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PART I - ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Designation. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines

2. Period Covered. 010001H thru 312400H December 1965

3. Commanding Officers, Executive and Special Staff Officers

a.	1st Battalion, 7th Marines	LtCol James P. KELLY
b.	H&S Company	Capt W. J. BROOKS (1 Dec to 7 Dec) Capt J. D. MURRAY (7 Dec to 31 Dec)
c.	Company A	Capt G. MARINO
d.	Company B	Capt P. J. FEHLEN
e.	Company C	1stLt B. R. GOODWYN
f.	Company D	Capt J. B. AIROLA
g.	S-1	CWO P. F. COLEMAN
h.	S-2	Capt D. D. BROOKS
i.	S-3	Capt R. D. KING
j.	S-4	Capt W. J. CULLEN
k.	Communications Officer	Capt N. F. MITCHELL
l.	Supply Officer	1stLt W. H. WHALEN
m.	Motor Transport Officer	1stLt R. M. ROBB
n.	Air Liaison Officer	Capt C. R. BLEDSOE
o.	Medical Officer	Lt D. E. TOWNES, USNR
p.	Chaplain	Lt J. R. McNAMARA, USNR
q.	Civil Affairs Officer	1stLt G. D. VOIGT

4. Attachments

a.	Det, Battery G, 3dBn, 11thMar	1stLt R. D. FULCHER
b.	Det, Company C, 1st Engr Bn	1stLt E. M. McKERNAN

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5. Average Monthly Strength

a.

USMC		USN	
Off	Enl	Off	Enl
44	1009	3	63

6. Supporting Documents

a. Tab (1) Periodic Personnel Report # 16

b. Tab (2) Periodic Personnel Report # 17

c. Tab (3) Periodic Personnel Report # 18

d. Tab (4) Periodic Personnel Report # 19

e. Tab (5) Special After Action Report, Action of 4-6 December 1965.

f. Tab (6) Battalion Operation Order 336-65

g. Tab (7) Battalion Operation Plan 334-65

h. Tab (8) Battalion Operation Plan 335-65

i. Tab (9) Weekly Position Overlay, 4 December 1965

j. Tab (10) Weekly Position Overlay, 11 December 1965

k. Tab (11) Weekly Position Overlay, 18 December 1965

l. Tab (12) Weekly Position Overlay, 25 December 1965

m. Tab (13) Daily Intelligence ISUMS with accompanying Patrol Reports and Patrol Overlays for the month of December 1965.

n. Tab (14) Daily Situation Reports for the month of December 1965.

7. Maps Used

a. Viet Nam, 1:50,000, Series L701, Sheets 6756 I & IV, 6757 I, II, III & IV, 6758 I & II.

PART II - SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 1965

1. Personnel. On 25 December an awards ceremony was held in the Battalion CP. See Tab (4).

2. Administration. There were no significant events during the month. See Tabs (1), (2), (3), and (4).

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3. Intelligence

a. Significant intelligence was obtained by the Battalion patrols. See Tab (13) for the daily intelligence information obtained and processed from the 418 patrols conducted by the Battalion.

b. See Tab (6) for the intelligence estimate in support of Operation HARVEST MOON.

c. Weather for the reporting period

(1) Maximum temperature: 87°F

(2) Minimum temperature: 56°F

(3) Mean temperature: 75°F

(4) Total rainfall: 10.5 inches

(5) Average humidity: 82.8%

(6) Total days of rainfall: 19

(7) Cloud cover: 5000/5 - 45.1%
1500/3 - 16.5%
500/1 - 10.8%

(8) Surface wind:

(a) Prevailing direction: North

(b) Prevailing speed: 9 knots

(c) Mean speed: 5 knots

(d) Maximum speed: 36 knots

d. Terrain

(1) Relief. Relief of the area is predominately characterized by flat rice/dry crop type of terrain interspersed with numerous brushwood covered knolls. The latter are the primary locations for the small but scattered built-up areas.

(2) Drainage. Drainage of the Song Tra Bong River and its tributaries is in a northerly direction.

(3) Vegetation. Vegetation throughout the area is dry crop agriculture, canefields and rice paddies. Brushwood is found on dispersed knolls and hills. Rain forest type vegetation is lacking. Rainfall over the past two to three months has increased the growth and vegetation.

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(4) Surface materials. The area contains three basic types of surface materials. Sand extends along the banks of the Song Tra Bong River, and beach area running inland from the South China Sea a distance of from two to four miles. Marshy alluvial soil is found on the low ground throughout the area. Loose soil over laterite constitutes the remainder of the surface area.

4. Training

a. The Battalion did not conduct or publish a formal training schedule. The Company Commanders determine the type of training deemed necessary primarily through combat observations and critiques. The time available for training was limited by the aggressive patrolling and the operational commitments of the Battalion.

b. In addition to the daily patrols the companies stressed "on the job" training in the general military subjects.

(1) Subjects Covered	Hours
M72 Rocket Launcher	1
Field Fortification	103
Map and Compass	10
Personal Hygiene	22
Civil Affairs	15
Techniques of Fire	11
Equipment Care and Inspections	123
Scouting and Patrolling	105
Code of Conduct	3
Defensive Tactics	18
Guerrilla Warfare	7
Cave Search Techniques	4
Communication (Company)	12
First Aid	16
Forward Observer Procedures	28
Viet Cong Tactics	4

c. Each company utilized firing ranges within their zones of action. Firing exercises were conducted with M-14, M-60, 3.5 inch Rocket Launcher, M-79, .45 Cal. pistol and LAW Rockets. The firing exercises stressed the importance of good marksmanship and familiarity with each weapon by the individual Marine. In addition, the live firing exercises increased the confidence of each Marine in the dependability and capability of his weapon.

d. The 81mm Mortar Platoon conducted a total of 46 hours of gun drill, inspections, FO procedures, and instruction in the aiming circle. A four hour live firing exercise was also held during the month. On 30 December, the Mortar Platoon held a school for the Battalion's Patrol Leaders to familiarize them with the correct procedures for calling and adjusting mortar fire.

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5. Special Operations

a. The 1st Battalion, 7th Marines participated in one regimental sized Operation, Operation HARVEST MOON. The Battalion conducted 418 patrols that varied in size from fireteam to platoon (rein). Ambush, reconnaissance, security, search and destroy, clearing and goodwill type patrols were conducted by the Battalion. See Tab (13) for patrol routes and reports.

b. Operation HARVEST MOON

(1) See Tab (6) for the mission, concept of operation and task organization.

c. Operation TACITURN

(1) Operation TACITURN is a continuing company (rein) size operation on the TRUNG PHAN (NAM TRAM) Peninsula. The company maintains a company size combat base, BS 626993, and conducts patrols out of this base. See Tab (14).

(2) During the period from 1 December to 11 December the company had 25 contacts with the enemy. Results of these contacts were 45 VC KIA, 26 VC WIA and 58 VC/VCS captured. Five weapons and assorted intelligence data were collected. There were no Marine casualties during the period. Of particular significance was the action of 4-6 December resulting in 43 VC KIA, 19 VC WIA, and 45 VC captured. See Tab (5) for additional information.

(3) During the week of 12-18 December the company had 10 contacts with the enemy. Results of these contacts were 2 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA and 3 VC/VCS captured. The company sustained 3 WIA's during the week.

(4) During the week of 19-25 December, 9 contacts were reported by the company resulting in 2 VC KIA and 1 VC WIA. The company sustained 6 WIA's during the week.

(5) During the period of 26-31 December, six enemy contacts were reported by the company. There were no VC killed, wounded or captured during the period. The company sustained 3 WIA's and 1 KIA during the period.

d. The Battalion established a platoon (rein) patrol base on NUI CHUA hill mass at BS 606920 from 23 December 1965 to 2 January 1966. The mission of this platoon was to patrol the area east and southeast of their location out to a range of 4000 meters. During the period the platoon reported 17 enemy contacts. Results of these contacts were 1 VC KIA, 7 VC WIA and 2 VC/VCS captured. The Marines sustained 2 WIA's.

e. The Battalion assumed the mission of providing a relief force should the Binh Son District Headquarters be attacked. Two operation plans were prepared to accomplish this mission. One of the plans utilizes a heliborne relief force. See Tab (7). The other plan is based strictly on a relief by ground forces. See Tab (8).

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6. Nuclear, Biological, Chemical and Special Warfare

a. The Battalion has not used or encountered any nuclear or biological warfare agents.

b. Chemical. This Battalion has made extensive use of colored smoke and white phosphorous grenades. These grenades have primarily been used to mark helicopter landing sites. A secondary use has been to signal for a particular type of action on the company level.

7. Command and Control

a. See Tab (6) for the command and control procedure utilized for Operation HARVEST MOON.

b. Command and control was normal with no significant events occurring within the month except as noted above.

8. Communications and Electronics

a. The Battalion communication elements employed a vertical half rhombic, field expedient, auxiliary antenna for the first time with excellent results. The antenna was used with a PRC-10, by an outposted platoon eight miles distant from the CP. The transmissions were loud and clear between both stations. Every company is being equipped with two such antennas to be used in similiar situations, or anytime in a static situation when contact with the CP is lost using FM equipment and no RC-292 antenna is readily available.

b. The Battalion has received 12 new AN/PRC-10 radios in the FY 1966 R&E program. The new PRC-10's will significantly increase communications readiness.

c. A SSgt radio technician was transferred into the Battalion during December, filling to T/O rank the most critical personnel shortage in the communications platoon.

d. The resupply of communications-electronics items is steadily improving. Requisitions three to six months old are being filled and more current requisitions are receiving more prompt attention. The most serious shortages at present are in some parts for the BB-451 battery (PRC-41, 47), PRC-10 antennas, and communications wire (WD-1/TT) in large quantities.

9. Close Combat

a. Operation TACITURN. See Tab (5) and Tab (14).

10. Fire Support and Fire Support Coordination

a. Battery G, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines remained in direct support of 1st Battalion, 7th Marines. The Battery provided on-call illumination and HE missions in addition to H&I fires employed within the TAOR.

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b. 81mm Mortar Platoon, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continued their support by providing on-call illumination and HE missions. On several occasions sections were employed with platoon patrol bases forward of the MLR.

c. One section of 81mm Mortars is operating within the company combat base at BS 624994.

11. Logistics

a. No significant events occurred during the month.

b. Support of routine activities of the MLR including the company combat base, BS 624991, was normal. Class I support was adequate with two hot meals and one MCI being furnished to the rifle companies each day. Class II support continued to be poor with only a slight improvement during the month. Resupply of repair parts, particularly for motor transport equipment, was and still is a major problem. Lack of a resupply of five gallon water cans is becoming more noticeable and is expected to cause serious difficulties during forthcoming operations. Class III support was adequate. Class IV support is totally inadequate. Sandbags, barbed wire, concertina and metal stakes have not been made available in realistic quantities. This shortage prevents the development of adequate field fortifications and barriers along the MLR. Class V support was adequate with the exception of a limited number of items such as yellow and green smoke grenades, trip flares, illumination grenades and various other signalling and illumination devices.

c. A high deadline rate of organic motor transport equipment and inadequate non-organic motor transport has continued to present a serious problem to the normal operation of this organization.

12. Air Defense

a. The air defense measures within the Battalion are of a passive nature only. The defenses consist of sandbagged fighting holes and bunkers, both on the MLR and in the CP area.

b. The Battalion's air defense plan utilizes an air alert plan and a vehicle dispersion plan.

c. The 2nd LAAM Battalion provides active air defense for the Battalion area.

13. Combat Air Support

a. The Battalion required 43 helicopter missions to include 23 Med Evacs, 4 troop lifts, 5 resupply and 11 miscellaneous missions.

b. There were no CAS requests.

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c. AO aircraft and armed helicopters on routine flights were utilized on several occasions. The procedure for the maximum use of these flights is to have the pilots check in directly with the combat base or patrols and request if their services are needed.

14. Medical

a. There were no serious medical problems encountered during the month. There was an increase in the number of cases of acute diarrhea, etiology unknown, during the first part of the month. These cases were self limiting and the number of cases has declined markedly.

b. Medical supply has been excellent.

c. Battle casualties were minimal and their evacuation was expedited without complication.

d. Overall health of the Battalion is considered to be excellent.

15. Chaplain

a. The Chaplain celebrated Mass 66 times with an attendance of 2408 persons. In addition, the Chaplain gave instruction, counselling, heard confessions, and administered the last rites as required.

b. The Regimental Chaplain (Protestant) conducted weekly services in the Battalion area.

c. Six tons of Christmas gifts received from Operation ALOHA were distributed to the Battalion by the Chaplain.

16. Civil Affairs

a. During the month the Battalion provided medical assistance to 3437 Vietnamese.

b. Regular medical aid was provided to eight hamlets forward of the MLR.

c. Over 11,000 vitamin dosages were provided children residing within the Battalion's TAOR.

d. Hamlet health workers are being trained by our medical team. They assist our medical teams whenever possible.

e. Numerous Vietnamese were provided with soap, food and clothing.

f. Christmas parties were held for children in three hamlets. Toys were given to the children.

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g. One Mighty-Mite trailer load of gifts was sent to the Catholic refugee center in Binh Son.

h. Sports equipment and a blackboard were provided to schools in the TAOR.

i. US trade has stimulated the growth of NUOC MAN Hamlet. The number of commercial establishments has more than doubled during the month.

j. The Battalion Aid Station treated 34 civilians, most of which were brought in by the Medical Team for further treatment. The Battalion Surgeons performed several operations, including three children who had sixth fingers removed. One baby with a cleft palate was sent to Saigon for remedial treatment. The operation was extremely successful.

k. Military activity in the area has enabled us to establish one village Chief. Plans are underway to provide Government Officials for several hamlets which have not had legal government representatives in several years.

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1. Periodic Personnel Reports #16 - 19

2. Special After-Action Report 4-6 December 1965

3. Operation Order 335-65

4. Operation Plan 335-65

5. Operation Plan 334-65

6. Weekly Position Overlays 04 Dec 65
11 Dec 65
18 Dec 65
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7. ISUMS #108 - 137 01 - 31 Dec 65

8. SITREPS 3 95 - 126 01 - 31 Dec 65

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Periodic Personnel Report No 16

Period Covered: 250001H Nov65 through 240001 Dec65

1. STRENGTHS.

a.

	AUTHORIZED				ON ROLLS			
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN	
	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl
H&S	21	308	3	53	19	305	3	29
"A"	6	196	0	0	6	182	0	8
"B"	6	196	0	0	6	172	0	8
"C"	6	196	0	0	6	169	0	8
"D"	6	196	0	0	4	172	0	8
Det G Btry 3/11	0	0	0	0	3	18	0	0
TOTAL	47	1092	3	53	44	1018	3	62

b. Losses.
(1) Battle: 4 (1 USMC Off & 3 USMC enl)
(2) Non-Battle: 1 USMC enl
(3) Administrative: 1 USMC enl

2. REPLACEMENTS.
a. 1 USMC Off, 5 USMC Enl
b. 3 USN Enl

3. DISCIPLINE, LAW AND ORDER.
a. 3 Special Court Martials Tried
b. 1 Summary Court Martial Tried
c. 5 Special Court Martials Pending, 1 Summary Court Martial Pending.

4. PRISONERS OF WAR.
a. Viet Cong: 1
b. Viet Cong Suspects: 6
c. 1 ARVN deserter
d. All have been evacuated.

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION. None

6. MORALE AND PERSONNEL SERVICES. Good. Mess Section prepared an excellent meal for Thanksgiving.

7. CIVIL AFFAIRS. 26 November Med Cap team treated 533 villagers in Trung An and Nuoc Man. 27 November financial assistance given to mother of baby suffering from tubercular abcess for movement to USOM hospital in Da Nang. 28 November Med Cap team treated 277 villagers in Nuoc Man. 29 November Battalion Surgeon went to Binh Son to examine 3 women involved in alleged rape case. 30 November BAS treated child wounded in leg and arm during armed helicopter strike. Child and grandparents quartered and cared for in Battalion area. 1 December Med Cap team operated in Dong Binh and Hoa Van, treating 239 villagers.

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8. PERSONNEL PROCEDURES. Normal. Transferred "A" Company to 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines with attachedments from H&S Co. Joined company with attachments for H&S Company from 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines to take over "A" Company 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

9. INTERIOR MANAGEMENT. Strongbacks are being erected for troop living quarters.

10. CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES. None.

11. MISCELLANEOUS. None.

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Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps
Commanding

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Periodic Personnel Report No 17

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1. STRENGTHS.

a.

	AUTHORIZED				ON ROLLS			
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN	
	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl
H&S	21	308	3	53	17	306	3	28
"A"	6	196	0	0	6	180	0	8
"B"	6	196	0	0	6	159	0	9
"C"	6	196	0	0	6	164	0	9
"D"	6	196	0	0	5	170	0	8
Det G Btry 3/11	0	0	0	0	4	18	0	0
TOTAL	47	1092	3	53	44	1007	3	62

b. Losses.
(1) Battle: 1 USMC enl
(2) Non-Battle: 0
(3) Administrative: 1 USMC Off 14 USMC enl

2. REPLACEMENTS.
a. 4 USMC enl

3. DISCIPLINE, LAW AND ORDER.
a. 1 Summary Court Martial Tried
b. 7 Special Court Martials Pending, 1 Summary Court Martial Pending

4. PRISONERS OF WAR.
a. Viet Cong: 1
b. Viet Cong Suspects: 27
c. All have been evacuated.

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION. None

6. MORALE AND PERSONNEL SERVICES. Good. Mail Service has been excellent during this reporting period.

7. CIVIL AFFAIRS. 2 December 1965 Med Cap Team operated in Trung An (2) and Nuoc Man treating 501 people. BAS continued to treat Mr Xuan, village chief of Binh Son, a woman amputee and a young boy wounded in the cheek. 5 December 15 villagers treated in Vinh An and 3 evacuated to BAS for further treatment. 6 December and 8 December BAS treated 2 civilians for injuries.

