 0600H TO 0624H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (7) RECON TMS THERE ARE: (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOCATIONS IN
   THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (4) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE ARE (3) TMS
   OPER AT (3) LOCATIONS IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS
   A. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   B. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   C. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE
   D. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE

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F. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 7 SEPTEMBER 69
NONE

G. EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR 7 SEPTEMBER 69
NONE

3. (1) LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 062100H
(2) RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378
(3) RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250
(4) F-41 SHUTTLE AT886446
(5) F-62 RUDER AT794272
(6) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT870278
(7) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) AT865329
(8) A-32 PFP SHOW (SLF) AT896117

4. (C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS
N/A

5. (C) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS
(1) F-62 RUDER AT 061220H VIC ZG217254. TM HEARD SMALL GROUP
OF PEOPLE TALKING AND (3) BURSTS OF FIRE. NO ACTION TAKEN
DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
(2) F-62 RUDER AT 061335H VIC ZG211267. TM FOUND IN BASE CAMP
WITH (1) LARGE HUT AND UNK AMOUNTS OF SMALL LEAN-TOS. CAMP
WAS CAPABLE OF HOLDING (20) TO (30) PEOPLE. NO ACTION TAKEN.
(3) F-62 RUDER AT 061550H VIC ZG211267. TM HEARD (1) SINGLE SHOT
FIRE FROM VALLEY. NO ACTION TAKEN.

6. (C) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
NONE

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TO: GG XX-V Corps

CG FIRST MAJ
CG AMBULICAL DIV
CG 10 ST ABY DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAC ONE SIX
CO C FIFTH FGA

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III MAP FOR COC (O-2 COL)
FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #250 69 070000H TO 074000H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OR (7) RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST
   MAR DIV TACR.
   OR (1) (SIP) RECON TMS THERE ARE (3) TMS OPER AT (3)
   LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TACR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRICATIONS
   A. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   B. EXTRICATIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   C. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE
   D. EXTRICATIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE

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E. REASON INSERTION/ EXTRACTION NOT COMPLETED
N/A

F. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 6 SEPTEMBER 69
(1) F-31 RECORD HAVEN UL-AT86359 LR-AT86296 VIC AT85274
(2) F-51 GRIM REAPER HAVEN UL-AT83395 LR-AT8632 VIC AT84324
(3) F-61 REPORT CARD HAVEN UL-AT83395 LR-AT8632 VIC AT84324
(4) A-22 LUNCH MEAL (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT9012 LR-AT9439 VIC AT83031

G. EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR 6 SEPTEMBER 69
(1) F-62 Rudder VIC AT76276
(2) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) VIC AT85274
(3) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) VIC AT84324
(b) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) VIC AT83031

3. (C) LOC OF RECON TMS AS OF 072400H
(1) RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378
(2) RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT992350
(3) F-42 SWIFT SCOUT AT853324
(4) F-62 Rudder VIC AT76276
(5) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT853324
(6) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) AT853324
(7) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT83031

4. (C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS
N/A

5. (C) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS
(1) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT070815H VIC AT86277. TH FOUND (6)
FIGHTING HOLES ON A SMALL FINGER. FIGHTING HOLES WERE (2) FT BY
(4) FT BY (3) FT DEEP. FIGHTING HOLES HAVE NOT BEEN SEEN
SEVERAL MONTHS.
(2) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 071050 VIC AT866274. TM FOUNO: (1)
A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) TO (2) FT WOOD RUNNING E AND W.

(3) F-11 SWIFT SCOUT AT 071145 VIC AT866274. TM OBSR: (2) NVA
MOVING N ALONG TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S, KHAKIES, AND GRAY
UTILITY VEST AND CARRIED HEAVY PACKS. EN WALKED WITH GOOD
INTEGUAL AND VERY SLOW AND CAUTIOUSLY. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE
TO AN (8) SECOND OBSERVATION WINDOW ON TRAIL.

(4) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 071155 VIC AT865274. TM FOUNO:
LARGE FIGHTING HOLE BETWEEN (2) TRAILS. FIGHTING HOLE WAS (5)
FT BY (8) FT BY (4) FT DEEP.

(5) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 071250 VIC AT865274. TM FOUNO:
SMALL HOLES (25) METERS W OF UN FIGHTING HOLE AT VIC
AT865274. HOLES WERE LINED WITH WOOD AND WERE (4) IN. BY (1)
IN. AND (25) IN. DEEP.

(6) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 071255 VIC AT865274. TM FOUNO:
SMALL HOLES (2) IN. IN DIAMETER. THE HOLES WERE BELIEVED TO
BE AIR HOLES.

(7) F-11 SWIFT SCOUT AT 071215 TO 071245 VIC AT865255. TM OBSR
(26) EN MOVING N. (23) EN WERE VC AND WORE BLACK PJ'S, (5)
EN WERE NVA AND WORE KHAKIES. EN CARRIED LARGE GRAY PACKS AND
(1) NVA CARRIED (1) RIFLE. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY
OF TM.

(8) F-11 SWIFT SCOUT AT 071300 VIC AT866255. TM OBSR: (4) NVA AND
(8) VC MOVING N. NVA WORE KHAKIES AND VC WORE BLACK PJ'S. ALL
HAD HEAVY PACKS AND (1) EN CARRIED (1) 120MM ROCKET LAUNCHED.
NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
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6. (c) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

NONE

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FROM: CG FIRST MAW DIV
TO: CG JX IV CORPS
INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAW
CG 101ST ABN DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAF ONE SIX
CG C FIFTH SP OA

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III MAF FOR OCG (3-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #251-69 080000H TO 082400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (7) RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (4) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE IS (1) T1 OPER AT (1) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRactions

A. INSERTIONS COMPLETED

(1) F-31 RECORD AT 081230H HAVEN UL-AT9229 LR-AT6626 VIC AT660270

B. EXTRactions COMPLETED

(1) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 081230H VIC AT660270
(2) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT 081255H VIC AT663046
(3) F-62 Rudder AT 081330H VIC AT796276

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G. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
   (1) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF)
   (2) F-51 GRIM REAPER
   (3) P-61 REPORT CARD

D. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
   (1) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF)

E. REASON INSERTIONS/EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
   (1) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) EXTENDED 1 DAY
   (2) A-21 LUNCH MEAT (SLF), F-51 GRIM REAPER AND P-61 REPORT CARD WERE NOT INSERTED. MISSIONS RESCHEDULED TO RECLAMATE SITE.

F. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 9 SEPTEMBER 69
   (1) F-51 GRIM REAPER HAVEN UL AT84133 LR AT34790 VIG AT348323

G. EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR 9 SEPTEMBER 69
   (1) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) VIG AT841323

3. (G) LOC OF OFF-RECON TBS AS OF 082400H
   (1) RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378
   (2) RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT99250
   (3) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) AT841322
   (4) F-51 SWIFT SCOUT AT881350
   (5) F-33 RECORD AT853273

4. (C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TBS
   N/A

5. (C) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS
   (1) (LATE ENTRY) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) AT 071445H VIG AT855397,
       TM MADE UNAVOIDABLE CONTACT WITH (6+) TO (10+) IN A FILE 4-X UNTRAIL. EN WORE KHAKIS AND CARRIED RIFLES, 136 RIFLE M-16. REGULAR...
(2) (LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 071532 VIC AT886355. TM
OBSR (1) NVA AND (7) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. NVA WORE FLAKS AND
VC WORE BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED LARGE GRAY PACKS AND (3) RIFLES.
NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(3) (LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 071609H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR
(1) NVA AND (5) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. NVA WORE A GRAY SHIRT
AND BLACK TROUSERS AND THE VC WORE BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED (5)
GRAY PACKS, (1) GREEN PACK AND (3) RIFLES. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE
TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(4) (LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 071609H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR
(6) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S AND PITH HELMETS.
EN CARRIED LARGE GRAY PACKS. (1) PACK APPEARED TO BE VERY
HEAVY. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(5) (LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 071617H VIC AT886355. TM
OBSR (2) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S AND PITH
HELMETS. EN CARRIED (2) LARGE PACKS, (1) RED AND (1) RIFLE.
NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(6) (LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 071609H VIC AT886355. TM
OBSR (1) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (1) PITH HELMET AND
BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED LARGE PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO
PROXIMITY OF TM.

(7) (LATE ENTRY) F-62 RUDDER AT 071615H VIC AT803257. TM OBSR
(2) NVA MOVING E ON TRAIL. EN WORE KHAKI SHIRTS, BLACK
SHORTS AND HELMETS. EN CARRIED HEAVY PACKS AND (1) RIFLE.
NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(8) (LATE ENTRY) F-62 RUDDER AT 071615H VIC AT793254. TM OBSR
(2) VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S AND HELMETS.
EN CARRIED HEAVY PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
(9) F-4L SWIFT SCOUT AT 071700H VIC AT88355. TM
OBSR (3) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ's AND CARRIED
(2) GRAY PACKS, (1) GREEN PACK AND (1) RIFLE. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(10) (LATE ENTRY) F-4L SWIFT SCOUT AT 071730H VIC AT88355. TM
OBSR (7) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ's AND PITH HELMETS. EN CARRIED KHAKI COLORED PACKS AND (1) RIFLE. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(11) (LATE ENTRY) F-4L SWIFT SCOUT AT 071735H VIC AT88355. TM
OBSR (1) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE MIXED CLOTHING AND CARRIED (1) HEAVY PACK. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(12) (LATE ENTRY) F-4L SWIFT SCOUT AT 071740H VIC AT88355. TM
OBSR (1) NVA AND (3) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. NVA WORE KHAKIS AND VC WORE BLACK PJ's AND MIXED UNIFORMS. EN CARRIED (1) BLACK PACK, (2) KHAKI COLORED PACKS AND (1) GREEN PACK. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(13) F-4L SWIFT SCOUT AT 080635H VIC AT88355. TM OBSR (12) VC MOVING S ON TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ's AND CARRIED HEAVY PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(14) F-4L SWIFT SCOUT AT 080720H VIC AT88635S. TM OBSR (4) VC MOVING S ON TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ's. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(15) F-4L SWIFT SCOUT AT 081035H VIC AT88635S. TM OBSR (3) NVA AND (4) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. NVA WORE GRAY UTILITIES AND MIXED UNIFORMS, VC WORE BLACK PJ's. EN CARRIED HEAVY PACKS AND MOVED AT A DOUBLE TIME. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
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TH IKE JEE IGI SINT SCOOT AT 081037H VIC A186351; THE OTS (2) NV

MOVING N ON TRAIL; WE WORE MUDER UNIFORMS AND CARRIED (2)

MIKAI PACKS AND (1) GREEN PACK; NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO

PROXIMITY OF TM.

