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Via: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF (Attn: AOofS, G-3)  
Commanding General, 3d Marine Amphibious Force  
Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific

Subject: Command Chronology for period 1 October 1967 to 31 October 1967

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2  
(b) FMFPACO 5750.8

Enclosure: (1) 3d Reconnaissance Battalion Command Chronology

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is hereby submitted.

2. Unclassified upon removal of the enclosure.

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HEADQUARTERS
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 October 1967 to 31 October 1967

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

3d Reconnaissance Battalion

OCT. 67

COMMANDEER

Major R. C. BELL
3 August 67 to Present

H & S Company
Company A
Company B
Company C
Company D

Capt. D. E. SEVERANCE 12 September 67 to Present
Capt. C. R. ARIOLA 12 September 67 to Present
Capt. P. F. REYNOLDS 14 October 67 to Present
Capt. S. M. HARTNETT 26 August 67 to Present
Capt. R. L. KLSIN 21 May 67 to Present

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H & S Company, Company A and Company D
Company C and 3d Force Recon Company
Company B (Rein)

ATTACHED UNITS

3d Force Reconnaissance Co.
(26 April 67 to Present)

Major W. C. FLOYD 6 June 66 to Present

2. LOCATION

31 Oct HUE-PHU BAI, RVN
31 Oct DONG-HA, RVN
31 Oct KHE SANH, RVN

H & S Company, Company A and Company D
Company C and 3d Force Recon Company
Company B (Rein)

3. STAFF

Executive Officer
Operations Officer
S-2 Officer
Adjutant
S-2/S-3 Officer (Forward)
S-4 Officer

Major E. F. BAULOD 3 July 67 to Present
Capt. R. R. GRIGGA 1 August 67 to Present
1st Lt. J. L. ZELLCHS 20 May 67 to Present
1st Lt. G. E. FOX 31 January 67 to Present
Capt. J. L. SHEBEL 20 May 67 to Present
Capt. J. G. HANRAHAN 15 July 67 to Present

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH (Includes 3d Force Reconnaissance Company)

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

Co. A  During the reporting period the Company completed 19 patrols averaging 3.6 days with an average of 9.0 men per patrol. The patrols made 47 sightings for a total of 446 VC/NVA, which resulted in 5 contacts, 24 fire missions of 781 rounds, and 18 air strikes. There were a total of 54 VC KIA (Conf) and 84 KIA (Prob). Patrols sighted several trails, huts and fortified positions not indicated on the map. There were no casualties during this reporting period (KIA, WIA, MIA).

Co. B  During the reporting period the Company completed 24 patrols averaging 3.8 days with an average of 9 men per patrol. The patrols made 7 sightings, totalling 145 VC, which resulted in 7 contacts, 21 fire missions with a total of 762 artillery rounds fired, and 2 air strikes. There were a total of 4 VC KIA (Conf), 6 VC KIA (Prob). There were numerous trails, huts and fortified positions observed by the patrols. There was 1 USMC WIA sustained.

Co. C  During the reporting period the Company completed 25 patrols averaging 3.0 days with an average of 8 men per patrol. The patrols made 21 sightings for a total of 237 VC/NVA, which resulted in 12 contacts, 22 fire missions of 952 artillery rounds, and 14 air strikes. There was a total of 38 VC/NVA KIA (Conf), 49 VC/NVA KIA (Prob) and 25 VC/NVA WIA (Conf). Many trails, huts, and fortified positions not shown on the map were sighted by the patrols. There were 2 USMC WIA.

Co. D  During the reporting period the Company completed 16 patrols averaging 4.1 days with an average of 8 men per patrol. The patrols made 8 sightings for a total of 66 VC/NVA, which resulted in 4 contacts, 8 fire missions of 94 artillery rounds, and 1 air strike. There were a total of 4 VC/NVA KIA (Conf), 1 VC/NVA KIA (Prob) and 3 VC/NVA WIA (Conf). Trails, hut complexes, and fighting holes not shown on the map were sighted by patrols. There was 7 USMC WIA sustained.

3d Force Recon Co.  During the reporting period the Company completed 28 patrols averaging 3.7 days with an average of 8 men per patrol. The patrols had 12 sightings for a total of 131 VC/NVA that resulted in 5 contacts, 10 fire missions of 215 artillery rounds and 4 air strikes. There were a total of 4 VC/NVA KIA (Conf) and 3 VC/NVA KIA (Prob). In addition 2 NVA (WIA) were captured. Patrols observed trails, huts and fighting holes not shown on the map. There were 2 USMC WIA and 1 USN WIA sustained.
PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

a. Combat Missions Assigned. 3d Reconnaissance Battalion and attached Force Reconnaissance Company, conduct reconnaissance operations, STINGRAY operations and other operations, as directed, within the Division Area of Responsibility. (3d Mar Div LOI # 1-67)

b. Significant Operations Conducted. Units of this Battalion have participated in Operation ANDMORE, FREDMONT, KINGFISHER, GRANITE, MEDINA, OSSOBLIA and LIBERTY II.

c. Casualties Inflicted on the Enemy. There have been 104 VC/NVA KIA (Conf), 149 VC/NVA KIA (Prob) and 23 VC/NVA WIA (Conf) and 2 NVA POW's WIA inflicted upon the enemy during this reporting period.

d. Casualties Sustained. There have been 12 USMC WIA and 1 USN WIA.


f. Command Relations. Nothing significant to report.

g. Equipment. Period indicates increased use/proficiency with the STARDIGHT Scope.

h. Logistics. Nothing significant to report.

i. Civic Action. All personnel joining the Battalion from CONUS are given a class in the personal response program. Two men from this Battalion attended the Division Personal Response School during this reporting period.

j. Administration. Nothing significant to report.

k. Personnel.

14 October 67 Captain F. F. REYNOLDS assigned as Commanding Officer Company "B".

14 October 67 Captain J. L. WILLIAMS relieved as Commanding Officer Company "B".
1. **Intelligence.** During this month deep reconnaissance activity has been curtailed in the Khe Sanh area. No significant sightings or contacts were made northeast, east and southeast from the base. Extensive night activity, as indicated by lights, was noted to the west, in Laos. In the latter portion of the month an marked increase in infiltration activity was noted west of Khe Sanh, culminated by 2 contacts. The enemy remains well organized and equipped in this area.

Activity in the vicinity of the Rockpile increased this month. Several defensive/mortar positions were discovered near Route 9 and on Dong Ha Mountain. Southwest of the Dong Ha Combat Base there were signs of enemy operating and transiting this area. Patrols on the flanks of an infantry operation in the Hai Lang Forest noted heavy infiltration during the month.

Patrols on the Co Bi Than Tham Ridge in the vicinity of the Song Bo continued to interdict possible rice transport routes from Base Area 114 to the coastal ricefields. Activity south and southwest of Phu Bai increased greatly early in the month with numerous sightings and contacts with probable NVA troops. The enemy were often heavily armed, including machine guns and mortars. Enemy use of rice routes continued in the Song Truoi Valley and there was evidence of possible base camp building in the mountains south of Phu Loc.

2. **Communications.** During the month of October radio relay sites remained in place. There were instances of suspected enemy jamming and "bogus" transmissions. It was noted during periods of extractions and gunship activity, that enemy signals were picked up on radio nets (usually reported as "very excited").

3. **Weather.** The month of October continued the transition from the hot, dry season to the cooler, rainy monsoon season. The average monthly temperature was 85 degrees with humidity from 50 to 85%. On a few occasions patrols were delayed by weather but generally no major problems in the deployment and scheduling of operations were caused by weather.

4. **Fire Support.** During the reporting period patrols of this Battalion directed 85 artillery fire missions expending 2824 rounds.

5. **Air Support.** During the reporting period patrols of this Battalion called 39 fixed wing missions. Helicopter gunship support and med-evaes were utilized several times.

6. **Activations/Deactivations/Redesignations.** Company C relieved Company D at the Dong Ha Combat Base and assumed patrol responsibilities. In turn, Company D choppered to the Phu Bai area for tactical duties.
Training. Training is conducted on a continuous basis. Newly joined personnel are instructed via a Battalion Training and Familiarization School in all aspects peculiar to reconnaissance, weapons, demolitions, etc., and information/orientation on Vietnam. The M-16 Rifle is zeroed and familiarized during this week period. Company training is conducted along these same lines, but on a more detailed level pursuant with experiences gained in the field. Key personnel (officer and enlisted patrol leaders) assemble once each month to discuss new methods and techniques peculiar to recon and other pertinent tactics and new developments. A pre-scout school was conducted on three occasions to discuss problems/conditions pertinent to helicopter insertion/extraction techniques. These discussions lasted an average time of 2 hours. Artillery fire is conducted as part of the orientation training for newly joined personnel (one full day). Company training in artillery was conducted during this reporting period, but usually encompasses more sophisticated procedures, (eg) firing from an O.P. under illumination.
a. Sequential Listing of Significant Events:

**0300H/051120H October.** A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 7706) conducted 51/2 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in 3 sightings totaling 34 VC/NVA and 1 contact with 20 VC/NVA. Three artillery missions totaling 118 rounds were fired resulting in 20 VC/NVA KIA (Prob). Four VC/NVA KIA (Conf) resulted from SAF. Enemy activity within this area has picked up recently. (See supporting document # 1)

**0400H/061200H October.** A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 9106) conducted 92 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in 2 VC sightings, 3 light sightings and 2 contacts. Artillery totaling 290 rounds was fired and air strikes resulted in 25 VC KIA (Prob). Area revealed heavy enemy activity. (See supporting document # 2)

**061630H/072200H October.** A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 5642) conducted 30 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in contact with 5 NVA resulting in 3 NVA KIA (Conf), 2 NVA WIA (Conf) which were captured. Patrol observed large bunker complex, 20-30 lights and exchanged SAF with an estimated 30-40 VC/NVA. (See supporting document # 3)

**070800H/121130H October.** A patrol operating in the vicinity of (20 0796) conducted 123/4 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in 1 flux sighting, 4 wood choppers sightings, 2 VC sightings, and 2 VC contacts. Patrol discovered fortifications being built (possibly mortar position). First contact resulted in 1 VC KIA (Conf) and 3 VC KIA (Prob). Area revealed heavy build up of fortifications. (See supporting document # 4)

**101400H/111000H October.** A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 9504) conducted 20 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance. Patrol during this short period encountered many sightings of moderate/heavy movement of both armed enemy and possible conscript civilians. As many as 25 enemy were encountered at one time; enemy included women who were armed and carried other military equipment. Just prior to extraction patrol felt it was being surrounded by a force of 100 enemy. Fire was directed at patrol which was subsequently extracted. (See supporting document # 5)

**111000H/121000H October.** A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 2146) conducted 20 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in 3 enemy sightings of an estimated 30 NVA and contact with same which resulted in 5 NVA KIA (Conf), 1 NVA WIA (Conf), and no friendly casualties. Patrol observed two secondary explosions from air strikes, two bridges, a sniper or FO position, and aiming stakes. (See supporting document # 6)

**122000H/171100H October.** A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 4233) conducted 117 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in 4 sightings totaling 17 VC and no contacts. Five harbor sites and a set of cart wheels were observed. Two fire missions were fired totaling 38 rounds, results were 7 VC KIA (Prob). (See supporting document # 7)
130000H/131800H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 5927) conducted 10 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in 2 large continuous sightings totalling approximately 70 VC. This sighting started 131530H till 131735H. Artillery and air strikes resulted in 22 KIA (Conf) by recon and AD had 27 KIA (Conf). Area revealed extensive enemy activity with mortar capability. (See supporting document # 8)

141530H/160900H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 8704) conducted 32 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in one large sighting totalling 50 VC/NVA and one contact resulting in 1 NVA KIA (Conf) by recon and 1 WIA by artillery. This area revealed heavy enemy movement. Eight mortars (possibly 82mm) were observed and most of the enemy were armed with AK-47's. (See supporting document # 9)

160800H/191945H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 5920) conducted 83 3/4 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in 16 sightings totalling 167 VC, 1 sighting of 18-20 lights. Ten artillery missions totalling 286 rounds, 6 air strikes, and 1 contact resulted in 22 VC KIA (Conf) and 32 VC KIA (Prob). Patrol discovered a large base camp on the Song Bo River and noted heavy use of a rice carrying route. (See supporting document # 10)

171300H/282015H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (XD 9949) conducted 34 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in contact with 5 NVA, discovered 5 bunkers and numerous fighting holes. Patrol found 13 82mm mortar shells, numerous primers and fuses. Artillery mission of 70 rounds called with excellent coverage. Area could easily accommodate a company size group, numerous trails in area all lead to OP near this site. (See supporting document # 11)

180900H/181815H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 9198) conducted 9 3/4 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in contact with 3-5 VC/NVA, One VC/NVA KIA (Prob) and 5 USMC WIA resulted from SAF. One artillery mission of 2 rounds was fired in support. No visible signs of recent enemy activity were noted in this area. (See supporting document # 12)

201000H/250900H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 6223) conducted 98 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in one sighting of 6-7 lights, 5 sightings totalling 37 VC. On 25 October 1967 patrol observed people moving in groups of 2-5 people. These sightings continued all day long. Artillery was fired in support, totalling 50 rounds. Area observed revealed enemy activity. (See supporting document # 13)

250900H/271645H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 6318) conducted 55 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in one contact with 5-8 VC (possibly Main Force). The VC suffered 2 VC KIA (Conf) and 3 VC WIA (Conf). One USMC received minor wound from a grenade thrown by a VC. Patrol discovered a total of 5 incomplete boobies dug in separate trenches. One flashlight sighting was made and rifle shots were heard on several occasions. Possible 50 cal. MG fire was heard and numerous trail networks were found. Area reveals extensive new enemy build up. (See supporting document # 14)
281340H/310415H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 0458) conducted 60 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in contact with approximately 100 enemy. A total of 550 rounds of artillery was fired which resulted in 30 KIA (Conf) and 20 KIA (Prob) and 25 WIA (Conf). (See supporting document # 15)

291330H/301400H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (XD 8046) conducted 24 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in contact with 20-25 NVA. SAF was initiated by the patrol resulting in 4 enemy KIA (Conf) and 5 enemy KIA (Prob). Contact was broken and team continued movement to south. Team then noted movement to their east, west, and north at which time they set up a defense within a bomb crater. Fire fight ensued with estimated 45-50 enemy. SAF and grenades were exchanged. Artillery and air strikes were requested. When air arrived enemy broke contact. Enemy wore khakies and helmets and appeared well disciplined. Team was extracted. (See supporting document # 16)

300915H/04'5015H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 5720) conducted 103 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in one sighting of a sampan and 22 VC in the Song Bo River vicinity (YD 584197). No contacts were made. Approximately 200 rounds of artillery resulted in one sampan damaged and 20 VC KIA (Prob). (See supporting document # 17)
Part IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

✓ 1. Patrol Report 402-67 of 05 October 67 (Co. A)
✓ 2. Patrol Report 404-67 of 08 October 67 (Co. A)
✓ 3. Patrol Report 503-67 of 07 October 67 (3d Force)
✓ 4. Patrol Report 408-67 of 13 October 67 (Co. D)
✓ 5. Patrol Report 504-67 of 11 October 67 (Co. C)
✓ 6. Patrol Report 415-67 of 18 October 67 (Co. A)
✓ 7. Patrol Report 416-67 of 14 October 67 (Co. A)
✓ 8. Patrol Report 420-67 of 16 October 67 (Co. A)
✓ 11. Patrol Report 424-67 of 19 October 67 (Co. D)
✓ 12. Patrol Report 428-67 of 26 October 67 (Co. A)
✓ 15. Spot Report In Lieu of Patrol Report 30 October 67 (Co. B)
✓ 16. Patrol Report 399-67 of 04 October 67 (Co. C)
✓ 17. Patrol Report 418-67 of 12 October 67 (Co. A)
Operation Order: 402-67

Ref: (a) Maps: VIET NAM, 1:50,000 Map Sheet 6541 IV
     (b) Operation Order: 3-67

1. SITUATION: See Ref (b)

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the
natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check
area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and
direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on
targets of opportunity of at least 15 or more enemy. Make every attempt
to capture a prisoner by ambush.