8. PERSONNEL PROCEDURES. Normal

9. INTERIOR MANAGEMENT. General maintenance has been conducted due to the inclement weather.

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10. CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES. None

11. MISCELLANEOUS. None

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Periodic Personnel Report No 18

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1. STRENGTHS.

a.

	AUTHORIZED				ON ROLLS			
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN	
	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl
H&S	21	308	3	53	17	305	3	30
"A"	6	196	0	0	6	180	0	8
"B"	6	196	0	0	6	168	0	9
"C"	6	196	0	0	6	165	0	8
"D"	6	196	0	0	5	168	0	9
G Btry 3/11	0	0	0	0	4	17	0	0
TOTAL	47	1092	3	53	44	1003	3	64

b. Losses.
(1) Battle: 4 USMC enl
(2) Non-Battle: 0
(3) Administrative: 5 USMC enl

2. REPLACEMENTS.
a. 2 USMC enl

3. DISCIPLINE, LAW AND ORDER.
a. 7 Special Court-Martials Pending, 1 Summary Court Martial Pending

4. PRISONERS OF WAR.
a. Viet Cong: 1
b. Viet Cong Suspects: 11
c. All have been evacuated.

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION. None.

6. MORALE AND PERSONNEL SERVICES. Good. This organization received approximately 1500 packages through Operation Aloha from the people of Hawaii. This organization also received encouraging letters and cards from people throughout the United States.

7. CIVIL AFFAIRS.
a. To be reported separately by Civil Affairs Officer.

8. PERSONNEL PROCEDURES. Normal.

9. INTERIOR MANAGEMENT. A storm wall has been constructed around the Battalion Command Post. The theater has been re-located. The area behind the Battalion Mess Hall has been cleared of all brush and undergrowth and leveled for sanitary reasons.

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10. CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES. None.

11. MISCELLANEOUS. This organization has received 26 Purple Heart Letters for personnel of this command. It has been previously requested that Medals be furnished this organization. As of this date Medals have not been received.

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	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl
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"D"	6	196	0	0	5	168	0	9
G Btry 3/11	0	0	0	0	4	17	0	0
TOTAL	47	1092	3	53	44	1003	3	64

b. Losses.
(1) Battle: 4 USMC enl
(2) Non-Battle: 0
(3) Administrative: 5 USMC enl

2. REPLACEMENTS.
a. 2 USMC enl

3. DISCIPLINE, LAW AND ORDER.
a. 7 Special Court-Martials Pending, 1 Summary Court Martial Pending

4. PRISONERS OF WAR.
a. Viet Cong: 1
b. Viet Cong Suspects: 11
c. All have been evacuated.

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Periodic Personnel Report No. 19-65

Period Covered: 16Dec65 to 31Dec65

Ref: (a) 3rdMarDivO 1080.3

1. Strengths.

a. See my Personnel Daily Summary of this date.

b. Losses:

	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
Battle:	0	8	0	1
Non-Battle	0	4	0	0
Administrative	0	1	0	0

2. Replacements. None

3. Discipline, Law and Order. Two violations of Article 134, and one of article 91 has occured, four office hours, two summary courts and three special courts has been completed. No summary and four special courts martials are pending.

4. Prisoners Of War.

	VCC	VCS
Captured:	0	18
Evacuated:	0	18
On Hand:	0	0

5. Graves Registration. Two USMC enlisted KIA evacuated to "B" Med.

6. Morale and Personnel Services.

a. State of Morale. Good, this organization received a large shipment of beverages. Postal Service remains excellent.

b. Awards Made. 2 Silver Stars
4 Navy Commendation Medals

7. Civil Affairs. See my Civil Affairs SITREP.

8. Personnel Procedures.

a. Battalion Check List has been promulgated.

b. This organization is still lacking SRB , and Orders of the following personnel joined from Sub-Unit #2:
PFC W. RYAN 2091544

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9. Interior Management. The Battalion Chapel and the Battalion Mess Hall are having improvements made on their construction.

10. Civilian Employees. None.

11. Unit Commanders (See Annex A).

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ANNEXES: A*Unit Commanders

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ANNEX A (Unit Commanders) to Periodic Personnel Report No. 19-65

Ref: (a) 3rdMarDivO 1080.3

Time Z: H

1. Unit Commanders

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C Co	1stLt	B. R. GOODWYN
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: Special After-Action Report, Action of 4-6 December 1965

1. Name and Type of Operation. Search and Clear operation, with a rapid reaction exploitation force.

2. Dates of Operation. 042030H to 061515H.

3. Location. Tuyet Diem Hamlet, Binh Giang Village, Trung Phan (Nam Tram) Peninsula.

4. Command Headquarters. Headquarters, 1st Battalion(Rein), 7th Marines.

5. Reporting Officers

a. CO, 1stBn(Rein), 7thMar	LtCol James P. KELLY
b. CO, Co A(-)(Rein)	Capt G. MARINO
c. CO, Co C(Rein)	1stLt B. R. GOODWYN
d. Plt Cmdr, 2nd Plt, Co C	1stLt C. D. JONES

6. Supporting Forces

a. Btry G, 3rdBn, 11thMar in direct support.

b. Helicopter support:

(1) Two H-34's for med evac and retraction transportation for 2nd Plt Co C on 5 Dec.

(2) 10 H-34's w/gunship escort for landing of Co A(-)(Rein) on 5 Dec.

(3) Two H-34's for retraction of 106MM RR Squad of 6 Dec.

(4) Normal Med Evac support.

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c. Close Air Support: two A-4's on station during landing of Co A(-)(Rein) on 5 Dec.

d. Co A, 3rd AmtracBn provided four LVT's to retract Co A(-)(Rein) on 6 Dec.

7. Mission

a. 2nd Plt, Co C. Conduct ambushes in the Tuyet Diem Hamlet area during the night of 4-5 Dec, and conduct a search and clear operation in the Tuyet Diem Hamlet on 5 Dec.

b. Co A(-)(Rein). Land by helicopter at LZ Thrush (BT 663044) and LZ Bluebird (BT 655046) at H-Hour to be announced; establish security over the search zone; conduct underwater search in the Song Moi River between BT 654043 and BT 654044; and conduct patrols throughout the Tuyet Diem (1), (3), and (7) areas to search for VC escapees and wounded.

8. Execution

a. In the discussion that follows, all times shown are for time zone "H", and all coordinates shown are for 100,000 meter grid square "BT" unless otherwise specified.

b. The action described in this report began with a routine platoon combat patrol by 2nd Platoon, Co C, originating from the Co C Combat Base, BS 625991, on the Trung Phan (Nam Tram) Peninsula. The platoon moved out at 2030 to carry out its mission on the evening of 4 December.

c. 2nd Plt, Co C's activities, 4 and 5 December

(1) The platoon was moving northward and was about to split up into 3 squad sized ambushes, when at 2130 at 632015 the point sighted two VC in grey uniforms running north into a treeline at 632022. Pressing forward, the point discovered fresh boot tracks of about 15 VC leading into the trees. The platoon commander immediately dispatched a squad to form a blocking position at 632022 while another squad starting from 638024 searched westward toward the blocking force through the treeline. No contact was made; however, the searching force heard shouting several hundred meters to the east of their position.

(2) At 2330, the platoon moved a squad each into three different ambush sites as planned. Ambush # 1 was at 630013, Ambush # 2 at 627017, and Ambush # 3 at 627021.

(3) At 0045, a column of 5 VC wearing black "pajamas" and carrying unidentified objects were observed by Ambush # 3 moving east along the beach at 627023. The ambush opened up with one machinegun and 3 AR's. The VC fled into the surf, which was quite calm that night. The ambush delivered a devastating barrage of LAW and M79 fires into the group of swimmers. After fires were ceased, the water was searched with binoculars but there was no sign of life. To insure that none of the swimmers escaped to a small island at 622023 an artillery fire mission was called for. 22 rounds were delivered on the

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island with excellent effect. The ambush troops then searched the beach for boats, and, finding none, dispatched a fireteam of swimmers to the island to conduct a search. Nothing was found on the island; however, a suitcase was found on the beach containing two pairs of jungle type boots, two pairs of shower shoes, two sets of khakis, two sets of utilities, one poncho, one web belt, and a utility cap with ear flaps. This suitcase was buried at 627021 for later retrieval. Ambush # 3 was then moved to a new site at 629021.

(4) At 0430, all squads of the platoon assembled at 629021, then at 0500 commenced a search through the treeline northeastward toward Tuyet Diem(3).

(5) At 0630, the Second Squad moved into blocking position with elements at 654038 and 654044; the Third Squad moved into a blocking position at 655037 and a sweep force moved to a position along the southern edge of the heavily populated area at 654038. All squads noticed as they advanced that there were numerous bootprints made by running VC in the area, indicating rapid withdrawal of VC sentries.

(6) At 0640, all three squads began to receive fires from 653038, 654038, and 655038 as the VC tried desparately to cover their hasty withdrawal across the Song Moi River. In the ensuing melee, the Third Squad killed four and wounded three VC on a dike at 654039, killed three VC in the river, and killed four VC who were trying to hide on the opposite bank of the river at 658039. The Second Squad killed one VC at 653042, and killed nine VC on the edge of the river at 654045. The First Squad killed three VC in the river at 654044, killed five VC on a dune at 654046, and wounded eight VC in Tuyet Diem (3) as they were passing rapidly through the hamlet. These wounded VC were left behind and were evidently carried off by the natives, for they could not be found later. The VC in this encounter were clad variously in black pajamas, grey uniforms, and nothing at all. Most of the VC wore camouflaged rain hats. Some of the VC tore off their shirts as they fled across the river, as if to better blend with the color of the sand. Most of the VC had weapons, nearly all of which were carbines. However, two machineguns were noted, one of which was later captured. Also noted was that one automatic weapon was firing white tracers, and a K-44 rifle was firing armor-piercing type ammunition. In this action, the VC were caught in a vicious killing zone; the open river and the bare sand dunes beyond were laced with automatic weapons fire. The VC's covering force, consisting of the two machineguns and an automatic carbine, were not equal to the rapidly advancing platoon, and were quickly overpowered. The VC were so disorganized in their withdrawal that they soon stopped firing back altogether, except for a few from across the river. The only VC who escaped the killing zone were a few who were wounded near the top of the dunes on the far side of the river; these were dragged over the top of the dunes by comrades who appeared later from the other side.

(7) At 0730, four VC wounded were evacuated by helicopter. These wounded were found at 655037 and 655038.

(8) At 0745, two fireteams from one squad crossed the river to 654046, and two fireteams from another squad crossed to 657044. These troops found one K-44 Rifle at 655044, then moved to the high ground at 654046. On the high ground they observed two fishing boats full of VC variously wearing black pajamas, boots, and grey utilities departing the beach at 657047. The troops

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fired on the VC despite extreme range, and observed a number of VC flop over in the boats as a result of hits. Due to lack of communications and distance involved, the Platoon Commander did not learn of this escape until too late to react. An estimated 40 VC escaped in the two boats, and it is believed they were soon distributed widely among the many fishing boats that were operating in that vicinity at the time. It is also believed that these 40 VC were not involved in the initial contact.

(9) At 1030, the troops that were sent across the river were called back to the river bank, and a thorough search of the river area was begun. Bodies were pulled out of the water and searched. Other bodies were found and searched on the east bank of the river. At the same time, villagers were recovering bodies, and although an effort was made, this could not be entirely prevented. During the course of their search, the Marines found an M-1 Carbine and a French M29 Machinegun in the river. Among the bodies found in the river was the body of a Platoon Commander (or assistant commander) with a unit diary, a book of lessons on weapons employment, and some Communist doctrine. A VC Corpsman's body was also found in the river with a personal diary, a complete medical kit, and a medical treatment log. Some of the VC dead were unusually large and muscular. Surprisingly, no grenades were found on any of the bodies. A skirmish line was formed and the river bottom was exhaustively searched, but further weapons could not be found in the deep silt bottom. Tuyet Diem(3) and the terrain northeast of the river up to the foot of Nui Nam Tram mountain were searched thoroughly before the platoon withdrew.

(10) At 1230, the platoon reassembled at 655037. Two H-34 helicopters that had been providing Med Evac and were evidently on TAOR sweep checked in on the company net at this time and asked if any assistance was desired. The reply was, "How about a lift home?" The helicopters responded and in four lifts delivered the platoon back to the Co C combat base. The lift was completed at 1330.

(11) Results of 2nd Plt, Co C's action from 050045 to 051330 Dec:

(a)	VC Killed, confirmed:	35	(one DOW at Co B Med)
(b)	VC Wounded, confirmed:	14	(5 of these captured)
(c)	VC Captured:	5	(all wounded)
(d)	VCS Captured:	7	
(e)	VC Escaped:	40	(approximate)
(f)	Weapons Captured:	3	(M-1 Carbine, K-44 Rifle, M-29 French Submachinegun)

(g) Other Material Captured: unit diary, personal diary, Communist doctrine publication, weapons manual, medical treatment log, and corpsman's medical kit.

(h) Friendly losses: none.

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d. Co A(-)(Rein) Activities, 5 and 6 December

(1) Because it was believed that further weapons could be found in the river by use of SCUBA and mine detection equipment, and because it was felt that VC would move back into the objective area to recover weapons and bodies, it was decided to land a rifle company (-) by helicopter in the Tuyet Diem area for exploitation of the earlier success.

(2) Shortly after 2nd Plt, Co C withdrew from Tuyet Diem, an aerial observer was requested for the purpose of maintaining surveillance over the objective area. The first aerial observer developed engine trouble and aborte the mission. Later, a second aerial observer flew over the area, and, seeing nothing of consequence, secured from the mission without checking in on the Battalion Tactical Net as requested.

(3) At 051400, Co A(-)(Rein) was placed on a 45-minute standby for movement by helicopter to accomplish the mission specified in paragraph 7.b., above. The company was task organized as follows:

Co A(-)(Rein)

Co A(-)(Co Hq, Wpns Plt, two rifle plts, and a rifle sqd)
Det, H&S Co
  Det, Comm Plt (Rad Opr)
  FAC Party
  Sqd, 106MM RR Plt
  Det, Med Plt
Det, ARVN (Interpreter)
FO Tm, Btry G, 3rdBn, 11thMar
Diver Tm, HQ Co, 7thMar and Co C, 1stReconBn
Engr Tm, 1st Plt, Co C, 1stEngrBn

The company was divided into two contingents for the two landing zones. The 106MM RR Sqd, a rifle squad, and a comm relay team were organized for landing at LZ Thrush to overlook the objective area from Mount Nui Nam Tram, to provide for positive communications with Battalion Headquarters, and to provide 106MM supporting fires as required. The remainder of the company was organized to land at LZ Bluebird and conduct search operations.

(4) By 1500, organization and assembly of Co A(-)(Rein) was complete in all respects. However, it was necessary to wait for helicopters until 1635, at which time the lift began.

(5) The troops at LZ Thrush (663044) were landed in four helicopters at 1650 without opposition. At the same time, the first wave of Co A(-)(Rein) was landed in seven helicopters at LZ Bluebird (655046) without opposition. Subsequent lifts were made in waves of 10 helicopters each until all troops were landed by 1715. Security of both LZ's was quickly established.

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(6) At 1700, six VC with weapons were spotted moving south across the Song Moi River at 654044. As the Marines were moving into firing positions, five more VC attempted to cross the river. Heavy small arms fire killed 4 VC and wounded one. The wounded VC was dragged off into the trees by his comrades.

(7) A squad was dispatched to search the sub-hamlet at 654045. At about 1730 two wounded VC were found in the hamlet and were later evacuated by helicopter at 1845.

(8) At 1715, a squad was dispatched to search the peninsula from LZ Bluebird northwest to 642055. This squad had no contact, but discovered a cave at 644049 and had one heat casualty who was evacuated later from LZ Bluebird.

(9) At 1730 the divers commenced a search of the river from 654043 to 654044 for weapons, equipment, and bodies.

(10) At 1730 the company received some small arms fire from Tuyet Diem (1) at 648045. A fireteam was dispatched to find and destroy the VC. The fireteam pursued and killed one VC, capturing a medical kit and some documents.

(11) At 1730, troops on LZ Thrush observed 1 VC with a U.S. carbine running eastward at 656046. The Marines opened fire and killed the VC, then sent three men to recover the weapon. These same three men apprehended a group of people at 658046 and brought them to the Company CP for interrogation.

(12) Between 1700 and 1720, 25 VCS were apprehended in the village of Tuyet Diem(1) and brought to the Company CP for interrogation. After screening by the interpreter, only three of these were detained. Two were VC cadre leaders, and the third was a VCS.

(13) At 1800, a VC was found hiding in a bunker at 655045 and was killed resisting apprehension.

(14) Around 1800, the divers discovered two VC hiding under a boat near the bank of the river. One of the VC had been wounded in the foot. A French submachinegun was also found in the boat.

(15) At about 1815, a corpsman's medical bag was found in the small sub-hamlet at 654044.

(16) By 1900, all elements of the company were back in the landing zones, and defensive perimeters were organized in detail. The main perimeter was located at 651047, with a smaller perimeter around the 106MM RR at 663044. The night was uneventful.

(17) At 060630, one of the VC cadre leaders tried to escape but was quickly recaptured.