6- (C) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

NONE

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TO: CO, III MAF

FROM: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAR
CG AMERICAL DIV
CG 1ST ABN DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAG ONE SIX
CO C FIFTH SFGR.

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III MAF FOR COG (O-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #252-69 090001H TO 092400H SEPTEMBER 69 (C)

1. (+) OF (7) RECON THIS THERE ARE (5) THE OPER AT (6) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TACR. OF (4) (SILF) RECON THIS THERE ARE NO THE OPER IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TACR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS
   A. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      (1) P-51 GRIM REAPER AT 091345H HAVEN UL-AT8433 IR-AT8830 VIC AT883313
   B. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
      (1) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SILF) AT 091535H VIC AT848323
   C. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE
   D. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE

C 9/16/52
F. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 10 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-61 REPORT CARD HAVEN UL-AT6737 LR-AT9031 VIC AT80350

G. EXTRCTIONS PLANNED FOR 10 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT VIC AT880350

3. (C) LOC OF RECON TMS AS OF 092400H

A. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT637378

B. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250

C. F-31 RECORD AT812266

D. F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT819924

E. F-51 GRIM REAPER AT879309

4. (C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS

N/A

5. (G) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS:

(1) (LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 081216H VIC AT86355. TM OBSR

(4) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED

(1) GRAY PACK, (2) KHAKI PACKS AND (1) GREEN PACK. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(2) (LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 081216H VIC AT86355. TM OBSR

(1) NVA MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED A KHAKI PACK. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(3) (LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 081216H VIC AT86355. TM OBSR

(10) NVA AND (6) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. NVA WORE RAISNUTS AND

(5) HELMETS. VC WORE BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED (15) GRAY PACKS.

NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(4) (LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 081250H VIC AT86355. TM OBSR

(19) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE GMU AND RAIN GEAR.
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SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS


2. F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 0900H TO OBS 0930H VIC AT LA 543F. 20M BLACK PANTS, (15) KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, (10) KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. (40) RAINSUITS, (7) PITH HELMETS AND (12) COOLIE HATS. EN CARRIED (10) KHAKI PACS, (5) GREEN PACS AND (5) GRAY PACS. IM COULD NOT PBOX ANY RIFLES BECAUSE OF A LOW CLOUD COVERING WHICH LIMITED THEIR VISTAILITY. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF THE 3. F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 0900H VIC AT LAS 345F. 0930H (27) VC MOVING S ON TRAIL. EN CARRIED (15) PONCHOS, (2) RAINCOATS AND 4. F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 0900H VIC AT LAS 345F. 0930H (27) VC MOVING S ON TRAIL. EN CARRIED (15) PONCHOS, (2) RAINCOATS AND
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(3) 42D SHIFTS SHORT AT O366465 TO O366525.  EN OOB.
(1) VC MEXICANS OR TRAIL.  EN WOR (28) BLACK, (15)
WHITE SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, (10) WHITE SHIRTS AND BLACK
TROUSERS, (11) RAINCOATS, (7) WHITE HATS AND WHITE GOGGLES
VICS.  EN OOB (29) BLUE FLAKES, (5) BLUE PANTS AND (5)
WHITE PANTS.  EN OOB FOR USE ANY REFLEXES DUE TO A LOW
DAY OFFICER WHICH RESTRICT THEIR VIGILANCE.  NO ACTION TAKEN
DUE TO PRESENCE OF TRAIL.

(2) 42D SHIFTS SHORT AT O366465 TO O366525.  EN OOB.
(2) VC MEXICANS ON TRAIL.  EN WOR (22) BLACK TROUSERS
AND WHITE SHIRTS, (11) WHITE HATS AND WHITE GOGGLES
VICS.  NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PRESENCE OF TRAIL.

(1) 42D SHIFTS SHORT AT O366465 TO O366525.  EN OOB.
(10) VC MEXICANS ON TRAIL.  EN WOR (7) RAINCOATS, (1) WHITE UNIFORM,
(5) GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, (1) GREEN UNIFORMS, (2)
WHITE PANTS, (1) WHITE HATS AND (1) COOKI раньше.  NO CONTACT
(11) WHITE HATS AND (5) BLUE PANTS AND (5) BLUE PANTS.  NO
ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PRESENCE OF TRAIL.

(1) 42D VC MEXICANS ON TRAIL.  EN WOR (5) HAT, (1) COWBOY HAT, AND (1)
WHITE UNIFORMS.  NO CONTACT WITH (5) VC MEXICANS AROUND (1) COOKI раньше.
(1) COOKI раньше.  NO CONTACT WITH (1) WOR, (2) TROUSERS, AND (5) TROUSERS
VICS.  NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PRESENCE OF TRAIL.  NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO
PRESENCE OF TRAIL.
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(1/22) POSI RECORD AT OZ-5464 VIC AT 1836267. TM MADE CONTACT WITH

(2) MALE VC AND (1) FEMALE MOVING FF ON TRAIL IN UTILITY BLACK
PJ'S. (1) MALE CARRIED A AK-47. BOTH MALES CARRIED PACKS AND
FEMALE HAD A HAMMOCK AND RICE. A SAMPLE OF RICE WAS OBTAINED.

THE FEMALE WIA P/OW, (1/2) HRS LATER DIED OF WOUNDS. TM
UTILIZED AO TO BREAK CONTACT.

6. (C) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
NONE

CF-4
DO
TO: CO III MAR

FROM: CO XCVI CORPS

MEMO:

I. FIRST MAR

CG AMERICAN DIV

CG JOINT ARM DIV

FIFTH MAR

SEVENTH MAR

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TWENTY-SIXTH MAR

MAR ONE SIX

CG FIFTH AFRA

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III MAR FOR OCC (O-2 COL.)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SET REP #253-69 100001H TO 102400H SEPTEMBER 69 (O)

1. (O) OF (7) RECON THIS THERE ARE (3) THE OEP AT (3) LOC IN THE
FIRST MAR DIV TAC OA. OF (1) (SLF) RECON THIS THERE ARE NO THE OEP
IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAC.

2. (O) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED

(1) F-41 REPORT CARD AT 10083CH HATCH VL-AT8737 LR=AT880350 VIG

AT880350

b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED

(1) F-41 Src SHEET SCOUT AT 10083CH VIG AT880350

c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED

NONE

d. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED

NONE

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(LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 091430H VIG AT886355. TM
OBSR (10) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (3) KHAKI UNIFORMS,
(5) BLACK PJ'S AND (2) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF GREEN
SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. EN CARRIED (10) PACKS, (1) (7) FT
POLE, AND (1) LARGE ROCKET TYPE (5) FT LONG AND (5) INCHES IN
DIAMETER. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 091432H VIG AT886355. TM
OBSR (4) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING
OF KHAKI SHIRTS AND GREEN TROUSERS. EN CARRIED BUNDLES OF
CHOPPED WOOD (2") FT WIDE AND (2) FT IN DIAMETER. NO ACTION
TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 091510H VIG AT886355. TM
OBSR (1) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (3) GREEN UTILITIES
AND (1) KHAKI UTILITIES. EN CARRIED (3) KHAKI PACKS AND (1)
GREEN PACK. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 091517H VIG AT886355. TM
OBSR (6) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (1) BLACK PJ, (1)
GREEN UTILITIES AND (4) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF GREEN
SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. EN CARRIED (6) PACKS AND (2)
RIFLES. FIRST EN AND LAST EN CARRIED RIFLES. NO ACTION
TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(LATE ENTRY) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 091725H VIG AT886355. TM
OBSR (2) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (1) KHAKI UNIFORM AND
(1) MIXED UNIFORM CONSISTING OF GREEN SHIRT AND BLACK TROUSERS.
EN CARRIED (1) KHAKI PACK, (1) GREEN PACK AND (2) RIFLES. EN
CARRIED RIFLES AT SLING ARMS WITH BARRELS POINTING DOWN. NO
ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
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OBSR (26) MALE AND (18) FEMALE VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. FEMALE VC WORE BLACK DRESSES, (6) MALE VC WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, (5) MALE VC WORE BLACK PJ'S AND (15) MALE VC WORE MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS AND KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. EN CARRIED (30) GRAY PACKS, (7) KHAKI PACKS AND (7) GREEN PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(LATE ENTRY) F-4L SWIFT SCOUT AT 091815H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (11) MALE AND (3) FEMALE VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. FEMALE VC WORE BLACK DRESSES, (10) MALE VC WORE BLACK PJ'S, (3) MALE VC WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, (28) MALE VC WORE MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS AND KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS AND (12) WORE PITH HELMETS. EN CARRIED (7) RIFLES, (9) KHAKI PACKS AND (10) CAMOUFLAGE PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

F-4L SWIFT SCOUT AT 100615H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (153) VC MOVING S ON TRAIL. EN WORE (98) BLACK PJ'S, (26) KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, (30) GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, (1) GREEN UTILITIES AND (1) COOLIE HAT. EN CARRIED (129) KHAKI PACKS, (7) PACKS CAMOUFLAGE WITH BRANCHES, (10) GREEN PACKS, (8) RIFLES, AND (2) EN CARRIED (1) EN IN A HAMMOCK ON A POLE. TM OBSR (2) ROUND OBJECTS, (1) WAS OBLONG (28) INCHES BY (10) INCHES AND (1) WAS ROUND (32) INCHES IN DIAMETER. THE EN IN GREEN UTILITIES DIDN'T CARRY ANY GEAR. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

