C. The 15th of May is an important Buddhist holiday. It is expected that parades and ceremonies scheduled during the next few days will be peaceful, however, all hands are cautioned to avoid crowds and show respect for banners, flags, etc., on display.

3. Enemy Capabilities.

A. Continue to strengthen control over those areas they presently occupy.

B. Continue to expand their area of influence.

C. Continue harassment of lines of communication, installations and troop concentrations.

D. Regroup and reorganize main force units in relatively safe pass areas.

E. Employ main force units to counter operations of U.S. and own forces.

F. Initiate brief but large scale offensive actions with task organized main and local force units.

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1. INTELM TO 2 ENDING 151900H MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD:

A. NO CHANGE

B. (1) FOLLOWING IS AN UNEVAL ACT'S RPT FM HOA VANG DISTRICT: MARINES TRUCK CONVOYS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED TRAVELING FM DA PHUC TO AN NGAI TAY VIC HOA THUSH HAMLET AND 875220 (AT 9062). VC ACTS HAVE STATED THEY INTEND TO MINE THE ROAD. CONTENTS: NO SPECIFIC LOCATION OR TIME WAS GIVEN IN THE RPT. A TRUCK FM 3/4 HIT A MINE TODAY VIC COORD YD 844155 AND NUMEROUS NCS REPORTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED OF VC UNITS WITH MINES. ALL UNITS SHOULD TAKE NORMAL PRECAUTIONS I.E., PROPER LOADING, CORRECT INTERVAL, SAND BAGS, AND ALERTNESS.

(2) THE SAME ACT ALSO REPORTED THAT AN UNIDENTIFIED MARINE PATROL APPREHENDED 3 VC'S. THE 3 SHOWED THEIR ID CARDS, WERE RELEASED, AND THEN PROCEEDED TO A MNS CACHE AND BEGAN SNIPING AT THE REAR OF THE COLUMN. NO CONTENTS.

(3) AC RPT: BRIDGE LOC VIC COORD AT 875220 BLOWN; STILL OPEN TO PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC. UNUSUALLY HEAVY BOAT TRAFFIC VIC COORD ZC 200400; TIME 150750H.

(4) THE AMERICAN M0DEL JEEP WITH EXPLOSIVES REPORTED IN DANANG AREA BY CG III MEF 140920Z HAS NOT BEEN LOCATED. SEARCH CONTINUES.

(5) IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT A NUMBER OF SUSPECTED VC SYMPATHIZERS FROM HOA VANG AND DNAN RN HAVE INFLITRATED INTO DANANG IN REACTION TO GVN OPERATIONS. INCLUDED AMONG THESE INFILTRATORS ARE YOUTHS OF DRAFT AGE.

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C. STARTING WITH TODAY’S INTSUM A DAILY WORD OR PHRASE WILL BE PUBLISHED IN ENGLISH, VIETNAMESE, AND PHONETICS. (IDEA, COURTESY OF 8-2, 2/3). PUT THIS WORD OUT TO THE TROOPS SO THAT THEY CAN START LEARNING THE LANGUAGE NOW. WHAT IS THIS? GAI NAY LA GAI GI? GAI NAI LA GAI GEE?

3. NO CHANGE FROM INTSUM NO 41

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1. INTSUM NO 3 ENDING 161900H MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD:

A. NO CHANGE

B. (1) THE FOLLOWING OBS IS TAKEN FROM THE FILES OF THE NATIONAL POLICE, QUANG NAM PROVINCE. IT IS PUBLISHED FOR COMPARISON WITH EXISTING INFORMATION. THE CAIPO BATTALION HAS NOT BEEN REPORTED RECENTLY AND MAY HAVE CHANGED ITS AREA OF OPERATIONS OR BEEN CONSOLIDATED WITH OTHER UNITS DURING THE RECENT SUSPECTED REORGANIZATION/REGROUPMENT OF MP UNITS.


UNIT: 345 CO, AKA D.65 STR: 74. PER: CO LT CAT, XO LT Dien, PO 2D LT Dinh. WPONS: 7 BARS, 1 DZK, ALL HAVE INDIVIDUAL WPONS. BASE AREA: MAI-CNHO MTS VIC COORD ATB:5655. AREA OF OPNS: DIEN LAN DIST.

UNIT: 347 CO, AKA D.67. STR: 90. PER: CO SUB MAJOR THIEN DUC, XO LT Su. WPONS: 7 BARS, 1 DZK, CATERINES, RIFLES, IMG. BASE AREA: DONG LAN MTS VIC COORD AT 938622, HOA NAM VILL.

UNIT: SPECIAL WORK CO V.15. STR: 60. PER: CO SUB MAJOR TH. WPONS: 1 MG, 1 MORT, 6 BARS, MINES AND EXPLOSIVES. BASE AREA: DONG LAN MTS VIC COORD ZC 225668.
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**UNIT:** CHU-DUNG BATTALION. STR: 3 CO'S. PER: CO CAPT HUYNH, XO LUU, CHIEF OF STAFF THAM. BASE AREA: KHOI TRACH BTS VIC COORD AT 820260, SON LOI VILL, DUC DUC DIST. AREA OPNS: QUE SON, DUY XUYEN AND DUC DUC DIST.

**UNIT:** C.1 CO. STR: 70. PER: CO TU. WPONS: 1 MORT, 1 MG, 4 BARS AND ALL HANDS ARE ARMED. BASE AREA: KHOI TRACH BTS VIC COORD AT 820330, SON LOI VILL, DUC DUC DIST. AREA OPNS: DUC DUC DIST.

**UNIT:** C.2 CO. STR: 80. PER: CO HY. WPONS: 4 BARS, 1 MG, 1 MORT, ALL HANDS ARMED. BASE AREA: MAU LONG BTS VIC COORD AT 830260, SON NINH VILL, DUC DUC DIST.

**UNIT:** C.3 STR: 80. PER: CO DONG. WPONS: 1 MG, 4 BARS, ALL HANDS ARMED. BASE AREA: HON CHAU BTS VIC COORD AT 890430, SON THO VILL, DUC DUC DIST. AREA OPNS: QUE SON DIST.

**UNIT:** GHEP BATTALION. STR: 3 CO'S. PER: CO PHAM TRONG HOANG. BASE AREA: NHU SON BTS VIC COORD AT 795295, SON LOI VILL, DUC DUC DIST. AREA OPNS: QUE SON DIST.

**UNIT:** 1ST CO. STR: 100. PER: CO NGO CHAU HOANG. WPONS: 5 BARS, 1 MG, 1 MORT, ALL HANDS ARMED. BASE AREA: MAU LONG BTS VIC COORD AT 840330, SON LOI VILL, DUC DUC DIST.

**UNIT:** 2D CO. STR: 100. PER: CO CAO DINH TRUNG. WPONS: 5 BARS, 1 MG, ALL HANDS ARMED. BASE AREA: HON THAN BTS VIC COORD AT 890330, SON PHUC VILL.

**UNIT:** 3D CO. STR: 100. PER: CO NGUYEN HAO SON. WPONS: 1 MG, 5 BARS, ALL HANDS ARMED. BASE AREA: DA BEO BTS VIC COORD AT 935444, XUYEN NHUONG VILL, DUC DUC DIST.

The following is local companies under the command of the district commissioner:

**UNIT:** LOCAL CO OF THUONG DUC AND HIEN GIANG. AKA H.62. STR: 80. PER: CO TRUONG VIEN. WPONS: 6 BARS, 1 MG, CARBINES AND ALL HANDS ARE ARMED. BASE AREA: HIEU BTS VIC COORD ZC 010470, THUONG DUC DIST. AREA OPNS: THUONG DUC DIST.

**UNIT:** LOCAL CO OF DIEN BAN DIST PARTY. AKA 1.8. STR: 90. PER: CO LP PHAN ANH NA. WPONS: 6 BARS AND SOME RIFLES. BASE AREA: PHU RAO BTS VIC COORD AT 860635, KHEU DUC DIST. AREA OPNS:
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UNIT: LOCAL CO OF HOA VANG AND HIEU DUC DIST. STR: 90. PER: CO SUB MAJOR NGUYEN THANH. WPONS: 1 MG, 1 MORT, 4 BARS AND ALL HANDS ARMED. BASE AREA: MANO CHUA MTNS VIC COORD AT 830637, HOA VANG VILL, HIEU DUC DIST. AREA OF OPNS: HOA VANG DIST.