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(18) At 0645, security was again established at 654045 to permit resumption of the river search. The search began at 0650. SCUBA equipment and mine detection equipment (boat-mounted) were employed. A patrol was dispatched to check out the northeast river bank from the search site to 660039.

(19) At about 0700, a reinforced squad was sent to search Tuyet Diem (1). At about 0745, the patrol encountered a funeral party, discovered a dead VC with a gunshot chest wound in the casket. At 0845 the patrol located a small cave and six panji traps at 650046. At 0850, the patrol discovered two large panji pits and another small cave at 649045. The panji pits were all destroyed, but the caves were not. The caves were believed to be family shelters rather than VC hiding places.

(20) At 0900 a squad was sent across the river by boat to 653044 to check the southwest bank. A conspicuous blood trail was found leading south at 653044, believed to be from the VC who was carried off just after the landing the day before (sub-paragraph (6), above).

(21) The divers secured their search at 1100, and the mine detector team secured at 1200. Both groups had no results on 6 December, despite a most exhaustive effort. The mine detector employed from a boat proved effective in locating metal objects under water, including small arms cartridges, but was unsuccessful in locating weapons.

(22) At 1230, a VC with a shoulder wound was found and captured in the small hamlet at 654044.

(23) At 1230 two H-34 helicopters were made available to retract the 106MM RR with part of the crew and the diving equipment. However, due to other commitments, sufficient helicopters were not available to retract the whole force. Therefore, four LVT's were sent for the retraction, arriving at 652045 at 1400. The company assembled and withdrew without incident, arriving at the Battalion area at 1515.

(24) Results of Co A(-)(Rein) action from 051650 to 061400 Dec 65:

(a) VC Killed, confirmed: 8

(b) VC Wounded, confirmed: 5

(c) VC Captured: 7

(d) VCS Detained: 1

(e) Weapons Captured: 2 (one U.S. carbine, one French Submachine-gun).

(f) Other Captured Material: 2 Medical Bags, several VC documents

(g) Friendly losses: One heat casualty, one slight non-battle injury.

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9. Commander's Analysis

a. Communications failure prevented the platoon commander of 2nd Plt, Co C from reporting the action until it was too late to provide desirable support. The use of PRC-25 radios would virtually eliminate this difficulty. Good communications, for example, would have permitted destruction of the 40 VC who escaped out to sea.

b. Relentless daily patrolling eventually pays off, as does aggressive action upon contact.

c. Since this action, things have been unusually quiet on the Trung Phan (Nam Tram) Peninsula. In addition, the natives in the villages seem decidedly more friendly and talkative than they were before. The victory had a very decisive effect in the local area.

d. During a visit by a patrol to Tuyet Diem(3) on 9 Dec 65, the natives reported that 50 VC had been killed or wounded in the action on 5 and 6 December.

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Time Zone: H

Task Organization

1stBn(-)(Rein), 7thMar — LtCol KELLY
Det, H&S Co (Command Group)

Co A(-)(Rein) — Capt MARINO
Det, Co Hq, Co A
___ Plt, Co A
___ Plt, Co A
ATA Sect(-), Co A
MG Sect(-), Co A
Det, H&S Co
Det, Med Plt
Det, Comm Plt
FAC Party
Det, S-2
FO Tm, Btry G, 3dBn, 11thMar

Battalion Reserve: Co C(-)(Rein) — Lt GOODWYN
Co C(-)(Co Hq & 2 rifle plts (rein))
Det, H&S Co
Det, Med Plt
Det, Comm Plt
FAC Party
FO Tm, Btry G, 3dBn, 11thMar

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces.

(1) The 1st VC Regiment has initiated another offensive campaign in an area 3 to 5 miles above TAM KY District Headquarters. USMC units have been in contact with the VC in this area. Elements of guerrilla local forces have been active in support of the 1st VC Regiment's operation by destroying bridges and sniping at convoys venturing up HIGHWAY ONE. These local forces will, if the opportunity permits, ambush a small, lightly protected convoy.

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(2) The local guerrilla forces are armed with 60MM Mortars, automatic rifles, and small arms. They are capable of using demolitions to destroy bridges or damage the roadbed restricting travel by vehicle. 50 cal. MGs have been brought into the QUANG TIN Province to shoot down or damage helicopters or for anti-personnel purposes.

(3) Avoidance of the roadway or bypasses by the Vietnamese should be taken as an indication that the area is possibly mined or booby trapped; as the VC forces operating in this area have that capability.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) 7thMar continues normal defense of Regt TAOR in Enclave.

(2) Task Force Delta on Operation HARVEST MOON north of TAM KY phases forces out of the operation commencing on the morning of 19 Dec with 2dBn, 7thMar.

(3) 5th ARVN Regt Hq located vic BT 2331.

(4) 6th ARVN Regt Hq located vic BT 338238 (TAM KY).

(5) Artillery.

(a) Enclave Artillery Group provides 155MM How, 155MM Gun, and 8" How fires as required as far as BT 346200.

(b) Btry H(-), 3dBn, 12thMar provides 105MM How fires from BT 296232 (Max Range 12,500 Meters).

(c) Btry M, 4thBn, 11thMar provides 155 How fires from BT 163436 (Max Range 14,500 Meters).

(6) Co C, 1st AT Bn provides one AT Plt in direct support of Co A(-)(Rein) for convoy security.

(7) Two Armed UH-1E on station throughout the period convoy is in motion; provide reconnaissance and fire support to convoy.

(8) Co C, 1st Engr Bn provides one plt (Rein) in direct support of 1stBn(-)(Rein), 7thMar. Includes 4 dump trucks w/gravel, one truck w/timber for road and bridge repair.

(9) FLSU provides 30 troop trucks (Including gun trucks) and 4 wreckers.

c. Attachments and detachments. Task Organization effective 1800 D-1.

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2. MISSION

Commencing at H-Hour on D-Day, 1stBn(-)(Rein), 7thMar conducts armed convoys from CHU LAI Enclave northward on HIGHWAY ONE to objective area for Operation HARVEST MOON, picks up elements of Task Force Delta, and assists them in returning to CHU LAI Enclave.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations. Commencing at H-Hour on D-Day, 1stBn(-)(Rein), 7thMar conducts armed convoys to designated pickup points in the vicinity of BT 2825 and BT 1643 (LSU) loads troops and supplies from CHU LAI-based elements of Task Force Delta, commencing with 2ndBn, 7thMar; makes repeated trips as required, each during daylight hours, until all CHU LAI-based elements are returned from Operation HARVEST MOON.

b. Co A(-)(Rein).

(1) Provide security for each northbound convoy.

(2) Devise and publish a coordinated counter-ambush plan for all northbound convoys.

(3) Report arrival at each check point to this Hq.

(4) Upon arrival at destination, report to senior commander of organization returning to Enclave for Op Con. Assist him in convoy security.

c. Battalion Reserve: Co C(-)(Rein).

(1) Be prepared on 20 minutes' notice to board transportation provided (trucks or helicopters), proceed to reinforce 1stBn(-)(Rein) wherever located.

(2) Occupy Enclave MLR positions and carry out only short-range (up to 1000 meters) security patrols during alert status.

(3) Alert status effective from time of departure to time of return of each convoy.

d. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) H-Hour: 0630 for first convoy. (Subsequent convoy H-Hours to be announced).

(2) D-Day: 19 Dec.

(3) Convoy security becomes the responsibility of the senior unit commander on all returning (southbound) convoys. This will most probably be a unit commander from Task Force Delta. In such cases, all elements of the convoy are under Op Con of the senior unit commander in matters of security.

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(4) IP for all northbound convoys will be the intersection of Enclave Route 20 (MSR) and HIGHWAY ONE. Convoy will extend northeastward along Route 20 from the IP.

(5) Reports will be in accordance with reference (b).

(6) Convoy order of march will be as prescribed by CO, Co A(-)(Rein).

(7) Body armor and helmets will be worn at all times by all personnel from 1stBn(-)(Rein), 7thMar and convoy units in support thereof.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Uniform and Equipment. Normal, to include body armor (upper torso), helmet, two full canteens, two MCI and one gallon of water per man.

b. Ammunition. Basic allowance.

c. Resupply. None planned. Available on call on an emergency basis.

d. Medical Evacuation. Helicopter evacuation on call. Normal procedures. (Co B 1st Med Bn; 1stBn, 7thMar BAS; or USOM Hospital, Quang Ngai, as appropriate).

e. Administration.

(1) Normal procedures.

(2) Casualty reports will be made to this Hq and will be passed to parent unit via Regimental Tac Net.

(3) Initial supplies in support of this operation will be drawn from parent units. Co A(-)(Rein) will draw initial Class I and V supplies from Provisional Bn, 7thMar.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. See reference (c).

b. Command Posts.

(1) 1stBn, 7thMar Enclave CP: unchanged.

(2) Hq, 1stBn(-)(Rein), 7thMar: Riding in armed UH-1E escort aircraft.

(3) 2dBn, 7th Mar: vic BT 2824.

(4) LSU, Task Force Delta: vic BT 161438.

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c. Command Relationships.

(1) OpCon all elements of northbound convoys rests with Hq, 1stBn, (-)(Rein), 7th Mar.

(2) OpCon all elements of southbound convoys containing predominantly 2dBn, 7thMar troops rests with the senior infantry officer, 2d Bn, 7th Mar. CO, 1stBn, 7thMar acts as coordinator for CO, 7thMar.

(3) OpCon all elements of southbound convoys containing predominantly LSU elements rests with Hq, 1stBn(-)(Rein), 7thMar.

d. Rendezvous Communications.

(1) Communications net for establishing contact with 2dBn, 7thMar when approaching rendezvous point will be the 2dBn, 7thMar Bn Tac Net, 46.1 MCS.

(2) Communications net for establishing contact with Task Force Delta LSU when approaching rendezvous point will be the Task Force Delta Tactical Net, (45.9) or Command Net (3204). Task Force Delta Call sign: MURPHY.

e. Radio Nets.

(1) Regt Command Net, 2116 KCS.

UNIT	CALL SIGN
2dBn, 7th Mar	Dixie Diner
FLSU #1 (Enclave)	Fumigate
1stBn, 7th Mar (Convoy)	Prominence
7th Mar	Starboard (NC)

(2) Convoy Control Net, 41.3 MCS.

UNIT	CALL SIGN
Co A(-)(Rein)	Prominence Alpha
CO, 1stBn, 7thMar(UH-1E)	Prominence Six
CommO, 1stBn, 7thMar (Relay)	Prominence 10
1st Plt, Co C 1st AT Bn	Spaniard Charlie One
Truck Company Commander	Faster Alpha Six

(3) Artillery FO Nets (Conduct of Fire).

UNIT	Prim Freq	Sec Freq	CALL SIGN
Arty Grp, Enclave	29.1	3135	Payable
Btry H, 3/12	28.9	35.0	Payable Hotel
Btry M, 4/11	35.1	27.2	Ruggles Mike

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f. Visual Signals.

(1) Signals prescribed in reference (d) apply.

(2) Vehicles broken down will signal with white smoke.

(3) Smoke grenades dropped from UH-1E:

(a) Red: enemy sighted at point of smoke impact (approximate).

(b) Green: stop the convoy.

(4) UH-1E with flashing landing lights:

(a) Proceeding in same direction of convoy: speed it up.

(b) Proceeding in opposite direction from convoy: slow it down.

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ANNEXES:

A - Operations Overlay (Strip Map with Check Points) (NOTAL) NIF

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Time Zone: H

Task Organization. Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. If the District Headquarters of QUANG NGAI, BINH SON, is attacked by the VC, the enemy forces will most probably consist of the following:

(1) The 52nd Bn, which is believed to have been redesignated as the 103rd.

(a) Headquarters located in the BINH LANH village. BS 6694.

(b) Two companies located in the hamlets of PHU LONG, GS 6594, 6694, 6596 and 6696.

(c) One company in the vicinity of LAC SON hamlet, GS 6891.

(d) The strength of the 52/103d Bn is estimated to be 350 men, well armed and trained. Armament consists of 60mm mortars, 57mm RR, 30 cal MGs and anti-tank rocket launchers.

(2) Two unidentified companies are reported in the village of BINH THANH, GS 5791, and 5892. The strength of these companies vary from 70 to 120 men each. It is believed that these companies are armed with two 60mm mortars, one 81mm mortar, BARs and two 50 cal MGs.

(3) A number of local guerrilla forces can be expected to be encountered consisting of approximately 200 armed men with various small arms and automatic weapons.

(4) The 108th VC battalion, 400 strong, armed with one 60mm mortar, one 30 cal MG, six BARs, and small arms is operating in the BINH HOANG village BS 635895. This battalion is believed to have been activated in this area to help the 52/103d Bn.

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(5) It should be noted that all PF's or ARVN encountered are to be kept under surveillance. If suspicious in their actions, they are to be considered as VCS and taken captive until cleared by the S-2.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) 7thMar and other Enclave elements provide sufficient forces to comprise a minimum of six platoons on the 1stBn(Rein), 7thMar Enclave MLR, including 1stBn forces left behind.

(2) 3rdBn, 7thMar provides security for Artillery elements if and when established on NUOC MAN HILL, BS 5796.

(3) An ARVN Company(-) defends OBJ G; PF Forces defend OBJ D, H, I, and J in variable strengths. A total strength of four PF platoons is expected to be in the immediate BINH SON area.

(4) A Marine rifle squad is located in OBJ I. (BINH SON DISTRICT HQ).

(5) Artillery.

(a) Btry G, 3dBn, 11thMar direct support. Displaces one platoon to NUOC MAN HILL by H+5.

(b) Artillery Group provides 8" How and 155mm Gun fires as required.

(6) Air Support.

(a) Helicopters

1 20 H-34's for initial landings, with armed UH-1E escort.

2 Two H-34's on stand-by for displacements, resupply, POW evac, and smoke drops.

3 Normal Med Evac.

(b) CAS

1 Four A-4's on station throughout the operation, reconstituted as necessary.

2 Airstrike on LZ SANDPIPER immediately prior to H-Hour.

(c) Aerial observer in O-1E aircraft on station throughout the operation during hours of daylight.

(d) Flare plane on station during all hours of darkness.

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c. Attachments and Detachments.

(1) Annex A (Task Organization).

(2) Attachments effective upon receipt of execution order from higher authority.

d. Assumptions.

(1) That a requirement will exist to counterattack VC forces attacking BINH SON.

(2) That enemy action does not preclude landing by helicopter at LZ SANDPIPER.

(3) That helicopters are available in sufficient quantities, and the weather will permit their use.

(4) That sufficient forces are available within the Enclave to permit relief of the forces listed in Annex A (Task Organization) on the 1stBn, 7thMar MLR.

2. MISSION

1stBn(-)(Rein), 7thMar lands by helicopter at H-Hour on D-Day to attack, capture and/or destroy VC forces in the BINH SON area, and to restore GVN control to BINH SON and the adjacent bridges over the SONG TRA BONG.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations. 1stBn(-)(Rein) lands by helicopter at H-Hour on D-Day at LZ SANDPIPER, attacks southwestward in zone with two companies abreast in the assault and a reinforced platoon in reserve. Maximum use made of supporting arms against objectives held in strength by VC. Maximum use of smoke screens on VC-held positions which are giving support to objectives being attacked by friendly forces.

b. Co C(Rein).

(1) Commencing at H-Hour on D-Day, land by helicopter at LZ SANDPIPER, immediately seize OBJ E. Protect the LZ.

(2) On order, attack in zone and seize OBJ F.

(3) On order, continue the attack in zone to seize OBJ D and C.

(4) Be prepared on order to seize OBJ L.

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c. Co D(Rein).

(1) Land by helicopter on D-Day at LZ SANDPIPER in accordance with Annex C (Landing Plan). Attack in zone to seize OBJ N.

(2) On order, seize OBJ H.

(3) If occupied by friendly forces, cover and protect OBJ I, J, and/or G by fire.

(4) Be prepared on order to seize OBJ I, J, G, and/or M if these are occupied by VC.

d. 81MM Mort Plt(-).

(1) Land by helicopter at LZ SANDPIPER on D-Day in accordance with Annex C (Landing Plan).

(2) General Support.

(3) Initial firing positions vic OBJ E.

(4) On order, displace on foot or by helicopter to OBJ F, and subsequently to OBJ G.

(5) Be prepared to displace further if required.

e. 106MM RR Plt(-).

(1) Land by helicopter at LZ SANDPIPER on D-Day in accordance with Annex C (Landing Plan).

(2) General Support.

(3) Initial firing positions vic OBJ E.

(4) On order, displace overland or by helicopter to OBJ F.

(5) On order, displace one sect each by helicopter to OBJ H and OBJ G.

(6) Be prepared to displace further as directed.

f. Bn Reserve: _____Plt(Rein), Co B.

(1) Land by helicopter at LZ SANDPIPER on D-Day in accordance with Annex C (Landing Plan).

(2) Relieve Co C elements on OBJ E.

(3) Protect the Bn rear.

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(4) Protect the Command Group, Mortar Plt, and 106mm RR Plt at OBJ E and, subsequently, at OBJ F, with a minimum of one rifle squad.

(5) With one squad detached for rear area security, be prepared on order to reinforce either assault company or to seize objectives as assigned.

g. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) D-Day and H-Hour to be announced, based upon directives from higher authority.

(2) Body armor will be worn.

(3) Coordinating instructions as specified in reference (b) apply.

(4) The unclassified code name for this operation is RISING SUN.

(5) Assault companies will insure that VC caves and/or food caches that must be bypassed in the attack are reported and well marked to make them easy to find.