F-6L REPORT CARD AT 100925H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (1) NVA MOVING S ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES, BOOTS AND PITH HELMET. EN CARRIED A GREEN PACK CAMOUFLAGE WITH BRANCHES.
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NEWLY VISITED BUNKER AND STOPPED OGTEN TO OBSR AREA. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 101300H VIC AT886355: TM OBSR (41) NVA MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (10) GREEN UTILITIES, (11) BLACK PJ'S, (5) KHAKI UNIFORMS, (6) GRAY UNIFORMS, (9) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS AND (5) PITH HELMETS. EN CARRIED (28) PACKS, (2) AK-47'S, (1) 82MM NORTH BASE PLATE AND (1) SET OF RAIN GEAR. THE PACKS APPEARED TO BE EMPTY. EN WERE DOUBLE TIMING DOWN THE TRAIL. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 101155H VIC AT886355: TM OBSR (7) NVA MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (1) KHAKI UNIFORM, (2) GREEN UNIFORMS, (1) BLACK UNIFORM AND (3) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. EN CARRIED (5) PACKS AND (1) EN CARRIED A BROWN CYLINDER (2) FT LONG AND (14) INCHES IN DIAMETER. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 101130H VIC AT886355: TM OBSR (2) NVA MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (1) BLACK UNIFORM AND (1) GRAY UNIFORM. EN CARRIED (1) PACK AND (1) CARTRIDGE BELT. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 101320H VIC AT886355: TM OBSR (15) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (17) KHAKI UNIFORMS, (2) GRAY UNIFORMS, (6) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, (2) BLUE UNIFORMS, (10) BLACK PJ'S AND (8) GREEN UTILITIES. EN CARRIED (12) PACKS, (26) PITH HELMETS, (2) RIFLES, (1) CARTRIDGE BELT AND (1) PISTOL. THE FIRST (30) PACKS WERE CAMOUFLAged WITH LEAVES. THE LAST (2) EN LEFT TRAIL VIC AT886355. BELIEVED TO BE A BASE AND NOT
F-61 GRIM REAPER AT 101350H TO 101355H VIC AT883706. TM OBSR
(73) VC MOVING SE ON TRAIL. EN WORE (10) GREEN UTILITIES,
(35) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK
TROUSERS AND GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS AND (45) PITH
HELMETS. EN CARRIED (26) AK-47'S, (15) S55'S, (1) HEAVY HG,
(1) LIGHT MG, (2) 82mm MORTAR TUBES, (1) RADIO, (42) PACKS, AND
(4) ROCKETS (5) FT LONG WHICH WERE SILVER IN COLOR AND CONE
SHAPED. (3) EN APPEARED TO HAVE MORTAR RDS IN THEIR PACKS. (2)
EN APPEARED TO BE TRAIL GUARDS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY
OF TM.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 101505H TO 101510H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR
(6) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (1) KHAKI UNIFORM, (1)
GRAY UNIFORM, (4) BLACK PJ'S, (1) PITH HELMET AND (1) CODIC.
HAT. EN CARRIED (4) PACKS AND (1) METAL CYLINDER (5) FT LONG
AND (6) INCHES IN DIAMETER. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY
OF TM.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 101530H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (4) NVA AND
(3) FEMALE VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. NVA WORE (3) GREEN UNIFORMS
AND (1) GRAY UNIFORM. FEMALE VC WORE BLUE SHIRTS AND BLACK
TROUSERS. EN CARRIED (7) PACKS, (3) HELMETS, (1) BROWN CYLINDER
(2) FT LONG AND (4) INCHES IN DIAMETER AND (3) BUNDLES OF
STICKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 101600H TO 101610H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR
(8) NVA AND (2) MALE CAUCASIANS MOVING N. (6) EN WORE KHAKIS,
(1) WORE GRAY UTILITIES AND (1) WORE A GREEN SHIRT AND BLACK
TROUSERS. EN CARRIED (2) RIFLES, (1) PAC-Mswing AND (2)
HELMETS. CAUCASIANS WERE (5) MINUTES AHEAD OF NVA. BOTH
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CONTROLLERS HAD RIFLES AND WERE KHAKI, SHORT SLEEVE SHIRTS.
KHAKI SHORTS, WITH HELMETS AND CARRIED PACKS. THEY WERE ABOUT
(6) FT TALL AND WEIGHED ABOUT (200) LBS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE
TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 101620H VIC AT383555. FM ODER (1) NVA
MOVING S. IN WORE KHAKIS AND CARRIED (1) AK-47. NO ACTION
TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(1) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

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CG FIRST MAR
CG III MAF
INFO: CG X Corps
CG FIRST MAR
CG AMERICAN DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAG ONE SIX
CO C FIFTH SFCA

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III MAF FOR COC (0-2 COL)
FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #254-69 110001H TO 112400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (7) RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE
   FIRST MAR DIV TAC. OF (4) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE ARE NO TMS IN
   THE FIRST MAR DIV TAC.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS
   a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
      (1) F-31 RECORD AT 111800H VIC AT642271
   c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE
   d. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE
   e. REASON INSERTIONS/EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      N/A
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G. REPORTS PLANNED FOR 12 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) A-21 LUNCH MEAT (SIF) HAVEN UL-AT9141 LR-AT9136 VIC AT924402

(2) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SIF) HAVEN UL-AT8832 LR-AT9129 VIC AT892306

(3) K-52 TENTET SHOW (SIF)- HAVEN-UL-AT91439- LR-AT9195- VIC #957377

g. EXTRAC­TIONS PLANNED FOR 12 SEPTEMBER 69

NONE

(c) LOC OF OPER TMS AS OF 112100H

a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378

b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250

c. F-51 GRIM REAPER AT875306

d. F-61 REPORT CARD AT879351

(c) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS

N/A

5. (c) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

a. (LATE ENTRY) F-51 GRIM REAPER AT 103410H TO 101545H VIC AT874307. TM OBSR (29) NVA, (38) VC AND (13) VC FEMALES MOVING SW ON TRAIL. NVA WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS, VC WORE (25) GREEN UTILITIES, (12) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS AND GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, (31) PITH HELMETS AND VC FEMALES WORE (9) BLACK PJ'S AND (4) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF BROWN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. EN CARRIED (18) AK-47'S, (9) SKS'S, (1) MG, (1) ROCKET, SILVER IN COLOR CARRIED BY (2) EN, (65) PACKS, (11) OF WHICH WERE WHITE. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
TM OBSR AN ESTIMATED (100) NVA HARBOARING IN AREA. TM COULD NOT OBSR UNIFORMS OR EQUIPMENT DUE TO HEAVY UNDERGROWTH. EN WAS COOKING FOOD, TALKING AND LAUGHING LOUDLY, AND MANY WERE COUGHING. TM OBSR (2) EN, (1) NVA AND (1) VC. FEMALE HAVING INTERCOURSE (35) METERS SE OF THE POSITION. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

a. (LATE ENTRY) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 101640H TO 101840H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (56) NVA AND (5) VC FEMALE MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (30) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS AND BROWN SHIRTS AND GREEN TROUSERS, (13) GREEN UTILITIES, (11) KHAKI UNIFORMS, (2) BLACK PJ'S AND (5) HELMETS. EN CARRIED (7) RIFLES, (22) PACKS, (1) 122MM ROCKETS, (3) ARTILLERY PROJECTILES AND (22) BROWN TUBES (1) FT LONG AND (3) INCHES IN DIAMETER. (1) EN WAS BEING CARRIED ON A LITTER. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

d. F-61 REPORT CARD AT 110630H TO 111725H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (39) NVA MOVING S AND (60) NVA MOVING N. EN WORE (13) KHAKIS, (25) GREEN UNIFORMS, (2) GRAY UNIFORMS, (19) BLACK PJ'S, (17) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF KHAKI TOPS, GREEN TOPS, BLACK BOTTOMS, (1) BUSH HAT AND (26) PITH HELMETS. EN CARRIED (4) AK-47'S, (1) DARK COLORED CYLINDER (3) FT LONG AND (5) INCHES IN DIAMETER AND (2) MEN ON LITTERS NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
e. F-51 GRIM REAPER AT 110810H TO 111305H VIC AT 074306. TM OBSR

(62) NVA MOVING NW TO SE, (11) VC AND (1) VC FEMALES MOVING SE TO NW. EN WORE (39) KHAKI UNIFORMS, (12) GREEN UNIFORMS, (16) BLACK PJ'S, (11) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF GREEN AND KHAKI TOPS, AND BLACK, GREEN AND KHAKI BOTTOMS AND (6) STEEL HELMETS. EN CARRIED (17) AK-47'S, (7) SKS'S, (2) M-16'S AND (65) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

6. (c) ADDITIONAL CONTENTS

NONE

CP-4

BT
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TO: CG III MAF
INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAF
CG AMERICAL DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAG ONE SIX
CO C FIFTH SF3A

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III MAF FOR COG (G-2 COL)
FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #255-69 1200H TO 122400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (G) OF (7) OPER RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (4) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (G) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS
a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
   (1) A-21 LUNCH MEAT (SLF) AT 121315H HAVEN UL-AT9141 LR-AT9438
   VIC AT917400
   (2) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) AT 121315H HAVEN UL-AT8832 LR-AT9130
   VIC AT883294
b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
   NONE
c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
   (1) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF)

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FOUR EXTRICATIONS NOT COMPLETE

1. REASON INSERTION/EXTRACTION NOT COMPLETED

(2) TM NOT INSERTED: AREA WAS NOT CLEARED BY SEVENTH MAR.

2. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 13 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-11 DETROIT TIGERS HAVEN UL-AT8737 IR-AT9024 VIC AT893357
(2) F-62 HUDDER HAVEN UL-AT8933 IR-AT8830 VIC AT882313
(3) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT8231 IR-AT8526 VIC AT815286

3. EXTRICATIONS PLANNED FOR 13 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-51 GRIM REAPER VIC AT862313

3a. LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 1200H

3b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378

3c. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250

4. F-51 GRIM REAPER AT880310

4. F-61 REPORT CARD AT863352

5. A-21 LUNCH MEAT AT925404

6. A-31 RABBIT HUTCH AT89300.

4. (C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS

N/A

5. (C) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

5. (LATE ENTRY) F-51 GRIM REAPER AT 1115H TO 1115H VIC

(b) 2,140 CONTAINERS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(c) (LATE ENTRY) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 112000H TO 120500H VIC AT881364. TM OBSR (1) G/P FIRE BURNING ALL NIGHT. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(d) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 120630H TO 121735H VIC AT866355. TM OBSR (132) NVA, (2) VC, (1) VC FEMALE ALL MOVING N ON TRAIL AND (3) NVA MOVING S ON TRAIL. EN WORE (38) KHAKI UNIFORMS, (20) GREEN UTILITIES, (12) BLACK PJ'S, (6) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF GREEN, KHAKI AND BLACK TOPS, AND KHAKI, GREEN, AND BLACK BOTTOMS, (2) COOLIE HATS AND (38) PITH HELMETS. EN CARRIED (2) AK-47'S, (9) UNIDENTIFIED RIFLES, (2) CARTRIDGE BELTS, (12) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(e) F-51 GRIM REAPER AT 120930H TO 121035H VIC AT874306. TM OBSR (68) NVA AND (1) VC FEMALE MOVING SE ON TRAIL. EN WORE (35) KHAKIS, (11) GREEN UTILITIES, (16) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF WHITE, GREEN AND KHAKI TOPS, AND BLACK, AND GREEN BOTTOMS, AND (46) PITH HELMETS. EN CARRIED (22) AK-47'S, (11) SKS'S, (1) M-16, (1) .45 CAL SUBMACHINE GUN, (1) LIGHT MACHINE GUN, (9) UNIDENTIFIED RIFLES AND (68) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(f) F-51 GRIM REAPER AT 121335H VIC AT875306. TM OBSR (8) NVA TRAIL WATCHES BUT COULD NOT GET CLOSE ENOUGH TO IDENTIFY CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT DUE TO LACK OF CONCEALMENT. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(g) A-21 LUNCH MEAT AT 121615H VIC AT924403. TM FOUND (1) AIRCRAFT JET ENGINE (3) FT BY (3) FT. ENGINE WAS IN (1) PIECE AND HAD VERY LITTLE RUST ON IT. APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN ON GROUND (2) WEEKS TO (1) MONTH IN POOL EMERG.
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III MAF FOR OCC (O-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON SIT REP #257-69 110001H TO 112400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (7) RECON TMS THERE ARE (3) TMS OPER AT (3) LOC IN THE
   FIRST MAR DIV TACR. OF (4) (SIF) RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS
   OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TACR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS
   a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE
   d. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE

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RECON INSERTION/EXTRACTION NOT COMPLETED

N/A

f. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 15 SEPTEMBER 69
   (1) F-31 RECORD HAVEN UL-48737 IR-AT9034 VIC AT 878351
   (2) A022 VESPER BELLS (SLF) HAVEN UL-201832 IR-AT7929 VIC 7207307

g. EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR 15 SEPTEMBER 69
   (1) F-61 REPORT CARD VIC AT878351

3. (c) LOG OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 142400H
   a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378
   b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250
   c. F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT893355
   d. F-62 RUDDER AT877319
   e. A-21 LUNCH MEAT AT921399
   f. A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) AT895303

4. (c) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS
   N/A

5. (3) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS
   a. (LATE ENTRY) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 131715H TO 131745H VIC AT886355.
      TM OBSR (9) NVA AND (4) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (7)
      GREEN UTILITIES, (1) BLACK PJ'S AND (2) MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING
      OF KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. EN CARRIED (3) AK-47'S, (9)
      UNK PACKS, (3) 82MM ROCKET ROUNDS, (1) ROCKET WARHEAD AND (1) BLACK
      CYLINDER (3) FT LONG AND (6) INCHES IN DIAMETER. NO ACTION
      TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
   b. (LATE ENTRY) F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 131735H VIC AT890354.
      TM MADE UNAVOIDABLE CONTACT WITH (12) NVA MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN
      WORE KHAKI UNIFORMS AND GREEN UTILITIES. EN CARRIED (4) 62MM
      MORTAR ROUNDS AND (1) 62MM MORTAR TUBE. TM MADE CONTACT AND
      MOVED OUT OF AREA DUE TO PRIMARY MISSION. NO CASUALTIES OBSR.
E-61 REPORT CARD AT 140630H TO 141105H VIC AT390357. TM OBSR
(2) NVA MOVING S ON TRAIL AND (13) NVA AND (4) VC MOVING N
ON TRAIL. EN WORE (3) GREEN UTILITIES, (16) WHITE SHIRTS
WITH BLACK TROUSERS, (1) KHAKI SHIRT WITH BLACK TROUSERS AND
(4) BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED (6) RIFLES, TYPE UNK, (7) PITH
HELMETS AND (18) PACKS. COULD NOT OBSR CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT
DUE TO HEAVY CLOUD COVERING. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY
OF TM.

d. F-11 DETROIT TIJERS AT 1625H VIC OF AT891355. HAND-IED'S
INSTALLED AT 1625H VIC OF AT891355 DETAIL LOCATIONS DETERMINED
UPON PATROL EXTRACTION.

6. (C) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
NONE

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TO: CG III MAF
INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
      CG FIRST MAW
      CG AMERICAN DIV
      FIFTH MAR
      SEVENTH MAR
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      TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
      MAG ONE SIX
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III MAF FOR GOC (O-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #258-69 150001H TO 152400H SEPTEMBER 69 (0)

1. (g) OF (7) RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST
   MAR DIV TAOR. OF (4) (SIF) RECON TMS THERE ARE (3) TMS OPER AT (3)
   LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (g) INSERTIONS & EXTRactions
   a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      (1) A-22 VESPER HELLS (SIF) AT 151145H HAVEN UL-ZG1832 LR-AT: 29
         VIC ZG2052NC
      (2) F-31 RECORD AT 151537H HAVEN UL-AT8737 LR-AT9032L VIC
         AT880350

   b. EXTRactions COMPLETED
      (1) A-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 152625H VIC AT895354
      (2) L-61 REPORT CARD AT 15153OH VIC AT880350

   c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
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None

Reason: Insertions/Extractions Not Completed

N/A

Insertions Planned for 16 September 69

1. A-32 Puppet Show (SILF) Haven UL-AT9141 IR-AT9138 Vic AT918399

Extractions Planned for 16 September 69

1. A-31 Rabbit Hutch (SILF) Vic AT897302

2. A-21 Lunch Meat (SILF) Vic AT918399

LOG Of OER Recon TIs As of 152400H

1. Radio Relay Stone Pit "A" AT837324

2. Radio Relay Stone Pit "B" AT837325

3. F-31 Record AT882353

4. F-62 Rudder AT837324

5. A-21 Lunch Meat (SILF) AT913797

6. A-22 Vesper Bells (SILF) 20202294

7. A-31 Rabbit Hutch (SILF) AT897302

I. Increase/Decrease in Avail Recon TIs

N/A

C. Sighting & Contacts

1. F-11 Detroit Tigers at 150630H Vic AT893355. TM Heard What Sounded Like a Diesel Engine Revving Up. Engine Sounded Similar to Our Tanks Engines. Direction of Sound 290° To Be Approx 1500 M NG To NNE. No Action Taken Due to Proximity of TM.

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BLACK TROUSERS. EN CARRIED (10) PACKS, (2) AK-47'S AND (1) SKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TH.

F-31 RECORD AT 151700H TO 151720H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (18) NVA MOVING N ON TRAIL AND (2) NVA MOVING S ON TRAIL. EN WORE (13) GREEN UTILITIES, (7) KHAKIS AND (1) DRESS GREEN UNIFORM. EN CARRIED (14) PACKS, (6) AK-47'S, (4) BOLT ACTION RIFLES AND (5) STEEL HELMETS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TH.

6.  (G) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

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TO: CG III MAF

FROM: CG XXIV CORPS
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III MAF FOR COC (G-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #259-69 160001R TO 162400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (c) OF (7) OPER RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (4) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (c) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED

   (1) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT 160958H HAVEN UL-AT9141 IR-AT9438 VIC AT923399

b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED

   (1) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) AT 160958H VIC AT897302

   (2) A-21 LUNCH MEAT (SLF) AT 160958H VIC AT923399

c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED

   NONE

d. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED

   NONE

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c. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 17 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-111 DEPT SCOUT HAVEN UL-ZG2026 IR-AT8026 VIG AT800724
(2) F-51 GTF REAP HAVEN UL-AT8133 IR-AT8830 VIG AT85325

g. EXTRCTIONS PLANNED FOR 17 SEPTEMBER 69
(1) F-62 RUDER VIC AT853324

3. (C) LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 26240H

a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837373
b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250
c. F-31 RECORD AT882354
d. F-61 RUDER AT853326
e. A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) ZG204303
f. A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT919399

4. (C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS

N/A

5. (C) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

a. A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 160715H VIG ZG206295. TM FOUND TRAIL MARKINGS LYING ON TRAIL SW TO NE. MARKINGS WERE (3) BUNCHES OF (15) TO (20) STICKS TIED TOGETHER. MARKINGS WERE POINTING NE. THE END OF THE STICKS WERE BURNT. (1) BUNCH OF STICKS WAS ABOUT (5) FT FROM THE OTHERS AND WAS POINTING E. (5) METERS W OF THE MARKINGS WERE FRESHLY CUT TREES.

b. STONE PIT "A" AT 160159H TO 161655H VIG AT890352. (2) DUFFLE BAG METAL DET. ACTIVATIONS AND (8) DUFFLE BAG ACTIVATIONS.

c. F-31 RECORD AT 161023H TO 161735H VIG AT886355. TM OBSR (43) NVA AND (9) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORK (33) GREEN UTILITIES.

(10) KHAKIS AND (9) BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED (13) AK-47'S.

