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3d Reconnaissance Battalion
3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF
FPO San Francisco 96602

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
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3d Reconnaissance Battalion (-) (Rein) LtCol. G. WILDER (8 July 66 to present)

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3d Recon Bn. (-) (Rein)
H & S Co. (-)
Co. "A"
Co. "B"
1 Plt. 3d Force

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1 Plt. 3d Force

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4. Average Monthly Strength (includes Det 3d Force)

(1) USMC Officer 34
(2) USMC Enlisted 592
(3) USN Officer 0
(4) USN Enlisted 31
Co. "A" During the reporting period the company completed 12 patrols averaging 3 1/2 days with an average of 8 men per patrol. The patrols had 36 sightings for a total of 1,299 VC and 1 VCS, which resulted in 6 contacts, 27 fire missions of 789 rounds, and 4 air strikes. There were a total of 5 VCKRGF (Conf), 23 VCKBMOWS (Conf), 40 VCKIA (Prob), 14 VC WIA (Conf), and 11 VC WIA (Prob). The patrols captured 3 weapons, 4 CHICOM grenades, 50 lbs. of TNT, numerous equipment and documents. The patrols sighted several trails & huts not on the map and also several dug-in, fortified positions. On occasion, the patrols observed flashing lights, sounds of engines, and boats on the river. There were 1 USMC KIA, 1 USN KIA, and 7 USMC WIA sustained.

Co. "B" During the reporting period the company completed 12 patrols averaging 3 3/4 days with an average of 8 men per patrol. The patrols had 14 sightings for a total of 161 VC and 41 VCS, which resulted in 5 contacts, 6 fire missions with a total of 156 rounds fired and no air strikes. There were a total of 13 VCKRGF (Conf), 10 VC KIA (Prob), 1 VC WIA (Conf), and 1 VCS detained. The patrol captured 1 weapon, 4 CHICOM grenades, 1 M-26 grenade, numerous equipment and documents. There were trails, huts and fighting holes also observed by the patrol. There were no friendly casualties sustained.

Co. "C" During the reporting period the company completed 20 patrols, averaging 2 1/2 days with 8 men per patrol. The patrols had 12 sightings for a total of 76 VC/NVA and 5 VCS, resulting in 3 contacts, 14 fire missions, for a total of 304 rounds and 3 air strikes. There were a total of 5 VCKRGF (Conf) and 9 VC KBGF (Prob). There were 17 weapons captured by the patrols of which the significant capture was of 16 German model 98K Mausers and 1 9 mm Sten gun that were found in an empty hut along with 13 CHICOM grenades. Several trails, huts, and trail markers were found; also fighting holes, fortified positions and harboring sites. The company sustained 1 USMC KIA and 2 USMC WIA.

Co. "D" During the reporting period the company completed 20 patrols averaging 2 1/2 days with an average of 8 men per patrol. The patrols had 16 sightings for a total 355 VC/NVA and 3 VCS, which resulted in 8 contacts, 22 fire missions for a total of 1,731 rounds fired and no air strikes. The results of this were 22 VCKRGF (Conf), 16 VCKBMOWS (Prob), and 28 VCKIA (Prob). There were no weapons captured but 4 CHICOM grenades and various equipment and documents. Patrols found several trails, trail markers, huts, fighting holes and dug-in positions. There was 1 USMC KIA and 10 USMC WIA sustained.
2d Force. During the reporting period the unit completed 6 patrols averaging 2½ days with an average of 5 men per patrol. The patrols had 8 sightings for a total of 22 VC, which resulted in 4 contacts, no fire missions and 4 air strikes. The results of these were 10 VC/NVA KIA and 5 VC/NVA KIA. There was 1 weapon captured, various equipment and documents. Patrols found several trails, trail markers, huts and dug-in positions. There was 1 USMC KIA and 7 USMC WIA sustained.
PART III

Significant Events

A. Personnel and Administration
   No comments Necessary

B. Training
   1. Reconnaissance companies continue to receive instructions at Patron level in weapons, tactics, personal hygiene and general military subjects.
   2. The battalion is receiving instructions on handling, detail stripping and firing of the M-16 rifle in preparation for receiving the weapon in lieu of the M-14 with which we are presently equipped. Training was held for newly joined personnel from CONUS. Personnel from this battalion have fired captured VC weapons for familiarization.

C. Weather
   Inclement weather has hampered insertion and extractions considerably.

D. Logistic
   The battalion received 14 Sniper Rifles, 7.62 mm M-40 with equipment for application when designated by the Commanding Officer.
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Patrol 2nd team, 2nd Platoon
Debriefing: L/CPL J.C. Camasra
Map Sheet: 6460 X, 11

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3d Reconnaissance Bn.
PHU B31, SVN
121600H Jan 67

PETROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6)col (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) per 7X50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: NONE
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 and (1) shotgun

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area locating trails and harbor sites. Establish day OP's and ambushes on likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy with SAP and/or supporting arms making every effort to capture documents, weapons and prisoners. Patrol will act as forward observer for on call arty.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 081000H/121100H Jan 67
4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: During 97hrs of patrolling and observation patrol made (1) sighting of (2) VN and no contacts. Patrol also found (1) hut containing assorted documents, clothing, medicine, photo's and 650lbs, rice, 325lbs wheat, and 23lbs. peanuts in shells, all food was destroyed except for samples. There were no air strikes or fire missions.
   b. ENEMY: 090945H vic (YD 515255) patrol observed (2) VN men standing near a bomb crater. Patrol could not observe any weapons or equipment, patrol observed VC for approx 4 minutes but due to fog in the area could not observe further. N/A
   c. TERRAIN: Characterized by very thick brush throughout the area with bushes approx. 15 to 20ft. high. Rate of travel in this area is 50 to 100 meters per hour.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) 081400H vic (YD 513247) patrol found (1) hut approx. 7x5x10ft wide with a tin roof. Patrol prior to checking out hut was told to move. At 101700H patrol returned to hut to make a complete search of area. Search uncovered approx. 850lbs. rice, 325lbs. wheat, 25lbs. peanuts in shells, 3 small bottles unknown contents, 1 rice sample, 1 wheat sample, 5 small Nikethamide injection bottles U.S. made, 2 small bottles atropine U.S. made, 4 small bottles Q-Tip Hydrochlomide U.S. made, 1 personal notebook and 1 ID card with name TRAN CHAU with number 280849, 1 photo book and 3 letters. Patrol destroyed hut and rice and wheat. All other gear was turned over to recon bn. 5-2.
   (2) 081415H vic (YD 515247) patrol found (1) trail not shown on map trail was approx. 12 to 16 inches wide with very dense brush along the sides. Trail ran north for approx. 500 meters.
   (3) 081745H vic (YD 511245) patrol found fortified area consisting of 7 foxholes, one large foxhole had a roof over 10 and was approx. 4x3x2ft long, the others were 3x3x5ft deep. Holes were covered with logs and dirt and could not be seen from the air.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: NONE
   b. FRIENDLY: NONE

ENCLOSURE (1)
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CAPTURED/RECEIVED:

- 800 pounds of rice
- 3251 pounds of wheat
- 251 pounds of peanuts
- 5 small bottles unknown contents
- 2 small bottles atropine U.S. made
- 4 small bottles Emetine Hydrochloride U.S. made
- 1 manual notebook
- 1 ID card with name TRAN-CHAU with number 280049
- 1 photo book and 3 letters

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Fair

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

  Recommendations: Maintain surveillance on area.

  Conclusions: Area does not seem to have been worked heavily in recent days.

  P. C. LAROCQUE
  SOT. CO. "A"

9. DEGREE OF CONTENTS: None
Thatched Roof

FORTIFICATIONS

Approx. 5' long
MAIN POST (1-6) MEN

Clear Plastic

Approx. 4' long
SECOND POST (2-4) MEN

Dirt & Camouflage

NOTE: Positions were not to be used as fighting holes; but used for protection against air strikes and city missions.
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## PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

- Truck Extraction
- LZ Insertion

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Operation Order: 3-67
Patrol: 3d Team, 2nd Plt, Co. "A"
Debrief: SSGT E.W. BELL
Map Sheet: 6650, I, II

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl. (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr. 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) Gas Mask GS grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area, locating trails and harbor sites. Establish OP's and ambushes on likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy with SAP and/or supporting arms, making every effort to capture documents, weapons, and prisoners. Patrol will act as forward observer for on call artillery.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 060945H/101415H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: Patrol during (52) hours of patrolling and observation had (2) sightings and (1) contact. Patrol also called (1) fire mission in support. Patrol had (1) contact resulting in (7) VC KIA and (1) WIA. Patrol also had (1) USMC WIA and had an emergency med-evac, and found (1) trail.
   b. ENEMY: (1) Patrol at 061200H observed snipers firing at helos VIC (YD 596247). Patrol thinks there were (3) VC in building; could not observe uniforms. They were firing what sounded like carbines. Patrol called artillery fire mission of (30) rounds HE with good coverage, resulting in (3) VC KIA (Prob).

   (2) Patrol at 101200H observed (5) VC wearing grey ponchos and straw helmets digging fighting holes VIC (YD 568226). Patrol took VC under SAP and moved up to VC's position. When patrol was within (14) feet of VC positions, VC opened fire on patrol wounding (1) USMC. Patrol returned SAP and grenades on VC and secured position. There were (3) fresh dug fighting holes in this position set in sparse brush; (2) were fighting holes and (1) was a (2) man bunker covered with logs and dirt. The bunker was approximately 4x4x4 feet with a tunnel in the rear to get in and out of bunker. The other (2) fighting holes were 4x2x4, (1) was covered with logs and dirt and had a firing aperture approximately 14x10 inches. Patrol also found a small hole with freshly opened C-ration cans in it. Patrol while checking for bodies was fired on from the North of their position and at the same time the choppers came in for the evac. The Huey's ran a strafing run on the North side of hill. Patrol observed movement an heard sounds of approximately (30) VC. Patrol was extracted at this time. Results of encounter with the enemy (2) VC KIA (Conf) (2) VC KIA (Prob) (1) VC WIA (Prob). VC were also wearing tan shorts and blue sweatshirts.
   c. TERRAIN: Characterized by sparse brush approximately (4) ft. in height on the high ground, and dense thick brush in the saddles approximately (7) to (9) ft. in height. Rate of travel in this area approximately 300 meters an hour.
d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) Patrol at 091100H found (1) fighting hole VIC (YD 586234) approximately 2x2x4 set in thick brush about (3) feet in height along side of trail. Hole had not been used recently.

(2) Patrol at 091110H found (1) medical bag (unit #1) laying in trail, complete with morphine. This unit was lost by a previous patrol.

(3) Patrol at 091140H VIC (YD 585231) found a trail running Northwest to South, approximately (2) feet wide with a base of dirt and rock. Vegetation along sides of trail was dense thick brush approximately (5) feet in height. Trail was still defined, and used regularly.

(4) Patrol at 091240H found a crater at VIC (YD 581228) approximately (3) feet in diameter and (4) feet deep. Crater had (2) pieces of metal in it. (1) piece of universal banding strap and one piece of metal shaped like the letter H.

The metal was (6) inches long, (2) inches wide and 1/4 inch thick. The metal was painted olive drab. The piece shaped like the letter H was lost during contact with the enemy.

(5) Patrol at 101000H VIC (YD 575227) found (14) fighting holes, (2) were large, about (9) feet in diameter with a (3) feet in diameter platform of dirt in the middle which looked like a gun platform.

Both holes had an (10) inch parapet around it. The other (12) holes were 2x2x4, these also had a dirt parapet. The holes were set along side the trail, (7) on each side. The holes were about (4) meters apart. They were set in such a position as to overlook both sides of the ridge. These holes were set in dense brush approximately (4) to (6) feet in height. Holes did not look like they had been used recently.

(6) Patrol at 101100H VIC (YD 575228) found (6) fighting holes 2x2x2 covered with logs and dirt, with fresh brush camouflage on top. These holes were set in a clear area surrounded by thick brush approximately (5) to (6) feet in height. The holes were set off of the trail about (12) feet and were approximately (20) foot apart. Patrol also found a broken battery and empty C ration cans, some of the cans had been there for a long time and some had been used recently. The cans were scattered all over the area. Holes had been used recently for there were fresh foot prints by the holes.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: (2) VC KIA (Conf) (2) VC XIA (Prob) (1) VC WIA (Prob)

b. FRIENDLY: (1) USAF VIC

c. CAUGHT/SQUATTED:

(2) Chicom carbine (Type 53)
(4) Chicom grenades
(1) Poncho
(1) New type tooth brush
(1) Web belt with grenade pouch (42) rounds 7.62 long ammo
(2) Canteen covers
(1) Small plastic bag of rice
(1) Little dressing (believed to be German origin)
(1) Knife with marking on it (1) Viet Minh

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent

8. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Recommend a TRQ be run along the ridge line; and pass at (YD 565228).
CONCLUSIONS: I think the VC are definitely harboring in grid square (ND 2622).

S. SUGIYAMA COMMANDER: I think the whole ridge line and pass and valley would have a betting run, as artillery can't reach the pass.

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Legend:
- C = Insertion
- X = Exfiltration
- = Patrol route
- Trail

Patrol Route Overview:
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (9) Enl. (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr. 7x50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: N/A
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area, locating trails and harbor sites. Establish day OP's and ambushes on likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy with SAF and/or supporting arms, making every effort to capture documents, weapons and prisoners. Patrols will act as forward observers for on call artillery.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 061000H/121600H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENERGY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: During 102 hours of patrolling and observation, patrol had negative sightings or contacts. There were no air strikes or fire missions called in support of this patrol.
   b. ENERGY: N/A
   c. TERRAIN: Low brush approximately (8) inches high with no canopy. Rate of travel is 200 meters per hour.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENERGY: N/A

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

   Recommendations: N/A
   Conclusions: N/A

   V.J. RUBIO

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: None
CONFIDENTIAL

LEGEND

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Route traveled

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

1st team, 1st Flt, "A" Co.

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Operation Order 15-67 (24-1)
Patrol: 1st FLT Co A Co
Debrief: Sgt R.C. SOMER
Map Sheet: 6460 1:25,000

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) EEs (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: : (1) 7X50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: NONE
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M79 40MM HE (6) CANNISTER

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area, locating trails and harbor sites. Establish day CP's and ambushes on likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy with SAF and/or supporting arms, making every effort to capture documents, weapons and prisoners. Patrol will act as forward observers for on call artillery.

3. TIMES OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 150600H/161230H January 1967

4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL OVERLAY

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOP: Patrol during (76) hrs of patrolling and observation had negative sighting or contact. Patrol did find numerous (2) and (1) man fighting holes freshly dug in the area.
   b. ENEMY: REFER TO PATROL REPORT: 2nd team 3rd PLT Co A Operation Order 15-67.
   c. TERRAIN: Characterized by dense brush with a canopy of 12-20 ft high. Terrain was extremely steep. Rate of travel (100) meters per hour.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: 130630H Patrol located a large number of fighting holes V/D 492254 (6) two man (1) one man. All appeared to be freshly dug.
    131600H Patrol located more fighting holes V/D 492255 (2) two man (4) one man holes. A number of fresh cut trees were found in the area.
    New foot paths approx. (1) ft wide running from the holes to the south. Patrol did not check out these trails

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: (1) VC
   b. FRIENDLY: N/A
   c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: REFER TO PATROL REPORT 2nd team 3rd FLT Co A. Operation Order 15-67

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: FAIR DUE TO WEATHER

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
   Recommendations: Recommend that OPORD be more centralized
   Conclusions: Work area farther south. Trails are heavily used.

9. DECLASSIFIED COMMENTS: NONE

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LEGEND
O= Insertion
X= Extraction
--- Patrol Route

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

1st Plt., 1st Sqd., Co. "A"
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Operation Order: 2-67
Patrol: 3d Team, 3d Sqd, 3d Plt, Co "A"
Debrief: SSGT. E.W. BEIL
Map Sheet: 6460 I, II

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (5) End (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/IRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr. 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-60 (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area, locating trails and harbor sites. Establish day OP's and ambushes on likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy with SAP and/or supporting arms, making every effort to capture documents, weapons, and prisoners. Patrol will act as forward observer for on call artillery.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 031100H/061000H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: Patrol during (119) hours of observation and patrolling had (1) sighting and negative contacts. Patrol adjusted (1) FM called in by Reimbelt and helos received automatic weapons fire upon insertion of patrol.
   b. ENEMY: N/A
   c. TERRAIN: Characterized by rolling hills covered with thick brush running from (4) to (6) feet in height. The low ground has sparse brush and trees, and paddies. Rate of travel in this area is approximately 1000 meters an hour.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) At 031115H helos upon inserting patrol and upon withdrawal received automatic weapons fire from village VIC (YD 506244).

   (2) At 062000H patrol tried to adjust FM called in by Reimbelt by sound as visibility was hampered by darkness and fog. FM was fired VIC (YD 604244).

   (3) At 042000H patrol heard automatic weapons fire and SAP from VIC (YD 586244).

   (4) At 062000H patrol observed (4) sampans VIC (YD 603245) sampans had (2) to (5) men in boat. No action taken as patrol could not observe any weapons.

   (5) Patrol during entire time in the field heard sporadic SAP coming from VIC of village at (YD 586244).

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: N/A
   b. FRIENDLY: N/A
   c. CAUGHT/EQUIPMENT: N/A

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good
CONFLICT

4. RECOMMENDATION

Recommendations: Try to get another patrol closer to the river.

Conclusions: VC are definitely using this area.

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9. DESIDERI COMMENTS: None

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (13) Enl. (1) Off. (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (4) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr. 7x50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (2) M-79 (40)mm HE and canister (16) 60 grenades

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area, locating trails and harbor sites. Establish day OP's and ambushes on likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy with SAf and/or supporting arms, making every effort to capture documents, weapons, and prisoners. Patrols will act as forward observers for on call artillery.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 121330H/161400H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: During 96 1/2 hours of patrolling and observation, patrol had 5 sightings totalling 16 VC and 1 contact with unknown number. Patrol called 4 fire missions totalling 63 rounds HE. There were no air strikes called in support of this patrol.
   b. ENEMY: (1) 121400H VIC (YD 541220) Patrol spotted 5 VC wearing blue and grey rain capes with black PJ's on. VC were carrying weapons and moving north on trail. Patrol took VC under SAf from approximately 200 meters away resulting in 2 VC WIA (Prob) as VC moved away from the area. Patrol called fire mission of 10 rounds HE with excellent coverage of fleeing VC. Patrol after fire mission split and went half way down to check out results. While they were moving down they heard what seemed like 1 or 2 VC trying to get between them. Patrol then turned around and started back up hill towards remainder of the patrol, while moving up they saw some brush violently moving and opened up on it resulting in 1 VC KIA (Conf). Patrol then spotted brush moving above them and opened fire on suspected VC position. 1 VC was observed fleeing up the hill and was taken under fire again. Area was then searched with negative results.
   (2) 131330H VIC (YD 550240) Patrol spotted 6 VC. 4 VC were running from hut to hut and 2 were chasing water buffalos. VC were wearing black shirts and shorts and grey rain capes, carrying packs and small arms. Patrol called fire mission of 25 rounds HE with good coverage, resulting in 6 VC WIA (Poss).
   (3) 131005H VIC (YD 557249) Patrol spotted 2 VC walking between huts, a cooking fire was observed. VC were wearing black PJ's. Patrol was unable to observe equipment and weapons. Patrol called fire mission of 16 rounds HE with excellent coverage, resulting in 2 VC KIA (Prob) and 1 hut destroyed.
   (4) 140015H VIC (YD 557249) Patrol spotted 5 VC walking around hut complex wearing black PJ's and grey rain capes, carrying packs, no weapons were observed. Patrol called fire mission of 32 rounds HE. During fire mission 3 VC were observed moving east. Results of fire mission 2 VC KIA (Poss), 2 VC WIA (Poss).

ENCLOSURE (4)
(5) 151130H VIC (YD 562230) Patrol while moving below ridge line received (1) 81mm grenades from the top of the ridge. Patrol returned fire with (2) M-79 frag grenades, (1) WP grenade, (2) M-79 rounds, and small arms fire. Patrol called AO and marked enemy position with red smoke, and called for air strike. Air was not available so AO directed artillery. Artillery had good coverage of target but due to enemy position being on back slope, rounds were ineffective, position was also heavily fortified. Patrol left support group back and remained then moved up to enemy position under cover of M-79 frag grenades, M-79 rounds, WP grenades, CS grenades, and small arms fire and swept through position. Results appeared that enemy had filed the area. Patrol found (4) fighting positions which were heavily fortified. Positions appeared to be able to take direct hit from 105 round with negative damage.

(c) TERRAIN: Characterized by ankle high brush on ridge line, with 5 to 6 foot high brush in valley. Canopy of approximately 20 feet. Rate of travel 102 meters per hour.

