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

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code AO3D)

VIA: (1) Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF, (Attn: AC of 3, G-3)
(2) Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force
(3) Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 June 1968 to 30 June 1968

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) FMF PACO 5750.3
(c) DivO 5750.1B

Encl: (1) 3d Reconnaissance Battalion Command Chronology

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

2. Unclassified upon removal of enclosure (1).

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 June to 30 June 1968

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PART I
ORGANIZATION DATA

COMSAND
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10 Nov 67 - 30 June 68

SUBORDINATE UNITS

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

1STLT L.B. MILLER  25 Feb 68 - 30 June 68
1STLT J.R. PEETSY  25 Feb 68 - 30 June 68
1STLT J.P. DUNSBURY  26 Apr 68 - 30 June 68
1STLT E.V. OSBORNE  16 Mar 68 - 30 June 68
1STLT J.C. LASHEEN  19 Feb 68 - 30 June 68
1STLT N.C. YOUNGSTROM  12 Apr 68 - 30 June 68

ATTACHED UNITS

3d Force Reconnaissance Co., Capt. J.P. SNYDER  10 May 68 - 30 June 68

LOCATION

1 - 30 June 68 Quang Tri  H&S Company, Company A, Company B, Company C, Company D

1 - 30 June 68 Dong Ha,  3d Force Reconnaissance Company

1 - 30 June 68 Cam Lo, RVN  Company E

Executive Officer  Maj. E.J. FERGUS JR
Operations Officer, S-3  Capt. J.R. ARKING
S-2 Officer  1STLT R.G. WILEY
S-4 Officer  Capt. C.J. SULLIVAN
Adjutant  1STLT N.C. YOUNGSTROM

AVERAGE STRENGTH (Includes 3d Force Reconnaissance Company)

OFFICER

USMC  Enlisted

35  832

OPICER

USM  Enlisted

51  51

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Co. A During the reporting period Company A conducted 29 patrols averaging 3.19 days with an average of 6.58 men per patrol. The company made 14 sightings totalling 145 enemy and three contacts with 39 enemy, which resulted in nine enemy KIA (C). The company conducted seven fire missions totalling 253 rounds and four air strikes. No friendly casualties were sustained.

Co. B During the reporting period Company B conducted 22 patrols averaging 2.64 days with an average of 6.74 men per patrol. The company made nine sightings totalling 66 enemy and one contact with three enemy. The company conducted two fire missions of 19 rounds and four air strikes. The enemy suffered nine KIA (C) and there was one JMC WIA.

Co. C During the reporting period Company C conducted 21 patrols averaging 3.01 days with an average of 6.56 men per patrol. The company made two sightings totalling 15 enemy and three contacts with 56 enemy resulting in nine enemy KIA (C). The company suffered two USG casualties (HIA), and one USN (JIA). The company conducted seven fire missions of 127 rounds and six air strikes. All casualties suffered by the company were from the security platoon attached to Company (A) at Cam Lo (C-3).

Co. D During the reporting period Company D conducted 37 patrols averaging 1.97 days with an average of 7.04 men per patrol. The company made 23 sightings totalling 130 enemy and nine contacts with 113 enemy resulting in 12 enemy KIA (C). The company conducted 16 fire missions of 403 rounds and eight air strikes. The company had one JMC WIA.

Co. E During the reporting period Company E conducted three patrols averaging 2.91 days with an average of 8.33 men per patrol. The company made no enemy sightings nor contacts, but conducted two fire missions of 11 rounds on two bunker complexes. There were no enemy nor friendly casualties. It is noted that the company was OPCU to Task Force I for the majority of this reporting period.

3d Force Recon Co. During the reporting period 3d Force Co. conducted 21 patrols with an average of three days and averaging four men per patrol. The company made 19 sightings and six contacts with 62 enemy resulting in five enemy KIA (C). The company reported four USG (JIA).

KCB Co. During the reporting period KCB section conducted one SNU mission in support of the 3d Marine Division. This is a continuous mission, three times each week requiring five divers per day to clear and hold defiles under the Quang Tri River Bridge, the vital access way to Quang Tri City from the north.

b. Significant Operations Conducted. Units of this battalion have participated in Operations LANCIPER II, KENTUCKY, SCOTLAND II, and MAUCH/SAGE during the reporting period.

c. Casualties inflicted on the Enemy. There have been 44 VC/NVA casualties (MCW) inflicted upon the enemy during this reporting period.

d. Casualties Sustained. The battalion has suffered seven USMC and 26 USMC.


f. Command and Relations. The 3d Force Reconnaissance Company continued to operate under OPCON of Task Force 1-1. Administration control is retained by 3d Reconnaissance Battalion. Company E (Rein) operated during the period under OPCON to Task Force 1-1 as security during the element at Camp C (C-3) area. 3d Reconnaissance Battalion maintained administrative control.

g. Equipment. Nothing significant to report.

h. Logistics. During the reporting period the Motor Transport Section received 37 L-151A1 Truck utility ½ ton 4x4 to replace the L-422A1.
i. Civic Action. All personnel joining the battalion from W I U S were given a class in the Personal Response Program by the Battalion Sergeant Major.

j. Administration. During this reporting period the Commanding General's inspection was held with satisfactory rating for the entire battalion.

k. Personnel. 7 June 1968, LT R.L. Anderson, CHC, USNR, assigned duty as 3d Reconnaissance Battalion Charlin vice LT. J.F. Madden, CHC, USNR.

19 June 1968, LCPL B.P. Case, USMC, assigned duty as Assistant S-3 officer.

29 June 1968, LT H.E. Emos, USMC, assigned duty as Battalion Adjutant, vice LT H.L. Cahill, USMC.

l. Weather. During the month of June the weather was for the most part fair with increased temperatures and occasional scattered showers. During the latter part of the month there was an increase in the wind velocity during the mid morning, afternoon and late evening. Helicopter insertions and extractions were not hampered by the weather during this reporting period. Due to increased temperatures, patrols in the field had to restrict their movement in order to prevent heat casualties.

m. Fire Support. The battalion's recon teams directed 34 artillery missions totaling 922 rounds.

n. Air Support. The battalions recon teams utilized 22 air strikes on targets of opportunity. (This does not include the fixed wing strikes employed for initial insertions in an unsecure zone).

o. Activation/Deactivation/Assignations: Nothing significant to report.
Training. Training was conducted on a continuous basis. Newly
joined personnel are instructed via the battalion training and
familiarization school in all aspects peculiar to reconnaissance,
weapons, demolitions, artillery, etc. An information/orientation
class on Vietnam is conducted by the Battalion Sergeant Major. The
K-16 rifle is fired and zeroed during the period.

Company training is conducted along these same lines, but on
a more detailed level, pursuant with the experience gained in combat.

Twelve personnel graduated from U.S. Navy SDUSA School in
the Philippines, one man was honor graduate.

Ten personnel graduated from the U.S. Army I.A.B.A. School, Class
R-18-68, R-19-68, and R-20-68, in Nha Trang, Vietnam, one man was honor
graduate during this reporting period. During the following period,
schools were conducted at the location given:

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c. Communication. The following radio relay site was deactivated
during the reporting period.

71-DESIGN-TU
Activ. 13 June 1967 - Deactiv. 22 June 67

The following sites are presently being utilized as radio relay
sites.

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r. Intelligence Summary

Enemy activity remained high in the Northern I Corps area during the month of June. Reconnaissance patrols made several significant sightings and contacts in the northern backpack areas during the month. The enemy appears to be continuing his infiltration across the DMZ in the Cao Lãnh - Cam Lo area. Enemy activity in the latter's through - Hô Duc Valley region appears to be increasing. The activity to the south of Cam Lo has increased during the latter part of June. Allied operations in the populated areas surrounding Camp Carroll, appear to be forcing the enemy to move into the camphor areas to the east of Camp Carroll. Three significant reconnaissance contacts made in this area during the month indicate a marked increase in enemy contacts in the region. The enemy continues to utilize the Jo Long Valley for west to east infiltration across Northern I Corps. Enemy activity in the mountainous area to the southwest of Camp Carroll appears to have subsided somewhat during the past month. Reconnaissance patrols operating in this area made fewer enemy contacts and sightings. Enemy operations in the Then Sen Lam area are increasing. To the west of Then Sen Lam, the enemy continues to utilize natural infiltration routes to move to the east. Reconnaissance patrols made several sightings and contacts in these areas as well as discovering several recently built bunker complexes. Additionally, the enemy utilizes this area to conduct rocket attacks upon friendly positions in the Then Sen Lam - the Mao - Cao Lãnh areas. Enemy activity to the north of Then Sen Lam also appears to be increasing. The enemy appears to be utilizing the Long IS - Long Va mountain ridge line to move into the Then Sen Lam area. Several reconnaissance contacts were made in areas north of Then Sen Lam in which enemy has been relatively inactive for the past several months. The enemy continued his attempted interdiction of Route 154 between Cao Lãnh and the Senh during the month. To the south of the Senh, allied forces made several significant contacts with large enemy forces. The enemy appears to have lost a substantial number of troops in these encounters during the month. The enemy continues his operations along the Laochan border to the west of the Senh. The enemy continues to initiate rocket and artillery attacks on allied positions in the Linh Senh area from the Cao Lãnh region.
SECURITY LIST OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

**Op 529-68 (101) 031700H and 040600H June 68 (110902).** A patrol operating in the vicinity of Y-1165 conducted 85 hours of reconnaissance resulting in no enemy sightings nor contacts. Patrol heard an active mortar and artillery position firing on friendly installations. Patrol called three fire missions of 125 rounds with good target coverage resulting in two secondary explosions. Patrol continued mission. On one occasion patrol heard five enemy tank reports and on one occasion, patrol received enemy mortar and artillery totalling over 25 rounds. Patrol continued mission.

**Op 537-68 (211) 031400H - 041400H June 68 (081010).** A patrol operating in the vicinity of Y-1063 conducted 24 hours of reconnaissance and had one contact with seven VC/NVA. The contact resulted in one enemy KIA and no friendly casualties. Patrol observed an enemy ambush along route 561 and called an artillery mission of 12 rounds with excellent coverage of target and unknown results. Patrol continued mission.

**Op 593-68 (332) 041224H - 041624H June 68 (061039).** A patrol operating in the vicinity of Y-9158 conducted two hours of reconnaissance and had one contact with an estimated 22 enemy. The contact lasted for approximately five minutes and patrol was extracted under heavy enemy fire. The enemy suffered three KIA by air and unknown casualties from ground contact.

**Op 606-68 (349) 081500H - 101600H June 68 (150102).** A patrol operating in the vicinity of Y-9252 conducted 51 hours of reconnaissance resulting in one sighting of 12 VC/NVA. Patrol called an artillery mission of 20 rounds with excellent coverage resulting in three enemy KIA (C) and one LRE second explosion. Patrol found one very large bunker complex which appeared to have been built recently. Patrol also found numerous 122mm rocket casings in this area. Patrol continued mission.

**Op 600-68 (349) 080500H - 101600H June 68 (101600H).** A patrol operating in the vicinity of Y-1769 conducted 59 hours of reconnaissance resulting in eight sightings totalling 118 VC/NVA. Patrol fired two artillery missions of 92 rounds which resulted in one enemy KIA (C). Air strikes were conducted on enemy position with excellent coverage of target and unknown results. Patrol continued mission.

**Op 608-68 (233) 093000H - 120730H June 68 (150932).** A patrol operating in the vicinity of Y-1066 conducted 72 hours of reconnaissance resulting in six sightings totalling 57 VC/NVA and no enemy contacts. A0 working with the patrol directed three fixed-wing air strikes
and one flight of gunships resulting in six enemy killed by air and numerous large secondary explosions. Patrol called a fire mission of 15 rounds which resulted in two large secondary explosions. Patrol observed what appeared to be a camouflaged vehicle which is believed to have been destroyed by air. Patrol continued the mission.

On 624-64 (102) 121300H - 131200H June 68 (2006354). A patrol operating in the vicinity Yu 1062 conducted 22 hours of reconnaissance resulting in one enemy sighting of one VC and one contact with approximately 25 VC/NVA. Contact resulted in three enemy KIA (C). Patrol was extracted under the covering fire of the gunships.

On 625-68 (3u2) 131200H - 161200H June 68 (2205392). A patrol operating in the vicinity Yu 0215 conducted 72 hours of reconnaissance resulting in four enemy sightings totalling 19 enemy, and no contacts. Patrol called three artillery missions of 76 rounds resulting in four enemy KIA (C). Patrol continued mission.

On 625-68 (112) 141300H - 161800H June 68 (2-06432). A patrol operating in the vicinity of XD 9754 conducted 1½ hours of reconnaissance resulting in one contact with 10 enemy, resulting in three enemy KIA (C). Team broke contact and moved to a friendly position.

On 644-67 (313) 161300H - 191200H June 67 (191266H). A patrol operating in the vicinity Yu 1652 conducted 71 hours of reconnaissance resulting in two sightings totalling 10 enemy and one contact with an estimated force of 25 VC/NVA. Contact resulted in eight enemy KIA (C). Patrol called two artillery missions of 100 rounds and "Spooky" conducted strafing runs in the area. Patrol continued mission.

On 650-68 (2:2) 170530H - 223100H June 68 (2810212). A patrol operating in the vicinity Yu 0937 conducted 100 hours of reconnaissance resulting in two sightings totalling nine enemy from their 07 on Hill 815 (Yu 097377). Patrol leader was captured by three NVA approximately five meters from patrols position, but escaped after several hours and linked up with a reaction force.
Opn 664-68 and 671-68 (203) and (102) 230030H - 241430H June 6 (010647). A patrol operating in the vicinity of 40 9650 conducted 29 hours of reconnaissance resulting in one sighting totaling 20 VC/NVA and one contact with eight enemy. Enemy casualties could not be determined. Patrol called an artillery mission of 35 rounds with good target coverage.

Opn 663-68 (103) 211830H - 231830H June 6 (231029). A patrol operating in the vicinity YU 1570 conducted 40 hours of reconnaissance resulting in one enemy contact with an estimated force of 25 VC/NVA. Contact resulted in six enemy KIA (C). Patrol utilized three flights of gunships and three flights of fix-wing in the contact. The team was extracted under cover of gunships and fixed-wing aircraft.

Opn 666-68 (202) 210030H - 231130H June 6 (231017H). A patrol operating in the vicinity of 40 9759 conducted three hours of reconnaissance resulting in one contact with eight VC/NVA resulting in three enemy KIA (C) and one USA KIA minor. Gunships made strafing and rocket runs in the area while the team was extracted.

