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

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To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code AO3D)
Via: (1) Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF, (Attn:
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(2) Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force
(3) Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific

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

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(b) FMF PACO 5750.8
(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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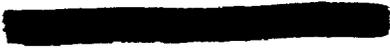
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 November to 30 November 1968

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

DESIGNATION

3d Reconnaissance Battalion

COMMANDER

LTCOL D.R. BERG
12 July 68-30 November 68

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company	1STLT	R.M. HARDEN	19 AUG 68-30 NOV 68
Company A	1STLT	G.L. JOINER	29 OCT 68-30 NOV 68
Company B	1STLT	J.F. BUCHLI	24 OCT 68-30 NOV 68
Company C	CAPT	B.E. DAVIS	19 SEP 68-30 NOV 68
Company D	CAPT	J.H. COURTER	29 SEP 68-30 NOV 68
Company E	1STLT	T.E. WATSON	16 OCT 68-30 NOV 68

ATTACHED UNITS

3d Force Reconnaissance Company MAJOR W.F. SNYDER 10 MAY 68-30 NOV 68

LOCATION

1-30 NOV 68 - Quang Tri - 3d Reconnaissance Battalion and attached
3d Force Reconnaissance Company

Executive Officer	MAJOR	F.L. GOULD	23 OCT 68-30 NOV 68
Operation Officer	MAJOR	F.L. GOULD	10 SEP 68-30 NOV 68
(S-3)			
Intelligence Of- ficer (S-2)	1STLT	R.D. WEBB	20 OCT 68-30 NOV 68
S-4 Officer	NONE	ASSIGNED	30 OCT 68-30 NOV 68
Adjutant	WO	H.E. ENOS	29 JUL 68- 2 NOV 68
	1STLT	C. STRONG JR.	2 NOV 68-30 NOV 68

Average Monthly Strength (Includes 3d Force Reconnaissance Company)

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

Co. A. During the reporting period, Company A conducted 21 patrols averaging 11.9 days with an average of 8.4 men per patrol. The company made four sightings of 32 enemy and four contacts with 23 enemy resulting in four enemy KIA(C). There was one USMC KIA, one USMC WIA, and one Kit Carson Scout WIA. The company also captured numerous documents. The company fired seven artillery missions of 53 rounds.

Co. B. During the reporting period Company B conducted 27 patrols averaging 7.2 days with an average of 8.1 men per patrol. The company made 13 sightings of 54 enemy and eight contacts with 18 enemy resulting in six enemy KIA(C), one POW who died later. The company also captured three AK-47, two SKS, one M-1 carbine numerous documents and munitions. The company fired seven artillery missions of 105 rounds.

Co. C During the reporting period, Company C conducted 16 patrols averaging 4.2 days with an average of 6.7 men per patrol. The company made two sightings of 10 enemy and three contacts with 18 enemy resulting in two enemy KIA(C). There was one USMC KIA. The company also captured documents and munitions. The company fired three artillery missions of 46 rounds.

Co. D. During the reporting period, Company D conducted 23 patrols averaging 9.1 days with an average of 7.3 men per patrol. The company made 11 sightings of 28 enemy and seven contacts with 51 enemy resulting in four enemy KIA(C). There was one USMC KIA and three USMC WIA. The company also captured documents. The company fired 14 artillery mission of 441 rounds.

Co. E. During the reporting period, Company E conducted 29 patrols averaging 11.9 days with an average of 7.0 men per patrol. The company made 13 sightings of 118 enemy and seven contacts with 73 enemy resulting in three enemy KIA(C). There was one USMC WIA. The company also captured one M-16 and documents. The company fired 27 artillery missions of 636 rounds. The company also utilized two air strikes.

3d Force Recon Co. During the reporting period, 3d Force Recon Company conducted 22 patrols averaging 7.3 days with an average of 5.4 men per patrol. The company made 12 sightings of 72 enemy and two contacts with seven enemy resulting in three enemy KIA(C). The company fired six artillery missions of 82 rounds. The company also utilized one air strikes.

H&S Co. During the reporting period the SCUBA Section conducted 14 SCUBA mission in support of the 3d Marine Division, three body search missions, one mission to clear the Quang Tri River for a total of 18 SCUBA missions. For the seventh consecutive month, this section cleared and help defend the Quang Tri River Bridge by maintaining a three man SCUBA team continuously at the bridge. The company Reactionary Force was called out twice to conduct a sweep in the Quang Tri Area.