(d) OTHER INFORMATION: (1) 121430H Patrol found (1) well defined trail running from E-W (YD 533223) to B-W (YD 530227). Brush along side of trail is approximately 2 feet high. Trail is approximately 1 meter wide and is well traveled.

(2) 151130H Patrol found (1) trail running West VIC (YD 549233) to East VIC (YD 562230). Brush along side of trail is approximately 2 feet high. Trail did not appear to have been used much, except until you go East to (YD 560229) at this point there is well used.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: (4) VC KLA (Conf), (4) VC KLA (Prob), (10) VC WIA (Posa)
   b. FRIENDLY: N/A
   c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT:
      (1) SKS Carbine Type 56
      (1) U.S. Battle Dressing
      (1) Pair of green trousers
      (1) Cartridge belt
      (1) Army pouch
      (2) Gray cape
      (1) Pair black shorts
      (1) Large piece of material approximately 5 feet by 3 feet

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

   Recommendations: OP sniper at VIC (YD 552232)

   Conclusions: Believe VC are travelling through valley to get to heavy jungle areas. Believe fighting holes on ridge are being used for OPs.

9. DEBRIEFING CONDUCT: It has been noted that arty support and coverage of positions has been excellent in this area.
LEGEND

O = Insertion
X = Extraction
--- = Patrol Route
----- = Trail

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

2nd Team, 2nd Ft.
3rd Team, 3rd Ft.
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ADDITION TO PATROL REPORT OF 16400H January 1967 OPERATION ORDER: 15-67
2nd Team, 3rd Plt., Co. "A"

Paragraph 6,c. (1) Addition

Patrol also captured 19,000 piastres off VCS captured 151415H
VIC (YD 507275).

Sgt. Co. "A"

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enls (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/TDC 25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) per. 7X50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: NONE
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M79 40MM L.E. (1) M60 (5) C-S grenades

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area, locating trails and harboring sites. Establish dry run's and ambushes on likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy effort to capture documents, weapons and prisoners. Patrol will act as forward observers for on call artillery.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 170300H/181440H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: Patrol during (29) hours of patrolling and observation had negative sightings and (1) contact with an estimated platoon of VC. Resulting in (7) VC KIA, prob and (3) USNG KIA.
   b. ENEMY: Patrol made contact with the enemy while moving to crest of hill VIC YD(561231). Time approx 181315H. Patrol made initial contact with approx (7) VC wearing green uniforms, patrol and enemy spotted each other at the same time, both exchanged fire at the same time. VC threw grenades and fired what sounded like a rocket launcher. VC broke contact after patrol threw approx (6) C-S grenades. Patrol received heavy fire from (2) machineguns on top of hill. One on east side and one on west side. Patrol called F./B. (3) rd H.E. on VC as they were moving away from hill. Patrol then moved to top of hill with no resistance from enemy. Patrol found numerous fighting holes and tunnels.
   c. TERRAIN: Characterized by rolling hills steep in places, very open with brush (1) to (2) ft in height. Rate of travel approx 250 meters per hour.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: Gun ships flying cover on extraction received SAS from surrounding area.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: (7) KIA Prob.
   b. FRIENDLY: (3) USNG KIA
   c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: NONE

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
9. **DELEGATED COURSES:** VC are known to carry 40MM rocket launcher which is designated as the M-40 rocket launcher. Notice should be made of the fact that patrol threw approx 50 grenades with approx 15 C4. There has been two significant contacts on this same hill in the last 3 days, advise area be prepped by artillery before patrol enters the area.
Operation Order: 23-67  
Patrol: 2nd Sqdn, 3d Plt, Co. A  
Debriefor: Sgt. COHINN  
Map Sheet: 6460 I, II

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (8) RN, (1) USN  
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE  
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/IRG-25  
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) IR TX50's  
   e. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 (3) Canister rds

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area, locating trails and harbor sites. Establish day OP's and ambushes or likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy with SAF and/or supporting arms, making every effort to capture documents, weapons and prisoners. Patrol will act forward observers for on call arty.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 211300H /251400H

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: Patrol during (97) hours of patrolling and observations had (9) sightings and negative contacts. Patrol called (9) FM's in support totalling (176) rds. HE resulting in (4) VC KIA (Prob).
   b. ENEMY: N/A  
   c. TERRAIN: Characterized by heavy brush intertwined with vines running from (2) to (6) ft. in height. Rate of travel in thin area approx. (400) meters an hour.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) Patrol at 210530H VIC (YD 566234) observed (2) VC moving south on trail, VC were wearing dark green utilitys, carrying packs. arty FM of (9) rds HE called with good coverage. Results unknown.
      (2) Patrol at 210555 VIC (YD 567236) observed (7) VC moving South on trail, wearing dark green uniforms, carrying (5) packs and (2) weapons. arty FM of (59) rds HE called with good coverage. Results unknown, VC moved into brush.
      (3) Patrol at 241250H VIC (YD 566234) observed (8) VC moving South on trail, wearing dark green uniforms, and all carrying packs. arty FM of (18) rds HE called with good coverage. Results unknown due to visibility.
      (4) Patrol at 241425H VIC (YD 566234) observed (6) VC (3) were moving North, and (5) South on trail. arty FM of (14) rds called with good coverage, VC were carrying heavy packs and wearing dark green uniforms. Results of FM unknown.
      (5) Patrol at 241525H VIC (YD 566234) observed (4) VC moving South on trail, wearing dark green uniforms carrying (4) hvy. packs and (4) rifles. arty FM of (20) rds HE called with good coverage, VC moved into brush. Results of FM unknown.
      (6) Patrol at 241555H VIC (YD 566234) observed (19) VC moving South on trail (17) were wearing dark green uniforms and (2) wearing khaki, carrying (4) rifles and (19) hvy. packs. arty FM of (34) rds. Called with good coverage, resulting in (5) VC KIA (Prob)
(7) Patrol at 050900 H VIC (YD 576246) observed (1) VCO moving south on trail ... (5) RPG and carrying (2) packs.

(7) During South on trail, (3) VCO were wearing dark green uniform and (1) wearing khakis, carrying (2) packs and (2) stretcher with a body on it. Thirty rounds fired by patrol. No casualties.

(8) Patrol at 051100 H VIC (YD 566245) observed (5) VC moving south on trail, wearing dark green uniform and (1) Khaki uniform, carrying (2) packs. Twenty rounds fired by patrol. No casualties.

6. Results of Reconnaissance with the FNFMY:

a. Litany:

b. C. I. P. U. / F. W. P. I. M.:

7. Conditions:

- Good
- Observed
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
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- N/A

8. Conditions and Reconnaissance:

- Good
- Observed
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A

9. Conclusions:

Very heavily traveled trail running North to South in YD 565235.

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Conclusions:

 patrol leader.

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OPERATION ORDER: 23-67
Patrol 1st sqp, 3d Rec A Co.
Dobolizers: 3rd R.C. SOUTHER
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (1) GTO, (6) encl, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/FRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) per 7x50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: NONE
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) 3-79 40mm RB, (7) canister rds. (2) CS Grenades

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area, locating trails and harbor sites. Established day CP's and ambushes on likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy with 81mm or supporting arms making every effort to capture documents, weapons and prisoners. Patrol will act as forward observer on call arty.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 211600H/251200H Jan 67

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: Patrol during 92 hours of patrolling and observation had (2) sightings totaling (10) VC, patrol called (2) FN totaling (50) rds. with negative results. Patrol had no contacts.
   b. ENEMY: (1) 250945H vio (YD 42332) patrol spotted (6) VC wearing black FJ's, (3) were carrying weapons, patrol called arty mission of (32) rds. VC and VC ran into woods.
   c. (2) 251015H vio (YD 42432) patrol spotted (4) VC came out of woods, one looked 1iko he was wounded. Patrol called arty mission of (16) rds. VC ran back into woods. Negative results of FN.
   d. TERRAIN: Canopy 30-40ft high. Very easy movement. Open area characterized by thick brush 2-15ft high and movement was slow. Rate of travel for patrol was 300 meters per hour.
   e. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) patrol found old camp site vio (YD 417 316), named 1RC-10 batteries, 7 UP cans and fighting holes that were filled were found at camp site.
   f. (2) 220030H Patrol found numerous trails. Most of the trails seemed to run south to main trail, vio (YD 42030) to (YD 41131).

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: (1) WIA (prob)
   b. FRIENDLY: N/A
   c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: N/A

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
   Recommendations: Set up CP on hill 102 vio (YD 428325). Send Patrol to the southwest vio (YD 4050).

Conclusions: VC are using area as a transit staging area.

ENCLOSURE (6)
9. **DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:** NONE

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Operation Order: 24-67
Patrol: 1st Sqd., 1st Plt., 1st sqd., 2nd Plt., Co. A
Debriefee: SSgt. E. V. MILL
Map Sheet: 6460 I, II

PART I. REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (2) Off. (16) Enl. (2) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (4) AM/FRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (3) 7×50 (1) 7×35
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) pounds 0-4 (30) CS grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (2) M-60 (2) M-79 (1) Shotgun

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area, locating trails and harbor sites. Establish CP's and ambushes on likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy with SA and/or supporting arms, making every effort to capture documents, weapons, and prisoners. Patrols will act as forward observers for on call artillery.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 251300H/260600H January 1967

4. ROUTE: Sec patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: Patrol during 26½ hours of patrolling and observation had (1) sighting and (1) contact resulting in (2) VC WIA (Conf) and (1) USMC WIA, (1) USN KIA, and (2) USMC WIA. Patrol also called (2) fire mission of (42) rounds HE in support of the patrol. Patrol also called for Med-evac and reaction force.

   b. ENEMY: (1) Patrol at 261030H VIC (YD 534254) while moving East on trail was taken under SA and automatic fire from their direct front and left front by an estimated (20) VC, wounding the point man and patrol leader. The point man withdrew about (20) meters and 2nd Patrol leader and (5) men moved back into the area of contact, returning SA and approximately (25) CS grenades to get body of wounded point man. Driving the VC from their positions.

      (2) At approximately 261045H patrol called artillery into the area and walk it into approximately 100 meters of their area to support the (9) men retrieving the body; patrol leader died before they could get back to join the fire support line. At this time a Med-evac was called for. Patrol also at this time was receiving SA and automatic weapons fire from their direct front, left front, and right front. The VC ceased fire and started to maneuver toward patrol. Patrol tried to box their position with artillery. The patrol was on the gun target line and they were receiving shrapnel from own artillery, so they ceased fire on artillery.

      (3) At 261100H Med-evac came in and started to lower hoist and pick up body and WIA, when they received heavy SA and automatic weapons fire from patrols left front, right front, and rear. Chopper withdrew with (43) rounds being taken by the chopper. The hole gun ships made (4) passes from West to East around patrol position. At this time the patrol was in contact with the VC, receiving SA and grenades into their position, wounding the other patrol leader and killing the Corpsman.

      (4) At 261115H Patrol called for reaction force and fixed wing. When fixed wing arrived into the area the VC ceased fire. But continued to move toward patrol position.

ENVELOE (7)
5. TERRAIN: In the low ground is characterized by sparse brush running from (2) to (5) feet in height. As you move up into the high ground then is dense brush interwoven with vines running from (6) to (14) feet in height. Approximate rate of travel in the high brush areas is about (50) meters an hour, and on the trails about (100) meters an hour.

6. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) The patrol was in contact with approximately a reinforced platoon, using approximately (15) automatic weapons and miscellaneous semi-automatic weapons.

(2) Patrol at 251400H VIC (YD 533238) was inserted on a trail running North and South, about (1) meter wide with a dirt base. Vegetation along sides of trail was sparse brush about (2) feet in height.

(3) Patrol at 260900H VIC (YD 533233) found a new trail that had been used recently by the VC. The trail had fresh prints on it. The trail was approximately ½ meter wide with a mud base and with vegetation running from (6) to (14) feet in height. The trail was running West and East.

(4) Patrol at 260945H VIC (YD 533233) was told to move to OT VIC (YD 537233) to FO for artillery and air strikes in the valley.

(5) Patrol at 261330H VIC (YD 533234) linked up with reaction force and moved to (YD 537234) for extreastion.

(6) Patrol observed approximately (20) fighting holes and (2) bunkers and a trench line. The fighting holes were 2x2x3 and staggered along ridge line, set in thick brush with good fields of fire to the trail. The (2) bunkers were at VIC (YD 537234) approximately 4x4x4 covered with logs and about (16) inches of dirt, with a (1) foot by (1) foot aperture facing East, this was also the way the VC entered the bunkers. Patrol also found a trench line approximately (50) feet long and (4) feet deep running North and South along ridge line with an (18) inch parapet on the East side of trench. Their fortified positions ran from (YD 534234) to (YD 536234) and were all fresh dug. The trench lines were at this cord. (YD 536234)

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: (2) VC WIA (Conf)

b. FRIENDLY: (1) USMC KIA (1) USN KIA (2) USMC MIA

c. CIVILIAN/EQUIPMENT: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: No more Recon patrols be sent into this area.

Conclusions: Think the VC have out posts along ridge and can reinforce anywhere along the ridge.

2nd LT. J.E. SILVER
1st LT. J.R. THOMPSON
Co. "A"

9. DRGRIEFER COMMENTS: Agree with patrol leader's comments and think there should be a NAPalm run made along ridge line, in the valley, and saddle.
LEGEND

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

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Operation Order, 26-67
Patrol: 1st Sqdn., 2nd Int., Co. "I"
Debrief: 8860, 15 Jan 1967
Patrol Sheet: 6460 1, II

INTELLIGENCE

1. SIGN, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Ent. (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr. 7x50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
   f. SPECIAL TACTICS: (1) M-79 40mm HE, (5) canister rounds

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance with assigned area, searching trails and harbor sites. Establish day OPs and ambushes on likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy with SAPI and/or supporting areas, testing enemy's ability to capture documents, weapons, and prisoners. Patrols will not be forward observers for call artillery.

3. SITE OF DEBRIEF/RETURN: 26145H/290830K January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF MORTAR AND GRENADE FIRE:
   a. SYNOLOGY: Patrol during (97) hours of patrolling and observation had (97) sightings totalling (97) VC and no contacts. Patrol called (5) fire missions totalling 358 rounds 105 and 2 rounds 90, results unknown. There were (4) air strikes called, resulting in 25 VC KIA (comb.), 2 VC KIA (comb.). 11 VC WIA (comb).
   b. BRIEF: (1) 27145H VIC (YD 472260) Patrol observed (2) VC moving north on trail, dressed in khaki and green uniforms, wearing helmets and carrying packs and rifles. Patrol called fire mission VIC (YD 472278) of 60 rounds 105 with good coverage on target, results unknown.
   (2) 271563H VIC (YD 472248) Patrol observed (7) VC moving southeast towards hut VIC (YD 472266). Four VC were dressed in khakis and 3 were dressed in green utilities. VC were carrying rifles, packs, and helmets. Patrol called air strike, results (5) VC KIA (comb.) by 30. 40 then called artillery mission of (20) rounds 105 with good coverage on target, result: VC were partially destroyed, unable to observe VC.
   (3) 271693H VIC (YD 472258) Patrol observed (40) VC moving north on trail in a tactical column. VC were well camouflaged with brush and leaves. Some VC had helmets. VC were carrying (2) mortars, (1) machineguns, and every 7th VC did not have a pack. Patrol called air strike, results (5) VC KIA and burned. Patrol then called in artillery fire mission of (150) rounds 105. At 1800 reaction force was observed setting in at VIC (YD 446275). Results of fire & Air 20 VC KIA (comb.), 11 VC WIA (comb).
   (4) 260620H VIC (YD 472262) Patrol observed (10) VC moving south on trail, wearing green utilities and covered with leaves and brush, also carrying rifles and wearing helmets. Patrol called air strike VIC (YD 472283) but was unable to observe results.
   (5) 200859K VIC (YD 472269) Patrol observed (2) VC moving around hut, wearing khaki and dark suits. Patrol did not observe weapons or equipment. Patrol called air strike, results were that the huts were completely destroyed and (2) VC KIA (prob).
(6) 201545H VIC (YD 473258) Patrol observed (10) VC moving South on trail, wearing camouflaged uniforms with weapons and helmets. Before action could be taken VC moved out of the area.

(7) 201615H VIC (YD 472259) Patrol observed (4) VC moving North on trail, (3) in green utilities and (1) in black short pants, with camouflage on their backs, helmets and no packs. Patrol called artillery mission of (50) rounds HE with excellent coverage on target, but patrol was unable to observe VC.

(8) 201930H VIC (YD 473253) Patrol observed (15) VC moving North on trail, wearing camouflage on their backs. Patrol called artillery fire mission of (130) rounds HE, after 2nd concentration patrol heard screaming and yelling, so they called in another concentration and the noise stopped.

(9) 200745H VIC (YD 472259) Patrol observed (7) VC, (4) men and (3) women moving North on trail. Gun-ships who were flying support for extraction made (1) pass but didn't fire, VC were wearing civilian clothing and had (2) rifles and no packs. Patrol while being extracted informed patrol which was taking their place of the VC's position.

a. TERRAIN: Characterized by thick vegetation, with a canopy of (15) feet and many trails.

b. OTHER INFORMATION: Patrol observed trail which is on the map, running from (YD 4525) to YD 4526 is being heavily used and is where all the sightings occurred.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: (23) VC KIA (Conf), (2) VC KIA (Prob) (1) VC WIA (Conf)

b. FRIENDLY: N/A

c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: N/A

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Believe sniper rifle should be taken on patrols in this area. Should take infer-red light for night, patrol should also take 15-60 and plenty of water.

Conclusions: Area is well used, and trail is heavily used from VIC (YD 4525 to YD 4526).

J.N. Tyce
CPL, Co. "A"

9. DEMONSTRATION COMMENTS: None
Debrief: 300830H/December 66 031630H/January 67

1. Scouts, Composition, and Equipment:
   a. Composition: (1) Off., (14) Enl., (2) U.S.
   b. Special Attachments: None
   c. Communications Equipment: (4) AN/PRC 25’s
   d. Observation Equipment: (2) YPSO
   e. Special Equipment: None
   f. Special Weapons: (2) M-79 (1) M-60


4. Route: See patrol route overlay

5. Observation of Enemy and Terrain:
   a. Summary: Patrol during (104) hours of patrolling and observation had (5) sightings totaling 1,052 VC, and called (2) fire missions of (20) rounds. Patrol also observed two camps approximately (1000) VC. Patrol had (6) contacts resulting in (2) KIA (Conf.) and (2) WIA VC (Conf.). There was (1) U.S. WIA. Patrol also linked up with N Co. 3/26. Patrol captured approximately (50) pounds of flake TNT and (40) rounds of M-1 armor.

   b. WHITE: (1) (SURF) 7 Man patrol at 301200H VIG (YD 517253) was moving up ridge to OP for bomb damage group, when they were ambushed by (15) VC, wearing black trousers and light blue ponchos and khaki ponchos carrying (7) automatic weapons and (5) semi-automatic weapons. (1) possibly a SAM. Patrol returned fire and VC broke contact. Results of encounter (1) U.S. WIA, (2) VC WIA (Prob.). Patrol Surf linked up with White and withdrew from area, and called artillery fire mission of (8) rounds HE with good coverage. Results of fire mission unknown.

   c. WHITE: (1) (SURF) Patrol at 311200H VIG (YD 522249) observed in a (20) minute period (200) VC seen carrying weapons and packs. They were wearing black uniforms. Light blue ponchos, and black FUs. Some were wearing white. Patrol observed large groups moving North on trail until 1730H. (2) Groups of VC were seen carrying mortars and machine guns. Estimated total of (1000) or over. Patrol moved out of area and artillery fire mission was observed with 50 per cent good coverage. Patrol also observed air strikes on the area with excellent coverage.

   d. WHITE: (1) (SURF and TIDE) At 021200H VIG (YD 527261) patrol point observed 25 to 30 VC moving South on trail. They were wearing black uniforms, some light blue ponchos, all carrying weapons. Patrol took VC under SAP. VC returned sporadically SAP and broke contact and ran South. Results of encounter with the enemy was (2) U.S. WIA (Conf.) and (1) WIA (Conf.).

   e. WHITE: 311400H at VIG (YD 527259) patrol spotted (15) VC moving South to North at VIG (YD 524256) wearing black FUs and light blue ponchos and carrying heavy packs. There were no weapons observed and no action taken.
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c. AREA: Area was characterized by knee deep marsh with sparse brush approximately (2") inches high. Rate of travel in this area approximately 1500 meters an hour. Area was 50 per cent covered by water 10 to 72 inches deep.

d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) At 021300H VIC (TD 517253) patrol found a (25) pound can of what appeared to be flake TNT. Patrol dumped can in river. Patrol also found an empty (25) pound can.

(2) At 021300H VIC (TD 513260) patrol found (1) 25 pound can of what appeared to be flake TNT with (40) rounds of N-1 ammot laying on top of TNT. Patrol dumped TNT and cans in river. All of the cans were marked on the outside with X. 200 UA with the #33 in red on the inside of cans. Pictures have been submitted.