Opn 677-68 (302) 240930H - 042030H June 6 (010645H). A patrol operating in the vicinity of YU 1551 conducted 11 hours of reconnaissance resulting in one sighting of two enemy and one contact with an estimated of 30 VC/NVA. As a result of the contact the enemy suffered one enemy KIA (C). Patrol conducted an artillery mission of 30 rounds with good target coverage.

Opn 696-68 (102) 200930H - 221500H June 6 (120639Z). A patrol operating in the vicinity of YU 1450 conducted 51 hours of reconnaissance resulting in one sighting of 15 VC/NVA and one contact with an estimated 35 men enemy force. Patrol called a fire mission of 21 rounds which resulted in three secondary explosions. Gunships received heavy machine gunfire while conducting strafing and rocket runs on enemy positions. There were no friendly casualties, enemy casualties could not be determined.
Part IV
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

(1) Patrol report 589-68 of 1163042 June 68 (Co. C)
(2) Patrol report 587-68 of 0810162 June 68 (Co. D)
(3) Patrol report 593-68 of 0810392 June 68 (Co. B)
(4) Patrol report 606-68 of 1501092 June 68 (Co. D)
(5) Patrol report 600-68 of 1016092 June 68 (Co. A)
(6) Patrol report 608-68 of 1509392 June 68 (Co. C)
(7) Patrol report 624-68 of 206352 June 68 (Co. C)
(8) Patrol report 625-68 of 2209592 June 68 (Co. D)
(9) Patrol report 635-68 of 2006132 June 68 (Co. C)
(10) Patrol report 644-68 of 1912008 June 68 (Co. A)
(11) Patrol report 650-68 of 210212 June 68 (Co. A)
(12) Patrol report 656-68 of 1574-68 of 0106472 June 68 (Co. C)
(13) Patrol report 663-68 of 2362992 June 68 (Co. C)
(14) Patrol report 666-68 of 281072 June 68 (Co. C)
(15) Patrol report 677-68 of 0106452 June 68 (Co. C)
(16) Patrol report 696-68 of 0103692 June 68 (Co. C)

* Notes certified true copy of patrol debriefing.

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RECOMM B: CAPT C. A. ARNOLD OF MCFRCE (ACTION & INFO)

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RCT: 3329-68

DCH: 07/10/66  2 JUN 1966

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SUBJECT: AC-0'S 07/26

DESCRIPTION OF SEARCH PARADE  1ST Bn.  2D PRT  \"IN\" COMPANY (SHB)

OPERATION ORDER 37-66 (010462) (RT/CP GIBSON)

REP: TENDARMS: 1/1000, 1/300, AND SQUARE : L-1014. SHEET: 6342 I

DATE: 04 JUNE 1966

1. ORIENATION AND EQUIPMENT
   A. GENERALIZATION: (1) HAND GRENADES
   B. SPECIFIC ATTACHMENTS: (1)
   C. COMMUNICATION TO TENDARMS: (2) AN/PRC-25
   D. OPERATION EQUIMENT: (1) 7.62MM
   E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) DYNAMIC MINES, (2) WP HAND GRENADES
   F. SPECIFIC WEAPONS: (1) H-79 WITH (1) CARTRIDGE
   G. FILE CRACKER: (1) H-79 WITH (1) CARTRIDGE

2. TENDARMS CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR
   ORIENATION AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY,
   BE ESPECIALLY CAUTIOUS FOR ENEMY ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT
   TO FRIENDLY FORCES AND INSTALLATIONS.

3. TIME OF ENTRY/EXIT: 031400 (ID 132649) WALK/041400
   (ID 123649) WALK

4. ROUTE FROM INSIDE PT TO (ID 110625) TO (ID 108629) TO
   (ID 106635) TO (ID 106635) TO (ID 106635) TO (ID 106635) TO (ID 106635)
   TO (ID 110625) TO EXIT PT.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND LAND:

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A. SYNOPSIS: 241/2 HOURS OF RECONNAISSANCE RESULTED IN ONE
CONTACT WITH APPROXIMATELY 7 VO/NVA. THE CONTACT RESULTED IN
THE KIA OF 1 ENEMY AND 0 FRIENDLY CASUALITIES. PATROL OBSERVED AN
ENERGY AMBUSH ALONG ROUTE 561 AND CALLED IN ARTILLERY MISSION
OF 12 ROUNDS WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET AND UNMARKED
AREA AND SAW LIKELY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME.
B. ENEMY:

(1) 041200H (TD 07631) PATROL IN AN OP SITE OBSERVED A USING
CONVOY BEING ADVANCED BY AN UNKNOWN SIZE ENEMY FORCE VICINITY
(YD 12522). THE PATROL OBSERVED THE ENEMY AMBUSH SITE WHEN
THEY INITIATED SAF/ALF. THE AMBUSH WAS SET ON THE EAST SIDE
OF ROUTE 561 AND DELIVERED A HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE ON THE CONVOY
WHICH IS HAVING TROUBLE. THE CONVOY MOVED THROUGH THE AMBUSH
SITE. PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION OF 12 ROUNDS ON THE ENEMY
POSITION WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET AND UNMARKED
AREA, PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL
CONTINUED MISSION.

(2) 041345H (TD 02635) PATROL MOVING NORTHEAST OBSERVED 6-7
ENERGY MOVING SOUTHEAST 20 METERS TO THE WEST OF THE
PATROL POSITION. ENEMY WORE CHEESE UTILITIES, BUSH COVERS,
ARMED WITH UNKNOWN TYPE WEAPONS. THE ENEMY PONTS 
His WEAPON AT SITTING AREA. PATROL INITIATED SAF RESULTING IN ONE
VO/NVA KIA (1). THE ENEMY REFUSED SAF/ALF IMEDIATELY. PATROL
BREAK CONTACT AND MOVED TO VICINITY (TD 07631). PATROL CONTACTED
AN AM. Q. ON STATION. PATROL OBSERVED MOVEMENT ON A RIDGELINE
VICINITY (TD 02635) TO (TD 12632). AM. Q. CALLED A FIRE MISSION
ON THE SITUATED ENEMY POSITIONS AND THE PATROL MOVED TO 0-2
FOR EXTRACITION. AM. Q. CONTINUED TO CALL ARTILLERY IN THE AREA
WHERE THE CONTACT WAS MADE AND THE RIDGELINE.
C. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH ELEPHANT GRASS 2-5 FEET HIGH,
SCATTERED AREAS OF 0-10 FEET HIGH GRASS AND THICK FERBONIA. ONE
OF SITE (TD 07631) AFFORDS OBSERVATION OF THE ENTIRE AREA.
(1) COMMUNICATION: GOOD WITH TAPE ANTENNA
(2) NATURAL WATER SOURCES: AS SHOWN ON THE MAP, ALTHOUGH WATER
SOURCES ARE DRAWING UP. A STREAM 3 FEET WIDE Crosses THE MAP VICINITY
(TD 10629) RUNS WEST TO EAST TO VICINITY (TD 119629).
(3) RATE OF MOVEMENT: PATROL LEADERS DISCRETION.
D. OTHER INFORMATION:
031815H (TD 02562) PATROL FOUND A FRESH FIGHTING HOLE POSITION
ON TOP OF A HILL VICINITY (TD 02562). THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY
15 FIGHTING HOLES INCLINED THE HILLTOP. THE HOLES APPEARED
TO BE APPROXIMATELY 4X6 FEET. THE FIGHTING HOLES CAN NOT BE
OBSERVED FROM THE AIR DUE TO THE DENSE VEGETATION IN THE AREA.
PATROL CIRCLED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL
CONTINUED MISSION.
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   A. ENEMY: ONE VC/INA XIA (6)
   B. FRIENDLY: (NONE)

7. CONDITION OF PATROLS: PHYSICAL: GOOD/MORALE: HIGH

8. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:
   A. RECOMMENDATIONS: THAT PATROLS BE OBSERVANT FOR POSSIBLE
      AMBUSHES ALONG ROUTE 561.
   B. CONCLUSIONS: AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS ENEMY ACTIVITY
      AT THE PRESENT TIME. THE SITUATION APPEARS TO BE POSSIBLY INFILTRATING
      THROUGH THIS AREA.

9. ELZ'S: NUMEROUS THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

10. DEFENDER COMMENTS: (NONE)

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PATROL DESCR OF RECON PATROL: 20 TM, 300 FT "3" COMPANY

(ACTIV LEAD) EXECUTION OGREB 593-68 (GSHOLDS)

MAP: VIETNAM 160,000 AMS SERIES L-704, SHEET 63421

REFERENCE: 3R, 7G, VAUS

SPOT WHEN AN END OF PATROL REPORT

041421 (10 914559) AFT RECON FINISH, PATROL WAS

DETECTED IN HLO VEHICLE (10 914559). PATROL MOVED

APPROXIMATELY 100 INCHES TO THE EAST. PATROL MADE A SECURITY

HOLD. PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT 200 METERS FROM PATROL.

PATROL CROSSED 3 VC/IVA DRAGGING 2 BODIES TO THE EAST APPROX.

IMBLY 15 METERS FROM THE INSPECTION HOLE. VC/IVA WERE

HEARING UTILITIES, MAKES, CHERUBIC BILLET AND CARDED MOW WINS.

PATROL HEARD INCREASED MOVEMENT. PATROL ESTIMATED

THAT VC HAVE 20-30 EMPL IN THE AMOUNT OF MOVEMENT, VC/IVA

MOVEMENT Sounded AS IF IT WAS OF LOG AND SNIFFING TOWARDS

THE PATROLS POSITION. VC/IVA RECEIVED SA/AF FROM THE AREA WHERE

THE MOVEMENT HAD BEEN姫. PATROL RETURNED SA AND M-79 FIRE

WITH 30-50 METERS. VC/IVA RECEIVED 40CCD SMALL ARMS FIRE

FOR APPROXIMATELY 5 MINUTES. CONTACTS ARRIVED ON SCRAP.

PATROL OBSERVED THE VC/IVA BODY OUT THE ZONE AS THE VC/IVA

SELF-DETONED HELICOPTER. VC/IVA RECEIVED SA/AF DURING

THE EXTRICATION. PATROL RECEIVED A TOTAL OF 3 VC/IVA BBA AS A

RESULT OF THE RETURNED FIRE.

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DEBRISER CONTENTS:
SEEM TO BE MOVING IN THE WEST-EAST RUNNING STREAM VICINITY (X0 915250). ADDITIONALLY THE PATROL OBSERVED A SMALL STREAM RUNNING NEAR HILL 272 (X0 912563). THE STREAM RUNS GENERALLY NORTH-SOUTH IN VICINITY (X0 913584) TO (X0 915250). THE STREAM APPEARS TO BE USED AS INFILTRATION ROUTES.

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TRANSMITTED BY: C. A. O. A. 4TH MARDIV (ACTION & INFO)

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SUBJECT: 1ST TPT, 1ST PCT "G" COMPANY (BUS STOP)

LOCATION MARKER: 509-65 (10304 X) / (23L HILL)

MAP: TBI: 1:10,000, AHS SERIES: L-70-14, SHEET: 6342 I

REIED BY: CAPT. R. C. WALLS

DAN: 07 JUNE 69

1. OPERATING MIN EQUIPMENT:

2. ORGANIZATION: (6) PLATOONS

3. SUSTAINMENT ATTACHMENTS: (NONE)

4. COMBAT ATTACHMENTS: (none)

5. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (1) M-20, PRO 25, PRO 26

6. MRE SUPPLY REINFORCEMENT: (2) 7470

7. SUPPLY ATTACHMENTS: (3) CANTONMENTS

8. INFANTRY WEAPONS: (4) RP-70, M-70, M-72

9. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 (60) 38GS, 186 CANISTERS

10. WEAPONS DEPT.

11. KEEP ADEQUATE DETAILS AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT TO AMERICAN PERSONS AND INSTALLATIONS.

12. IDLE OR ABANDON EXPLOSIONS, DETONATE.

13. DAILY CONTACT ORIENTATION/CONTACT:

14. KEEP ALERT FOR SOURCE/EXTRACT:

15. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN.
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SYNOPSIS OF PATA"ENS OF RADIO-SPEAKING PATROLING AT TITI XIII
1. After leaving the area of initial radio activation, the patrol continued to patrol the same area.
2. During the patrol, the area was searched for enemy activity. The patrol received a call from an artillery piece, which was later verified to be a 155mm.
3. The patrol continued to search the area for any signs of enemy activity.
4. The patrol received a call from a radio station, which was later verified to be a friendly radio station.
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(4)* 051526Z (ED 2650) PATROL HEARD 3 INCH ARTILLERY ROUND BEING FIRED TOWARD C-2 FROM VICINITY (TD 091667). C-2 RECEIVED A HOOD OF INOCUL ARTILLERY AT THIS TIME. PATROL CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION OF 24 ROUNDS WITH GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET AND UNIFORM RESULTS. PATROL HEARD 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS APPROXIMATELY 5 MINUTES AFTER THE ROUNDS HAD BEEN FIRED. PATROL HEARD NO FURTHER FIRED FROM THE ARTILLERY PIECE. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNABLE TO OBSERVE.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: PHYSICAL: GOOD/MORALE: GOOD

8. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:

A. RECOMMENDATIONS: THAT PATROLS CARRY A STARLIGHT SCOPE IN THIS AREA DUE TO THE OPEN TERRAIN.

B. CONCLUSIONS: AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS LIGHT ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME. THE ENEMY APPEARS TO BE EMPLOYING MATS AND ARTILLERY FROM THE AREA TO THE WEST OF (C-2) AND (A-4).

9. FKZ'S: NUMEROUS THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

10. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: (NONE)
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DEBRIEF OF RECON PATROLS 3D TRL, 2D PLT "D" COMPANY (SHOVAR)

OPERATION REDUX: 606-60 (1501092) (SET LUNAR)

MAP: VIETNAM: 1ST ARN W/7000, AIR SERIES: L-7014, SHEET: 6342 II

DATE: 10 JUNE 1968

1. COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (5) ENLISTED (1) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (NONE)
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (1) AN/PRC 25 (1) PRO 93
   d. WEAPONRY: (1) 7.62 MACHINE GUN
   e. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 WITH (35) BR, (1) CS, (3) CONSIDER
   f. FIRECRACKERS: (1) LAW

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR
   ASSIGNED AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY.
   BE ESPECIALLY WATCHFUL FOR ENEMY ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT
   TO FRIENDLY FORCES AND INSTALLATIONS.