(6) Reports will be in accordance with reference (c). Unit commanders will submit handwritten after-action chronologies of all significant events within 24 hours after conclusion of the operation. Units will report crossing of phase lines and seizure of objectives.

(7) Attack commences when all platoons of the two assault companies are landed.

(8) Assault companies do not conduct detailed search in zones. Companies advance rapidly in approach march formations to objectives, protect flanks, and aggressively attack any VC encountered. Effective use of supporting arms and rapid seizure of dominating terrain are imperative.

(9) Objectives will be seized in the following sequence: OBJ E; OBJ N; OBJ F; OBJ H; OBJ I and G; OBJ D and C; OBJ L; OBJ M.

(10) 81MM Mort Plt(-) and 106MM RR Plt(-) will be displaced to OBJ F prior to the attack on OBJ H. Similarly, these units will be displaced to OBJ G (less one sect 106MM RR on OBJ H) prior to the attack on OBJ's L and M.

(11) For purposes of safety in use of supporting arms, units will not move outside of assigned zones without approval of this Hq. However, units may place organic fires outside of the Battalion zone without approval of this Hq.

(12) Contact left to right.

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(13) Caution must be exercised to insure ARVN and PF units in BINH SON are not attacked or subjected to supporting fires by friendly units.

(14) The plt (rein), Co B will be withdrawn from the Co B Combat Base (BS 625991) by LVT ASAP after alert is received to execute this plan.

(15) Smoke screens using aircraft-delivered smoke and helicopter dropped M4A2 Smoke Pots will be employed to deny VC observation from positions of advantage against attacking friendly forces.

(16) Annex B (Operations Overlay).

(17) Annex C (Landing Plan).

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Uniform and Equipment. Normal, to include body armor (upper torso), helmet, two full canteens, two MCI.

b. Ammunition. Basic allowance. 81MM Mortar Section and 106MM RR Sections carry additional ammunition as directed.

c. Resupply. Resupply of water, ammunition, rations and combat essential equipment will be available on call. Helicopter will be the primary means of transportation with back up provided by trucks or LVT depending on the tactical situation.

d. Captives.

(1) Evacuate to Bn Collection Point (NUOC MAN HILL) by helicopter or other available transportation. When permitted by the tactical situation a forward Collection Point will be established in the BINH SON area at a time and location to be announced.

(2) Insure proper tagging.

(3) Prisoners will be treated humanely.

(4) Photograph (if possible) and bury dead VC where killed. If so requested by indigenous personnel, dead VC may be turned over to them for burial.

(5) Capturing units will provide a guard(s) for captives evacuated by helo or other modes.

e. Medical Evacuation.

(1) Threat to life (critical or priority) or KIA: Co B, 1st Med Bn.

(2) Minor (routine): BAS.

(3) Use Med Evac Brevity Code.

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f. Captured Material. Normal procedures.

g. Administration. Normal procedures.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. Reference (d).

b. Command Posts and Axis of Communications.

(1) Enclave CP: unchanged.

(2) Initial Command OP location: OBJ E.

(3) Subsequent OP locations: OBJ F, G.

(4) Command Group Alpha location: NUOC MAN HILL, BS 574962.

c. Concept of Communications

(1) Radio is primary means of communications.

(2) Command Group Alpha has land line access to Enclave switchboards.

(3) Communications with friendly units at BINH SON will be via the Regimental Tac Net to Starboard 56.

(4) Stations on the Bn Tac Net: Co C; Co D; _____ Plt, Co B; OP Group; Command Group Alpha (Prominence); Enclave CP (Prominence Rear); and 106MM RR Plt (Prominence Tango).

d. Visual Signals

(1) Signals prescribed in reference (e) apply.

(2) Green smoke will be used to mark friendly positions for supporting arms.

(3) Red and/or WP smoke will be used to mark enemy positions for supporting arms.

(4) Helicopters will not land on white or WP smoke.

(5) All units carry air panels for use in marking front lines.

e. All communication equipment will be waterproofed.

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f. Current shackles, alphabetic ciphers, and codewords will be used for communications security.

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ANNEXES:
A - Task Organization
B - Operations Overlay
C - Landing Plan

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Task Organization

1stBn(-)(Rein), 7thMar — LCol KELLY
- Det, H&S Co (Command Group)
- Det, Btry G, 3dBn, 11thMar (Arty LO)
- Det, ARVN (Interpreter

Co G(Rein) — Lt GOODWYN
- Co C
- Det, H&S Co
  - Det, Med Plt
  - Det, Comm Plt (Rad Opr)
  - Det, S-2 Sect
  - FAC Party
  - FO Tm, 3d Sect, Mort Plt
- Det, ARVN (Interpreter)
- FO Tm, Btry G, 3dBn, 11thMar
- 1st Sqd, 1st Plt, Co C, 1st Engr Bn

Co D(Rein) — Capt AIROLA
- Co D
- Det, H&S Co
  - Det, Med Plt
  - Det, Comm Plt (Rad Opr)
  - Det, S-2 Sect
  - FAC Party
  - FO Tm, 4th Sect, Mort Plt
- Det, ARVN (Interpreter)
- FO Tm, Btry G, 3dBn, 11thMar
- 3d Sqd, 1st Plt, Co C, 1st Engr Bn

81MM Mort Plt(-)(Plt Hq and 3 Sects) — Lt LATHEN

106MM RR Plt(-)(Plt Hq and 2 Sects) — SSgt SCROGGINS

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Battalion Reserve: ___ Plt (Rein), Co B Lt _____

_____ Plt, Co B
_____ Sqd, ____ Plt, Co B
ATA Sqd, Co B
MG Sqd, Co B
Det, H&S Co
Det, Med Plt
Det, Comm Plt (Rad Opr)
FO Tm (Provisional), Mort Plt

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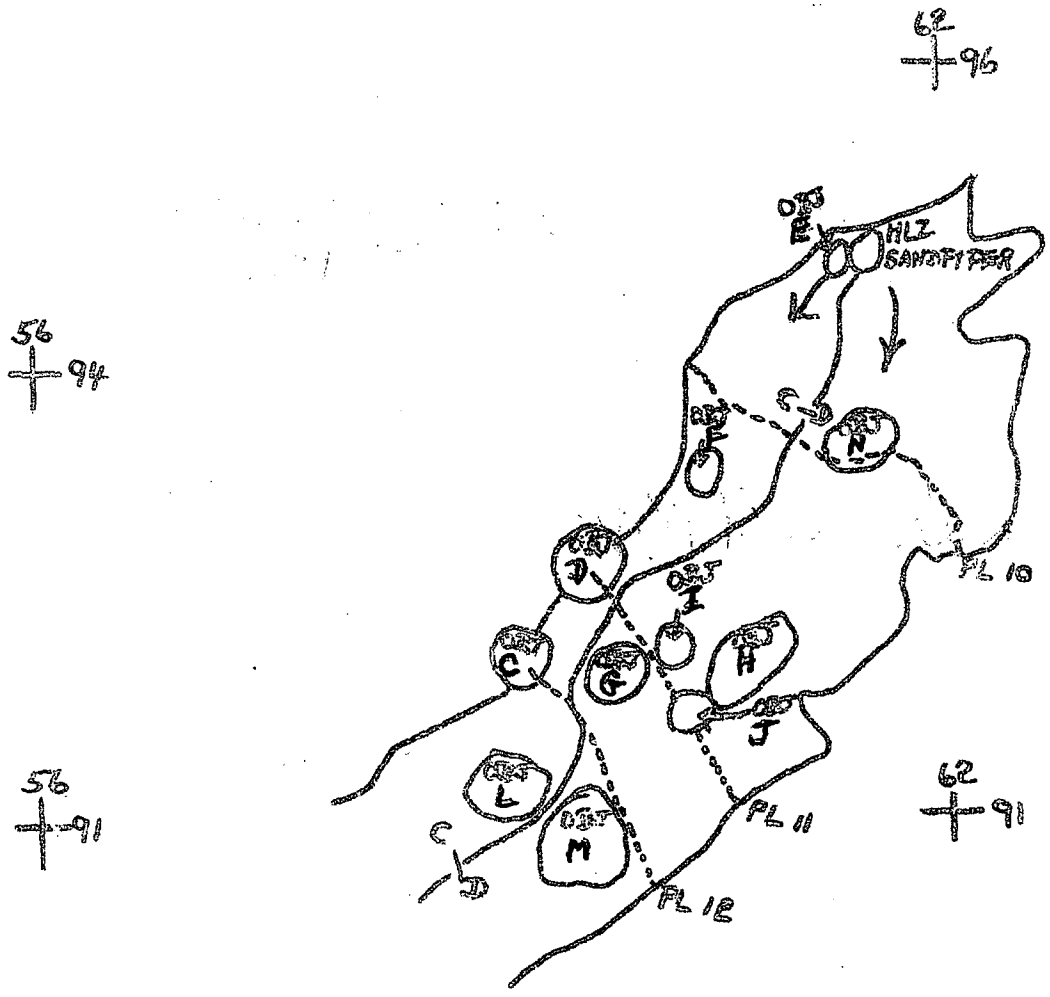

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Annex C (Landing Plan) to Op Plan 334-65

Time Zone: H

Wave	Helicop Unit & Flight No	No/Type A/C	From	Load By	Launch At	Land At	Destination LZ	Troop Unit &*Equip	
1	Nail File 1-1 to 1-10	10 H-34	MAG 36 Strip	H-10	H-5	H-Hr	SAND PIPER	Elms Co C(Rein)	60
								Elms Co C	(60)
1	Nail File 1-11 to 1-20	10 H-34	MAG 36 Strip	H-10	H-5	H-Hr	SAND PIPER	Elms Co C(Rein)	60
								Elms Co C	(60)
2	Nail File 2-1 to 2-10	10 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+15	H+15	H+20	SAND PIPER	Elms Co C(Rein)	60
								Co C	(30)
								Det,H&SCo	(17)
								Det, Med Plt	((8))
								Det, S-2	((2))
								Det, Comm Plt	((1))
								FAC	((4))
								FO Tm 3dSec 81's	((2))
								1stSqd,1stPlt, C Engs	(12)
								Det, ARVN	(1)
3	Nail File 4-1	1 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+20	H+20	H+25	SAND PIPER	Elms Co C(Rein)	6
								FO Tm G Btry 3/11	(5)
								Det, ARVN (Inter)	(1)
3	Nail File 4-2 to 4-6	5 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+20	H+20	H+25	SAND PIPER	O.P. Group	27
								Bn Co & Driver	(2)
								S-3 & OP Chf.	(2)
								S-2 & Ass't	(2)
								Bn Co Rad Opr	(2)
								Sgt Maj	(1)
								Regt Tac Net Opr	(1)
								Security Men	(4)
								Arty L/NO & Pty	(3)
								81 Mort Ln Pty	(2)
								ALO & Pty	(5)
								S-4 & Pty	(3)

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Wave	Helicop Unit & Flight No	No/Type A/C	From	Load By	Launch At	Land At	Destination LZ	Troop Unit & *Equip	
3	Nail File 4-7 to 4-10	4 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+20	H+20	H+25	SAND PIPER	Elms Co D(Rein) Elms Co D	24 (24)
4	Nail File 4-1 to 4-10	10 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+35	H+35	H+40	SAND PIPER	Elms Co D(Rein) Elms Co D	60 (60)
5	Nail File 5-1 to 5-10	10 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+40	H+40	H+45	SAND PIPER	Elms Co D(Rein) Elms Co D	60 (60)
6	Nail File 6-1to 6-7	7 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+55	H+55	H+60	SAND PIPER	Elms Co D(Rein) Co D Det, H&SCo Det, Med Plt Det, Comm Plt Det, S-2 FO Tm 4thSec 81's FAC FO Tm G Btry 3/11 Det, ARVN (Inter)	42 (8) (17) ((8)) ((2)) ((1)) ((2)) ((4)) (12) (1)
6	Nail File 6-8 to 6-10	3 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+55	H+55	H+60	SAND PIPER	Elms 81 Mort Plt	18
7	Nail File 7-1 to 7-8	8 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+60	H+60	H+65	SAND PIPER	Elms 81mm Mort Plt(-) & 5 guns @ 130 lbs each, and 325 rnds ammo @ 9 lbs each included in this lift (Total Wt. 11,355 lbs)	32
7	Nail File 7-9 to 7-10	2 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+60	H+60	H+65	SAND PIPER	Elms 106mm RR Plt	12
8	Nail File 8-1 to 8-2	2 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+75	H+75	H+80	SAND PIPER	Elms 106mm RR Plt & 40 rnds ammo @ 40 lbs each (Total Wt. 2,800 lbs)	3

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Wave	Helicop Unit & Flight No	No/Type A/C	From	Load By	Launch At	Land At	Destination LZ	Troop Unit & *Equip	
8	Nail File 8-3 to 8-6	4 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+75	H+75	H+80	SAND PIPER	4 Mules w/106, external lifts.	
8	Nail File 8-7 to 8-10	4 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+75	H+75	H+80	SAND PIPER	Elms Bn Reserve	24
								___ Plt(-), Co B	(24)
9	Nail File 9-1 to 9-7	7 H-34	Co D Heli-zone	H+80	H+80	H+85	SAND PIPER	Elms Bn Reserve	43
								Remainder ___Plt, Co B	(14)
								___ Sqd, ___Plt, Co B	(12)
								ATA Sqd, Co B	(4)
								MG Sqd, Co B	(8)
								Det, H&SCo	(5)
								Det, Med Plt	(2)
								Det, Comm Plt	(1)
								FO Tm(Prov) 81 Plt	(2)

* Equipment for all Troop Units will be "NORMAL COMBAT".

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Time Zone: H

Task Organization. Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. If the District Headquarters of QUANG NGAI, BINH SON, is attacked by the VC, the enemy forces will most probably consist of the following:

(1) The 52nd Bn, which is believed to have been redesignated as the 103rd.

(a) Headquarters located in the BINH LANH village, BS 6594.

(b) Two companies located in the hamlets of PHU LONG, GS 6594, 6694, 6596 and 6696.

(c) One company in the vicinity of LAC SON hamlet, GS 6891.

(d) The strength of the 52/103d Bn is estimated to be 350 men, well armed and trained. Armament consists of 60mm mortars, 57mm RR, 30 cal MGs and anti-tank rocket launchers.

(2) Two unidentified companies are reported in the village of BINH THANH, GS 5791, and 5892. The strength of these companies vary from 70 to 120 men each. It is believed that these companies are armed with two 60mm mortars, one 81mm mortar, BARs and two 50 cal MGs.

(3) A number of local guerrilla forces can be expected to be encountered consisting of approximately 200 armed men with various small arms and automatic weapons.

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b. Friendly Forces.

(1) 7thMar and other Enclave elements provide sufficient forces to comprise a minimum of six platoons on the 1stBn(Rein), 7thMar Enclave MLR, including 1stBn forces left behind.

(2) 3rdBn, 7thMar provides security for Artillery elements if and when established on NUOC MAN HILL, BS 5796.

(3) An ARVN Co(-) defends OBJ G; PF forces defend OBJ D, H, I, and J in variable strengths. A total strength of four PF platoons is expected to be in the immediate BINH SON area.

(4) A Marine rifle squad is located in OBJ I (BINH SON DISTRICT HQ).

(5) Artillery.

(a) Btry G, 3dBn, 11thMar direct support. Displace one plt to NUOC MAN HILL by H+5.

(b) Artillery Group provides 8" How and 155 gun fires as required.

(6) Air Support.

(a) Helicopters

1 Four H-34's with armed UH-1E escort on standby for displacements, resupply, POW evac, and smoke drops.

2 Normal Med Evac.

(b) CAS. Four A-4's on station throughout the operation (daytime), reconstituted as necessary.

(c) Aerial observer in O-1E aircraft on station all hours of daylight.

(d) Flare plane on station all hours of darkness.

(7) Amtracs (Co A 3dAmtrac Bn) in direct support.

(a) Retract ___Plt(Rein), Co B from Combat Base at BS 6259 upon alert to execute this plan.

(b) Three LVT's establish blocking force vic BS 6197 at H-Hour. Prevent VC escape northward by way of SONG CAP DA or SONG TRA BONG.

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(c) 20 LVT's transport 1stBn(-)(Rein) to NUOC MAN, BS 575970, then stand by to move via HIGHWAY ONE to the SONG TRA BONG to transport troops and supplies across the river.

(d) Provide resupply transportation along the axis of HIGHWAY ONE as required.

(8) Tanks (Co B, 1stTk Bn) in direct support, (One plt).

(a) Provide "heavy" sect to escort LVT column to NUOC MAN.

(b) "Heavy" sect occupy initial firing positions at NUOC MAN HILL, BS 5796. Provide fires in support of attacking infantry.

(c) "Heavy" sect be prepared to escort LVT column down HIGHWAY ONE to OBJ D; establish firing positions vic OBJ D, support river crossing and subsequent operations in BINH SON.

(d) Position a "light" sect on vantage point at BS 5997. Prevent by fire VC escape northward within area of observation. Limit fires to area north of grid line 94, and east of HIGHWAY ONE.

c. Attachments and Detachments.

(1) Annex A (Task Organization).

(2) Attachments effective upon receipt of execution order from higher authority.

d. Assumptions.

(1) That a requirement will exist to counterattack VC forces attacking BINH SON.

(2) That as part of the VC attack plan, the VC will have ambush forces astride HIGHWAY ONE south of NUOC MAN.

(3) That sufficient forces are available within the Enclave to permit relief of the forces listed in Annex A (Task Organization) on the 1stBn(Rein), 7thMar MLR.

