APPENDIX VI

GAME WARDEN STATISTICAL SUMMARY, 1966

1. Totals

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<tr>
<th>Category</th>
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<td>a. Junk/Sampans:</td>
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<tr>
<td>(1) Detected:</td>
<td>340,818</td>
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<td>(2) Inspected:</td>
<td>75,729</td>
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<td>(3) Boarded:</td>
<td>82,170</td>
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<td>b. Persons detained:</td>
<td>2,170</td>
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<td>c. Hostile Fire Incidents:</td>
<td>244</td>
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<td>d. Viet Cong killed:</td>
<td>381</td>
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<td>e. Viet Cong captured</td>
<td>95</td>
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<td>f. U.S. KIA:</td>
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<td>g. U.S. WIA:</td>
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<td>h. Boats seriously damaged:</td>
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<td>i. U.S. lost non-hostile:</td>
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<td>j. Gunfire support missions:</td>
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<td>k. SAR/MED/MAC missions:</td>
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<td>l. Combined operations:</td>
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2. Material captured

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<td>a. Individual weapons:</td>
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<td>b. Crew served weapon:</td>
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<td>c. Hand grenades:</td>
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<td>d. Rounds of S/A ammunition:</td>
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<td>e. Rifle grenades:</td>
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<td>f. Rounds of C/S ammunition:</td>
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<td>g. Outboard motors:</td>
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<td>h. Rice (tons):</td>
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<td>i. Salt (pounds):</td>
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<td>j. Other foods (pounds):</td>
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<td>k. Petroleum (gallons):</td>
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<td>l. Viet Cong documents:</td>
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<td>m. Printing press:</td>
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<td>n. Radio:</td>
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APPENDIX VII

CHRONOLOGY OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS, 1966

8 Jan - Coastal Group 33 units intercept two junks carrying contraband just off the coast of Go Cong province. After a fire fight, including air strikes, the junks are damaged; weapons and ammunition are captured.

21 Jan - USS DYNAMIC (MSO 432) and USS NICHOLAS (DD 449) assist in the rescue of all 28 crewmen from Panamanian merchant ship, BRIGHT STAR, which had run aground on a reef off Cù Lao Re Island near Chu Lai.

13 Feb - Captain Robert W. NETTING, USN, is assigned as first Senior Advisor, Vietnamese Navy Headquarters.

14 Feb - PCF 4 is sunk by a command-detonated mine attached to a Viet Cong flag 250 yards off Hon Queo Island, 15 miles northwest of Rach Gia. Four crewmen are killed, two seriously wounded.

28 Feb - CTF 116 (GAME WARDEN) Operation Order is published. First two officers and one enlisted man assigned to CTF 116 arrive in-country.

7 March - USCGC POINT WHITE hails and illuminates a 25-foot motorized junk crossing the Soirap River, 10 miles upstream from its mouth at the South China Sea. The junk fires on the cutter. POINT WHITE returns the fire and Rams and sinks the junk killing seven Viet Cong and capturing four. Four rifles and some ammunition are captured.

10 March - Four U.S. minesweepers (MSOs) arrive in Vung Tau—first U.S. minesweeping units assigned to sweep Long Tau channel.

15 March - River Squadron 5 (COMRIVRON FIVE) is established to administer newly-arriving GAME WARDEN units.

15 March - PCF and WPB patrols begin continuous surveillance of Soirap River as far as Nha Be in the Rung Sat Special Zone (RSSZ).

21 March - The first 11 PBRs arrive in-country; USS BELLE GROVE (LSD-2) acts as interim support ship at Cat Lo.

26 March - Nine WPBs and 6 PCFs (SWIFTS) participate in Operation 6 Apr JACKSTAY, a search and clear operation conducted in the
1 April - U.S. Naval Forces, Vietnam (NAVFORV) is established. Rear Admiral Norvell G. WARD, USN, becomes COMNAVFORV.

15 April - PBRs commence patrol operations; initial patrols operate on the Long Tau River in the RSSZ.

16 April - Captain Clifford L. STEWART, USN, relieves Rear Admiral Norvell G. WARD, USN, as Commander, Coastal Surveillance Force (CTF 115).

10 May - USCGC POINT GREY, on patrol off the eastern shore of the Ca Mau Peninsula, detects a 120-foot steel-hulled trawler attempting to infiltrate supplies. The trawler is forced aground near shore and abandoned by her crew. Initial boarding attempts are thwarted by heavy Viet Cong shore fire. The trawler is taken under fire by surface units and aircraft. A violent secondary explosion tears the hull into two sections. Six crew-served weapons and 15 tons of ammunition and explosives are recovered from the wreckage.