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- a. Combat Missions Assigned. The 3d Reconnaissance Battalion and the attached 3d Force Reconnaissance Company conducted Reconnaissance Operations, Stingray Operations, and other operations as directed within the Division Area of Responsibility (3d MarDiv 1-67).
- b. Significant Operations Conducted. Units of this Battalion have participated in Operations Kentucky, Lancaster II, Napoleon/Saline Scotland II and NanKing.
- c. Casualties Inflicted on the enemy. During the reporting period, there were 23 enemy KIA(C). The Battalion captured numerous documents, munitions and one M-16, three AK-47's, two SKS and one M-1 carbine.
- d. Casualties Sustained. The Battalion sustained three USMC KIA, five USMC WIA and one Kit Carson Scout WIA during this period.
- e. New Techniques employed. Nothing significant to report.
- f. Command Relations. On 23 November 1968, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion assumed OPCON of 1st Platoon, Co. A, 5th Reconnaissance Battalion and 1st Platoon, Co. B, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion.
- g. Equipment. During the reporting period the Battalion received one DE-PU-348 Generator.
- h. Logistics. During the reporting period 117 tropical huts were completed for living spaces, and 11 for office spaces.
- i. Civic Action. All personnel joining the Battalion were given a class in the Personal Response program by the Battalion Sergeant Major.
- j. Administration. Nothing Significant to report.
- k. Personnel. 2 November 1968, 1STLT C. STRONG JR. USMC assigned duty as Battalion Adjutant, vice WO H.E. ENOS, USMC.

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l. Weather. During the month of November, the weather for the most part was fair with a decrease in temperature and a significant increase in precipitation. The temperature ranged from a low of 70°F to a high of 95°F. Wind velocity decreased from October to an average of 15 knots in December.

m. Fire Support. The Battalion's Reconnaissance Teams directed 64 fire missions for a total of 1363 rounds.

n. Air Support. The Battalion Reconnaissance Teams utilized three Air Strikes on targets of opportunity. (this does not include the fixed wing strikes employed for initial insertions in an unsecure area).

o. Activation/Deactivation/Redesignation. Nothing Significant to report.

p. 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, demolition, artillery, etc. An information orientation class on Vietnam is conducted by the Battalion Sergeant Major. The M-16 rifle is Fan-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. Eight personnel graduated from the U.S. Navy SCUBA School in the Phillipines, eight personnel graduated from the U.S. Army RECONDO School in Nha Trang, Vietnam, during the reporting period school were conducted at the location given:

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
SCUBA SCHOOL	8	Subic Bay
RECONDO SCHOOL	8	Nha Trang
CAREER PLANNING	2	Okinawa
NCO SCHOOL	1	Okinawa
SNCO SCHOOL	2	Quang Tri
COMM SEC/CRYPTO	1	Japan
GROUND SURVEILLANCE	1	Da Nang
VIETNAMESE LANGUAGE	1	Da Nang

q. Communication. The following Radio Relay Sites are being manned by the Battalion during this reporting period.

<u>NAME DESIGNATOR</u>	<u>GRID</u>	<u>AREA</u>
FIGHTING MAD	YD305433	AI TU
FOXTROT	YD001484	VANDERGRIFT COMBAT BASE
GOLF	YD009455	CA LU
OSCAR	YD336692	CUA VIET
PAPA	YD068547	CAMP CARROL
ROMEO	XD844455	KHE SANH
SIERRA	XD978559	THOM SON LAM
TANGO	YD247597	DONG HA
VICTOR	YD135646	C-2


r. Intelligence Summary

Enemy activity decreased substantially during the month of November in the Northern I Corps Area. Reconnaissance patrols continued to make significant sightings. Reconnaissance patrols continue to make numerous sightings and contacts around Gio Linh and Qua Viet. Activity north of Ca Lu continues to increase as does activity in the Khe Sanh area. The Khe Sanh activity indicates an increase in enemy infiltration from Laos with Route 926 as a major infiltration route. There also has been an increase in activity in Base Area 101 and the Da Krong Valley. Reconnaissance sightings and contacts west of Quang Tri Combat Base also indicates continued increase of enemy activity in this area.

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PART III
 SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF
 SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

OpO 249-D-68 (3E3) 051015H Nov 68 (051213Z). Team while being inserted received 50 cal fire from across the river, also helo took fire from around the HLZ. The team had one NVA KIA and helo gunners accounted for four NVA KIA.

OpO 2347-68 (1E1) 031700H Nov 68 (071329Z). Team made contact with three NVA. Team took two rounds of SAF. Gunships came on station and took SAF from where the team had made contact. Team was extracted with negative fire incident.

OpO 2041-68 (3A3) 312235H Oct 68 (100549Z). Team observed six to eight NVA. Team fired SAF on the NVA resulting in three NVA KIA(C). Team observed three more NVA walking into treeline team called FM of 400 rounds resulting in 56 secondary explosions.

OpO 2102-68 (1A1) 101705H Nov 68 (110533Z). Team while being inserted saw three VC/NVA in HLZ. Team fired SAF and M-79 resulting in one VC/NVA KIA. Helo received SAF on being extracted.