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(2) THE FOLLOWING COB INFORMATION WAS RPTD BY THE QUANG NGOAI OFFICE TO THE NATIONAL POLICE. IT SHOULD BE COMPARED WITH EXISTING COB AND IS RATED AS POSSIBLY TRUE.

(A) VG PROVINCE MAIN FORCE BATTALION 52 AND VG DISTRICT MAIN FORCE BATTALION 90 USAGE AREA OF OPNS: WESTERN Bihn SOn AND SON TINH DISTRICTS, QUANG NGOAI PROVINCE.

(B) VG FORCES ALONG THE QUANG NGOAI COAST INCLUDE COMPANY 18, Bihn Aii, Bihn Duc, Son Hoi, AND Son Quang VILLAGE GUADUILLA PLTS. ALL AVERAGE 100 MEN AND ARE ARMED WITH SA AND GRENADES.

COMMENT: NO COORDINATES WERE GIVEN BUT THE ABOVE VILLAGES ARE GENERALLY LOCATED Vt. COORD DS 714824 - DS 755852.

VG ARE ORGANIZING COMBAT HAMILTS AND MOVING SUPPLIES TOWARD THE WEST. COMPANY 18 HAS ONLY 100 MEN BUT IS ARMED WITH 3 60MM MORTARS.

(3) AO RPT: MANY TRAILS CONVERGING TOWARD TWO HOUSES LOC VIC COORD AT 8378718. SUSPECTED VG SUPPLY ACTIVITY.

(4) VC HARASSMENT AND SNIPING RPT 160746H VIC COORD AT 912823. ALSO UNIDENTIFIED RPT THAT VC WILL SET MORE BOAT TRAPS IN YE MY AREA.

COMMENT: PROBABLY TRUE

(5) RPT FM 2/3 THAT 4 BOATS WERE SIGHTED AT 162015H MOVING NORTHEAST ON RIVER. VIC COORD AT 925836. THE BOATS WERE LOADED WITH PROPIST AND 2 OF THE BOATS STOPPED AT XUAN THINH AND PICKED UP MORE PASSENGERS.

COMMENT: SECOND RPT OF VILLAGERS EVACUATING AREA, HOWEVER, AT PRESENT NUMBERS INVOLVED NOT SIGNIFICANT.

G. NONE

3. NO CHG FM INSUM NUMBER 1 DATED 14 MAY 1965.

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1. INTSUM NUMBER 4 ENDING 171900H MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD.

A. DRY STREAM BED COORD 869679 LEADS TO THE TOP OF HILL 270. THAT PART OF LZ KIWI AT COORD 855685 IS COVERED WITH GRASS APPROX 12" HIGH WHILE REACHING A HEIGHT OF BETWEEN 8 AND 12 FEET IN THE VIC OF COORD 855691.

B. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

(1) NO ENEMY CONTACT RPTD IN THE DIV TAOR. COMMENT, THIS DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THERE IS NO ENEMY WITHIN THE TAOR. UNITS MUST GUARD AGAINST A FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY.

(2) GVN POLICE AND ENGINEER DISCOVERED A VC ANTI PERSONNEL AND AN ANTI-TANK MINE VIC COORD YD 157776 (B/2).

(3) HOA VANG DISTRICT NATIONAL POLICE AGENT RPT. (G/3). VC CO CMD BY VO PHUOC KIEN AND NGUYEN DAI DISPERSSED VIC COORD AT 963688, AT 945692. WPN: 1 57mm, 1 81mm MORTAR, 3 30 CAL MG'S, AND 6 BAR'S

C. NONE

3. NO CHG FM INTSUM NUMBER 1 DTD 14 MAY 1965

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1. INTSUM NO 5 ENDING 1819COH MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THIS PERIOD.

   A. NO CHE.

   B. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

      (1) VC ACTIVITY DIRECTED AGAINST MARINES IN THE 1 CORPS TACTICAL AREA CONTINUES TO BE LIGHT AND THERE WAS NO SIGNIFICANT ENEMY CONTACT REPORTED IN EITHER THE HUEPHTU HAI OR DAIANG TAC'S. A LATE RPT COVERING THE PERIOD 1619COH-1719COH REVEALED THE VC CONDUCTED LIGHT PROBING ACTION AND SNIPER FIRE AGAINST MARINES IN THE CHU IAI AREA.

      (2) IMMEDIATE PHOTO INTERPRETATION OF PHOTO MISSION NUMBER 2054 DATED 16 MAY 1965 REVEALS THE FOLLOWING:

          (A) 2 FLY TENTS VIC COORD BS 47446835
          (B) 5 SHALLOW TRENCHES VIC COORD BS 51813020
          (C) 4 RECENTLY DUG FOXHOLES AND A PREPARED ROADBLOCK VIC COORD BS 51856944
          (D) RR BED DESTROYED BS 57609390

      (3) AO RPT: GUN POSI IDG VIC COORD AT 20726649 CAMOUFLAGED CAVE ENTRANCE LOC VIC AT 861875

      (4) FTL RPT: POORLY MARKED NICE FIELD LOC VIC COORD AT 928765

      (5) RECON FTL OBSERVED POSSIBLE ARMS CACHE VIC COORD AT 867932

   C. NONE

3. ENEMY CAPABILITIES. NO CHE FROM INTSUM NO 1 DATED 14 MAY 1965

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1. INTSUM NO 6 ENDING 191900H MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD.

A. NO CHANGE

B. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

   (1) VC INITIATED ACTIVITY AGAINST MARINES IN THE I CORPS TACTICAL AREA CONTINUES TO BE LIGHT. SPORADIC ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES AND PLACES: 2320H - AT 949761; 0659H - AT 882656; 1220H - AT 940636; 1245H - AT 882636

   (2) D CO, RECON RECEIVED AN EST 50 RDS SA HARASSING FIRE DIRECTED TOWARD THEIR FUT. BASE.

   (3) TWO PAVN TRAPS FOUND IN THE VILLAGE OF TRUONG DINH WERE BOoby TRADED. THERE WAS ALSO EVIDENCE OF RECENT VC FIELD FORTIFICATIONS BEING CONSTRUCTED.

   (4) AN UNOCCUPIED CAMP SITE AND PROBABLE FOOD DISTRIBUTION PT WERE LOCATED AT COORD AT 635644.

   (5) A PTL FM 993-996 FURTHER REPORTED THAT THE VILLAGERS LOC VIC COORD AT 993 767 WERE NOTICABLY UNFRIENDLY. ALTHOUGH NO HOSTILITIES WERE DIRECTED TOWARDS THE MARINES, THE PEOPLE REMAINED INSIDE, AND WOULD NOT PERMIT THEIR CHILDREN TO PLAY OR ACCEPT GIFTS. ALSO, A WOMAN WAS OBSERVED TO APARENTLY BE COUNTING THE PTL MEMBERS AS THEY PASSED. NO DOGS WERE SEEN IN THE VILLAGE. THIS WAS IN DEEDED CONTRAST TO OTHER VILLAGES IN THE AREA.

   (6) AO RPT. EXTENSIVE CULTIVATION OBSERVED IN SMALL VALLEYS AND SLOPES VIC COORD YD 0552. NUMEROUS CAMOUFLAGED HUTS WERE NOTICED AND SA FIRE WAS RECEIVED FM THE VIC OF THE VILL. LOC COORD YD 055325. COMMENT: PROBABLE VC FOOD SUPPLY AREA.