3. TIME OF DEBRIEF: 081500 (XD 917537) HH/LM/10400
   (XD 915526) HH/LM

4. ROUTE: FROM INSET CPT TO (XD 914534) TO (XD 912535) TO
   (XD 906523) TO (XD 906523) TO EXTRACT PT.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   (4)

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SYNOPSIS: 51 HOURS OF VC/NAI BUNKER BUILDING AND PATROLLING RESULTED IN ONE SHITFIK OF VC/NAI PATROL CALLED AT ARTILLERY MISSION OF 20 ROUNDS OF 105MM COPER TO我以为 TARGET AND RESULTING IN A LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION. PATROL FOUND TWO LARGE BUNKER AREAS WHICH APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN BUILT WITHIN THE PAST MONTH AND WHICH WAS VACATED APPROXIMATELY 24 HOURS BEFORE DISCOVERY. PATROL FOUND NUMEROUS 122MM ROCKET CASSETTES IN THIS AREA. THIS AREA REMAINS DODGE - HEAVY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME.

B. ENEMY:

(1) 0310 H (XD 9153) PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/NAI MOVING EAST VICTORY (XD 9253). ENEMY WORE HELMETS, CARRYING BRUSH COVERS, HEAVY PACKS, AND CARRIED UNIFORM TYPE WEAPONS. ONE ENEMY WORE A SLEEP HELMET AND THE OTHERS WERE BUSH COVERS. PATROL CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION OF 10 PUNCHED GREY ROUNDS WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET AND 3 VC/NAI KIA (C). AFTER ARTILLERY ROUNDS IMPACT, PATROL OBSERVED 9 MORE VC/NAI IN THE SAME AREA. THE ENEMY WORE HELMETS, HELMETS, HEAVY PACKS, NATURAL CAMOUFLAGE AND CARRIED A 10 FOOT POLE WITH A 5-6 FOOT LONG OBSTACLE STRAPPED TO THE POLE. THE ENEMY WAS WRAPPED IN SOME TYPE OF DARK GREY MATERIAL. THE ENEMY APPEARED TO BE VERY DISORGANIZED AND CONFUSED AFTER THE INITIAL ARTILLERY ROUNDS IMPACTED. THE ENEMY ATTEMPTED TO DRAG AWAY THE BODIES OF ENEMY KIA'S. PATROL CALLED ADDITIONAL 349 ROUNDS ON THE TARGET WITH GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET AND RESULTING IN A LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION. PATROL COULD NOT OBSERVE THE ENEMY AFTER THE ROUNDS IMPACTED. PATROL MOVED OUT OF THE AREA. PATROL CONTINUED SENTINEL OF THE AREA WHERE THE ENEMY WERE SEEN WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

C. TERRAIN: SLOPES MOUNTAINOUS 30-40 FEET HIGH WITH MODERATE UNDERGROWTH. LOI GROUND IS CHARACTERIZED BY THICK ELEPHANT GRASS 4-12 FEET HIGH AND DENSE UNDERGROWTH. GOOD OF STONE ON THE EDGE LINE FROM (XD 9053) TO (XD 9153). ADDITIONAL OF STONE (XD 907534) AND (XD 917535).

(1) COMMUNICATION: POOR WITH WIRE ANTENNA
(2) NATURAL POWER SOURCES: PLentiful, as indicated on the map.
(3) RATE OF MOVEMENT: 50-100 HOURS PER HOUR
(4) TRAILS:
1. (XD 907534) TO (XD 917537) A TRAIL 3 FEET WIDE WHICH DOES NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED. THE TRAILS WERE DEFINED.
2. (XD 907534) TO (XD 917537) A TRAIL 1-2 FEET WIDE WHICH APPEARS TO BE VERY WELL USED RECENTLY, POSSIBLY ON 9 OR 10 JUNE 1968.

D. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 1043 H (XD 91529) PATROL FOUND A BUNKER COMPLEX CONSISTING OF 10 POSSIBLY BUNKER BUNKERS. BUNKERS WERE 10-12 FEET LONG, 4 FEET WIDE, AND 9 FEET DEEP WITH 3 FEET OF LOG AND DIRT OVER HEAD, AND WHAT APPEARED TO BE 122MM ROCKET CASSETTES FILLED WITH DIRT WERE ALSO USED FOR OVERDAYS ON SOME OF THE BUNKERS. THE BUNKERS HAD LOG FLOORS AND APPEARED TO BE WELL ERECT. PATROL NOTED SEVERAL PILES
OF FRESHLY CUT BAMBOO STAKES IN THE AREA. PATROL FOUND NUMEROUS 122MM ROCKET GUNNERS, FUSE SHIFTER FLUGS, AND FUSE CAPS IN THE AREA. THERE WERE NUMEROUS FIGHTING HOLE THROUGHOUT THE AREA AS WELL AS TRENCHES CONNECTING SEVERAL OF THE BUNKERS.

PATROL OBSERVED NUMEROUS FRESHLY DUG TWO-FOUR MAN FIGHTING HOLES ALONG A TRAIL WHICH RUNS FROM (XD 911529) TO (XD 911528). THERE WERE ALSO SEVERAL BUNKERS SIMILAR TO THE 10 DISCOVERED AT (XD 911529) ALONG THE TRAIL. PATROL ALSO FOUND THE BEGINNINGS OF 10 ADDITIONAL BUNKERS IN THIS AREA. ONE OF THESE BUNKERS HAD BEEN BUILT WAS APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET LONG, 6 FEET WIDE AND WAS 2 FEET DEEP. THERE WERE TRENCHES AND FIGHTING HOLES CONNECTING THE BUNKERS IN THE AREA. PATROL OBSERVED NUMEROUS SMALL TRAILS BRANCHING OFF THE MAJOR TRAIL WHICH RUNS ALONG THE RIDGELINE FROM (XD 919530) TO (XD 908528). PATROL ESTIMATED THAT THERE WERE PERHAPS 30-40 BUNKERS ON THE SOUTH SLOPE OF THE RIDGELINE IN THIS AREA. THE PATROL NOTED THAT THERE HAD BEEN SOME TYPE OF CEREAL FRUIT SIMILAR TO KIMS PLACED ALONG THE TRAIL, APPROXIMATELY 10 FEET APART. THE FRUIT LOOKED AS THOUGH IT HAD BEEN PICKED ONLY SEVERAL HOURS BEFORE. THE PATROL ESTIMATED THAT THE BUNKERS HAD VACATED THE BUNKERS LESS THAN 24 HOURS BEFORE THE PATROL DISCOVERED THE AREA. PATROL HAD NO CONTACT AT THIS TIME. PATROL LIVED TOWARDS EXTRACTION POINT.

(2) 091100H (XD 912535) PATROL FOUND 5 HOOCHIES MADE OF BAMBOO VICTIMITY (XD 912535). THE HOOCHIES WERE APPROXIMATELY 6 FEET BY 8 FEET AND MADE OF ONE FOOT HIGH STICKS AND HAD THATCHED ROOFS.

THE AREA APPEARED AS THOUGH IT WOULD ACCOMMODATE APPROXIMATELY 30 MEN. PATROL FOUND VARIOUS SUPPLIES, SEVERAL SMALL PACKAGES OF RICE WRAPPED IN PLASTIC, AN OLD SUITCASE, AND SEVERAL EMPTY CAN TYPE CARTRIDGE CASINGS. THE PATROL ALSO FOUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE THE BEGINNING OF A BUNKER, WHICH WAS 3 FEET TALL, 6 FEET LONG AND 6 FEET WIDE. SEVERAL 6 INCH DIAMETER LOGS WERE PLACED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE HOLE. THE LOGS APPEARED TO BE INTENDED FOR A ROOF ON THE BUNKER. THE AREA, DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN USED IN THE PAST MONTH. PATROL CHECKED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL ALSO FOUND SERIES OF LEG-TO-FRAMES STRETCHED ALONG A TRAIL FROM (XD 915534) TO (XD 915535). THERE WERE TWO LEG-TO-FRAMES ABOUT EVERY 100 METERS ON THE TRAIL. PATROL ALSO NOTED SEVERAL PLATFORMS BUILT IN TREES ALONG THE TRAIL. THE LEG-TO-FRAMES AND PLATFORMS WERE AT LEAST 1 METER OLD AND HAD NOT BEEN RECENTLY USED.

(3) 092010H (XD 907534) PATROL OBSERVED 5 LIGHTS MOVING WEST VICTIMITY (XD 914530). THE LIGHTS WERE FLASHING ON AND OFF. THE PATROL OBSERVED THE LIGHTS FOR APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES, PATROL CAME TO THE AREA AND SERVEU WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   (a) ENEMY: 3 VC/NA KIA (c)
   (b) FRIENDLY: (none)
   (c) CAPTURED/ESCORTED: (3) 122MM ROCKET FUZE SHIP. FUSING PLUGS,
      (3) 122MM ROCKET FUZE GUNNERS.
7. CONDITION OF PATROLS: PHYSICAL: GOOD/MORALE: GOOD

8. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:
A. RECOMMENDATIONS: THAT TPQ'S BE CONDUCTED IN THIS AREA AS IT APPEARS TO BE A POSSIBLE ROCKET STORAGE AREA AS WELL AS A BASE CAMP AREA.
B. CONCLUSIONS: AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS MODERATE-HEAVY ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME. THIS AREA APPEARS TO BE A MAJOR ENEMY BASE CAMP WHICH APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN BUILT IN THE PAST MONTH. THERE IS POSSIBLY A 122MM ROCKET STORAGE AREA IN THIS REGION.

9. HLZ'S: (X-915528) SEE WILL ACCOMMODATE (1) 8L-46. SITE IS ON A FINGER WITH 4-5 FEET HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS. BEST APPROACH FROM THE SOUTHEAST.

10. DEBRIS REPORTS: A.C.'S REPORTED OBSERVING ROCKET POSITIONS IN THIS AREA AND THE THON SOI LAI AREA WAS HIT WITH ROCKET FROM THIS AREA DURING THE EARLY PART OF MAY.
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ATTN: AC OF S G-2
DESHRIEF OF RECON PATROL: 1ST FM, 3RD PLT, "A" CO. (JAW BREAKER)
OPERATION ORDER: P600-66
(CPL FUKAL)
MAP: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS SERIES: L-7014, SHEET: 6442 IV
DESHRIEF: LT. R. G. WALLS
DATE: 20 JUNE 1968

1. COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   A. COMPOSITION: (5) ENLISTED (1) OFFICER
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/FRC 25
   D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7X50 (1) STARLIGHT SCOPE
   E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) CLAYMORE MINE (2) M2 RIFLE GRENADES (2) M2 HAND GRENADES (6) PROTECTIVE MASK (2) CS GRENADES (1) CAMERA
   F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 50 HE (1) CS (1) OAKISTER (1) FIRECRACKER

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR ASSIGNED AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY. BE ESPECIALLY WATCHFUL FOR ENEMY ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT TO NEARBY FRIENDLY FORCES AND INSTALLATION.

3. TIME OF INSERT/EXTRACT: 06/0500H (YMD 72721) WALK / 10/1600H (YMD 72721) WALK

4. ROUTE: FM, INSERT POINT TO (YMD 72701) TO (YMD 69699) TO (YMD 69698) TO EXTRACT POINT.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   A. SYMPTOMS: 59 HOURS OF RECONNAISSANCE PATROLLING RESULTING IN 2 ENEMY SIGHTINGS TOTALING 110 VC/TN. PATROL FIRED 2 ARTILLERY MISSIONS TOTALING 92 ROUNDS RESULTING IN 1 VC/TN KIA(C). GUNSHIPS MADE ROCKET AND STRAFING RUNS ON SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITION. THIS AREA REVEALS HEAVY ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME.
B. ENEMY:


(3) 090815H (YMD69698) PATROL OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA MOVING WEST VICINITY (YMD75695). ENEMY WORE KHAKI'S AND CARRIED AN UNKNOWN TYPE WEAPON. ENEMY MOVED OUT OF SIGHT. PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE.

(4) 090830H (YMD69698) PATROL OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON A TRAIL VICINITY (YMD77692). ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, HELMETS, CARTRIDGE BELTS, LIGHT PACKS, AND 3 OF THE ENEMY CARRIED AK-47's. ONE OF THE ENEMY
CARRIED AN RPG. PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE. PATROL LOST SIGHT OF THE ENEMY IN THE BRUSH. WHEN THE ENEMY REAPPEARED, PATROL OBSERVED THAT AN ADDITIONAL VC/NVA HAD JOINED THE FOUR. PATROL BELIEVED THIS NEW MEMBER OF THE GROUP TO BE A FEMALE. ENEMY WORE DARK P.J. TOP AND GREY P.J. TROUSERS AND CARRIED NO WEAPON. ENEMY CONTINUED TO MOVE TO THE WEST. PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE. AN A.O. ON STATION CHECKED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(5) 091400H (YMD 69698) PATROL OBSERVED 12 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON A TRAIL VICINITY (YMD 77692). ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, HELMETS, CARTRIDGE BELTS, AND CARRIED AK-47's. PATROL LOST SIGHT OF THE ENEMY. PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE.


(7) 091730H (YMD 69698) PATROL OBSERVED FRIENDLY INFANTRY UNIT IN CONTACT VICINITY (YMD 69695). PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA VICINITY (YMD 71684) RUNNING EAST FROM THE CONTACT. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED UNKNOWN TYPE WEAPONS. PATROL LOST SIGHT OF THE ENEMY.