OpO 2103-68 (2D2) 101230H Nov 68 (120401Z). Team observed one VC/NVA approximately ten meters from team. The VC/NVA began to run from team, team fired SAF and pursued the enemy. Team received SAF and AWF resulting in one USMC KIA. Team was extracted with negative fire incident.

OpO 272-D-68 (2D1) 111600H Nov 68 (120357Z). Team while being inserted received SAF/AWF resulting in the transport helo being hit four times. Team returned fire and mission was aborted.

OpO 2111-68 (2C2) 161500H Nov 68 (170641Z). Team while being inserted received SAF. Team and helo returned SAF. Team observed seven to ten muzzle flashes on being extracted.

OpO 262-D-68 (2E3) 171030H Nov 68 (181131Z). Team observed three VC/NVA moving south on a trail. Team initiated SAF and observed on enemy drop his weapon and run into the brush, team also wounded one enemy and captured him. Team was extracted with negative fire incidents. The POW was taken to med facilities to Quang Tri where he died.

OpO 292-D-68 (1E2) 180920H Nov 68 (181135Z). Team set up a ambush. Team had six VC/NVA walk into it. Team fired SAF resulting in three KIA(C). Team was extracted with negative fire incident.

OpO 294-D-68 201815H Nov 68 (210559Z). Team while being inserted received SAF/AWF. Team left helo and set up a 360° to await helo return. Helo gunners said there were about 10 to 15 VC/NVA in the area helo and team fired SAF resulting in three VC/NVA KIA. The team was extracted and mission was aborted.

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OpO 2128-68 (3D3) 202330H Nov 68 (211041Z). 161800 Team observed one VC/NVA. Enemy wore green utilities, web gear, and carried unknown type weapons. 172000 Team heard movement and smelled marijuana, team called FM of six rounds with good coverage of area, movement ceased. 180900 team heard active mortar, team called fire mission of four rounds with poor coverage of area. 202330 team heard movement, team received one grenade resulting in three USMC WIA. Spooky came on station and worked out until 210700 when team was extracted.

OpO 298-D-68 231500H Nov 68 (240225Z). Team while being inserted received SAF from about 15 to 20 VC/NVA. Helo gunners and team fired SAF resulting in one VC/NVA KIA(C). Mission was aborted. (2D2)

OpO 2169-68 (1C3) 261100H Nov 68 (271059Z). Team heard movement, then observed five enemy fifteen to twenty meters, to team's west. Team moved into treeline. At this time heard movement of about thirty VC/NVA, at this time two enemy stepped into a clear area and fired SAF at team. Team returned SAF resulting in one VC/NVA KIA and one USMC WIA. Extraction helo came in and extracted them with negative fire incidents.

OpO 2175-68 (2A2) 271615H Nov 68 (28351Z). Team when being inserted heard movement around HLZ. Team moved to a bomb crater and set up a 360° Team received mortar rounds. 50 cal fire, SAF resulting in one USMC KIA, one USMC WIA, and one Kit Carson Scout WIA. Team was extracted with negative fire incident.

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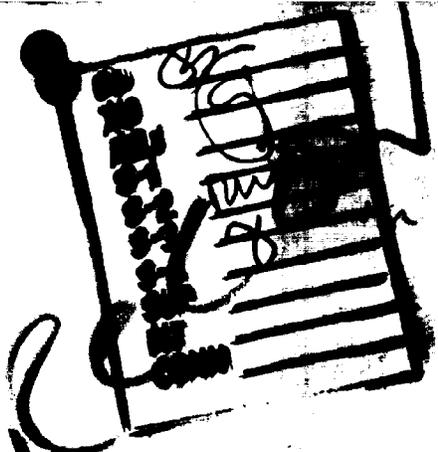
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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

✓(1)	Patrol Order	249-D-68 of 051213Z	November 68	(3E3)
✓(2)	Patrol Order	2347-68 of 071329Z	November 68	(1E1)
✓(3)	Patrol Order	2041-68 of 100549Z	November 68	(3A3)
✓(4)	Patrol Order	2102-68 of 110533Z	November 68	(1A1)
✓(5)	Patrol Order	272-D-68 of 120357Z	November 68	(2D1)
✓(6)	Patrol Order	2103-68 of 120401Z	November 68	(2D2)
✓(7)	Patrol Order	2111-68 of 170641Z	November 68	(2C2)
✓(8)	Patrol Order	262-D-68 of 181131Z	November 68	(2E3)
✓(9)	Patrol Order	292-D-68 of 181135Z	November 68	(1E2)
✓(10)	Patrol Order	294-D-68 of 210559Z	November 68	(2D2)
✓(11)	Patrol Order	2128-68 of 211041Z	November 68	(3D3)
✓(12)	Patrol Order	298-D-68 of 240225Z	November 68	(2D2)
✓(13)	Patrol Order	2169-68 of 271059Z	November 68	(1C3)
✓(14)	Patrol Order	2175-68 of 280351Z	November 68	(2A1)