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6. (c) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
NONE

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TO: CG III MAF
INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
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III MAF FOR COG (G-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CG SIT REP #260-69 170001H TO 172400H SEPTEMBER 69 (1)

1. (C) OF (6) OPER RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN
   THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (3) (SIF) RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS
   OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS
   a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      (1) F-41 SWIFT SCOUT
      (2) F-51 REAPER
   d. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      (1) F-52 REAPER

REASON INSERTIONS/EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
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1. Insertions planned for 18 September 69

(a) F-41 Swift Scout Haven UL-ZC2027 WZ-AT023 VC AT800239
(b) F-51 RUM Reaper Haven UL-AT8433 IF-AT830 VC AT345328

2. Extractions planned for 18 September 69

(a) F-62 Rudder AT845328

3. LOC of Oper Recon TMS as of 172400H

(a) Radio Relay Stone Pit "A" AT837378
(b) Radio Relay Stone Pit "B" AT990250
(c) F-31 Record AT863348
(d) F-62 Rudder AT844329

(e) A-22 Vesper Bells (SLF) ZC200306
(f) A-32 Puppet Show (SLF) AT929398

4. Increase/Decrease in Avail Recon TMS

(a) Decrease (1) for Recon TM due to sickness and injury.
(b) Decrease (1) (SLF) Recon TM due to deployment.

5. Sightings & Contacts

(a) F-31 Record at 171230H to 171500H Vic AT889355. TM OBSR (38)
   NVA and (20) VC Moving N on Trail. EM Wore (20) Black Shorts
   and Khaki Shirts, (19) Black PJ's, (7) Khaki Shorts and Shirts,
   (7) Green Utilities, (23) Fitted Helmets, (1) Steel Helmet and
   (1) Bush Cover. EM Carried (5) AK-47's, (2) Boat Action Rifles,
   (1) SKS, (1) RPG Rocket Launcher, (1) Wooden Crate (2x) FT by
   (2x) FT by (2x) FT, (2) Cartridge Belts with Ranger Straps, (1)
   Small Pouch and (10) Packs. (8) EM were Camouflaged. No
   Action Taken due to Proximity of TM.
(b) A-22 Vesper Bells (SLF) at 171000H to 171720H Vic ZC195315.
   TM OBSR (14) NVA Moving SE, (30) NVA and (1) NVA Arm (4)
A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 170715H VIC ZC2C53C 1
HUZAP APROX (8) 7T NO. (10) FT WIDE AND (32)
SIDE
OF HILL, NO ACTION TAKEN.

A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT 170930H VIC AT925397
PIECE OF AN AIRCRAFT (4) FT BY (3) FT. TM VER
PHOTOGRAPHS.

F-62 RUDDER AT 171120H VIC AT840328. TM HEAT
SW IN DRAW. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY.

F-62 RUDDER AT 171220H VIC AT844333. TM HEAT
SW ALONG STREAM. VOICES INDICATED PRESENCE OF
NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

STONE PIT "A" AT 170710H TO 170820H VIC AT690041
DUFFIN BAG ACTIVATIONS.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
NONE

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TO: CO III MAF
INFO: CJ XXIV CORPS
CO FIRST MAW
CG AFRICA DIV
CG LOBST AFR DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAG ONE SIX
CO C FIFTH SF

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III MAF FOR COC (G-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #261-69 180001H TO 182400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (5) RECON TMS THERE IS (1) TM OPER AT (1) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (3) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) (SLF) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
   (1) P-51 GRIM REAPER AT 181017H HAVEN UL-AT8333 LR-AT8730 VICT AT845326
   (2) P-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 181045H HAVEN UL-ZG2026 LR-AT8023 VICT AT798239

b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
   (1) P-52 RUDDER AT 181017H VICT AT845326
   (2) P-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 181330H VICT AT798239
   (3) P-51 GRIM REAPER AT 181658H VICT AT840337

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EXTRACTION NOT COMPLETED

None

d. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED

None

e. REASON INSERTION/EXTRACTION NOT COMPLETED

N/A

f. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 19 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-11 DETROIT TIGERS HAVEN UL-AT8737 LR-AT9034 VIC AT877353

g. EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR 19 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-31 RECORD VIC AT877353

(2) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) VIC ZC195305

\( \text{(C) LOG OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 182400H} \)

a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378

b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250

c. F-31 RECORD AT83348

d. A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) ZC199305

e. A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT930365

\( \text{(C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS} \)

N/A

\( \text{(C) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS} \)

a. (LATE ENTRY) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 171745H VIC ZC195315.

TM OBSR (2) VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S AND

CARRIED (2) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

b. (LATE ENTRY) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 171805H VIC ZC196308.

TM OBSR (3) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE (1) BLACK

UTILITIES AND (2) GRAY PONCHOS. EN CARRIED (1) RIFLE AND (2)

PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
(LATE ENTRY) F-31 RECORD AT 171825H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (12)
NVA AND (2) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (12) GREEN SHIRTS AND KHAKI TROUSERS AND (2) BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED (14)
Packs AND (2) AK-47'S. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(LATE ENTRY) STONE PIT "A" AT 172220H VIC AT8900354L. (16)
DUFFLE BAG ACTIVATIONS.

F-31 RECORD AT 180730H VIC AT885352. TM OBSR (16) NVA MOVING S ON TRAIL. EN WORE PONCHO'S. TM COULD NOT OBSR EQUIP DUE TO PONCHO'S COVERING EQUIP. TM BELIEVES THERE IS EN BASE CAMP AT VIC AT885351. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

F-31 RECORD AT 181240H TO 181615H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (26)
NVA AND (21) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (15) KEVLAR JOS AND (11) BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED (4) BOLT ACTION RIFLES, (3) SKS'S, (23) PITH HELMETS, (14) PACKS, (3) 60MM MORTAR TUBES, (7) CANNISTERS (1/2) FT LONG BY (5) INCHES IN DIAMETER AND (1) FLAK JACKET. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 180615H VIC ZC195318. TM OBSR (1)
NVA MOVING SW ON TRAIL. EN WORE (1) PONCHO AND CARRIED (1)
UNK TYPE RIFLE. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 181015H TO 181310H VIC ZC196308.
TM OBSR (4) NVA AND (3) VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL. EN WORE (1)
GREEN UTILITIES, (3) KHAKIS AND (3) BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED (3) UNK TYPE RIFLES AND (7) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

F-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 181300H VIC AT796232. TM INITIATED
PRISONER ACQUISITION. RESULTS: (4) NVA KIA AND (1) NVA WIA
k. F-51 GRIM REAPER AT 181200H VIC AT846329. TM MADE UNAVOIDABLE CONTACT WITH (25) NVA. EN WORE (10) KHAKIS AND (15) GREEN UTILITIES. EN CARRIED (4) AK-47'S, (3) SKS'S AND (2) M-16'S. RESULTS: (11) NVA KIA. TM WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO MOVE OUT OF PROPOSED CIDG OPERATING AREA BY (19) SEP (69) AS PLANNED. TM WAS ROUTINELY EXTRACTED AT VIC AT840337

6. (G) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

NONE

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TO: CG III MAF
INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAR
CG AMERICAN DIV
CG 101ST AIN DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAG ONE SIX
CO C FIFTH SFQA

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XII MAF FOR COC (G-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #262-69 190001H TO 192400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (G) OF (6) OPER RECON TMS THERE IS (1) TM OPER AT (1) LOC IN THE
   FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (3) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE IS (3) TM OPER
   AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (G) INSERTIONS & EXTRCTIONS
   a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      (1) F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 191725H HAVEN UL-AT8737 LR-AT9034
         VIC AT877353
   b. EXTRCTIONS COMPLETED
      (1) F-31 RECORD AT 191725H VIC AT877353
      (2) A-22 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 191725H VIC ZG19305
   c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED

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g. REASON EXTRACTION NOT COMPLETED
   N/A

f. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 20 SEPTEMBER 69
   (1) F-51 GRIM REAPER HAVEN UL-AT8633 LR-AT9030 VIC AT869292
   (2) F-61 REPORT CARD HAVEN UL-AT4777 LR-AT9729 VIC AT953355
   (3) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT9339 LR-AT9636 VIC AT935380

g. EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR 20 SEPTEMBER 69
   (1) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) VIC AT935380

3. (c) LOC OF OPer RECON TMS AS OF 192400H
   a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378
   b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250
   c. F-11 DETROIT TJERS AT883352
   d. A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT935381

4. (c) INCREASE-DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS
   N/A

5. (c) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS
   a. (LATE ENTRY) F-31 RECORD AT 181715H VIC AT863355. TM OBSR
      (12) NVA AND (10) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL. THE NVA WORE (7)
      GREEN UTILITIES AND (5) KHAKI UNIFORMS. THE VC WORE (10)
      BLACK PJ'S. THE EN CARRIED (1) AK-47'S, (1) SKS, (8) PITH
      HELMETS AND (22) HEAVY PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO
      PROXIMITY OF TM.

6. (c) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
   NONE

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FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #263-69 200001H TO 202400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (6) RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (2) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE IS (1) TM OPER AT (1) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED

(1) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) AT 201120H HAVEN UL-AT93120 IR-AT9637 VIC AN975969

(2) F-51 GRIM REAPER AT 201145H HAVEN UL-AT8633 IR-AT9029 VIC AS969232

b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED

(1) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT 201120H VIC AT869229

c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED HAS BEEN SENT 2016257 REP 69

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3. (C) LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 202400H
   a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378
   b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250
   c. F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT881351
   d. F-51 GRIM REAPER AT869302
   e. A-31 RABBIT HUTCH AT937393

4. (C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS
   a. DECREASE (1) (SIF) RECON TM DUE TO DEPLOYMENT.

5. (C) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS
   a. (LATE ENTRY) F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 191820H VIC AT912373. TM HEARD WHAT SOUNDED LIKE A DIESEL ENGINE REVVING UP. THE ENGINE SOUNDED SIMILAR TO OUR TANKS ENGINES. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
   b. F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 200710 TO 201500H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (73) NVA AND (27) VC MOVING N ON TRAIL AND (17) NVA AND (6) VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL. (33) EN Wearing BLACK PJ'S, (50) KHAKI UNIFORMS, (29) GREEN UTILITIES, (51) GREEN SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS, (16) RAINCOATS, (4) PONCHOS AND (35) NVA HELMETS. EN CARRIED (36) BAGS, (26) RATION WAFFLE (21) FT LONG AND (2) FT
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11. (3) 1/2 ft square whites in color and (24) were light brown. (62) were (24) ft square and were light brown in color, (12) AK-47's, (4) SKS's, (5) bolt action rifles, (1) pistol, (1) mortar tube believed to be a 60mm and (1) silver cylinder (4) ft long.