2. MISSION

1stBn(-)(Rein) moves by ground means to attack, capture, and/or destroy VC forces enroute to BINH SON and/or in the BINH SON area, restores GVN control to BINH SON, to HIGHWAY ONE enroute to BINH SON, and to the bridges over the SONG TRA BONG at BINH SON.

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e. 106MM RR Plt(-).

(1) General Support. Initial firing positions at NUOC MAN HILL.

(2) Protect the Bn flanks and rear.

(3) Provide supporting fires in Bn zone as requested.

(4) Fire on VC targets of opportunity outside the Bn zone. Prevent VC escape to the west across railroad track.

(5) On order, displace overland or by helicopter to OBJ G.

f. Bn Reserve: ___Plt(Rein), Co B.

(1) Detach one rifle squad for security of the Command OP Group, 106MM RR Plt, and 81MM Mort Plt.

(2) Follow in trace of Co D at a distance of 300 meters. Protect the Bn rear and left flank.

(3) Upon arrival at OBJ A, establish a blocking force along RR track within OBJ A. Prevent VC movement to the west through OBJ A.

(4) On order, relieve Co C forces on OBJ B, protect Command OP Group and 81MM Mort Plt thereon.

(5) Be prepared to reinforce either assault Co, or to seize objectives as assigned.

(6) On order, displace with OP Group and Mort Plt to OBJ G.

g. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) D-Day and H-Hour to be announced, based upon directives from higher authority. Optimum H-Hour, 0645.

(2) Body armor will be worn.

(3) Coordinating instructions as specified in reference (b) apply.

(4) The unclassified code name for this operation is SETTING SUN.

(5) Assault companies will insure that VC caves and/or food caches that must be bypassed in the attack are reported and well marked to make them easy to find.

(6) Reports will be in accordance with reference (c). Unit commanders will submit handwritten after-action chronologies of all significant events within 24 hours after conclusion of the operation. Units will report crossing of phase lines and seizure of objectives.

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(7) Assault companies do not conduct detailed search in zones. Companies advance rapidly in approach march formations to objectives, protect flanks, and aggressively attack any VC encountered. Effective use of supporting arms and rapid seizure of dominating terrain are imperative.

(8) It is anticipated that objectives will be seized in the following sequence: OBJ A; OBJ B; OBJ C; OBJ D; OBJ F; OBJ G; OBJ L; OBJ H; OBJ M.

(9) Contact right to left; Co C is Base Company.

(10) VC escape to the west from the vicinity of HIGHWAY ONE is to be prevented by:

(a) Assault companies operating in zones.

(b) Reserve Plt in blocking position at OBJ A.

(c) Tank and 106MM RR fires from NUOC MAN HILL.

(11) Outside of Bn zone is "free fire zone" for supporting arms and all units against targets of opportunity. For purposes of safety in use of supporting arms, units will not move outside of assigned zones without approval of this Hq.

(12) Caution must be exercised to insure ARVN and PF units in BINH SON are not attacked or subjected to supporting fires by friendly units.

(13) If the BINH SON bridges are blown, LVT's will be called down HIGHWAY ONE with tank escort for river crossing. This will be done after seizure of OBJ C and D and HIGHWAY ONE in the Bn zone.

(14) Mort Plt will be displaced to OBJ B shortly after seizure thereof, and to OBJ G shortly after seizure thereof. The Mort Plt will be in position on OBJ G prior to attack on OBJ H or M.

(15) 106MM RR remain at NUOC MAN HILL until OBJ G is secured; then displace thereto by helicopter in time to support attack on OBJ H and M.

(16) All fire missions by 106MM RR and Tanks must be approved by the Bn Commander/FSCC.

(17) Smoke screens using aircraft-delivered smoke and helicopter dropped M4A2 Smoke Pots will be employed to deny VC observation from positions of advantage against friendly attacking forces.

(18) The plt (rein), Co B will be withdrawn by LVT from the Co B Combat Base (BS 625991) ASAP after alert is received to execute this plan.

(19) Annex B (Operations Overlay).

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4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Uniform and Equipment. Normal, to include body armor (upper torso), helmet, two full canteens, two MCI.

b. Ammunition. Basic allowance. 81MM Mortar Section and 106RR Sections carry additional ammunition as directed.

c. Resupply. Resupply of water, ammunition, rations and combat essential equipment will be available on call. Helicopter will be the primary means of transportation with back up provided by trucks or LVT depending on the tactical situation.

d. Captives.

(1) Evacuate to Bn Collection Point (NUOC MAN HILL) by helicopter or other available transportation. When permitted by the tactical situation a forward Collection Point will be established in the BINH SON area at a time and location to be announced.

(2) Insure proper tagging.

(3) Prisoners will be treated humanely.

(4) Photograph (if possible) and bury dead VC where killed. If so requested by indigenous personnel, dead VC may be turned over to them for burial.

(5) Capturing units will provide guard(s) for captives evacuated by helo or other modes.

e. Medical Evacuation.

(1) Threat to life (emergency or priority) or KIA: Co B, 1st Med Bn.

(2) Minor (routine): BAS.

(3) Use Med Evac Brevity Code.

f. Captured Material. Normal procedures.

g. Administration. Normal procedures.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. Reference (d).

b. Command Posts and Axis of Communications.

(1) Enclave CP: unchanged.

(2) Initial Command OP location: NUOC MAN HILL.

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(3) Subsequent Command OP locations: OBJ B; OBJ G. (Helicopter displacement).

(4) Command Group Alpha location: NUOC MAN HILL, BS 574962.

c. Concept of Communications.

(1) Radio is primary means of communications.

(2) Command Group Alpha has land line access to Enclave switchboards.

(3) Communications with friendly units at BINH SON will be via the Regt Tac Net to Starboard 56.

(4) Stations on the Bn Tac Net: Co C; Co D; ___Plt, Co B; OP Group; Command Group Alpha (Prominence); Enclave CP (Prominence Rear); and 106MM RR Plt (Prominence Tango).

(5) Tank unit and LVT unit will furnish liaison personnel with necessary communications equipment to the OP Group.

(6) Tank unit and LVT unit will monitor the Bn Tac Net on Set Two (RT-70).

d. Visual Signals.

(1) Signals prescribed in reference (e) apply.

(2) Green smoke will be used to mark friendly positions for supporting arms.

(3) Red and/or WP smoke will be used to mark enemy positions for supporting arms.

(4) Helicopters will not land on white or WP smoke.

(5) All units carry air panels for use in marking front lines for CAS or AO.

e. All comm equipment will be waterproofed.

f. Current shackles, alphabetic ciphers, and codewords will be used for communications security.

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ANNEXES:

A - Task Organization
B - Operations Overlay

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Annex A (Task Organization) to Operation Plan 335-65

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Task Organization

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Det, H&S Co (Command Group)	
Det, Btry G, 3d Bn, 11th Mar (Arty LO)	
Det, ARVN (Interpreter)	
Co C (Rein)	Lt GOODWYN
Co C	
Det, H&S Co	
Det, Med Plt	
Det, Comm Plt (Rad Opr)	
Det, S-2 Sect	
FAC Party	
FO Tm, 3d Sect, Mort Plt	
Det, ARVN (Interpreter)	
FO Tm, Btry G, 3d Bn, 11th Mar	
1st Sqd, 1st Plt, Co C, 1st Engr Bn	
Co D (Rein)	Capt AIROLA
Co D	
Det, H&S Co	
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Det, Comm Plt (Rad Opr)	
Det, S-2 Sect	
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Det, ARVN (Interpreter)	
FO Tm, Btry G, 3d Bn, 11th Mar	
3d Sqd, 1st Plt, Co C, 1st Engr Bn	
81MM Mort Plt (-) (Plt Hq and 3 Sects)	Lt LATHEN
106MM RR Plt (-) (Plt Hq and 2 Sects)	SSgt SCROGGINS

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MG Sqd, Co B
Det, H&S Co
Det, Med Plt
Det, Comm Plt (Rad Opr)
FO Tm (Provisional), Mort Plt

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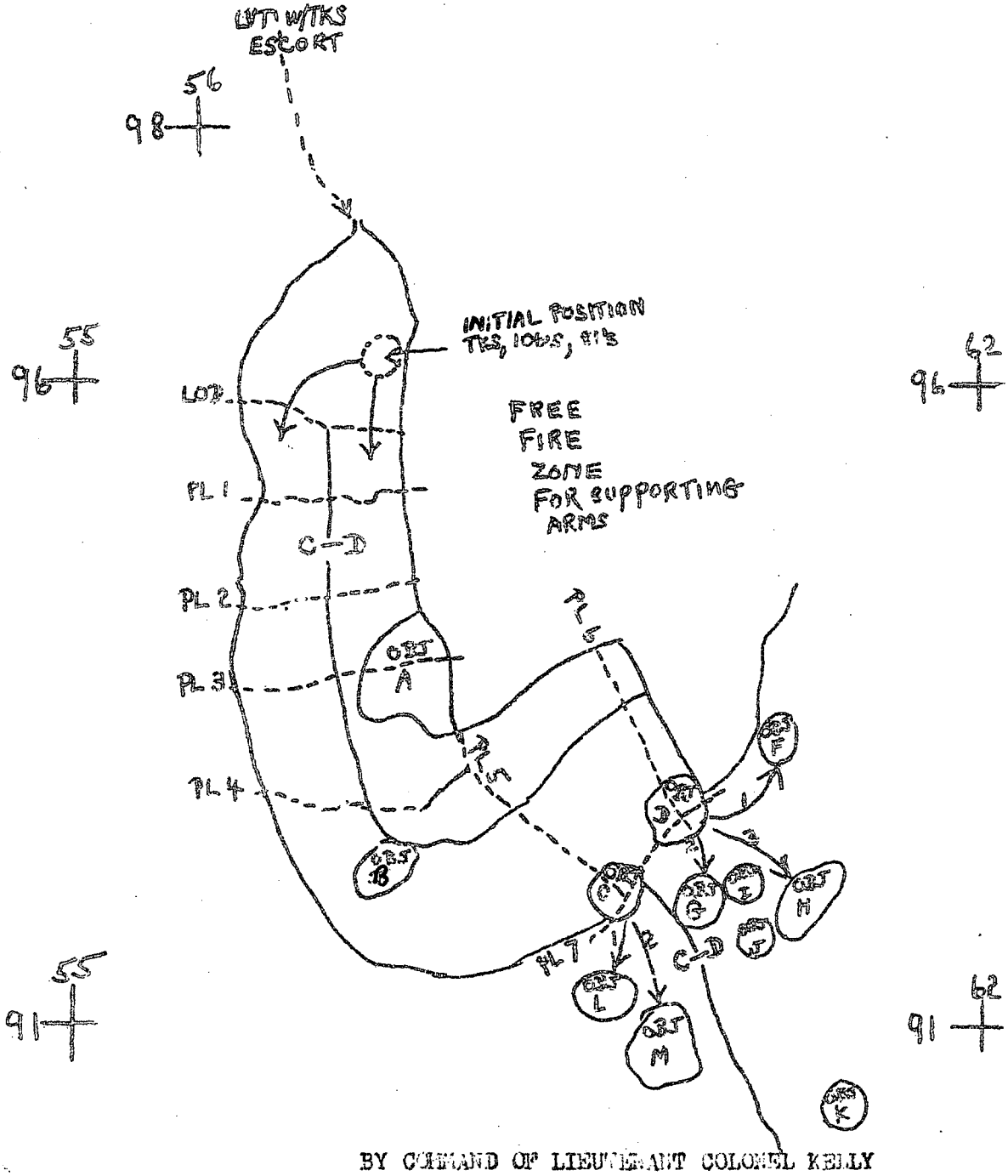

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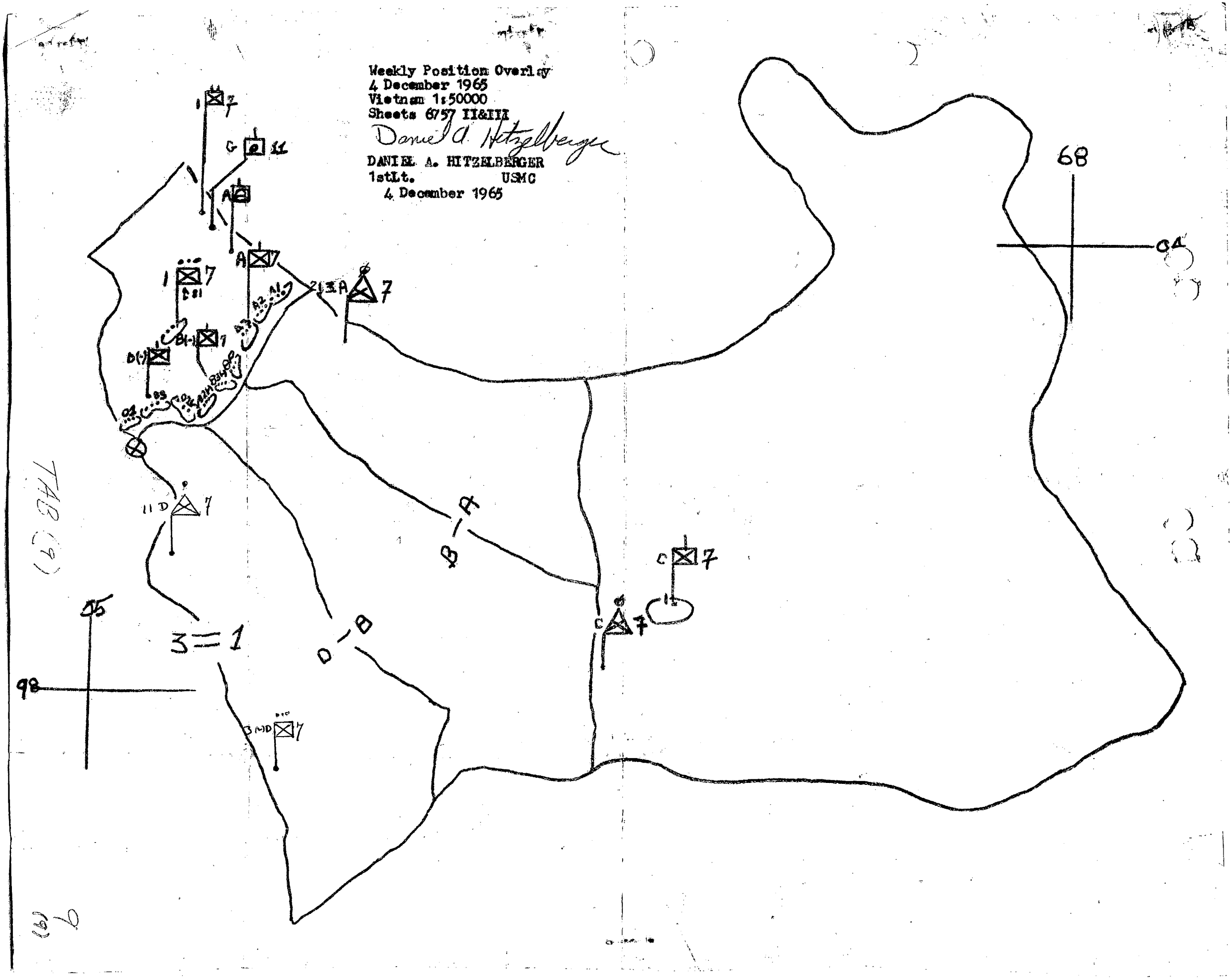

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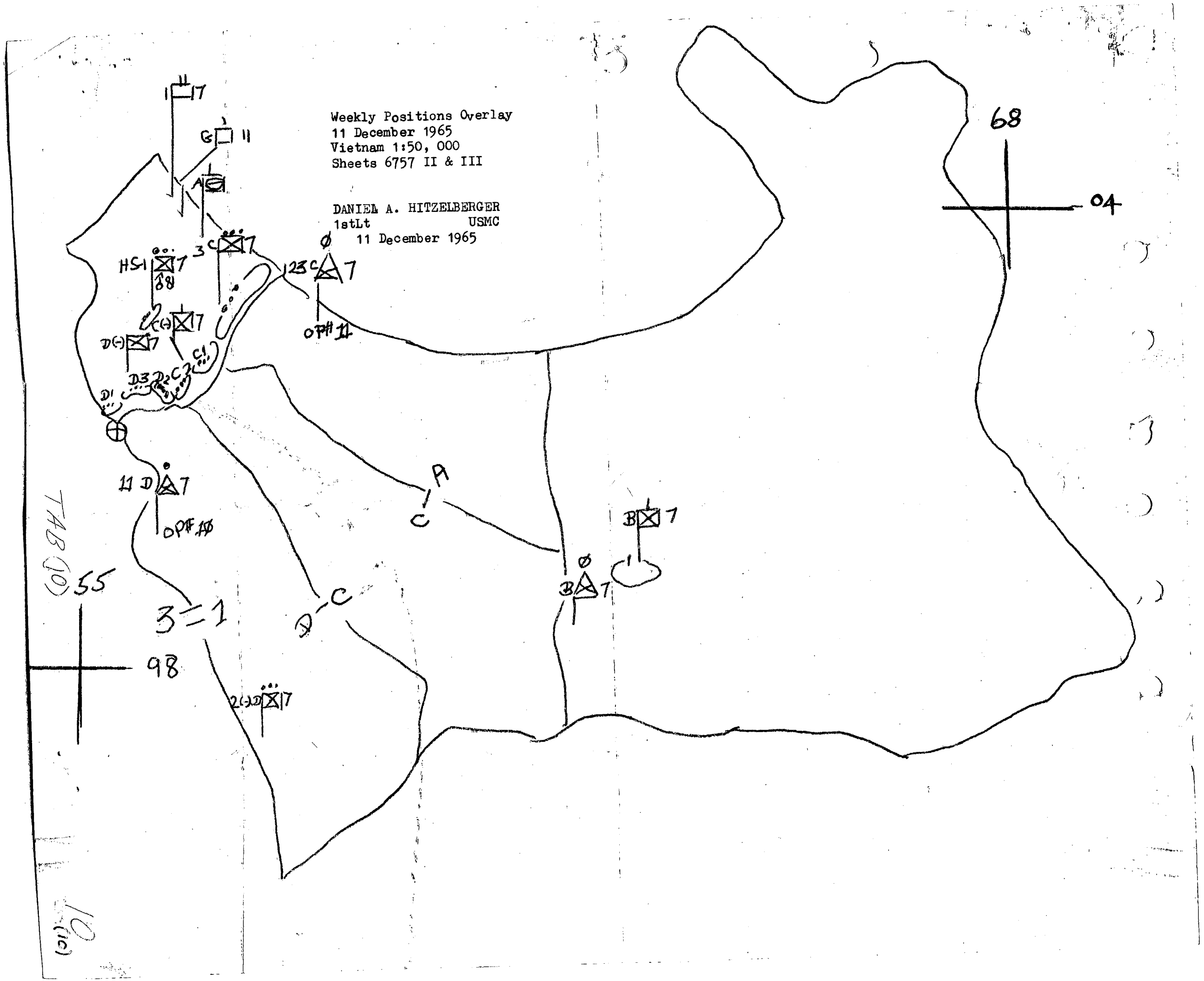