   (7) FOLLOWING ARE POSSIBLY SIGNIFICANT ITEMS INTERPRETED FM PHOTO MEQ 2054 DED 16 MAY 65:

   A. MT 620018 TRENCH SYSTEM AND FOXLHLES AMONG BLDGS AND TREES AT EDGE OF RIVER.

   B. MT 620116 FOXLHLES AND OTHER SUSPECT ACTIVITY ON HILL.

   C. MT 614009 FORTIFICATIONS

   D. MT 615202 TRENCHES AND FOXLHLES AROUND BLDGS AT HILLS OF RIVER.
2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD.

A. NO CHG.

B. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

(1) VC INITIATED ACTIVITY IN I CORPS AREA CONTINUED TO BE LIGHT.

(2) RIFLE RPTD VC GRENADERS THROWN INTO COMPANY POSITION AND LIGHT SNIPER FIRE.

(3) 1/3 RPTD AT 1140 THAT 4 VC WERE FIRED ON AND DISPERSED IN VIC COORD AT 901661.

(4) 2/3 RPTD 2 ARMED VC KIA IN HOUSE LOC VIC COORD 915813.

(5) INDIA CO 3/4 REG 10 RDS OF SA FIRE AT 0015 FROM 250M TO THEIR FRONT.


(7) AT 1409 B CO 1/3 RPT 1 VC KIA AND 2 VC WIA VIC AT 910751 AND ONE VC WIA AT 1045 BY D CO 1/3 VIC COORD AT 855664.

(8) 1330 1/3 REG 6 RDS OF 60MM MORTAR FIRE FROM AT 859664.

(9) ON THE 18TH "UP" RECON RPTD BLINKING LIGHT SIGNALS FROM COORD AT 855654 TO COORD AT 825855. A BLINKER SYSTEM SEEN TO BE USED BUT NOT MURSE CODE. THE LIGHT AT EACH COORD SEEMED TO BE SIGNALING THE OTHER.

3. ENEMY CAPABILITIES. NO CHG FROM INTSUM NO 1 DATED 14 MAY 1965.

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1. INTSUM NO 8 ENDING 211900H MAY 1965

2. STATUS OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD.
   A. NO CHANGE
   B. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

   (1) VC INITIATED ACTIVITY AGAINST MARINES IN THE I OTA CONTINUES TO BE
   LIGHT. AT HUE PHU BAI, AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF MULES CARRYING EQUIPMENT WAS TAKEN
   UNDER ARTILLERY FIRE; NO DAMAGE ASSESSED. IN THE DANANG AREA, AN ENGINEER DETAILED
   MADE CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC IN THE VIC OF COORD AT 943664 AT "L
   211614L. A DEMO CHARGE WAS BLOWN STOPPING ONE VEHICLE AND A SMALL FIRE FIGHT Ensued.
   NO KNOWN VC CASUALTIES. COMMENT: CHECKS ON THE APRIL 15TH REPORT OF AGENT FM
   EOA VANG THAT THE VC INTEND TO USE MINES (SEE INTSUM NO 2 DTD 151900H MAY). INITIAL
   RPT STATED THE CHG WAS ELECTRICALLY DETONATED.

   (2) 211845L. A PLT FM C-1-3 DISCOVERED A VC BASE AREA (AT 870664) CONSISTING
   OF 2 HOUSES CAPABLE OF SLEEPING 8-10 PER HOUSE. GEAR FOUND IN THE AREA INCLUDED: 15
   KHAKI UNIFORMS, A LARGE SUPPLY OF CIVILIAN CLOTHES, 20 BAR MAGAZINES, 20 FLASH LIGHTS,
   PAPER, AND DOCUMENTS, AND 5 MILES OF COMM WIRE.

   (3) API RPT: EXTENSIVE TRENCH NETWORK VIC COORD AT 818060.

   (4) UNICAL NATIONAL POLICE AP'S RPT: ON 11 MAY 30 VC ASSASSINATED A RANG-
   CUTTER VIC KIN LINI SAMLE VIC AT 904140. THE VC WERE RPTD TO BE WEARING BLACK HATS.
   COMMENT: OPN AREA OF 516 MAIN FORCE COMPANY.

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1. INTSUM NO 9 ENDING 221900H MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD.

a. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS.

(1) Moon Phase chg tomorrow fn ¾ to ½.

b. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

(1) There was no significant contact by Marine units with the VC during the reporting period.

(2) Immediate Photo Interpretation Report, Mission 2074; Photos 001-051 HSV & LSV DTD 19 MAY 1965 reveals the following:

(a) Foxholes spaced alongside trail for almost 2000 meters via COORD 970653 to 967636.

(b) Partially covered communication trench via COORD NT 969639 to 963632.

(c) Firing trenches connected by stretches of covered communications trenches via COORD 965643 to 961642.

(d) Hamlet surrounded by foxholes and short trenches via COORD 957658.

(e) Partially covered ditch located via COORD 957649.

(f) Many foxholes along trail via COORD 953653 to 951643.

(g) Partially covered ditch via COORD 949635.

(3) Following items extracted from 1st BN, 3rd Marines p/tl rpt:

(a) Unit received 8 rds of 60mm mortar fire from a suspected mortar ptn via coord AT 859664. Comment: All VC units should be given the capability of having mortars.

(b) Effects taken from VC KIA included pay voucher from C-25 company. Comment: C-25 normal area of ops is in Phouc Tuy Prov, III Corps Tactical Area. VC also had a letter of introduction; might possibly have been a courier.
(c) VC's approaching suspected relay station had no wpns. Comments: Ties in with recent rpts of wpns being taken fm some local units and replaced with grenades.

(d) Ptl received AW fire fm vic coord AT 9660. Fire was very heavy and seemed to have high cyclic rate. Comments: Could possibly by Chicom 7.62 modified sub MG, K-50. This wpn has a cyclic rate of 700-750 rpm. It is usually only found with Main Force troops.

(4) 3rd Bn 4th Marines rpts at 1715 vic coord YD 8116129 mine clearing detail rec sniper fire from 4 VC. Persued VC who attempted to ambush detail. Killed 2 VC. 2 others escaped. 1 wounded. Search squad backed up by plt searching area. No friendly casualties.

(5) 3rd Bn 4th Marines rpts at 1930. 2 AW wpns and 1 38 cal pistol found on 2 dead VC.

3. ENEMY CAPABILITIES. NO CHG FROM INTSUM NO 1 DTD 14 MAY 1965.

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1. REPORT NO 10 ENDING 231900H MAY 1965

2. SUPPORT OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD.

   a. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS.

      (1) Moon Phase: On today in to 3.

      (2) RE-4 patrol of 21 May reported large cave/caverns made by
          stream running underground via BT 502007. Area overgrown
          with vines and foliage and is an ideal hiding place
          virtually untouchable by air and arty fire.

      (3) Combat hamlet loc via coord ZC 1453.

      (4) Fortified position loc via coord AT 8897.

      (5) Possible portable bridge loc via coord ZC 144552.

      (6) Possible HIZ's: ZC 167567, ZC 021509, Valley between
          YC 8149 and YC 8552, ZC 017573, ZC 0857.

   b. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

      (1) VC/VNA activity during the reporting period continues at a
          moderate rate. VC terrorism continued in the form of
          harassing sniper fire, booby traps, and grenades. Sightings
          continued at a moderate rate.

      (2) 1/3 Company captured 1 VC in the vicinity of Cao Sung Tuo.

      (3) 3/4 India Company fired on loc via YD 818129 in same
          area where two VC were killed on the 22nd. So far have
          found literature and clothing.

      (4) 12th Mar rpt 1 grenade received in how btry position. One
          person seen fleeing. Incident occurred 230950H.

      (5) 1/3 located 2 VC via coord AT 851681. Upon making contact
          VC dropped 2 packs and fled. Packs contained drugs, over-
          lay, diaries, documents, undelivered letters, and 3 sets
          civilians in each pack. VC believed to be recon party.
(6) 3-50MM PATROL FOUND FUJI TRAJS A... DIGGING LOC VIC COORD AT 887759. RECEIVED 1 SNIP-2 ROUND.

(7) 2/3 KIPS ONE USMC VIA VIC LE NEX MT VIC COORD AT 897826. MARINE WAS WOUNDED WHEN HE TRIPPED BOOM TRAP IN BAMBOO GROVE.