Sightings during this time period were (8) to (10) en in any single group. Of the foregoing, 72 packs and the silver cylinder were moving N; mortar tube moving SE.

6. (c) Additional comments

None

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TO: CO III MAF
INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
      CG FIRST MAW
      CG AMERICAN DIV
      CG 1ST ABN DIV
      FIFTH MAR
      SEVENTH MAR
      ELEVENTH MAR
      TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
      MAG ONE SIX
      CO C FIFTH SF GA

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III MAF FOR COC (O-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP #264-69 2100GHT TO 2224GHT SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (6) OPER RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LLC IN THE
FIRST MAR DIV TACR. OF (2) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE ARE NO TMS OPER
IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TACR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS
   a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
      (1) A-31 RABBIT HUTCH (SLF) (EMERGENCY)
   c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      (1) F-41 SWIFT SPOUT
   d. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE
   e. REASON INSERTION/EXTRACTION NOT COMPLETED:

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RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE IN HLZ.

f. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 22 SEPTEMBER 69
   (1) F-41 FLAT ALUMINUM BALLISTIC HELMETS, PIC: "A" AT 837378
   AT 837378

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3. (c) LOC OF OPEN RECON TMS AS OF 212400H

   a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT 837378
   b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT 990250
   c. F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 8823; 8
   d. F-11 GRIM REAPER AT 873310

4. (c) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAILABLE RECON TMS
   N/A

5. (c) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

   a. (LATE ENTRY) F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 201630H VIC AT 868355. TM OBTAINED.
      OBS: (17) NVA MOVING N ON TRAIL. EN WORE (1) BLACK UTILITIES,
      (16) GREEN UTILITIES, (15) NVA HELMETS AND (1) SOFT COVER. EN
      CARRIED (14) PONCHOs, (9) CARTRIDGE BELTS, (7) Canteens AND (17)
      PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

   b. F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 210630H TO 211550H VIC AT 868355. TM OBTAINED.
      (33) NVA AND (5) VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL AND (110) NVA AND (11)
      VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL. EN WORE (16) GREEN UTILITIES, (38)
      KHAKI UNIFORMS, (22) BLACK PJ'S, (74) KHAKI TOPS WITH BLACK
      BOTTOMS, (25) GREEN TOPS WITH BLACK BOTTOMS, (1) KHAKI TOPS
      WITH GREEN BOTTOMS, (8) BLACK TOPS WITH BLUE BOTTOMS, (76) NVA
      HELMETS, (16) FIVTH HELMETS, (1) BUSH COVER AND (1) BLACK BERET.
      EN CARRIED (19) AK-47's, (1) RIFLE, TYPE UNK, (100) MARCHING
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(1) 33 RKB, (2) RPK, (3) Cartridge belts, (1) 82mm Mortar round, (2) 60mm Mortar rounds, (1) RPG Rocket Launcher, (1) Brown Cylinder (3) ft long and (4) inches in diameter. No action taken due to proximity of tank. The RPG rocket launcher, 50 marching packs and (3) large packs (150 lbs). 50 marching packs and Brown Cylinder

F-11 Detroit Tigers at 21105S Vic AT676361. TM heard (1) diesel engine revving up. The engine sounded similar to our tanks engine.

A-33 Rabbit Hutch (SEL) at 211515S Vic AT940382. Sustained S/A fire from UX No En. En loc Vic AT940382. Patrol returned fire, broke contact. Emergency extraction accomplished by ladder at 1815H. Results: (1) KIA, body not recovered. (fell from ladder when leaving LZ)

Additional Comments

None

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TO: CG III MAF
INFO: CG III MAF
CG FIRST MAF
CG AMERICAN DIV
CG 10ST ABN DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
MAG ONE SIX
CG 6 FIFTH SAPA

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III MAF FOR CCC (1-2 COL)
FIRST FOR RECON CO (R F 265 69 221000h TO 222100h SEPTEMBER 69 (U)
1. (C) OF (6) RECONS THERE ARE (3) TMS OPEE AT (3) LOC IN THE FIRST
MAR DIV TACR. OF (2) (SILF) RECON TMS THERE ARE NO TMS OPEE IN THE
FIRST MAR DIV TACR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRactions
a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
   (1) F-21 FLAPY SNOW AT 221000h HAVEN U/L=ZC1630 L/K=ZC2027
      VIC ZC171:57
b. EXTRactions COMPLETED
   NONE
c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
   NONE
d. EXTRactions NOT COMPLETED
   NONE

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3. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 23 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-11 SWIFT SCOUT HAVEN UL-AT9740 IR-BTO037 VIG AT992395

(2) F-11 SWIFT SCOUT HAVEN UL-AT9740 IR-AT9741 VIG-AT992395

(3) F-11 REPORT CARD HAVEN UL-AT8737 IR-AT9931 VIG AT883347

EXTRACTIONS AS ANNOCK 0018 23 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-11 DETROIT TIGERS HAVEN UL-AT8737 IR-AT9931 VIG AT883347

4. (C) LOG OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 222400H

a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837373

b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250

c. F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT883347

d. F-21 PICKET LOW 22150382

e. F-51 GRID RECR ER AT885314

5. (C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS

N/A

a. F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 220915H VIG AT893363. TM OBSR (15)

FARMERS AND (1) NVA HARVESTING RICE. THE FARMERS WORE BLACK
PJ'S AND THE NVA WORE GREEN UTILITIES. THE NVA STOOD ON DIKE
AND OBSR AREA. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF INDIGENOUS
CIVILIAN PERSONNEL.

b. F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 220915H VIG AT921363. TM OBSR (12)

FARMERS AND (1) NVA HARVESTING RICE. THE FARMERS WORE BLACK
PJ'S AND THE NVA WORE GREEN UTILITIES. THE NVA STOOD ON DIKE
AND OBSR AREA. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF INDIGENOUS
CIVILIAN PERSONNEL.
FARMERS AND (1) NVA HARVESTING RICE. THE FARMERS WORE BLACK PJ'S AND THE NVA WORE GREEN UTILITIES. THE NVA STOOD ON DIKE AND OBSR AREA. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF INDIGENOUS CIVILIAN PERSONNEL.

F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 220915H VIC AT871373. TM OBSR (9)

FARMERS AND (1) NVA HARVESTING RICE. THE FARMERS WORE BLACK PJ'S AND THE NVA WORE GREEN UTILITIES. THE NVA STOOD ON DIKE AND OBSR AREA. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF INDIGENOUS CIVILIAN PERSONNEL.

F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 221105H TO 221520H VIC AT86355. TM OBSR (39) NVA AND (8) VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL. THE NVA WORE (21) GREEN UTILITIES, (16) KHAKI UNIFORMS AND (2) KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. THE VC WORE (8) BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED (23) LIGHT PACKS, (1) LARGE WHITE PACK (2\(\frac{1}{2}\)) FT LONG AND (2) FT WIDE, (1) BROWN SHOULDER PACK (14) AM-47, (1) LARGE DISK (2\(\frac{1}{2}\)) FT IN DIAMETER AND (3) FRANCHIES. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

6. (C) ADDITIONAL CONTENTS

NONE

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BT
FROM: CG FIRST MAR DIV
TO: CG XXIV CORPS

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INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAR
CG AMERICAL DIV
CG I CORPS
NORTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
CG ONE SIX

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ITEM 1: MAP FOR CO (G-2 COL)
FIRST FOR RECON CO (IT REF #86659) FROM 23000CH TO 23240CH SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. OF (6) RECON TYS THERE ARE (2) THIS OPER AT (2) LOT 34 THIS
FIRST MAR DIV TAC. OF (1) SELF) RECON TYS THERE ARE NO THIS OPER
IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAC.

2. (6) INSERTIONS & EXTRACIONS
   a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      (1) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 23114CH HAVEN UL-AT6737 L4-AT9634
         VIC AT883347
   b. EXTRACIONS COMPLETED
      (1) F-61 DETRANT TYS AT 23114CH VIC AT883347
      (2) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 23153CH VIC AT980350

   c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      (1) F-62 ODDEE
      (2) F-61 SKIFF SOUTH

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a. REASON INSERTIONS/EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED

(1) F-62 BUDDER NOT INSERTED DUE TO PROXIMITY OF FRIENDLY COMPANY SIZE UNITS IN AREA OF OPERATIONS.

(2) F-41 SQUIT SOUT NOT INSERTED DUE TO INSERT HEL AND TM RECEIVING 3/4 YDS IN HEL.

data. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 21 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-61 REPORT CARD HAVEN 01-L-AT8737 YR-AT9034 VIC AT88347

d. EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR 21 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-51 GRIM REAPER VIC AT865300

e. LOC OF OPER RECON TNS AS OF 232400H

a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT89237

b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT90450

c. F-41 FLAKY SNOW 20161294

d. F-51 GRIM REAPER AT896303

f. INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL. RECON TNS

(2) 7/22/67

5. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

a. (LATE ENTRY) F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 221700H TO 221725H VIC AT886355. TM OBSR (25) SNA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WITH (13) SHAKY UTILITIES, (9) GREEN UTILITIES AND (3) BLACK SHIRTS WITH GREEN PANTS. EN CARRIED (2) 55-LBS, (1) 56, (22) LIGHT PACKS, (2) LARGE DISKS (2) FT IN DIAMETER, (8) CARTRIDGE BELTS AND (2) LARGE BUNDLES OF STICKS (3) FT LONG AND (2) FT IN DIAMETER. TM CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE MISSION.
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CON TENT:

1. F-4A SWIFT SCOUT AT 230926H TO 231007H VIC AT688308. TM OBSR (24) NVA AND (3) VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE (9) KHAKI UNIFORMS, (1) GREEN UTILITIES, (8) KHAKI SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS, (3) BLACK PJ'S AND (19) PITH HELMETS. EN CARRIED (10) AK-47'S, (23) HEAVY PACKS, (3) LIGHT PACKS AND (1) SKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

2. F-4A SWIFT SCOUT AT 230926H TO 231023H VIC AT992395. TM AND INSERT HEL. RECEIVED AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE WHEN INSERT HEL SAT FIRE ON HIZ. INSERT WAS ABORTED. RESULTS: (1) USMC VIA (E).