3. EXECUTION:
   a. Concept of Operation: See Operation Overlay
   b. Coordinating Instructions:
      (1) Insertion: 030000H at YD 775067
      (2) Extraction: 070900H at YD 795059
      (3) Thrust Lines: BTL 7707 BTL 8005

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: See Ref (b)

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL: See Ref (b)
   a. SACKLE: CODE (3)
      0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
      O L Y R V N Q C E
      H U J D F B I X G Z
      P K A T M W
   b. COMMUNICATIONS:
      (1) Call Sign:          Primary Freq:  Interchange
      GALLOWAY BLUE          46.8 (WHITE)  45.7 (VERMILLION ALPHA)
      SECONDARY             50.0
      ARMY PEA FOWL          46.8 (WHITE)
      PERSEVERE (MARINE AO)  41.30
      BALL BEARING (2/26)    37.20
      MED EVAC COMM FREQ     45.7 (VERMILLION ALPHA)
      DEAD AIM (4TH MARINES) 68.2
      TRAIL (4F AO)           47.6
      NEEK JANE (2/4)        45.0
      GAT KILLER (ARMY AO)   49.0

   c. CONCENTRATION: RC 201-250

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (9) Enlisted, (1) USE 3d Recon Bn S/C No 5178-67
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENT: (1) Scout Dog
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50's, (1) Starlite Scope
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) Claymore Mines, (9) CS Grenades, (3) Gas Masks, (2) Cameras
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) M-60, (1) Shotgun

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner by ambush.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 0300H/051130H Oct 1967

4. ROUTE AND TRAILS OBSERVED: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 51 1/2 hours of patrolling resulted in 3 sightings totaling 34 VC/NVA and 1 contact with 20 VC/NVA. 3 artillery missions totaling 118 rounds were fired resulting in 20 VC/NVA KIA (f). 4 VC/NVA KIA (c) resulted from SAF. Enemy activity within this area has picked up recently.

   b. ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

      (1) 041000H Patrol received information on suspected location of a VC company at (YD 765065) which had been received from a wounded prisoner interrogated near Hue. Patrol remained at (YD 979069) because of sick scout dog. Artillery was fired on the suspected enemy position. Artillery had good coverage of target. 1 hour after fire mission at (YD 779063) patrol observed 12 VC moving rapidly south from area of artillery fire. Distance of observation rendered uniform or weapons indistinguishable. Enemy did not appear to move on a trail and seemed in a great hurry. Patrol fired artillery mission of 18 rounds on enemy with good coverage. Weather caused a cheer fire because of poor visibility.
(2) 041730H Patrol from their OP at (YD 793069) observed 2 VC at (YD 796064), no weapons or uniform type could be observed. Enemy was moving north on a trail at a leisurely pace.

(3) 050900H Patrol at (YD 793069) observed at least 20 NVA with a VC leading them, moving north on a trail at (YD 786063), VC wore black PJ's, bush hat and carried a carbine. The remainder wore khakis, carried large rucksacks. Enemy were armed with AK-47's and carried linked ammo slung over shoulders. At least 1 man carried a large tube, possibly a 82mm mortar. Enemy moved slowly as though heavily loaded, and they were in a tight column. Enemy noticed patrol at a distance of less than 300 meters. Enemy seemed to believe patrol was VC or NVA. An artillery mission commenced and the 2 lead men approached the patrol while the rest moved back south into a treeline where another unknown size group seemed to moving. Two fire missions totaling 100 rounds and 1 air strike of 21 bombs resulted in 20 VC/NVA KIA (P). 4 VC/NVA KIA (C) resulted from SAF by patrol.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY

a. ENEMY: 4 VC/NVA KIA (S), 20 VC/NVA (P)

b. FRIENDLY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Physical: Good, morale: high
6. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) Continued surveillance because of recent activities.
(2) OP's are practical in this area because of the ease of observation.
(3) Tracers were used effectively to mark the target for air.

CONCLUSIONS:

(1) Area covered by patrol reveals possible of an enemy unit relocation.
(2) General conclusions:
   (a) The enemy were very heavily loaded.
   (b) The enemy were moving administratively.

CPL BIGLEY
"A" Company

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: (Concur with Patrol Leader)

a. BACKGROUND OR CHANGES IN THIS AREA: This activity is a sharp increase over that noticed in this area previously.

b. PATROL OPINION OF NATURE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY:
   1. VC/NVA seemed well trained although hit by air/artillery
   2. Patrol had placed artillery HAI on the night of 4 October in the general vicinity from which the VC/NVA had appeared.
   3. Patrol believes the large heavily loaded VC/NVA element moved from the area of the reported large unit and they may have been a point force company size unit.
   4. Patrol thought it was unusual that the enemy could be caught in the open when there was concealment in the canopy readily available.

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O = INSERTION
X = EXTRACTION
= PATROL ROUTE

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

Map: VIETNAM: 1:50,000
Sheet: 6541 IV
Series: L-7014
3d Reconnaissance Bn
(S-2)
Operation Order: 404-67

Ref: (a) Maps: VIET NAM, 1:50,000 Map Sheet 6541 IV
(b) Operation Order: 3-67

Task Organization: 1st Sqd 1st Flt Co A (L/CPL TEAL 9 MEN)

1. SITUATION: See Ref (b)

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC area camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. EXECUTION:
   a. Concept of Operation: See Operation Overlay
   b. Coordinating Instructions:
      (1) Insertion: 040600H at (CAC 2 THUCK/FOOT)
      (2) Extraction: 080900H at (CAC 2 THUCK/FOOT)
      (3) Thrust Lines: ATL (9104) BTL (9301)

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: See Ref (b)

5. COMMAND AND SIGNALS: See Ref (b)
   a. SHACKLE CODE (1)
      0123456789
      DMXAGQPVTB
      WCJOKERHU
      IZLYN
   b. COMMUNICATIONS:
      (1) Call Sign: Primary Freq: Alternate Freq:
      EMPRESS ALICE 46.8 (WHITE) 47.2 (GREEN)
      SECONDARY 50.0
      ARKY (PEA FOWL) 46.8 (WHITE)
      PERSERVERE (MARINE CORPS) 41.30
      BALL BEARING (2/26) 37.20
      MED EN AC COMM FREQ 45.7 (V/MILLION ALPHA)
      DEJAD AIM (4TH MARINES) 68.2
      SMALL (AF AO) 47.6
      MAY JANE (1/4) 45.10
      CAT KILLER (ARMY AO) 49.0
   c. CONCENTRATION: RO 101-150

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ARMS R.C.
Captain U.S. MARINE CORPS
Company Commander

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (9) Enlisted
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (None)
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) [Frequencies]
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) [Type and model]
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) Claymore mines, (9) CS Grenades, (9) Gas Masks, (1) Camera, (1) . . .
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) M-60, (1) Shot Gun, (4) M-14, (1) M-3Al SMG.

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration route that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 0600H/081200H October 1967

ROUTE AND TRAILS OBSERVED: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 92 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in 2 VC sightings, 3 light sightings and 2 contacts. 298 rounds fired by artillery and air strikes conducted resulted in 25 VC KIA. Area revealed heavy enemy activity.
   b. ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
      (1) 051430H (YD 914061) Patrol observed 5 people wearing black clothing vic (YD 900545). They seemed to be carrying bundles or weapons of some kind. They ran and hid when a heavy smoke over their area. Patrol called artillery but were told that these people were innocent civilians and had no weapons. They were about 1000 meters from the other civilians working in the area.
      (2) 052145H (YD 913056) Patrol observed 7 lights vic (YD 913063). The lights seemed to be flashlights and were moving south. Artillery fired and lights went out.
      (3) 052300H (YD 913056) Patrol heard a scream while artillery was firing in vic (YD 914058). About 15 minutes later the patrol observed another light moving towards the target position. Light went out when artillery fired.
6. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** Continue surveillance on the West side of the SONG NONG RIVER.

**CONCLUSIONS:** Area covered by patrol reveals heavy enemy activity.

L/Cpl A Co

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Concur with patrol leader.

**PATROL OPINION OF NATURE AND ENEMY ACTIVITY:** Patrol feels that the 5 people seen (See 1st sighting) were VC. They acted suspicious and that is why the patrol noticed them. They were about 1000 meters from the other civilians, they ran when they saw a huey in that area and they seemed like they were carrying some type of bundles or weapons. These 5 people were all wearing black clothing and the rest of the civilians working in this area at this time were wearing white clothes.

The lights observed by the patrol (See 2nd sighting) were a part of a bigger group of about 30-40 VC. Lights went on through the night and would come back to the same place that the arty had fired. These lights seemed like flashlights because they would come on for about 30 seconds and then go out again as if someone would be walking and try to see where he was going.

**OTHER:** Civilians go out too early before dawn and return too late, seems to be some type of mixed VC and civilian activity.

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0 = INSERTION

X = EXTRACTION

____ = PATROL ROUTE

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAP

(1) Sqd. (1) Plt. (C) Co.

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OPERATION ORDER BN (O3-67 SGT. GIBSONS):
A. MAP SHEET 1504, OLS SERIES L-7014, SHEET 6342 I
(1) DEBRIEFER: CAPT. H. SHERBLY 08 SEPTEMBER 1967

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
A. COMPOSITION: (1) OFFICER, (7) ENLISTED
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PFC 25'S
D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1' 7X50
E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) CLAYMORE MINES, 2' WP WHEEL GRENADES,
F. GAS MASKS, (3) GS GRENADES
G. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 WITH 177 ROUNDS, (3) M-14, (1) M-60.
H. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN ASSIGNED ZONE TO
DETERMINE ENEMY ACTIVITY, ENGAGE THE ENEMY WITH SUPPORTING ARMS, MAKE
EVERY EFFORT TO CAPTURE A PRISONER, PLOT HLT'S FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS,
PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO TRAILS AND THEIR FREQUENCY OF USE IN YOUR
Z.
I. ASCERTAIN IF THE AREA IS BEING USED BY THE ENEMY AND FOR WHAT PURPOSE.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 061630H (YD 364424)/072220H (YD 363421) HLT.
3.
IN AND OUT.
4. ROUTE: INSERT PT WEST TO YD 360424), EAST TO EXTRACT PT.
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
6. SYNOPSIS: 36 HOURS OF RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE RESULTED IN
CONTACT WITH 5 NVA RESULTING IN (1) NVA KIA (C), (2) NVA WIA (C) WHICH
WERE NOTED. PATROL OBSERVED LARGE CUBBIKE COMPLEX, 20-30 LIGHTS.

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AND EXCHANGED SAF WITH AN ESTIMATED 30-40 VC/NVA/VICILIANS.

S. ENEMY:

1) 061950H YD 3674242 PATROL OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE BLACK SHORTS AND SHIRTS, HEAVY PACKS, BUSHELS AND WEAPONS OF UNKNOWN CAL. ENEMY HAD A PAIR OF FIELD GLASSES AND WERELOOKING FOR PATROLS POSITION. CALLED ARTILLERY MISSILE OF 18 ROUNDS WITH GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET RESULTING IN (2) VC KIA (4).

2) 073515H YD 3634211 HEARD MOVEMENT AND VOICES OF APPROXIMATELY 5 PEOPLE. CALLED ARTILLERY MISSILE OF 7 ROUNDS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

3) 072705H YD 3644242 OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA ON RIDGE LINE MOVING NORTHWEST. ENEMY WORE GREEN PONCHOS AND ALL CARRIED RIFLES, BELIEVED TO BE SCOUTING PARTY FOR A LARGER UNIT.

4) 070500H YD 3644272 PATROL RECEIVED 4 ROUNDS SAF FROM NORTHWEST UNABLE TO DETERMINE LOCATION. PATROL MOVED OUT OF AREA.

5) 072750H YD 3644211 OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA ON RIDGE LINE MOVING TOWARDS PATROL. ENEMY WORE BLACK PANTS AND RAYBAN HATS, 1) REFUSE POSIBLY MORE. NO ACTION TAKEN.

6) 071550H YD 3654170 OBSERVED 5 NVA TALKING TO WOODCUTTERS, APPEARED TO BE ASKING FOR PATROLS LOCATION. ENEMY WORE BLACK PANTS AND PACKS. WEAPONS UNKNOWN. NO ACTION TAKEN.

7) 071600H YD 3734202 PATROL SET UP AMBUSH FOR 5 NVA SIGHTED PREVIOUSLY, NVA.

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SPOTTED AMBUSH JUST AS PATROL OPENED FIRE RESULTING IN (2) KIA (4). PATROL IMMEDIATELY BEGAN TAKING SAF FROM ALL SIDES FROM UNKNOWN SIZE ENEMY FORCE. PATROL BROKE CONTACT.

8) 071610H YD 3644222 PATROL SET UP IN DEFENSIVE POSITION.

9) 071615H YD 3654222 PATROL STARTED RECEIVING SAF FROM 20 OR MORE ENEMY. GUNSHIP CAME ON STATION AND STRAFED AREA. ALL FIRING CEASED. GUNSHIPS MARKED POSITION OF ENEMY KIA FROM PATROLS AMBUSH, PATROL CHECKED OUT AREA OF AMBUSH. PATROL FOUND 2) WIA NA OR AND (4) KIA AND BLOODY TRAILS WHERE BODIES WERE DRAGGED OFF SITE. PATROL FOUND FOLLOWING:

1) AK-47 MAGAZINES, 2) CHICAGO GRENADES, 4) AK-47 MAGAZINES AND 5 CLIPS SKS AMMUNITION, 6) CARTRIDGE BELTS, 7) MAGAZINE POCHES, 8) PACKS. ONE PACK CONTAINED, SMALL MEDICAL KIT, 1) HAYMOCK, PONCHO, PERSONAL HEALTH ITEMS, 9) PAIR BLACK SHORTS, KHAKIS AND UTILITIES.

10) PACK WAS TURNED OVER TO 11T AND CONTAINED FOOD AND DOCUMENTS.

9) 071130H YD 3754350 PATROL WAS CHECKING OUR VC WOMAN WHEN ENEMY OPENED FIRE FROM BUNKER COMPLEX LOCATED ON HILL. PATROL OBSERVED 8 OR MORE BUNKERS. REACTION FORCE WAS LANDED AND TOOK OVER COORDINATION OF FIXED MING AND ARTILLERY.