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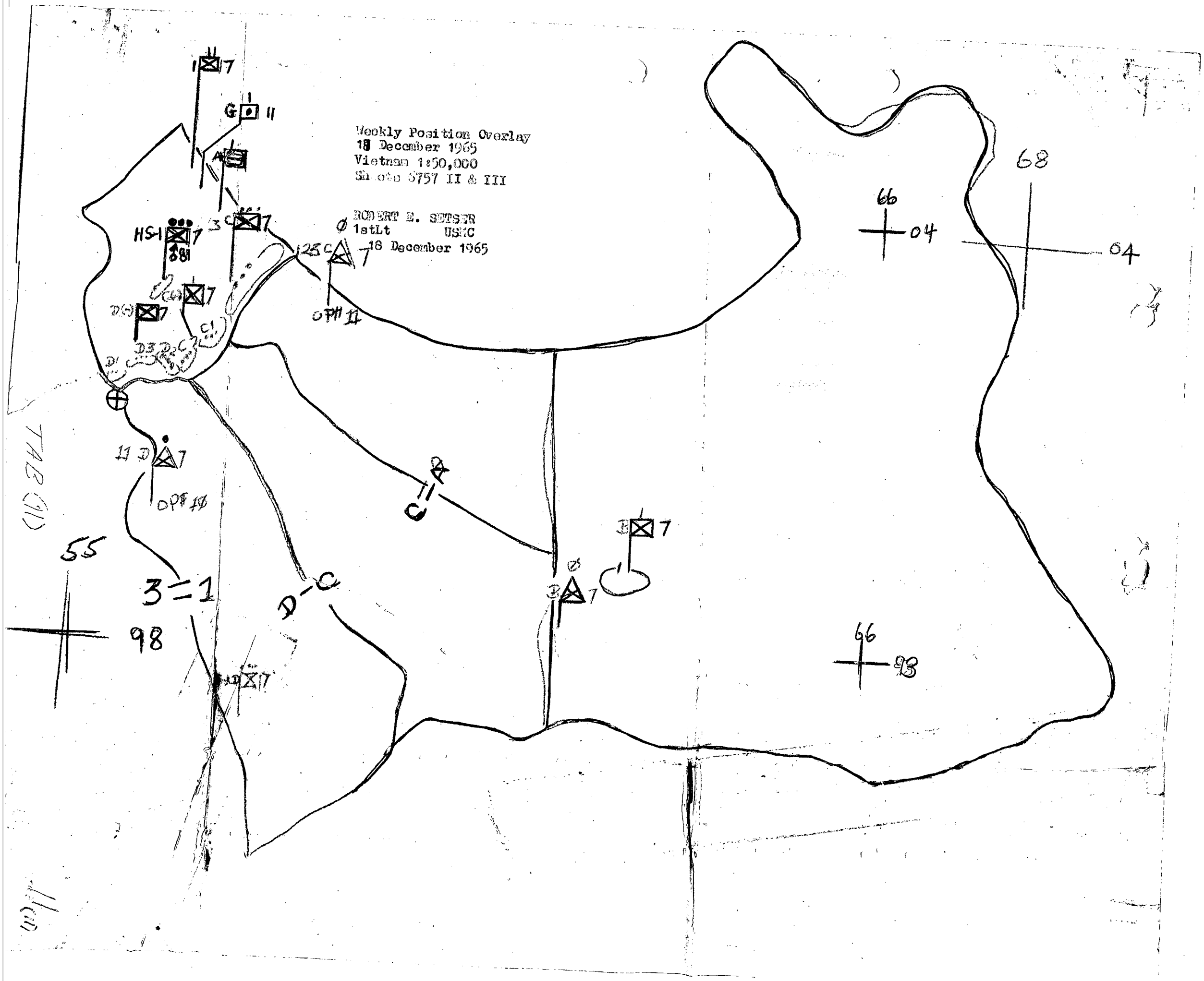

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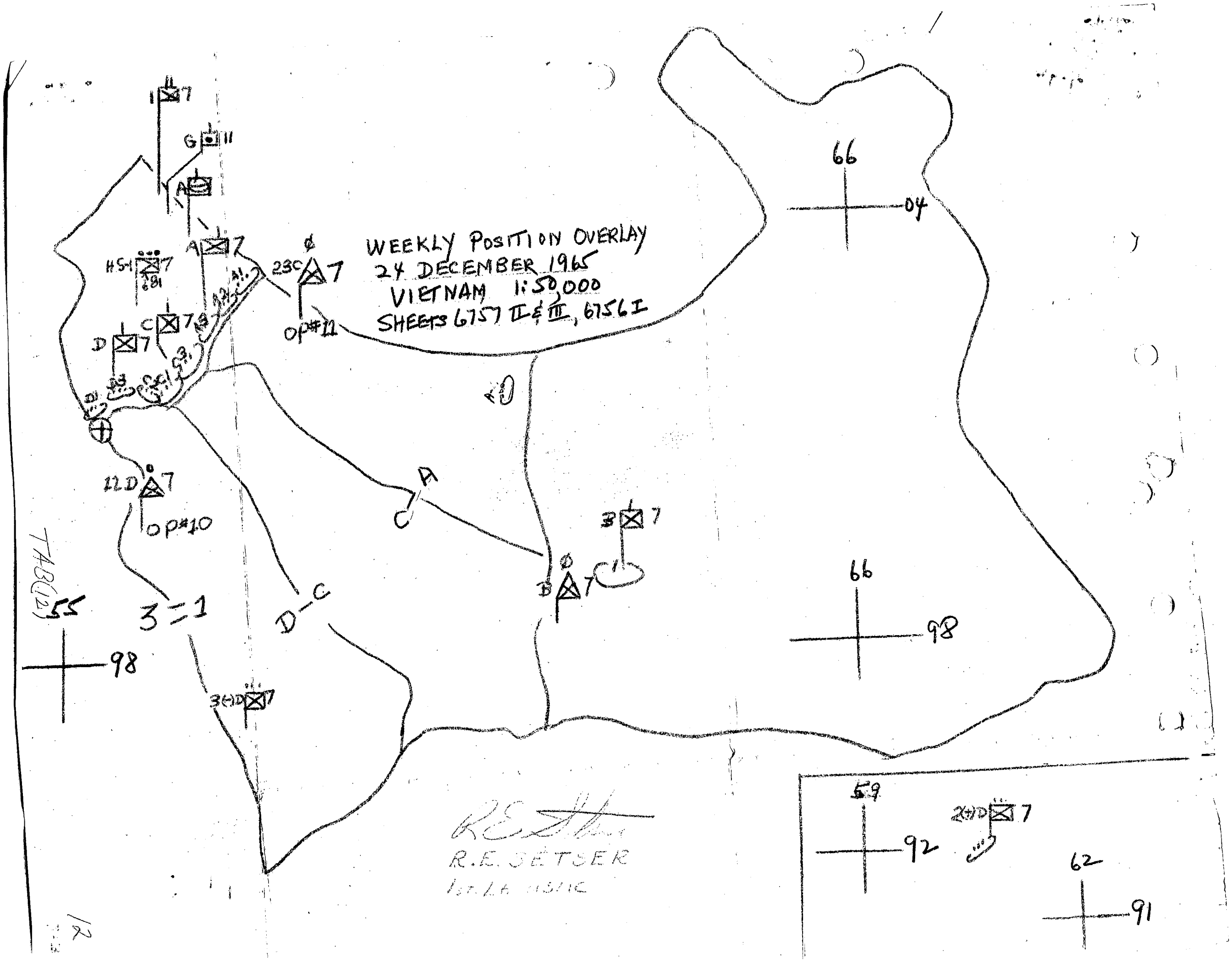

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1. BOOTH - 2

2. 011200H TO 021200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 011130H COMPANY "C" APPREHENDED THE FOLLOWING VCS:
ONE VCS AT BT 624000, HAD NO ID CARD.
ONE VCS AT BT 628013, PERSON WAS HIDING FROM PATROL AND OF MILITARY AGE.
TWO VCS AT BT 621023, HAD NO ID CARD AND WAS HIDING FROM PATROL

AT 010730H COMPANY "C" APPREHENDED THE FOLLOWING VCS:
TWO VCS AT BT 640012. ONE HAD BURNED HIS ID CARD AND THE OTHER WAS HIDING FROM THE PATROL.
ONE VCC WAS WOUNDED AND ONE KILLED AT BT 646007, WHEN PATROL ENCOUNTERED FOUR VC WITH ONE WEAPON. OTHER VC ESCAPED WITH WEAPON. DEAD VC WAS TURNED OVER TO LOCAL PEOPLE FOR BURIAL.
THREE VCS WERE PICKED UP AT BT 628021 BECAUSE ONE WAS OF MILITARY AGE AND THE OTHER WAS HIDING FROM THE PATROL. THE NINE VCS AND WOUNDED VCC WERE DELIVERED TO ITT. THE WOUNDED VCC WAS A WALKING WOUNDED IN DEGREE OF INJURY.

AT 011445H COMPANY "D" DELIVERED TO THIS CP ONE VCS. THE VCS FORWARDED TO ITT FOR INTERROGATION.

AT 011943H TO 011954H COMPANY "D" RECEIVED AT BT 558015 60 TO 75 ROUNDS OF CARBINE AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED SEVEN VC LOCATED AT BT 556015. SEVEN M-79 ROUNDS AND 225 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS RETURNED. THE VC BROKE CONTACT AFTER ONE WAS WOUNDED (SOUNDS OF PAIN WERE HEARD). A SEARCH OF THE AREA DISCLOSED NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 012040H COMPANY "C" DETECTED MOVEMENT AT 628992 BY THE SIDs. SEVEN HAND GRENADES WERE THROWN BY MARINES AND ONE INCOMING WAS RECEIVED. NEGATIVE RESULTS WERE DETERMINED BY THIS ACTION.

AT 012045H COMPANY "C" DETECTED MOVEMENT AT BS 628994. TWO VC WERE OBSERVED AND TWO ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE WERE RECEIVED. 81mm MORTARS WERE FIRED AT THE VC WITH RESULTS UNKNOWN.

AT 012100H COMPANY "C" DETECTED MOVEMENT BY THE SIDs AT BS 639993. TWO ROUNDS OF M-79 WERE FIRED INTO SUSPECTED AREA. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

AT 012115H COMPANY "C" DETECTED MOVEMENT BY THE SID VICINITY OF BS 628992. THE SOUND FROM THE SID BECAME ERRACTIC THEN STOPPED. FIRE TEAM CHECKED THE AREA WHERE A JUG WAS POSITIONED TO FIND THE COMM WIRE HAD BEEN CUT. NEGATIVE CONTACT WAS MADE.

AT 020120H COMPANY "B" OBSERVED THREE VC AT BS 643988 AND BS 642985 VC WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

4. ONE DEAD. TWO WOUNDED. ONE CAPTURED.

5. TEN VCS

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B","C" AND "D" COMPANIES. ONE INTERPRETER HAS GONE ON LEAVE. TWO PAT ATTACHED TO "B" COMPANY.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED
c. PATROL REPORT ATTACHED.
d. ELECTRIC CHARGE BOX AND BATTERIES FORWARDED WITH THIS ISUM.
e. TWO BOOBY TRAPS WERE ENCOUNTERED AT BT 657013 . ONE WAS TWO SHOT GUN SHELLS EMPLACED SO THAT WHEN STEPPED ON THE PRIMER WOULD STRIKE A NAIL CAUSING IT TO EXPLODE. THE OTHER WAS A PLASTIC BAG CONTAINING AN EXPLOSIVE. BOTH DEVICES WERE DESTROYED.

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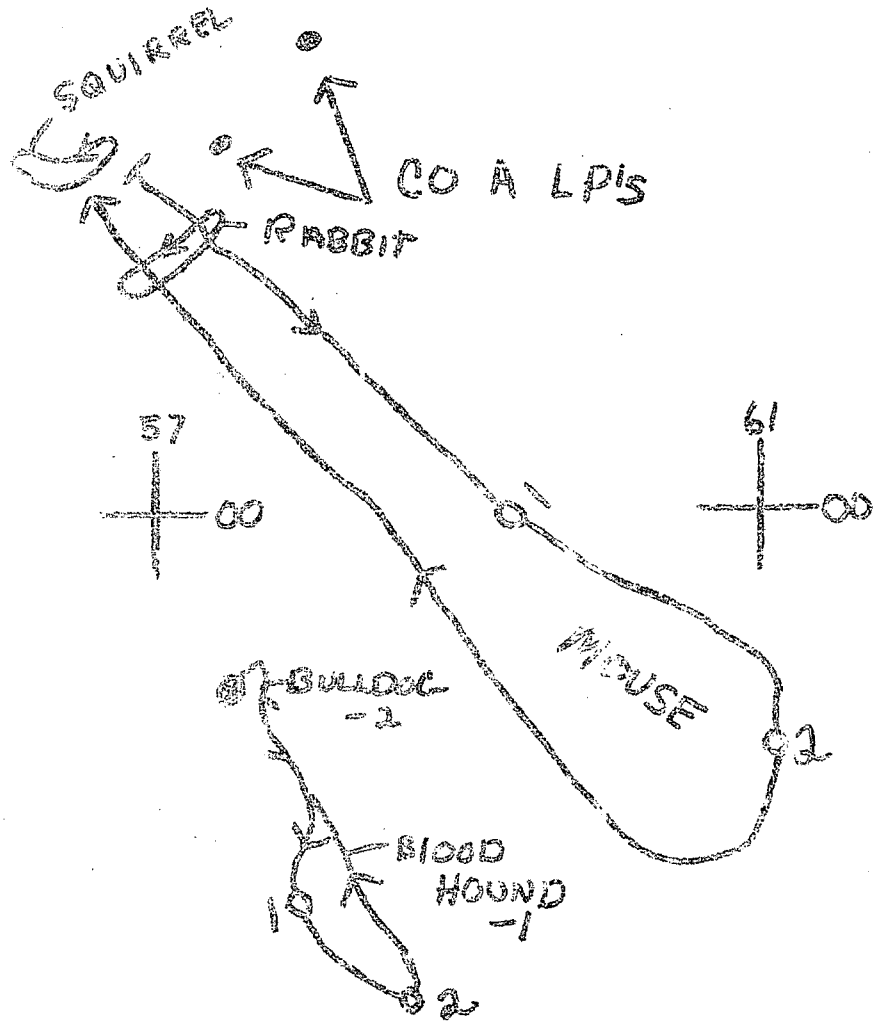

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UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
CO.B	MOUSE	SQD (+)	011730H	021200H	SECURITY
	RABBIT	F.T.	012300H	020530H	SECURITY
	SQUIRREL	F.T.	012300H	020530H	SECURITY
CO.D	BLOOD HOUND-1	PLT (-)	021300H	02-PRIOR DUSK	COMBAT
	BULL DOG-2	PLT (-)	011600H	021600H	SECURITY
	NOTE: CO.A LP's RUN ON THE 012400H to 020630H.				

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound # 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Series 6757 II, III, IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: Platoon (-)

2. MISSION: Combat

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 011300H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 011615H December 1965

5. ROUTE: See overlay filed with S-3.

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: None

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Patrol left Bulldog at 1300 and proceeded for patrol route. Went into PHU LE # 1 with no contact. PHU LE # 1 found to be totally deserted. While searching area found 105mm dud in yard of a house. EOD have been requested to accompany patrol when they return to this town to blow dud. Patrol was attempting to blow a hole in a fence with a M-26 hand grenade. The grenade was set and marine hid behind tree but left his arm out and was slightly wounded.
During search of town a WP grenade was thrown into a tunnel and a house caught on fire. The fire spread to several others.
One VCS was picked up outside of PHU LE # 1 and turned over to Booth Collection Point. Patrol then returned to Bulldog at approximately 1615.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: One marine was slightly wounded, otherwise, condition of patrol was good.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PHU LE # 1 was absent of civilians. They seem to be scared for some reason. 81's should be used more often in this area.

/s/ H. A. HAYWARD

H. A. HAYWARD, 1stlt, D-1-7-3
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: Possibly becuase of presence of 3/7 in this area earlier the VC and civilians evacuated town. Suggest that better coordination between units operating so close would result in much better results.