(3) (TIDE) At 030900H VIC (TD 516255) patrol while moving heard movement and talking all around their position.

(4) (SURF) At 031100H VIC (YD 527256) patrol heard steady movement on trail moving Southwest to Northeast for approximately (3 1/2) hours. Patrol could not observe.

(5) (SURF and TIDE) At 021300H VIC (TD 521262) patrol joined up with H Co. 3/26 and continued sweep to the Northeast. Mission ended on arrival at 4th Marine C.P., 2200H 02 January 1967.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: (6) MIA (Conf)

b. FRIENDLY: (1) UNSC MIA

c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: (50) pounds TNT; approximately (40) rounds N-1

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Morale good, physical condition fair.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Think there should be an infantry sweep South into the mountains.

Conclusions: The VC are using this area regularly.

J.N. SILER
2nd Lt. Co. "A"

9. DETAILER COMMENTS: Concur with patrol leaders comments.
Operation Order: 1-67
Patrol: 1st Sqd., 1st Plt., Co. "B"
Databooker: SSGT. E.W. BELL
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PATROL RECORD

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enl.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr. 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area of operation
to determine VC activity. Engage known enemy where possible with S/SF
and/or supporting arms, making every effort to determine results and
to capture weapons, prisoners, and documents. Patrol will also act as
forward observer for call artillery.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 060900H/111200H January 1967
4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: Patrol during (192) hours of patrolling and observation
had (2) sightings and (1) contact. Patrol also observed (1) fire fight.
Patrol called (2) FM's totalling (62) rounds of HE.

   b. ENEMY: (1) Patrol upon insertion at 061035H VIC (YD 704153)
oberved (1) VC VIC (YD 709153) wearing black PJ's and a poncho carrying
a rifle. VC seemed to be on OP. Patrol moved up to get within range
of VC, but VC escaped before patrol could get within effective range.

   (2) Patrol at 091000H observed (2) VC VIC (YD 717156) (1) was
wearing camouflage utilities; patrol started offensive action and
(12) VC wearing black PJ's and camouflage utilities were spotted
moving up from (YD 718159) to the other (2) VC's position. Patrol
took VC under S/SF and called in artillery mission of 61 rounds HE.
Resulting in (1) VC KIA (Conf). Good coverage with artillery.

   c. TERRAIN: The high ground had sparse vegetation with scattered
trees. The low ground had heavy brush from (2) to (5) feet in height.
Approximate rate of travel (100) meters per hour.

   d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) Patrol at 072100H VIC (YD 713162)
heard (7) to (10) VC pass their position on trail. Patrol called (1)
round of HE, artillery was on target. Results unknown. Patrol checked
the following morning, but found nothing but foot prints.

   (2) Patrol from 072000H to 2100H observed lights signalling each
other from (1) at (YD 706174) the other at (YD 694194).

   (3) Patrol at 072100H observed a fire fight for approximately (20)
minutes from (YD 710175). There was mostly automatic weapons fire.

   (a) Patrol at 091530 was resupplied with (14) bandoleers of M-14
ammo, (30) M-79 rounds, (20) M-26 grenades, and (2) AN/PRC 25's at
(YD 717156).

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: (1) VC KIA (Conf)

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b. FRIENDLY: N/A

c. CAPTURE/EQUIPMENT: N/A

7. CONDITION OF ENEMY: Fair, due to rainy weather.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

Recommendations: Recommend periodic patrolling in this area.

Conclusions: VC are using this area rarely.

\[ J.E. \text{ MOFT} \]

SFC. CO. "B"

9. INFERRED CONDITIONS: Patrols in this area in the past 70 days have had sightings of (191) VC.

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) 1st.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) x 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) Claymore
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area of operations to determine VC activity. Engage known enemy when possible with L.A.P and/or supporting arms, making every effort to determine results and capture weapons, prisoners and documents. Patrol will also act as forward observer for on call artillery.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 080900H/111510H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF BURNT AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYMPTOMS: Patrol during 72 hours of patrolling and observation had (2) sightings resulting in (2) contacts. Patrol found (1) trail and (4) punji pits. Patrol also found (1) 105 round. Patrol had (1) VC KIA (Conf) and captured (7) VC's.

   b. BURNT: (1) Patrol at 081230H moved South on trail at (YC 890996) observed (1) VC moving north on same trail, point man took VC under L.A.P killing him. VC was wearing black shorts and black top with a G.I. poncho and a white Pith helmet. He was carrying a pack and an M-1 carbine. Patrol moved on down the trail and found a cane and a new straw hat, and (2) sets of fresh foot prints.

   (2) Patrol at 111130H VIC (YC 893995) observed (3) VC's moving North on highway 714. Patrol moved out of the bush and captured the (3) VC's, while the patrol was searching the (3) VC's, the security element of the patrol observed (4) more VC's coming down the road. Patrol also captured them, while they were searching these VC's patrol was fired on from (YC 880995) by (1) VC wearing an olive drab poncho. Patrol pursued the VC, but he escaped.

   c. TERRAIN: Characterized by dense brush interwoven with vines running approximately (80 to (10) feet in height. Rate of movement in this area approximately (5000 to (60000) meters an hour in the brush, and about (20000) meters an hour on the trails.

   d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) Patrol at 090130H VIC (YC 903994) found (4) rock looted punji traps about 2x2x3 feet with the stakes running about 2 1/2 feet in length, In this same area patrol found approximately (60) punji stakes along the edge of elephant grass slanting into the grass. The pits were in a clear area. Patrol found fresh foot prints in this area.

   (2) Patrol at 081100H found a trail VIC (YC 901996) approximately (1) foot wide, with a base of mud and rocks. Trail ran North and South and the vegetation along sides of trail ran from (10) inch grass to dense brush (10) feet in height.

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(3) Patrol at 061400H VIC (YC 904995) found a 105 shell with no fuse or charge in the projectile. Shell was well rusted and looked like it had been there for some time.

(4) Patrol at 111300H VIC (YC 904995) was emergency evacuation from there position.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: (1) VC air (Conf) (""") VC's captured
   b. ENEMY: N/A
   c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT:
      (1) M-1 cal. 30 carbine
      (2) Magazines
      (1) Shells grenade
      (1) M-26 grenade
      Numerous documents.

7. EXECUTION OF PATROL: Good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

   Recommendations: Recommend further patrols be put into this area.

   Conclusions: The area is definitely being used by VC.

9. DESCRIPTIVE COMMENTS: None
PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (9) enl (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/ITC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) PR 7x50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: NONE
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area of operations to determine VC activity. Engage known enemy when possible with SAP and/or supporting arms making every effort to determine results and to capture weapons, prisoners and documents. Patrol will act as PD for on call duty.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 031100H/061245H Jan 67

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: During 74 hrs. of patrolling and observation patrol had (1) sighting total VC (4) VC. There were no fire missions or air strikes called in support of this patrol.

   b. ENEMY: 051325H vic (YD 471259) patrol observed (4) VC carrying rifles and (1) had a pack. (2) VC had clear plastic raincoats on and (2) had green plastic raincoats moving north along trail. VC moved approx. 100 meters turned around and went back up the trail moving south. Patrol called air mission but had to cancel. It became enemy moved out of sight of the patrol. Patrol then went down to trail and checked it out with negative results.

   c. TERRAIN: Thick brush approx. 3 to 6 ft. high with no canopy. Rate of travel is 200 meters per hour.

   d. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: FAIR

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
   Recommendations: Put a patrol further south in vic of (YD 4725).

   Conclusions: none

9. DECLASSIFIER COMMENTS: NONE
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) oprl (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) per 7x50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: NONE
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) .50-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area of operations to determine VC activity. Engage known enemy when possible with SAP and/or supporting arms making every effort to determine results and capture weapons, prisoners and documents. Patrol will also act as PO for all arty.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 031000/061115H Jan 67
4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPTIC: Patrol during 72hrs. and 15 min. of patrolling and observation had negative sightings or contacts.
   b. ENEMY: NONE
   c. TERRAIN: Terrain is characterized by sparse low brush 4 to 6 ft in height in the high ground. The low ground brush & vines 6 to 10 ft high and dense.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
7. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT
8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
   Recommendations: good area for OP
   Conclusions: This area does not seem to be used very often by VC

R.L. TOWNSEND
Cpl. B Co.

9. DECISION COMMENT: NONE

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
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ENCLOSURE (13)
PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enlisted (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) per 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: NONE
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M79 40MM HE

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area of operation to determine VC activity. Engage enemy when possible with SnF and/or supporting arms, making every effort to determine the results, and capture weapons, prisoners and documents. Patrol will also act as forward observers for on-call artillery. Establish ambushes along trails where possible.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 111500H/161715H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPHSIS: Patrol during 22 hours of patrolling and observation had (1) sighting totalling (7) VC. No contact. Called (1) F.M. totalling (6) rd. HE. Good coverage over target area. Results unknown due to poor visibility.
   b. TERRAIN: (7) VC
      o. TERRAIN: Area was characterized by thick vegetation composed of bamboo, small bush, and elephant grass in places running from two to ten feet in height. Rate of travel was (700) meters per hour.
      d. OTHER INFORMATION: 111500H Patrol moved to OP VIC (YD 895011). Negative sightings or contact. Patrol was told by RAINBIRD not to move from OP because of friendly movement to the north.
         141300H Patrol sighted (7) VC moving south through open area VIC (YD 05293). Patrol called F.M. of (8) rd. HE. Good coverage in target area. Results unknown due to poor visibility. VC were carrying packs and rifles, wearing helmets and light brown uniforms.
         141300H Patrol continued to OP from VIC (YD 895011) for remainder of patrol with negative sightings or contact.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. N/A
   b. FRIENDLY: N/A
   c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: N/A

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
   Conclusions: Set up ambush along Highway 14

   Enclosure (1)

   DESKJEFER COMMENTS: NONE

   Patrol Leader R.C. TOWNSEND
   Rank Company
   Cpl B

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

2nd Sqd., 2nd Plt., 80th "B"
Map VIETNAM: 1:50,000
Series: L-701
Sheet: 6159 IV
3d Recon Bn
(S-2)
Operation Order: 14-67  
Patrol: 112 Eqld., 2nd Bn., Co. "H"  
Debrief: SGT R.C. Sommers  
Map Sheet: 6550 III

**Patrol Report**

1. **Size, Composition, and Equipment:**
   
a. **Composition:** (6) Enl. (1) USN
   
b. **Special Attachments:** None
   
c. **Communications Equipment:** (2) AN/PRC 25's
   
d. **Observation Equipment:** (1) PR 7x50
   
e. **Special Equipment:** None
   
f. **Special Weapons:** (1) K-79 40mm HE (6) Shrapnel rounds

2. **Mission:** Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area of operation to determine VC activity. Engage the known enemy when possible with SAF and/or supporting arms, making every effort to determine results and to capture weapons, prisoners, and documents. Patrol will also act as forward observer for the call artillery.

3. **Time of Departure/Return:** 111130H/161730H January 1967

4. **Route:** See patrol route overlay

5. **Observation of Enemy and Terrain:**
   
a. **Synopsis:** Patrol during (126) hours of patrolling and observation had negative sightings or contact. Patrol found (16) two man fighting holes.
   
b. **Enemy:** U/A
   
c. **Terrain:** Area was characterized by waist high brush. Rate of movement approximately 600 meters per hour.
   
d. **Other Information:** (1) 111130H Patrol was inserted VIC (YD 717165), Patrol moved to (YD 701163) and set up OP. Patrol observed Vietnamese moving North to river VIC (YD 723181).  
   111745H Patrol observed Vietnamese moving South on trail VIC (YD 723181) to village VIC (YD 714172).

(2) 122100H to 122400H Patrol observed lights on river VIC (YD 70518).

(3) 131000H Patrol moved South and set up OP (YD 704154).  
Negative sightings or contact.

(4) 140000H Patrol moved South and found (16) two man fighting holes VIC (YD 704153). Most of the holes appeared to be one and two months old. Two of the holes looked to have been dug in the last couple of weeks. Patrol also found (2) storage bins which could hold approximately (300) pounds of rice. There were also (10) two man platforms to sleep on. Only (3) were serviceable. Negative sightings or contact.

(5) 141400H Patrol moved to VIC (YD 709155) and set up OP to observe area. Negative sightings or contact.

(6) 15 January Patrol OPed from VIC (YD 703155). 152000H Patrol heard SAF from the West. Negative sightings or contact.

(7) 16 January Negative sightings or contact.

6. **Results of Encounters with the Enemy:** N/A

7. **Condition of Patrol:** Good
8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendations: Put patrol in on Hill 196 and move South and West.

Conclusions: VC might be using VIC (YD 70415) as over night rest area.

R. C. Barnes
1/Cpl. Co. "B"

9. DECLASSIFIED COMMENTS: None
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Operation Order: 16-67
Patrol: 2nd Sqd., 1st Plt., Co. "B"
Detachment: 3rd Reconnaissance Bn.,
Plt. H-1, RVN
1st Sheet: 6560 III

PATROL No. 02

1. SITUATION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area of operation to determine VC activity. Engage known enemy when possible with 30F and/or supporting arms, making every effort to determine results and capture weapons, prisoners or documents. Patrol will also act as forward observer for on call artillery. Establish ambush along trails.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 170045H/210000H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. CHARACTERISTICS OF RECON AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYMPHONY: Patrol during (95) hours of observation and patrolling had negative sightings or contacts, and found (10) old fighting holes.
   b. EMERGENCY: N/A
   c. TERRAIN: Characterized by sparsely brush running from (3) to (5) feet in height. Rate of travel approximately 1000 meters an hour.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) Patrol at 201736V13 (X1 76:092) found (10) fighting holes 2x3x3, set in a 360 degree perimeter approximately (12) to (15) feet apart, set in sparse brush about 3 feet in height. These holes have not been used in a long time, as they had brush growing in them.

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

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
   Recommendations: Patrol should patrol further SW into the canopy.
   Conclusions: VC are not using this area.

9. DISCLOSURE OBJECTIONS: None

R. J. MEDLEY
CPL. Co. "B"

ENCLOSURE (16)
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**Patrol Route Overlay:**

- 2nd Sqd, 1st Plt., Co. "B"
- Map VIRPAM: 1:50,000
- Sheet: 6560 III
- Series: L-701

3d Recon Pn.  
(S-2)
Operation Order: 45-67
Red: 1st Sq., 1st Bn., Co. "B"
Jobber: ESCF, 7th Inf. Div.
Map Sheet: 6559 IV

INTRODUCTION

1. SITUATION, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area of operations
to determine VC activity. Engage known enemy when possible with EAF and/or
supporting arms; making every effort to determine results and capture weapons,
prisoners, and documents. Establish ambushes along trails. Patrol will
not act as forward observer for call artillery.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 170030H/161930H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPTIC: Patrol during (35) hours of observation and patrolling
had (2) contacts and called (1) fire mission of (70) rounds HE. Resulting
in (12) VC KIA (Conf) and (10) VC KIA (Prob).!
   b. ENEMY: (1) Patrol at 161755H VIC (YD 920001) was set in a
defensive position along trail and observed approximately (20) VC moving
East on trail. Some were wearing black PJ trousers and khaki shirts and
green ponchos and straw helmets. They were also wearing dark green utilities;
carrying (1) mortars, (1) M-79, and (1) automatic weapon and rifles. Patrol
opened fire on the rear of the VC column and VC withdrew East on the trail.
Results of the engagement was (6) VC KIA (Conf) and captured web gear and
packs.

   (2) Patrol at 181820H VIC (YD 903997) while moving West on trail,
converged with approximately (20) VC wearing the same type uniforms as the
last group, and carrying rifles. The point team opened fire on the VC, and
the patrol pursued VC West on the trail. While they were in contact with the
VC, the patrol received (4) rounds of mortar fire from the group that was
behind them. Patrol called artillery fire mission of (70) rounds HE on this
group with excellent coverage resulting in (10) VC KIA (Prob). The results
of the EAF engagement were (6) VC KIA (Conf) and captured packs and
web gear. Patrol while searching the area came upon (1) VC hiding in
a hole and captured him.

   c. TERRAIN: Characterized by dense brush inter-woven with vines
running from 6 to 8 feet in height, with a few scattered trees running
to approximately 50 or 60 feet in height. Rate of travel in this area
was approximately 200 meters per hour.

   d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) Patrol at 170500 VIC (YD 904996) found
2 or 3 fresh bare foot prints on the trail.

   (2) Patrol at 101750H VIC (YD 920001) heard ap approximately (5) rounds
from VIC (YD 903995).
6. RECORD OF ENGAGEMENT W/ THE ENEMY:
   a. HOSTILE: (12) KIA. (Conf) (10) VC KIA. (Prob)
   b. FRIENDLY: N/A
   c. CAPTURE/REXULTION: See Recon Sitrep #623

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

   Recommendations: Recommend excessive patrolling in this same area.
   Conclusions: Think the VC are starting to mass in this area.

A.W. BACH
Sgt. Co. "B"

9. DETAILS OF CONTACT: None

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

1st Sqd., 1st Plt., Co. "B"
1:50,000
Map VIETNAM: 6559 IV
Series: L-701
3d Reconn Bn.
(S-2)
PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (9) Tel.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (1) ISO
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25s
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7250
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (5) Combined 0-4
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) Shotgun (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area of operations to determine VC activity. Engage known enemy when possible with SAF and/or supporting arms making every effort to determine results and capture weapons, prisoners, and documents. Hatchish ambushes along trails and attempt to obtain a body killed with a shotgun special area. Patrol will also act as forward observer for on call artillery.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 251530H/290930H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: Patrol during (76) hours of patrolling and observation had (1) sighting and negative contacts.
   b. ENEMY: N/A
   c. TERRAIN: Characterized by gentle rolling hills with sparse brush and ankle high grass.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) Patrol at 261130H VIC (YD 891050) observed (34) VCS in a group wearing black PJ's. Patrol asked AO to check them out. AO said they were civilians, and that they were being questioned by a group of Marines.

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

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
   Recommendations: Think OP should be set up further South VIC 8901.
   Conclusions: Think VC are not using this area.

J. TRINIDAD, SSgt. "B"

9. DEPARTMENT COMMENTS: None
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O = Insertion
X = Extraction
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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

3d Sqd., 3d Plt., Co. "B"
Map VIETNAM: 1:50,000
Series: L-701
Sheet: 6559 IV, 6560 XIII
3d Recon, Bn. (S-2)
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Operation Order: 21-07
Disbriorter: SGT. R. C. Summer
Map Sheet: 6560 111, 6551 1IV

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) enl. (1) U.S.N.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (4) 7 by 50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) Claymore mines, (3) WP Rifle grenade
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (6) Cannister Rds.

2. MISSION:
   Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area of operation to determine VC activity. Engage known enemy when possible with S.A.S.P. and for supporting arms, making every effort to determine results and capture prisoners, weapons and documents. Patch bush ambushes along trails and attempt to obtain a body killed with a shotgun using special ammo. Patrol will also act as F.O. for on call arty.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 210830H/251510H

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. Patrol during 103 hours of patrolling and observation had negative sightings or contacts. Patrol called (1) F.M. of (10) HE and (4) WP on a cave with unknown results.
   b. ENEMY: N/A
      c. TERRAIN: The low ground was characterized by elephant grass approx. (5) to (6) feet in height. Vegetation is very thick along the river banks. High ground is very open with sparse brush and ankle high grass. Approx. rate of movement over the patrol route is about 400 meters per hour.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: 210830H Patrol moved northeast vic YD 713084 and encountered numerous animal paths (1) Ft. wide throughout area. Patrol pushed vic YD 715031. Negative sighting or contact.
      220930H Patrol moved north vic YD 721099 Found hut. Reins told patrol to destroy hut. Patrol moved away from hut about 300 meters. After destroying it and observed it rest of day with negative sightings or contact.
      2320 Patrol checked area vic YD 724101 and YD 728099. All trails were under (2) ft. of water. Patrol moved to YD 725055 and set up O.P. Negative sightings on contact.
      24150H Patrol set up O.P. vic YD 719095. Negative sightings on contact.
      2520 Patrol moved to LZ. Approx. 251030H. Patrol called F.M. on what appeared to be a cave vic YD 725118, (14) rd. were fired (10) HE, (4) WP. Negative results.