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DTG 051213 Z NOV 68

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TO: CG THIRD MAR DIV
CG XXIV CORPS

INFO: FIRST AIR CAV DIV USA
FIRST BDE FIFTH INF DIV MECH USA
TASK FORCE HOEHL
NINTH MARINES
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1. RECON TEAM: GARDEN VALLEY 3 B 3 (8 MEN) OPO-249068
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051015 H, TEAM WHILE SPILL IN HELICOPTER, RECEIVED FIRE FROM
(YD 0436) THIS WAS 50 CAL. TEAM WHILE BEING INSERTED, AT
(YD 054353) RECEIVED FIRE ACROSS THE RIVER, (055337) THIS
WAS 50 CAL. FIRE ALSO. THERE WERE ALSO NUMEROUS NVA IN THE
AREA. THE HELICOPTER RECEIVED FIRE FROM THE ENTIRE AREA.
CULTIVATED FIELD AT (YD 0336) HAS NUMEROUS TRAILS IN THE
AREA. RECON TEAM ACCOUNTED FOR 1, NVA, KIA, THE HELICOPTER
GUNNERS ACCOUNTED FOR 4, NVA KIA'S. AFTER TEAM WAS EXTRACTED,
AIR STRIKES WERE RUN, RESULTS UNKNOWN.

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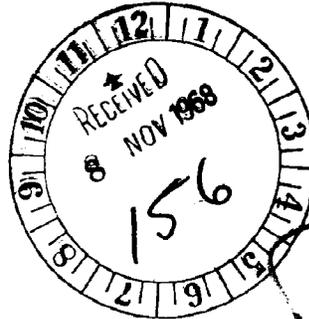
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 C O N F I D E N T I A L
 RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT

TOP 071504Z NOV 68 TFH

1. RECON TEAMS: CRYSTAL STAR (1E1), 43 MEN, GPO: 2347
2. DATE INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 021300H TO 031300H NOV 68 (32 HRS.)
3. ROUTE: DL 0837 LZ 439, (YD 093345) TO (YD 092346)
4. TERRAIN: STEEP HILLS, THICK CANOPY AND UNDERGROWTH, ELEPHANT GRASS 12 FT HIGH. RATE OF MOVEMENT: 50 METERS PER HOUR. 071329Z NOV 68

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5. HLZ'S: NONE
6. ENEMY: (YD 093370) TEAM HEARD ESTIMATE 2-5 ENEMY TALKING TEAM CALLED FIRE MISSION AND ALL TALKING CEASED.
 021300H (YD 092338) TEAM HEARD ESTIMATE 5-10 ENEMY BREAKING BRUSH TEAM CALLED FIRE MISSION AND MOVEMENT STOPPED.
 030730H (YD 095346) TEAM HEARD RIFLE SHOTS APPROX 200-300 METERS WEST OF THEIR POSITION.
 031440H (YD 0933399) TEAM SPOTTED 7 ENEMY, 6 OF WHICH WERE WEARING BLACK P.J.'S AND 1 WEARING KHAKIS'S, ENEMY APPEARED TO BE CARRYING SOMETHING TO ONE OF THREE HOCHES SPOTTED.
 031700G(YD 093346) TEAM MADE CONTACT WITH THREE NVA, ONE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, JUNGLE HELMET, CARRYING AN AK-47. TEAM INITIATED FIRE AND RECEIVED TWO ROUNDS. AS TEAM STARTED TO CHECK AREA OUT THEY SPOTTED ONE NVA MOVING SOUTH OF TEAM'S POSITION. A.O. WAS ON STATION BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE BECAUSE OF HEAVY CANOPY AND VEGETATION. TEAM MOVED BACK TO LZ AT (YD 092346). GUNSHIPS CAME ON STATION AND MADE STRAFING AND ROCKET RUNS. GUNSHIPS TOOK SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM WHERE TEAM MADE CONTACT. TRANSPORT HELO'S CAME ON STATION AND EXTRACTED TEAM. TRANSPORT HELO'S DID NOT TAKE FIRE UP ON EXTRACTION.
7. OTHER INFO: NONE