(8) 091800H (YMD 69698) PATROL OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 15 VC/NVA RUNNING EAST DOWN A STREAM BED VICINITY (YMD 77692). ENEMY WORE LIGHT GREEN UTILITIES, HEAVY PACKS, HELMETS, AND CARRIED UNKNOWN TYPE WEAPONS. PATROL OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 10 MORE VC/NVA MOVE OUT OF THE BRUSH VICINITY (YMD 77691), THE AREA OF A PREVIOUS SIGHTING. ENEMY WAS DRESSED SIMILARLY TO THE ENEMY SPOTTED RUNNING IN THE STREAM BED. PATROL CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION OF 30 ROUNDS AND 42 FIRECRACKER ROUNDS WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET AND RESULTING IN 1 VC/NVA KIA (C). PATROL CONTINUED TO ADJUST ARTILLERY AS ENEMY RAN TO THE EAST. 091930H FIVE GUNSHIPS ARRIVED ON STATION. GUNSHIPS MADE ROCKET AND STRAFING RUNS ON SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET AND UNKNOWN RESULTS. PATROL MOVED OUT OF THE AREA AND CONTINUED MISSION.
C. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH ELEPHANT GRASS AND SCRUB BUSH 3-5 FEET HIGH. SCATTERED AREA OF CANOPY 15-20 FEET HIGH WITH THICK UNDERGROWTH. NO GOOD OP SITES WERE ENCOUNTERED.
(1) COMMUNICATION: GOOD WITH WHIP ANTENNA. POOR WITH TAPE ANTENNA.
(2) NATURAL WATER SOURCES: AS INDICATED ON THE MAP, WATER SOURCES ARE DRYING RAPIDLY.
(3) RATE OF MOVEMENT: PATROL LEADERS DISCRETION.
(4) TRAILS: (YD172698) A TRAIL 3-4 FT. WIDE RUNNING WEST TO EAST WHICH IS INDICATED ON THE MAP. THE TRAIL APPEARS TO BE HEAVILY USED. MOVEMENT APPEARS TO BE PRIMARILY WEST TO EAST. THERE ARE NUMEROUS TRAILS THROUGHOUT THE AREA WHICH APPEAR TO BE WELL USED.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

D. OTHER INFORMATION: 0900-00H (YD173701) PATROL FOUND A HOLE APPROXIMATELY 2 FT WIDE AND 20-30 FT DEEP. THE HOLE WENT STRAIGHT DOWN APPROXIMATELY 10 FT. AND THEN CURVED TO THE EAST. PATROL NOTED NO DIRT AROUND THE HOLE. THE HOLE WAS CAMOUFLAGED WITH BRUSH. PATROL ALSO OBSERVED 2 SIMILAR HOLES VICTIM (YD69697) AND (YD69699). THESE HOLES WERE NOT CAMOUFLAGED. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

0920-00H (YD69699) PATROL FOUND APPROXIMATELY 10-15 TWO MAN FIGHTING HOLES VICINITY (YD69699). HOLES APPEARED TO BE MORE THAN A WEEK OLD. PATROL FOUND FRESHLY CUT GRASS LAID IN THE HOLES. SEVERAL OF THE FIGHTING HOLES WERE WELL CAMOUFLAGED. PATROL CHECKED OUT THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

A. ENEMY: 1 VC/NVA KIA (0)
B. FRIENDLY: NONE
C. CAPTURE/EQUIPMENT: NONE
7. CONDITION OF PATROL: PHYSICAL: GOOD MORALE: GOOD
8. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:
RECOMMENDATIONS: THAT PATROLS CONTINUE TO OPERATE IN THIS AREA. THAT PATROLS MAKE MAXIMUM USE OF NATURAL CAMOUFLAGE DUE TO POOR COVER AND CONCEALMENT IN THIS AREA.
CONCLUSIONS:
6. AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS: HEAVY ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME. ENEMY APPEARS TO BE OPERATING EXTENSIVELY IN THIS AREA, POSSIBLE FROM FORTIFIED AREAS.

9. HEL'S:
(2) (YD70705) SITE WILL ACCOMODATE: 2 (US 46) SITE IS WHAT: KNOCK TERRAIN FEATURES: LOW BUSH BEST APPROACH: ANY DIRECTION OBSTACLES IN APPROACH: NONE

10. DEBRIEFER'S COMMENTS: NONE

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DECEMBER 15 1968

TO: 12th Marine
FROM: 3d Marine Corps

SUBJECT: 150939

1. OBJECTION AND EQUIPMENT
A. OBSERVED ERH
B. SPECIFIC ATTACHMENTS: (1) USMC Dog Handler
C. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AT/PRO 25
D. TACTICAL ORIENTATION: (1) GIRL
E. SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT: (4) GASP CREATION MACHINES, (3) UP AND DOWN GROUND
F. SPECIFIC WEAPONS: (1) M-75 WITH (40) H.E. (10) CANNIBAL
G. RECALL

2. DESIGN AT ANY LOCATION AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR AREA TO DELIBERATE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF MILITARY ACTIVITY. BE ESPECIALLY CAREFUL FOR MILITARY ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT TO FRIENDS AND INSTALLATIONS.

3. RANGE OF OBSERVATION: 090700 (TD 132646) WALK/120730

4. RANGE OF OBSERVATION: 070700 (TD 132646) WALK

5. OBSERVATION OF MILITARY TERRAIN:

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A. SYNOPSIS: 72 1/2 HOURS OF DAILY ASSAULTS PATROLLING RESULTED IN 6 ENCOUNTERS BETWEEN VC/NAVA AND NO ENEMY CONTACTS. A.0. BEGAN WORKING WITH PATROL DIRECTED 3 FIXED WING AIRSTRIKES AND ONE FLIGHT OF GUNSHIPS RESULTED IN 6 KIA AND NUMEROS LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. PATROL CALLED ONE ARTILLERY MISSION OF 15 ROUNDS WITH GOOD COVERAGE AND RESULTED IN 2 LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. PATROL OBSERVED PCP APPEARED TO BE A CAMOUFLAGED VEHICLE WHICH IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN DESTROYED. AREA REMAINS HEAVY ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME.

B. ENCOUNTERS:
(1) 0914H (YD 11562) PATROL OBSERVED ONE VC/NA VA MOVING WEST VICTIM (YD 10565). ENEMY WORE BLACKS, ARMS AND EQUIPMENT COULD NOT BE OBSERVED. PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE.
(2) 0920H (YD 11562) PATROL OBSERVED TWO VC/NA MOVING WEST ON A TRAIL VICTIM (YD 10567). ENEMY WORE BLACK CAMOUFLAGED UNIFORMS. NO EQUIPMENT COULD BE OBSERVED. PATROL OBSERVED ONE UNCONFIRMED TYPE WEAPONS, LITEY HIDDEN OUT OF SIGHT. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.
(3) 0916H (YD 11564) PATROL HEARD WHAT SOUNDED LIKE A TRAFFIC VEHICLE AT LEAST 1000 METERS TO THE EAST OF THE PATROLS POSITION. PATROL COULD NOT DETERMINE LOCATION OF THE VEHICLE. PATROL HEARD THE VEHICLE PASS WITH A 30 MINUTE PERIOD. PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.
(4) 0910H (YD 11565) PATROL MOVING TOWARD A HILL OR HILL WHEN SOUND OF FIRE WAS HEARD. PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NA IN A HOLLOW OUT AREA ON THE EAST 300 METERS TO THE WEST. ENEMY HAD OBSERVED PATROL AND WAS MOVING OUT OF THE AREA. PATROL MOVED OUT OF THE AREA AND CONTINUED MISSION.
(5) 1009H (YD 10765) PATROL OBSERVED 9 VC/NA MOVING AROUND IN A TRAFFIC VICTIM (YD 09669). ENEMY WORE BLACKS AND BLACK PJS. PATROL OBSERVED SEVERAL UNCONFIRMED TYPE WEAPONS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT COULD BE OBSERVED. PATROL ESTIMATED THAT THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 40 VC/NA IN THIS AREA. A.0. REPORTED THAT THERE WERE NUMEROUS BUNKERS ON THE HILL AND THAT THE VC/NA MOVING AROUND THE AREA A.0. CALLED GUNSHIPS WHICH MADE STRIKES AND MOVED IN DIFFERENT POSITIONS RESULTING IN 3 VC/NA KIA. GUNSHIPS RECEIVED HEAVY GROUND FIRE DURING THE RUN. FIRESEEN TO BE FROM MACHINE GUN AND HEAVY MACHINE GUN, POSSIBLY 50 CAL. A.0. REPORTED ON FULL AIDS WAS FORCED TO LEAVE. PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE.
(6) 1112H (YD 10767) PATROL OBSERVED BUSH MOVING ALONG THE TOP OF HILL 84 VICTIM (YD 09280). THE BUSH WAS APPROXIMATELY THE SIZE OF 6X6 TRUCK AND APPEARED TO MOVING FROM 5-7 MILES PER HOUR. PATROL OBSERVED THE BUSH MOVE 50-100 METERS AND THEN STOP. AN A.0. CALLED ON STATION. A.0. OBSERVED THE BUSH AND ALSO OBSERVED VC/NA MOVING IN BUNKERS ON THE TOP OF THE HILL. A.0. DIRECTED FIXED WING AIRSTRIKES ON THE BUNKERS WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET AND RESULTING
1143h (X 111630) Patrol observed the bush while they had previously searched the hill vicinity (X 092620). The bush was back to the top of the hill. At this time Patrol observed 1 x 120mm NVA running from the top of the hill where the secondaries occurred. At 1200, arrested on station and spotted 1 x 25mm NVA moving around the top of the hill. A.O. directed near-miss fire on the area and reported destroying 8 bunkers and 20 feet of trench line. A.O. spotted 2 mortar positions at this time the hill appeared to have tubes in them. A.O. was forced to leave due to lack of fuel. Patrol observed 2 x 120mm NVA move out of the bunkers and dug 2 28mm back into a trench line. Patrol ceased in artillery on hill of 15 rounds on the hilltop with good cover of targets and unknown results. At 1144h Patrol observed a large secondary explosion from the hill. 1144h A.O. arrived on station and eliminated four A.I. positions on the hilltop. At this time A.O. reported spotting light 140mm NVA in the bunkered area. The A.O. named target with a WP rocket. A.O. directed fixed-wing aircraft with good cover on the targets and unknown results. Fixed-wing aircraft sustained the airstrikes. At 1154h Patrol observed a large secondary explosion followed by dense black smoke. Patrol observed plumes and dense black smoke coming from a cave or bunker on the western face of the hill. At 1154h A.O. spotted two mortar position vicinities of the hill. 000h A.O. reported observing numerous 120mm NVA across the bunkered area on the hill.

**Note:** The document is marked as CONFIDENTIAL.
(4) TRAILS: MAJOR TRAILS ARE INDICATED ON THE MAP. TRAILS APPEAR TO BE WELL USED. GENERAL TREND OF MOVEMENT APPEARS TO BE NORTH TO SOUTH.

D. OTHER INFORMATION: (NONE)

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
   A. ENEMY: 6 VU/IVA BATS
   B. FRIENDLY: (NONE)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: PHYSICAL: OUTSTANDING/MORALE: OUTSTANDING

8. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:
   A. RECOMMENDATIONS:
      (1) THAT PATROLS CONTINUE TO KEEP THE AREA UNDER SURVEILLANCE.
      (2) THAT PATROLS UTILIZE SOUT DOGS IN THIS AREA.

   B. CONCLUSIONS: AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS HEAVY ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME. ENEMY APPEARS TO BE UTILIZING HILL 84 (ID 092625) EXTENSIVELY. THE ENEMY APPEARS TO HAVE ESTABLISHED NUMEROUS BUNKERS IN THE AREA. THE BUNKER CONCEIVED BY THE PATROL APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN SOME TYPE OF VEHICLE, POSSIBLY A TRACKED AA VEHICLE.

9. HEL'S:
   (1) (ID 116625) SOUT WIL ACCOMODATE (5) GH-46'S, SIZE IS ON A HILLTOP WITH LOW BRUSH. BEST APPROACH FROM THE SOUTH.
   (2) (ID 10565) SOUT WIL ACCOMODATE (3) GH-46'S, SIZE IS ON A PINNED WITH LOW BRUSH. BEST APPROACH FROM THE SOUTH.

10. DEBRIEFER OPHELIS: (NONE)
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DESEREB OF RECON PATROLS 2D TH, 1ST PH "C" COMPANY (CORPSAL PARK)
OPERATION ORDER: 62A-68 (306-35-2) (CP L8CM)
MAP: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AHS SERIES: L7014, SHEET: 6342 I
DESEREBER: LT. R. G. VALLS DATE: 13 JUNE 1968

1. COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   A. COMPOSITION: (4) RADIOSED (1) USB
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (1) KIT CARSON SCOUT
   C. COMBINATION EQUIPMENT: (1) AN/PEQ 25 (1) PEQ 93
   D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7X50 (1) STARLIGHT SCOPE
   E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) CLAYMORE MINES, (5) PROTECTIVE MASKS,
                              (5) CS GRENADES
   F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (PAM)

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR
   ASSIGNED AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY.
   BE ESPECIALLY VACUROUS FOR ENEMY ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT
   TO FRIENDLY FORCES AND INSTALLATIONS.

3. TIME OF INSERT/EXTRACT: 121330 (TD 137615) WAG/1312CH
   (TD 114625) HELO

4. NOTE: PM INSERT PT TO (TD 121626) TO (TD 121628) TO
   (TD 118649) TO (TD 114624) TO (TD 105625) TO (TD 105627) TO
   (TD 105627) TO (TD 105624) TO EXTRACT PT.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   DECLASIFIED

B. ENEMY:

1. 122000 (YD 119614) PATROL MOVED OUT OF AN OP SITE VICINITY (YD 121614) AND MOVED TO A HARBOR SITES VICINITY (YD 119614). PATROL OBSERVED HEAVY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE BEING DIRECTED AT THE OP SITE (YD 121614). PATROL ESTIMATED THAT THE FIRE WAS COMING FROM A .50 CAL. MACHINE GUN APPROXIMATELY 100-150 METERS TO THE NORTHWEST OF THE PATROLS POSITION. THE ENEMY FIRED 10-15 ROUNDS AT THE OP SITE. PATROL MOVED OUT OF THE AREA AND CONTINUED TO OBSERVE THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

2. 131030 (YD 100627) PATROL OBSERVED ONE VC/IVA MOVING SOUTH-EAST OF A TRAIL APPROXIMATELY 15 METERS FROM THE PATROLS POSITION. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, BUS COVER, CARTRIDGE BAG, AND CARRIED AN AK-47. ENEMY MOVED OUT OF SIGHT. PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE.