(8) 2/4 KIP THAT ON 2200hrs APPROX 30-35 METS WITH RIFLES MOVING IN TACTICAL COLUMN ACROSS RIVER IN DADY LOC VIC COORD AT 483043. THIS GROUP SPLIT INTO TWO UNITS LOC VIC AT 484039 AND AT 483044. THE ENEMY WAS ENGAGED WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE, 81MM MORTAR, AND 105 CONCENTRATIONS. AT 2200hrs THREE BODIES WERE SEEN LYING ON TRAIL VIC AT 485045 AND SHOOTING WAS HEARD. A PATROL WAS DISPATCHED AT FIRST LIGHT AND NO BODIES OR EVIDENCE OF BLOOD WAS FOUND.

(9) KIP-4 KIPD 30 SMALL BOATS VIC COORD 503985. BOATS APPEARED TO BE LOADED WITH SUPPLIES. THE EMPIRE MOVING TOWARDS THE SOUTH OF THE RIVER WHICH IS POSSIBLY A LOADING POINT. ANTH LIAISON INDICATED THEY HAD NO BOATS OPERATING ON THE RIVER AND SUSPECTED THAT WERE V.C.

(10) KIP-4 KIPS THAT INDIVIDUAL PERSONNEL BLOODY SODA AND BAG AT THE END OF THE BAGS SHIP LOGS HAVE BEEN APPEARED AND TURNED OVER TO THE CIVILIAN COLLECTION POINT FOR FURTHER DISPOSITION. A VCO FAMILY LIVING VIC COORD AT 579015 IS ALSO BEING INVESTIGATED.


(12) KIP-4 KIPS THAT TRANSLATION OF DOCUMENTS RECEIVED INDICATES THE VC HAVE PREPARED A LARGE FORCE FOR MOVEMENT IN KIWI VILLAGE WHERE THE PENINSULA OF THE NORTHERN EDGE OF KIWIEN THE KIP TAOR. TREATMENT OF THE FORCE IN TO REASONATE THE BODIES PHYSICAL AREA.

(13) THE VI THE DISTRICT CHIEF OF POLICE REPORTS THE 5TH VC IS LOCATED VIC COORD 395585. CHIEF OF POLICE INDICATED THE 1ST POSITION IS EFFECTIVELY CAMOUFLAGED DURING THE DAY BUT MANY GUN FIRING ARE SIGHTED AT NIGHT.

(14) 10 MAY: I CORPS C/4 500 VC NOW BOYER GAO-DONG LOC VIC AT 090340-090540-090840-090940-075030-070710-070930-115313, BE THE 1ST BATT 2ND LOC IN THIS VIC.

(15) 10 MAY: I CORPS C/4 60TH IN VIC AT 090340-093340-094055-070710-070930-115313, BE THE 1ST BATT IN LOC IN THIS VIC.

(16) 10 MAY: I CORPS C/3 2 BATT DEPLOYED IN THE VG AREA - COORD AT 554323-554334. 2 NF BATT LOC VIC COORD AT 884357-886582. 2 BATT LOC VIC COORD AT 854357-864585. PROBABLY THE 1ST BATT IN, AND THE 2ND BATT LOC VIC COORD AT 894357 AND AT 904352 ARE MAIN FORCES OF QUANG NAM L'AVO.
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(17) 19 MAY: I CORPS C/2: 1 BN STRENGTH 450 MAINLY HNV LOG VIC COORD BY 131272 AND PHUC BA LOG VIC COORD BY 128263. ANOTHER BN DESIGNATED 954/70 C/O 2 AND LT I HUONG VINH LOCATED VIC COORD BY 415009 AND BS 389996. PROBABLY THE 90TH BN.


3. MAY CAPABILITIES: NO CHD FROM INTELS NO 1 UTD 14 MAY 1965

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1. INTELLIGENCE REPORT 241200H MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF CURRENT SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD:

A. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS:

(1) THE THIRD PROVINCE SUGAR ADVISOR REPORTS THAT THE PRESENT RICE HARVESTING INDICATES A FISHER CROP, GENERALLY MORE THAN REQUIRED FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE PRESENT POPULATION.

(2) FOOTHILLS LOC VIC COORD AT 8565 AND AT 8364. FOILAGE EXTREMELY SLIGHT WITH "BAMBOO" 6' TO 12' HIGH AND SLIGHT. HEAVY UNDERGROWTH. MOVEMENT SLOW - 400 METERS IN 1 1/2 HRS.

(3) STREAMED LOC VIC COORD AT 869671 RUNS NORTH TOWARD HILL 570. PROVIDES DIFFERENT BUT PASSABLE ROUTE TOWARD HIGH GROUND. STREAMED ROCKY WITH EXTREMELY SLIGHT FOILAGE AND 20' OVERHEAD CANOPY.

(A) NATURAL ROCK CAVE LOCATED ALONG EAST SIDE OF STREAMED, FROM VIC COORD AT 869660 NORTH TO COORD AT 869664.

(B) VIC COORD AT 869664 A SMALL RUNS WEST FROM STREAMED ALONG RIDGE LINE.

(C) 50 METERS NORTH OF AT 869664 ADDITIONAL NATURAL ROCK CAVE.

(D) THE STREAM AT COORD AT 900660 IS 6' DEEP AND 4' TO 5' WIDE.

(E) 1/4 MILE AT 8668 IS DRY GROUND WITH SLIGHT HIGH GRASS AND OCCASIONAL CLUMPS OF BRUSH.

(F) VIC COORD AT 900665 LEVEL GRASSY AREA SUITABLE AS HELICOPTER LANDING FIELD.

(G) TRAIL FROM GIAC TRI LOC VIC COORD AT 8670 SW TO CAO LUNG LOC VIC COORD AT 8769 then SE TO VIC KONG HIGH LOC VIC.
CORD AT 8068 IS A GOOD QUALITY FOOT TRAIL EASILY
TRACEDABLE BY FOOT TROOPS.

3. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

(1) 23 MAY: 1/3 RPTD THAT AT 0200H, 10 BOATS WERE OBS WITH
LIGHTS LOG VIC COORD AT 967002. LIGHTS EXTINQUISHED AND
7/10 OF THE BOATS MOVED TOWARD THE ISLAND LOG VIC COORD
AT 966999.

(2) 24 MAY: 2/3 RPTD THAT 1/3 PTL FIRED ON BY 4 CVT'S AND
RECEIVED 3 RDS OF 60MM MORT VIC COORD AT 896693. MORT FIRED
PTL COORD AT 896690.

(3) RPTD DURING FD 200650H TO 211430H PTL LOC SVL HAMLET
VIC AT 916776. AT FOUR POINTS AROUND SVL VIC HAMLET,
WELL CONCEALED FIRING POSITIONS WERE LOCATED. THE FIRING
POSI TIONS WERE INSIDE LARGE CLUMPS OF NATURAL BRUSH TO
WHICH A PILE OF 6' BAMBOO POLES HAD BEEN ATTACHED. AN ESCAPE
TUNNEL LED BACK INTO THE HAMLET APPROX 150 TO 200 IN LENGTH
WITH A 60 DEGREE ANGLE TUNNEL. TUNNELS ARE MARRON AND APPROX
3' IN DEPTH. VILLAGE S STATED VC COMPANY (100 MEN) VISIT
HAMLET REGULARLY TO CONDUCT POLITICAL IDENTIFICATIONS.
LAST VISIT ON 16 MAY.

(4) 23 MAY: "A" CO 1/3 SURPRISED A VC VIC COORD AT 896692.
THE VC ESCAPED, BUT LEFT PACK BEHIND. HIS PACK CONTAINED
DETAIL DRAWING OF THE BRIDGE AND THE IMMEDIATE SURROUNDING
AREA OF THE BRIDGE LOG VIC COORD AT 946699.

(5) A PTL OF C CO 1/3 WAS FIRED ON BY 2 VC VIC 896660. A
CHIEN GRENADE STRUCK THE CHEST OF VC PATROL LEADER, KILLED
HIM DEADLY AND Expelled OFF HILL SIDE. 2ND VC WEAPONS AS 45 CAL
AUTOMATIC WEAPONS.