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TO: CG XXIV CORPS

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1. RECON TEAM: DESERTERN 3 A3, (9 M.N.) OPO-2041-68
2. DATE INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 300800 H/071000 H (192 HRS)
3. ROUTE: FM (YD 345695) TO (YD 291730) TO (YD 283746)
TO (YD 345695) UL 2776 LR 2975
4. TERRAIN: FLAT AND SANDY, POOR COVER AND CONCEALMENT.
OP. SITES, AT (YD 289759) OBSERVE 360. (YD 285755)
OBSERVE 360.
5. HILZ'S: NUMEROUS IN GRIDS, (YD 3071 AND 3072)
6. ENEMY: 311100 H AT (YD 273775) TEAM OBSERVED 6-8 NVA
WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, BAREFOOTED, CARTRIDGE BELTS,
AND CARRYING AK-47'S. ENEMY WERE SET UP, IN AMBUSH,
AND WHEN THE AMBUSH WAS SPRUNG THE MARINES, CHASED THE
ENEMY FIRING SAF, RESULTING IN 3 CONFIRMED NVA, KIA.
312235 H, AT (YD 289759) TEAM OBSERVED 3 NVA, WALKING
ACROSS RIDGELINE, UNABLE TO DESCRIBE UNIFORMS, ENEMY
THEN DISAPPEARED. TEAM CALLED FIRE MISSION OF OVER 400
ROUNDS, RESULTING IN 56 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. TEAM CHECK-
ED AREA THE NEXT DAY, AND WERE UNABLE TO LOCATE ANY
DEAD ENEMY. AT (YD 285789) 311200 H, TEAM FOUND HOS-
PITAL SITE, DUG INTO THE SIDE OF THE HILL, SITE COULD
ACCOMMODATE 9 PEOPLE, AND HAD BEEN USED WITHIN THE PAST
FEW HOURS. AT THIS AREA THE TEAM FOUND MORPHINE, MARI-
JUANA, BANDAGES, 30 82mm ROUNDS, A WOMAN'S BRASSIERE,
ADRENALIN, SHOES, AK-47 ROUNDS, A NVA OFFICER'S

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BMF, 3 CHI-COM'S, RIFLE CLEANING GEAR, AND 2 FLAK JACKETS.
TEAM ALSO FOUND 16 U. S. CLAYMORES, WHICH WERE SET IN PLACE.
ALL OF THE ABOVE WAS DESTROYED, EXCEPT THE CLAYMORES AND
THE AMMO.

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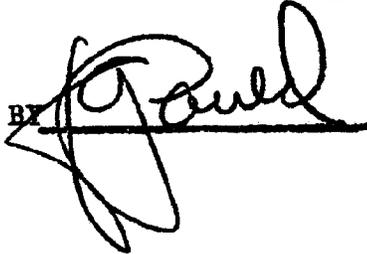
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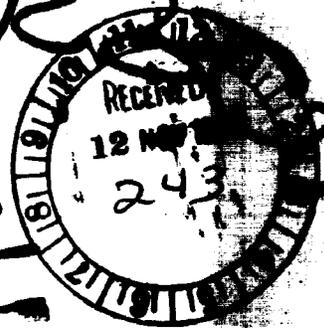
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INFO: CG ONE ZERO ONE AIRBORNE DIV
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 FIRST BDE FIFTH INF DIV (MECH)
 NINTH MARINES
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1. RECON TEAM: PARASOL 1A1 (SMEW) CPO 2102-68
2. DATE INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 101705H
3. ROUTE: UL 1647 IR 1845
4. TERRAIN: N/A
5. HLZ'S: (YD176459) VERY POOR DUE TO CLOSE PROXIMITY OF TREES AND ENEMY GOOD FIELD OF FIRE.
6. ENEMY: FIRST TIME HELO ATTEMPTED INSERT TM SAW ONE VC/NVA AND FIRED M-79 AT SAME TIME HELO GUNNERS INITIATED FIRE.

SECOND TIME HELO LANDED, THREE VC/NVA RAN TOWARD A/C, TM FIRED ON ONE VC/NVA KIA. HEARD HEAVY GROUND FIRE FROM TRAILING 50M FROM

REAR OF A/C. EST AT LEAST SQUAD SIZE ENEMY UNIT (POSS PIT). WEARING DARK GREEN UNIFORMS, HELMETS. ARMED WITH AUTOMATIC WFNs. HEARD FIRE

IMPACTING IN GROUND AT APPRX FIVE TO TEN FEET FROM A/C. WHEN ROUNDS IMPACTED WHITE PUFFS OF SMOKE APPRX 12IN IN DIAMETER APPEARED.

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- 1. RECON TEAM: SPONGY TACKLE 2DL
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TM WHILE BEING INSERTED AT (XD 934626) RECEIVED HEAVY SAP/AMP RESULTING IN THE TRANSPORT HELO BEING HIT FOUR TIMES. TM WHILE IN HELO OBSERVED TWENTY BUNKERS AND HELO GUNNER OBSERVED FOUR FIVE VC/NVA. FIXED WING CAME ON STATION AND MADE BOMBING RUNS. MISSION WAS ABORTED.