10) 071900H YD 3634332 PATROL RECEIVED SAF FROM THESE COORDINATES.

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4) 070500H YD 3644272 PATROL OBSERVED CO-BATTLE CAMPERS MOVING
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Southeast and 1) Battle lantern moving fast, at (YD 381437) observed. 4) Battle lanterns moving southwest, YD 371425) observed (1) Battle lantern heading southwest. Patrol was being slowly surrounded by lights.

(12) 071930H (YD 365441) Patrol received 12 or more rounds of 82mm mortars from four mortar tubes located at these coordinates. Patrol called artillery mission of 6 rounds with negative results.

(13) 071939H (YD 352444) Patrol observed 6 more lights moving towards patrols position. No action taken.

C. Terrain: Gentle rolling hills with brush-shrubs from 2-10 feet high and scattered throughout area. Natural water sources plentiful. Communication good. Rate of movement at patrols discretion.

D. Other information:

(1) (YD 362470) Observed that or large hooch which was fenced off. Believed to be meeting place or classroom.

6. Results of encounters with the enemy:

A. Enemy: (3) NVA KIA C), (2) NVA WIA C), captured.
B. Friendly: (1) Non-casualty casualty.
C. Captured equipment: See enemy Information.

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7. Condition of Patrol: Fair to good, morale excellent

8. Recommendations and conclusions:

Recommendations:

1. Patrols in area take M-60
2. Patrols be reinforced
3. Have reaction force available to assist patrol.

Conclusions:

1. Patrols in area are under constant observation by enemy.
2. VC/NVA in area feel secure. They act like they do not expect any enemy to enter into their area.
3. Civilians in area are VC/NVA sympathizers. Each civilian had a weapon on their person or had a weapon near by.
4. Village at YD 356431) is heavily fortified fighting holes and tunnels are numerous throughout area.
5. Hilltop at YD 375435) contains bunker complex and automatic weapons emplacement.

6. Patrol received fire from an estimated 30-40 enemy armed with aw.
7. Hilltop (YD 364424) used for insertion of patrol.

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1. SUMMARY

2. DETAILS

3. ALL TRAILS ARE HEAVILY TRAVERSED.

4. ONCE A PATROL MAKES CONTACT IN AREA HAVE TEAM EXTRACTED

5. DUE TO LACK OF COVER AND CONCEALMENT IN AREA.

6. IF PATROL CAN BE INSERTED WITHOUT BEING OBSERVED THEY HAVE THE

7. ELEMENT OF SURPRISE ON THEIR SIDE. IF THEY ARE OBSERVED ON INSERTION

8. THEY WILL BE OBSERVED AT ALL TIMES.

9. 2 NVA VIA CAPTURED AND DOCUMENTS FOUND ON THEIR PERSONS WERE

10. FORWARD TO HIGHER AUTHORITIES.

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Operation Order: 408-67

Ref: (a) Maps: VIET NAM, 1:50,000 Map Sheet 6541 I-6541 II
(b) Operation Order: 3-67

Task Organization: 2ndSqd 1stPlt Co D (SOT MONISE 9 MEN)

1. SITUATION: See Ref (b)

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. EXECUTION:

   a. Concept of Operation: See Operation Overlay

   b. Coordinating Instructions:

      (1) Insertion: 070000H at 20 (TO BE ANNOUNCED)

      (2) Extraction: 110900H at VC (TO BE ANNOUNCED)

      (3) Thrust Lines: ATL (0892) BTL (1194)

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: See Ref (b)

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL: See Ref (b)

   a. SHACKLE: CODE (5)

      0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
      C J A Z K F L W P B
      G R M U X I E Q D Y
      N O T Y H S

   b. COMMUNICATION:

      (1) Call Sign:  Primary Freq:  Alternate Freq:

         MARKET PLACE II  47.2 (GREEN)  46.8 (WHITE)

         SECONDARY  50.0

         ARMY (ARM 105MM)

         (PHU LOC (ZI( ) RMY) 47.2 (GREEN)

         PERSEVERE (MARINE AO) 41.30

         BALL BEARING (2/26) 5.20

         MIM B/A COMM REQ 41.7 (VERMILLION ALPHA)

         BEAD AIM (4th MARINES) 66.2

         TRAIL (AF AO) 47.6

         MEIK JANE (1/4) 41.10

         CAT KILLER (ARMY AO) 49.0

   c. CONCENTRATION: RC 001-010

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Dobrosor: SSgt. LOPEZ J.M.I.
Map Sheet: 6541 I & II

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enlisted, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (None)
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (None)
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) Claymore Mines, (7) CS Grenades, (5) WP Rifle Grenades, (2) Gas Masks, (1) WP Hand Grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) M-14

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 0700OH/1211OH Oct 1967

4. ROUTE AND TRAILS OBSERVERS: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 12 1/2 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in 1 flare sighting, 4 wood-choppers sighting, 2 VC sightings, 2 VC contacts. Patrol discovering fortification being built (possibly mortar position). First contact resulted in 1 VC KIA (C) and 3 VC KIA (F). Area revealed heavy build up of fortifications.

   b. ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

   (1) 0700OH (ZC 075968) Patrol observed 50-60 Vietnamese people wearing black PJs, some had coolie hats, and others had pit helmets with ventilation. They seemed to be carrying stretchers and a couple looked like they were on crutches. They were moving north-northwest in groups of about 10 persons. Team called for gunships and were told that the people were wood choppers. Patrol continued mission.

   (2) 101900H-2330H (ZC 082946) Patrol observed a total of 12 flares in vicinity (ZC 069952). These flares looked like VC type. They were orange and yellow, did not give out too strong illumination and did not burn as long. No other flares were observed after 2330H.
(3) 110000H (ZC 082946) Patrol observed about 7 males and females chopping wood vicinity (ZC 083947). One was wearing a red shirt and black pants and the others had white shirt and black bottoms. Chopping activity was heard on the trail and around that area. These people were cutting logs about 10-15 feet long by one foot in diameter and were taking them down to the river where there was a large pile stacked up. The bark was shaved off the logs.

(4) 120000H (ZC 082946) Patrol observed 10-12 wood choppers carrying logs back and forth on the trail running east and west vicinity (ZC 08245). Patrol continued observation.

(5) 121000H (ZC 083946) Patrol observed 2 VC wearing green shirts, khaki shorts, carrying heavy packs and SKS rifles slung over their shoulders. VC were moving on a trail toward a camp fire by a stream vicinity (ZC 083946).

(6) 121015H (ZC 082946) Two members moved approximately 10 meters up trail and observed 1 VC wearing drab green clothing and sandals. He was also armed with an SKS and was going to the camp fire (ZC 083946). This VC was healthy looking, approximately 5'6" tall and about 22 years old. The looked intelligent and acted like the leader of the group.

(7) 121020H (ZC 082946) The 2 members of the patrol by the trail saw 8 women carrying logs moving west on the trail. They looked healthy, young, muscular build and were smoking long type cigarettes. They also had . . . slung over their shoulders and were wearing black PJ's. Before this time 2 team members saw WGS carrying logs in the same direction of the women and took them as prisoners...

(8) 121035H (ZC 083946) Patrol got the word that the extraction choppers were airborne and 2 members went to check the camp fire. Members saw 2 VCS by the fire and took them prisoners. While checking the area further the team members made contact with the 4 VC observed at 1015H. Contact resulted in 1 VC KIA (?:), 1 VC KIA (?:).

(9) 121045H (ZC 082946) While patrol was firing at the camp fire (ZC 082946) with M-79 and M-60 two VCS surrendered to the patrol.

(10) 121100H (ZC 082946) While being extracted the 3d hole received SA fire from (ZC 082946) resulting in 1 USMC WIA (Minor). Choppers were at this time starting to conduct an air strike.

C. TERRAIN: Thick vegetation with 30-40 feet canopy. Rate of movement approximately 50-75 meters per hour.

D. COMMUNICATION: Generally good with some garbled and distorted background.
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(1) Patrol found what appeared to be a foundation for a base camp vicinity (2C 075256) hill 348. There were 6 different sites of this type in this area. See sketch.

(2) 101400H (2C 082946) Patrol heard guns go off vicinity (2C 075256) and they heard that the rounds were hitting vicinity (2C 09298). This was also heard at 101500H.

(3) 111845H (2C 082946) Patrol heard movement around their position. It sounded like braking of brush. Artillery fired with unknown results.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: 1 KIA (C), 3 KIA (F) by recon

b. FRIENDLY: 1 WIA (Minor)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Physical: good/morale: outstanding

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

RECOMMENDATIONS: Continue recon and H&I's

CONCLUSIONS: Area covered by patrol reveals extensive enemy build up of base camps and fortifications.

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"D" Company

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: (Concur with Patrol Leader)

(1) Patrol feels that 1st camp found could be a possibly mortar position.

(2) They think that the VC are forcing the Vietnamese to do their building in this area.

(3) The patrol also feels that some of these groups of Vietnamese observed and reported might have been American civilians working for VC.

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- INSERTION
- EXTRACTION
- PATROL ROUTE
- TRAIDS

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

(2) Sqd (1) Plt (c) Co.
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This area is about 50 ft in diameter. There is no canopy around this camp and a person can see straight up to the sky. Heavy brush is all around the perimeter of this camp. Patrol found six of this camps in this area.
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DEBRIEF OF RECON PATROL 11, 1CI, THIRD RECON BN, "C" COMPANY FOLLOWS:
OPERATION ORDER NR 504-67, L/CPL. C. L. THORNTON
A. MAP SHEET: 1:50,000, AME SERIES L-7814, SHEET 6442 III
(1) DEBRIEFER: CAPT. L. SHEPS: 11 OCTOBER 1967

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT
A. COMPOSITION: (8) ENLISTED
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: 2) AN/PRC 25'S
D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7X50
E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) CLAYMORE MINES, (4) WP RIFLE GRENADES, (9)
GAS MASK, (9) CS GRENADES
F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) 1-75 WITH 75 ROUNDS, (1) M-14
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN ASSIGNED
ZONE TO DETERMINE ENEMY ACTIVITY. ENGAGE THE ENEMY WITH SUPPORTING
ARMS. MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO CAPTURE A PRISONER. PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTIONS
TO TRAILS AND THEIR FREQUENCY OF USE IN YOUR ZONE. ASCERTAIN IF THE AREA
IS BEING USED BY THE ENEMY AND FOR WHAT PURPOSE.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: (110000 YD 213462) / (120000 YD 229459)
PATROL HELD IN AND OUT.
4. ROUTE: INSERT PT WEST TO EXTRACT PT.
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN: 20 HOURS OF RECONNAISSANCE AND
SURVEILLANCE RESULTED IN THREE ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND ESTIMATED 37 NVA
TROOPS WITH SAME WHICH RESULTED IN 5) NVA KIA (C), 1) NVA WIA
AND NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. PATROL OBSERVED TWO SECONDARY EXPLOSION
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AIR STRIKES, TWO BRIDGES, A SNIPER OR FO POSITION, AND AIRING

EVENT:
1. 12000H (YD 206466) OBSERVED 3) NVA WEARING KHAKIS,
CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES, PACKS, BUSH HATS, PATROL COULD NOT OBSERVE
ENEMY. PATROL CALLED ARTILLERY MISSION OF 5 ROUNDS WITH GOOD
TARGET COVERAGE, UNKNOWN RESULTS.
2. 12000H (YD 201456) PATROL MADE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED
2) NVA WEARING KHAKIS, CAMOUFLAGE PAINT, CARTRIDGE BELTS.
ENEMY OBSERVED WERE (1) 7.62 MACHINE GUN, 2) AK-47'S, (1)
CARTRIDGE. RESULTS OF CONTACT: (3) NVA (C), 1) NVA WIA (C).
PATROL BROKE CONTACT AND CALLED ARTILLERY MISSION OF 5 ROUNDS
ON GOOD TARGET COVERAGE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AFTER
ARTILLERY MISSION PATROL CALLED AO AND FIXED WING IN AREA
WHO MADE NAPALM AND BOMBARING RUNS WHICH RESULTED IN 2)
SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. AO CALLED AIR STRIKES AT (YD 206466)
WHERE WHICH RESULTED IN 1) SECONDARY SLOW BURNING FIRE. NO
FURTHER ACTION TAKEN.
3. 121402H (YD 201456) PATROL MOVING WEST INTO TREELINE
WHERE COORDINATES OBSERVED AN ESTIMATED 15 NVA WEARING
KHAKIS AND CAMO PAINT SET IN A "U" SHAPED A BUSH. RADIO MAN
SERVED ON MAN STAND UP WITH AN AK-47. RADIO MAN FIRED ON

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RESULTING IN 1) NVA KIA (C). IMMEDIATELY PATROL
AND RECEIVING SAF. PATROL BROKE CONTACT AND POPPED A
BOMB FOR THE AO WHO WAS ON STATION. AO CALLED ARTILLERY
MISSION OF 5 ROUNDS WITH GOOD TARGET COVERAGE, UNKNOWN
RESULTS. AO AGAIN CALLED FIXED WING WHO MADE BOMBING AND
BOMBING RUNS WITH GOOD TARGET COVERAGE. PATROL THEN OBSERVED
ENEMY ON FIRE FLY THROUGH THE AIR, RESULTING IN (1) NVA
(C). PATROL THEN MOVED TO YD 209458 WHERE THEY OBSERVED
APPROXIMATELY 5-10 NVA WEARING CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES, AND
ATTACHED TO THEIR BODIES. AO REPORTED SEEING APPROXIMATELY
15 NVA IN SMALL GROUPS TO THE NORTH, NORTHEAST, AND EAST.
PATROL CALLED FIXED WING ON TARGET. AS FIXED WING WERE MAKING
BOMBING RUNS THEY WERE RECEIVING SPORADIC SAF. AFTER
BOMBING WERE MAKING BOMBING RUNS ALL ORDNANCE GUNSHIPS ARRIVED ON
AO WHO REMAINED IN AREA FOR APPROXIMATELY (1) HOUR.
AS THE FIXED WING AND AO AGAIN CAME ON STATION.
THEM CALLED FOR EXTRACTION. AS EXTRACTION HELICOPTERS
CALLED FOR EXTRACTION. AS EXTRACTION HELS
HAD JUST GIVEN UP RECEIVING SAF. HELOS ABORTED EXTRACTION
AND THE PATROL MADE MORE BOMBING RUNS ON TARGET. AT