3. ENEMY CAPABILITIES. BLOG FROM INFOR NO 1 DTD 14 MAY 1965.

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1. INFORM NO 12 ENDING 251900H MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD,

A. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS,

(1) RECON COMPANY REPORTS THE VILLAGE SHOWN ON MAP LOC V/N COORD AT 4998670 DOES NOT EXIST.

(2) PHOTO INTERPRETATION OF NRO 2067 30TH 18 MAY 65 REVEALS SUSPECT BELLS IN GORCE BELLO FALLS AMONG TREES LOC V/N COORD ZC 1196400. NUMBER AND SIZE OF BELLS UNKNOWN DUE TO TREES COVER.

B. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION,

(1) 23 MAY: HL/M 3/3 PUT J` V` 105 MM SHELL ON A COMPANY LISTENING POST ON A VC CASUALTIES OBSERVED BUT NO POSITIVE EVIDENCE AT FIRST LIGHT.

(2) 24 MAY: 1/3 HITS THAT INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED THAT THE VC SET UP SPEAKERS ON HILL NO 92 LOC V/N COORD AT 8767 AND BROADCASTED TO THE NORTH THAT VILLAGERS SHOULD KEEP OFF THE TRAILS AS THEY WERE BEING KILLED. THIS TOOK PLACE AROUND 18 MAY.

(3) 24 MAY: 3/4 HITS FROM VC IN N.E. SECTOR OF TACR. FIRE PIGEON OF SHORT DURATION-VC BROKE CONTACT.

(4) 24 MAY: RECON PATROL PL 1/12 PICKED UP VC LOC V/N COORD AT 8807665. SUSPECT WEARING BLACK SHIRT TROUSERS, KHAKI SHIRT, KIEN BEND.

(5) 25 MAY: 2/3 HITS THAT A CIVILIANS TURNED THEMSELVES OVER IN THE N. W. PART OF THE VILLAGE OF LE NT.

(6) 25 MAY: 1/3 PUT 240 VC KIA, ONE WITH RIFLE LOC V/N COORD AT 339618 DUE TO HIT BRUSH AND RUGGED TERRAIN BODIES COULD NOT BE REMOVED. RIFLE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS WILL BE REMOVED AND FWD.

(7) 25 MAY: HL/M SIGHTING 12 VC LOC V/N COORD KS 535998. 2 VC KIA, 1 MVC KIA, 1 CAGEESE AND 1 N-1 CAPTURED.

(8) 25 MAY: HL/M 2 HITS 1 VC PROBABLY KIA LOC V/N COORD AT 831659. QTY OF BLOOD IN AREA. FOUND 1 CHINCH CARTRIDGE BODY W/CHINCH GRENADES, 1 POKCHO, FIRST AID KIT.
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(9) 25 MAY: HLT 3 HPTS FROM VIET VC CAMP SIGHTED IN VIC COORD AT 615634. 3 HPTS IN THE AREA. 3 VC'S W/WEAPONS SEEN RUNNING FROM THE AREA.

6. (10) 23 MAY: HLT 4 HPTS SEARCH OF AREA VIC COORD AT 503037 TURNED UP 22 PERSONS WITHOUT ID CARDS.

(11) 23 MAY: HLT 4 HPTS 40 JUNKS SIGHTED VIC AT 5006 APPROACHING NORTH OF RIVER.

(12) 23 MAY: HLT 4 HPTS APPROACHED WITHIN 600 YDS OF LISTENING POINT VIC AT 556023, MARINE THREW HAND ILLUMINATION AND FIRED 4 ROUNDS. SUBJECTS TOOK COVER AND FIRED 5 ROUNDS.

(13) HLT 4 HPTS THAT MINES SOH DISTRICT CHIEF HPTS VC TRAINING CENTER AND HOUSES FOR HIGH LEVEL CADRE VIC COORD AT 467922.

(14) 23 MAY: 45 HPTS PROBABLE VC

6. ENEMY UNCONVENTIONAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SITUATION.

(1) 24 MAY: KRON PATROL PM 1/12 DISCOVERED SIGNS IN VILLAGE VIC COORD AT 560734. SIGNS SAY "WE INVADE, WE ADVANCE TO FIGHT AGAINST TO TAKE FINAL RESULTS, WE HAVE ENERGY TO DESTROY MARINES THAT OCCUPY THE SOUTH OF VIET NAM" ANOTHER SIGN "YOU RETURN QUICKLY WITH US, POPULATION PATRIOTS, OUR COUNTRY AWAITS YOU".

3. ENEMY CAPABILITIES.

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1. INTHE NO 13 ENDING 261900H MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD.

A. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS.

(1) 1/12 RPT THAT SOUTH OF MY SON LOC VIC COORD AT 862748 THERE ARE TWO VC CAVES CAMOUFLAGED JUST AT THE EAST SIDE OF THE ROAD. IN THE VIC COORD AT 860743 ONE HALF OF ROAD IS CUT BUT PASSABLE BY MUT. 6'x6' SECTION OF BRIDGE IS OUT ON BRIDGE LOC VIC COORD 893772. 6'x6' SECTION OF BRIDGE IS OUT ON BRIDGE LOC VIC MY SON LOC 896772. COORD AT 860744 SECTION OF ROAD IS WASHERED OUT. AT COORD AT 860740 LANDSLIDE OF DIRT AND ROCK BLOCKS THE ROAD FOR VEHICLES. THE CUT LEADING TO STREAM VIC COORD AT 859735 NOT WIDE ENOUGH FOR TRUCKS, BUT PASSABLE BY KIIGHT NITE. FLOOD AT STREAM LOC VIC COORD AT 859735 APPROX 1 1/2 DEEP, SAND BOTTOM, APPEARS PASSABLE BY VEHICLE.

B. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

(1) 25 MAY: SPECIAL FORCES B/2; OBS 3 VC WEARING SHORTS AND CARRYING 1 CARBINE AND 10 GRENADES OBSERVED AT XD 825559.

(2) 25 MAY: SPECIAL FORCES B/2; 2 DAY CHEF ITL CLOSED CAMP LOC VIC COORD 85 372672. 2 VC TAKING POINTS WITH 1500 KILO RICE. 1000 POUND STAKES DESTROYED.

(3) BFT 3 TURNED IN VCS PHAN-VAN-SANG WHO WAS CAPTURED 25 MAY AT 2215H VIC COORD AT 867862. VCS STATES THAT HE LIVES IN LE-MY SUB VILLAGE, HOA LAC VILLAGE, HOA VANG DIST, QUANG HAM PROV. VCS STATES THAT STAY RESIDES IN HIS VILLAGE FOR OVER 2 YEARS, BUT THEY LEFT A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO. HE STATES THAT THERE WERE ABOUT 150 VC IN THE POSSIBLE FORM OF 2 COMPANIES. HE STATES THAT HOA LOC VILLAGE IS APPROX 2 OR 3 KM FROM HOA VANG VILLAGE.
(4) KIT-3 TURNED IN VCO HOOL-BOI WHO SURRENDERED HIMSELF VIC COORD AT 356867. HE CLAIMS THAT HE WAS IN THE ARVN ARMY UNTIL APPROX MAY 1964. HE WAS GIVEN LEAVE, GOT SICK, AND NEVER RETURNED. 20 DAYS AGO HE SAW AMERICAN MARINES IN THE AREA AND DECIDED TO TURN HIMSELF IN. HE STATES THERE ARE 50 VC IN THE VILLAGE OF HOA LAC, HOA VANG DIST, QUANG BINH PROV. THEY ARE ALL ARRESTED. THEIR ARREST INCLUDES BUT IS NOT RESTRICTED TO: THJ 3765, CHECK 50 MM AND PRENTE WM. HE STATES HOA LAC VILLAGE IS 6 TO 8 KM FROM HOA PHAT. VCO BANG HO ALSO SURRENDERED VIC COORD AT 356867. HE STATES THAT HE IS ORIGINALLY FROM THE ARVN 6TH ENCH GROUP (6/6) BASED AT QUE KHOA. HE STATES THAT HE WENT ON LEAVE IN JANUARY 1965 AND WAS CAPTURED BY VC AND HELD CAPTIVE FOR 2 MONTHS, AFTER WHICH HE KEPT AT HOME BY THREATS TO HIS FAMILY. HE SAW AMERICAN OPERATING IN THE AREA 20 DAYS AGO AND DECIDED TO TRY TO RETURN. HE SET OUT FOR THE BANANA AUTHORITIES AT 240000H MAY 1965 WITH A HOOL-BOI, ANOTHER FUGITIVE FROM THE MILITARY.