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1. RECON TEAM: WISDOM JACKET 2D2 OPO 2103-68
2. DATE INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 090930H/101230H (27 HRS)
3. ROUTE: FM (YD 278503) TO (YD 266514) TO (YD 262517)
UL 2651 LR 2849/

4. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH THICK VEGETATION AND GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT, GOOD OP SITE AT (YD 266514) OFFERS 360 VIEW.

5. HLZ'S: NUMEROUS IN GRIDS (YD 2651) WITH 360 APPROACH AND NO OBSTACLES.

6. ENEMY: 101230H TM AT (YD 262517) OBSERVED ONE VA/NVA APPROX TEN METERS FROM TM'S POSITION, ENEMY OBSERVED TM AND BEGAN

RUNNING FROM TM, TM MEMBERS YELLED FOR ENEMY TO HALT BUT ENEMY CONTINUED TO RUN FROM TM. TM INITIATED SAF AND PURSUED ENEMY.

AT THIS TIME TM RECEIVED SAF AND AWF RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA. TM THEN SET UP A DEFENSIVE POSITION AND GUNSHIPS CAME ON STATION

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AND MADE ROCKET AND STRAFING RUNS ON SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS. TRANSPORT HELBS CAME ON STATION AND TM WAS EXTRACTED WITH NO FIRE INCIDENT.

7. OTHER INFO: NONE

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1. RECON TEAM: AMERICAN BEAUTY 202 (8 MEN) OFO-2111-68
SLOT REPORT MADE IN LIEU OF PAROL:

161500 H, AT (XD 857614) TEAM WHILE BEING INSERTED, SAW THREE VC/N VA
INA TRAILING WEST OF THE HELO. TEAM INITIATED SMALL ARMS FIRE, WHILE
TWO MEMBERS, WERE ON THE GROUND. THE TWO MEMBERS RETURNED TO THE HELO,
ON BEING EXTRACTED THE HELO, RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE. THE TEAM SAW
ABOUT SEVEN TO TEN MUZZLE FLASHES, TEAM ALSO BELIEVES THERE IS AN
ANTI-AIRCRAFT POSITION AT (XD 857615). FIXED WING MADE AIR STRIKES,
OVER AREA AFTER TEAM WAS PULLED OUT. THE ENEMY WORE BROWN UTILITIES,
AND UNKNOWN TYPE WEAPONS. THE ENEMY THAT THE TEAM OBSERVED, APPEARED
TO BE LARGE FOR VIETNAMESE, THEY WERE STOCKY BUILD, CLOSE CUT HAIR,
AND BROAD SHOULDERS.

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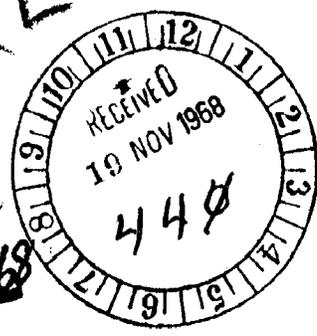
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1. RECON TEAM: CENT DEDE 2B3 (6 MEN) Q'0 262-D-68
2. DATE INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 161400H/171100H (22 HOURS)
3. ROUTE: FM (XD 901609) TO (XD 902611) TO (XD 901609)
UL 8962 IR 9160.
4. TERRAIN: SLEEP HILLS WITH LITTLE VEGETATION ON TOP OF HILLS
BUT HEAVY ON SIDES OF HILLS, POOR COVER AND CONCEALMENT ON TOP
OF HILLS, Q' SIDES AT (XD 902612 AND XD 906613) BOTH OFFER VIEW
TO THE SOUTHEAST AND SOUTH WEST.
5. HIK'S: (XD 901609) SITE WILL ACCOMMODATE ONE CH-46 AND IS A
HILLTOP WITH BEST APPROACH FROM NORTH TO SOUTH AND NO OBSTACLES
6. ENEMY: 171030H TM AT (XD 902611) OBSERVED THREE VC/NVA MOVING
SOUTH ON TRAIL, ENEMY WORE GREEN UT ILTIES, VED GEAR, PINK HELMETS
AND CARRIED AK-47'S, TWO OF THE ENEMY WORE PACKS. TM INITIATED SFP
AND OBSERVED ONE ENEMY DROP HIS WEAPON AND RUN INTO THE BRUSH, TM
ALSO WOUNDED ONE ENEMY AND CAPTURED HIM. 171100H TM WAS EXTRACTED
AT (XD 901609) WITH NEGATIVE FIRE INCIDENTS. TM AND POW WERE TAKEN
TO CAMP CARROLL, POW WAS THEN TAKEN TO MED FACILITY AT QUANG TRI
WHERE HE DIED.