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C. TERRAIN: MODERATE ROLLING HILLS WITH KNEE HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS. COMMUNICATION POOR. NATURAL WATER SOURCES PLENTIFUL.
RATE OF MOVEMENT 1200 METERS PER HOUR.
D. OTHER INFORMATION:
1) 111500H YD 135442) PATROL OBSERVED (3) STAKES APPROXIMATELY 10 FEET HIGH APPROXIMATELY 1 INCH IN DIAMETER.
STAKES APPEARED TO BE AIMING STAKES. NO ACTION TAKEN.
2) 111730H YD 207447) PATROL OBSERVED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A PONCHO TIED IN A TREE. SITE APPEARED TO BE EITHER A FO POSITION OR A SNIPER POSITION. PATROL COULD OBSERVE QUANG TRI FROM THESE COORDINATES. NO ACTION TAKEN.
3) 120300H YD PATROL OBSERVED 2) BRIDGES AT THESE COORDINATES. BRIDGES WERE CONSTRUCTED OF CEMENT AND WHAT APPEARED TO BE RAILROAD TRACKS. BRIDGES COULD NOT BE USED FOR VEHICLE USE BUT PERSONNEL COULD CROSS THEM. RAILROAD TRACKS WERE RUNNING IN A NORTH, SOUTH DIRECTION. NO ACTION TAKEN.
4) 121800H yd 208845) PATROL HEARD A VIETNAMESE VOICE ON RADIO CALLING "PERSEVER-SIERA 4-5" PATROL CALLED AO WHO SAID HE HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY SUCH CALL.
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

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A. ENEMY: 5) NVA KIA (C), (1) WIA (C)
B. FRIENDLY: NONE
C. CAPTURED EQUIPMENT: NONE
7. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD, MORALE GOOD
5. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:
RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
CONCLUSIONS:
1) AREA COL QUARRIED BY PATROL REVEALS SIGNS OF A NVA COMPANY OPERATING IN THIS AREA. INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE PATROL WAS INSERTED AND OPERATED AROUND THE NVA CO STYLE HARBOR SITE.
MOVEMENT IN AREA WAS IN SQUAD SIZE GROUPS GENERALLY TOWARDS THE SOUTH.
6. HLZ'S:
1) YD 209459) 2) CH-46'S. SITE IS OPEN FIELD WITH ELEPHANT GRASS 2-3 FEET HIGH. NO APPROACH OBSTACLES. BEST APPROACH FROM EAST TO WEST.
2) (YD 191459) 1) CH-46. SITE IS AN OPEN FIELD WITH ELEPHANT GRASS 2-3 FEET HIGH. NO APPROACH OBSTACLES. BEST APPROACH FROM EAST TO WEST.
10. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:
1) CONCUR WITH PATROL LEADERS RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS.
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Operation Order: 415-67

Ref: (a) Maps: VIET NAM, 1:50,000 My Sheet 6442 II
(b) Operation Order: 3-67

Task Organization: 1st Sqd 2nd Lt Co A (CPL WIGLEY 8 MN)

1. **Situation:** See Ref (b)

2. **Mission:** Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the inland infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA. Also check area for use as VC camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. **Execution:**
   a. **Concept of Operation:** See Operation Overlay
   b. **Coordinating Instructions:**
      1. Insertion: 110600H at (YD 451700, ALT. YD 429400)
      2. Extraction: 150900H at (YD 429400, ALT. YD 429400)
      3. Thrust Lines: ATL 4124 BTL 1127

4. **Administration and Logistics:** See Ref (b)

5. **Command and Signal:** See Ref (b)
   a. **Magic Code:** Code (a)
      0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
      L U S Y A R O E T W
      C X V B I Q D F H K
      M J P N G Z
   b. **Communications:**
      1. **Call Sign:** **Primary Freq:** **Alternate Freq:**
         - GALLOWAY BLUE 47.2 (GREEN) 46.8 (WHITE)
         - SECONDARY 50.0
         - ARMY (CHERRY JADE) 47.2 (GREEN)
         - PERSERVERE (MARINE 40) 41.30
         - BALL BEARING (2/26) 37.20
         - MED EVAC COMM FREQ 45.7 (VERMILLION ALPHA)
         - DEF. AIM (4TH MARINES) 68.2
         - TRAIL (AF 60) 47.6
         - MEEX JANE (1/4) 45.10
         - CAT KILLER (ARMY 60) 49.0
   c. **Concentration:** RG 201-250

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Operation Order: 415-67
Patrol: (1) Sqd. (2) Plt. (4) Co.
Designator: 3Dpl. VANRAVENSWAAY/SGT. LOPEZ
Map Sheet: 6442 II

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Nlisted, (1) LAS
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (None)
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7X50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) Claymore Mines, (9) GG Grenades,
      (1) WP Rifle Grenade, (9) Gas Masks, (1) WP Hand Grenade, (3) Cameras
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) M-60, (1) Shot Gun

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along
   the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also
   check area for use as VC camp area. Pay particular attention to size
   and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery
   on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 120800H/171100H Oct 1967

4. ROUTE AND TRAILS OBSERVED: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOI'SIS: 117 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted
      in 4 sightings totalling 17 VC and no contacts. 5 harbor sites and a
      set of oar wheels were observed. Two fire missions were fired totalling
      30 rounds. Resulted in 7 VC KIA (P).
   b. ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
      (1) 121400H Patrol observed 2 VC vicinity (YD 428338). Wearing
      white trousers, pink shirts and olive hats. Unobserved weapons cause
      of distance. No action taken.
      (2) 131000H Patrol observed 6 VC on hill (YD 422331) possibly OP.
      VC were wearing black PJ's and carrying possibly carbines. Patrol
      called fire mission, first two rounds were direct hit on hill. Just
      after these two rounds patrol heard movement in the brush going east
      down hill. The noise continued to move up the north side of hill
      which the patrol had OP. Patrol continued fire mission directing at
      base of hill, where noise appeared to be coming from. A total of
      28 rounds were fired. Patrol observed 2 VC go south in valley.
      4 VC KIA (P) from artillery.

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Patrol observed 8 VC (YD 432328). Wearing black PJ's and covers. Weapons unobserved. Fire mission of 10 rounds, 2.7's from artillery. Patrol observed 5 VC leave area heading southwest. 3 VC KIA (P) from artillery.

Patrol observed 1 VC on side of hill vicinity (YD 433325). He was wearing black PJ's. No weapons observed.

c. TERRAIN: Characterized by steep hills with thick brush and canopy approximately 15 feet high. Rate of movement 200 meter per hour.

(1) COMMUNICATION: Good. On the 140900 and 161700H patrol heard Vietnamese voices on 47.2 and 46.6 frequency.

(2) NATURAL WATER SOURCE: Plenty. Intermittent streams in valley. Hard to get down to water in valley cause of thick brush along side of hill.

(3) TRAILS: As shown on map. (YD 428325) whole ridgeline is covered with trails. These trails appeared to be well used.


(YD 439333) Burnt off hill. Best approach from the north. Accommodate 1 hole.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) Patrol observed 3 harbor sites. (YD 430326). Two of them could hold approximately 12-15 people. The other one could approximately hold 25 people.

(2) Patrol observed 2 large harbor sites in valley (YD 433327). It could hold approximately 2 companies. Well covered with a canopy. Lot of water. A trail leading into and through harbor site approximately 6 meters wide. Used about one or two times.

(3) (YD 423328) Patrol observed cast wheel tracks on trail. Wheel tracks 3" wide and span about 1 meter wide. appeared to be hauling heavy loads. Tracks were cut deep in mud.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: 7 VC KIA (P) by artillery

b. FRIENDLY: (None)

7. CONDITIONS OF PATROL: Physical: good/Morale: good
8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

RECOMMENDATIONS: Continue reconnaissance and surveillance in this area.

CONCLUSIONS: Area covered by patrol reveals enemy activity. Many foot trails and harbor sites.

CPL WIGLEY
"A" Company

DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:

a. PATROL OPINION OF NATIVE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY: Patrol feel that the enemy movement is mostly during the night.

LEGEND

O = INSERTION
X = EXTRUSSION
___ = PATROL ROUTE

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

(1) Sqd. (2) Plt. (A) Co.
Map: VIETNAM 1:50,000
Sheet: 6442 II
Series: J-7014
3d Reconnaissance Bn
(S-2)
Operation Order: 416-67

Ref: (a) Maps: VIET NAM, 1:50,000 Map Sheet 6441 I
(b) Operation Order: 3-67

Task Organization: 1stSqd 1stFlt Co A (L/CPL KENCK 9 MEN)

1. SITUATION: See Ref (b)

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as forward observer for artillery or targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. EXECUTION:
   a. Concept of Operation: See Operation Overlay
   b. Coordinating Instructions:
      (1) Insertion: 150000H at (YD 604228) (ALT. YD 594235)
      (2) Extraction: 170000H at (YD 594235)
      (3) Thrust Lines: ATL (YD 5824) BTL (YD 6122)

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: See Ref (b)

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL: See Ref (b)
   a. SHACKLE: CODE (1)
      0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
      DMX A Q GP V T B
      W C J O K E R P H U
      I Z L Y N S
   b. COMMUNICATIONS:
      (1) Call Sign: Primary Freq: Alternate Freq:
         EMPRESS ALICE 47.2 (GREEN) 46.8 (WHITE)
         SECONDARY 50.0
         ARTY (CHEEY JAM) 47.2 (GREEN)
         PERSEVERE (MARINE AO) 41.30
         BALL BEARING (2/26) 37.2
         MED EWAC COMM FREQ 45.7 (VERMILION ALPHA)
         DEAD AIM (4TH MARINES) 68.2
         TAIL (AF AO) 47.6
         MEES JANK (1/4) 45.10
         CAT KILLER (ARMY AO) 49.9

6. CONCENTRATION: FD 101-150

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Operation Order: 416-67
Patrol: (1) Sgt. (1) Pfc. (1) Co.
Dobriers: Sgt. LooPEZ, J.M.I.
Map Sheet: 6441 I

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enlisted, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENT: (None)
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7X50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) Claymore Mines, (9) CS Grenades, (9) Gas Masks, (2) Cameras
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (4) M-60, (4) M-14

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp areas. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. TIMES OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 130000H/131300H Oct 1967

4. ROUTE AND TRAILS OBSERVED: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 10 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in 2 large continuous sightings totaling approximately 70 VC. This sighting started 131300H till 131735H. Artillery and Air strikes conducted resulted in 22 KIA (C) by recon and AO had 27 KIA (O). Area revealed extensive enemy activity with mortar capability.

6. ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

   (1) 131300H (YD 598246) Patrol observed 4 VC wearing black, green and gray mixed color clothing, packs with camouflage grass and leaves on the back. They were armed with unknown type weapons (possibly automatic weapons). 3 more VC with same uniform than 2 more VC carrying carbines, followed by 2 VC with a black weapon (possibly M-16) and then a main body of 9 VC were observed. The lead men of this main group had on Khaki shirt and shorts. The VC were in a line and spread out, 1 mortar tube was observed with the main group and 2 VC looked like ammo carriers. These VC went across CS (YD 598241) to vicinity (YD 598246) on the road into a tree line. This tree line is 150-250 meters along road and 75-100 meters in depth on both sides. There are no houses in this area. Called artillery with poor target coverage.
(2) 131745H (YD 593235) Patrol observed 8 VC come out of a ditch concealing a ditch vicinity (YD 592245). The VC wore same uniform as first group. The lead man of this group had on a turquoise shirt and black shorts. Team then observed 22 more VC just come from nowhere at the same location. Team adjusted artillery and VC went into the ditch or trench. Patrol saw 1 round hit 3 VC and more rounds hit 5 VC bodies in trench. This resulted in 8 VC KIA (C).

(3) 131405H AD showed up and team directed AD to VC position and when AD went down for closer look he received SA fire. AD reported VC in fox holes vicinity (YD 596245). When the AD would fly away the VC would pop their heads up and at one time 12 heads were seen.

(4) 131415H Fixed wing showed up and started bombing and strafing the area (YD 596245). Good coverage right on trench. Team observed bodies laying in trench and saw 1 body fly out through the air when bomb hit the trench. VC suffered 10 VC KIA (C).

(5) 131417H Patrol observed 2 VC running from trench to the southeast and 2 VC towards the team position. 2 bombs were dropped on each 2 VC resulting in 4 VC KIA (C).

(6) 131420H AD reported to the team that he had observed elements of a VC company moving vicinity (YD 592229) towards team position.

(7) 131430H (YD 595235) Patrol observed 2 VC (YD 596237) moving toward team position and heard more movement of about 8 more VC. The VC just started at the team and hid in the brush. Team fired M-79 and SAF fire at VC.

(8) 131445H (YD 595235) Patrol heard movement at base of hill vicinity (YD 596232) of about 10 VC. Team fired M-79, SAF/SAF and through grenades. Team received fire and Fixed wing dropped 3 bombs and strafed area. The VC fire was wild and over the teams heads.

(9) 131720H (YD 595235) First extract helo received fire from hill 165 upon landing. Fixed wing continued air strikes.

**TERRAIN:** Green high brush, no canopy. Rate of movement approximately 400 meters per hour.

(1) COMMUNICATION: Outstanding

(2) NATURAL WATER SOURCE: Plenty

(3) TRAILS: (YD 595235) 2 foot wide trail going east and west.

(4) HELIS: (YD 595235) Accommodate 1 CH-46, low brush, boat approach is from the northeast.

**OTHER INFORMATION:** (None)
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C. DESIGNS OF ENCOUNTER WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. MEDIUM: 67 KIA (9) by 20.

7. CONDITION OF AREA: Physical: good/moral: excellent

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

RECOMMENDATIONS: Further recon patrols in this area. Use starlight
scope at night.

CONCLUSIONS: Area covered by patrol reveals enemy activity.

I/CP: KNOX
"A" Company

9. DEBRIEF CONFLICT: (Concur with Patrol Leader)

a. PATROL CONFLICT OF NATURE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY: VC can be hidden
   in brush without being detected. They believe VC were heading to an
   ambush site and were part of a larger force.

b. OTHER: a. Use Slicks? Why?

   a. Fast
   b. Can get out of both sides.
   c. Good firepower
   d. Got low enough to ground so you don’t have a bag jump.

LEGEND

0 = INSERTION
X = EXTRACTION
- = TRAIL & ROUTE

PATROL ROUTE OVERVIEW

(1) Sqd. (1) Plt. (4) Co.
Map: VIETNAM 1:50,000
Section: 6441 X
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Operation Order: 420-67

Ref: (a) Maps: VIET NAM, 1:50,000 Map Sheet 6541 590567
(b) Operation Order: 3-67

Task Organization: 2nd Sqd 1st Bn A (GI POOL 0 HBN)

1. SITUATION: See Ref (b)

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by BV/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Key particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. EXECUTION:
   a. Concept of Operations: See Operation Overlay
   b. Coordinating Instructions:
      (1) Insertion: 141400H at (YD 69031)
      (2) Extraction: 190900H at (YD 63023) (AAT YD 65042)
      (3) Thrust Lines: ATL (YD 5504) BTL (YD 6802)

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: See Ref (b)

5. COMMAND AND SIGNALS: See Ref (b)
   a. SUFFIX: CODE (6)
      0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
      Y N V E R T U C I
      Z I M B W H J P A S
      X L D K Q C
   b. COMMUNICATIONS:
      (1) Call Sign: Primary Freq: Alternate Freq:
      MIDNIGHT SHIFT 45.8 (WHITE) 47.2 (GREEN)
      SECONDARY 50.0
      ARMY (PEA PCON) 46.8 (WHITE)
      PENSEVERE (MARINE A0) 41.30
      BALL BEARING (2/26) 37.20
      MED BV/C COMM FREQ 45.7 (VERMILLION ALPHA)
      TRAIL (AF A0) 47.6
      NEKK JANE (1/4) 45.10
      CAT KILLER (ARMY A0) 49.0

   c. CONCENTRATION: RC 151-200
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6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   a. ENEMY: 1 KLA (C) by recon, 1 WIA (C) by artillery.
   b. FRIENDLY: (None)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Physical: Good/morale: Great

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
   RECOMMENDATIONS: Continue reconnaissance of the general area.
   CONCLUSIONS: Area covered by patrol reveals heavy enemy movement.