3. 131112H PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/IVA WHO HAD CRAWLED WITHIN 10 FEET OF THE PATROLS POSITION FROM THE NORTHWEST. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, NO COVERS, CARTRIDGE BAGS, AND CARRIED AK-47'S. PATROL NOTED THAT THE ENEMY VISA THAT APPEARED TO BE CLOTH MADE TAGS ACROSS THE SHIRT POCKET ON THEIR UTILITIES. THE TAGS WERE BLUE WITH WHITE WRITING. PATROL ALSO NOTED THAT TWO OF THE ENEMY WERE CIRCULAR PATCHES ON THE SHOULDER OF THEIR UTILITIES. THE PATCH WAS APPROXIMATELY 3 INCHES IN DIAMETER AND WAS COLORED GOOD WITH DIAGONAL WHITE STRIPES RUNNING ACROSS THE PATCH. ENEMY RAISED UP AND PATROL INITIATED SAF RESULTING IN 3 VC/IVA KIA (C). PATROL ATTEMPTED TO MOVE UP TO CHECK BODIES AND CAPTURE WEAPONS BUT BEGAN TO RECEIVE HEAVY SA/SA. PATROL OBSERVED 3 MORE VC/IVA MOVING UP TO THE BODIES FROM THE NORTH-SOUTH. ENEMY APPEARED TO BE MOVING UP BY FIRE AND MANEUVER. PATROL OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 15 MORE VC/IVA MOVING TOWARD THE PATROLS POSITION ON A TRAIL FROM THE NORTH-SOUTH. PATROL ESTIMATED IT HAD MADE CONTACT WITH 20-25 VC/IVA. PATROL MOVED APPROXIMATELY 200 METERS TO THE SOUTHWEST. ENEMY ATTEMPTED TO FOLLOW PATROL. PATROL ESTABLISHED A DEFENSIVE POSITION AN A.O. ARRIVED ON SCENION. THE A.O. STRUCK THE AREA WITH AN M-16 RESULTING IN KILLING AT LEAST ONE VC/IVA. THE A.O. DIRECTED ARTILLERY MISSIONS OF APPROXIMATELY 150 ROUNDS WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET AND UNKOWN RESULTS. MOVEMENT CEASED. GUNSHIP ARRIVED ON STATION AND MADE ROCKET AND STAFFING ROUNDS ON ENEMY POSITIONS. GUNSHIP RECEIVED AFB FROM THE NORTHWEST DURING ROUNDS. PATROL MOVED TO AN ILZ AND TRANSPORT HELO EXTRACTED PATROL. TRANSPORT HELO DID NOT RECEIVE FIRE DURING THE EXTRACTATION.
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C. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH ELEPHANT GRASS AND THICK BRUSH 4-5 FEET HIGH. SCATTERED AREAS OF CANOPY 15-20 FEET WITH THICK UNDERBUSH IN THE DRAVEY. GOOD CP SITES (YD 107625) AND (YD 024625).

1. COMMUNICATION: GOOD WITH TAP ANTENNA
2. NATURAL WATER SOURCES: AS INDICATED ON THE MAP
3. RATE OF MOVEMENT: PATROL LEADERS DISCRETION
4. TRAIL: NUMBER TRAILS THROUGHOUT THE AREA WHICH APPEAR TO BE WELL USED. MOVEMENT APPEARS TO BE GENERALLY NORTH AND SOUTH.

D. OTHER INFORMATION: (NONE)

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
A. ENEMY: 3 VC/IVA KIA (0)
B. FRIENDLY: (NONE)

7. CONDITION OF PATROLS: PHYSICAL: GOOD/MORALE: GOOD

8. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:
A. RECOMMENDATIONS: THAT PATROLS MOVE INTO THIS AREA AT NIGHT DUE TO THE LACK OF COVER AND CONCEALMENT.
B. CONCLUSIONS: AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS HEAVY ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME. THERE APPEARS TO BE A SUBSTANTIAL SIZE ENEMY FORCE OPERATING IN THE AREA.
9. HLS'S: NUMERUS THROUGHOUT THE AREA.
10. DESIRED CORRECTIONS: (NONE)

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RECEIVED BY: FMT 53, G. AREOLA 11/7

ACTION: IMMEDIATE

INFO: ROUTINE

DAY: 22/0959 2JUNE 68

TO: CG THIRD MAR DIV

FROM: CG III MAF

SUBJ: MAG-88 THREE VANE G-20

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ATTACH AC OF S-92

RTRRPT OF BLOCK RECON 22 JUL 68 D IN COMPANY (MAILANAS)

OPERATION ORDER 62-66 (220959 3) (CFL MIRLAC)

MAPS VIETNAM 1570000 A/B SERIES L-7014a H/36: 6542 XX

EXECUTION: 16 JUNE 1968

1. COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

II. COMPOSITION: (2) ENGERT, (1) USAH

3. SPECIAL ATTACHES: (NA):

4. COMMUNICATIONS: (1) IN/SEC 25, (1) FRC 93

5. OBSERVATORY: (2) JZXO, (1) METASCOPE

6. SPECIAL ANCHOR: (2) CLAYMORE MINE, (2) CS GRENADES

7. SPECIAL PURPOSE: (1) H-79 VDN (40) HE, (8) CAMEX

8. FHIBRAID:

9. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR

ASSIGNED AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY

ESPECIALLY DANGEROUS FOR NIGHT ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT

TO FRIENDLY FORCES AND INSTALLATIONS:

3. THE OF EORL RECON: 13120CH (TD 045509) H/36/161200H

(MD 025507) H/30

4. ROUGH: FG IRVIN 14 TO (TD 054512) TO (TD 035510) TO

(MD 07512) TO ENTRANCE PT.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TBLS:

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SYNOPSIS: 72 HOURS OF RECONNAISSANCE PATROLLING RESULTED IN NO ENEMY SIGHTINGS TOTALING 19 VC/NVA AND NO ENEMY CONTACTS. PATROL CALLED 3 ARTILLERY MISSIONS TOTALING 76 ROUNDS REQUIRED IN 4 VC/NVA KIA/C. THIS AREA REVEALS INCREASED ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME.

1. ENEMY:
   1) 141900 (ID 027512) PATROL OBSERVED 7 VC/NVA IN A BOMB CRATER MOVING SOUTHEAST TO NOCTURNAL VICINITY (ID 038909). ENEMY WORE DARK UNIFORMS. WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT COULD NOT BE OBSERVED. PATROL CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION OF 40 ROUNDS WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET AND UNIDENTIFIED RESULTS. 16 BOUNDS OF THE MISSION MISHAPCRAKER. PATROL CONTINUED OBSERVATION WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.
   2) 154200 (ID 027512) PATROL OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH TO EAST VICINITY (ID 028297). ENEMY WORE DARK UNIFORMS AND CARRIED UNKNOWN TYPE WEAPONS. OTHER EQUIPMENT COULD NOT BE OBSERVED. PATROL CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION 16 ROUNDS WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET MOVING IN VC/NVA AREA (C). PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING TO THE EAST UP THE RIDGELINE VICINITY (ID 024926). PATROL LOST SIGHT OF THE ENEMY. PATROL CONTINUED TO OBSERVE THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.
   3) 155900 (ID 027512) PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING EAST TO EAST VICINITY (ID 035294). ENEMY WORE BLACK PJS AND CARRIED UNKNOWN TYPE WEAPONS. PATROL CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION OF 16 ROUNDS WITH UNIDENTIFIED RESULTS. PATROL CONTINUED TO OBSERVE THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

2. TERRAIN: SCARP HILLS WITH 40 FEET HIGH CANOPY AND THICK UNDERGROWTH. GOOD OP SITES (ID 026512) AFFORDS GOOD OBSERVATION IN ALL DIRECTIONS.

3. COMMUNICATION: GOOD IN HIGH GROUND WITH TAPE ANTENNA.

4. NATURAL WATER SOURCES AS INDICATED ON THE MAP.

5. RATES OF MOVEMENT: PATROL LEADERS DISCRETION IN OPEN AREAS 75-100 METERS PER HOUR IN THE CANTOPIED AREAS.

6. TRAILS:
   a) (ID 032518) (ID 028514) A TRAIL 2-3 FEET WIDE WHICH DOES APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED AS THE TRAIL IS PARTIALLY WEATHERED.
   b) (ID 026510) - (ID 035515) A TRAIL 3-4 FEET WIDE WHICH IS WELL DEFINED. TRAIL DOES NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:
   a) 140100 (ID 027512) PATROL OBSERVED 3 LIGHTS MOVING EAST ON RIDGELINE VICINITY (ID 025902). THE LIGHTS THEN MOVED BACK TOWARD TO NORTHWEST. PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION OF 27 ROUNDS WITH UNIDENTIFIED RESULTS. LIGHTS REMAINED. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.
(2) L/M 24CH (TD 032511) PATROL FOUND A COMPANY SIZE HABITAT IN THE VICINITY (TD 032511). THE HABITAT WAS AT LEAST SIX FEET OLD AND APPEARED AS THOUGH IT WOULD ACCOMMODATE AT LEAST SIX PERSONS. THE SITES DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED. PATROL CHECKED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

(3) 131216 (TD 043509) PATROL FOUND A TRIPOD MADE OF STICKS IN THE VICINITY (TD 043509). THE TRIPOD WAS APPROXIMATELY 10 FEET HIGH AND APPEARED TO BE AT LEAST 2-4 WEEKS OLD. PATROL DISCOVERED ANOTHER TRIPOD APPROXIMATELY 10 FEET FURTHER DOWN THE TRAIL LAYING ON THE GROUND. THE TRAIL IS 1-2 FEET WIDE AND APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED. THE TRAIL IS INDICATED ON THE MAP. PATROL CHECKED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(4) 131225 (TD 044509) PATROL FOUND ONE DUD 60MM MORTAR ROUND IN THE VICINITY (TD 044509). THE MORTAR APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN IN THE AREA LESS THAN A WEEK. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

b) RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 4 VC/NVA KIA (C)

2) CONDITION OF PATROL: PHYSICAL: GOOD/MORALE: GOOD

3) RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:

b) RECOMMENDATIONS: CONDUCT AN AREA SURVEY TO REVEAL THE HIGH RISK AREA.

c) CONCLUSIONS: AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS LIGHT-MODERATE ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME. THE ENEMY APPEARS TO BE MOVING TOWARD THE AREA. PATROL CONDUCTED A SURVEY OF THE AREA AND NOTED NONE OF INTEREST.

4) (TD 023507) SITE WILL ACCOMMODATE (1) CH-46. SITE IS ON THE HIGH GRASS. PATROL REPORTED THAT THE HIGH GRASS HAD BEEN BURNED OFF AT 50-75 FEET.

5) (TD 042509) SITE WILL ACCOMMODATE (1) CH-46. SITE IS ON THE HIGH GRASS. PATROL REPORTED THAT THE HIGH GRASS HAD BEEN BURNED OFF AT 50-75 FEET.

6) HELICOPTER CONSIDERATIONS: (NOTE)
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RE: RECON IN

TO: CG THIRD MARDIV

FROM: CG III MAF

BY: O. APT. 0.

BE: MO

1. COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   a. COMPOSITION: (7) INFANTRY (4) USN
   b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (NONE)
   c. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
   d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7X50
   e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) CLAYMORE MINES, (2) WP HAND GRENADES
   f. PROTECTIVE GEAR: (2) CS GRENADES
   g. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 WITH (82) BD

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR
   ASSIGNED AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY.
   BE ESPECIALLY WATCHFUL FOR ACTIVE ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT
   TO FRIENDLY FORCES AND INSTALLATIONS.

3. TIME OF INSERT/EXTRACT: 141630H (KD 983544) WALK/161800H
   (XD 983544) WALK

4. SPOT REPORT IN LITG OF PATROL REPORT:

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141700H (XD 973549) PATROL MOVING NORTHWEST WHEN PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT ON A RIDGELINE APPROXIMATELY 50 METERS TO THE NORTH OF THE PATROLS POSITION. PATROL MADE A SECURITY HUNT. PATROL OBSERVED 8-10 VC/INVA MOVING NORTHWEST ON A TRAIL APPROXIMATELY 50 METERS TO THE NORTH. ENEMY WORE BLAKIS, BUSH COVERS, LIGHT PACKS, CARTRIDGE BELTS, ROCKS, AND CARRIED CARBINES AND AK-47'S. PATROL INITIATED SAP AND ENEMY RETURNED FIRE IMMEDIATELY. IT APPEARED AS THOUGH THE ENEMY WAS ATTEMPTING TO GET ON LINE. THE ENEMY SUFFERED KIA (0). PATROL BROKE CONTACT AND MOVED BACK TO THE SOUTHEAST. ENEMY PURSUED THE PATROL BY FIRE AND BEGAN TO FOLLOW PATROL. ENEMY FOLLOWED THE PATROL FOR 200-300 METERS. DUSKERS FROM FRIENDLY POSITION DELIVERED FIRE ON THE ENEMY. ENEMY MOVED OUT TO THE WEST. PATROL RETURNED TO FRIENDLY POSITION.

DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: AN INFANTRY UNIT MADE CONTACT WITH AN ASSOCIATED 10-12 VC/INVA IN THE SAME GENERAL AREA AT APPROXIMATELY 141400H JULY 1968.

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DEBRIEF OF RECON PATROL: 2D TM, 3D PLT "A" COMPANY (MARABOL)
OPERATION ORDER: 644-68

MAP: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS SERIES: L-7014, SHEETS 6442 XII & IV
DEBRIEFER: LT. R. G. WALLS
DATE: 19 JUNE 1968

1. COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
   A. COMPOSITION: (2) OFFICER, (5) ENLISTED, (1) USN
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (NONE)
   C. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
   D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) 7X50
   E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) CLAYMORE MINES, (7) PROTECTIVE MASKS,
   (7) 75MM GRENADES
   F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 WITH (50) HE, (10) CANISTER

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR
   ASSIGNED AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY.
   BE ESPECIALLY WATCHFUL FOR ENEMY ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT TO
   NEARBY FRIENDLY FORCES AND INSTALLATIONS.

3. TIME OF INSERT/EXTRACT: 013000 (YD 151523) HELO/191000
   (YD 169541) HELO
4. ROUTE: FM INSERT PT TO (YD 161527) TO (YD 163528) TO
   (YD 160532) TO EXTRACT PT.
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
A. SYNOPSIS: 71 HOURS OF RECONNAISSANCE PATROLLING RESULTED IN 2 ENEMY SIGHTINGS TOTALING 10 VC/NVA AND ONE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 20-30 VC/NVA. AS A RESULT OF THE CONTACT, THE ENEMY SUFFERED 8 VC/NVA KIA (C). PATROL CALLED 2 ARTILLERY MISSIONS TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 100 ROUNDS. SPOOKY MADE STRAW RUMPS IN THE AREA. AREA REVEALS INCREASED ENEMY ACTIVITY.

B. ENEMY:

1619UT (TD 163528) PATROL OBSERVED 6 VC/NVA MOVING EAST ALONG A STREAM VICINITY (TD 162530). ENEMY WERE DRESSED IN GREEN UTILITIES AND KEAKS, PACKS, SOME WORE BUSH COVERS, AND ALL ENEMY CARRY 2-47's. PATROL MOVED 75-100 METERS FURTHER INTO THE CANOPY. PATROL LEFT THE ENEMY UNDER SURVEILLANCE. ENEMY MOVED WITHIN 30-50 METERS OF THE PATROL.