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7. OTHER INFO: TM DID NOT FIND ANY BUNKERS BUT DID FIND NUMEROUS
HOOGHES AT (XD 902611) WHICH HAD BEEN CONSTRUCTED TO KEEP OUT THE
ELEMENTS, EACH HOOGH COULD ACCOMMODATE FROM FOUR TO FIVE PEOPLE.
TM CAPTURED TWO AK-47'S AND ONE SET OF WEB GEAR INCLUDING A COMPASS.

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1. RECON TEAM: W/IN COM JANG 2D2 (6 MM) CPO 294-D-68
2. SPOC REPORT IN LINE OF PATROL REPORT;

201815H TH WHILE BEING INSERTED AT (TD 286397) ENCOUNTERED
50 CALIBER FIRE FROM (TD 286396), TH LEFT HELICO AND SET UP IN
A DEFENSIVE POSITION TO AWAIT RETURN OF TRANSPORT HELICO, UPON
TRANSPORT HELICO RETURN, TH AND HELICO RECOVERED 80/100 FROM

(TD 286398), HELICO CREW AND A TH IN THE HELICO RETURNED 80/100 ON
THE GROUND THEN OBSERVED ONE VC/WVA AND FIRED 80/100 AT ENEMY IN-

SURF IN ONE ENEMY KIA (U). HELICO CREW AND TH IN HELICO OBSERVED
TEN TO FIFTEEN VC/WVA IN THE AREA AND FIRED 80/100 RESULTING IN

TWO ENEMY KIA (U) FOR A TOTAL OF THREE ENEMY KIA (U). ENEMY WERE
ORIGIN UTILITY IS, W/IN CREW, HELICO'S AND WERE ARMED WITH 80'S AND

AK-47'S. TH WAS EXTRACTED.
7. OTHER INFO: 191530H TH WHILE BEING INSERTED AT (TD 292400)

HEARD VOICES AND MOVEMENT AT (TD 292400) TH WAS EXTRACTED BECAUSE
OF BAD COMMUNICATIONS.

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RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. RECON TEAM: COLORADO 303 (7 MEN) CPO 2128-68
2. DATE INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 160830H/210700H (120 HOURS)
3. NOTE: FM (YD 254485) TO (YD 256496) TO (YD 233495) TO (YD 257500) TO (YD 234473) UL 2351 IN 2649.
4. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH LITTLE VEGETATION AND POOR COVER AND CONCEALMENT, CP SITES AT (YD 256496, YD 233495) BGM OFFER 360 VIEW.
5. MIZ'IS: (YD 256496) SITE WILL ACCOMMODATE FIVE OH-46'S AND IS AN OPEN AREA WITH A 360 APPROACH AND NO OBSTACLES.
6. ENEMY: 161000H TM AT (YD 257500) OBSERVED ONE VC/NVA AT (YD 256498) ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, WEB GEAR AND CARRIED AN UNKNOWN TYPE WEAPON. AN A.O. CAME ON STATION BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE ENEMY, TM CONTINUED MISSION AND MOVED FROM AREA.

172000H TM HEARD MOVEMENT AND SMELLED MARIJUANA AT (YD 249492) TM CALLED FIRE MISSION OF SIX RND'S WITH GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET, MOVEMENT CEASED.

180900H TM HEARD ACTIVE MORTAR AT (YD 234508) TM CALLED FIRE MISSION OF FOUR RND'S WITH POOR COVERAGE OF TARGET AND UNKNOWN RESULTS.

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192030H TM WHILE IN HARBOR SITE HEARD MOVEMENT IN TREELINE
AT (YD 235467) TM CALLED FIRE MISSION OF TEN RND'S WITH GOOD COVERAGE

OF TARGETS AFTER RND'S HAD IMPACTED TM HEARD MOANS COMING FROM TREE
LINE, AND SMELLED MARIJUANA.

201300H TM AT (YD 234473) HEARD WHAT SOUNDED LIKE AN "E" TOOL DROPPING
AT (YD 235467), TM ATTEMPTED TO CALL A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT GET

ONE CLEARED.

202330H TM AT (YD 234473) HEARD MOVEMENT AT (YD 234469) TM THEN RECEIVED

ONE GRENADE, TM THEN HEARD MOVEMENT ALL AROUND TM'S POSITION, TM
THEN RECEIVED TWO MORE GRENADES, TM THEN CALLED A FIRE MISSION OF SIX

RND'S BUT CANCELLED IT BECAUSE OF RND'S IMPACTING TOO CLOSE TO TM'S
POSITION, MOVEMENT CONTINUED AROUND TM UNTIL APPROX 210400H, AT

THAT TIME "SPOOKY" CAME ON STATION AND WORKED OUT FOR TM UNTIL 210700H
WHEN TRANSPORT HELICOPTER CAME ON STATION AND TM WAS EXTRACTED WITH

NEGATIVE FIRE INCIDENTS. TM RECEIVED THREE USMC WIA AS A RESULT OF
GRENADES THROWN BY ENEMY.