CPL POOLEY
"A" Company

9. DEBRIEFER CONTENTS: (Concur with Patrol Leader)
   a. PATROL OBSERVATION OF NATURE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY: PatroL feels that this is an infiltration route used by VC/NVA troops to go to the populated areas, conduct their operations and return to the hills using the night, rain and fog as cover.

   b. OTHER:

      (1) This group seems to be both VC and NVA unit because of their uniforms and mode of travel and reaction.

      (2) Many of this enemy group seemed to be larger and huskier than the regular VC personnel.

      (3) NVA seemed as confused to see recon dressed in a different type of uniform other than utilities and helmet, as our team member to see an NVA that looked like a recon team member. This might explain why, other patrols report that VC just look at the patrol without recognizing them.

      (4) This group of enemy moved rapidly, did not panic in artillery barrage. Main body kept moving while other moved to the flanks and set up mortar. Deployment and discipline of this group shows well trained troops on how to conduct them selves against a artillery barrage.

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**Legend**

- **0** = Insertion
- **X** = Extraction
- **______** = Patrol Route

**Patrol Route Overlay**

- (2) Sqd. (1) Plt. (A) Co.
- Map: VIETNAM 1:50,000
- Sheet: 6541 IV
- Series: L-7014
- 3d Reconnaissance Bn (S-2)
(5) 160655H (YD 874049) Patrol observed approximately 50 VC/NVA moving south parallel with the river vicinity (YD 878045). They wore mixed clothing but most of them wore camouflage utilities, heavy packs, all seem to have AK-47's and 8 mortars were observed. These VC/NVA were moving in groups of 2 to 10 and were from 30 to 50 meters intervals. They were heavily loaded and moving fast. The line extended on trail and went behind hill vicinity (YD 877040). Patrol called artillery with outstanding target coverage. Most of the VC/NVA continued without panic through the artillery fire.

(6) 160730H (YD 877040) Patrol member heard what sounded like setting up of mortars vicinity (YD 873045) and sounds of setting up some type of defense.

(7) 160805H (YD 877040) Patrol member saw a NVA at their position carrying a wounded man and another enemy behind him carrying about a 60 lbs bag of rice and armed with an AK-47. The team member thought that the NVA was a member of his team and they both looked at each other for a second and team member shot him. NVA fell back as if hit by a great force. Patrol checked area and discovered drag marks; 1 AK-47, 60 lbs bag of rice and a plastic poncho about 20 meters away. The NVA carrying the wounded man at first looked like a recon man, was about 5'10" tall, white complexion and wore camouflage utilities and a black beret. NVA looked healthy and strong.

(8) 160815H (YD 877040) Patrol heard movement all around their position like trying to get close to the team to get away from the artillery which was hitting near their position. At this time patrol was firing and throwing grenades.

(9) 160850H (YD 877040) Patrol was extracted. No movement was noted or heard and helos did not receive fire.

d. TERRAIN: Rolling hills with low brush up to 4-6 feet high. Rate of movement is about 300-400 meters per hour.

(1) COMMUNICATIONS: Outstanding until the patrol started calling artillery. Sounded like someone was koying the handset. From then on until extraction comm was poor.

(2) NATURAL WATER SOURCE: Plenty

(3) TRAILS: (YD 877040) trail about a meter wide, running northeast to southwest on hill.

(4) HLZ'S: The whole area can be used as an HLZ.

d. OTHER INFORMATION: (NONE)
Operation Order: 420-67
Patrol: (2) Sgl. (1) Plt. (1) Co.
Debriefers: Ssgt. J. L. LEPESZ
Map Sheet: 6541 IV

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (8) Enlisted, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (None)
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) Claymore Mines, (9) 60 Grenades,
      (9) 60 Maskas, (2) WP Hand Grenades, (2) Cameras
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) M-60, (1) M-14

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along
   the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also
   check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to
   size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for
   artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture
   a prisoner.


4. ROUTE AND TRAILS OBSERVED: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 32½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted
      in one large sighting totaling 50 VC/NVA and one contact resulting
      in 1 NVA KIA (C) by recon and 1 WIA by artillery. This area revealed
      heavy enemy movement. 3 mortars (possibly 82mm) were observed and
      most of the enemy was armed with AK 47's.

5. ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
   (1) 151930H (YD 874049) Patrols observed 5 incoming rounds approxi-
       mately 100-300 meters northeast of their position.
   (2) 152145H (YD 874049) Patrol observed a flash from what seemed
       like a high power sniper rifle from the northeast approximately 300 meters.
   (3) 160630H (YD 874094) Patrol heard noise about 400 meters south
       of their position but could not see anything because of fog and rain.
   (4) 160630H (YD 874049) Patrol again heard noise from same position
       but could no observe anything.
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1. **SIDE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:**
   a. **COMPOSITION:** (8) Enlisted (1) US
   b. **ATTACHMENTS:** (None)
   c. **COMMUNICATION EQUIMENT:** (2) AN/PJE 25's
   d. **OBSESSION EQUIMENT:** (1) 770's
   e. **SPECIAL EQUIPMENT:** (2) Claymore Mines, (9) CS Grenades, (9) 60mm Mort., (2) Grenades
   f. **SPECIAL WEAPONS:** (1) M-79, (1) M-60, (3) M-14, (1) Grenade Gun

2. **MISSION:** Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use in VC base area area. Pay particular attention to sites and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. **TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN:** 150000H/191945H Oct 1967

4. **ROUTE AND TRAILS OBSERVED:** See patrol route overlay

5. **OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:**
   a. **SYNOPSIS:** 83 3/4 hours of patrolling resulted in 16 sightings totalling 167 VC, 1 sighting of 18-20 lights, 10 artillery missions totalling 208 rounds, 8 air strikes, and 1 contact resulted in 22 VC KIA (6) and 32 VC KIA (7). Patrol discovered a large base camp on the FNC NO River and noted heavy use of a wide carrying route.

5. **ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:**
   a. **152400H (YD 5926)** Patrol noted 18-20 lights spread over 2000 meters, moving south to north. Patrol observed lights for about ½ hour, 1 artillery mission of 27 rounds destroyed lights to go out. Lights did not return.

   b. **181300H (YD 5994C)** 1 VC was noted wearing black uniform, moving east. They had pack and rifles, 1 artillery mission of 8 rounds was fired with unknown results.
(3) 181705H (YD 597248) 6 VC were seen in black uniforms seen in brown uniforms but no covers. Enemy had large leaves for camouflage but no covers. Camouflage did not match surrounding vegetation. Peake, Miller and cartridge belts were armed. Enemy moved to the east. 1 artillery mission of 8 rounds was fired with unknown results.

(4) 181515H (YD 522244) 25 VC dressed as above moved from east to northeast. Air strikes with 7 VC KIA (P) resulted.

(5) 181700H (YD 562246) 6 VC dressed as above moved from west to east. No action taken.

(6) 181705H (YD 577256) 6 VC were noted dressed as above moving west to east. No action taken.

(7) 181730H (YD 585244) 3 VC dressed as above moved north to south carrying large sacks of rice. 1 artillery mission of 18 rounds caused 3 VC KIA (P).

(8) 181815H (YD 592245) 3 VC were noted moving west to east and they also carried large sacks of rice. Enemy was dressed as above. 1 artillery mission of 20 rounds resulted 3 KIA (P).

(9) 190800H (YD 595236) 1 VC was noted moving toward patrol. Enemy dressed in black pants and carried a rifle and a pack. Enemy saw patrol and took evasive action. Patrol threw CS and finished him, killing the VC. (1 VC KIA (C) resulted from SAF)

(10) 190930H (YD 595255) Drum beating was noted for 20 minutes.

(11) 191030H (YD 591245) 3 VC were noted moving west to east and as the remainder, above. 9 more VC joined the first group. 1 artillery mission of 101 rounds and a 2/4 air strike was directed causing 7 VC KIA (P).

(12) 191210H (YD 592244) 5 VC moving west to east were noted. Enemy were dressed as above and were carrying rice. 1 artillery mission of 24 rounds caused 3 VC KIA (P).

(13) 191500H (YD 579237) 3 VC dressed and armed as above were moving west to east. 1 artillery mission of 16 rounds caused 3 VC KIA (P).

(14) 194600H (YD 582243) 5 VC dressed in black utilities were noted moving west to east. Enemy had packs, rifles and camouflage. 1 artillery mission of 14 rounds was fired causing 3 VC KIA (P).

(15) 191630H (YD 556249) 9 VC were noted moving west to east. This group was followed by 30 more VC. All were dressed and armed as above. 1 artillery mission of 52 rounds and fixed with air strike was run with good coverage but unknown results.

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(16) 1917TH (YD 592235) From this location patrol located enemy approaching their position. Enemy was dressed as above. Approximately 50 enemy surrounded the patrol. Fixed wing ran air strikes and received fire from enemy and the base camp mentioned earlier. 2 60mm mortar rounds were received by the patrol. 21 VC KIA (C) resulted from E/F. Many screams were heard when the N/S's were run.

C. TERRAIN: Steep hills with chest high dense scrub growth. Rate of movement is 2-300 meters per hour.

1. COMUNICATION: Good

2. NATURAL WATER SOURCE: Plentiful in the valley

3. TRAILS: No recently used trails were noted except in the area of the base camp mentioned in par. 5d(1).

4. INSECTS: FLE's are found anywhere along the CO BI THAH TAN RIDGE in this area.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

1. 1608TH From (YD 605232) to (YD 602232) to (YD 603234) Patrol discovered a base camp in this vicinity. The camp appeared to be one month old. This area could easily accommodate 100-200 persons. Patrol heard movement in one portion of the base camp by an estimated 20-30 enemy. Two boat landings branched off through this area, running generally east and west. 7 to 8 mortar positions were also noted. Entire camp was camouflaged by canopy and bamboo. Camp was well policed. No hooches were seen in this area. Place was described as a temporary base area. Drum or beating on hollow logs was heard coming from the vicinity of (YD 6022).

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: 22 VC KIA (C), 32 VC KIA (P)

b. PATROL: (None)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Physical: good/morale: good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

RECOMMENDATIONS: Continue OP of the COBI THAH TAN VALLEY.

CONCLUSIONS:

(1) Area covered by patrol reveals the current use of a large base camp and rice routes along the SHONG BO.

(2) General Conclusions: A possible battalion is operating in this area (137 persons sighted over several days)

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9.  ENQUIRY CONTENTS:  (Concur with Patrol Leader)

   a.  BACKGROUND OR CHANGES IN THIS AREA: The enemy persistently uses the area in the vic of the Song Bo north of the Cobi Thanh Pass ridge for movement and rice carrying route.

   b.  PATROL OPINION OF NATURE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY:

      (1) Enemy seems to be moving into villages along the Song Bo.

      (2) VC were probably from the same unit.

      (3) VC did not appear concerned by the artillery fire in the Cobi Thanh Tan Valley.

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LEGEND

X = EXTRATION

d = PATROL ROUTE

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

(1) Sqd.  (1) Plt.  (A) Co.
Map: VIETNAM 1:50,000
Sheet: 6441 I
Series: L-7014
3d Reconnaissance Bn
(S-2)
Operation Order: 422-67

Ref: (a) Map: VIET NAM, 1:50,000 Map Sheet 6441
(b) Operation Order: 3-67

Task Organization: 1st Sqd 1st Plt Co A (Capt. Connolly, 9 Men)

1. **SITUATION:** See Ref (b).

2. **MISSION:** Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. **EXECUTION:**
   b. Coordinating Instructions:
      1. Insertion: 160000 at (YD 604228)
      2. Extraction: 200900 at (YD 594235)
      3. Thrust Lines: ATL (5824) BTL (6122)

4. **ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS:** See Ref (b).

5. **COMMAND AND SIGNAL:** See Ref (b).
   a. **SHACKLE CODE (1):**
      0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
      D M X A Q G I V T B
      W C J O K E R F H U
      I Z L Y N S
   b. **COMMUNICATIONS:**
      1. **Call Sign**: Primary Freq: Alternate Freq
         - EMPRESS ALICE 47.2 (GREEN) 1.3 (WHITE)
         - SECONDARY 50.0
         - ANZ (CHEERI JAM) 47.2 (GREEN)
         - PERSIERN (MARINES AD 41.50
         - BALL BEARING (2/26) 37.20
         - MED IN AD COMM FREQ 45.7 (VERMILLION ALPHA)
         - DEAD AIM (4th MARINES) 66.2
         - TRAIL (AF AD) 47.6
         - MEIK JANE (1/4) 45.10
         - CAT KILLER (ARMY AD) 49.0
   c. CONCENTRATION: RG 101-150

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EIGHTH BN FOURTH ARTILLERY
SECOND BN FIRST MAN
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MP SHEET: 1450,000 AMS SERIES L-7614, SHEET 6342 I
OPERATION ORDER 542-67 (CPT. W. KLAMANN)
(1) DEBRIEFER: LT. F. FRÜHES (DATE 29 OCTOBER 1967)
1. SIZE COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) ENLISTED, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (1) USMC SCOUT DOG
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25'S
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7X50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) CLAYMORE MINES, (2) WP RIFLE GRENADES,
      (7) GAS MASKS, (4) CS GRENADES,
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 WITH 41 ROUNDS, (1) M-14
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN ASSIGNED
   ZONE TO DETERMINE ENEMY ACTIVITY, ENGAGE THE ENEMY WITH SUPPORTING
   ARMS. MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO CAPTURE A PRISONER.
   PLOT MKZ'S FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS. PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION
   TO TRAILS AND THEIR FREQUENCY OF USE IN YOUR MK. ASCERTAIN IF
   THE AREA IS BEING USED BY THE ENEMY AND FOR WHAT PURPOSE.
   PATROL WILL NOT BE EXTRACTED UNTIL MKZ IS COVERED.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 71300H (XD91493) / 282015H
   (XD 992456) PATROL WALKED IN AND HELD OUT.
ASSESSMENT:

34 HOURS OF RECONNAISSANCE RESULTING IN CONTACT WITH 5 ENEMY, 5 BUNKERS, AND NUMEROUS FIGHTING HOLES. PATROL FOUND 5 82MM MORTAR SHELLS, NUMEROUS PRIMEKS AND FIZEES.

ARTILLERY MISSION OF 70 ROUNDS CALLED WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE.

THIS COULD EASILY ACCOMMODATE A COMPANY SIZE GROUP, NUMEROUS HOLES IN AREA ALL LEAD TO UT NEAR THIS SITE.