(5) 23 MAY: NATIONAL POLICE AGENT Y/61:

(A) THE 973 REGIMENTAL HQ IS LOCATED AT DUC KY VIC COORD AT 917613 AND IS CMD BY LT COL BINHO. THE TROOPS ARE BURIED OUT IN HAMLETS AND VILLAGES IN THE AREA. THEY WERE FREQUENTLY SO THEIR STRENGTH CANNOT BE DETERMINED. (6-2 CONTENT: 1ST SECTION OF 973 REG HQ.

(B) VC DIG CAVERNS UNDER BAMBOO BUSH. IF SMALL FORCES GOES INTO CAMERA, THE VC UNBURIED IN THE CAVERNS.

(C) VC PLAN TO ATTACK HOI AN IN FUTURE VIC COORD AT 150580. IF BANHAT CANNOT BE ATTACKED AT THE SAME TIME THEY PLAN TO SHELL BANHAT BY ARTILLERY. IF THEY CANNOT WIN AT HOI AN THEY PLAN TO ATTACK DICH BAN VIC COORD AT 060585 AND DICH LOC VIC COORD AT 900580.

(D) VC ARE ARMING FEMALE GUERRILLAS WITH GRENADES AND GABINIES VIC COORD AT 9762.

(E) ARTILLERY ATTACKS HAVE KILLED SOME COOLIES. THE PEOPLE HAVE BECOME AFRAID TO WORK AS COOLIES FOR THE VC.

(F) THE GUERRILLAS OF HOA VANG DIST AND THE GUERRILLAS OF DIEN BAN DIST HAVE REACHED AN OPERATIONAL AGREEMENT. THE HOA VANG GUERRILLAS WILL DESTROY RAILROAD BRIDGES IN THE HOA VANG DIST, AND THE DIEN BAN GUERRILLAS WILL SHOOT AIRCRAFT. (6-2 CONTENT: DIEN BAN GUERRILLAS HAVE ALREADY DIRECTED FIRE AT AIRCRAFT FLYING IN AND OUT OF DIENG ABK.)
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(G) 1/3 RPT SCOUT FIRE TEAM RECEIVING SNIPER FIRE AT COORD AT 950664 AT 1935H 25 MAY.

3. CHEM CAPABILITIES.

NO CHANGE FROM INTEJUN NO 1 DFD 14 MAY 1965.

4. MILICULARIOUS.

MAP DISTRIBUTION POINT IS NOW LOCATED AT THE FLSG.

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1. INTSUM NO 15 ENDING 281900H MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD.

A. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS.

(1) MOON PHASE TONIGHT: CRESCENT.

B. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

(1) VC INITIATED ACTIVITY AGAINST USMC UNITS IN THE 1 O'FRC AREA CONTINUES TO BE LIGHT; THERE WAS ONE SMALL SCALE ATTACK AT CHU LAI.

(2) 260240H; RLZ 4; SMALL SCALE VC ATK VIC COORD AT 5205. 2 VC KIA. 3 GREASE GUNS, 1 THOMPSON SMG, 1 CARBINE, SEVERAL BARBS MADE GRENADES, 2 RN 26 GRENADES CAPTURED. 2 RN 14 RIFLES RECOVERED AFTER VC TOOK RIFLES FROM USMC WIA'S. G-2 COMMENT: RELATIVELY LARGE NUMBERS OF WEPS CAPTURED INDICATES VC MUST HAVE SUFFERED SEVERAL ADDITIONAL CASUALTIES.

(3) 260750H; 3D MAR; INITIAL RPT: CAPTURED 1 VC AT VIC COORD AT 528705. COMMENT: IMMEDIATE INTERROGATION REVEALED CAPTIVE HAD EXTREMELY LIMITED KNOWLEDGE OF VC INFRASTRUCTURE; BELIEVED TO HAVE NO FURTHER INFORMATION; TURNED OVER TO DES.

(4) 261115H; 3D MAR; PTL RECEIVED 7 RDS SNIPER FIRE VIC COORD AT 561747.

(A) 26 MAY; RLZ 4; LY TIM POLICE RPTD 1 VC RPTD 8/1 4/1 CHIENGI ADVISOR CSD BY TRAU-DUC-THANG AND NGUYEN CONG.
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Hung moving from Quang-Nghi and stopped VAC Coord 175706. Nave believed to be to observe U.S. forces. Comment: Numerous recent Rpts mention Chines: advisors. Probably true.

(B) 26 May: P/6: NAY LIAISON OFFICER WITH JUNK FLEET RPTD APPROX 100 VC ON NHU XANH ISLAND Coord 4509. Extensive tunnels and caves on NW part of island. One tunnel believed to have 50 to 75 bars. VC have 57mm: Rr. NAY LIAISON OFFICER had no knowledge of own mortars.

(C) 26 May: P/6: BINH SAN DISTRICT CHIEF RPTS 7 SEVEN DAY TRAINING COURSE RECENTLY TOOK PLACE IN THUONG XA Coord 50974. VC WERE GIVEN MISSION TO PRODUCE USING UNIFORMS AND NAME INSIGNIA. BELIEVED THAT UNIFORMS WILL BE USED IN TERRORIST AND DECEPTION ACTIVITIES. Comment: Two VC COS were RPTD WEARING ARM UNIFORMS IN QUANG TIN 22 May. THIS IS A COMMON VC TACTIC AND HAS BEEN USED ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS.

(D) 26 May: P/6: VILLAGE CHIEF OF KY KHONG RPTD INFORMATION PERTAINING TO HAMLET OF KHONG BRIH LOG Coord 429093. APPROX 100 VC REPAIRED IN THE VILLAGE. VC ARE HOLDING 300 VILLAGERS TO HARVEST PATT AUGUST RICE CROPS. VC ARE ARMED WITH MAS RIFLES, MG'S, 120MM BOMBS, CARTRIDGES AND M-1'S. TRIP AND PRESSURE AP MINES ARE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH BAMBOO FENCES TO PROTECT HILL MASS 5 TO SW OF VILLAGE. THE VC PATROL FOOT PATHS AND ROADS AND FIRE 3 RDS AS WARNINGS OF APPROACHING GVN TROOPS.

3. GVN CAPABILITIES.

NO CHANGE FROM INTSUM NO 1 DTD 14 MAY 1965.

4. MISCELLANEOUS.

A. 26 May.

(I) MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD THROUGHOUT SOUTH VIETNAM MAY 1965. THE MAIN THEMES AT PRE-ELECTION RALLIES ARE ANTI-COMMUNIST AND ANTI-NEUTRALIST.

COMMENT: THE POSSIBILITY ARISES THAT THE VC MAY ATTEMPT TO SABOTAGE ELECTIONS IN SOME AREAS, NO TROUBLE IS ANTICIPATED AND 457,000 REGISTERED VOTERS IN DA NANG. IT IS EXPECTED THAT CITY COUNCIL Will BE ELECTED.

If several recent VC initiated ambushes reveals that
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(3) THERE ARE 70,000 REGISTERED VOTERS IN DA NANG. IT IS EXPECTED
THAT THE PRESENT CITY COUNCIL WILL BE RE-ELECTED.