7. OTHER INFO: NONE

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RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT (U)

1. RECON TEAM: SHOWCASE 1D3 (8 MEN) OPO 298-D-68
SPOT REPORT IN LIEU OF PATROL REPORT:

231500H TM WHILE BEING INSERTED AT (YD 128384) SAW APPROX SIXTEEN TO TWENTY VC/NVZ. THE ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, NO COVERS AND UN-

KNOWN TYPE WEAPONS, TM INITIATED SAF WHEN LEAVING HELO AND HELO GUNNER FIRED ON ENEMY RESULTING IN ONE ENEMY KIA (C). TM BOARDED

HELLO AND RECEIVED SAF WHILE BEING EXTRACTED. MISSION WAS ABORTED.

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RECON DEBRIEFING REPORT

1. RECON TEAM: BARRISTER 1 C 3 (6 MEN) OTO-2169-68
2. DATE INSERTED/EXTRACTED: 251500 H/261300 H (23 HRS)
3. ROUTE: FM (YD 133473) TO (YD 142475) TO (YD 143482) UL 1349 LR 1547
4. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS, MIXED VEGETATION, CANOPY UP TO THIRTY FT. GOOD COVER AND CONCEALMENT. OP. SITES AT (YD 142475) OBSERVE NORTHWEST.
AT (YD 137472) OBSERVE ANY DIRECTION BUT NORTH EST.
5. HLZ'S: AT (YD 147472) SITE ACCOMODATE TWO CH-46'S, SITE IS HILLTOP, BEST APPROACH IS FROM SOUTHEAST TO NORTHWEST, APPROACH OBSTACLES, NONE.
AT (YD 143483) SITE WILL ACCOMODATE THREE CH-46'S, SITE IS HILLSIDE, BEST APPROACH IS FROM SOUTHEAST TO NORTHWEST, APPROACH OBSTACLES, TREELINE.
6. EVENT: 261100 H, AT (YD 141479) TEAM HEARD MOVEMENT, THEN OBSERVED FIVE ENEMY, FIFTEEN TO TWENTY METERS, TO THE TEAM'S WEST, ENEMY APPEARED TO BE LOOKING FOR SOMETHING IN THE AREA. 261115 H, TEAM OBSERVED ONE ENEMY LEAVE THE GROUP, AND RUN NORTH, THE OTHER FOUR THEN PROCEEDED SOUTH ON THE TRAIL, TEAM THEN MOVED TO TREELINE AT (YD143482) AND AT THIS TIME HEARD MOVEMENT, OF ABOUT THIRTY VC/NVA, TWENTY METERS FROM THEM, AT THIS TIME TWO ENEMY STEPPED INTO A CLEAR AREA, AND INITIATED SMALL ARMS FIRE. TEAM RETURNED FIRE RESULTING IN ONE ENEMY KIA, AND ONE MARINE CASUALTY. TEAM CALE ON STATION AND MADE ROCKET AND STRAFING RUNS, ENEMY THEN CEASED FIRE.

261330 H, EXTRACTION HELO'S CAME ON STATION AND TEAM WAS EXTRACTED WITHOUT ANY FIRE INCIDENTS. DURING EXTRACTION, TEAM LEFT AN M-60, ~~UNRECOVERED~~

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~~██████████~~, AND ONE HAVERSACK CONTAINING A PONCHO AND CHOW. ENEMY WAS WEARING DARK GREEN UTILITIES, CARTRIDGE BELTS,

NO PACKS, AND ~~██████████~~ CARRYING AK-47'S.

7. OTHER INFO: HEAVY ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THE AREA, POSSIBLE BASE CAMP

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TO: CG XXIV CORPS PHB

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 CG TASK FORCE HOTEL
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 THIRD MARINES
 FOURTH MARINES
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RECON TEAM: DUNBAR COUNTY 2 A 1 (8 MEN) OP-2175-68

TEAM WAS INSERTED AT (YD 314394) AND BEGAN TO MOVE OUT WHEN THEY
 HEARD NOISES, LIKE SOMEBODY USING 782 GEAR, TEAM GOT INTO A BOLD
 CRATER, AND SET UP A 360. TEAM RECEIVED, LONGER ROUNDS, 50 CALIBER,
 AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE. FIRE APPEARED TO BE COMING FROM (YD
 316396). TEAM HAD TO WAVE OFF EXTRACT HELICOPTERS, THREE TIMES

DUE TO HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE. AT THIS TIME TEAM HAD ONE MARINE KIA,
ONE MARINE WIA, AND ONE KIT CARSON SCOUT WIA. ALTHOUGH THE TEAM HAD

HEAVY MOVEMENT, THEY DID NOT OBSERVE ANY ENEMIES
TIED AT 271600 H, AND WAS EXTRACTED 271615 H



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