A. ENEMY:

(1) 271430H (XD 990493) PATROL FOUND A PUNI PIT, APPROXIMATELY 3 MONTHS OLD. THE PIT WAS (4X4 FT) WITH SHARPENED BAMBOO STAKES. A COVER OVER THE PIT HAD RUTTED AWAY.

(2) 280330H (XD 976488) PATROL FOUND A LARGE TREE WITH THE AREA AROUND THE ROOTS CLEANED OUT, MAKING ROOM INSIDE FOR A MAN. THE ENTRANCE WAS CONCEALED BY ROCKS PILED IN FRONT.

PATROL ALSO FOUND CARVED ON A NEARBY LARGE TREE, THE LETTERS X U AN CARVED IN 3 INCH LETTERS AND APPROXIMATELY THREE FEET FROM THE GROUND. THE LETTERS WERE COVERED BY LEAVES AND DEBRIS. WHEN TRANSLATED FROM VIETNAMESE, WORD MEANT UP UP, COME UP.

(3) 081545H (XD 955433) PATROL FOUND 6-2 MAN BUNKERS WITH LUG ROOFS AND DIRT PILED ON TOP. NUMEROUS FIGHTING HOLES WERE ALSO FOUND. BUNKERS WERE ENTERED BY STEPPING DOWN AND MAKING A 90 DEGREE TURN. THESE EMPLACEMENTS APPEARED TO BE 2 WEEKS TO ONE MONTH OLD.

BUNKERS CONTAINED 13 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS, ALL APPEARED NEW, ALSO 50-40 FIZEES AND PROPELLANT INCHEMENTS FOR MORTARS. A LARGE PIECE OF BAMBOO APPROXIMATELY 6 FEET LONG AND SPLIT AT BOTH ENDS TO HOLD 2 MORTARS A CARTRIDGE.

RENT WAS FOUND NEARLY AS WAS A GRAY PLASTIC GROUND CLUTCH.

AS THE PATROL CONTINUED UP THE TRAIL BEYOND THE BUNKERS, THE SCOUT DOG ALERTED AHEAD AND THE PATROL PEELED THE AREA WITH 5-75 ROUNDS. PATROL THEN MOVED ON LINE AND SPOTTED 5 ENEMY BREAK INTO THE OPEN TO THEIR FRONT. ENEMY WAS WEARING WHITE SHIRTS GREEN UTILITIES, WEARING GRAY PITH HELMET. PATROL OBSERVED (2) AK-47'S, PATROL INITIATED FIRE AND OBSERVED (1) CONRIFIRMED KILL AND ONE PROBABLE WIA. ENEMY DID NOT RETURN FIRE, DROPPED ONE PACK AND BROKE CONTACT. MOVING DOWN HILL, PATROL MOVED INTO A DEFENSIVE POSITION AT (XD 95485). FW WAS BROUGHT ON STATION AND ENEMY MACHINGUN OPENED FIRE FROM A POSITION 250 METERS NORTHWEST.

AT (XD 955481) FW CHANGED CHECKHEADING AND MACHINGUN REMAINED SILENT. THREE MEMBERS OF PATROL MOVED DOWN HILL, RETRIEVED A PACK PITH HELMET E-TOOL. AREA WAS LITTERED WITH
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U.S. 782 GEAR AND PATROL OBSERVED FRESH BLOOD.

MOVEMENT WAS HEARD BELOW AND THREE MEN WITHDRAW TO HILLTOP

MORE AIRSTRIKES CALLED AND PATROL MOVED TO KHDS52487 THEIR

EXTRACTION POINT. ARTILLERY MISSION OF 76 ROUNDS CALLED WITH EXCELLENT

COVERAGE OF AREA, 2100H PATROL WAS

EXTRACTED WITH NO FURTHER FIRE RECEIVED

BY AIRCRAFT OR HELO.

C. TERRAIN: RANGED FROM GRASSY PULLING HILLS TO STEEP RUGGED

AREAS. CANOPY 150-150 FEET HIGH. NATURAL WATER SOURCES

PLENTIFUL COMMUNICATION RANGED FROM FAIR TO GOOD DUE

TO UPS AND DOWNS IN TERRAIN.

D. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) TRANSLATED DOCUMENTS SOME TYPE OF SUPPLY LIST REVIEWS THE FOLLOWING.

MEDICINE: 150 KG.

RICE FOR ONE PERSON 5 KG

2 MACHINES: 100

1 MACHINE: 25

WIRE: 200 METERS

MINI WIRE: 50

ELECTRICAL WIRE 100

1 WIRE CUTTER

1 HOE

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ARMED FOR EACH MAN

2 SETS OF CLOTHES

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NYLON, HAMOC, BLANKET
RICE.

PATROL TOOK TWO ROLLS OF COLOR FILM WITH GEAR AND AREA COVERED.

E. RESULT OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY

A. ENEMY: (1) ENEMY KIA (C), (1) ENEMY WIA (P)

B. FRIENDLY: NONE

C. CAPTURED EQUIPMENT MISC. 782 GEAR CONTAINED IN A PACK ALONG WITH

PERSONNEL ITEMS AND 20 LBS OF RICE.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD, MORALE EXCELLENT

8. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:

RECOMMENDATIONS

(1) TEAMS SHOULD BE HELD LIFTED INTO AREA, SAME ON TIME GETTING INTO
NZ AND WOULD NOT COMPROMISE TEAM, TO ANY GREAT DEGREE.

(2) A DOG IS EXTREMELY USEFUL IN THIS AREA.

(3) THE BLUE FILTER ON STROBE LIGHTS IS NOT EFFECTIVE AT NIGHT AND

SHOULD NOT BE USED.

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(4) WP RIFLE GRENADES EXTREMELY USEFUL AND SHOULD BE CARRIED ON ALL
PATROLS.

CONCLUSIONS

(1) AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS DEFINITE SIGNS OF ENEMY ACTIVITY.
THIS GROUP WAS MORE THAN LIKELY A MORTAR TEAM. GUN ROUNDS
WERE FOUND AT A DISTANCE WHICH WOULD GIVE THEM COVERAGE OF
ROUTE 9, WITH THE GUNS AT MAXIMUM RANGE. TRANSLATION DOCUMENTS,
PROBABLY A SUPPLY LIST, SHOW APPROXIMATELY 350 METERS
OF WIRE, THAT COULD BE USED FOR MINES. THE AREA IS A WELL-DEPOT
BASE CAMP FROM WHICH OPERATIONS COULD EASILY BE LAUNCHED AGAINST
ROUTE 9, BASE CAMP COULD ALSO BE A LAYING_POINT ON THE
INFILTRATION ROUTE SOUTH.

9. HLT'S:
(1) (XD973479) 3-4 45°S. GRASS ONE FOOT BEST APPROACH EAST TO
WEST NO OBSTACLES
(2) (XD 970479) GRASS ONE FOOT HIGH BEST APPROACH NORTH.
(3) (XD 958460) 2 34°S GRASS NO OBSTACLES. APPROACH FROM NORTH.

10. DUBRIFFER COMMENTS: CONCUR WITH PATROL LEADERS RECOMMENDATIONS
AND CONCLUSIONS.

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A-2, C-2C, 6-3 3/8 CCTV F
Operation Order: 424-67

Ref: (a) Maps: VIET NAM, 1:50,000 Map Sheet 6541 III & 6541 IV
(b) Operation Order: 3-67

Task Organization: 2nd Sqd, 1st Flt, Co. D (LT. MUTER, 8 MEN)

1. SITUATION: See Ref (b).

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. EXECUTION:

   a. Concept of Operation: See Operation Overlay

   b. Coordinating Instructions:

      (1) Insertion: 180000h at YC 919098 (Alt. YC 690974)

      (2) Extraction: 230900h at YC 630974 (Alt. YC 918968)

      (3) Thrust Line: ATL 8997 BTL 9299

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: See Ref (b).

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL: See Ref (b).

   a. SHABBY: CWM (9)

   0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 0 9
   K U R N H X D J
   O P C O T A P V E R
   T X Z S Y W

   b. COMMUNICATIONS:

      (1) Call Sign: 

         Primary Freq:  
         Alternate Freq: 

         MARKET PLACE II 50.4 (AMBER) 41.3 (VIOLET)
         SECONDARY 50.0
         ARTY (PFA FOWL) 50.4 (AMBER)
         PERSHIRE (MARINE AO) 41.30
         BALL BEARING (2/26) 37.20
         MED NVLC COMM FREQ 45.7 (VERMILLION ALPHA)
         DEAD AIM (4TH MARINES) 68.2
         TRAIL (AF AO) 47.6
         MESS JANE (1/4) 45.10
         CAT KILLER (ARMY AO) 49.0

   c. CONCENTRATION: RC 061-090  

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Operation Orders 424-67
Patrol: (2) Sqd. (1) Flt. (B) Co.
Debrief: Lt. ZELLERS, J.L.
Map Sheet: 6541 IIIA 6541 IV

PcUf REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (2) Officers, (6) Enlisted
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENT: (None)
   c. COMBINATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7X50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) Claymore Mines, (8) CS Grenades, (4) WP Rifle Grenades, (2) Gas Masks
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) M-14

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.


4. ROUTE AND TRAILS OBSERVED: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 2 1/2 hours of patrolling resulted in 1 contact with 3-5 VC/NVA. 1 VC/NVA KIA (P) and 5 USMC WIA resulted from SAF. 1 artillery mission of 2 rounds was fired in support. No visible signs of recent enemy activity were noted in this area.

   b. ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

      1. 181610H (VC 916985) After breaking brush into a small cleared area, patrol began to eat chow. Patrol was in a 2 meter diameter circle and at a 50% alert. Patrol heard nothing, saw nothing but suddenly received SA/AWF from 3-5 enemy in the direction of the freshly broken trail. The distance from the patrol to the enemy was 15-20 meters. Enemy ceased fire and the distinct word "CHARGE!" was heard followed by other voices yelling. No enemy movement was noted. Enemy resumed fire. One VC/NVA stood up 10-15 meters away. Enemy was armed with an AK-47, and was wearing a white plastic jungle helmet and a dark green utility shirt. 1 VC/NVA (P) resulted from SAF. Patrol unable to retrieve his body. 1 Artillery mission of 2 rounds was fired probably causing enemy to withdraw. No movement was noted as enemy withdrew. 5 USMC WIA (1 Serious) resulted from SAF. Medevac helo received light SAF on extract.

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TERRAIN: Rolling hills with very dense undergrowth to 8 feet high. Rate of movement is 100 meters per hour.

(1) COMMUNICATION: Good

(2) NATURAL WATER SOURCE: Excellent during the wet season. Water is generally plentiful.

(3) TRAILS: None noted by this patrol.

(4) HLZ'S: (YO 90 5995) The zone in this area large enough for 20 helicopters. No obstacles in the HLZ. Best approach is from west to east. Hill 324 (YO 905975) commands the HLZ. Zone is level. This zone extends westward to route 545, which provides a natural avenue of approach.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

1. (YO 89 5996) Patrol heard a series of 5 rifle shots shortly after landing. This may possibly have been a signal.

2. (YO 90 8993) A 6 month old base camp was discovered here. 3 decayed huts, 2 collapsed bunkers, a punji pit and a tree OP were noted here. An old southeast-northwest trail ran by this area. Several sardines were noted which had not yet rested. A third bunker looked more recently built, maybe 1 month ago.

3. 181 430H (YO 91 8991) A clicking sound was heard. Patrol comments that it may have been a signal made by hitting two sticks together. A very faint fish odor was also noted. The clicking was very close and distinct.

4. 18 1515H (YO 91 8967) Clicking was heard again, occurring in pairs, 7 or 8 times. Sound was close at hand and quite loud. Patrol feels this may have been a signal.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: 1 VC/NVA KIA (P)

b. FRIENDLY: 5 USMC WIA (Serious)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Physical: fair/morale: good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

RECOMMEND TILMS:

1. Do not use the valley for inserts in this area.

2. Take a dog in this area.

3. This area may lend itself to FRU operations.

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CONCLUSIONS:

1. Area covered by patrol reveals no visible signs of recent enemy activity; however, the contact indicates that they are in this area.

2. General Conclusions: The enemy may have a base camp somewhere in this area.

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(D Company)

9. BRIEFER COMMENTS: (Concur with Patrol Leader)

a. BACKGROUND OR CHANGES IN THIS AREA: This area continues to be a source of small, violent contacts with small groups of enemy. Recent recon teams have not operated successfully in this area.

b. PATROL OPINION OF NATURE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY:

1. Patrol commented on the enemy ability to move up on them without detection, however, they feel that if he had waited until dusk he could have been assured of containing the patrol throughout the night.

2. Patrol feels that the enemy observed the insert and then maneuvered to intercept patrol.

c. OTHER: Patrol employed a nylon stretcher which proved very suitable for use in this terrain/vegetation.

LEGEND

0 = INSERTION
X = EXTRACTION
--- = PATROL ROUTE

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

(2) Sqd. (1) Plt. (D) Co.
Neq: VIEIN:H: 1:50,000
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3d Reconnaissance Bn
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Operation Order: 428-67

Ref: (a) Maps: VIET NAM, 1:50,000 Map Sheet 6441I
     (b) Operation Order: 3-67

Task Organization: 1st Sqd 2nd Plt Co A (CPL DUTRO 9 M/SN)

1. SITUATION: See Ref (b)

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture prisoner.

3. EXECUTION:
   a. Concept of Operation: See Operation Overlay
   
   b. Coordinating Instructions:
      (1) Insertion: 200800H at (YD 637225)
      (2) Extraction: 240900H at (YD 605215)
      (3) Thrust Lines: ATL (YD 6023) BTL (YD 6321)

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: See Ref (b)

5. ENAMEL AND SIGNAL: See Ref (b)

   a. SHACKLE CODE (8)

   b. COMMUNICATIONS:
      (1) Call Sign                Primary freq     Alternate freq
          GALACTIC JAY BLUE         46.8 (White)     50.4 (Amber)
          SECONDARY                50.0
          ARTY (CAGARY JAM)        46.8 (White)
          PERSSEVERE (MARINE AD)   41.50
          BALL BERING (2/26)       37.20
          MED EVAC COMM FREQ       45.7 (VERMILION ALPHA)
          DEAD AIM (4th MARINES)   68.2
          TRAIL (AF AD)            47.6
          WEK JANE (1/4)           45.10
          CAT KILLER (ARMY AD)     49.0

6. CONCENTRATION: RG 201-250  CONFIDENTIAL
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ATL (YD 6023)

LZ/IN (YD 637225)

LZ/OUT (YD 605215)

BLT (YD 6321)

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VMO-6  21
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Operation Order: 426-67
Patrol: (1) Sqcl. (2) Plt. (A) Co.
Debriefing: SSgt. LOPEZ, J.M.I.
New Sheet: 6441 I

**PATROL REPORT**

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

   a. COMPOSITION: (1) Officer, (7) Enlisted, (1) USN

   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (None)

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

   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7X50's, (1) 6X30's

   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) Claymore Mines, (9) CS Grenades,
      (9) Gas Masks, (2) WP Hand Grenades, (2) Cameras, (1) Block 0-4

   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) M-60, (1) Shot Gun

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along
   natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check
   areas for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size
   and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery
   on targets of opportunity. Make early attempt to capture prisoners.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 201100H/250900H Oct 1967

4. ROUTE AND TRAILS OBSERVED: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. SYNOPSIS: 98 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted
      in 1 sighting of 6-7 lights, 3 sighting totaling 37 VC, 23 Oct 67 patrol
      observed people moving in groups of 2-5 people. These sightings were all
      at night. Artillery was fired in support, totaling 50 rounds. Area
      observed revealed enemy activity.

   b. ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

      (1) 211245H (YD 622235) 6-7 lights moving southeast vicinity
          (YD 623235). Called artillery, unable to fire because of
          friendly.