3. F-51 GRIM REAPER AT 231025H TO 231135H VIC AT689309. TM OBSR (13) NVA SITTING AND TALKING NEAR THE TRAIL. EN WORE (1) KHAKI UNIFORMS. THE REMAINDER OF EN UNIFORMS AND EQUIP COULD NOT BE OBSR DUE TO THICK UNDERGROWTH. EN CARRIED (1) SKS, (1) AK-47, (3) HEAVY PACKS, (2) LIGHT PACKS AND (1) PITH HELMET. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

4. F-51 GRIM REAPER AT 231025H VIC AT990309. TM OBSR (16) VC SITTING AND TALKING. TM COULD NOT OBSR UNIFORMS AND EQUIP DUE TO THICK UNDERGROWTH. TM COULD SMELL FOOD COOKING AND CIGARETTES. TM HEARD WHAT SOUNDED LIKE A RIFLE BEING HIT AGAINST A TREE. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

5. FIRE SUPPORT AR-231110H TO 231100H VIC AT896522. TM OBSR (3) NVA ARE (5) GREEN UTILITIES SHIRTS WITH BLACK TROUSERS, (25) GREEN UTILITIES, (2) BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED (4) AK-47'S, (29) PACKS, (17) NVA HELMETS, (5) CANNISTERS, (3) CARTRIDGE BELTS, (4) COOLIE HATS AND (8) AK-47 MAGAZINE POUCHES. TM CALLED FIRE

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MISSION. AS CHECKED AREA (LC) MINUTES LATER, COULD NOT
DETERMINE RESULTS.

6. (LC) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

NOTE

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TO: CG III MAF
INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAF
CG AMERICAN DIV
CG 101ST ABN DIV
FIFTH MAF
SEVENTH MAF
ELEVENTH MAF
TWENTY-SIXTH MAF
MAG ONE SIX
CG FIFTH SF OA
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LIT MAP FOR OCC (G-2 COL)
FIRST FOR RECON CO SET REP 267-69 2400GH TO 212400 GH SEPT 69 (U)
1. (C) OF (D) RECON THS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER. AT (2) LOC IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (2) (SIF) RECON THS THERE ARE NO TMS OPER IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.
2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS
a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
   (1) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 240905H HAVEN UL AT8737 IN AT9394 VIC AT871357
b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
   (1) F-51 GRIM REAPER AT 240936H VIC AT870292
c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
   NONE
d. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
   NONE
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1. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 25 SEPTEMBER 69
   NONE

2. EXTRACIONS PLANNED FOR 25 SEPTEMBER 69
   NONE

3. (C) LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 2426 OCCH
   a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378
   b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250
   c. F-61 PILOT SNOW AT8174295
   d. F-61 REPORT CARD AT877356

4. (C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS
   N/A

5. (C) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS
   NONE
   a. STONE-PIT "A" AT 213636X-203736X VE3-AT8373542
   b. DUNKLE-BAG ACTIVATIONS-(PHU-LOC-V-1114)

6. (C) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
   NONE

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TO: CG III MAF
INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
      CG FIRST MAF
      CG AMERICAL DIV
      CG LO Ist ARN DIV
FIFTH MAR
SEVENTH MAR
ELEVENTH MAR
TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
NAG ONE SIX
CG C FIFTH SPG

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III MAF FOR G2 (G-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIIT RE? 268-69 250001H TO 252400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (6) OPER RECON TMS THERE ARE (2) TMS OPER AT (2) LOC IN THE
   FIRST MAR DIV TACR. OF (2) (SIF) RECON TMS THERE ARE NO TMS OPER
   IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TACR.

2. (C) INSERTION & EXTRACTION
   a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE
   d. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE

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INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 26 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) A-11 LUNCH MEAT (SLF) HAVEN UL AT9036 IR-AT9333 VIC AT925315.

(2) A-12 VESPER BELL (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT9254 IR-AT9739 VIC AT954347.

(3) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) HAVEN UL-AT9233 IR-AT9530 VIC AT933330.

EXTRCTIONS PLANNED FOR 26 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-21 FLAKEY SHOW VIC ZC173288

(c) LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 252400H

(a) RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378

(b) RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250

(c) F-21 FLAKEY SHOW ZC161288

(d) F-61 REPORT CARD AT878353

INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS

(c) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

(a) (LATE ENTRY) F-21 FLAKEY SHOW AT 241730H VIC ZC183297. TM OBSR (4) NVA AND (2) VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL. NVA WORE (4) KHAKI UNIFORMS AND VC WORE BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED (4) LIGHT PACKS AND (1) HELMET. EN EXPOSURE TO OBSR WAS RELIEF. TM CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE MISSION

(b) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 250630H VIC AT876381. TM HEARD WHAT SOUNDED LIKE A DIESEL ENGINE REVVING UP. THE ENGINE SOUNDS SIMILAR TO OUR TANK ENGINES. NO ACTION TAKEN. TM UNABLE TO DETERMINE EXACT SOUND LOCATION.
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HEAVY PACK, (4) LIGHT PACKS AND (2) PITH HELMETS. TM CALLED FIRE MISSION. EN EXITED TARGET AREA BEFORE FIRE MISSION CLEARANCE COULD BE OBTAINED.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 251415H VIC AT386355. TM OBS: (2) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE (1) GREEN AND (1) KI/KI UTILITIES AND (2) BUSH HATS. EN CARRIED (2) PACKS. EN EXPOSURE TO OBST WAS TOO BRIEF TO ENGAGE BY SUPPORTING ARMS.

SKEES-PIT RAP AT 251415H TO 253515H VIC AT386355---(25)

---UPPER BAG ACTIVATIONS ON CHANNEL (25) IN PHIL LOG VALLEY.

(c) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

NONE

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CC: CG XXIV CORPS

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TWENTY-SIXTH MAR
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XII MAP FOR CGS (D-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CG STG REP 269-52 260001H TO 262400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

(a) OF (6) OPER RECON THE THERE IS (1) TM OPER AT (1) LOC IN THE
FIRST AIR DIV TAOR. OF (6) (SLF) RECON THIS THERE ARE (3) TMS OPER
AT (3) LOC IN THE FIRST AIR DIV TAOR.

(c) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

10. INSERTIONS COMPLETED

(1) A-12 WHISPER HELLS (SLF) 260930H HAVEN UL-AT9142 IR-AT9739
VIC AT93814

(2) A-11 LUNCH HINT (SLF) 261013H HAVEN UL-AT9036 IR-AT9333
VIC AT92931

(3) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) 261100H HAVEN UL-AT9233 IR-AT9530
VIC AT933330

11. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED

(1) WEAP FIRES SICH AT 261030H FOR AT9142 260930H 260935H
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EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED

NONE

REASON EXTRICATION NOT COMPLETED

N/A

EXTRICATIONS PLANNED FOR 27 SEPTEMBER 69

F-61 REPORT CARD AT9240 LR-AT9537 VIC AT94038

EXTRICATIONS PLANNED FOR 27 SEPTEMBER 69

NONE

LOG OF OPER RECON THIS AS OF 262400H

RADIO RELAY STONE FREQUENCY AT87378

RADIO RELAY STONE FREQUENCY AT990250

F-61 REPORT CARD AT9240

A-21 JHUCH NAM (SIP) AT929339

A-32 VESPER NAM (SIP) AT951403

A-32 JHUCH NAME (SIL) AT95322

INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON THIS

INCREASE (2) (SIP) RECON THIS

SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

(LATE ENTRY) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 251705H VIC AT975351. TM OPER

(10) VI MOVING NE ON TAIL. EN MIRE (7) GREEN UTILITIES (2)

KHAKI UNIFORMS AND (1) WHITE SHIRT WITH GREEN TROUSERS. EN

CARRIED (2) PACKS AND (1) RPG ROCKET LAUNCHER. ALL EN WERE

WELL CAMOUFLAGE WITH LEAVES AND BRANCHES. NO ACTION TAKEN

DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(LATE ENTRY) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 261800H VIC AT97835.
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NORTH OF TRAIL. EN WORE (25) GREEN UTILITIES AND (17) KHAKI UNIFORMS. EN CARRIED (13) PACKS.

(2) PITH HELMETS, (5) AK-47, (1) RPD, (1) 82mm MORTAR TUBE, (3) 82mm MORTAR ROUNDS, (1) PISTOL AND (3) RICE SACKS. EN

WAS WELLED DEPLOYED. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.

(A DATE ENTRY) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 25175CH VIC A186355. TM OBSR (8) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE (4) GREEN UTILITIES

AND (1) KHAKI SHIRTS AND SHORTS. EN CARRIED (3) HEAVY PACKS,

(2) LIGHT PACK AND (1) ROCKET. TM CALLED FIRE MISSION. GOOD

TARGET COVERAGE. RESULT: (2) NVA KIA.

(A DATE ENTRY) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 25183CH VIC A186355. TM OBSR (10) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE (7) GREEN UTILITIES

AND (3) KHAKI UNIFORMS. EN CARRIED (10) LARGE PACKS (3) FT

LONG BY (2) FT WING. TM CALLED FIRE MISSION. EXCELLENT

TARGET COVERAGE. RESULT: (2) NVA KIA AND (2) NVA WIA.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 26075CH VIC A186355. TM OBSR (3) NVA

MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED (2)

PACKS, (2) PITH HELMETS AND (1) RPD ROCKET LAUNCHER. TM CALLED

FIRE MISSION. GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. UNABLE TO DETERMINE

RESULTS DUE TO TM MOVEMENT FROM THIS OBSR.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 26105CH VIC A186355. TM OBSR (9) NVA

AND (2) VG MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE (8) GREEN UTILITIES,

(1) KHAKI UNIFORM AND (3) BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED (7) HEAVY

PACKS, (4) LIGHT PACKS, (3) PITH HELMETS AND (1) AK-47. TM

CALLED FIRE MISSION. GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. RESULTS: UNL.