11 May - Three Patrol Air Cushion Vehicles (PACV) arrive in Vung Tau and form PACV Division 107.

17 May - U.S. Naval Support Activity, Saigon is established. Captain Herbert T. KING, USN, becomes Commanding Officer.

18 May - Captain Burton B. WITHAM, Jr., USN, relieves Rear Admiral Norvell G. WARD, USN, as Commander, River Patrol Force (CTF 116).

22 May - PCF 41, patrolling in the RSSZ, is hit by recoilless rifle fire. One sailor is killed and another is wounded as the shell destroys the pilot house causing the boat to lose steerage. An attempt to tow the SWIFT fails and the boat sinks. Salvage attempts fail.

26 May - Panamanian merchant ship, EASTERN MARINE, is mined at Nha Be. Three tugs and three LCM pusher boats move the stricken vessel clear of the main shipping channel. Two other mining attempts are discovered in same area.

20 June - USCGC POINT LEAGUE, patrolling off the mouth of the Co Chien
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River, sights a steel-hulled trawler, 98 feet long, hull number 2135. The trawler ignores warning shots and makes for the beach, returning .50 caliber fire. Automatic weapons fire is received from the beach. Air and surface units suppress the fire from Viet Cong emplacements in the sand dunes. The trawler is salvaged and towed to Saigon. Approximately 100 tons of cargo, including Red Chinese, Soviet and North Korean weapons, is salvaged from the trawler.

9 July - RAG units collide with PBR near My Tho. PBR suffers extensive damage; two U.S. crewmen receive minor injuries.

12 July - PCF 35, patrolling near the eastern shore of the tip of Ca Mau Peninsula, sustains a direct hit by recoilless rifle round, resulting in severe damage to the starboard fuel tank and producing a hole in the hull one foot in diameter. No personnel casualties are sustained.

14 July - A Coastal Group 41 Command junk is hit and sunk by Viet Cong 57mm recoilless rifle fire. Four Vietnamese sailors are wounded.

23 July - USS MARK (AKL-12) becomes the first cargo ship to transit the Ba-Sa River in ten years.

30 July - PBR 70 is hit by a recoilless rifle round on the Soirap River south of Quang Xuyen village, sustaining a hole on the starboard side two feet long and nine inches high. Two crewmen are wounded.

4-30 Aug - MARKET TIME units, Vietnamese Navy Coastal Groups and Fleet Command units and USS TUTUIA (ARG-4) provide support for Operation SEA MOUNT on Phu Quoc Island.

5 Aug - PBRs begin operations at Vinh Long.

11 Aug - USCGC POINT WELCOME is attacked mistakenly by U.S. Air Force aircraft; two men are killed and five are wounded. POINT WELCOME receives extensive damage.

16-28 Aug - PCFs conduct blocking patrols off coast of Phuoc Tuy province in support of Operation DECK HOUSE III.

19 Aug - SEAL team member is killed in ambush while on reconnaissance in RSSZ.

20 Aug - PBRs begin operations at Sa Dec.

23 Aug - Vietnamese Navy minesweeper is hit by recoilless rifle
round on Long Tau River. One crewman is killed; three wounded.

23 Aug - BATON ROUGE VICTORY is mined while transiting Long Tau River to Saigon; seven crewmen die in flooded engine room. Vessel is towed to Vung Tau for repairs one week later.

24 Aug - Two PBRs and PCF 38 engage in the first mutual interference fire fight involving GAME WARDEN and MARKET TIME forces.

28 Aug - Vietnamese Navy minesweeper (MLMS-156) is destroyed by a Viet Cong mine; two crewmembers are killed, two are wounded and two U.S. advisors are wounded. MLMS-156 is the first minesweeper lost to enemy action since Long Tau sweep operations began in 1963.

29 Aug - USN MSB-54, while sweeping the Long Tau River, is extensively damaged when a Viet Cong mine explodes 15 feet off the port bow. There are no personnel casualties.

7 Sep - USCGC POINT GREY detects the French merchant ship TATIANA dead in water surrounded by junks off southwest coast of Ca Mau Peninsula. Nothing suspicious is found when ship is searched after complying with request to proceed to Vung Tau.

11 Sep - One U.S. crewmember is killed when PBRs come under automatic weapons fire on the Co Chien River. This marks first PBR fatality since the inception of GAME WARDEN operations.