1619UT PATROL OBSERVED 4 MORE VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH VICINITY (TD 164526). ENEMY WERE DRESSED SIMILARLY TO THE ENEMY PREVIOUSLY OBSERVED. ONE VC/NVA CARRIED A FLASHLIGHT. PATROL FELT THAT THE ENEMY HAD SPOTTED PATROL AND WAS TRYING TO MOVE TO THE PATROL'S FLANK. PATROL MOVED INTO A HARBOUR SITE VICINITY (TD 16127). PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT OF AN ESTIMATED 8-10 ENEMY APPROXIMATELY 15 METERS TO THE WEST OF THE PATROLS POSITION. ENEMY CARRIED FLASHLIGHTS AND APPEARED TO BE SEARCHING FOR THE PATROL. PATROL ALSO HEARD MOVEMENT TO THE SOUTH, SOUTHWEST AND NORTH OF THE PATROLS POSITION. PATROL ESTIMATED THAT THERE WERE 20-25 ENEMY WITHIN 30 METERS OF THE PATROLS POSITION.

PATROL THREW GRENADES RESULTING IN ONE VC/NVA KIA (C). AT THIS TIME ONE ENEMY MOVED WITHIN 4 METERS OF PATROLS POSITION AND SHINNED A FLASHLIGHT ON ONE MEMBER OF THE PATROL. ANOTHER PATROL MEMBER INITIATED BAY RESULTING IN ONE VC/NVA KIA (C). PATROL OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA IN FRONT OF ONE OF THEIR CLAMBO MINES. PATROL ANNIHILATED CLAMBO MINE RESULTING IN 2 VC/NVA KIA (C). PATROL DESTROYED ANOTHER CLAMBO, THREW GRENADES AND INITIATED BAY. PATROL MOVED OUT OF THE HARBOUR SITE AND OBSERVED ONE VC/NVA WITH A FLASHLIGHT APPROXIMATELY 15 METERS FROM THE PATROL. PATROL INITIATED BAY RESULTING IN ONE VC/NVA KIA (C). ENEMY RETURNED BAY AS THE PATROL MOVED OUT OF THE HARBOUR SITE. PATROL THREW A GRENADE AND MOVED TO THE SOUTHEAST APPROXIMATELY 100 METERS. PATROL OBSERVED SEVERAL FLASHLIGHTS IN THE AREA AS WELL AS A CAMP FIRE 100-200 METERS SOUTH OF THE PREVIOUS HARBOUR SITE. PATROL CONTINUED TO MOVE TO THE SOUTHEAST AND CALLED TWO ARTILLERY MISSIONS TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 100 ROUNDS. WITH GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET AND UNKNOWN RESULTS. PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT OF ENEMY ATTEMPTING TO FOLLOW THE PATROL. PATROL OBSERVED ONE FLASHLIGHT BEHIND THEM. SPOOKY ARRIVED ON STATION AND DROPPED SEVERAL FLARES. PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA HIT THE BUSH APPROXIMATELY 15 METERS FROM THE PATROLS POSITION. PATROL WAS IN A DEFENSIVE POSITION IN A SMALL DRY CREEK BED. PATROL THREW GRENADES AT THE ENEMY RESULTING IN 3 VC/NVA KIA (C). SPOOKY MADE STRAW RUMPS THROUGHOUT THE AREA. 1000UT PATROL MOVED INTO A HARBOUR SITE VICINITY (TD 164532). PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
C. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH ELEPHANT GRASS 8-10 FEET HIGH AND SCATTERED AREAS OF CANOPY WITH THICK UNDERGROWTH. IN THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF THE RUIN ZONE, NORTHERN PORTION OF THE RUIN ZONE CHARACTERIZED WITH LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH SCRUB BRUSH 2-4 FEET HIGH AND SCATTERED AREAS OF CANOPY 10-20 FEET HIGH NEAR THE STREAMS AND RIVERS. GOOD OR SITE AT (TD 15557). 

1. COMMUNICATION: GOOD WITH TAPE ANTENNA
2. NATURAL WATER SOURCES: AS INDICATED ON THE MAP. NATURAL WATER SOURCES ARE DRYING RAPIDLY.
3. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 300-400 METERS PER HOUR
4. TRAILS: NUMEROUS TRAILS THROUGHOUT THE AREA. TRAILS RUN GENERALLY NORTH AND SOUTH AND APPEAR TO BE HEAVILY USED. (TD 156540) - (TD 158520) TRAIL INDICATED ON THE MAP IS 2-3 FEET WIDE AND IS VERY WELL DEFINED. TRAIL APPEARS TO BE WALKABLE

D. OTHER INFORMATION:
170735H (TD 160532) PATROL MOVED UP TO THE TOP OF HILL 42 (TD 160532). PATROL OBSERVED NUMEROUS FRESH TRAILS MADE THROUGH THE ELEPHANT GRASS. THE TRAILS WERE HEADING NORTH AND APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN MADE WITHIN THE PAST 24 HOURS. PATROL FOUND THE REMAINS OF A SMALL CAMP FIRE IN VICINITY (TD 15557). THE FIRE SITE APPEARED TO BE 2-3 DAYS OLD. PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE.

E. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
A. KIA: 0 VG/EWA KIA (C)
B. WOUNDED (NONE)

F. CONDITION OF PATRUL: PHYSICAL: GOOD/MORALE: GOOD

G. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:
A. RECOMMENDATIONS: (NONE)
B. CONCLUSIONS: AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS MODERATE ENEMY ACTIVITY.

1. AT THE PRESENT TIME, ENEMY APPEARS TO BE INTEGRATING THROUGH THE AREA TO THE NORTH. PATROL OBSERVED NUMEROUS FRESH TRAILS HEADING NORTH THROUGH THE ELEPHANT GRASS.

2. FURTHER INTEGRATING THROUGH THE AREA.

3. DEBRIS OR COMBINED THROUGH THE AREA.

4. DEBRIS OR COMBINED (NONE)

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SYNOPSIS: 100 1/2 HOURS OF SURVEILLANCE REQUIRED IN TWO ENEMY
SITUATIONS TOTALING 900 VC/NVA. PAROL LEADER ESTABLISHED A RADIO RELAY ON HILL
349 (X0 097377). PAROL LEADER WAS CAPTURED BY 3 VC/NVA APPROXIMATELY
3 MILES FROM PAROL LEADER'S POSITION. PAROL LEADER ESCAPED AFTER SEVERAL
HOURES AND LINKED UP WITH A REACTION FORC. AREA REVEALS MINI ACTIVITY
AT THE PRESENT TIME.

B. ENEMY:

(1) 21100H (X0 097377) PAROL LEADER AND ANOTHER PAROL MEMBER HAD
BEEN IN OR ON THE NORTHWESTERN SLOPE OF HILL 349, APPROXIMATELY
3-5 MILES FROM RECONNAISSANCE POSITIONS. BOTH MEN RETURNED TO PAROL
POSITION ON THE TOP OF THE HILL. PAROL LEADER RETURNED TO THE AREA
TO PICK UP EQUIPMENT. WHILE PREPARING TO MOVE BACK TO THE POSITION,
PAROL LEADER SPOTTED THE VC/NVA WITH A PISTOL POINTED AT PAROL
LEADER'S HEAD APPROXIMATELY 5 FEET AWAY. PAROL LEADER HAD LAY HIS
WEAPONS ASIDE TO PUT ON HIS PACK. THE VC/NVA MOTIONED THE PAROL
LEADER TO MOVE TOWARD HILL. EIGHTY VC/NVA UTILITIES, NEW LEATHER
BOOTS, BUS COVERING HAD AN AK-47 IS STRAPPED TO HIS BACK AS WELL AS
CARRYING THE PISTOL. THE PAROL LEADER AND THE VC/NVA MOVED NORTH
DOWN THE HILL 30-15 MILES WHEN 2 MORE VC/NVA JOINED THE OTHER VC/NVA.
EIGHTY VC/NVA UTILITIES, BOOTS, BUS COVERINGS, AND CARRYING AK-47s.
AND WORE BLANKET ROLL THE PACKS ACROSS THE SHOULDER. ONE OF THE
VC/NVA MOVED APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET IN FRONT OF THE PAROL LEADER. THE
ENEMY HAD THE PAROL FOLLOW THE HILL AND THE OTHER VC/NVA
ACRED TO PACE COMPANY. THE ENEMY MOVED RAPIDLY TO THE VICINITY
(X0 054199). ENEMY TIED PAROL LEADER TO A TREE. TWO ENEMY SLEPT AND ONE ACTED
ENEMY OF GUARD DOG AND PAROL LEADER WAS ABLE TO WORK
THE VINES LOOSE. PAROL LEADER CALLED OUT THE AREA. PAROL LEADER
CALLED TO PAROL ON TOP OF THE HILL. A FLARE SHOT ARRIVED AT THE
AREA AND ILLUMINATED THE AREA. PAROL HAD CHECKED THE SLOPE OF THE
HILL AND DID NOT FIND THE TARPED APPROXIMATELY 100 MILES PREVIOUSLY WITHOUT FINDING AN TRAPE OF THE
PAROL LEADER. 2200H BOCK THE REACTION FORCE WAS LANDED ON HILL
349. REACTION FORCE MOVED APPROXIMATELY 300 MILES DOWN THE HILL AND
LINKED UP WITH PAROL LEADER. REACTION FORCE AND PAROL WAS ENGAGED
2230H.

(2) 211700H (X0 097377) PAROL OBSERVED A VC/NVA MOVING WEST ALONG
A TRAIL VICINITY (X0 057435). TWO MORE VC/NVA JOINED THE ORIGINAL
ENEMY SPOTTED. EIGHTY VC/NVA WAS MISSIONARY IN HILL AND
CARDED A 2-3 FEET LONG OBJECT IN A BAMBOO POLE. THE OBJECT WAS BLACK AND
APPEARED TO BE WEED. PAROL COULD NOT IDENTIFY THE OBJECT. ENEMY
MOVED TOWARD THE VILLAGE VICINITY (X0 047443). PAROL CONTINUED TO
OBSERVE THE AREA. PAROL CONTINUED MISSION.

C. TERRAIN: HILL 349 IS VERY STEEP WITH CANOPY 50-60 FEET HIGH AND
THICK UNDERGROUN. THE HILL HAS (5) THREE-MAN FIGHTING HOLS ON
THE HILLTOP. THERE IS COVER AROUND THE POSIT.
(1) COMMUNICATION: EXCELLENT WITH WHIP ANTENNA

(2) NATURAL WATER SOURCE: (NONE)

(3) TRAIL: TRAIL INDICATED ON MAP RUNNING SOUTH FROM HILL 819 DOES NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED. TRAIL IS OVER-GROWN. TRAIL RUNNING TO THE NORTH HAS BEEN RECENTLY USED BY SMALL UNITS.

5. OTHER INFORMATION:

212306 (ID 09737) PATROL OBSERVED LIGHT BLINKING ON AND OFF ON THE SOUTHERN SIDE OF THE RIVER. PATROL OBSERVED THE LIGHT FOR SEVERAL HOURS. PATROL CONTINUED SURVEILLANCE.

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

7. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:

A. RECOMMENDATIONS: THAT PATROLS WHICH ESTABLISH RADIO RELAYS ON HILL 819 CONSIST OF AT LEAST 12 MEN.

B. CONCLUSIONS: AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS LIGHT ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME. THE ENEMY APPEARS TO BE PROBING THE POSITION ON HILL 819 WITH SMALL UNITS.

9. HELMS: PREVIOUSLY PLACED ON HILL 819.

10. RHEEKER COMMENTS: (NONE)

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RELEASED BY: CAPT. C. A. 
ACTION: IMMEDIATE
INFO ROUTINE

DAY: 010647
2 JUNE 1966

TO: CG THIRD MARDIV
CG III MARINE DIV
CG PV

INFO: FIRST AIR Cav DIV USM
TAKE POSSESSION
FOURTH MARINES
TENTH MARINES
MAJOR GENERAL
PROVINCIAL ADVISOR QUI NG THI
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DEBRIEF OF RICKI PATROL: 50 TIL 2D PIT "D" COMPANY (SHOWCASE)
50 TIL 1ST PIR "G" COMPANY (HERCULE)

OPERATION ORDER: 656-65A
657-65A

MAPS: VRERA 1:50,000, 114 SERIES L-7014 SHEET 6342 1
DEBRIEFERS: LT. COL. G. N. VALS
DATE: 24 JUNE 1966

1. COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
A. COMPOSITION:
(1) ENLISTED
(2) USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS:
(1) H-HOUND
C. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT:
(2) AN/PSC-25
(3) AN/PSC-93
D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT:
(2) 7X50
E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT:
(1) CLOTHING HINDS
(2) WEAPON GRENADERS
(3) PROTECTIVE HINDS
(4) GS GRENADERS

F. SPECIAL WEAPONS:
(2) H-79 WITH (135) HE
(1) GS
(30) CANISTERS
(1) SHOTGUN WITH (150) ROUNDS

2. MISSION:
CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEY IN YOUR AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY. BE ESPECIALLY WATCHFUL FOR ENEMY ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT TO FRIENDLY FORCES AND INSTALLATIONS.

3. TIME OF INSERT/EJECT: 230230H (XD 96S552) WALK/241430H

4. ROUTE: WALK HERE FT TO (XD 992556) TO (XD 978573) TO
(XD 970875) TO (XD 971578) TO (XD 969581) TO (XD 966581) TO
(XD 96658) TO EXTRACT PT.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN...
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1. SABOTEUR: 20 HOURS OF NEGOTIATIONS NO USE Patrols resulted in the enemy sight of 15-20 VC TNA and one contact with 6-8 VC. Patrols had patrolled in area.

2. SIGNS: SIGNS OF 15-20 VC TNA AND ONE CONTACT WITH 6-8 VC. Patrols had patrolled in area.

3. WEAPONS: WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT COULD NOT BE OBSERVED. Patrols could not call artillery due to location of the other area. Patrols moved to link up with Patrol 23 to the east. Patrols moved in an area of 20-30 VC TNA and one contact with 6-8 VC. Patrols moved within 100 METERS of Patrol 23 and began to receive small arms fire from approximately 75 METERS to the east of Patrol 12. Patrol 12 returned fire and linked up with the other patrol. Patrols continued to hear movement.

4. ARMOR: ARMOR OF THE AREA WAS GOOD. Patrols continued to hear movement.

5. TERRAIN: TERRAIN WITH 4-6 FEET ELEPHANT GRASS AND SCATTERED AREAS OF THICK DURB 8-10 FEET HIGH ON THE SIDES OF THE HILLS AND NEAR THE SITES OF THE PREVIOUS CONVOY. GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT. GOOD OF SITES VICTIMITY

6. COMMUNICATION: COMMUNICATION GOOD WITH TAPE ANTENNA

7. NATURE OF TERRAIN: NATURE OF TERRAIN GOOD

8. RATE OF MOVEMENT: RATE OF MOVEMENT GOOD

9. TRAILS: TRAILS USED NUMEROUS TRAILS ALONG THE FINGER. TRAILS WERE MADE THROUGH THE ELEPHANT GRASS IN THE PAST 5 DAYS. TRAILS APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN HEAVILY USED RECENTLY.