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

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
   Recommendations: Work a patrol further to the South
   Conclusions: VC don't seem to be using this area

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5. DESCRIBED COMMENTS: N/A

R. Martin
Sgt. "B" Co.

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

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0 = Insertion
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= Patrol route

2nd Sqd, 3d Inf, B Co.
Map Vietnam 1:50,000
Series: I-701
Sheets: 6560 III, 6559 IV
3d Recon, En. (S-2)
PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (6) cnl, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 pr 7x50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) blocks 0-4
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) Shotgun

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area of operations to determine VC activity. Engage known enemy when possible with SAF and/or supporting arms, making every effort to determine results and capture prisoners, weapons and documents. Establish ambushes along trails and attempt to obtain a body killed by shotgun using special ammo. Patrol will act as forward observer for call arty.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 211500H/251500H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYMPTOMS: Patrol during 95% hours of patrolling and observation had (5) sightings and negative contacts. Patrol also found (1) trail and killed (1) arty FM of (2) Identification results unknown.
   b. ENEMY: N/A
   c. TERRAIN: Country rolling to steep hills covered with sparse brush over area from (2) to (5) feet in height. Rate of travel in this area approx. 700 meters an hour.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) Patrol at 221215H vic (YD 683161) observed smoke coming from base of hill. Patrol fired arty FM of 2 rds. HE, results unknown.
      (2) Patrol at 240920H vic (YD 683167) observed (40) VCS moving southwest on trail, wearing black PJ's and white PJ's. No weapons obs.
      (3) Patrol at 241205H vic (YD 683167) observed (5) VCS moving southwest on trail wearing black PJ's and white PJ's. No weapons observed. At approx. 1225H all of the VCS left the area.
      (4) Patrol at 241700H vic (YD 681157) the top of hill 384' found numerous empty C-Ration cans (all types) strewn over the area.
      (5) Patrol at 250930H vic (YD 683167) observed (20) VCS moving southwest on trail wearing black PJ's and white PJ's. No weapons obs.
      (6) Patrol at 250945H vic (YD 683167) observed (25) VCS moving southwest on trail, wearing black and white PJ's. No weapons obs.
      (7) Patrol at 231030H vic (YD 687166) found a trail running north and south, approx (4) meter wide, with a dirt base. Vegetation along side of trail was sparse brush about (5) or (4) ft. in height.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: N/A
   b. FRIENDLY: N/A
   c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: N/A

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7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Very good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Patrol further south of hill 334, snatch VC for questioning/notify authorities of extent of RZ.

Conclusions: VC travel freely in this area therefore we think the VC could easily accompany them in movement in the RZ undetected.

J.C. KENTERSON
1stLt. B Co.

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: NONE
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off. (12) Enl. (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (1) UPI Newsman
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (4) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr. 750
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) CS grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (2) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance in assigned area to determine VC activity. Set in ambush along trails. Engage the enemy when possible with SAP and/or supporting arms, taking every effort to capture weapons, prisoners, and documents. Patrol will not act as forward observer for artillery.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 251415H/290900H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNTOPSIS: Patrol during (91) hours of patrolling and observation had negative sightings or contacts. Patrol found a battalion size harbor site and OP area.
   b. ENEMY: N/A
   c. TERRAIN: This area is steep hills with thick brush inter-woven with vines running from (4) to (15) feet in height. The area is covered with large rock formations. Rate of travel in this area is approximately (300) meters an hour.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) Patrol at 261443H VIC (YD 712135) found a battalion size harbor site around and on hill # 433. The top of hill # 433 is also a good OP position. Patrol also found pieces of what looked like some kind of training manual. The entire hill is a complex of harbor sites and trails.
   (2) Patrol at 261600H observed an FM on village from (YD 752148), approximately (40) rounds of HE and WP were fired with excellent coverage resulting in 60 per cent destruction.
   (3) Patrol heard sporadic SAF during the entire time in the field coming from the villages.
   (4) There were very few people working the fields in this area.

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

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Very Good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
   Recommendations: (1) Think patrols going into this area should prepare for hill # 433 before going in.
   (2) Recommend using hill # 433 as a radio relay station.
   (3) Think patrols should go in further West, Southwest, and South of hill # 433, but radio relay will have to be set up on hill, as patrols will lose radio contact in the valleys.

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[ENCLOSURE: 21]
Conclusions: Hill # 433 has been used frequently for VC harbor sites and OP's. Think the VC are using hill periodically.

J.H. FISHER
2nd Lt. Co. "B"

9. DEBRIEFER CONTENTS: None

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

1st Sqd., 2nd Plt., Co. "B"
Map VICTNAM: 1:50,000
Series: L-701
Sheet: 6541 IV
3d Recom Bn.
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Operation Order: 90-66
Patrol: 2dSqd, 2dPlt, Co C
Debrief: MSgt. H. F. SCHUBACH
Map Sheet: 65611

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) CS Grenades, (2) WP Grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambush of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 300900H/310940H Dec 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 24 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol located one trail not shown on map and one possible harbor site with many old bottles and pans scattered around.
   b. ENEMY: None.
   c. TERRAIN: Mountains, rolling hills and elephant grass in valley 12-14
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) 301020H (YD 025618) patrol found trail running east and west approximately (1) meter wide. Trail indicates infrequent use.
      (2) 301500H (YD 023617) patrol found possible harbor site these coordinates. Many old bottles and pans laying around.
      (3) 301530H (YD 025626) patrol sighted what appeared to be a cave. No movement noted around it.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.
7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Morale good.

6. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Use northern portion of zone for patrolling. Terrain better suited for movement here than in southern portion because of the grass.

Conclusions: Appears that the area is not presently being used by the VC/NVA.

M. B. ADAMS
Patrol Leader
Sgt. Co C

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: None.
SUPPLEMENT

Operation Order: TR-66
Patrols: Island, Zetro, Co C
Debriefor: Kegg, R. P. CÔURICHE
Map Sheet: 6361 ZZ

March 1966

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

a. COMPOSITION: (9) NCM

b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None

c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25's

d. OFFICER EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50

SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2lbs C-4; (6) 60 Grenades

f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish security of contact, make every effort to capture a prisoner.


4. NOTES: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND THREATS:

a. SIGHTINGS: 12 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrolled one trail at dusk on 26 Jan. Complex of well dug in fighting holes not in use at present time.

b. METEOROLOGY:

- MOUNTAIN: Tree underbrush 10-12 feet high covering rolling hills with very few open sparse vegetation in open area.

c. OTHER INFORMATION:

1) 103500 (Y258549) Patrol located complex of well dug in fighting holes with roofs 16-24 inches thick. Not recently used.

2) Patrol located many well used trails throughout the area but need to define if used by enemy or 3rd Marines frequently patrol this area.

ENCLOSURE: PRAGMATIC WITH THE ENEMY: None

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7. CURRENT TRENDS AND FUTURE NODES

8. Recommendation: Consider expanding patrols in this area and 3rd Marines patrols this area daily.

Conclusions: Apparent that this area is not presently being used by the VC/NVA.

J. R. JANGAE Patrolling Leader ICpl. Co.G

9. OTHER COMMENTs: None
1. SING, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (1) Sq'd.
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENT: None
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/TAG 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) CS Grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambush of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.


4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 94 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Visited located one trip flare attached to a tree, many empty C ration cases and discarded equipment.
   b. WEATHER: None
   c. TERRAIN: Rolling hills, 25 foot canopy with thick undergrowth.
   d. NATURAL INFORMATION:
      (1) 040945H (Y:019635) Noise heard, no action taken.
      (2) 041030H (Y:016634) One trip flare found attached to tree, many empty C ration cases and discarded equipment laying around.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF Patrol: Good/Mobile 100%

8. CONDITIONS AT EXIT:
   a. Weather:
      (1) Air: Clear (no smoke)
      (2) Ground: Clear (no smoke)
   b. Visibility: Good (no smoke)

   Conclusion: We are sure that the area at present isn't being used by the NVA.

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J. B. HALTON
Patrol Leader
Cpl. Co C.
1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (8) Enl
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None.
   f. SPECIAL VEHICLES: (2) M-72, (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambush of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 311200H/051501H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 122 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol found (3) fortified complexes, (2) trails not shown on map, 6'x20' hole, observed remains of one air force and one marine observation aircraft, and experienced jamming of radio. Patrol area reveals signs of extensive use by estimated battalion size force.
   b. ENEMY: None.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by steep ravines, dense vegetation and a canopy averaging 40' in height.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:

   (1) 311500H (XD 963648) patrol found (25) bunkers/fighting holes. Bunkers were constructed of earth and logs approximately 5'x2' in size large enough to accommodate two people. One of these bunkers was constructed underground with tunnels leading from it. This bunker was approximately 10'x5'. Bunkers and fighting holes were spaced approximately 15 meters apart and staggered on both sides of the finger to (XD 963649). Entire complex was interwoven with tr
also found were (3) bamboo makeshift weapon sights and hut frames still standing. Patrol while checking area found trail not shown on map running southeast to northwest approximately 3' wide. This trail appears to be heavily used and has been reinforced by wood where steps had been cut. Trail is shown on patrol route overlay.

(2) 311500H (XD 964644) patrol observed the remains of Air Force observation aircraft these coordinates. No activity noted in vicinity of aircraft.

(3) 010900H (XD 961646) patrol found a perfectly cut hole approximately 6' in diameter and 20' deep. Patrol checked area and could find additional signs which would reveal the purpose for this shift.

(4) 011000H (XD 963644) patrol observed the remains of a Marine observation aircraft these coordinates. No activity was noted in vicinity of aircraft.

(5) 011600H (XD 962653) patrol experienced bogey station on primary frequency. Unknown operator said "Boo-Coo VC, number one, kill switch Station was heard loud and clear for approximately 15 minutes.

(6) 021030H (XD 966655) patrol found trail not shown on map approximate 1 meter wide which appeared to be a heavily used main trail. No secondary trails branched from it. Patrol followed trail to (XO) with negative results. Trail is shown on patrol overlay.

(7) 021400H (XD 961642) patrol found (3) underground bunkers approx 6'x3' in size constructed with earth and logs. All three were extremely well constructed. The immediate area also had (3) small fire sites and numerous small trails leading to and from complex area appeared to have been vacated with past 4-7 days. Complex used on commandeering terrain and probably used as site.

(8) 040900H (XD 965645) patrol found approximately (15) fighting hol and (2) man fortified bunkers. Frames for huts were still intact and vines were found which would enable easy movement throughout area during the night.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Future patrols operate vicinity of (XD 9763).

Conclusions: Area reveals signs of extensive past use by estimated entire battalion. Last usage of area estimated to be 7-10 days ago. Trails lead south and east from this area.

J. W. GLANZER
Patrol Leader
Sgt. Co C.
9. DISCLAIMER: The area has been constant with numerous indications of present activity. All activity appears to be towards the hill 484 complex due north of Hill 507 Hill. Recent patrol on 21 Dec 66 at (YM 969617) made contact with estimated 20 NVA. The NVA were heavily armed and had mortars.

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Operation Order: 03-67
Patrol: 1st Plt, 2nd Lt, Co C.
Debriefers: Lt. H. F. SCHUB.CH
Map Sheet: 6361 II

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (8) Enl

   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.

   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25

   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50

   e. SMALL ARMS: 4 MP Grenades, 10 Rifle Grenades, 4 OS Grenades.

   f. SMALL VEHICLES: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish area of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 060830H/091500H Jan 1967

4. AID TO: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SUMMARY: 79½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol observed a light the nature of which could not be determined and an area that was assumed to be an old harbor site.

   b. INFIL: None.

   c. TERRAIN: Lightly vegetated, poor cover, good observation areas, rolling hills with 20% canopy over parts.

   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) 061600H (934566) Trail located running North and South. Had not been used recently.

      (2) 061700H (935569) Patrol found what appeared to be an old harbor site.

      (3) 090200H (942568) Sighted what appeared to be a flashlight there.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

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7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Two men hurt on patrol (non-hostile)/Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Next patrol work in grid square 9560. Also, a good CP is located at (935560).

Conclusions: Appears that this area is not presently being used by the NV.

J. L. Wood
Patrol Leader
Sgt. Go G.

9. DISCLASSIFIED: None.
1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

   a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (6) Enl, (1) USN

   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.

   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/TRC-25

   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: None.

   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) 1 lb blocks 04 w/ac, (8) CS Grenades

   f. SPECIAL VEHICLES: (2) Claymore Mines, (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish avenue of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. DATE OF DEPARTURE/EQUIP.: 06/02/67

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. SYNOPSIS: 72\(^\text{h}\) hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in one enemy sighting of (4) VC and no contacts. One artillery mission of (1) rounds was fired in support of patrol. Patrol found (3) large bivouac areas all of which are well fortified, found (2) gravesites, observed light source of which could not be determined, and found (1) trail not shown on the map.

   b. ENEMY: 0711000 (YD 045367) patrol observed (4) VC moving south these coordinates. Due to distance patrol was unable to determine uniform or equipment.

   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills, dense vegetation with interwoven vines and a sparse canopy averaging 40' in height.

   d. OTHER INFORMATION:

      (1) 0411000 (YD 028623) patrol found bivouac area large enough to accommodate a battalion size unit. This area is heavily fortified with firing holes and reinforced (2) man bunkers constructed with logs and earth. Area revealed no signs of recent activity. Estimate last to be 3-4 weeks ago.

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ENCLOSURE (1)
(3) 04130H (YD 03623) patrol found bivouac area large enough to accommodate a company size unit. This area is heavily fortified with fighting holes and bunkers constructed with logs and cabbage. Bunkers in area were not used by current and previous enemy. Estimated date was in the 4th week ago.

(3) 04130H (YD 03642) patrol found trail not shown on map running north to northeast. Trail averaging 1 meter in width and reveals signs of heavy past use. Patrol was unable, due to recent weather, determine last usage. Patrol followed trail to (YD 039633).

(4) 05103H (YD 02404) patrol found bivouac area large enough to accommodate a battalion size unit. This area is heavily fortified with fighting holes and (2) 140mm bunkers reinforced with logs and earth. Area was last used on (YD 039633) located in center of this complex and had concrete base, gravel and black asphalt in its immediate vicinity. Bivouac area last used 4-5 weeks ago.

(5) 04130H (YD 03623) patrol found (2) gravesites these coordinates. Graves were made from aluminum wire at the head of each with the following markings:

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(6) 04130H (YD 03634) patrol found (3) US 13mm mortar rounds these coordinates. Patrol buried same. This area had been occupied by USMC forces as evidenced by debris in area.

(7) 04130H (YD 03633) patrol observed one light moving northwest on small trails coordinates. Artillery mission of (11) rounds was fired with good coverage. Light was observed for approximately 30 hours was extinguished. Due to close proximity to patrol's position, area could not be further utilized.

6. ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

7. OBSERVATION OF TRENCH: Good/Negative good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

1. Future patrols use 03 site (YD 039633) and consider using M-49 observation site. This position gives unlimited observation in a 360°

2. Area to kept under surveillance.

Conclusions: Area reveals signs of both NVL and USMC operations. Position
which one in area not very far from camp and incident may be additional information. Patient has been at camp for approximately 2½ weeks ago.

Lt. L. B. Ewe
Patrol Leader
2/18 Co C.

9. ORDER OF EXECUTION:

(1) Carry out patrol leader's recommendations.

(2) Patrol leader's conclusion extreme noteworthy in records and
the newly proposed positions throughout this area.

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (9) EOD
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) WP Grenades, (6) CS Grenades, 2 lbs C4 w/acc.
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambush of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 0700H/101300H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 77½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no sightings or contacts. Patrol located large complex of fighting holes on bunkers. Area reveals no signs of usage at this time.
   b. ENEMY: None.
   c. TERRAIN: Rolling hills, thick underbrush, 20' canopy.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: 071000H (YD 023623) complex of fighting holes and bunkers interlocked along trail running east to west. Not recently used. Friendly ration cans laying around area. Trail also not used recently.

5. ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Horale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Holes be destroyed by satchel charges to deprive enemy of the excellent defensive fighting positions.

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ENCLOSURE ( )

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Conclusions: At present area doesn't seem to be used by NV.

J. LARGE
Petrol Leader
1/Cpl Co C.

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Operation Order: 14-67
Patrol: 2dSg3, 3dPlt, Co C.
Debrief: 2/Lt. R. R. Phillips
Sheet: 6361 1

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl, (1) USN
   b. SPECIALLY ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) M/PIG-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) Rifle grenade adapter.
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity, install rear support with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. None found to capture a prisoner.

3. THIS OF DEBRIEF REPORT: 2dOH/141000H Jan 1967

4. INPUT: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TAKING:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 501/2 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol found one recently used harbor site, old log fence, heard woodcutting, hammering and voices, heard mortar fire, rocket fire, and J-5 P. During extraction patrol observed several recently constructed bunkers some of which had not been completed.
   b. ENEMY: None.
   c. TAKING: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with elephant grass approximately 6' in height and a canopy of 20' in height.
   d. OTHER TAKINGS:
      (1) 134100H (YD 085639) patrol found harbor site large enough to accommodate (40) people. Site appeared to have been used within the past two days.
      (2) 130900H (YD 085643) patrol found old log fence 5' high running southwest to northeast.
      (3) 1316300-1600H (YD 086646) patrol heard the sounds of woodcutting, hammering, and voices emitting from this vicinity.

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(4) 131130H (Y): 066646 patrol heard (1) round 82mm possibly directed at friendly observation aircraft from these coordinates.

(5) 131530H (Y): 0665 patrol heard what sounded like (3-4) rocket rounds fired but due to extreme distance could not determine the exact location of source.

(6) 131630H (Y): 086646 patrol heard (2) mortar rounds fired from this vicinity.

(7) 140930H (Y): 0864 patrol during extraction flight to Gt observed several recently constructed bunkers some of which were still under construction.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH ENEMY: None.

7. CIRCUIT OF ATTACK: Good/Morale good.

8. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Surveillance of this area be maintained and future patrols operate vicinities (Wenz). Conclusion: During this patrol, the sounds heard and the observation of helicopters during extraction reveal the enemy's present defensive preparations of this area.

S. L. TULLE
Cpl Co C
Patrol Leader

9. CONCUR AND COMMENTS: Concur with patrol leader's recommendations and conclusions. This area is a known infiltration/supply route used by NVA forces.

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1. SIZE, OBSERVATION AND JUDGMENT:
   a. CASUALTY: (0) Ed.
   b. WEAPONS CONTROL: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) PS-75
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None.
   f. SPECIAL VEHICLES: (2) M-72, (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity, locate enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity.
   a. This patrol was not intended to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DAY MARCH: 0900/141220H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY V. TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 71% hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (2) enemy sightings totaling estimated NVA platoon and (2) contacts which resulted in (1) USMC KIA and (1) USMC WIA (minor). Heavy casualties were (1) NV. KIA (conf), Artillery fired a total of (150) rounds in support of patrol. Patrol heard constant activity during this operation, found (2) new trails, (2) freshly constructed bunkers, the beginning of a foundation for large hut, heard chickens, observed light, heard possible .50 caliber machinegun fire, and experienced boggy station on (2) different occasions.

b. ENEMY:
   (1) 131315H (X: 904509) patrol found freshly cut trail running north to south approximately 2' in width. At those coordinates a newly started foundation had been made for a hut cut into side of hill with signs of tree cutting and clearing of area. Patrol continued along trail and at (a) 902593) found (2) freshly constructed bunkers not fully completed and while in process of closer inspection of same made contact with estimated (3) NV's dressed in green utilities and bush hats. Patrol observed (1) woman which resembled an N-1 carbine. S F was exchanged resulting in (1) NV. KIA (conf). Patrol broke contact and an artillery hirage of (3) rounds was fired into suspected enemy position; results unknown.

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(2) 141030H (X: 903510) patrol at these coordinates observed (4) NVA dressed in urban utilities and armed with rifle at (X: 903508). While in process of adjusting artillery mission on this sighting patrol was taken under intense WP from estimated platoon size force. Patrol returned fire and called artillery mission which fired approximately (18) prior to gunships arriving in support of patrol. Patrol broke contact and moved to (X: 904514) where their extraction was accomplished at 141220H Jan 67. This contact resulted in (1) USMC KI, and (1) USMC WI (minor). Enemy casualties could not be determined.

c. TRENCH: This area is characterized by extremely dense vegetation and interwoven vines restricting movement. Canopy averages approximately 35' in height.

d. TRENCH DETAILS:

(1) 121000H (X: 915509) patrol found complex of small recently used trails this vicinity. Estimate last usage to have been approximately 7 days ago.

(2) 121510H (X: 904504) patrol heard constant activity emitting from this vicinity consistent with sounds of woodcutting, hammering, voices and chickens.

(3) 121510H received battery station loud and clear on primary frequency (15).55.

(4) 121510H (X: 904504) activity continued to emit from this vicinity, artillery mission of (15) rounds was fired with good coverage of the target area. During fire mission screams were heard from impact area. After fire mission was completed patrol noted the activity had shifted to (X: 914501).

(5) 131330H (X: 902503 - X: 904509) patrol heard movement by undetermined size force moving towards their position. Artillery missions were fired extending a total of (111) rounds into target area. Movement ceased. Surveillance not possible due to dense vegetation.

(6) 131315H (X: 902503) patrol while moving to break contact found another freshly cut and heavily used trail running east and west approximately (1) meter wide. Patrol estimated last usage within half hour.

(7) 13000H - 130600H (X: 905510) patrol observed one large light which appeared to be searching the position the patrol had occupied during the day. (3) artillery missions of (1) round each was fired throughout the night with unknown results.