/s/ J. B. AIROLA

J. B. AIROLA, Capt, D-1-7-3
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF DEBRIEFER

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ISUM # 109

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 021200H TO 021200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 021530H IN THE VICINITY OF BS 576943 ONE VC DRESSED IN BLACK AND ARMED WITH A WEAPON WAS ENCOUNTERED BY THE POINT OF A COMPANY "D" PATROL. THE VC RAN INTO A CANE FIELD AND WAS PURSUED BY THREE ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE. THE VC COULD NOT BE FOUND.

AT 022020H COMPANY "C" DETECTED FIVE VC VICINITY OF BS 627993. THE VC THREW ONE HAND GRENADE IN COMPANY C's POSITION. FIVE GRENADES WERE THROWN BACK WOUNDING ONE VC.

AT 030245H COMPANY "C" REPORTED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC MOVING IN VICINITY OF BS 627993. 81mm MORTARS WERE FIRED WOUNDING THREE VC. NO BODIES WERE RECOVERED.

AT 030710H COMPANY "C" MADE CONTACT WITH FIVE VC WITH WEAPONS, VICINITY OF BT 654003. THE VC WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE WOUNDING ONE AND CAPTURING HIM. A M-1 CARBINE AND ONE M-26 GRENADE WERE ALSO CAPTURED AS A RESULT OF THIS ENCOUNTER. THE OTHER VC's ESCAPED AND COULD NOT BE CONTACTED AGAIN. THE VC WAS EVACUATED TO "B" MED. DISPOSITION OF THE WEAPON IS UNKNOWN.

4. NONE. FIVE WOUNDED. ONE CAPTURED (WOUNDED).

5. NONE

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO COMPANIES "B", "C", "D" AND ONE IS ON LEAVE.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.

b. VILLAGERS FROM TRUNG AN (2) SAID THAT 30 VC CAME INTO THEIR HAMLET AND BURNED DOWN THE PF HUTS ONLY. MANY OF THE VILLAGERS LEFT WITH THEIR PERSONAL POSSESSIONS BUT MOST RETURNED IN THE MORNING. THE VC LEFT IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION WHEN THE PATROL APPROACHED TRUNG AN HAMLET.

c. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY TO BE SUNMITTED.

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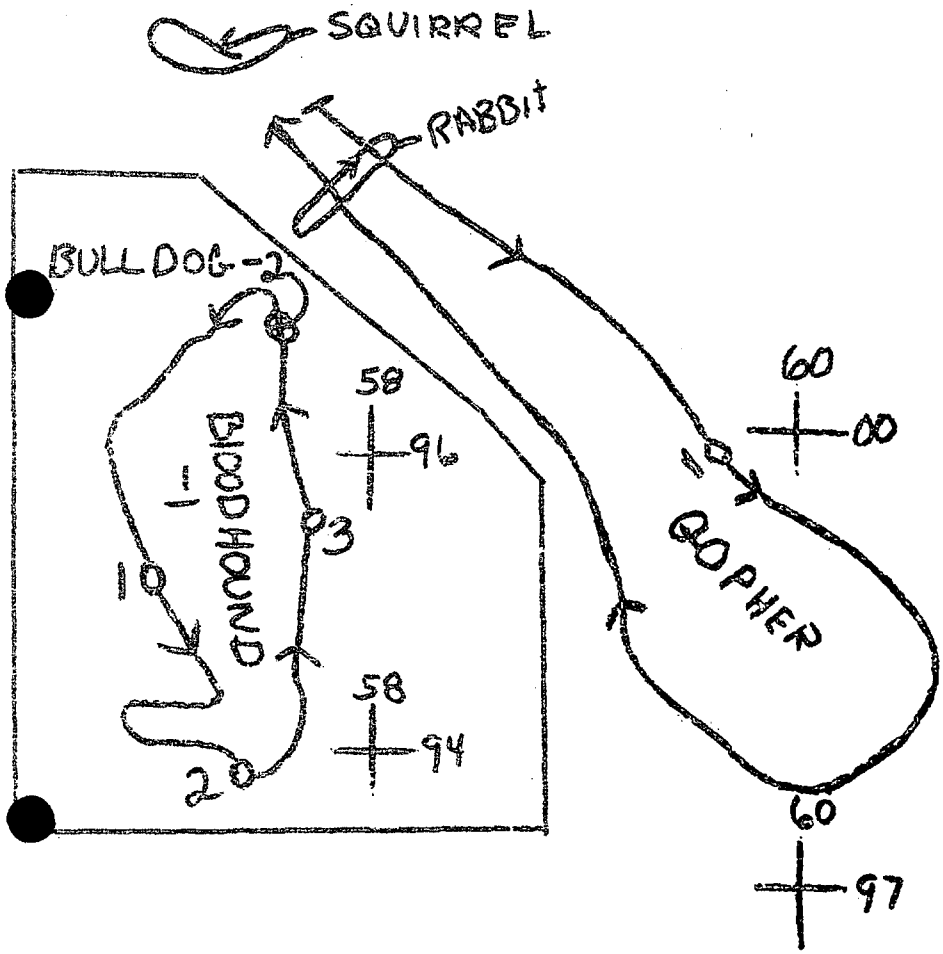

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	RABBIT	F.T	022300H	030530H	SECURITY
	SQUIRREL	F.T	022300H	030530H	SECURITY
	BLOODHOUND-1	PLT(-)	030645H	031000H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	021600H	031600H	SECURITY
	NOTE: BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES RN. TAOR.				

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bravo - 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6757 I, II, III, IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: One squad reinforced.

2. MISSION: Move to TRUNG AN (1) and set up defensive positions at east end under cover of darkness. Move to a patrol base camp at coordinates BT 595006 - 2300 to 0300 ambush at coordinates Bs 608991. 0300 move back to patrol base.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 021730 December 1965.

4. TIME OF RETURN: 031000H December 1965.

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3.

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. No enemy contact.

   b. Very little water in rice paddies.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Small vietnamese boy reported six VC leaving TRUNG AN (1) after burning huts at east end of village. Huts burned were those belonging to security marines and PF's. The VC left at approximately 1800 which was 15 minutes prior to our arrival. The size of the hole in the fence and the number of footprints indicated to the patrol that perhaps as many as 30 VC may have been involved in the arson. When entering TRUNG AN all occupants were leaving in a mad rush. Many carrying suit cases as if not to return. Passed through this village next morning and all seemed normal. No vietnamese flags were displayed on previous patrols we have counted as many as 40 flags.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No enemy encountered.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

/s/ R. E. WILBER

R. E. WILBER, SGT, B-1-7-3
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None.

/s/ JAMES R. HERD

JAMES R. HERD, 1stLt, B-1-7-3
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF DEBRIEFER

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ISUM # 110

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 031200 TO 041200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 031745H COMPANY "B" PATROL OBSERVED TWO VIETNAMESE BEATING A BAMBOO DRUM VICINITY COORDINATES BT 583001. UPON PATROLS APPROACH ONE VIETNAMESE FLED, THE OTHER WAS CAPTURED BY PATROL AND PROCESSED TO BOOTH COLLECTION POINT AS VCS. FORWARDED TO ITT 04092

AT 031750H COMPANY "C" REPORTED RECEIVING FIVE ROUNDS OF SEMI-AUTOMATIC SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM VICINITY OF COORDINATES BS 635993. THREE M-79 AND FIFTY M-60 ROUNDS EXPENDED ON RETURN FIRE. RESULTS OF RETURN FIRE UNKNOWN.

AT 031945H COMPANY "C" REPORTED RECEIVING TWO GRENADES. ONE AT BS 628991 AND ONE AT BS 628993. BOTH GRENADES WERE DUDS. TWO GRENADES, TWO M-79 AND SIX M-14 ROUNDS EXPENDED ON RETURN FIRE. RESULTS OF RETURN FIRE UNKNOWN. DUDS WERE PICKED UP AT FIRST LIGHT. NO LOT NUMBERS AS GRENADES WERE TO OLD.

AT 032235H COMPANY "D" OBSERVED MOVEMENT AT COORDINATES BT 559010. ILLUMINATION WAS FIRED AND ONE VC OBSERVED RUNNING OFF THE SIDE OF ROAD. COULD NOT DETERMINE IF VC WAS ARMED OR NOT. NO FIRE RECEIVED OR RETURNED.

4. NONE

5. ONE VCS.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B", "C" "D" COMPANIES AND ONE ON LEAVE.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
b. PATROL REPORT ATTACHED
c. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED
d. DURING "C" COMPANY SEARCH AND CLEAR OPERATION CONDUCTED 3 NOVEMBER 1965, LARGE CACHES OF RICE WERE FOUND IN THE HAMLET OF DONG LE (4). AN ESTIMATED 1500 LBS OF RICE WAS BEING STORED AT THE HOME OF TU MOT IN DONG LE (4). ACCORDING TO AN OLD WOMAN THE GRANDMOTHER LIVING AT TU MOT's HOME WITH HIS SON, TU MOT WAS A TAX COLLECTOR FOR THE VC. VILLAGERS WERE ASSESSED TAX OF 30 BUSHELS OF RICE. RICE WAS STORED IN LARGE CROCKS AND BASKETS. IT WAS ALSO LEARNED THEY WERE MOVING RICE FROM DONG LE (4) TO TUYET DIEM (4). RICE COULD NOT BE CONFISCATED - MEANS TO REMOVE RICE NOT AVAILABLE. FROM THE ATTITUDE OF PEOPLE IN TRUNG PHAN PENINSULA IT WAS APPARENT IN THE HAMLETS OF DONG LE (1), (6) AND (4) AND IN TUYET DIEM (4) THAT VC STILL CONTROL AND INFLUENCE ACTIVITIES IN THE HAMLETS. THE ATTITUDE IS UNFRIENDLY WITH A QUICK REACTION OF DEMONSTRATION, ESPECIALLY BY FEMALES. THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF BUILD UP WITH CONSTRUCTION OF TRENCHES, PUNJI TRAPS, AND BOOBY TRAPS. THERE IS ALSO EVIDENT THAT VC OCCUPY VILLAGE DURING LATE DAYLIGHT HOURS THEN MOVE OUT AT 2400 AT NIGHT AND SLEEP IN THE HILLS. ALSO, VC HAVE APPARENTLY SPREAD PROPAGANDA THROUGHOUT THE HAMLETS THAT MARINES ARE CRUEL AND BEAT AND RAPE THE WOMEN.

e. AT 021310H CHARLIE COMPANY PATROL FOUND SEVEN VC PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS WHICH ARE HEREWITH FORWARDED.

8. NEGATIVE.

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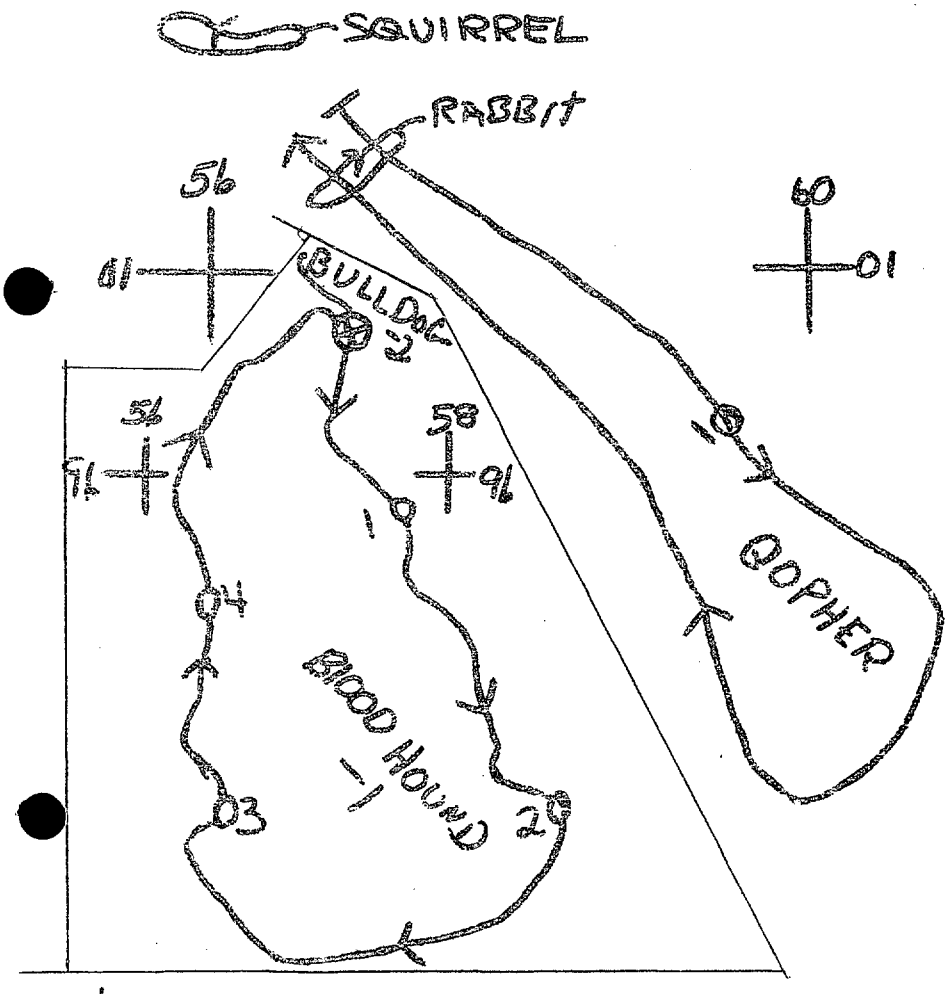

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	RABBIT	F.T.	032300H	040530H	SECURITY
Co. D	BLOOD HOUND-1	PLT (-)	040800H	041100H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT (-)	031600H	041600H	SECURITY

NOTE: BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TAOR.

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ISUM # 111

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 041200H THROUGH 051200H DECEMBER 1965.

3. a. AT 041100H "C" COMPANY DELIVERED THREE VCS TO THIS COLLECTION POINT. TWO FEMALE VCS WERE APPREHENDED WITH SEVEN ANTI-AMERICAN PROPAGANDA PAMPHLETS ONE OF WHICH IS FORWARDED WITH THIS ISUM. OTHER VCS IS TEN YEARS OLD AND WAS APPREHENDED FOR SPYING ON CHARLIE COMPANY PATROL. DELIVERED TO ITT AT 041430H.

AT 041945H "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED AT 040500H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 601002, A VCS APPROACHED THE PATROL AND TURNED HIMSELF IN. NO INTERPRETER AVAILABLE TO INTERROGATE THE VCS. VCS DELIVERED TO BOOTH COLLECTION POINT AT 041930H. FORWARDED TO ITT AT 042000H.

AT 041950H "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 041700H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 590000, THE VILLAGERS OF TRUNG AN (1) ACTED HOSTILE TOWARD THEM. A OLD MAN STATED ON 3 DECEMBER 1965 AT APPROXIMATELY 1600H AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC ENTERED THE HAMLET AND FORCED THE WOMEN TO CARRY THEIR WEAPONS UNDER THEIR ROBES. FURTHER STATED THE REASON FOR DOING THIS WAS BECAUSE THEY KNOW THE MARINES DON'T SEARCH THE WOMEN.

AT 042025H "C" COMPANY REPORTED, AT VICINITY COORDINATES BS 628992, DETECTING A MOVEMENT VICINITY COORDINATES BS 626989. FIRED ONE M-79 ROUND AND ONE ILLUMINATION ROUND. RESULTS OF ACTION TAKEN, UNKNOWN.

AT 042100H "D" COMPANY REPORTED AT 042050H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 573970, OBSERVING AN EXPLOSION OF UNKNOWN ORIGIN VICINITY COORDINATES BS 572969.

AT 042345H "C" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 042300H VICINITY COORDINATES 630018, OBSERVING TWO VC RUNNING ACROSS SAND INTO A TREE LINE VICINITY COORDINATES BT 632022. THE VC WERE DRESSED IN GRAY UNIFORMS, WEARING HELMETS AND CARTRIDGE BELTS (TYPE UNDETERMINED). PATROL SET UP A BLOCKING FORCE BUT THE VC EVADED THEM AND ENTERED TUYET DIEM (2). PATROL LOST CONTACT AND CONTINUED THEIR MISSION.

AT 050200H "C" COMPANY LAYOUT PATROL REPORTED, AT 050130H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 626023, OBSERVED FIVE VC MOVING ALONG BEACH VICINITY COORDINATES BT 626023. PATROL OPENED FIRE WOUNDING TWO. THE FIVE ESCAPED TO AN ISLAND VICINITY COORDINATES 626023. PATROL THEN CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON THE ISLAND. A FIRE TEAM SWAM OUT TO THE ISLAND AND FOUND A SUITCASE CONTAINING BOOTS, KHAKI UNIFORMS, SOCKS AND CARTRIDGE BELTS. NO WEAPONS AND NO BODIES WERE FOUND.

AT 051000H, "B" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP THREE VCS APPREHENDED AT 050145H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 609996. THE VCS WERE FOUND HIDING IN BACK ROOM OF A HOUSE. WILL BE FORWARDED ON FIRST AVAILABLE TRANSPORTATION.

4. NO DEAD. TWO VC WOUNDED.

5. SEVEN VCS. ONE OF SEVEN ANTI-AMERICAN DOCUMENTS (OTHER SIX WERE DUPLICATES

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B", "C", AND "D" COMPANIES. ONE INTERPRETER ON LEAVE.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED.
c. CAPTURED PRISONER REPORT ATTACHED.