10. OTHER INFORMATION: OTHER INFORMATION

11. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: (NONE)

12. ENEMY: UNABLE TO OBSERVE

13. FRIENDLY: (NONE)

14. CONDITION OF PATROL: PHYSICAL: GOOD/MORALE: GOOD

15. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:

16. RECOMMENDATIONS: NEEDED INFANTRY UNITS TO CONDUCT OPERATION IN THIS AREA AS THE AREA HAS INCREASED ENEMY ACTIVITY.

17. CONCLUSIONS: AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS MODERATE ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME. ENEMY APPEARS TO BE MOVING THROUGH THIS AREA AT THE PRESENT TIME.

18. HELICOPTERS NUMEROUS HELICOPTERS THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

19. REPORT: REPORT A VC TNA MADE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 10-12 VC TNA VICTIMITY (C0 976596) ON 2101H JUNE 63.

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RE: DESCRIPTION OF RECON PATROL
29 JUN 1968

1. COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
A. COMPOSITION: 6 PERSONNEL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (NONE)
C. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (1) S/P 25, (1) P/E 93
D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7X50
E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) CLAMPING MINES, (6) PROTECTIVE MASKS
F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) H-79 WITH (50) ROCKET CARTRIDGES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR ASSIGNED AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY. BE ESPECIALLY WATCHFUL FOR MILITARY ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT TO FRIENDLY FORCES AND INSTALLATIONS.

3. TIME OF INSERT/EXTRACT: 2130-00 (TD 172722) WALK/231830
(TD 156697) HELICOPTER

4. ROUTE: PH PHASE 1 TO (TD 169702) TO (TD 167701) TO (TD 168999) TO (TD 168691) TO (TD 164690) TO (TD 160690) TO (TD 158695) TO PHASE 2.

5. OBSERVATION OF MILITARY AND TERRAIN:

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SYNOPSIS: 48 HOURS OF RECONNAISSANCE PATROLLING RESULTED IN ONE ENEMY CONTACT WITH AT LEAST 20-25 VC/NVA. AS A RESULT OF THE CONTACT THE APPEAR TO HAVE SUFFERED 5 VC/NVA KIA (C). PATROL FOUND SEVERAL OLD BUNKER COMPLEXES AND ONE VC/NVA ONE VC/NVA (C) IN A COLLAPSED BUNKER. PATROL UTILIZED 3 FIGHTING HOLES OF GUNSHIPS AND 3 FIGHTS OF FIXED UVG IN THE CONTACT. THIS AREA REMAINS MODERATE TO HEAVY ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME.

B. ENEMY:

(1) 234700 (YD 159702) PATROL FOUND TWO MAN BUNKERS ON THE TOP OF A HEDGEROW VICINITY (YD 159702). THE BUNKERS HAD 2-3 FIST OF LOG AND DIRT OVERHEAD AND APPEARED TO BE ONE TO TWO MONTHS OLD. BUNKERS WERE WELL CAMOUFLAGED. PATROL CHECKED OUT THE BUNKERS AND FOUND ONE VC/NVA BODY IN A COLLAPSED BUNKER. BODY WAS DRESSED IN CAMOUFLAGE SUIT AND KEEPING UTILITY TROUSERS AND APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN DEAD APPROXIMATELY A MONTH. ENEMY APPEAR TO BE WOUNDED WHEN THE BUNKER COLLAPSED. PATROL ALSO HUNTED 20-30 MANNED FIGHTING HOLES SURROUNDING THE BUNKER COMPLEX. IN THIS SAME AREA, PATROL FOUND A MORTAR PIT WITH SEVERAL CEI MORTAR BIPPING PINS IN IT. FIGHTING HOLES AND MORTAR PIT APPEARED TO BE A MORTAR TO TWO MONTHS OLD AND HAD NOT BEEN RECENTLY USED. APPROXIMATELY 25 METERS TO THE NORTHWEST OF THE BUNKER COMPLEX PATROL FOUND 3 AUTOMATIC WEAPON POSITIONS. THE POSITIONS WERE APPROXIMATELY 15 METERS APART. THE PITS WERE 6-7 FEET IN DIAMETER WITH BUILT UP AREA IN THE CENTER. THERE WAS A BUNKER STORAGE AREA ATTACHED TO EACH POSITION. PATROL CHECKED THE POSITION AND FOUND SEVERAL LOOSE .50 CAL BALLS AND A BOX OF 200 .50 CAL ROUNDS AND A BOX OF 200 .50 CAL ROUNDS IN ONE OF THE PITS. THE POSITIONS APPEARED TO BE ONE-TWO MONTHS OLD. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

(2) 234400 (YD 159702) PATROL MOVED 25-30 METERS TO THE NORTH EAST OF BUNKER COMPLEX PREVIOUSLY DISCOVERED AND ESTABLISHED 37' OF S.T.W. PATROL OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH INTO THE BUNKER COMPLEX. ENEMY HAD NEW GRENADIN Utility, BUSH COVERS, HEAVY PACKS, CARTRIDGE BELTS AND CARTRIDGE 507.1S. EQUIPMENT APPEARED TO BE NEW. ENEMY MOVING IN A COLUMN FORMATION. ENEMY MOVED WITHIN 10 METERS OF PATROL'S POSITION. ENEMY POINT APPARENTLY SPOTTED PATROL AS HE MOVED THE REST OF THE PATROL TO MOVE BACK TO THE NORTH. PATROL MOVED INTO THE BUNKER COMPLEX AND ESTABLISHED HIS POSITION. PATROL DISCOVERED 12 VC/NVA MOVING TO THE SOUTH ALONG THE RIVER THE OTHER VC/NVA HAD FOLLOWED. ENEMY DRESSED THE SAME AS ENEMY PREVIOUSLY OBSERVED. THE ENEMY FORMED UP AND ATTEMPTED TO SURROUND THE PATROL. PATROL ESTIMATED IT HAD MADE CONTACT WITH AT LEAST 20-25 VC/NVA. THE ENEMY ATTEMPTED TO OVERPOWER THE PATROL'S POSITION BY MOVING IN BY FIRE AND HANDOVER. TWO THREE- MAN GROUPS MOVED TO AND THE PATROL'S POSITION AS THE OTHER ENEMY COVERED THEIR MOVEMENT. PATROL CONTINUED TO EXCHANGE SA/MP WITH THE ENEMY RESULTING IN 4 VC/NVA KIA (C).
A. C. ARRIVED AT STATION AND DIRECTED ARTILLERY MISSIONS TOTALING 50 ROUNDS ON EVERY POSITION. GUNSHIPS ARRIVED AT STATION AND MADE ROCKET AND SABOT ROUNDS AROUND THE PATROLS' POSITION. MAJORITY OF THE ENEMY APPEARED TO CONCENTRATE TO THE NORTH OF PATROLS' POSITION. GUNSHIPS RECEIVED SAF FROM VICINITY (TD 159703) DURING ENGAGEMENT. FIXED WING AIRCRAFT ARRIVED AT STATION AND CONDUCTED AIRSTRIKES ON ENEMY POSITIONS. FIXED WING AIRCRAFT RECEIVED 50 CAL. FIRE FROM 100 METERS TO THE NORTH OF THE PATROLS' POSITION. AT THIS TIME THE PATROL RECEIVED HEAVY 50 CAL. FIRE ON THEIR POSITION. FIXED WING RAN NAVIGATION ROUNDS OF 50 CAL. POSITION WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET. PATROL MOVED NO MORE THAN 50 CAL. FIRE AFTER AIRSTRIKE. PATROL UTILIZED 3 ROUNDS OF FIXED WING AIRCRAFT AND 3 ROUNDS OF GUNSHIPS. GUNSHIP CLEARED A PATH FOR THE PATROL TO MOVE OUT TO THE SOUTH. PATROL MOVED TO THE SOUTH AND CONTINUED TO RECEIVE SAF. PATROL MOVED TO VICINITY (TD 159707). A.C. DIRECTED 1 JAM OF ARTILLERY BOUNDS ON ENEMY POSITIONS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A CLEAR SCREEN FOR EXTRACTING PATROL. TRANSPORT HELOS EXTRACTED PATROL. GUNSHIPS CONTINUED TO MAKE ROCKET AND SABOT ROUNDS ON ENEMY POSITION UPON COMPLETION OF EXTRACT. PATROL OBSERVED A TOTAL OF 5 VC/JNA KIA (0) IN THE CONTACT.

C. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH ELABORATE GRASS 3-4 FEET HIGH AND BRUSH 10-15 FT. HIGH. HOLLOW BONE CRACKED AND RICE PADDOCKS THROUGHOUT THE AREA. NUMEROUS HEDGEROWS 15-20 FEET HIGH. POOR COVER AND CONCEALMENT.

(1) COMMUNICATION: EXCELLENT WITH T.P.E. ARTILLERY.
(2) NATURAL WATER SOURCE: AS INDICATED ON THE MAP.
(3) RATE OF MOVEMENT: PATROL LEADERS DISCRETION.
(4) TRAILS: MAJOR TRAILS ARE INDICATED ON THE MAP. GENERAL TANGENT OF MOVEMENT APPEARS TO BE NORTH TO SOUTH. TRAILS APPEAR TO BE HEAVILY USED.

D. OTHER INFORMATION:
(1) 221300 (TD 162602) PATROL FOUND 9 CIRCULAR MORTAR POSITIONS VICINITY (TD 162602). THE POSITIONS WERE 6 FEET IN DIAMETER AND 3 FEET DEEP. EACH POSITION HAD A CONCEALING BUNKER AND STORAGE AREA. THE BUNKER HAD A SHELTER TO TWO MEN AND HAD TWO FEET OF LOG AND DIRT OVERHEAD. THE POSITION APPEARED TO BE ONE-TWO MONTHS OLD AND DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED. SEVERAL OF THE POSITION HAD BEEN PARTIALLY DESTROYED AS A RESULT OF AIRSTRIKES. PATROL CHECKED THE AREA AND FOUND 32/250M MORTAR ROUNDS, 62/82MM MORTAR FUSES, 25/0303M MORTAR PRIMER, AND 100 BOUNCES OF 7.62 SHORT LINK AMMO. THE FUSES AND PRIMERS WERE IN METAL CONTAINERS. PATROL ALSO FOUND 6-7 FEET OF SMOKE BUNKERS APPROXIMATELY 50 METERS TO THE SOUTHWEST OF THE MORTAR POSITIONS. THE BUNKER HAD 2-3 FEET OF LOG AND DIRT OVERHEAD AND APPEARED TO BE ONE TO TWO MONTHS OLD. PATROL FOUND ANOTHER BUNKER IN THIS AREA WHICH WAS MUCH LARGER THAN THE OTHER BUNKERS. BUNKER WOULD
ACCOMMODATE 12 HILL. BUNKER HAD 3 FEET OF LOG AND DIRT OVERHEAD AND WAS ABOUT TWO MONTHS OLD. ALL BUNKERS FOUND WERE VERY WELL CAMOUFLAGED. PATROL BURIED MORTAR ROUNDS, FUSES, PRIMERS AND AMMUNITION AND CONTINUED MISSION.

(2) 221945H (TD 163703) PATROL FOUND ONE 3 MAN BUNKER ON HILL 38 VICINITY (TD 163703). THE BUNKER HAD 2-3 FEET OF LOG AND DIRT OVERHEAD AND WAS ABOUT 2 MONTHS OLD. BUNKERS NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED. PATROL CHECKED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

(3) 221045H (TD 166692) PATROL FOUND ONE 3 MAN BUNKER NEAR A STREAM BED VICINITY (TD 166692). THE BUNKER HAD 2-3 FEET OF LOG AND DIRT OVERHEAD. BUNKER WAS WELL CAMOUFLAGED BUNKER APPEARED TO BE ABOUT TWO MONTHS OLD AND HAD NOT BEEN RECENTLY USED. PATROL CHECKED THE AREA AND CONTINUED MISSION.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
A. ENEMY: 5 VOLUNTEERS (C)
B. FRIENDLY: (NONE)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: PHYSICAL: GOOD/MORALE: GOOD

8. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:
A. RECOMMENDATION: INFEWS ARE CONDUCTED IN THIS AREA AS IT APPEARS AS THOUGH NEW UNITS ARE MOVING INTO THIS AREA.
B. CONCLUSIONS: AREA COVERED BY PATROL EVIDENCE OF MOVEMENT OF THE ENEMY. ENEMY APPEARS TO BE MOVING INTO THE AREA FROM THE NORTH. ENEMY TROOPS APPEARS TO BE WELL EQUIPPED WITH THEIR UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT WERE HUN.

9. 6125:
(1) (TD 166697) SITE WILL ACCOMMODATE (3) CH-46. SITE IS AN OPEN FIELD WITH LOW ELIMINATING GRASS. APPROACH ANY DIRECTION.
(2) (TD 165062) SITE WILL ACCOMMODATE (1) CH-46. SITE IS A RICE PADDY WITH LOW GRASS AND A HEDGEROW TO THE EAST, SOUTH AND WEST OF AREA. BEST APPROACH FROM EAST TO WEST.