(8) 13300H (X: 904503) patrol heard what sounded like .50 caliber machine-guns firing from this vicinity.
6. RESULTS OF SITE OPERATIONS:

a. WEAKEN (1) OLYM. (CAF)

b. MIN. 2 (1) USMC (1) USTRC MIL. (HIN X)

c. CONTROLLED BURNT: None.

7. CONDITION OF SITE: Good/Morale fair.

8. CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

(1) Conduct extensive T.Q and artillery strikes throughout this area.

(2) Patrol the vicinity of (X 9150) after area has been sat.

Conclusions: Through this operation it is estimated that this area can be occupied by a company or larger size force in a series of building and fortification of possible base camp.

J. W. GRIEDER
Patrol Leader
Sgt. Co C.

9. BATTLE DAMAGE:

(1) Concur with patrol leader's recommendations and conclusions. This area is a known major infiltration route from the west.

(2) Reconnaissance and I.D. runs be conducted in areas bounded by (X: 8952 - 9052 - 9049 - 8849) and (X: 8748 - 8850 - 9147 - 9045).

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Operation Order: 18-67
Patrol: 1stSq, 1stPlt, Co C
Debrief: 2/Lt. D. R. PHILPS
Map Sheet: 6361 II

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (8) Phl
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None.
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) M-60, (3) Claymore Mines

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and Establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 120915H/161300H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 100 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (2) enemy sightings totaling (10) VC/NVA and no contacts. (2) artillery missions totaling a total of (22) rounds was fired in support of patrol resulting in (5) NVA KIA (prob). Patrol found (2) trails not shown on map, several individual fighting holes, found (2) suitable HLB's, observed hut complex not shown on map, found large bivouac area capable of accommodating a company, heard mortar fire and SAP the source of which could not be determined.
   b. ENEMY:
      (1) 121400H (YD 056617) patrol observed (5) NVA dressed in tiger striped uniforms all armed with rifles moving north shooting at deer. Artillery mission of (15) rounds was fired with excellent coverage resulting in (5) NVA KIA (prob).
      (2) 131430H (YD 054618) patrol observed (5) VC dressed in black PJ's. All were armed with rifles and were moving west. VC disappeared before action could be taken.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with elephant grass approximately 5' high with a canopy averaging 20-40' high.

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ENCLOSURE (4)
1. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 121600H (YD 055608) patrol found excellent site for helicopters large enough to accommodate (2) CH-46s. Patrol noted upon closer inspection that fighting holes had been prepared and one of these positions appears to have been used for a large automatic weapon.

(2) 122200H (YD 055809) patrol observed one flashlight these coordinates moving south on trail.

(3) 131400H (YD 057608) patrol found trail not shown on map running east and west approximately (2) meters wide which is being heavily used at this time. Patrol followed trail to (YD 057608) finding individual fighting holes along both sides of trail some of which appeared to have been recently occupied, several small campfire sites, and at (YD 056609) the trail had been shored with logs and rocks a natural water source from drainage and at the same time preventing erosion. Patrol encountered a trail running north and south which intersected main trail that is approximately (1) meter wide. This trail revealed no signs of recent use.

(4) 131700H (YD 060508) patrol found suitable A.D. large enough to accommodate (1) CH-46A.

(5) 141045H (YD 059615) patrol observed complex of (5) huts each approximately 6'x6' in size. Artillery mission of (7) rounds was fired with negative results. One of these huts had been recently repaired as evidenced by fresh palm leaves on roof.

(6) 141500H (YD 064509) patrol noted that entire top of Hill 100 these coordinates had been heavily used by estimated company size force. After check of area it appeared that an estimated (10-15) people had used it within past (48) hours. A fresh trail was found leading in a northerly direction towards valley from this site.

(7) 150000H (YD 074615) patrol heard approximately (7) mortar rounds fired which sounded like Emil.

(8) 15-16 Jan 67 (YD 073631) patrol heard S.P. emitting from this vicinity on those dates the source of which could not be determined.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: (5) NVA via (Preh)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

(1) Surveillance of area be maintained.

(2) Future patrols operate vicinity (YD 0662).
(3) Patrols operating this area consider taking claymore mines.

Conclusions:

(1) Area presently being utilized by undetermined size force.
(2) (YD 064615) appears to be area most active.
(3) The enemy forces may be low on food.

M. J. SWEENEY
Patrol Leader
1/Cpl Co C

9. DERIVED CONCLUSIONS: Concur with patrol leader's recommendations. Special intelligence report 151030Z Jan 67 placed an undetermined enemy company vicinity of (YD 0760) and in view of information received from this patrol, this possibility is substantiated.

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (9) HJ, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATT CH-ENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) CS Grenades, (4) WP Rifle Grenades.
   f. SPECIAL VEHICLES: (1) M-79, (1) M-60

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity in assigned zone. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Determine suitable HZ's in your zone.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 0630H/171330H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 65 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. One artillery mission of (47) rounds was fired in support of patrol. Patrol heard large caliber mortar fire on three different occasions and noted trails in area had been heavily used recently.
   b. ENEMY: None.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered by grass and an intermittent canopy of approximately 30' high.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) 141200H (YD 065623) patrol heard large caliber mortar fire emitting from this vicinity. Approximately (57) rounds were fired.
      (2) 142100H (YD 065623) patrol heard large caliber mortar fire emitting from this vicinity. Approximately (5) rounds were fired. Artillery mission of (47) rounds was fired with unknown results.
      (3) 151900H (YD 065623) patrol heard large caliber mortar fire emitting from this vicinity. Approximately (48) rounds were fired.
(4) Both trails as shown on patrol route overlay have been previously reported. They both reveal signs of heavy recent use.

(5) 141200H (YD 093654) patrol heard large volume of AM/SnF emitting from this vicinity the reason for which could not be determined.

6. RESULTS OF ENGAGEMENT WITH THE ENEMY: None.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Future patrol operate vicinity of (YD 0662)

Conclusions: Area covered by patrol presently being used by undetermined size groups for transit moving south and southwest.

J. E. HAMILTON
Patrol Leader
Cpl. Co C.

9. DEBRIEF Comments: 1st Lt, Co C, which was extracted 161300 H Jan 67 reported during the engagement like 32mm mortar fire vicinity of (YD 074615) during the course of 26.68.

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Operation Order: 22-67
Patrol: 1st Sqd., 20th Co C.  
Debriefers: 2/Lt. B. R. WILKER  
Map Sheet: 6361 I

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) N/PDC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) MP Rifle Grenades, (4) M3A1 Rifle Grenades.
   f. SPECIAL VEHICLES: (1) H-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Take every effort to capture a prisoner. Determine suitable HZ’s in your zone.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 160830H/180910H Jan 67

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TARGETS:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 48½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (3) enemy sightings totalling (25) NV, and (1) contact which resulted in (4) NV, KI1 (conf). (2) artillery missions expending a total of (16) rounds was fired resulting in (4) NV, KI1 (prob). Patrol found one trail not shown on map, observed several well constructed bunkers and fighting holes, and noted that area is covered with debris left behind by friendly forces.
   b. ENEM:

   (1) 171400H (XD 974594) patrol observed (9) NV; dressed in khaki uniforms and black berets all armed with rifles wearing cartridge belts. NV were moving cast along trail. Patrol and NV observed each other simultaneously. S.F was exchanged, the initial burst killing (4) NV (conf). During ensuing fire fight an additional (12) NV were sighted at (XD 973590) in treeline. They delivered a heavy volume of S.F in patrol’s direction all of which was off target to the west of patrol. HUE gunships arrived on station in support, strafing enemy positions with excellent coverage of target areas which were marked by patrol with 10 rifle grenades. Enemy fire was suppressed enabling patrol to break contact. Results: (4) NV, KI1 (conf); other casualties—unknown.

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(2) 171600 (XD 976588) patrol observed (2) NV in fighting holes dressed in khaki uniforms with helmets, possibly aged, both armed with rifles. Artillery mission of (7) rounds was fired with excellent coverage of target resulting in (2) NV, KI (prob).

(3) 171630 (XD 974586) patrol observed (2) NV dressed in dark colored clothing, no cover, armed with what appeared to be a crew served weapon (machinegun). Artillery mission of (9) rounds was fired with excellent coverage resulting in (2) NV, KI (prob) and (2) distinct secondary explosions. Both were comparable to an 8mm mortar round.

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with grass and brush approximately 2' high with an intermittent canopy which averages approximately 20' in height.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 160840 (XD 978594) patrol found trail not shown on map approximately (4) in length running east and west which revealed signs of recent heavy use. Foot prints and foot prints on trail were unusually deep. Patrol followed trail to (XD 973594) with negative results. Movement appeared in a westerly direction towards the R.200 F.A.

(2) 161840 (XD 978594) patrol during extraction flight noted that entire area south of this location was fortified with well constructed bunkers & fighting holes. None of these were still under construction.

(3) Entire operational area is covered with debris from friendly forces consisting of C-ration cans, 7.62 ammunition and a large quantity of 60mm illumination rounds (duds).

(4) During this operation patrol noted that area is infested with rats.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: (4) NV, KI, (CONF), (4) NV, KI (PROB)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

(1) Infantry sweep be conducted in this area.

(2) Fire be programmed for TPQ and artillery fire.

(3) Location coordinates be confirmed by pilots prior to their departure in lieu with patrol leader.

Conclusions:

(1) Area being heavily used by an undetermined size force of what appears to be "green" troops.
(2) Clothing and equipment of sightings on troops appeared to be new.

(3) Possible base area/training area located vicinity of (XO 975585).

H. E. DIS
Patrol Leader
Sgt. Co C.

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (2) End, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTIREMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) M/PRC-25
   d. GUN CONTROL EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) 2 lb block C4 w/ acc, (6) WP Rifle Grenades, (4) HET Rifle Grenades, (2) CS Grenades.
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-60, (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 171300H/200900H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 69½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (2) enemy sightings totaling (7) VC/NV/AVC and no contacts. Patrol found fresh footprints, large stakes in suitable HBB, found hut complex consisting of (6) huts and another consisting of (1) hut from which (16) ball-action rifles, (1) sten gun, and (13) chiasm grenades were captured, heard voices and livestock and observed (4) huts during extraction flight.

   b. ENEMY:

      (1) 190200H (XD 928499) patrol while in night defensive position observed the forms of (2) VC/NVA. Due to darkness, uniform and equipment could not be determined.

      (2) 193300H (XD 923493) patrol observed (2) VC/NVA dressed in dark clothing moving north. No weapons or equipment was observed.

   c. SCENIC: This area is characterized by steep hills with numerous ravines covered with dense vegetation with a canopy averaging approximately 50′ in

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ENCLOSURE
A. PATROL REPORT

1. 171414C (XD 9049) patrol found footprints of estimated (6)
    people moving in area of estimated range.

2. 171432C (XD 9049) patrol found area suitable for use (6) the coordinates.
   A close check of area revealed (5) stakes approximately (100) high had
   been placed in zone to deny its use. Estimate stakes to be 2-3 weeks
   old.

3. 181300C (XD 923491) patrol found complex of (6) huts two of which
   appeared to be living quarters. The other (4) were storage areas. This
   complex was old and had been partially destroyed by aerial ordinance.
   No signs of recent use were found.

4. 181300C (XD 919499) patrol heard loud voices, screams and livestock
   noises from this vicinity. Estimate these to have been (10-15)
   people with pigs and chickens.

5. 191330C (XD 921495) patrol found (1) well constructed hut in excellent
   condition these coordinates. A search of hut produced (16) German
   7.92mm Mauser s/ds. (1) U.K. 9mm STEN Submachinegun
   Mark II and (13) chichen grenades. All weapons were extracted with
   patrol and forwarded to 6-2 (62D). Due to the recent heavy rains, pat-
   rol was unable to determine last usage of area.

6. 20090CH (XD 9349) During extraction flight patrol observed (4) huts
   this vicinity.

7. Trails shown on patrol route overlay are approximately 2" in width and
   are heavily used at this time.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

a. CAPTURED EQUIPMENT: (16) German 7.92mm rifles, (1) U.K. 9mm STEN
   Submachinegun Mark II, (13) chichen Grenades.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

   Recommendations: Surveillance of this area be maintained. Future patrols
   operate vicinity of (XD 9049).

   Conclusions:

   (1) Area being used heavily by undetermined size enemy forces as base
       camp/storage areas.

   (2) Water sources in area should be sufficient for resupply of patrols
       during summer months.
9. DECISION CONCERNS: Concur with patrol leader's recommendations and conclusions.

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (8) Enl
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) IN/PHO-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) Grenade Launcher
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 171200H/201100H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYMPOSIUM: 71 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. One artillery mission of (29) rounds was fired during this operation. Patrol found (2) possible harbor sites neither of which appeared to have been recently occupied, heard mortar fire, AMP and noted area strewn with debris left behind by friendly forces.
   b. WEATHER: None.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with elephant grass (approximately 5' high) along the high ground and dense vegetation along the low ground. An intermittent canopy averages 20' high.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) 171200H (YD 070636) patrol noted area strewn with debris left behind by friendly forces.
      (2) 180900H (YD 080620) patrol heard what sounded like mortar fire coming from this vicinity. Artillery mission of (10) rounds was fired with good target coverage. Results unknown.

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(3) 181115H (YD 073632) patrol found possible harbor site large enough to accommodate a company size unit with several small trails leading to and from area. A check of site revealed fresh footprints of one person moving in an easterly direction.

(4) 181530H (YD 072628) patrol found possible harbor site large enough to accommodate 10-15 people. A check of site produced (3) markers made from pieces of elephant grass that had knots tied in them pointing to the southeast. No signs of recent activity was noted.

(5) 191050H (YD 0965) patrol heard large volume of AVP exiting from this vicinity. The source could not be determined.

(6) Trail as shown on patrol overlay was previously reported and reveals no signs of use at this time.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

7. CONDITION OF Patrol: Good/morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: None.

Conclusions:

(1) No signs of use was noted in this area.

(2) Natural water supply in this area extremely limited.

(3) Area has several suitable HLZ's.

J. F. WALKER
Patrol Leader
1/1st Co. C.

9. DECISION COMMENTS: In view of information received from last three patrols operating in this area it appears that the enemy has concentrated his forces to the southwest vicinity of (YD 0466).

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (1) 417, (6) Rtl, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) Army NO for 175's
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) 2 lb blocks 04 w/acc, (5) wp rifle grenades
   f. SUGGESTED COMMENTS: (1) M-79; (1) Claymore Mine

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activities. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes on opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 160940H/211100H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 73 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol found (2) hit complexes, (1) ceramic water container, possible trail markers, and light, (1) artillery mission (26) rounds fired in support of patrol.
   b. ENEMY: None.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by steep mountainous terrain covered with dense vegetation and canopy of approximately 70' in height.
   d. OTHER FINDS:
      (1) 181306H (X0 905535) patrol found (3) small huts, each large enough to accommodate (2) people. No indications of recent use were found.
      (2) 181706H (X0 903536) patrol found a large ceramic water container these coordinates.
      (3) 181456H (X0 915535) patrol found a hut complex consisting of (2) huts, one of which was constructed off the ground and (4) individual fighting holes. A check of huts revealed several chinese pieces and baskets. Patrol heard poultry and woodchopping in the immediate area. Patrol moved to new position and called artillery mission of (26) rounds into complex with unknown results.
4. Patrols observed several unknown type markers this vicinity with the abandoned area pointing north.

5. Trail shown on patrol route, very in approximately (1) meter wide and remains no signs of recent use.

6. Patrol observed one light moving north this vicinity.

7. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

8. CONDITION OF YARD: Excellent/Morale good.

9. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONCLUSIONS:

1. Future patrols operate vicinity of (X0 9256) or (X0 9053) along routes.

2. Consider utilizing N-62 observation scope.

3. Use adequate explosives to clear HLD.

CONCLUSION:

(1) Enemy occupying high ground vicinity of (X0 89557).

(2) Communications throughout this area extremely poor.

At S. ROBERTS
Patrol Leader
2/44. On C.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS: Concur with patrol leaders recommendations.

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Operation order: 28-67
Patrol: 1st Sqd, 1st Plt, Co C.
Debriefing: 2/Lt. D. H. Helm's.
Map Sheet: 6561 II

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (8) Enl
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) 2 lb blocks C4 w/acc, (4) WP Rifle Grenades, (6) HEAT Rifle Grenades.
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (2) Claymore Mines.

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 191200H/240900H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 116½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no ene­my sightings or contacts. Patrol found (1) hut complex, (1) trail not shown on map and located previously reported gravesite.
   b. ENEMY: None.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by moderate mountainous terrain covered with dense vegetation and a canopy averaging approximately 30' high.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) 211100H (XD 993648) patrol found hut complex which consisted of (4) huts, fighting holes in the immediate area and caves dug into side of hill which lead into huts. The complex is in a good state of repair and can accommodate a company size unit. Estimate last usage approximately 3-4 weeks.
      (2) 201000H (XD 017657) patrol found trail not shown on map running east and west which is approximately 2' wide. This trail reveals signs of recent, heavy use. Movement appeared to be easterly.
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Future patrols operate vicinity of (XO 9965).

Conclusions: Area reveals extensive damage as a result of "ARC LITE" which was conducted recently in this zone. No signs of usage was found during this operation in patrol's area.

M. HERNANDEZ
Patrol Leader
L/Cpl Co C.

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: None.
PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enl. (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) PR 7 X 50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) .50 rifle grenades, (2) HEAT Rifle grenades
      (2) CS grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to
   determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms
   and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to
   capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 240000H/281300H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 101 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in
      no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol heard SA/AVP
      directed at helicopters and supporting aircraft and was
      taken under SA/AVP from unseen enemy emplaced along the
      "RAZORBACK". One trail was found which had (3) well con-
      structed bunkers and one small individual shelter along
      its axis and two large fenced in areas surrounding po-
      sible cultivation were observed.
   b. ENEMY: None
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle to moderate rolling
      hills covered with sparse brush making movement easy and
      has canopy of approximately 20' in height.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (a) 240000H (XD 953593) Patrol inserted these coordinates which
          is the only suitable LZ above the valley this vicinity. LZ
          will accommodate (1) OH-46.
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(2) 251500H (XD 943593) patrol occupied previously reported area; these coordinates which give unlimited observation of the SONG CAM LO valley. Patrol observed two fences, one at (XD 943604) the other at (XD 940606). These fences are approximately 250 square meters and 3'-4' high. Fences surrounded what appeared to be cultivated areas.

(3) 260900H (XD 950595) patrol found trail which parallels the stream approximately (1) meter wide revealing signs of frequent use. A cheek of trail revealed (3) bunkers which face the northeast and are heavily camouflaged. One small individual shelter was found.

(4) 270300H (XD 955596) patrol heard one round SAF from this vicinity.

(5) 271600H (XD 955596) patrol heard two rounds of SAF from this vicinity.

(6) 280830H (XD 950594) patrol observed (2) bunkers these coordinates. Woodcutting could also be heard from this area. Artillery mission of (3) rounds was fired destroying both bunkers, woodcutting ceased.

(7) 281000H (XD 954593) patrol in extraction LZ heard SA/SAW emitting from this vicinity directed at helicopters. Patrol popped smoke in LZ and due to SAF helicopter aborted landing. Helicopters continued to receive heavy SA/SAW from an unseen enemy emplaced along the northern side of river vicinity of (XD 955596). Fixed wing and gunships hit target area being directed by patrol with WP grenades. Fixed wing departed and shortly after departure patrol received SA/SAW from (XD 954597). Fixed wing returned in support enabling patrol's extraction at 281300H Jan 67. During extraction one patrol member was wounded (minor) by undetermined source.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: (1) USMC WIA (MINOR).

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Fair/Morale good. Two patrol members suffered mild heat exhaustion.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Conclusions:

(1) Surveillance of area be maintained.
(2) Future patrols utilize the high ground on either side of the CAM LO valley avoiding the valley proper. Recommend south side of valley vicinity of (XD 943593) which provides excellent observation of area.
(3) Infantry sweep be conducted.
(4) "ARC LITES" be programmed for area bounded by (XD 9559) to (XD 9659) to (XD 9661) to (XD 9361).
(5) Water sources along high ground are scarce. The only positive source being the valley.
Conclusions: (1) Area being used as an infiltration/supply route with movement to the southeast towards the southeastern portion of the "RAZORBACK", this area patrol received heavy AAMF from. (2) Although no visual observation of the enemy was made it is estimated that from the heavy SA/AAMF directed towards reconnaissance elements, fixed wing and gunships the area harbored a company size unit. (3) Patrol was unable to determined the cause of the enemy's unusually stiff resistance in the face of fixed wing and gunships.

J. L. WOOD
Patrol Leader
Sgt. "C" Co

DEGREE OF CONFIDENCE:

Concur with patrol leaders recommendations and conclusions.