B. AN ANALYSIS OF SEVERAL RECENT VC INITIATED AMBUSHES REVEALS THAT
THEY OCCURRED LATE IN THE AFTERNOON WHEN ARVN UNITS WERE RETURNING TO
BASS AREAS FROM OPERATIONS. TROOPS UNDoubtedly WERE TIR ED
AND MAY HAVE RELACED SECURITY AS THEY RETURNED FROM BASS. IT IS
SIGNIFICANT TO NOTE THAT THE TAKING WAS ALSO DESIGNED TO LIMIT
EFFECTIVENESS OF REACTION FORCES SINCE ONLY A FEW HOURS OF DAY-
LIGHT REMAINED IN WHICH TO CONDUCT GROUND OPERATIONS AND TO
EFFECTIVELY DIRECT ARMED HELICOPTERS AND CLOSE SUPPORT AIRCRAFT.
A RECENT AMBUSH OF AN AMMUNITION CONVOY IN LONG KIBE PROVINCE
RESULTED IN LOSSES OR DAMAGE OF ALL VEHICLES, 46 KIA, 25 WIA, AND
1 WIA. LOSSES WERE IN SPITE OF ESCORT BY ARMORED CARS, COVER BY
OBSERVATION AIRCRAFT AND REACTION SUPPORT RENDERED BY ARMED
HELICOPTERS 15 MINUTES AFTER START OF THE ATTACK.
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1. LETSUM NO 16 ENDING 291900H MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF EMNITARY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD.

A. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS.

(1) 291500H: DIV RCO: DIV CO: 2 RTY BRIDGES CUT VIC COORD AT 991642 (10 MI S DANANG) AND AT 997547 (10 MI W HOI AN) RTY BRIDGE CUT AT BT 012568 (8 MI W HOI AN) RTE 14 CUT IN NUMEROUS PLACES BETWEEN RTE 1 AND AT 913578 (15 MI W HOI AN).

(2) 290700H: DIV: BRIDGE LOC VIC COORD BT 776175 (APPROX 5 MI S OF TAM KY) HAS TWO SPANS PARTIALLY BLOWN. OPEN TO FOOT TRAFFIC BUT NOT PASSABLE BY VEHICLES.

B. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

(1) VC INITIATED ACTIVITY AGAINST USMC UNITS IN THE I COHS CONTINUES TO BE LIGHT.

(2) 281955H: 4TH MAR: FIRED ON BY VC VIC COORD BT 575009. VC ESCAPED BUT THE M-14 RIFLE THE VC WAS USING WAS RECOVERED.

(3) 2900355: 4TH MAR: RCVD MG FIRE IN FRONT OF RSN VIC COORD BT 556023.

(4) 291643H: 3D MAR: RPTD THAT THE VILLAGERS IN TAM AN-HUONG VIC COORD AT 867733 (APPROX 12 MI N DANANG) STATED A MP COMPANY PASSED THROUGH THEIR VILLAGE LAST WK.

(5) 291643H 3D MAR: DISCOVERED CAVES CONTAINING RICE, ARMS, GRENADES, AND CLOTHING. MORE CAVES IN AREA NOT YET SEARCHED. CAVES LOC VIC COORD AT 831715 (APPROX 12 MI E OF DANANG).

(6) LATE ENTRIES:
(A) 280930H: 3D MAR: SIGHTED APPROX 10-15 GUERRILLAS VIC COORD AT 8301 APPROX 14 MI NW OF DANANG. HEAVILY ARMED WITH US CARBINES AND AT LEAST ONE WEAPONS OF COMMUNIST BLOC MANUFACTURE (K-50). SIGNS INDICATED THAT VC LIVE IN THE LOWER SLOPES NEAR WATER, AND US THE MOUNTAIN TRAILS AS HIGHWAYS.
(7) 28 MAY: HOA VANG DIST ACT F/61 ACT RPTD THAT THE LOCAL VC GUERRILLA SQUAD OF QUA GIANG HAMLIN (BT 016667 APPROX 10 MTS OF DANANG) HAS BEEN REINFORCED BY A MAIN FORCE Unit. RPT RPTD TO DISRUPT THE FORTH COMING PROVINCE COUNCIL ELECTIONS. CIT EXAMPLES OF THE DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTRED IN FACIFICATION; WHEN LOCAL VC/GUERRILLAS ARE UNABLE TO CONTROL THE SITUATION THEY ARE REINFORCED BY PROVINCIAL AND MAIN FORCE UNITS.

3. NAM CAPABILITIES.

NO CHANGE FROM INTSUD NO 1 DTD 14 MAY 1965.

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INTSUM No 17 ENDING 30 JUNE MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD.

A. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS.

(1) 28 MAY-4TH MAY: AG HITD NEW TRENCH LINE AROUND VILLAGES VIC COORD BS 537897. A NUMBER OF HOLES WERE ALSO IN THE AREA. POSSIBLE CAVE ENTRANCES.

(2) HILL 41 VIC COORD AT 9366 HAS OLD DEFENSIVE POSITION SURROUNDED BY TRENCH LINES.

(3) FRESH, CLEAR WELL WATER LOCATED COORDS AT 946675, AT 941681, AND AT 909695. (APPROX 7 MILES SW OF DANANG)

(4) AS OF 30 MAY THE FOLLOWING BRIDGES ALONG HIGHWAY (1) FROM DANANG TO CHU LAI ARE OUT HAVING BEEN BLOWN BY THE VC.

(A) COORD BT 099519 (15 MI SOUTH OF DANANG)

(B) COORD BT 204381 (BY PASS) (26 MI SOUTH OF DANANG)

(C) COORD BT 379175 (BYWAY BRIDGE) (12 MI NORTH CHU LAI)

B. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION

(1) 292045H: 3RD MAR: PLT FOUND CACHE OF CLOTHING AND FOOD VIC COORD AT 675619 (APPROX 9 MI FROM DANANG). WOOLEN TROUSERS, BLACK SHIRTS, LARGE BAG OF SALT, BAG OF RICE, CAN OF OIL, ENETY COOKING CAN, AND ONE OPEN "C" RATION WERE DISCOVERED. AREA DESERTED.

(2) 301325H: 4TH MAR: 4 VC WERE SIGHTED VIC COORD BS 485999 (APPROX 4 MI SSW FROM CHU LAI). 3 VC KIA AND 1 VC WIA IN THE
ACTION.

(3) 301300H; 4th MAR; RES FIRE VILLAGE VIC COORD AT 535095 (APPROX 2 MI N OF CHU LAI). PERSONNEL FIRING AT THEM WERE LATER JOINED BY 5 MEN WEARING WHITE ARM BANDS. 51'S WERE CALLED IN. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

(4) 301530H; 4th MAR; ITT PICKED UP A YOUTH IN THAM LONG VILLAGE VIC COORD AT 532095 (APPROX 12 MILES N OF CHU LAI) WHO SAID THAT IF IN THE VILLAGE WEAR REGULAR PATROON DURING THE DAY AND BLACK CLOTHING AT NIGHT WHEN GOING OUT ON PATROL. THEY USUALLY DEPART ABOUT 1900H AND RETURN ABOUT 0200H.

(5) 301445I; 3D MAR; VILLAGERS FROM DAI DIN LOC VIC AT 96605 ANE THAT THERE ARE FROM 10 TO 20 VC THAT ROAM THROUGH THE VILLAGE. VC ARE DRESSED IN BLACK AND HAVE ONLY SMALL ARMS. THERE ARE ABOUT 70 FAMILIES IN THE VILLAGE. SOME OF THE VILLAGERS HAVE SHRIMP WOUNDS. ONE VILLAGER WANTS TO RELocate HIS FAMILY IN LE MAY.

(6) LATE ENTRIES.

(A) 272000H; 3D MAR; F-6; VILLAGERS REPORTED 10 OR 12 VC PASSED THROUGH THEIR VILLAGE VIC COORD AT 935660 (APPROX 7 MI SW OF DANANG) ON THE NIGHT OF 24 MAY.