18 Sep - Captain Carson R. TALLENT, USN, relieves Captain NETTING.

22 Sep - MSB-15 is hit by rocket projectile while sweeping the Long Tau River; one U.S. crewman is killed and nine are wounded.

27 Sep - PBRs conduct flood operations in the Plain of Reeds resulting in a large number of enemy killed. Junks, sampans, structures are destroyed; quantities of Viet Cong supplies are captured.

2 Oct - Vietnamese Navy LSSL-227 is mined at anchor near PER base at My Tho. Extensive damage results in Vietnamese Navy decision to decommission the craft.

4 Oct - French Overseas Marine (FOM) craft of RAG 22 is destroyed by Viet Cong mine 15 miles downstream from Nha Be, in the Long Tau channel.

5 Oct - PBR and PACV collide near Vung Tau. Three crewmen suffer minor injuries; both craft are damaged.
7 Oct - Viet Cong ambush SEAL detachment as 15 U.S. personnel are wounded when mortar round hits LCM-3 carrying the SEALs.

10 Oct - CTF 116 shifts headquarters from Saigon to Can Tho.

12 Oct - CLARKSBURG VICTORY strikes a submerged wreck near Vung Tau. Ship suffers 45-foot gash in hull.

16-26 Oct - MARKET TIME units provide gunfire support for Operation PEPPER BUSH on Phu Quoc Island.

18 Oct - Three U.S. Navy men are killed and two wounded when mortar explodes aboard PCF 9 one-half mile off east coast of Phu Quoc Island.

20 Oct - PBRs commence random patrols in Ham Luong River.

21 Oct - Viet Cong explode claymore mine in Tra On marketplace. Six PBRs from Can Tho provide MEDEVAC services. Nine Vietnamese are killed and 48 are wounded.

26 Oct - PBR crewman is killed as PBRs and helicopters thwart Viet Cong crossing attempt 42 miles downstream from Can Tho.

31 Oct - Vietnamese Joint General Staff appoints Captain Tran Van CHON as Commander in Chief of the Vietnamese Navy.

31 Oct - GAME WARDEN units interrupt a major Viet Cong crossing attempt near Ngu Hiep Island in the Mekong River. Fifty-seven craft are destroyed and six are captured. Two Viet Cong are killed. No U.S. casualties are sustained.

1 Nov - Two U.S. Navy men are killed when MSB 54 is destroyed by a Viet Cong mine four miles downstream from Nha Be on the Long Tau River.

11 Nov - USS JENNINGS COUNTY (LST-846) arrives to act as PBR support ship.

15 Nov - PCF 77 broaches and sinks in heavy seas near mouth of Hue Harbor. Three crewmen are killed.

20 Nov - PACVs conduct highly successful Operation QUAI VAT in the Plain of Reeds.

27 Nov - Vietnamese Navy LCU-536 ambushed near My Tho, receives five 75mm recoilless rifle hits killing four Vietnamese sailors and wounding nine.
2 Dec - PBR patrol officer is killed during fire fight with two sampans in lower Bassac River. One Viet Cong is killed; two are wounded.

4 Dec - PBRs, supporting U.S. Special Forces and CIDG operation on Mekong River six miles below Cambodian border, kill five Viet Cong and detain nine suspects.

4 Dec - MARKET TIME aircraft are damaged in Viet Cong attack on Tan Son Nhut Airbase.

4 and 8 Dec - Adrift Chinese Communist fishermen and children are assisted by MARKET TIME units.

11 Dec - Fifteen Viet Cong are killed and 28 sampans are destroyed as major Viet Cong Mekong River crossing is thwarted.

15 Dec - USCGC POINT GRACE is hit by Viet Cong recoilless rifle fire.

15 Dec - The three experimental Patrol Air Cushion Vehicles (PACVs) return to Coronado, California for tests and evaluation.

18 Dec - Six crewmen are wounded as PBRs support a Vietnamese Army operation four miles west of Sa Dec.

23 Dec - A suspicious, steel-hulled trawler is sighted and tracked by MARKET TIME air and sea units.

28 Dec - PBRs kill nine Viet Cong in first major fire fight in the Ham Luong River.

29 Dec - MAHO I-66, a large-scale military civic action project, is conducted in an unfriendly area of Kien Hoa province.

31 Dec - Soviet-type contact mine is discovered in the Long Tau shipping channel in the RSSZ. Incident marks first detection of a contact mine in inland waters.

31 Dec - U.S. Navy personnel strength in-country reaches 23,880.