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TRAILS | Map Sheet 6551 II
PATTERN REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enl (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENT: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (4) 7 X 50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) WP rifle grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 240600H/261600H January 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 56 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol found two trails not shown on map, neither of which revealed sign of use.
   b. DORMY: None
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with dense vegetation and a canopy of approximately 10' in height. The valley is covered with elephant's grass approximately 5' in height.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 240910H (XD 923583) Patrol found trail not shown on map running east and west which is approximately (1) meter wide. Patrol followed this trail to (XD 965585) at which time another trail running north and south was found. Patrol followed the north south trail to (XD 916589) with negative results. Neither trail revealed signs of use.

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(2) This area is infested with large monkeys.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, More or less good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:
(1) Future patrols operates vicinity of (XD 9155)

Conclusions:
(1) Area covered by patrol reveals no signs of enemy use at this time.

(2) Future patrols operating in this area take adequate explosives for clearance of LZs. Area covered by patrol was void of suitable LZs with the exception of one at (XD 913582) which is large enough to accommodate (1) H-34.

(3) Water throughout area is plentiful.

L.P. LUCAS
Patrol Leader
CPL "C" Co.

9. CONDUTRER COMMENTS:

(1) Concern with patrol leaders recommendations and conclusions.

(2) During extraction one patrol member received minor head wound when hit by piece of wood thrown into air by hostile blader,
Operation Order: 36-67
Patrol: 2d Sq 3rd Ht "C" Co
Debriefers: 2/Lt D.R. PHILPS
Map Sheet: 6361 II

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Ecl, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) PR 7X50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) WP rifle grenades, (2) 21P blocks 0-4 w/GOG., (2) 83 grenades.
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-60, (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned area to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.


4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 99 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (2) enemy sightings totalling (7) VC/NVA and no contacts. Patrol found (1) large, well constructed hut, found good OP site, heard movement, mortar fire and possible AA fire.
   b. ENEMY:
      (1) 261445H (XD 918535) patrol observed (2) VC/NVA dressed in black PJ's both armed moving north. Enemy disappeared from sight before action could be initiated.
      (2) 262230H (XD 923524) patrol observed (5) VC/NVA with flashlights moving northwest. Due to darkness, clothing or equipment could not be observed. Time lapse on clearing artillery mission prevented patrol's utilization of same.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with dense vegetation in the lowland to sparse vegetation in the higher areas. Elephant grass approximately 5' high and a canopy varying from 8' to 10' high.

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1. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 2434530 (XD 924532) patrol reported these coordinates. This HIZ will accommodate (1) CH-46.

(2) 251250H (XD 919529) patrol found (1) hut large enough to accommodate approximately (20) people. A check of area revealed no evidence of usage for estimated 1-2 months.

(3) Patrol located excellent observation site (XD 923532) affording observation of the valley.

(4) 270200H (XD 917531) patrol heard movement from this vicinity source of which could not be determined.

(5) Trails as shown on patrol route overlay were observed but not physically covered by patrol.

(6) Patrol heard mortar fire and large caliber weapon which sounded like AA gun from vicinity of (XD 932551) each night between the hours of 1700H and 2000H.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Doc./Morale good. Three patrol members suffered mild heat exhaustion.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

(1) Future patrols operate vicinity of (XD 9354).

(2) Better liaison between patrol and extraction helicopters be made to minimize time spent in HIZ.

(3) Patrols increase water supply due to heat now being encountered. Take as a minimum (4) canteens per man.

(4) Future patrols consider setting up night ambushes at (XD 923525) along stream.

Conclusions:

(1) Communication this area difficult to maintain.

(2) Enemy forces using the SUOI TIEN HIIEN Valley complex for infiltration of personnel and supplies to the northeast and southwest.

(3) Clearance of artillery missions during this patrol sluggish.
9. DESCRIBER COMMENTS: Concur with patrol leader's recommendations and conclusions. SUCH TO & HIEI Valley is a known infiltration route.
PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) MAt, (1) WN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (1) Civilian writer
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6lbs C-4, (3) CS grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) Shotgun

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to
determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish
ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.


4. ROUTE: See patrol overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYN-PIS: 48 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in one
   enemy contact and sniper fire received on the patrol. Many trails
   were located throughout the area and what appeared to be a harbor site
   was also located.
   
   b. ENEMY: 301530H (X:968575) (4) rds of sniper fire received. (4) rds
   81MM Mortar called. Results unknown.

   301745H (X:968575) patrol made contact with (6-10) NVA dressed
   in khaki uniforms and armed.

   c. TERRAIN: Rauzbeck rough and steep with a 50 foot canopy and thick
   underbrush. Elephant grass 3-7 feet high in valley.

   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
   (1) 301645H (X:967547) movement heard. No action taken
   (2) 301100H (X:966531) located what appeared to be a harbor site.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: (3) NVA KGB (prob)
7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Patrols should avoid "walk-in" insertions into valley east of ROCKPILE due to lack of concealment along route.

Conclusions: Area being patrolled by both friendly and enemy forces.

C. G. KRAFT
Patrol Leader
Sgt Co D.

9. DECKLER FORM CONTENTS: None

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) HK/PIC-25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.


4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 93½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in one enemy sighting (NVA) newly constructed hut with caves in the back of the hut. .50 Cal. MG fire was heard and fired upon the helicopters when the patrol was being extracted.
   b. ENEMY: 301500H (YD039657) 6.54 NVA sighting moving from south to west armed with rifles; two with cartridge belts; two with ponchos. No action taken. Trace in effect.
   c. TERRAIN: Rolling hills, burnt out woods, thick vines, and brush.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) 021800H (YD039657) Six (6) .50 Cal shots heard. (12) rds of artillery call. Results unknown.
      (2) 040300H (YD039650) Newly constructed huts with caves in the rear of them. No one in area at this time.
      (3) 040450H (YD039651) .50 Cal opened fire on helicopters after extracting period.
   e. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH ENEMY: None

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7. OBSERVATION OF PATROL: Excellent/Scale excellent.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation: Patrol to the NE as there aren't any ops in this area.

Conclusion: NVA using area, K and I fires used continually on area.

D. H. BARBER
Patrol Leader
Col. Co D.

9. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Concur with conclusion.
Operation Order: 95-66
Patrol: 248q, 5th L, Co D
Debriefer: 2/Lt. D. A. PHILLIPS
Map Sheet: 6361 I

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enl
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) OS Grenades
   f. SPECIAL VEHICLES: (3) Claymore mines, (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambush of opportunity. Use every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 0830/051630H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SIGHTINGS: 125 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol found (2) trails not shown on map, heard woodcutting and voices and one round of SAP.
   b. ENEMY: None.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills, elephant grass approximately 12' in height and a canopy averaging 40' in height.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) 311345H (YD 016655) patrol heard woodcutting emitting from this vicinity.
      (2) 311500H (YD 014655) patrol found trail not shown on map running north-west to southeast approximately 2' in width and well worn.
      (3) 021300H (YD 006657) patrol found trail not shown on map running north-west to southeast approximately 2' in width and well worn. Patrol leader stated this trail may be an extension of trail mentioned in above paragraph.

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(4) 041330H (YD 9966) patrol heard one round S.W. from this vicinity. Estimated 5-6 people. Talking was heard for approximately 15 min.

(5) 050930H (YD 993608) patrol heard one round 300 ft from this vicinity the source of which could not be determined.

(6) Patrol heard woodcutting from vicinity of (YD 016653) everyday between hours of 1000 and 1400.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: This area be kept under surveillance.

Conclusions: Area being used for transit of troops moving northwest to southeast. Due to the recent heavy rains patrol was unable to determine last usage but estimate it to be within the past 4-7 days.

G. L. GERARD
Patrol Leader
Cpl. Co D.

9. REFERENCES CITED: Activity throughout this general area appears to be increasing with notable movement south and southeast towards Red Son L.M and the C.J. Valley.
Operation Order: 04-67
Patrol: 2d Ssq, 1st Btry, Co D
Debriefed: Maj. H. F. Schubach
Map Sheet: 6361 II

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. Composition: (1) Op, (8) Enl
   b. Special Attachments: (1) Civilian
   c. Communications Equipment: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. Observation Equipment: (2) 7x50
   e. Special Equipment: (3) M-60, (2) CS Grenades, (3) WP Rifle grenades
   f. Special Weapons: (1) M-79, (2) M-72

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arm and establish area of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 0600/0915CH Jan 1967

4. RATION: See patrol route overlay.

5. COMMENT ON WATER AND TERRAIN:
   a. Synopses: 77 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in numerous sightings or contacts. Patrol brought back NVA trousers, shoes, 1st aid kit, machine gun case, and many signs around a hut complex which seemed to be an Aid Station. Many fighting holes and mortar positions located along trail not shown on the map. Artillery fired 3 rounds in support of patrol and destroyed one bunker.
   b. RAIN: None.
   c. TERRAIN: Hilly, brushy, steep with heavy brush, river high and 3'-6' deep at 300 feet.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) 0615CH (941594) six bunkers, 2'x6' to 4'x6' with 3' roof covered with [illegible] of 3' to 4' logs covered with dirt. All facing north into walls. Well worn trail leads up finger to east side of positions. Tree stumps as follows on trail: 3'. Small pens for holding animals also complex. Many NVA ration cases laying around. In same complex mortar pit located 4'x3'. Area did not seem used for past 2-3 weeks.

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ENCLOSURE

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(2) 36445H (1942802) Large bunker 6' x 8' destroyed by (3) 175mm rounds.

(3) 071200H (240593) Trail running north and south approximately 3-5 meters wide recently used. Fighting holes and automatic weapons holes found along trail. NVA trousers found along trail. Trail marker found: 2A (these sticks forming teepee frame)

(4) 071600H (239599) Trail on south side of stream and up hill (930399). Two pairs NVA shoes found and machine gun case. Also trail running south up creek on southeast side of creek.

(5) 071600H (249600) six placements located approximately 4' x 6' in size with 3' roofs. All facing southeast. One destroyed by a previous artillery round. Site not being used.

(6) 091100H (244566) Large bunker located these coordinates 30' x 50' with small roof. Couldn't check as it was across swollen river. Artillery has been fired at it but since it is on reverse slope, nothing has hit it.

5. RESULTS OF ENGINEERING WITH THE ENEMY: None.

   a. CAPTURED PERSONNEL: 2 pr NVA shoes, 1 machine gun case, 1 pr trousers, 1 first aid pocket and supplies, 1 spoon, 1 mortar pad.

6. OMISSIONS OF INSTRUCTIONS: Good/Notable good.

7. CONCLUSIONS AND REMARKS:

   Recommended: Bunkers be blown since artillery is not hitting them and they are being used by the NVA periodically.

   Conclusions: Area reveals signs of extensive past use by the NVA.

J. W. Brain
Patrol Leader
1st Co D

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enl, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (1) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) 2 lb blocks C4 w/acc, (6) Claymore Mines.
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-60, (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambush of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.


4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 45 minutes of reconnaissance resulted in contact with estimated reinforced NVA company armed with M6 and .50 cal machineguns. HU1E gunships were used in support of patrol during contact until patrol's extraction. Contact resulted in (1) USMC KIA and (1) USN WIA (medevac); enemy casualties unknown.
   b. ENEMY: 041655H (Y. 056652) patrol was taken under intense AAM by estimated reinforced NVA company from prepared fighting positions immediately upon insertion. Insertion helicopter received 6 rounds SAF wounding crew member before lifting out of HLZ. Patrol returned SAF, M-60, M-79 and hand grenades. During firefight, patrol received .50 cal machinegun fire from (Y. 056651). HU1E gunships on station in support of patrol made several strafing runs, each time receiving heavy AAM from (Y. 055656) and (Y. 055643). Patrol, after gunships strafed area, continued to receive sporadic SAF until 1625H at which time contact was broken. At no time during this contact was the patrol able to make a visual observation of the enemy. Contact resulted in (1) USMC KIA and (1) USN WIA. Enemy casualties unknown.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with elephant grass approximately 3 feet in height.
5. OBSERVATION: One patrol member cut wire which had been run across the position which he had held during contact. Patrol was unable to detect the purpose of this wire. The enemy was close enough for hand grenades to be used effectively. The patrol received (2) possible reconnaissance exchanges during the encouners.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: Unknown.
   b. FRIENDLY: (1) KIA, (1) WIA
   c. CAUGHT/HOLD: None.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

   Recommendations: Infantry sweep be conducted in this area ASAP. Do not believe airstrikes or artillery would be profitable due to the emplacements the enemy has prepared.

   Conclusions:
   (1) Area not suitable for reconnaissance operations due to complete lack of concealment.
   (2) Area presently occupied by estimated NVA company or larger size force armed with AK and .50 cal machine guns.

   K. L. BARNARD
   Patrol Leader
   Cpl. Co D

9. OBSERVER OBSERVATIONS: Possibility of this area being used by NVA forces as infiltration route into the CN Le and CN THIN areas probable. Both these areas received heavy mortar attack the evening of 28 Dec 66.
1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (8) Enl, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. WEAPON EQUIMENT: (4) 7.62 Rifle Grenades
   f. SPECIAL INVENTORIES: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish avenues of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 0600Z/0730Z Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPTICS: 25 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no sightings or contacts. Patrol found hoof marks of what appeared to be cow. Area reveals no signs of usage at this time.
   b. ENEMY: None.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills and steep vines. It is sparsely vegetated. Canopy is very sparse and averages 5 in height. Entire area reveals signs of extensive damage as a result of aerial ordnance.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION: 061400H (X0) 98654 patrol found what appeared to be cow tracks these coordinates. Patrol unable to determine reason for animal's presence in the area.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Horrible good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
   Recommendations: Future patrols operate vicinity of (YD 0064).
Conclusion: Area reveals no signs of recent use. Delicate last usage was 5-6 weeks ago. Lack of concealment in this area prevents proper inventory by requirements unit.

D. H. JENSE
Lieutenant Colonel
SSgt. Co D.

2. REMARKS:

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\text{CONTINUATION}
Date: 061300H (YD 035645) patrol during process of inserting these coordinates, after (3) patrol members were already out of helicopters received intense S.W.F. from (YD 039655) by an estimated NV. platoon in well prepared positions. Initial burst of fire hit insertion helicopter resulting in (3) USMC V/1A forcing helicopter to lift out of HLZ leaving the (3) above mentioned patrol members in the zone. The remaining team returned S.W.F and marked enemy positions for the HUE gunships and fixed wing which were in support. It was noted by team that UH-1's were receiving heavy S.W.F and .50 caliber machinegun fire from (YD 038635) during each of their strafing runs. Patrol leader stated that the NV's were dressed in green and khaki uniforms all armed with NV. In addition to the individual NV's, the enemy used .50 caliber machineguns and the team received one rocket round possibly fired from an RCL-2 launcher. Team was extracted at 1440H Jan 1967. Contact resulted in (3) USMC V/1A and (6) NV. KIA (prob).

DEBRIEFER COMMENT: This team received (52) rounds of 175mm just prior to team insertion. This is indicative of NV's preparation of positions in this area since it does not appear that artillery had any effect.

This is the second contact with heavily armed well equipped NV. units in the past (3) days. Contact on 4 Jan 67 at (YD 05652) was comparable in every way to today's contact. Patrol leader said that he estimated there to be at least a reinforced NV. company in this area. Both contacts were within 2,000 meters of the other.

It is believed by this debriefer that the area is presently occupied by reinforced NV. battalion or larger size force.

2/Lt N. R. HISSLE
Team Leader
Cpl. W. T. JAMES
Ass't Team Leader
Company D
OPERATION ORDER: 11-67

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl, (1) USN
   b. SMALL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/TTC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) PR 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (14) MR Rifle grenades.
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambush of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 071000H/101300H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 75 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in one enemy sighting of approximately 15 NVA dressed in khaki and armed with rifles. (22) rounds of artillery fired at NVA resulted in (8) NVA KIA (conf) and (3) NVA KIA (prob). (128) rounds of artillery resulted in the destruction of many suspected NVA positions and two (2) secondary explosions.
   b. ENEMY: Sighted 15 NVA in khaki-tan uniforms with rifles. Artillery mission fired. Results: (8) KIA (conf), (3) KIA (prob).
   c. TERRAIN: Rolling hills, some thickets in trees, 60% of area covered with elephant grass.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) 071200H (YD 051610) patrol located what appeared to be a harbor site completely concealed from the air due to canopy. Much NVA equipment laying around the area. Empty NVA C-ration cans, old batteries and an ammunition pouch. A well used trail circled complete site.
(2) 071500H (YD 063606) patrol located what appeared to be another harbor site that was concealed from the air by canopied. Stacks of wood lay around and bound. A wall used trail 5 meters wide with fresh footprints on it. Trail would also be hidden from the air due to canopy.

(3) 071500H sounds of animals and drums emitted from valley southwest of Hill 100.

(4) 080630H (YD 068606) suspected NVA movement heard to the west of patrol. Artillery (4 rounds) called upon movement. Results unknown.

(5) 081130H (YD 060621) 36 rounds of artillery fired on group of well emplaced positions. 50% of positions destroyed.

(6) 081430H (YD 069615) 21 rounds of artillery fired on group of shelters. 50% destroyed by 155 artillery fire.

(7) 081700H (YD 060614) 11 rounds of 155 fired on one hut that was part destroyed by the artillery.

(8) 092330H (YD 060621) 6 rounds artillery fired on a suspected NVA. After fire a light went on in area for approximately 1 minute. 20 more rounds of artillery were called in on the light resulting in extinguishing the light. Other results unknown.

(9) 100200H (YD 060621) 30 rounds of artillery fired on suspected NVA. This artillery resulted in 2 secondary explosions. Sounded like blocks of C4.

(10) 101300H (YD 066607) noise like personnel breaking brush heard coming towards unit when patrol was being extracted. Patrol marked area with WP grenades and HU1E's made 5 rocket and machinegun passes. Result unknown.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: (8) NVA KIA (CONF), (3) NVA KIA (DRP)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent/Morale very high.

3. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Hill 100 be used as it affords excellent coverage of the valley to the north. There is only one approach to the hill and the area can be well protected. Keep the hill as a permanent O & (6-10) days. 105's should not be used because they are unable to destroy bunkers.

Conclusions: Area definitely used by NVA as there are indications that the image on many of the positions has been changed when it has gotten old and withered.

W. C. JAMES
Patrol Leader
Cpl (Co D)
9. DEFENDER COMMENTS: Concur with patrol leader's recommendations.
1. SIZE, COMPOSITION & EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (8) mil
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PCO-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) or 8x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) 2 lb blocks C4 w/acc, (4) Wire rifle grenades

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity and support with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF INITIATION: 143500H/140930H Jan 1967

4. a. WE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SUMMARY: 9½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in one enemy sighting of (9) NVs and no contacts. Artillery fired a total of (135) rounds in support of patrol during this operation. Patrol experienced movement around position throughout the night of 12 Jan, found two trails not shown on map. Round recently used hut complex, heard S.F. and voices.
   b. ENEMY:
      (1) 123000H to 130600H (YD 035605) patrol while in night defensive position, those coordinates heard movement all around position from unknown number of personnel. Artillery missions were fired throughout the night in support of patrol expending a total of (126) rounds. Patrol checked area at first light with negative results.
      (2) 130600H (YD 035605) patrol after moving from those coordinates observed (9) NVs dressed in grey uniforms, armed with rifles, carrying C4 blocks and cartridge belts moving east along ridgeline vicinity of those same coordinates. Artillery mission of (9) rounds was fired with good coverage. Results unknown.
c. Terrain: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with elephant grass approximately 7' in height. Canopy is approximately 50' in height. Vegetation throughout area is very good.

1. TACTICAL INFORMATION:

(1) 111542 (Yo 030604) patrol found trail not shown on map running north to south approximately 1 meter in width and followed same to (Yo 035603) with negative results. Trail revealed signs of heavy past use but no recent use noted.

(2) 111542 (Yo 03145035) patrol found trail not shown on map running southwest along ridgeline which appears to be extension of trail in previous paragraph. Patrol followed trail to (Yo 035605) and found no signs of recent use.

(3) 111600 (Yo 035605) patrol found hut complex consisting of (5) huts each large enough to accommodate (5) personnel. Huts are in excellent condition and appeared to have been occupied by a platoon size force between 24 hours. Check of area revealed (1) 155mm empty shell casings, (1) 120mm C-ration cases and a PRC-10 radio box with the

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(4) 111600 (Yo 026624) patrol heard a total of (9) rounds SP over the period of an hours time.

(5) 111600 (Yo 026605) patrol heard voices from estimate (3) people moving from south to north in streambed these coordinates.


a. KILLED/CAPTURED EQUIPMENT: None.

7. COMAINT OF TACTICAL: Fair/Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Surveillance of area be maintained. Future patrols consider using site at (Yo 026640) which affords unlimited observation of entire area.

Conclusions: We are using this area for transit moving from the southwest to northeast. We believe complex at (Yo 035605) utilized as relay station for this movement.