      (2) 220830H (YD 618234) 20-25 people moving east on ridge
          approximately vicinity (YD 592270). Could not observe clothing or
          equipment because of range. Artillery could not fire because of friendly
          troop in area.

      (3) 221805H (YD 618234) 6 VC moving northeast in the open vicinity
          (YD 595265) wearing dark clothing, weapons could not be observed.
          Artillery could not fire because of friendly in the area.

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(4) 230600H (YD 613234) 7 VC dressed in black cloths, 2 unknown type of weapons were observed, moving south along a treeline vicinity (YD 603240). Artillery fired 20 rounds resulted in 3 rounds on target, could not determine damage.

(5) 230900H-231830H (YD 613234) Patrol observed heavy activity all around vicinity (YD 595265). People were moving in group of 2-5 from one tree line to another. About 1500H patrol observed about 30 artillery round hit west side of tree line. No activity was observed.

c. TERRAIN: Low scrub brush up to 3-4 feet. Mostly 2 feet high. Rate of movement is unrestricted.

(1) COMMUNICATION: Good

(2) NATURAL WATER SOURCE: None on ridgeline. Plenty in the valley.

(3) TRAILS: Most of the trails are on the map.

(4) HELIS: Ridgeline (YD 607233)- (YD 628223) can land a CH-46 any place on ridgeline. Burnt off area, scrub brush about 2 feet high. Can be approached from any direction.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) (YD 628223) 10-12 fighting holes were observed, 2 feet deep, 3 feet square. C-ration can all over the area. Holes about 2 months old.

(2) (YD 633234) 8 fighting holes same as above.

(3) (YD 618234) 2 fires that had been covered up about 1 month old. 5 packet of rice in plastic bags (VC long range).

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: (None)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Physical: good/morale: good

8. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:

RECOMMENDATIONS: Continue to observe area.

CONCLUSIONS: 'Area covered by patrol revealed enemy activity.'

Capt DUTRO
'4' Company

9. DEPARTMENT COMMENTS: (None)
PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

(1) Sqd, (2) Plt. (A) Co.
Nap: VIETNAM 1:50,000
Sheet: 6441 I
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Operation Order: 437-67

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000 Map Sheet 6441 L
(b) Operation Order: 5-67

Task Organization: 1st Sqd, 2nd Flt. Co. "D" (SGT POOL, 8 MEN)

1. SITUATION: See Ref (b).

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. EXECUTION:


b. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) Insertion: 250900H at (YD 637187) (Alt. YD 634193)
(2) Extraction: 290900H at (YD 634193) (Alt. YD 637187)
(3) Thrust Lines: ATL (6118) BTL (6420)

ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: See Ref (b).

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL: See Ref (b).

a. SHACKLE: CODE (4)

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b. COMMUNICATIONS:

(1) Call Sign: Primary Freq: Alternate Freq

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5. CONCENTRATION: RO 141-150

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Operation Order: 437-67
Patrol: (1) Sqd. (2) Plt. (3) Co.
Debrief: SSgt. J.M.I. LOPEZ
Map Sheet: 6441 I

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enlisted, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (None)
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7X50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) Claymore Mines, (8) CS Grenades,
      (2) WP Rifle Grenades, (8) Gas Masks, (1) WP Hand Grenades
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 (1) M-14

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along
   the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also
   check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to
   size and direction of enemy movement. Act as forward observer for arti-
   lleroy on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a
   prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 250900H/271645H Oct 1967

4. TRAILS AND TRAILS OBSERVED: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 55 Hours of reconnaissance resulted in one contact
      with 5-6 VC (possibly Main Force). The VC suffered 2 VC KIA (C) and
      3 VC WIA (C). One USMC received minor wound from a US Grenade thrown by
      a VC. Patrol discovered a total of 5 incomplete hooches dug in separate
      trenches. One flashlight sighting was made and rifle shots were heard
      on several occasions. One 50 cal MG fire was heard and numerous trails
      networks were found. Area reveals extensive new enemy build up.
   b. ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:

      1. 271515H (YD 625193) Patrol heard chopping of wood approximately
         100 meters to the southeast. Patrol went to check this noise and came
         upon a trail that was been cut within 2 days. They followed this trail
         for about 20 meters more and discovered thatched hooch inside a trench
         about 6 feet wide, 10 feet long and 4 feet deep. This was approximately
         75 meters from the above coordinates to the southeast. The hooch was
         on the side of the hill and could not be seen from the air. (See Sketch).
         Inside the hooch, the patrol discovered 5 rectangular 2 foot long, 1 feet
         wide and 2 feet high possible Chinese ammo cans, about 10 US M-14 ammo
         cans and 2 vats 4 feet high and 3 feet in diameter. All of these containers
         were filled with rice. A total of 5 of these hooches were seen in these

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general area. This hooch was in the eastern slope of the hill. Patrol then heard about 30 to 35 VC talking and laughing below them to the southeast. Patrol started to move up the hill and discovered incomplete new punji pits about 15 meters apart. These punji pits were throughout this area where the hooches were. Patrol kept moving up the hill and from another of the hooches they heard voices and they heard a rifle bolt going closed from inside of the hooch. Patrol went for a closer look and saw a VC come out of the hooch and look around. He seemed to have noticed the patrol and was shot (1 VC KIA (C)). 4 other VC started to come out of the hooch and the first VC dressed in gray uniform throw a US grenade at the team (2 SUSK WIA minor) and was trying to throw another one when he was killed. The other VC’s were hit but managed to run down a trail to the east and disperse. Patrol broke contact and moved to their original position vicinity (YD 625193). VC could be heard following the team and reached their extract point at 1545H and called artillery, 40 and med-evacs. Team was extracted at 271645H. Helos did not receive fire.

o. TERRAIN: Is very hilly with thick vegetation and vines with some elephant grass in spots. There is canopy ranging from 7 feet to 10 feet high. Rate of movement approximately 200 meter per hour.

(1) COMMUNICATIONS: Was poor because another station on Freq. 47.20 started using the same frequency from 260900H until extraction.

(2) NATURAL WATER SOURCE: plenty of water, because most of the draws form small streams at this time of the year.

(3) TRAILS:

a. There are numerous trails on hill vicinity (YD 604194) running mostly southwest and northeast along the ridgeline. These trails are about 1-2 meters wide and are approximately 2 months old.

b. (YD 610194) Fairly well used trail running northwest and southeast about 2 meters wide.

c. (YD 625154) Numerous trails about a meter wide. Movement is slow because of the debris caused by shell holes.

(4) HLI’S: a. (YD 625193) Can hold a UH-34. It is about 25 meters square with burnt out trees on it which slight hamper the landing. The LZ is surrounded by thick vegetation and a tree line with canopy up to 15 feet high and it is on a slope to the north. Helos have to make a vertical landing. Best approach is from the north to the south. Was used 171645H for an Med-Evac and emergency extraction of team.

(b) (YD 604194) Good LZ can hold 5 UH-34’s. It is on top of the Hill which has knee high scruffy brush, flat area with no obstacles. Best approach is from the north. Used for insertions 250900H Oct 67.
d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 250930H (YD 606194) Patrol heard one shot to the north also heard what sounded like drum beat. Range could not be determined.

(2) 252030H (YD 606194) Patrol observed what seemed like a flashlight 300-400 meters to the northwest vicinity (YD 611134).

(3) 260830H (YD 613194) Patrol heard drum beat approximately 400-500 meters to the northeast.

(4) 270230H (YD 618195) Patrol heard what sounded like a 50 cal. MG fire approximately 500-700 meters to the northeast. It had a slow rate of fire and a hollow sound.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

   a. ENEMY: 2 VC KIA (O), 3 WIA (O) by grenade

   b. FRIENDLY: 1 WIA (Minor)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Physical: Good, Morale: Excellent

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

   RECOMMENDATIONS:

   (1) Continue surveillance of area

   (2) Conduct H & I's on this area

   (3) Bomb the area.

   CONCLUSIONS: This area reveals heavy new build up, VC activity of well dug base camp.

   Sgt. WADDEL
   "D" Company

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:

   (a). BACKGROUND OR CHANGES IN THIS AREA: (See Op Ord 405-67
   201 4-6 Oct 67)Patrol was extracted early. Patrol made contact and discovered the following:

   1. Patrol reported 50 cal. MG fire being directed at extraction hole from vicinity (YD 613202). HMG was under heavy canopy and no fixed position was seen.

   2. Patrol discovered what appeared to be a 10x10x4 feet log and dirt bunker vicinity (YD 620207). Bunkers position dominated a likely RLZ.

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(a) Division comments that patrol probably made contact with elements of the 660th KF BN. This unit hit was carried in this general area.

(b) PATROL OPINION OF NATURE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY: Patrol believes that this new incomplete base camp probably is being built to be used as a transit area for VC going to the hills into the valley.

(c) OTHER: Because of the grey uniform seen, this VC unit could belong to a main force NVA or NLF Battalion.

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LEGEND

0 = INSERTION
X = EXTRACTION
= PATROL ROUTE

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

(1) Sqd.  (2) Plt.  (3) Co.
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DEBRIEF OF RECON PATROL: 101, THIRD RECON BN, "C" COMPANY FOLLOWS:

OPERATIONAL ORDER NUMBER: 543-67 (SGT. CHANEY)

A. MAP SHEET: 150,000, AMS SERIES L-7414, SHEET 63421

B. DEBRIEFER: LT. C. RHODES, DATE: 31 OCTOBER 1967

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

2. COMPOSITION: (3) ENLISTED

3. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

4. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25'S

5. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) 7X35, (1) STARLITE SCOPE

6. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) CLAYMORE MINES, (6) WP RIFLE GRENADES, (4) WP HAND GRENADES, (8) GAS MASKS, (8) CS GRENADES

7. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 WITH 45 ROUNDS, (2) M-14

8. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN ASSIGNED ZONE TO DETERMINE ENEMY ACTIVITY, ENGAGE THE ENEMY WITH SUPPORTING ARMS, MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO CAPTURE A PRISONER, PLAT HLZ'S FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS, PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO TRAILS AND THEIR FREQUENCY OF USE IN YOUR AZ. ASCERTAIN IF THE AREA IS BEING USED BY THE ENEMY AND FOR WHAT PURPOSE. PATROL WILL NOT BE EXTRACTED UNTIL AZ IS COVERED.
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OF SEVERAL ITEMS STATED

AS GONE IN AND OUT.

THE INSERT IS WEST TO EXTRACT IT.

THE DETAILS ARE:

A 24-33 HOUR OCEלאCH ASSEMBLING WITH ARMS AND TACTICS

RESULTED IN AN APPROXIMATELY 11000 BULLETS AND SHUTTLEurence RESULDT was in

A TOTAL OF 554 ROUNDS OF

EFFECTED WITH 36 KNOCK (B) AND (28) X147 (F) AND 25 VIA (D).

A 19448 YD 0415559) PATROL OBSERVED 6-16 LIGHTS MOVING

WHERE CALLED AMMUNITION MISSION OF 50 ROUNDS. LIGHTS WENT OUT.

A 19448 YD 0415559) PATROL HEARD 20 ROUNDS OF

COULD NOT DISCRIMINATE BUDDIES TAKEN.

A 19448 YD 0415559) PATROL OBSERVED THREE ENEMY SITTING IN TREE

AFTER AN OL' BUST IN TRUCK, UNABLE TO IDENTIFY OBJECT.

A 19448 YD 0415559) PATROL OBSERVED HARLS IN TREE LINE, AS

DEAD SPOOKY PATROL HEARD SAF. CALLED IN FIRE MISSION OF

SOUND WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

A 19448 YD 0415559) OBSERVED ONE MAN IN BLACK P'S, PULLING

THING THROUGH ELEPHANT GRASS.

A 19448 YD 0219559) PATROL HEARD VOICES OF PEOPLE MOVING

THROUGH TOP OF MOUNTAIN, Began ADJUSTING FROM ON CALLS.

A FOUR AREA CONFIDENTIAL

OBSERVED ABOUT 15 PEOPLE APPROX. 300 METERS FROM POSITION. FIRED ON CALL

OBSERVED THROUGH STARLITE EAST, 25 DEAD AND NUMEROUS

DEATHS-dismissed DEAD, AND WOUNDED, BACK DOWN AS FIRE MISSIONS

RED, HEARD MOANING AND SCREAMING AND 12 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

OBSERVED THREE MEN STANDING, KILLED SAME WITH M-73.

OBSERVED BANDING POSITIONS, WITH ROCKS AND CANE TALKING, AND

SCARING LITES, KEPT ON CALLS IN FIRE FOR EFFECT, BOTH ON CALLS VERY

PROACTIVE, DUE TO FOG COULDN'T SEE SPOTLIGHT FROM CAMP

SPOOKY CAMP IN BUT COULDN'T SPOT PATROLS POSITION.

OBSERVED THE CAMP STILL BEING FIRED.

PATROL RECEIVED SAF FROM 360 DEGREES AROUND THEIR POSITION.

A SECONDSHIP AND SPOOKY, EIGHT SHIP AND FIXED VIEW CALLED IN AGAIN.

OBSERVATIONS WERE ADJUSTED AND GAVE EXCELLENT COVERAGE. SPOOKY FIRED 55 DEGREE

HIT PATROLS POSITION. LITES CALLED IN FROM

SOUND POSITION. NO HOUNDS RECEIVED FROM WEST SIDE.

SHIPS PLUS 34'S CALLED IN AND EXTRACTED PATROL.

PRIMARY: STEEP MOUNTAINOUS AREA, EXTREMELY TOWN

2 FROM M150150K, AT BASE OF MOUNTAIN NUMEROUS STREAMS

WINTER HIGH UP DOWN FAIR TO GOOD, RATE OF MOVEMENT

150 METERS PER HOUR.

OTHER INFORMATION.

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A patrol observed a large number of NVA personnel near the area. The patrol encountered a Syrian insurgent force which appeared to be preparing for an assault. The patrol engaged the force with small arms fire, inflicting several casualties. The NVA force was engaged in heavy fighting with the patrol.

IMPRESSIONS:

- The enemy force was well-organized and determined.
- The patrol was248

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- The company should increase security measures in the area.

The enemy force was well-organized and determined. The patrol was successful in neutralizing the threat.