F-61 REPORT CARD AT 261305CH VIC A186355. TM OBSR (3) NVA

MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE GREEN SHIRTS AND SHORTS AND

cARRIED (3) PACKS. EN MOVED TOO RAPIDLY FOR THIS OBSR TO

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P-61 REPORT CARD AT 2333 H VID AT 886355. TM OBSR (3) NVA AND (1) VC MOVING NORTH. EN WORE (2) KHAKI AND (1) GREEN UTILITIES, AND (2) BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED (4) PACKS AND (1) WTH HELMET. REPORTED FIRE MISSION. GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. RESULTS: (2) NVA KIA.

NO ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

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FROM: CG FIRST MAR DIV
TO: CG XXIV CORPS
INFO: CG FIRST MAR
CG AMERICAN DIV
CG 121ST ADN DIV
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LII MAP FOR OCC (G-2 CCL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP 270-8 270008 T 210009 SEPTEMBER 9 (U)

1. (C) OF (6) RECON TMS THERE ARE NO TMS OPER IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR OF (1) (SIF) RECON TMS THERE ARE (3) TMS OPER AT (3) X00 IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRATIONS

a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED

(1) A-31 RABBIT HATCH (SIF) AT 271050 HAVEN UL AT92140

IR-AT9537 VIG AT940363

b. EXTRATIONS COMPLETED

(1) A-31 RABBIT HATCH (SIF) AT 271137H VIG AT960383

(2) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 271318H VIG AT92577

c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED

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1. INSERTION PLANNED FOR 28 SEPTEMBER 69

2. EXTRACCTIONS PLANNED FOR 28 SEPTEMBER 69

3. LOC OF OVER RECON TMS AS OF 272100H
   a. RADIO REPLAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378
   b. RADIO REPLAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250
   c. A-11 LUNCH MEAT (SLF) AT925337
   d. A-12 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT957407
   e. A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT940318

4. INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS

N/A

5. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS
   a. (LATE ENTRY) F-60 REPORT CARD AT 211730H TO 231125H VIG AT875354. TM OBSR (12) NVA MOVING SW ON TRAIL. EN WORE (2) KHAKI SHORTS AND SHORTS, (3) GREEN UTILITIES AND (1) GREEN SHIRT AND SHORTS. TM COULD NOT OBSR EN EQUIPMENT OR REMAINDER OF UNIFORMS DUE TO HEAVY UNGROWTH. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO FACILITY OF TM.

   b. (LATE ENTRY) F-61 REPORT CARD AT 261720H VIG AT886355. TM OBSR (21) NVA MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE (9) KHAKI UNIFORMS, (8) GREEN UTILITIES, (2) GREEN SHIRTS AND SHORTS, (2) KHAKI SHIRTS AND SHORTS. EN CARRIED (7) RPG ROCKET LAUNCHERS AND (16) PACKS. TM CALLED FIRE MISSION. EXCELLENT TARGET COVERAGE. RESULTS: (1) NVA KIA AND (5) NVA WIA.
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ICO MAP FOR CGC (3-2 COL)

FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP 271-69 280001H TO 282400H September 69. (U)

1. CG OF (6) CPER RECON TMS THERE ARE NO TMS OPER IN THE FIRST M/F DIV TACO. (4) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE ARE (3) TMS OPER AT (3) TACO IN THE FIRST M/F DIV TACO.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS
   a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   b. EXTRACTIONS COMPLETED
      NONE
   c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE
   d. EXTRACTIONS NOT COMPLETED
      NONE

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A1. A11 GROUN INSERTION/EXTRACTION NOT COMPLETED

N/A

2. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 29 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-11 DETROIT TIGERS HAVEN UL - AT8434; LR - AT8731 VIC AT84349
(2) F-31 RECORD HAVEN UL - AT9233; LR - AT9230 VIC AT92316
(3) F-51 GRIM REAPER HAVEN UL - AT9336; LR - AT9633 VIC AT917316

3. Extractions Planned for 29 September 69

NONE

3. LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 282400H

a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT83738
b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250
c. A-11 LUNCH MEAT (SLF) AT928340

d. A-12 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT952402

c. A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT932312

4. INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS

N/A

5. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

a. A-12 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 280900H VIC AT957161. TM FOUND (1) EN BASE CAMP. BASE CAMP CONTAINED (10) HUTS OF VARIOUS SIZES. THE LARGEST HUT WAS (10) FT LONG AND (10) FT WIDE. THE HUTS HAD BUNKERS DUG UNDER THEM. TM FOUND (2) BAYONETS, (1) KNIFE, (2) AMMO POUCHES FOR AK-47, (1) CHI COM GRENADE, (3) PONCHOS AND (1) SHOVEL.

b. A-12 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 281000H VIC AT957161. TM OBSR. (1) NVA MOVING S ON TRAIL. TM WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND (1) BERET. TM CARRIED (1) PACKS. NO ACTION TAKEN DUE TO PROXIMITY OF TM.
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INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
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FIRST FOR RECON CO SIT REP 272-69 290001H TO 292401H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (6) OPER RECON TMS THERE ARE (3) TMS OPER AT (3) LOG IN THE
FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (4) (SIF) RECON TMS THERE ARE (3) TMS OPER
AT (3) LOG IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRATIONS

a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED

(1) F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 291045H HAVE: UL-AT8134 IR-AT8131
VIC AT813418

(2) F-51 RECON AT 291105H HAVEN UL-AT8133 IR-AT9230 VIC
AT916315

(3) F-51 GRIM REAPER AT 291715H HAVEN UL-AT9336 IR-AT9633
VIC AT950345

b. EXTRATIONS COMPLETED

291356 NONE

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EXTRACIONS NOT COMPLETED

NONE

REASON EXTRACTION NOT COMPLETED

N/A

INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR 30 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) F-11 SWIFT SCOUT HAVEN UL-AT95143 LR-AT99410 VIC AT941400

EXTRACIONS PLANNED FOR 30 SEPTEMBER 69

(1) A-11 LUNCH MEAT (SLF) VIC AT928314

(2) F-51 GRIM REAPER VIC AT947346

(3) A-12 VESPER BELLS (SLF) VIC AT956400

(4) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) VIC AT945312

LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS OF 292100H

RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378

RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT900250

F-11 DETROIT TIGERS VIC AT649340

F-11 RECORD VIC AT913318

F-51 GRIM REAPER VIC AT950345

A-11 LUNCH MEAT (SLF) VIC AT928312

A-12 VESPER BELLS (SLF) VIC AT956400

A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) VIC AT947311

INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS

N/A

SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

NONE

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

NONE

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TO: CG III MAF
INFO: CG XXIV CORPS
CG FIRST MAF
CG Americal DIV
CG 101ST ABN DIV
FIFTH MAF
SEVENTH MAF
ELEVENTH MAF
TWENTY-SIXTH MAF
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CG III MAF FOR TOC (G-2 COL)
FIRST FOR RECON CO X/F REP 273-69 300000H TO 302400H SEPTEMBER 69 (U)

1. (C) OF (C) OPER RECON TMS THERE ARE (3) TMS OPER AT (3) LOC IN THE
FIRST MAR DIV TAOR. OF (4) (SLF) RECON TMS THERE ARE NO TMS OPER
IN THE FIRST MAR DIV TAOR.

2. (C) INSERTIONS & EXTRATIONS
a. INSERTIONS COMPLETED
   (1) P-41 SWIFT SCOUT AT 301215H HAVEN U-AT95135 IR-AT9940
      VIC AT956400
b. EXTRATIONS COMPLETED
   (1) P-51 GRIM REAPER AT 300000H VIC AT959315
   (2) A-32 PUPPET SHOW (SLF) AT 301150H VIC AT923315
   (3) A-11 LUNCH MEAT (SLF) AT 301200H VIC AT927315
   (4) A-12 VESPER BELLS (SLF) AT 301215H VIC AT956400

c. INSERTIONS NOT COMPLETED

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REASON INSERTION/EXTRACTION NOT COMPLETED

NONE

1. INSERTIONS PLANNED FOR U1 OCTOBER 69
   (1) F-61 REPORT CARD HAVE UL-AT9541 JX-AT9938 VIC AT970388

2. EXTRACTIONS PLANNED FOR U1 OCTOBER 69
   NONE

3. (C) LOC OF OPER RECON TMS AS XF 302400
   a. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "A" AT837378
   b. RADIO RELAY STONE PIT "B" AT990250
   c. F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT817340
   d. F-11 RECORD AT902527
   e. F-11 SWIFT SCOUT AT960403

4. (C) INCREASE/DECREASE IN AVAIL RECON TMS
   N/A

5. (C) SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS
   a. F-11 RECORD AT 300745H VIC AT913318. TM FOUND (1) EN BASE
      CAMP. BASE CAMP CONTAINED (15) TO (20) HUTS. HUTS VARIED
      IN SIZE FROM (6) FT BY (10) FT TO (8) FT BY (8) FT TO (10) FT
      BY (6) FT AND (1) TUNNEL COMPLEX WITH (8) BUNKERS. BUNKERS
      WERE (10) FT BY (15) FT. TUNNEL COMPLEX HAS NOT BEEN USED
      IN SEVERAL MONTHS. TM CONTINUED THEIR SURVEILLANCE MISSION.
   b. F-11 SWIFT SCOUT AT 301255H VIC AT955444. TM OBSR (2) VC
      MOVING NE ON TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S AND COOTIE HATS. EN
      HAD NO EQUIPMENT. TM CONTINUED THEIR SURVEILLANCE MISSION.

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5. F-11 DETROIT TIGERS AT 301700H VIC AT 840337. IM OBSR (2)

NVA AND (1) VC MOVING W ON TRAIL. EN WORE (2) GREEN UTILITIES
AND (1) BLACK PJ'S. EN CARRIED (1) RIFLE. IM CONTINUED THEIR
SURVEILLANCE MISSION.

6. (C) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

a. PERSONNEL ON HAND

(1) USMC OFFICERS 10
(2) USMC ENLISTED 138
(3) USN ENLISTED 7

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