R. L. BURLE
Patrol Leader
Sgt. Co L
9. ADEQUATE CMI: Concur with patrol leader's recommendations and conclusions. Concentration of enemy forces appear to be vicinity of (Y. 0464).
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Operation Order: 17-67
Patrol: 243rd, 3rd Ltr. Co. N
Job: 2Lt. R. H. H. K
Map Sheet: 6361 1st

1. SISO, COMMISSIONED OFFICER:
   a. COMMISSION: (7) Enl
   b. SECURITIES: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AV/THC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) PR 7X50
   e. AMMUNITION: (1) 60mm Grenade, (4) M14 Rifle Grenades
   f. SPECIAL OPERATIONS: (1) Ho-79, (3) Claymore Mines

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned area to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.


4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION ZONES/MISSION:
   a. SISO: 97% hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol found several old firing holes, (2) graves sites, large but with what appeared to be a sand table within, heard (1) round SFL and on one occasion heard man shouting. During operation one artillery mission of (2) rounds was fired in support of patrol.
   b. EMBLEM: None.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with elephant grass approximately 4' in height and a canopy approximately 40' high.
   d. TERRAIN DETAILS:
      (1) 121230H (YD 030631) patrol found several old, individual firing holes, during check of this area patrol discovered (2) old graves sites one of which tary uncovered finding badly decomposed body. The graves were both marked by strips of aluminum bearing the following markings:
         (a) THU HSU
           H155THU 24-7 1966
           15 TH HN
           R. H.
         (b) NGUYEN TU H NG
           H TSU 3165HT
           HYSING 24-7 1966
(2) 121830H (Y: 032631) patrol found a hut constructed of bamboo and logs that had been dug into side of hill for fortification. Inside hut was what appeared to be sand table with enough room around table to accommodate at least (15) people.

(3) 131201H (Y: 040645) patrol heard (1) round SAP from this vicinity.

(4) 1313301 (Y: 0364) patrol heard a man shouting in a loud voice. Artillery mission (2) rounds was fired with unknown results.

(5) (Y: 0363) patrol noted that this area is heavily infested with large monkeys.

6. RESULTS OF INSPECTIONS WITH THIS RHQ: None.

7. CONDITION OF AREA: Good/ morale outstanding.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Surveillance of this area be maintained and that patrols take adequate advance to include (4) Claymore mines.

Conclusions: The area was not presently being used by enemy forces. There is no water or water will have to be carried due to complete lack of water in the area.

C. L. Gallaher
Patrol Leader
Cpl. C. L.

9. UNDISCOVERED ITEMS:

(1) Concur with patrol leader's recommendations.

(2) The area vicinity of Hill 208 was old CP position for elements of the 324B division which would explain the large hut w/sandtable. The grave marker with E/ R/ 56 inscribed thereon is code name of the 812 regiment, 324B division.

(3) Finding discovered of one grave confirms (1) NV. KIA which should reflect in KIA list for either operations RESILIES or VA甸

(4) Trail shown on overlay has been previously reported.

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Operation Order: 19-67
Patrol: 1st Sqd, 2nd Co D.
Debrief: 2/Lt. B. B. Phelps.
Map Sheet: 6361 II

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (7) Enl, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) 2 lb blocks C4 w/ acc, (14) WP Rifle Grenades, (6) HEAT Rounds (rifle) and (4) CS Grenades.
   f. SPECIAL EXPLOSION: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Scout reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Route ever east to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 140940H/171415H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 76h hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (1) enemy sighting of (10) NVA and no contacts. Artillery fired a total of (11) rounds in support of patrol. Patrol found fighting holes, (1) gravesite, (1) new bunker, observed hut complex not shown on map, observed possible enemy OP site, heard S-P, grenades and (1) round of heavy mortar fire. Trail complex found reveals signs of recent use.
   b. ENEMY: 141435H (XD 939576) patrol observed (10) NVA dressed in khaki uniforms with rifles moving rapidly southeast along trail. Patrol lost observation of enemy before action could be taken.
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gently rolling hills, covered by sparse brush and vines with a canopy averaging approximately 40' in height.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 140950D (XD 944575) patrol inserted those coordinates found (3) small fighting holes which gave natural grazing fire across HIZ.

(2) 140950D (XD 944575) patrol found (1) old gravesite coordinates with a stone marker bearing the following inscription: LEX LINH 1956.

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(3) 141000 (XD 936583) patrol observed (3) huts each approximately 6'x8' in size. Utility mission of (11) rounds was fired with good target coverage. At this time the patrol sighted the (10) NV, which were apparently evacuating this complex moving immediately from patrol's observation.

(4) 1415-00 (XD 939584) patrol observed smoke emitting through canopy these coordinates. Closer observation of area revealed possible enemy OP site these coordinates.

(5) 151200 (XD 943578) patrol found (1) new bunker not fully completed.

(6) (XD 944580) patrol found very good OP site these coordinates affording good observation of the Hill 510 complex and to the southwest.

(7) 161400 (XD 947575) patrol heard (1) round fired from this vicinity which sounded like 82mm mortar or larger.

(8) 15-16 Jan (XD 935585) patrol heard what appeared to be hand grenades detonating from this vicinity intermittently throughout these nights.

(9) Trails on (30) meter route overlay all appear to be frequently used and observation from the air highly improbable. Complex has trails approximately (1) meter in width.

6. RESULTS OF ENGAGEMENTS WITH THE ENEMY: None.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

(1) Surveillance of area be maintained. Future patrols operating in this area consider establishing ambushes vicinity of (XD 944575) along northwest trail.

(2) Maximum ordnance be carried.

(3) Heavy explosives be taken to establish HLZ's-(30) lbs) considered minimum requirement.

(4) Lack of natural water sources in area will require maximum initial supply during summer months.

(5) Better liaison between extraction helicopters and reconnaissance team be established to minimize teams time in HLZ prior to extraction.

Conclusions:

(1) Area covered reveals signs of constant, light use.

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(2) Area used for transit of small groups moving southeast.

(3) Possible base camp located vicinity of (XD 936580).

G. C. KRIFT
Patrol Leader
Sgt. Co D.

9. DEPARTMENT CONCLUSIONS: Concur with patrol leader's conclusions and recommendations.
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Purpose: 21-67
Parrot: 6361 I, Co D
Observer: 2Lt. B. R. THIES
Map Sheet: 6361 I

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (4) Pk
   b. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
   c. WEAPONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PNC-25
   d. FIELD EQUIPMENT: (2) p.1050
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (17) WP M16 Grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (4) M-72, (2) HEAT Rifle Grenades

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone, to detect enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 171800H/210900H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 92 1/2 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (3) enemy sightings totalling (36) VC/NVA and one contact which resulted in (2) VC/NVA KIA (conf) and (3) VC/NVA KIA (prob). (2) Artillery missions compounding a total of (60) rounds was fired resulting in (20) VC/NVA KIA. Patrol observed hut complex, chickens, footprints, possible antenna, field stream not shown on map and several old bunkers.
   b. ENEMY:
      (1) 191145H (YD 035642) patrol observed (1) VC dressed in dark clothing. No weapons or equipment could be seen due to distance from observers.
      (2) 191440H (YD 031643) patrol observed (20) VC/NVA dressed in khaki uniforms with helmets and black PJ's with coolie hats all armed, carrying packs moving southeast along trail. The enemy appeared to be establishing a harbor site in this vicinity. Artillery mission of (20) rounds was fired with excellent target coverage resulting in (20) VC/NVA KIA (prob). Patrol maintained surveillance of target area for approximately (2) hours observing negative activity.
      (3) 191015H (YD 028646) patrol observed (15) NVA dressed in green camouflage utilitarian and gray uniforms with bush hats. All were armed

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and patrol noted that part of his face had grime paint on it. The NVA walked to within (5) meters of patrol's position. Patrol opened fire with SA/81WF. The enemy returned fire and broke contact. Contact resulted in (2) NVA KIA (conf) and (2) NVA KIA (prob). Patrol moved to new position and called artillery mission of (20) rounds into area of contact with excellent coverage of area. Results unknown.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 181115H (YD 03645) patrol observed (3) huts each large enough to accommodate (20) people. Huts are in excellent condition and due to location would be extremely difficult to observe from the air.

(2) 181230H (YD 024642) patrol observed (2) chickens. Patrol leader stated that poultry was heard on several occasions during the operation.

(3) 171225H (YD 026645) patrol inserted these coordinates noted several footprints in area of HLZ which appeared to be (5-7) days old.

(4) 181500H (YD 02634) patrol observed what appeared to be a 292 antenna at these coordinates. This same area had wooden fences built which were approximately 3' high. No activity was detected.

(5) 190830H (YD 021643) patrol found small stream not shown on map which ran to (YD 027642) approximately (20) bunkers had been constructed along either side of stream. All were old and revealed no signs of use.

(6) 200900H (YD 026641) patrol observed what appeared to be a 105mm round laying in stream (dud). Also seen this same vicinity was (2) bamboo type baskets.

(7) 201130H (YD 015639) patrol found 4 old holes each 6'x3'x3'. No signs of use were evident.

(8) 210830H (YD 014643) patrol found footprints in extraction HLZ which appeared to be approximately (5-7) days old.

6. RESULTS OF ENGAGEMENTS WITH THE ENEMY: (2) KIA (conf), (23) KIA (prob).

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent/Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

(1) Surveillance of area be maintained vicinity of (YD 0364).

(2) Future patrol utilize up site at (YD 026646). This position gives excellent observation of "HELICATE VALLEY".
Conclusions:

(1) Area covered by patrol appears to be used by small groups of enemy forces for transit moving south.

(2) Due to dense vegetation, clandestine movement in area is extremely difficult.

J. F. Contioneo
Patrol Leader
Cpl. Co D.

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Scale 1:50,000
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Map Sheet 6361 X

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PATROL NO. 30

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) 2 lb blocks C4 w/aco, (4) WP Rifle Grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (3) Claymore Mines, (1) M-79, (1) M-60

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. DUR. OF MISSION/RETURN: 181130H/220730H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATIONS OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 116 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (1) enemy sighting of (7) VC/NVA and (1) contact which resulted in (2) VC/NVA KIA (conf), (3) VC/NVA (prob) and (7) friendly WIA. Artillery fired a total of (1156) rounds in support of this operation. Patrol heard SAF, voices, and woodcutting. (1) trail not shown on map was also found.
   b. ENEMY: 221800H (X) 923492 patrol while in night defensive position observed. (7) VC/NVA dressed in black PJ's and green and gray utility uniforms with bush hats and packs all armed, checking the claymore mine which the patrol had emplaced. Patrol engaged VC/NVA with SA/AWF, M-79 and claymores and grenades. VC/NVA returned fire with AW, (1) light machinegun and grenades. Patrol called artillery support and requested gunships. Gunships and extraction helicopters arrived on station suppressing the enemy fire. Contact occurred. Due to weather, extraction not possible. Flareships and extraction helicopters made second attempt at extraction during night but was also unsuccessful. Artillery fired a total of (1156) rounds in support of patrol throughout the night. This contact resulted in (2) VC/NVA KIA (conf), (3) VC/NVA KIA (prob), and (7) friendly WIA (one serious). Patrol was extracted 222000H Jan 1967 and during extraction received SAF from unknown number of VC/NVA located at (X) 923489.
4. OTHER INFORMATION:
(1) 181130H (XW 929446) patrol heard SAP emitting from these coordinates immediately after insertion directed at the helicopters as they lifted out of the HLZ.
(2) 181145H (XW 924496) patrol heard people yelling from this vicinity.
(3) 181725H (XW 929469) patrol crossed trail these coordinates (previously reported) which revealed signs of recent moderate usage.
(4) 200830H (XW 925438) patrol observed trail this vicinity which crossed hill 492 for approximately (9) hours with negative results. This trail appears, however, to be heavily used.
(5) 214800H (XW 949456) patrol heard woodcutting and voices from estimated (5) people these coordinates.
(6) 201400H (XW 920492) patrol found trail not shown on map running east and west which is approximately 2' in width. This trail revealed no clear use at this time.

5. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
A. KIA: (2) KIA (CONF), (3) KIA (PROB)
B. WOUNDED: (6) USMC WIA (ONE SERIOUS), (1) USN WIA
C. US/9148 OR PATROL: Fair/Morale good

6. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
Recommendations:
(1) Infantry attack be conducted vicinity of (XW 9148) running from the east pushing west.
(2) Surveillance of area be maintained.
(3) Future patrols operate in the lower elevations.

Conclusions:
(4) Estimated size of enemy force during contact was (10-12) VCB/WIA.
(5) Area presently under construction by undetermined size enemy force preparing offensive positions for protection of the high ground to west.
6. OPERATOR REPORTS:

a. Concur with patrol leader's recommendations and conclusions.

b. Previous patrol operating this general area during period 17-20 Jan 65 reporting area being heavily used by undetermined size force. This patrol captured (17) weapons and (13) GD-63 grenades during its operation.

c. Recommend "ARC LITE" be scheduled for area ASAP.
1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (9) NVA
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None.
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (6) 2 lb blocks of w/acc
   f. SPECIAL AMMUNITION: (1) M-79, (2) Claymore Mines.

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 180000H/201000H Jan 1967

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TASKING:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 50 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in one enemy sighting of (52) NVA and no contacts. One artillery mission of (48) rounds was fired in support of operation. Patrol heard .50 caliber machine gun fire, voices and movement, experienced heavy station on primary frequency, and found heavily used trail complex which has been fortified with bunkers, fighting holes and OP sites. Entire area reveals signs of heavy, constant use.

   b. ENEMY: 190835H (YD 043665) patrol observed (52) NVA dressed in khaki uniforms, green helmets all armed with individual weapons carrying (2) 12.7mm heavy machineguns moving northeast along trail. All NVA were heavily camouflaged from knees up with vegetation. Two of these NVA were acting as sentinels for the main body following approximately 100-150 meters to its rear. Due to close proximity to patrol artillery could not be employed. One of the NVA was carrying a large black leather map case and appeared to be the leader. Cuonships were requested but 60 arrived on station in support calling in one artillery mission of approximately (9) rounds on sighting of (2) NVA in valley which patrol could not observe.

   c. TASKING: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with dense vegetation, intermingled with vines making movement extremely difficult. Canopy is intermittent varying from 35' to 100' high.
3. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 190840H (YD 034655) patrol heard voices and movement from this vicinity.

(2) 191155H (YD 033666) patrol heard voices and movement on trail to the north of their position. Voices and movement along trail was heard intermittently throughout the operation.

(3) 191500H (YD 032664) patrol heard voices and movement from this vicinity. Artillery mission of (48) rounds was fired with good coverage of target area. Results unknown.

(4) Area vicinity of Hill 262 (YD 031665) has constant activity. Estimate at minimum area occupied by reinforced NVA Company.

(5) Trail complex as shown on patrol route overlay reveals signs of constant heavy use. This trail complex is approximately 2' wide with burkeis, fighting holes, OP sites and small shelters apparently used for rest stops along its entire length. Patrol noted that trails had bare foot prints, tennis shoes and jungle boot prints.

(6) During this operation patrol experienced bogy station which was received loud and clear over primary frequency. One transmission received stated in part, "OK Marines, you've landed, now you die!" This transmission was received immediately after insertion.

(7) Communication with relay was bad throughout operation.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: Unknown.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good/Morale excellent.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

(1) Infantry sweep be conducted this area. (YD 0566) could be used for ingress into area giving force adequate cover and concealment.

(2) "ARC LITE" be scheduled for area.

(3) Future patrols operating this area consider using insertion HLZ at (Y2 052665).

Conclusions:

(1) Area presently occupied by estimated NVA reinforced company or larger size unit, well armed, well supplied and in prepared positions.

(2) Believe Hill 262 used as forward base of operations for NVA forces this area.

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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Concur with patrol leaders recommendations and conclusions. Activity in this area has been constant since the first of December, 1966. Sightings have averaged platoon size, all NVA. .50 caliber fire has been received or heard in this area during each patrol. Entire area is heavily fortified.
Operation order: 29-67
Patrol: 3rd Sqd. 2nd Lt. "D" Co.
Debrief: 2/Lt. D. R. HOBBS
Map Sheet: 6361 II

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl. (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRO-25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr. 7 x 50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) WP rifle grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-60, (1) M-79, (4) Claymore mines

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 200900H/230930H Jan 1967
4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 73½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol heard (1) rd S/L, observed (2) huts, heard woodcutting, observed herd of pigs and (1) trail.
   b. ENEMY: None
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with elephant grass approximately 3' high and a canopy of approximately 40' high.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) 20 1300 H (YD 053605) Patrol heard (1) rd S/L from this vicinity.
      (2) 20 1240 H (YD 065616) Patrol observed (2) huts, these coordinates which had been freshly roofed with palm leaves. Artillery mission of (16) rds was fired with negative results.
      (3) 21 1230 H (YD 063593) Patrol observed a trail this vicinity running north and south which appeared to be well used.
(4) 21 1910 H (YJ 0300) Patrol heard woodcutting omitting from this vicinity.

(5) 21 2000 H (YJ 07616) Patrol fired a total of (12) rounds. 105mm illumination through the night to enable observation of valley with negative results.

(6) 22 1420 H (YJ 057615) Patrol observed a herd of approximately (17) pigs these coordinates.

5. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

6. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

7. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

(1) Take adequate initial water supply during summer months due to lack of natural water sources in this area.

(2) Future patrols consider using site (YJ 047611) which gives unlimited observation of both valley complexes.

Conclusions:

(1) Wild game in this area is plentiful.

(2) Due to vegetation covering the valley floors detection of movement extremely limited.

(3) Area covered by patrol reveals no signs of use at this time.

C.L. Gerard
Patrol Leader
Cpl Co. D

9. ENSLIEFER COMMENTS: None

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1. **SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:**
   a. **COMPOSITION:** (7) Enl. (1) USN
   b. **SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS:** None
   c. **COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT:** (2) AN/PRC 25
   d. **OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT:** (2) PR 7 X 50
   e. **SPECIAL EQUIPMENT:** (3) CS grenades, (7) WP rifle grenades, (3) HEAT rifle grenades.
   f. **SPECIAL WEAPONS:** (1) M-79

2. **MISSION:** Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture prisoner.

3. **TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN:** 2103/2409 Jan. 67

4. **ROUTE:** See patrol route overlay.

5. **OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:**
   a. **SYNOPSIS:** 73 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (2) enemy sightings totaling (13) VC/NVA and no contacts. Two artillery missions expending a total of (17) rds was fired in support of this operation. Patrol heard 50 cal. and 30 cal. machine gun fire, experienced bogey on primary frequency, heard 81mm directed at friendly helicopter and found (1) trail not shown on map.

   b. **ENEMY:**
      (1) 221700H (YD 031651) patrol observed (5) NVA dressed in khaki uniforms all armed moving into what appeared to be a bunker these coordinates. Artillery mission of (7) rounds was fired with unknown results.
      (2) 221700H (YD 031651) patrol observed (3) V2/NVA dressed in ponchos, two wearing coolie hats moving north all armed with rifles. Artillery mission of (10) rounds was fired with good coverage of target area, results unknown.

   c. **TERRAIN:** This area is characterized by moderately steep hills covered with dense vegetation with an intermittent canopy approximately 50' high.
d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 211200H (YD 036631) patrol heard .50 caliber machine gun fire emitting from this vicinity.

(2) 211230H (YD 028643) patrol experienced bogey on primary frequency speaking Vietnamese.

(3) 211515H (YD 045635) patrol heard what sounded like (2) light machine-guns firing from this vicinity. From regularity of fire it appeared guns may have been used for practice firing.

(4) 220830H (YD 052643) patrol heard SA/AMF directed at friendly helicopter this vicinity.

(5) 221600H (YD 028644) patrol found trail not shown on map running east and west which is approximately 5' in width. Patrol followed trail to (YD 030644). At (YD 029643) patrol found the following mark carved into tree: "This trail revealed no signs of recent use.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: Unknown.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD/MORALE GOOD.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Future patrols operating in this area take adequate explosives to clear HLZ's.

Conclusions: Area covered by patrol reveals signs of infrequent use by small groups moving in a northeasterly direction.

J. K. DAUTH
Patrol Leader
Opl Co D.

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Patrol leader stated this operational area void of any suitable HLZ's.

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Operation Order: 33-67
Patrol: 2d Sqd, 2d P Lt, Co D
Debriefed: 2/ 1/ 14, Lt. R. PHELPS
Map Sheet: 6361 II

SPOT REPORT IN LIEU OF PATROL REPORT 33-67

1. 241415H (YD 025608) patrol shortly after insertion these coordinates observed (14) NVA dressed in khakis, packs, all armed moving east to west towards patrol's position. Artillery mission was called expending 55 rounds resulting in (10) NVA KIA (conf) and (4) NVA KIA (prob). During artillery mission patrol was taken under SA/ANF from approximately (21) NVA located at (YD 025605) and (YD 019606). Gunships and fixed were called in support of patrol suppressing enemy fire enabling patrol's extraction at 241530H Jan 1967. During extraction, helicopters received SA/ANF. Patrol was unable to assess enemy casualties from air support.

DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:

1. Patrol leader stated all NVA were heavily equipped and appeared well disciplined. This is the second sighting of NVA troops this area in the past (10) days. Both times the enemy was well equipped and armed. It is believed by this debriefer that this is an advanced element for a larger force located north of this area.

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Patrol Leader
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2. Patrol heard SA/AW emitting from hill 301 (X2 383664) throughout each day and night of this operation. Then the rate of fire it is considered most likely weapons being used for protection.

3. Trail as shown on map leading from (X2 383939) to (TD 014644) has fighting holes along both sides which are heavily camouflaged. Trail appears to be used frequently by small groups moving northeast.

4. SUMMARY OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

5. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

6. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

(1) Patrols operate vicinity of (TD 0164)
(2) One bottle of insect repellent per man per day be carried as area is infested with leeches.

CONCLUSIONS:

(1) Area covered by patrol reveals no signs of enemy use except as noted on trail.
(2) Trail as shown on map is being used frequently for transit of enemy forces moving northeast.

P. P. CAM, Patrol Leader
SGT "Mr. Co."

9. ATTACHED MAPS: Follow with recommendations and conclusions.

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Operation: 3-67
Patrol: 2nd Sq, 6th Plk. Co
Debriefie: 2nd Sq, D. A. NEP
Map Sheet: 6301 IX

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) ENL, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) 1R 7x50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) 21B Block C-4 W/ACC, (5) WP Rifle Grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 261330H / 290920H Jan 67

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS
      6 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol observed trenches and small bridge, found several recently used trails, one small harbor site, large bridge in good condition, received grenade in night defense position, noted route 88 being used, heard drums and mortar fire.
   b. ENEMY: None
   c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by steep hills covered with dense vegetation making movement difficult and has a canopy averaging approximately 40' in height.
   d. OTHER INFORMATION:
      (1) 261330H (YD 124445) Patrol during insertion flight observed small wood bridge these coordinates.
      (2) 261330H (YD 121456) Patrol during insertion flight observed trench; these coordinates.

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(3) 282710 (YD 118444) Patrol inserted there coordinates. Site will be revisited in (4) 0640Z.

(4) 282730 (YD 118444) Patrol found track not shown on map leading into site and another track going north (2) meters wide. Patrol follows track to (YD 117444) noting signs of recent use.

(5) 282745 (YD 111444) Patrol found harbor site which could accommodate 15–20 people. Estimate last usage of site to be 2–4 weeks. Site could not be observed from the air.

(6) 282800 (YD 118448) Patrol received (1) grenade in night defensive position. Check of area at first light produced negative results.

(7) 271120 (YD 114444) Patrol found trail complex of three trails all of which leads towards the hill 600 complex (YD 097444). All trails revealed signs of recent, heavy use.

(8) 271200 (YD 124445) Patrol found steel span bridge across stream these coordinates. Bridge is 30' long x 10' wide and has concrete abutments. Patrol bridge capable of supporting a 4×6 truck.

(9) 281700 (YD 124452) Patrol crossed stream these coordinates. Stream is 15' wide and 3' deep with a rock bottom.

(10) 282315 (YD 1343) Patrol heard what sounded like 81mm mortar fire from this vicinity.

(11) 290200 (YD 1044) Patrol heard drums beating from this vicinity.

(12) Portion of route 65 covered by patrol reveals signs of recent heavy use. (YD 1244 – YD 1245).

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale excellent

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

(1) Future patrols operate vicinity of (YD 1044).

(2) Due to lack of suitable LZs adequate explosives are necessary to clear same.

Conclusions:

(1) Communications in the low areas difficult to maintain.

(2) Area being occupied by undetermined size enemy force using
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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:

Concur with patrol leaders recommendations and conclusions.

Tq and artillery be employed in area to clear HLZs.

An unidentified regiment was reported operating in this area on 20 Jan 67. Due to information received from patrol consider this report possible but no determination as to size of unit can be made at this time.

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Spot Report in lieu of Patrol Report 4J-67

1. 281006H (XD 955595) Patrol in process of insertion, four men already having been inserted, was taken under AWP from (XD 954598) along ridgeline to (XD 960597). from (XD 956588) and (XD 954598). Helicopters were immediately notified of situation and gunships on station supported team enabling extraction at 231020H Jan 1967.

2. 281003H (XD 949595) During team's time in LZ one member observed (2) bunkers, these coordinates.

DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:

Patrol Leader stated that he heard what sounded like 50 caliber machinegun fire directed at gunships but could not determine its location. Patrol Leader also mentioned the possibility of the LZ being set up for ambush of patrol which was scheduled to be extracted from this same area.

See Patrol Report 32-67 for additional information.

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ENCLOSURE (C)
PANEL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (3)off, (1)USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (1) Vietnamese
   c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2)AV/FRG 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) Ob Scope, (1)px 7x50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) TClass Combat, Gas Masks
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, Demol K12, (1) AK-47 and C3 Grenades

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance to determine location of suspected VC POW camp. Determine strength and location of enemy forces. Determine route of approach.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 131715H/161500H Jan 67

4. Course: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: Patrol during 72 hours of patrolling and observation had (6) enemy sightings totaling (22) VC and (1) contact resulting in (1) VC KIA (corp) and (1) VC KIA (prob). Patrol also located a POW camp which was unoccupied for at least (1) month. Patrol upon extraction by helicopter received SAF from unknown no. of enemy. There were no air strikes called on support of this patrol.
   b. NOTE:

1. 141030H vic (YC 092799) Patrol walked up behind (1) instantaneously, wearing a red shirt, black shorts and carrying a stick. Vietnamese attached to patrol said this man was a guard at the POW camp. Patrol moved back and avoided contact with enemy as he did not spot patrol.

2. 141150H vic (YC 092799) Patrol spotted (1) VC walking west down stream wearing black shorts and carrying a pack and large stick.

3. 141220H vic (YC 092799) Patrol spotted (4) VC 3 men and 1 woman walking west down stream. VC were black shorts and shirts and had on small covers, they also were carrying large sticks and heavy packs. VC stopped and looked at tracks which patrol had made and talked for a few minutes and then moved on.

4. 141300H vic (YC 092799) Patrol spotted same 4 VC moving west back down stream, patrol noticed that packs were now empty. VC stopped and looked at tracks again and then moved on.

5. 141430H vic (YC 092799) Patrol spotted (2) VC moving east. First man was carrying a large stick and wearing black shirt and shorts and had a claymore. Second man was carrying a basket and was wearing black shorts.

6. 141500H vic (YC 092799) Patrol spotted (7) VC, 6 men and 1 woman. First man was wearing black shirt and trousers and was carrying an AK-47 assault rifle, second man was wearing same as first man and also carrying an AK-47 assault rifle, third man was also dressed as first and was carrying a bush knife, fourth man was carrying a CHINESE carbine type 53. Fifth was wearing a white shirt and black shorts. Sixth man stopped and looked at patrol tracks and then caught up with the rest of the column which kept moving.

ENCLOSURE 3
7. 151152H VIC (YCG99779) patrol attacked (1) Montagnard VC walking north up trail, VC went past CP and moved up some path patrol used. CP spotted VC as he stuck his head up, VC was wearing black BD's and carrying a weapon, CP and rest of patrol moved out of area to avoid contact.

8. 160950H VIC (YCG99900) patrol found POW camp of (3) huts partially destroyed, there were (2) huts on the east side, and (1) on the west side of the trail. Camp had not been occupied for at least one month. While patrol was attempting to take pictures, (1) member of patrol spotted (1) Montagnard moving up trail towards patrol with rifle at the ready. As Montagnard came around bend in trail patrol member shot and killed him, Montagnard wore a cap with leaves covering it. Patrol leader then spotted another man trying to get to dead Montagnard and opened fire on him, he was wearing a black shirt, (1) KIA (Prob).

c. TERRAIN: Canopy of 50-60 ft and bush 15 ft high; very thick and dense. Rate of travel: 25 meters per hour. Virgin jungle completely untamed except for the one trail in patrol overlay. Area abounded in Vietnamese animal life.

d. OTHER INFORMATION: Patrol found what appeared to be a harbor site that was no more than (2) days old, located approximately 50 meters before entering the POW camp on the trail.

161543H VIC (YCG99700) Patrol while being extracted by hoist received fire from surrounding area. Pilots and crew members of hoist should be commended for the fine job that they did during extraction. Extraction completed by hoist while receiving sporadic small.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: (1) VC KIA (Conf) (1) VC KIA (Prob)
   b. FRIENDLY: NONE
   c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: (1) Chi Com carbine Type 53

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Physical Good, Morale Excellent

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: TF4-10 should be used in the area to blow an HIZ, but would not have much effect on the enemy due to the absence of the location of known enemy troop concentrations. Area is occupied, but due to terrain, movement by reaction force would be impossible in this area.

Conclusions: Area is heavily used by Montagnard troops.

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Capt. 3d Force Recon

9. EXHIBITED CODINGS: NONE

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

3d Force Recon Plt.
- Map V1288.F 1:50,000
- Sheet: 6999 III
- Series: E-701
- 3d Recon Sq., (S-2)
Map Sheet 6342 II Series L 7014.

A. Size composition of Patrol: 1-6 men, 1 dog
B. Mission: Recon area for trails & infiltration routes at GC 9141, 9142, 9242
C. Time of Departure: 131200H Jan
D. Time of Return: 161200H
E. Infiltrated and Extracted at GC 914404
   1. See overlay.
F. Terrain:
   1. Elevation: Same as map/
   2. Streams: Steep hills, elephant grass.
   3. Movement: Many trails made movement easy
   4. Very Good Concealment.
   5. Thick foliage made OP'ing very difficult.
G. Enemy:
   1. No physical contact
   2. Footprints by stream 2 to 3 days old, 1 man barefooted. GC 917423
   3. Footprints 1 week old at 916424
   4. Fire seen in village at 919419, night of 142000H, for 30 minutes—
      Investigated at 151000H. No signs except burned wood.
H. Map Conditions:
   1. Trail at GC 913417, does not cross North of Stream
   2. No buildings at GC 913417 and 914424
   3. Buildings at 9242 Destroyed & Burned
   4. Bridge at GC 921419 completely destroyed bridge at 913403 only now a foot
      bridge.
I. Miscellaneous Info:
   1. Streams can be forded at 913416 and 919419
J. No Night Encounters
K. Condition of Patrol = Excellent
L. No Evidence of any Major Infiltration
M. Good LZ 915413; 919419
Debrief of 3d Force Recon Plt 5-2

Ref: Map Sheet 6342 II, series L7104

A. Size Composition of patrol,
   (1) 6 men and a dog

B. Mission: Recon area for trails and enemy General vic,
   Dong Chio mountain XD 927443 South to route 9.

C. Insert: 161230H Jan by truck at XD913403

D. Extract: 191055H Jan by helo at XD922421

E. Insert & Extract COORD. C & D above.

F. Terrain:
   1. Elevation: Same as map
   2. Movement: Where trails located travel was heavy and
      near top of Dong Chio at other times, had to cut trail and
      movement was slowed down.
   3. Concealment Fair to Good
   4. Foliage: Heavy Canopy, under brush, elephant grass
   5. Water streams in area.

G. Enemy:
   161630H Received one incoming Rle. at XD913417, heard
   voices, hollering at patrol. Plt believes enemy knew the patrol
   was there but did not know their location, Plt moved to
   XD 918418 and set up defense, still heard voices at 1745H. Enemy
   fired one more Rle. It was further away from Plt than the first
   one. Then voices sounding like they were moving away from ptl
   to the south. At 1800H Plt moved to XD 915418, no further contact.

H. Map correction: None

I. Other Info:
   1. At XD921419 Bridge blown, can cross river by fording.
   2. Trail at XD921422 off Rt9 goes towards north about 300
      meters. From there to 929431, had to cut trail. At 929431 to
      top of Dong Chio Vic, XD927443 travelling is easy. (Note:
      Dong Chio cannot be used as OP due to heavy canopy.)
   3. Open area at 927443 40 by 60 meters looks like dry
      rice field. Not used in long time.
   4. From XD925447 BN to river at XD915424 trail, easy
      travelling.
   5. Good trail from Rt 9 at XD918417 west to 915417, ptl
      did not go further west.

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G. 191050H Ptl sighted 6 civilian people crossing river at XD 921419.

J. Neg. enemy contact other than what was reported in para. G above.

K. Condition of patrol Excellent.

L. No Phys. sighting of VC in area. But trail network this area can be used by VC with fairly good coverage and concealment.

M. LZ Areas near Rt. 9.

Note: BOO G KHO Village was previously burned and destroyed.

S-2 Note: Information needed to be forwarded to 3d marDiv, has been sent in earlier msg.

Lt. PAULIK
24 Jan 67

REF: Map Sheet, 6342 II, Series L 7014

A. SISE, COMPOSITION OF PATROL: (1) 6 men

B. MISSION: Recon area for trails and enemy in general area, GS 9435, 9535, 9434, 9534

C. INSERT: 241400H Jan 67 at XD 960362

D. EXTRACT: 241645H Jan 67 at XD 958360

F. TERRAIN:
   (1) ELEVATION: Same as map
   (2) Movement: Slow, diff. due to high grass.
   (3) Concealment: Fair
   (4) Vegetation: Elephant grass 5' to 12' high and very heavy
   (5) WATER: Stream not noted in area doing insert.

G. ENEMY: Made contact with two EN (VC) after moving about 100 meters West. EN were fired at, hit deck and moved into grass, North of team. Team then moved West about 25 or 30 meters, rear of team sighted 2 more EN, to team rear and left. Every time team moved they heard noises like some was moving around them. Team once again started moving and point man said he heard noises coming from the direction team was traveling (West). Team received 4 incoming rounds and one grenade, that they know of. The grenade was picked up by team member and thrown back in EN direction. Corpsman said he then heard in different locations. (2) Team members said Gunship received AW fire directed at second Helo as it was making extraction of team, no hits recorded.

H. MAP CORRECTIONS: None observed.

I. OTHER INFO:
   1. Grenade received was GHICOM type, wooden handle and black body.
   2. EN dressed in black PJ's with straw hats and two had packs on.
   3. Team EST. 10 or more EN in area.
   4. It seemed enemy were trying to encircle the team, from noises heard and ritual sighting.
   5. EN were eq'd with automatic weapons.
   6. Holo Pilots said they had inserted team at approx. XD 966367 and extracted at XD 964366. Team could not get a good fix on their location.
   7. Comm. was poor at times.
   8. Area showed signs of recent movement by personnel.

J. EN contact: See Para, above.

K. CONDITIONS OF PATROL: Excellent.

L. (1) There are EN in the area, size unknown
   (2) EN know that team was inserted.

N. LZ - None observed, except where team was inserted.
Brief of Recon 5-2 36 Force Recon

(c) 261159Z - 261200Z Jan 67 Team Inserted at XD 665527
(c) 270945Z - 271000Z Jan 67 Team Extracted at XD 672529

(c) After insertion team moved NE to XD 672529, where observation area was set up. Sightings in movement to OP: Area had been used, with a lot of traffic, within the last five days. Team arrived at OP at 1400Z, Area observed until 1745Z, with neg sightings. At this time team spotted enemy moving north east and to their west about 15 meters from their location team sighted 10 enemy and estimated it as a squad operating as a point. Team opened fire. Before enemy made a move, (Team confirmed 10 enemy LMG) in first contact. Also received 2 VIA (friendly). Then at this time support unit estimated as a Plt size unit started moving under fire and movement tact, moving east and northwest of team. At this time team was in heavy fire fight with incoming 81/60 fire and grenades. After 20 minutes under fire team knew they were in trouble. Requested reaction force. (For one hour team was in fire fight). First helo's arrived approx. 1900Z. Consisting of 2 gunships and 2 54's. Helo's said they were coming in to get team out. Team leader said you cannot get in, need reinforcements. Helo's made an attempt. Pilot said we are hit, losing power, then helo picked up and moved out of zone. During this time team was receiving heavy AV/AA fire and lasted about three minutes after helo left zone. At about 1930Z first 46 helo came into zone and got down, crew said they were hit and were trying to fly. Chopper was on fire when it landed. Once again they were hit with heavy fire. (Helo received small fire from south). After this team received no fire between helo's coming in. Second 46 attempted to land in zone, landed approx. XD 674527. Received no fire but heard crew say they lost power. Second 46 crew and reaction team of 17 linked up with Recon team of 6 and first 46 crew of 4. A defense was set up. Team leader was informed that another helo with rest of reaction force was in bound. Pilot on radio in ground position, tried to direct helo in next to first doomed helo which was on fire, but it landed next to second doomed helo or attempted to.

(I.H.A.I.S): Lights went out, they lost power, next thing team saw was helo burning in valley. After a while team made contact with radio, one element of AVA force of 10 men. AVA said they were split up. Every one kept a look out for AVA to see if they could join up. Never made physical contact. Through out night no fire was drawn. At about 04.00Z 27 Jan 67, helo extracted two team members VIA. Could not tell if helo drew fire. At 270715Z Jan 67, friendly unit hit with grenades attack and 81 fire, 70 incoming (ron done) most of the fire came from the west. Friendly forces received 1 KIA at this time.
Air strikes hit enemy directly in their location west of friendly troops. Team member fired R-79 into 5 enemy at close range (5 KIA confirmed by team). Friendly unit was under heavy attack at this time. Enemy driven back down hill by either ground force or air strikes. (Team not sure what did it.)

Extraction was conducted, all casualties and team members extracted in first hole.

(a) ORDER INSTRUCTIONS:

(1) Enemy dressed in brown uniforms, black PJ's. (Brown uniform looked like winter type).
(2) Enemy armed with grenades, 6A and 6U weapons.
(3) Enemy seemed well trained.
(4) Area had been used very recently.
(5) Team commander established enemy size no one company or over, before it was over with and team extracted.

(b) General Info Notes:

(1) Capt. Roman took charge of one radio once he was on the ground and called in strikes all night. Also took charge of air group personnel on ground. (Team leader said Capt. Roman did an outstanding job of calling in and directing close air support strikes with fixed wing and gun ships).

(1) 1 man wounded in team by incoming fire, rest of team received slight wounds from fragments.

(c) Conclusions:

(1) Enemy have used this trail system extensively in the last 5 days.
(2) Initial contact with enemy was point unit of a larger force.
(2) Actual contact in this area backs up agent report on Red Force reports.

(d) Recommendations:

1. Recon this area extensively to locate direction of enemy movement from this location and enemy activity in area.
2. Displace 175 Guns to cover area Recon is sent into for arty support of team, or other arty to cover area.

(1) Ordinance Note:

1. Majority of 6-26 grenades used by friendly troops in this contact were duds.

(e) Enemy losses:

2017: 50 - 2709: 55 Jan. 67, 15 KIA confirmed by team members from ground force. KIA (prob) Unkonwn.
DECRITIF OF 3D FORCE REGON PTL 5-1

29 Jan 67

MALS: Sheet 6342 III, SHRKS L 7014; 1:50,000

A. SIZE & COMPOSITION: 5 Recon, 1 Corpsman.
B. TASK: Sent out as relay for PTL 5-2, changed to surv. PTL after 5-2 Ext.
C. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 261100H Jan 67
D. TIME OF RETURN: 290900H Jan 67
E. ROUTES:
   1. Inserted by Halo at XD 756487.
   2. Extracted by Halo at XD 755484.
   3. Moved to XD 755488, AT 271200H Jan moved SW to XD 753483, 280800H
      moved NW to XD 751488. Started losing comm. and started back W, AT
      290700H moved to 12 (Ext).
F. TERRAIN:
   1. ELEVATION: No CH.
   2. RIVERS: None in area.
   3. HILLS: Mt. Fairly easy, 8'-10' elephant grass fairly open woods.
   4. CONSIDERED: Very good
   5. OBSERVATION: Difficult if not poss, due to grass, not too good for OP.
   6. TRAILS: Trails throughout area.
   7. LANDING ZONE: Throughout area, fair, XD 756487, XD 755484.
G. MAJA: NONE
H. MAP CORRECTION: NONE.
I. MISSI1111N FORMATION:
   1. Found friendly ration on top of hill 926, (XD 755488) looked about 3 weeks old.
   2. Sighted one black bear on trail.
   3. Spotted lights (very bright), GS 7048 RR to 7346 or GS 6946 RR to 7343, two
      nights in a row, mostly 2 or 3 at one time 50 to 100 meters apart.
   4. Signs of a lot of wild animals & tracks.
J. ELENTY WOODED: NONE.
K. CONDITION OF PATROL: One man med Evo (snake bite) others all OK.
L. CONCLUSIONS:
   1. This area is not very good for radio relay, need RR on high ground.
   2. No signs of RR in area covered. Not able to observe other trails
      due to high grass.
M. RECOMMENDATIONS:
   1. Locate RR on high ground.
   2. Have a stand by A/C for RR in Emer.