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29/330 H / 30/1400 H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of XD 805460 conducted 24 1/2 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in contact with 20-25 NVA. SAF was initiated by the patrol resulting in 4 Enemy KIA (c) and 5 Enemy KIA (P). Contact was broken and team continued movement to south. Team then noted movement to their east, west, and north at which time they set up a defense within a bomb crater. Fire fight ensued with estimated 45-50 enemy. SAF and grenades were exchanged. Artillery and air strike requested. When air arrived enemy broke contact. Enemy were Krauties and helmets and appeared well disciplined. Team extracted.
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SPOT REPORT IN LIEU OF PATROL REPORT

1. TEAM WAS INSERTED FROM HELI. 801 AND 393400 AT 291400H OCT 67.
2. TEAM MOVED TO KD 807146 AT 291432H WHERE PATROL MEMBER
   TURNED HIS ANKLE. MAN WAS MED-EVC AT 291530H OCT. TEAM THEN
   MOVED TO KD 693460 WHERE TEAM HEARD VOICES TO THEIR NORTH (291715H).
   TWO PATROL MEMBERS MOVED AHEAD TO CHECK AREA AND OBS 20-25 NVA
   METERS IN FRONT OF PATROL MOVING SOUTH. TEAM INITIATED SAF
   RESULTING IN 4 ENEMY KIA (C) AND 5 ENEMY KIA (P). ENEMY RETURNED

3. TEAM MOVED SOUTH AND ESTD A 60 DEGREE PERIMETER IN A BOMB
   WATER. MOVEMENT WAS THEN HEARD TO THE EAST, WEST AND NORTH
   TOWARDS TEAM. TEAM THREW CS, M-26'S AND FIRED SAF. TEAM
   RETURNED TO RECEIVE SAF AND RECEIVED 2 GRENADES. TEAM THEN

DIRECTIONS ARTILLERY FIRE AND REQUESTED LLG STRIKES.

WHEN AIR ARRIVED TEAM JOINED THE ENEMY BEGIN MOVING NORTH AND
RETURNED CASUALTIES. CONTACT WAS MADE WITH AN ESTIMATE 45-50 ENEMY.

THE MAJORITY OF THE ENEMY WORE CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES, BUSH HATS AND
CARDED AR-47'S. A SMALL PORTION OF THE ENEMY WORE KHAKIS AND
HELMETS. ENEMY WEARING KHAKIS WERE DISTINGUISHED AMONG THE GROUP CBS,
NONE WERE CLOSE TOGETHER. NO PACKS WERE OBS OR ANY OF THE ENEMY
ENEMY'S UNIFORMS WERE CLEAN AND APPEARED TO BE IN GOOD CONDITION,
AND THEIR BATTLE COORDINATION WAS ORGANIZED.

5. RESULT OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   (A) FRIENDLY: NO CASUALTIES.
   (B) ENEMY:
   (1) FIXED WIRE RESULTED IN 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.
   (2) UN-IE STRIKES RESULTED IN 3 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.
   (3) REACTION FORCE FIRED M-79 RESULTING IN 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION.
   (4) TEAM FIRED M-79 RESULTING IN 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

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UPON INITIAL CONTACT TEAM INFECTED 4 FREN. KIA (C) AND 5 ENEMY
KIA (P) WITH SAF.

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Operation Order: 399-67
Ref: (a) Maps: VIET NAM, 1:50,000 Map Sheet 6441 I
(b) Operation Order: 3-67
Task Organization: 2nd Sqd 3rd Plt C Co (CPL WINSHEL & MEN)

1. **SITUATION**: See Ref. (b)

2. **MISSION**: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner. CP from HILL 359. Note craters from TPQ STRIKES.

3. **EXECUTION**:

   a. **Concept of Operation**: See Operation Overlay

   b. **Coordinating Instructions**:

      (1) **Insertion**: 300800H at YD 570205 (FILIP FLOP)

      (2) **Extraction**: 040900H at YD 570217

      (3) **Thrust Lines**: G5T 5723 ETL 5920

4. **ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS**: See Ref (b)

5. **COMMAND AND SIGNAL**:

   a. **SHACKLE**:

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      | C Q E U J 0 |
      | P K A T M W |

   b. **COMMUNICATIONS**:

      (1) **Call Signs**

      | ANIMAL TRADER | 47.2 (GREEN) | 46.8 (WHITE) |
      | SECONDARY | 50.0 |
      | ARTY (CHERRY JAM) | 47.2 (GREEN) |
      | TOYSHIRE (MARINE AO) | 41.30 |
      | FALL BEAKING (2/26) | 37.20 |
      | MOD VHF COMM FREQ | 45.7 (VERMILLION ALPHA) |
      | ROAD AIR (JAM HARTNES) | 66.3 |
      | REEL (AP 10) | 47.6 |
      | MEEK JAMS (1/4) | 45.10 |
      | OUT KILLER (ARMY AO) | 49.0 |

   c. **CONCENTRATION**: RC 262-270
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enlisted, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (None)
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25’s
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) 7x50’s
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) Claymore Mines, (2) CS Grenades, (9) Gas Masks, (9) WP Grenades.
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) Shot Gun, (1) M-14

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by NVA/VC and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner by ambush.


4. ROUTE AND TRAILS OBSERVED: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   a. SYNOPSIS: 103 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in one sighting of a Sampan and 22 VC in the Song Bo River Vic (YD584197). No contacts were made. Approx 200 rounds of artillery resulted in one sampan damaged and 20 VC KIA(P).
   b. ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS:
      (1) 010745H Oct 67. Patrol at vic (YD 578205) observed two VC moving north in a large sampan in the Song Bo River. VC wore black clothing. Arty fire resulted in one damaged sampan and 20 VC KIA(P). Later two VC were observed pulling half a sampan on the river bank. Artillery fired approx 200 rounds with good coverage.
   c. TERRAIN: High hills and shrub brush with a canopy of about 10ft. Rate of movement is about 400 meters per hour.
      (1) COMMUNICATIONS: Poor in wet weather.
      (2) NATURAL WATER SOURCES: Plentiful
      (3) TRAILS: None
(4) HLZ's: None

d. OTHER INFORMATION: None

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 20 KIA(p) by Arty

7. CONDITIONS OF PATROL: Physical: Good/moral: fair

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

RECOMMENDATIONS: Keep surveillance of this area.

CONCLUSIONS: Area covered by patrol reveals some enemy activity.

CPL WINSTEL
"C" Company

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Concur with Patrol Leader.

PATROL OPINION OF NATURE AND ENEMY ACTIVITY: Patrol feels that the river is being used as a shuttle route for the VC and this point is the gathering site.

OTHER: 301730H Patrol reported that an AO had spotted 2 VC in a Sampan Vic (YD 573185) moving north. Artillery fired with unknown results. Patrol heard the AO taking fire from the same direction.

LEGEND

Q = INSERTION
X = EXTRACTION
___ = PATROL ROUTE

PATROL ROUTE: OVERLAY

(2) Sqd. (3) Plat. (C) Co.
MAP: VIETNAM: 1:50,000
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Operation Order: 418-67

Ref: (a) Maps: VIET NAM 1:150,000 Map Sheet 6541.1
(b) Operation Order: 3-67

Task Organization: 2nd Sqd 1st Plt CO A (CPL DIDONNA 8 MEN)

1. SITUATION: See Ref (b)

2. MISSION: Determine the nature of enemy activity developing along the natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also check area for use as VC base camp area. Pay particular attention to size and direction of enemy movement. Act as a forward observer for artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to capture a prisoner.

3. EXECUTION:
   a. Concept of Operation: See Operation Overlay
   b. Coordinating Instructions:
      (1) Insertion: 100000H at (VIC CAC HOTEL 2 TRUCK/FOOT)
      (2) Extraction: 150900H at (YD 955012)
      (3) Thrust Lines: ATL(9302) BTL(9600)

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: See Ref (b)

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL: See Ref (b)
   a. Enclave: CODE (8)
      0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
      L U S T A R O E T W
      G O X V E I Q D F H K
      M J P N G 2
   b. COMMUNICATIONS:
      (1) Call Sign: Primary Freq: Alternate Freq:
         MIDNIGHT SHIFT 46.8 (WHITE) 47.2 (GREEN)
         SECONDARY 50.0
         ARMY (PEA FOWL) 46.8 (WHITE)
         PERSEVERE (MARINE AO) 41.20
         BILL BARRING (2/26) 37.20
         MWD EN/COMFREQ 45.7 (VERMILLION ALPHA)
         TRAIL (AP AO) 47.6
         MECK JANE (1/4) 45.10
         CAC KILLER (ARMY)(AO) 49.0
         CAC HOTEL 2 52.2

   c. CONCENTRATION: RC 151-200 CONFIDENTIAL
101400 H - 111000 H October. A patrol operating in the vicinity of Y0957042 conducted reconnaissance and surveillance totaling 20 hrs. Patrol during this short period encountered many sighting of moderate/ heavy movement of both armed enemy and possible conscript civilians.
As many as 25 enemy were encountered at one time; enemy included women who were armed and carried other military equipment. Just prior to extraction patrol felt it was being surrounded by a force of 100 enemy. Fire was directed at patrol which was subsequently extracted.
Operation Order: 416-57
Patrol: (2) Sq. (1) Flt. (A)Co.
Debrief: LT. ZELLERS J.L.
Map Sheet: 6541 I

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enlisted, (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (1) KIT CARSON SCOUT
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50's
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) Claymore Mines, (9) CS Grenades,
       (9) Gas Masks, (2) WP Hand Grenades, (2) Cameras
   f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) M-60,

2. Determine the nature of any activity developing along the
   natural infiltration routes that could be used by VC/NVA and also
   check area for use as VC base area. Pay particular attention to
   size and direction of enemy movement. Act as forward observers for
   artillery on targets of opportunity. Make every attempt to cap-
   ture a prisoner.


4. ROUTE AND TRAILS OBSERVED: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. SYNOPSIS: See 5.b. 1, 2, 3

   b. ENEMY SIGHTING AND CONTACTS:

      1. 111600H (YD 958042) About 12 water buffalo were seen
         by patrol at this location. 1 Vietnamese boy about 15 years
         old was driving the buffalo south toward patrols position. Boy
         and buffalo approached to within 50 meters of patrol. When he
         saw a patrol member he turned about and drove the animals
         back north. Patrol leader and Kit Carson Scout recognized the
         boy as one of the VC suspects captured in this area several
         weeks ago by a recon patrol. Observation previously was that
         the boy and buffalo were sentinels for the VC.

      2. 111600H (YD 953027) One woodcutter with 2 wood bundles
         and two other men carrying rifles were seen 500 meters west
         of patrols position. Enemy was dressed in black pants and white
         shirts. Enemy were moving northeast on a trail down a ridge. Enemy
         seemed insuspecting, as though they traveled this route many times.
         Behind this group came 15-20 more enemy wearing mixed clothing
         and mixed covers.
The enemy made onlymachines and no other equipment. This group followed the first by 50 meters and they walked in random fashion, some in columns, some side by side. Enemy was casually chatting. The enemy followed main trail in the valley and disappeared from view. At this time the patrol noted a second group of enemy approaching 100 meters to the northeast and moving north towards patrol location. A 3 man point, in a "hedge" formation, moved cautiously with AK-47's in a ready position. They were moderately loaded with light packs, linked ammo, cartridge belts. 30 meters behind this group was a group of 25 moving in random fashion only several meters apart or side by side. These enemy were very heavily loaded with haversacks, linked ammo, cartridge belts, canteens, 3 LMG's (3 heavy), 5-60MM mortars, 3 M-79's, possible demolitions, ponchos, AK-47's and a possible Bangalore torpedo. The enemy were mixed uniforms, mostly camouflage types, and only several covers which appeared to be gray NVA helmets. This group was talking and noisy. 5 VN women accompanied this group were intermingled with the men. They wore black PJ's and camouflage scarves. They were carrying the same equipment as the men. The Kien Carson Scout overheard the conversation and said the enemy talked of going into the village THON NAM PHO CAN (YD 925042) every evening near dusk and returning at 2 AM next evening they were to return at 4 AM. They went to the village for food. The enemy were large in stature and appeared to be well fed. This group disappeared from view to the north. This group all passed within 3 meters of the nearest patrol member and it was described by the Kien Carson Scout as being NVA.

3. 1119ZOH (YD 925042) Patrol heard movement in the brush 50 meters north of their location. The movement approached southward and fanned out to a U-shape. At the same time movement was heard 30 meters south of their position. Patrol estimates 100 people approached their location. 5 M-79 rounds walked toward patrol location. Rounds were fired from the north. Movement continued to close in on patrol. Spooky arrived on station but did not fire. AO arrived on station. Fixed wing arrived but dropped no ordnance. Extract halos arrived and under illumination made approach to patrol HIL. Halos took light SAP and M-79 rounds on extract. SAP came from (YD 926022) and (YD 007016)

TERRAIN: SONG TUOI VALLEY has gentle slopes and vegetation in general is low grass or scrub growth offering little concealment.

1. COMMUNICATION: Patrol had difficulty transmitting to SANTA AND Relay on 46.8 MHz during morning and afternoon of 11 Oct. When the fixed wing arrived on station the patrol experienced difficulty in communication. Transmissions were being "keyed out". At one point the fixed wing called Midnight Shift patrol's call sign, and a woman's voice speaking in good English but a slight accent answered, "This is Midnight Shift, over". This also occurred on 46.8 MHz.

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3. **Natural Water Sources:** The SONG TRUOI River flows strongly and cannot be crossed easily at this time.

3. **Trails:** Trail shown on the overlay is about 2 feet wide and has been recently and heavily used. This trail runs north-east-southwest. Trail was heavily used in both directions. Prints in the mud were boot prints (ARVN type), sandals, and bare foot.

4. **HLZ's:** This entire valley is a large HLZ.

5. **Other Information:** (None)

6. **Results of Encounters with the Enemy:** (None)

7. **Condition of Patrol:** Physical: good/Morale: good

8. **Conclusions and Recommendations:**

   **Recommendations:**

   (1) Targets for Air/Artillery.

   a. (YD 966032) Location for a harbor site or ambush location.

   b. (YD 925013) Patrol feels this is an excellent OP and possible radio location.

   c. (YD 959003) This is the area from which the enemy appeared to come from.

   d. (YD 933035) Good ambush site and location of possible Harbor/base area.

   (2) There seems to be a significant map error in this map.

9. **Conclusions:**

   (1) Area covered by patrol reveals nightly usage of the area by NVA moving into villages from the mountains for food and supplies.

   (2) General Conclusions:

   1. There is at least a company of VC/NVA operating in the SONG TRUOI VALLEY.

   2. The enemy in this area are well equipped but may be suffering food shortages in their base area.

   3. The enemy has radio jamming capability and English speaking personnel in use.

   4. The enemy was reluctant to engage the helicopters or the patrol even though he was heavily armed and equipped.

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5. Patrol noted that the enemy may have mistaken them for NVA until they found US boot prints on the trail after passing the patrol.

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9. DERMIFER COMMENTS: (Concur with Patrol Leader)

a. BACKGROUND OR CHANGES IN THIS AREA: the quality of enemy equipment in this area has increased.

b. PATROL OPINION OF NATURE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY:
   1. The enemy is well trained and equipped.
   2. He seemed confident and secure in this valley.
   3. As has been noticed before, the enemy employs 15-20 persons to precede the main body which is the experienced and well equipped.
   4. The patrol noted no rear point.

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

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