10. DEBUNKER COLLECTIONS: PATROL FOUND SEVERAL M-39 GRENADES FROM 105 M. WITH VARIOUS OPEN. UNITS OPERATING IN THIS AREA SHOULD BE ALERT AS THESE PROJECTILE ARE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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2/0345H (XO 974598) PATROL FOUND TWO SETS OF BOOT PRINTS VICTIMITY (XO 984598). THE PRINTS WERE ONLY A FEW HOURS OLD AND APPEARED TO BE HEADING TO NORTH. PATROL CHECKED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. 2/0438H PATROL FOUND A TRAIL 1-2 FEET WIDE HUNTING SOUTH-EAST-NORTHWEST VICTIMITY (XO 976598). THE TRAIL APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN USED WITHIN THE LAST 24 HOURS BY A SMALL UNIT MOVING TO THE NORTHWEST. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION. 2/0419H PATROL MOVED DOWN TO CROSS RIVER OPEN POINT HEAD MOVEMENT OF AN ESTIMATED 3 PERSON VICTIMITY (XO 974598). PATROL LOAD TO VICTIMITY (XO 977598). AS 3 SECURITY CHECKED ONE VC/IVA FOLLOWING PATROL. ENEMY WAS APPROXIMATELY 75 METERS TO THE Rear OF THE PATROL. LIKENLY WORE BLACK PA'S AND CARRIED UNICH (MARCH). PATROL INITIATED SAP RESULTING IN ONE VC/IVA KIA (XO 978598). PATROL INITIATED 6-8 VC/IVA RETURNED SAP RESULTING IN ONE VC/IVA KIA (XO 978598). PATROL MOVED TO TOP OF THE HILL VICTIMITY (XO 978598) AND ESTABLISHED A DEFENSIVE POSITION. PATROL CONTINUED TO ENGAGE SA/AMT WITH THE ENEMY AND PATROL FRIED 6-79 rounds AT THE ENEMY RESULTING IN 2 ADDITIONAL VC/IVA KIA (XO 978598). PATROL ESTIMATED IT HAD MADE CONTACT WITH 10-12 VC/IVA GUNSHIPS AND TRANSPORT HELOS ARRIVED ON STATION. GUNSHIPS MADE ROCKET AND SHRAPNEL FIRE WITH UNKOWN RESULTS. TRANSPORT HELOS ARRIVED ON STATION AND EXTRACTED THE PATROL AS GUNSHIPS CONTINUED TO MAKE ROCKET AND SHRAPNEL FIRE. ENEMY SUPPORTED A TOTAL OF 3 VC/IVA KIA (XO 978598). PATROL ALSO NOTED NUMBER OF OLD FIRING HOLES ON TOP OF THE HILL VICTIMITY (XO 978598). HOLES DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED.

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RECEIVED 2 JUL 1968

DATE: 010645 2 JUNE 1968 (JULY)

FROM: THIRD IRON RI

TO: CG THIRD MARDIV

CG III MARPAC

INFO: FIRST AIR CNV DIV USA

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THIPTH ARMIES

MAP-THE GIRL PROVINCE ADVISOR QUADRANT THI

THIRD FORCE 1100 CO.

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ATTN: AG OF S G-2

DEBRIEF OF RECON PATROL 2D TM 3D PLT "D" COMPANY (SAILORS)

OPERATION ORDER 677-68

(L/CPL KILLIN)

MAP: VIETNAM 1,500,000, AMS SERIES: L-7014, SHEET: 6442 I I, 6542 II

DEBRIEF: W. L. G. WALLS

DATE: 24 JUNE 1968

1. COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: (6) MILITARY

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (1) KIT CARSON SCOUT

C. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (1) HI/PH 25, (1) PH 93

D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7.5CM

E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) CLAYMORE MINES, (2) WP RIFLE GRENADES

F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (2) CLAYMORE MINES, (4) CANISTER

(10) FIRECRACKER: (1) M-14

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR

ASSIGNED AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY.

BE ESPECIALLY WATCHFUL FOR ENEMY ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT

TO FRIENDLY FORCES AND INSTALLATIONS.

3. TIME OF INSTRUCTION: 240530H (YD 162516) B/LY/240530H

(YD 155523) H/L.

4. ROUTE: FM INSIDE Pt TO (YD 160530) TO (YD 156527) TO

(YD 153570) TO (YD 149531) TO (YD 145524) TO (YD 150526) TO ENLARGE.

5. OBSERVATION OF MACHINE GUN TRENCH:

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A. **SYNOPSIS:** 11 HOURS OF CHEWING GUM PATROLLING RESULTED IN ONE ENEMY ENCOUNTER OF 3 VC/IV/A AND ONE CONTACT WITH AN ESPIONAGE 20-30 VC/IV/A. AS A RESULT OF THE CONTACT, THE ENEMY SUFFERED ONE VC/IV/A KIA (C). PATROL CALLED ARTILLERY MISSION TO CALLING 56 HOURS. AREA ALWAYS MODERATE ENEMY ACTIVITY. AT 740 THE PRESENT TLP.

B. **ENEMY:**

1. **2412H (TD 151516) PATROL'S KIT CARSON SCOUT OBSERVED 2 VC MOVING WEST APPROXIMATELY 30 MILES FROM PATROLS POSITION. ENEMY WERE BLACK PLAZ'S AND CARRIED AK-47's. ENEMY MOVED BETWEEN 2 HOOVER IN CONCEIVED AREA. HOOVERS WOULD ACCOMPANY TWO MEN EACH AND WEAR MADE OF BUSH. HOOVERS APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY MADE AS THE CAMOUFLAGE WAS STILL CLEAN. PATROL MADE SECURITY HAT AND THEN MOVED APPROXIMATELY 50 METERS. PATROL HEARD TALKING, BUSH BREAKING AND SEVERAL PERSONS SNEAKING WITH FINGERS APPROXIMATELY 50 METERS FROM PATROLS POSITION. PATROL MADE A SECURITY HAT. PATROL ESTIMATED THAT THERE WAS AT LEAST 10 PERSONS IN THE AREA. PATROL HATED FOR APPARENTLY 1 HOUR AND THEN MOVED OUT TO THE WEST. PATROL CONTINUED Mission.

2. **2418H (TD 14952) PATROL MOVING SOUTH WHEN PATROLS POINT A KIT CARSON SCOUT, NAILED PATROL. PATROL POINT OBSERVED THE POINTumont OF AN ESTIMATED 100-200 SIZE ENEMY FORCE MOVING NORTH APPROXIMATELY 30 METERS FROM THE PATROL. PATROL OBSERVED 3 VC/IV/A WITH 3 KNIFE DOG, SIMILAR TO A GERMAN SHEPHERD. ENEMY WERE BLACK AND CARRIED AK-47's. PATROL ESTIMATED ENEMY COULD HAVE BEEN EQUIPPED WITH AN M-79. PATROL'S POINT EXCHANGED SAF RESULTING IN ONE VC/IV/A KIA (C). PATROL EXCHANGED SAF WITH THE ENEMY. PATROL KEEPS THIS DOG BUT COULD NOT CONFIRM THE KIA. PATROL BROKE CONTACT AND MOVED TO THE NORTH-EAST APPROXIMATELY 50 METERS. ENEMY ATTEMPTED TO FOLLOW THE PATROL BUT DID NOT PURSUE THE PATROL BY FIRE. PATROL ESTABLISHED A DEFENSIVE POISON VICTIM (TD 153523). PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT AND SNEAKS BEING BROWN AGAINST EACH OTHER APPROXIMATELY 50 METERS TO THE NORTH. PATROL CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION OF 35 HOURS WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET AND MINIMUM RESULTS. AS IT ARRIVED ON STATION, COMPOSITE ARRIVED ON STATION AND CONDUCTED ROCKET AND STRAFING RUNS ON ENEMY POSITION. NEXT TO 230-500K REMAIN. AIR ARTILLERY ARRIVED ON STATION AND HAS AIR ARTILLERY. TRANSPORT HELICOPTER EXTRACTED PATROL AT 2030H WITHOUT RECEIVING FIRE.

C. **TERRAIN:** LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH BUSH 6-12 FEET HIGH AND SCATTERED AREAS OF BARE GRASS TO 6 FEET HIGH. GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT. GOOD FLIGHT VICTIM (TD 149539).

1. **COMUNICATION:** POOR WITH ANY ANTENNA. IT APPEARS TO BE SEVERAL "DEAD SPACES" IN THIS AREA.

2. **NATURAL WATER SOURCES:** PLENTIFUL, AS INDICATED ON THE MAP.
(3) RATE OF MOVEMENT: 100 METERS PER HOUR.
(4) TRAILS:
1. (TD 155516) A TRAIL 1-2 FEET WIDERunning west to east. Trail appeared to have been made in the past 6-12 hours. It appears as though a small unit had moved through the area.
2. (TD 152512) A TRAIL Running west to east through a bomb crater.
3. (TD 156512) A TRAIL 6 FEET WIDE Running west to east. Trail appeared to have been recently used by at least a platoon size force.
4. NUMERUS SMALL TRAILS which run generally west to east. Movement appears to be generally west to east. MAJOR TRAILS INDICATED on the map do have trail to have been recently used.
D. OTHER INFORMATION:
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
A. ENEMY: ONE VC/NVA KIA (O)
B. FRIENDLY: (NOTE)
7. CONDITION OF PATROL: PHYSICAL: GOOD/MORALE: GOOD
8. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS:
A. RECOMMENDATIONS: THAT PATROL USE U.S. AND VC SCOUT DOGS AND KIT CARSON SCOUTS IN THIS AREA.
B. CONCLUSIONS: AREA COVERED BY PATROL REVEALS MODERATE ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THE PRESENT TIME. PATROL'S KIT CARSON SCOUT THOUGHT THAT THE ENEMY ENCOUNTERED WERE VC OPERATING IN THE AREA. AREA REVEALS HEAVY MOVEMENT ALONG THE STREAMS AND RIVERS. MOVEMENT APPEARS TO BE GENERALLY WEST TO EAST.
9. HELS: NUMEROUS HELS THROUGHTOUT THE AREA.
10. DeBRIEFER COMMENTS: (NOTE)

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ACTION IMMEDIATE INFO ROUTINE

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CC: THIRD MAR DIV
TO: CG THIRD MAR DIV
CG III MEF
CG IV

INFO: FIRST AIR CAN DIV USA
NINTH MARINES
NINETY-NINTH MARINES
MAG-9 RCT HNTR
PROVINCE DZ; DIV CNTR MIR L
THIRD FORCQ IIOH CO.

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DESIGN OF MISSION PROFILE: 20 TIF, 1ST MRT "D" COMPANY (COSMIC WAVE)
OPERATION ORDER: 696-68
MARP: VIETNAM L: 50; 400, AUS: 701; 14, SHEET: 6442 III
DATING: 28 JUNE 68

1. COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
A. COMPOSITION:
(7) BILLIARD
B. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT:
(1) GLASS HEADED, (7) WP HAND GRENADES, (7) PROTECTIVE HATS, (5) CS GRENADES
C. SPECIAL WEAPONS:
(1) N-14
(2) MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE IN YOUR ASSIGNED AREA TO DETERMINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ENEMY ACTIVITY. BE ESPECIALLY VIGILANT FOR ENEMY ACTIVITY WHICH MAY POSE A THREAT TO FRIENDLY FORCES AND INSTALLATIONS.
(3) TIME OF MISSION/EXTRACTION: 200900 (YD 149492) HELO/291500
(YD 138503) HELO
(4) ROUTE: FH HELITAP TO (YD 144496) TO (YD 144497) TO
(YD 144500) TO (OC 144520) TO EXTRACT RT.
(5) OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

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A. SYNOPSIS: 5 1/2 HOURS OF ENGAGEMENT RESULTED IN ONE SIGHTING OF 15 VC/IVA AND ONE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 30-35 VC/IVA. THE PATROL CALLED THE FIRE MISSION OF 20 ROUNDS AND GUNSHIPS RAN AIRSTRIKES IN THE AREA. GUNSHIPS RECEIVED HEAVY FIRE FROM GUN dbS DURING THE TUGS. THE VNA REVEALS ENEMY ACTIVITY AT THIS TIME.

B. ENGAGEMENT:

(1) 201201 (TD 147496) PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT AND THEN OBSERVED 14-15 VC/IVA MOVING SOUTH-EAST TO NORTH-EAST VICINITY (TD 134495). GUNSHIPS RECEIVED HEAVY FIRE FROM 30 MM GUN MOUNTED LIGHTLY GRENADES, 20 M.M. BERRIERS, AND 30 MGs. PATROL CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION OF 20 ROUNDS, INCLUDING 10 INTERDISTRIBUTION ROUNDS, WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET AND RESULTING IN (3) SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. PATROL CONTINUED TO OBSERVE THE AREA.

(2) 201201 (TD 144497) PATROL OBSERVED ONE HEAT CASSIARY. PATROL MOVED OUT OF THE AREA AND CONTINUED MISSION.


AS THE PATROL MOVED UP THE HILL IT BEGAN TO RECEIVE SA/SF FROM THE VICINITY (TD 142498). PATROL ESTIMATED THAT IT WAS RECEIVING FIRE FROM 10-15 METRE. PATROL ESTABLISHED A DEFENSIVE POSITION.

AS0 ARRIVED ON SCOUT AND FOUNDED VC/IVA ROUNDS ON ENEMY POSITION. GUNSHIPS ARRIVED ON SCOUTS AND HAD ROCKET ROUNDS ON ENEMY POSITION.

HELD CANNED GUNSHIP FIRED ROCKETS AT THE ENEMY VICINITY (TD 142498) RESULTING IN 3-4 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. SEEN SECOND GUNSHIP MADE ITS ATTACK INITIATED HEAVY MACHINE GUN FIRE, SA/SF, AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE IN THE HOLE FROM (TD 142498) AND FROM THE WESTERN SLOPE OF HILL 116 (TD 147507). PATROL ESTIMATED THAT THERE WERE (2-3) VC/IVA MOUNTED MACHINE GUNS AND (3-4) VC/IVA MOUNTED 30 MGs. GUNSHIP FIRED AT THE HOLE AND THE PATROL. GUNSHIPS MADE HEAVY Firing AND SHAPED BERN DEMANDS FROM THE AREA. GUNSHIP FIRED AT THE HOLE AND DEMANDED THAT THE FIELDS BE PURED. THE FIRE FROM THE FIRE PROVIDES A SQUAD FOR ALL TRANSPORT HELOS TO EXTRACT PATROL. TRANSPORT HELOS DID NOT RECEIVE FIRE DURING THE EXTRACTION. PATROL FOLLOWED THE SQUAD FOR 15 MILES IN VICINITY (TD 134495) AND POSSIBLY ON HILL 104 (TD 147507).
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I. PRELIMINARY

Approximately 100 high normal area contacts have been observed in the area. The contacts are primarily military personnel and are concentrated in the central part of the area. The contacts appear to be primarily friendly and are engaged in normal activities.

II. PRIMARY CONTACTS

A. Personnel observed in the area include:

1. Military personnel in uniform
2. Local civilians
3. Foreign nationals

B. Activities observed include:

1. Construction work
2. Agricultural activity
3. Commercial activity
4. Recreational activity

C. Communications observed include:

1. Radio communication
2. Telephone communication
3. Visual communication

III. GENERAL COMMENTS

A. The area is considered to be of high priority for further surveillance.

B. The area is considered to be of high priority for further protection.

C. The area is considered to be of high priority for further development.

D. The area is considered to be of high priority for further deployment.

E. The area is considered to be of high priority for further training.

F. The area is considered to be of high priority for further evaluation.

G. The area is considered to be of high priority for further analysis.

H. The area is considered to be of high priority for further review.

I. The area is considered to be of high priority for further consideration.

J. The area is considered to be of high priority for further consideration.