(B) 28 MAY; 3D MAR; NEW PUNI STAKES FOUND ON CENTER OF TRAIL VIC COORD AT 902702, COVERED WITH BRUSH. 40 METERS DOWN THE TRAIL ANOTHER CLUMP OF BRUSH WAS SIGHTED. WHEN THE MARINES ATTEMPTED TO PUSH AWAY THE BRUSH ASSUMING TO FIND PUNI STAKES, HE DETONATED A HIDDEN CHARGE. THE EXPLOSION APPEARED TO BE LARGER THAN A HAND GRENADE. IT WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A GOOD DEAL OF SMOKE AND LARGE FRAGMENTS. THE INJURIES OCCURRED IMMEDIATELY WHEN THE BRUSH WAS MOVED. ANOTHER PUNI TRAP WAS DISCOVERED IN THE CENTER OF THE TRAIL VIC COORD AT 905716. THIS TRAP WAS 3' X 3' WITH A BAMBOO FULCRUM IN THE CENTER WHICH SUPPORTS A SECTION OF WOOD THE SAME DIAMETER AS THE HOLE. THE WOOD SECTION LIES UNDER 6" OF DIRT AND SWINGS DOWN WHEN WEIGHT IS APPLIED TO ONE END. AN INDIVIDUAL MIGHT FALL INTO THE TRAP WITH THE WOOD SECTION MAKING A FULL 360 DEGREE TURN, AGAIN COVERING THE HOLE. PUNI STAKES ARE EMBEDDED IN THE BOTTOM OF THE HOLE. THIS TRAP HAS OTHER SMALLER TRAPS AT THE SIDE IN ORDER TO INJURE ANYONE ATTEMPTING TO WALK AROUND IT. OTHERS WERE PLACED IN THE SURROUNDING BRUSH.

(C) 270530H; 3D MAR; VILLAGERS OF LA CHAU VIC COORD AT 966665 (APPROX 6 MI NW OF DANANG) RPTD THAT ONE SQUAD OF VC UTILIZED THEIR VILLAGE AS A BILLETING AREA WITH ANOTHER VC SQUAD CLOSE BY ON THE OPPOSITE BANK OF THE RIVER VIC COORD AT 966665 (APPROX 6 MI SW OF DANANG).
(d) 26 May: 3rd Mar: A RANG TUC SNAKE (POISONOUS) WAS FOUND IN JUNGLE TRAP COORD AT 835706 (APPROX 3/4 MI WSW OF DANANG). THIS MAY BE COINCIDENTAL.

(a) 26 May: 3rd Mar: EXPANDED CARTRIDGES FROM .50 CAL WEAPON FOUND VIC COORD AT 870707 (APPROX 6 MI WSW OF DANANG).

3. NIGHT CAPABILITIES.

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4. MISCELLANEOUS.

A. 291900; 4th Mar; F/6; AN INFORMANT FM Binh Son District (3 OF CHU LAI) RPTD 6 CAUCASIANS AND 1 NEGRO WERE SIGHTED. COMMENT: IT IS NOT KNOWN FOR CERTAIN THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE OPERATING WITH THE VC. HOWEVER, THERE HAVE BEEN NUMEROUS REPORTS OF NON-ORIENTALS SIGHTED WITHIN THE I CORPS TACTICAL ZONE AND THERE COULD POSSIBLY BE SOME CONNECTION BETWEEN THESE SIGHTINGS AND OTHER RPTS THAT THE VC ARE TRYING TO OBTAIN MARINE UNIFORMS. IN SHORT, BLUE EYES AND A MARINE UNIFORM ARE NOT NECESSARILY FIRM INDICATIONS OF A FRIEND.

B. 291900; A/1; ANALYSIS BY THE DIVISION EOD TEAM REVEALS THAT CHARACTERISTICS OF THE VC CYLINDRICAL HOMEMADE FRAGMENTATION MINE AS DESCRIBED IN VOL II OF THE MACV BULLETIN "WAR MATERIAL USED BY VC" CONG IN SVN" ARE: DEFINITELY MISLEADING. THERE IS NO TIME FUSE IN THIS MINE; IT DETONATES IMMEDIATELY. THE HAILS FOUND AT THE BASE OF THE LAPPED WOOD HOUSING ARE NOT SAFETY PLUGS; THEY Merely HOLD THE HOUSING TO THE CAST IRON BODY. THIS MINE HAS BEEN FOUND THROUGHOUT THE AREA AND SHOULD BE HANDLED WITH CARE.

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1. INTSUM NO 16 ENDING 311900H MAY 1965

2. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION FOR THE PERIOD.

A. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS.

(1) MOON PHASE TONIGHT: CRESCENT.

B. ENEMY MILITARY SITUATION.

(1) ALTHOUGH VC INITIATED ACTIVITY AGAINST ARVN UNITS IN THE I CORPS HAS BEEN INTENSIFIED RECENTLY, VC INITIATED ACTIVITY AGAINST USMC UNITS CONTINUES TO BE LIGHT.

(2) 032000H: 3D MAR; P/61 WOODCUTTERS RPTD THAT THEY SIGHTED APPROX 1 TO 2 HTS OF VC VIC COORD AT 850795 (APPROX 7 MI NW OF DA NANG). BELIEVED TO HAVE 60MM MORTARS.

(3) 032125H: 4TH MAR: 000 - 0200 VC OF 1ST REP IN CONTACT WITH ARVN VIC COORD 855776 AND BS 5790 (APPROX 4 1/2 MI NW OF QUANG NGOI). THE 38TH VC BN WAS MOVING EAST VIC COORD BS 5671 (APPROX 4 1/2 MI W OF QUANG NGOI). 4/1 BN OCCUPYING POSITION ALONG RIVER FROM VIC COORD 6550 TO COORD 6659 (APPROX 7 MI S OF QUANG NGOI). (52D HWT)

(4) 032140H: 4TH MAR: ARVN COMPANY CO RPTD A VC CO LOC VIC COORD BT 462099 (APPROX 4 1/2 MI W OF CHU LAI). HE ALSO RPTD A VC BN MOVING S VIC COORD BT 4305 (APPROX 4 1/2 MI W OF CHU LAI).

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(5) 102345-3002345: QUANG NGAI LN OS VC HAD OCCUPIED SIN DIEL VIC COORD BS 726 (APPROX 6 MI SS OF QUANG NGAI). RPTD THAT VC FORCES WERE ON THE RIVER VIC COORD BS 6526 (APPROX 6 MI S OF CHU LAI). VC FORCES WERE MOVING TO JOIN 72D BN.

(6) 103402: 3D MAP: RPTD DA GIA OUTPOST UNDER ATTACK BY VC OF SUB STRENGTH VIC COORD BS 4979 (A PROX 6 MI NW OF QUANG NGAI). ATK STARTED AT 310320.

(7) 103505: 4TH MAR: RECON RPTD UNK ENEMY IN LOC VIC COORD BS 7160 (APPROX 3 MI SE OF QUANG NGAI).

(8) 111212: 4TH MAR: 7/6: ADVISOR VU TEL EST RPTD 1 VC CO IN VIC COORD BS 405120 (A PROX 6 MI NW OF CHU LAI). VC SPLIT INTO SMALL 3 - 4 MAN GROUPS VC LIVING WITH CIVILIANS, ANOTHER VC CO RPTD VIC COORD BS 430100 (APPROX 3 1/2 MI NW OF CHU LAI), APPARENTLY FORCING CIVILIANS TO DIG DUG ROAD. ONE VC CO RPTD AT COORD BS 425093 (APPROX 6 MI NW OF CHU LAI). AN U/Y UNIT RPTD LOC VIC COORD BS 350150 (APPROX 3 MI SE OF TAM KY) BELIEVED TO BE USED AS BLOCKING F RUL.

(9) 111635: 5TH MAR: 9 VC OBSERVED, 3 ON OUTPOST W/VPHS, 3 SWIMMING VIC COORD AT 90639 (APPROX 7 MI W OF DA NANG), THEY WERE IN KHAKI UNIFORMS. 20 RDS OF ART CALLING IN, BELIEVED 2 VIA AND REMAINDER DEAD. WHEN PATROL MOVED FORWARD TO COUNTER ATTACKS THEY WERE FIRED UPON BY A SQUAD OF VC.

3. KEY CAPABILITIES.

SUPPLEMENT REPORT TO BE ISSUED.

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