D. D. BROOKS
By direction

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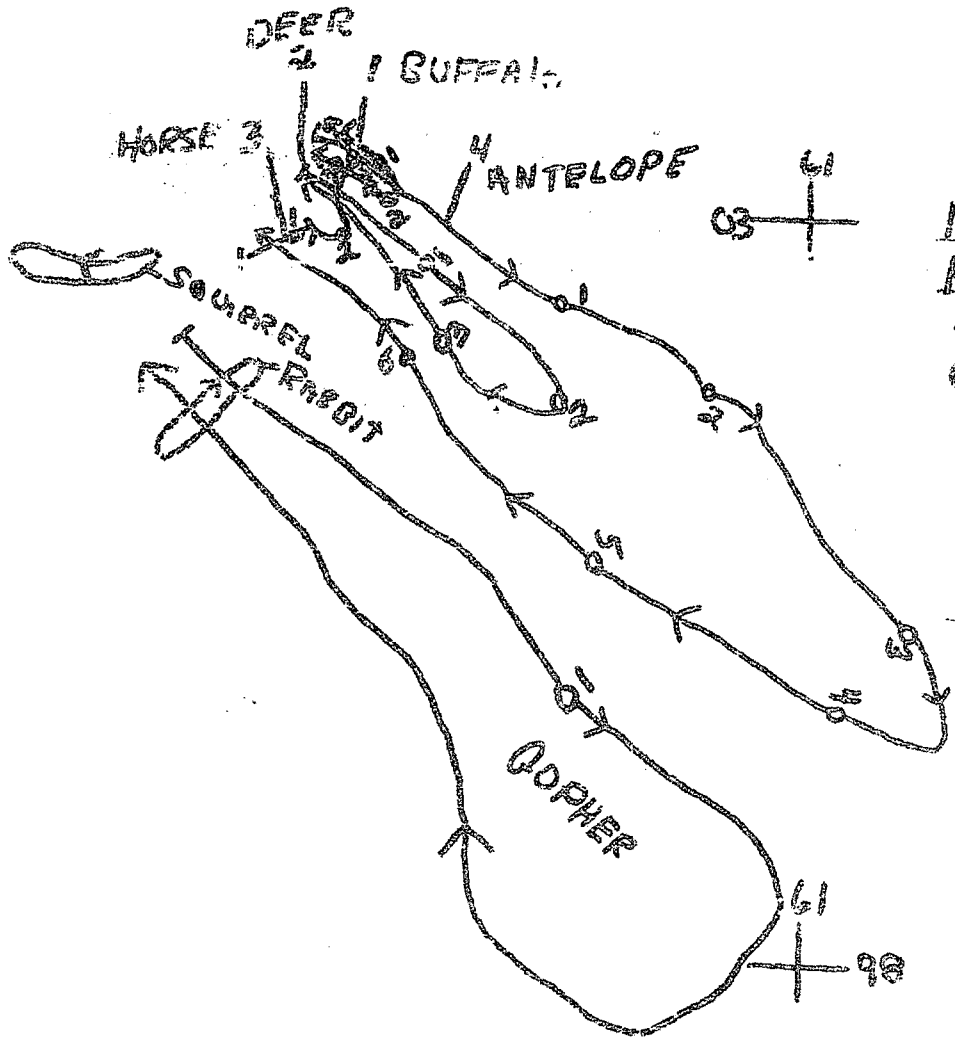

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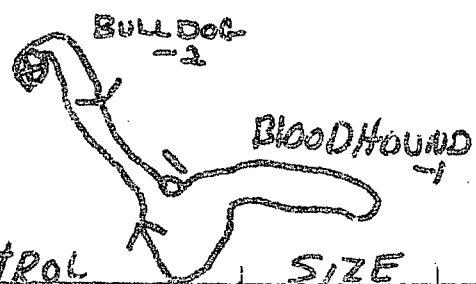

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
CO.A	BUFFALO-1	F.T.	041900H	042300H	SECURITY/L.P.
	DEER -2	SQD.	042000H	050200H	SECURITY/AMBUSH
	HORSE-3	F.T.	042400H	050400H	SECURITY
	BUFFALO-1	F.T.	050500H	050720H	SECURITY/L.P.
	ANTELOPE-4	SQD(+)	050830H	051400H	RECON
CoB	SQUIRREL	F.T.	042300H	050530H	SECURITY
	RABBIT	F.T.	042300H	050530H	SECURITY
	GOPHER	SQD	041730H	050730H	AMBUSH
Co. D	BLOODHOUND-1	PIT(-)	050730H	050920H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PIT(-)	041600H	051600H	SECURITY

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1. BOOTH - 2

2. 051200H THROUGH 061200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 051330H "C" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED AT 050640H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 654040 AND BT 655038, WHILE CONDUCTING A SWEEP OF TUYET DIEM (3) ENCOUNTERED APPROXIMATELY SEVENTY VC MOVING FROM TUYET DIEM (3) THROUGH THE CHANNEL TO TUYET DIEM (1). THE VC WERE DRESSED IN BLACK PJ'S, SHORTS AND GREY UNIFORMS, MANY WERE CARRYING WEAPONS. THE PATROL TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE KILLING THIRTY AND WOUNDING FOURTEEN WITH TEN UNCONFIRMED KILLED AND FIFTEEN UNCONFIRMED WOUNDED. ALSO APPREHENDED SIX VCS. ONE WOUNDED FEMALE VCS AND FIVE WOUNDED VCS EVACUATED TO "B" MED. CAPTURED THE FOLLOWING - ONE SK44 ASSAULT WEAPON, ONE FRENCH SUB-MACHINEGUN, ONE CARBINE, A SQUAD LEADERS UNIT DIARY, FOUR CARBINE MAGAZINES AND TWO CARTRIDGE BELTS. PATROL REPORTED POSSIBLY MANY VC AND WEAPONS INCLUDING A MACHINE GUN SUNK IN THE WATER BETWEEN COORDINATES BT 654044 AND 654045.

AT 052100H "A" COMPANY REPORTED AT 051600H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 648045 APPREHENDED TWO VCS WITH NO IDENTIFICATION. VCS WERE ALSO TRYING TO HIDE FROM PATROL.

AT 052100H "A" COMPANY REPORTED AT 051630H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 654044 WOUNDING TWO VCS. THE PATROL CHALLENGED THE VCS. THEY FAILED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE CHALLENGE. THE HAD IN THEIR POSSESSION 518 PIASTERS, 3 ID CARDS AND MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS. FORWARDED TO "B" MED AT 051945H.

AT 052100H "A" COMPANY REPORTED AT 051800H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 653044 CAPTURING FOUR VC. ONE WAS ARMED WITH A 9mm LIGHT MACHINE GUN ALSO HAD 9mm AMMO, CLOTHES FOR MALE AND FEMALE AND ONE DOCUMENT. TWO VC WERE FORWARDED TO ITT AT 052020H. REMAINING TWO WILL BE FORWARDED ON FIRST TRANSPORTATION.

AT 060045H "A" COMPANY REPORTED AT 051700H TO 052230H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 655045 OBSERVED SIX VC CROSS THE RIVER AT BT 654044. VC TAKEN UNDER FIRE WOUNDING FOUR. ALL SIX DISAPPEARED. FIVE MORE TRIED TO CROSS AND ELEMENT TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE KILLING FOUR AND WOUNDING ONE. ONE PLATOON RECEIVED FIRE FROM ONE VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BT 648048. A FIRE TEAM DEPLOYED KILLING THE VC. FOUND NO WEAPON BUT DID FIND A MEDICAL BAG AND DOCUMENTS. AT 051730H APPREHENDED TWENTY FIVE VCS. ONE VC WAS KILLED. PROCESSED TWENTY FIVE VCS AND RELEASED NINETEEN AS CIVILIANS, KEPT SIX AS VCS. FOUND ONE WEAPON WITH THES GROUP. A PATROL OBSERVED MANY CIVILIANS ON THE BEACH VICINITY COORDINATES BT 658046, INVESTIGATED KILLING ONE VC AND CAPTURING ONE WEAPON. ANOTHER PATROL KILLED ONE VC IN A BUNKER LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BT 655045.

AT 060900H "A" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED AT 060845H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 650046 DISCOVERED A SMALL CAVE AND SIX PUNJI PITS. DESTROYED THE PUNJI PITS AND WILL DESTROY THE CAVE AT A LATER DATE.

AT 060900H "A" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED AT 060850H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 649045 DISCOVERED A LARGE PUNJI PIT. PATROL DESTROYED THE PIT.

AT 060745H "A" COMPANY REPORTED CLEARING FIVE VCS OF THE SIX REPORTED AT 060045H. THEY NOW HAVE ONE VCS TO BE FORWARDED ON FIRST TRANSPORTATION

4. 38 DEAD. 19 WOUNDED. (POSSIBLE 10 KILLED AND 15 WOUNDED).

5. 4 VC CAPTURED, 8 VCS WOUNDED AND 1 VCS CAPTURED. DELIVERED ONE U.S. CARBINE SERIAL NUMBER 3650815 TO REGIMENTAL S-2 AT 052020H. PROCESSED AND CLEARED 24 CIVILIANS.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "A", "B" AND "C" COMPANIES. ONE INTERPRETER ON LEAVE TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED.

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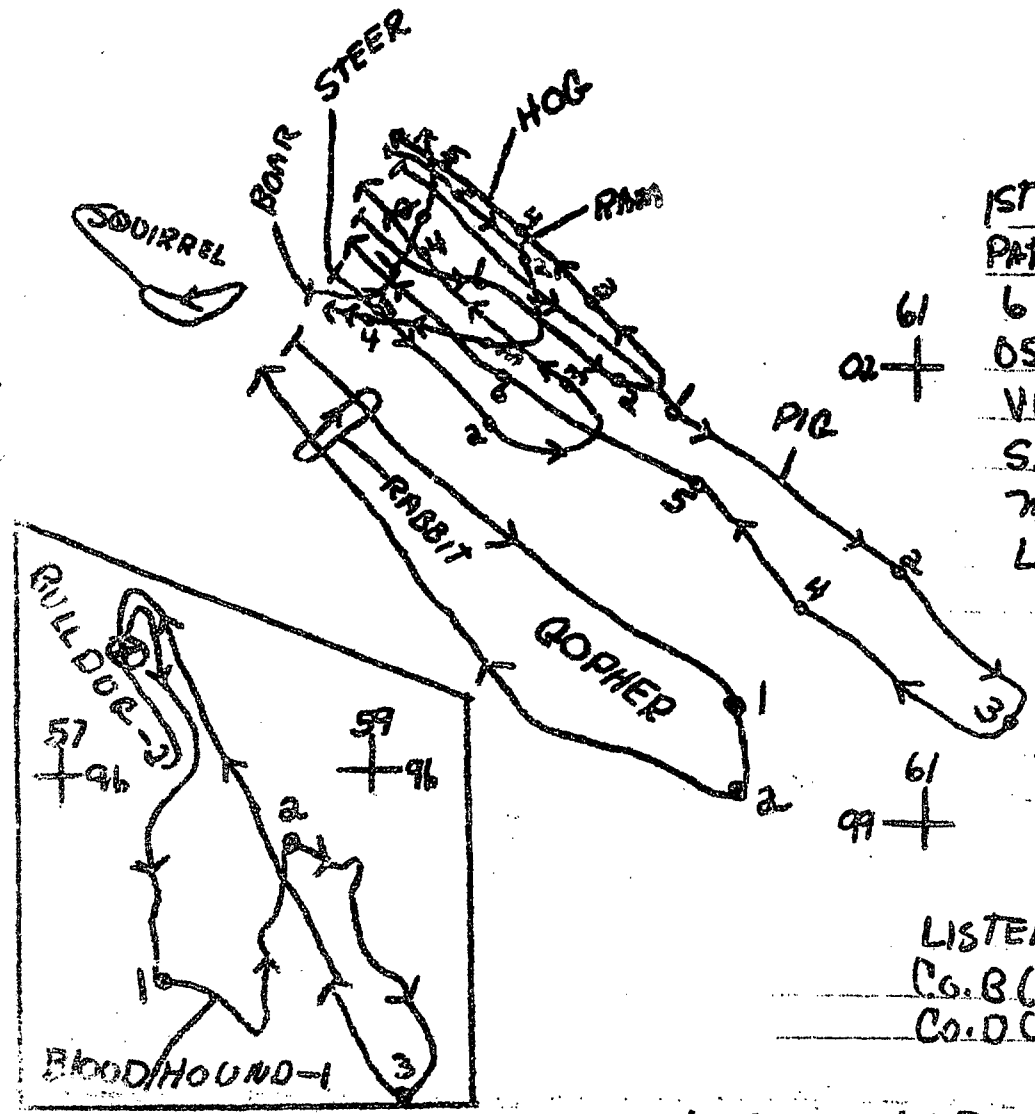

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Co. D (1) 555013.

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. A	RAM	SQD	051930H	052230H	SECURITY LP
	STEER	F.T.	052300H	060200H	SECURITY LP
	HOG	F.T.	060230H	060530H	SECURITY LP
	BOAR	F.T.	060600H	060730H	SECURITY LP
	PIG	SQD(+)	060800H	061400H	RECON
Co. B	SQUIRREL	F.T	052300H	060530H	SECURITY
	RABBIT	F.T	052300H	060530H	SECURITY
	GOPHER	SQD	051730H	060730H	AMBUSH
Co. D	BLOODHOUND-1	PLT(-)	060715H	061100H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	051600H	061600H	SECURITY

NOTE: BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TAOR

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1. BOOTH - 2

2. 061200H THROUGH 071200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 061410H, "C" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP ONE U.S. CARBINE SER.NO. 1071563 CAPTURED AT 051000H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 655043, ONE CHICOM MASSIN NAGANT SER.NO. A4371 CAPTURED AT 051000H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 555049. ONE FRENCH CHATELERAULT 7.65 LIGHT MACHINE GUN SER.NO. D34960 VICINITY COORDINATES BT 655013. ONE CARTRIDGE BLET WITH THREE MAGAZINE POUCHES AND TWO MAGAZINES, TWO RAIN CAPS, ONE MEDICAL PACK WITH VARIOUS DOCUMENTS AND AN ID CARD BELONGING TO DOAN KHEO AGE 30 OF BINH GOING (V) BINH SON (D), ONE CORPSMANS RECORD BOOK, VARIOUS MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND ONE BAG WITH VARIOUS DOCUMENTS AND BOOKS. ALSO DELIVERED SIX VCS. TWO APPREHENDED AT 051000H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 655043, FOR TRYING TO HIDE FROM THE PATROL IN THE VICINITY OF WHERE THE DEAD VC WERE. THE REMAINING FOUR APPREHENDED AT 051200H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 655043 FOR TRYING TO HELP WOUNDED VC AND REMOVE THE DEAD VC'S BODIES OUT OF THE RIVER. FORWARDED TO ITT AT 061440H.

AT 061650H, "A" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP ONE FRENCH SUBMACHINE GUN SER.NO. 47471, A CLOTHING AND A MEDICAL BAG. THE GUN WAS CAPTURED VICINITY COORDINATES BT 654044 AT 061800H, WHEN A BOAT WAS CHECKED WITH TWO DEAD VC IN IT. TWO BAGS WERE FOUND NEAR THE ABOVE COORDINATES. THEY CONTAINED MEDICINES, DOCUMENTS AND CLOTHING. ALL DELIVERED TO REGIMENTAL S-2 AT 061630H.

AT 061650H, "A" COMPANY DELIVERED ONE WOUNDED VCS TO THIS CP APPREHENDED AT 061235H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 654045. VCS WAS TURNED OVER TO A PATROL BY SOME WOMEN WHO STATED HE WAS WOUNDED DURING A FIRE FIGHT THE NIGHT BEFORE. HOWEVER THERE WAS NO FIREING INTO THE HAMLET. BELIEVE HE IS A VC OR KNOWS ABOUT THE VC FORWARDED TO "B" MED AT 061730H.

AT 061650H, "A" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP TWO VCS AND ONE INFORMER APPREHENDED AT 051800H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 548044. ONE NAMED AS THE VC CADRE FOR TUYET DIEM (1) BY THE INFORMER WHO WAS BROUGHT IN TO IDENTIFY THE CADRE. THE OTHER WAS BROUGHT IN BECAUSE HE TRIED TO ESCAPE. FORWARDED TO "B" MED AT 061730H.

AT 061900H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED AT 061330H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 577944, RECEIVING APPROXIMATELY 100 ROUNDS OF FIRE FROM 8-12 VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 577941, ARMED WITH AR'S AND CARBINES. THE PATROL HAD OBSERVED SOME WOMEN WHO WERE WORKING IN THE FIELDS LEAVE THE AREA AS THE PATROL APPROACHED THE HAMLET. UPON BEING TAKEN UNDER FIRE THE PATROL LAID DOWN A BASE OF FIRE AND CALLED FOR 81's AND 106 FIRE. ON COMPLETION OF FIRE THE PATROL ASSUALTED THE HAMLET AND CONDUCTED A SEARCH WITH A NEGATIVE FIND EXCEPT FOR A COVER WITH DRIED BLOOD ON IT. THE VC FLED TO THE SOUTWEST. THE PATROL RECEIVED TWO WOUNDED ONE BY ENEMY FIRE THE OTHER FROM A PUNJI STAKE. THE FIRST WAS EVACUATED DIRECTLY TO "B" MED, THE OTHER TO BAS.

4. NEGATIVE.

5. NINE VCS (ONE WOUNDED). FOUR WEAPONS AND VARIOUS MEDICINES AND DOCUMENTS. REFER TO PARAGRAPH 3A.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B", "C" AND "D" COMPANIES. ONE INTERPRETER ON LEAVE TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
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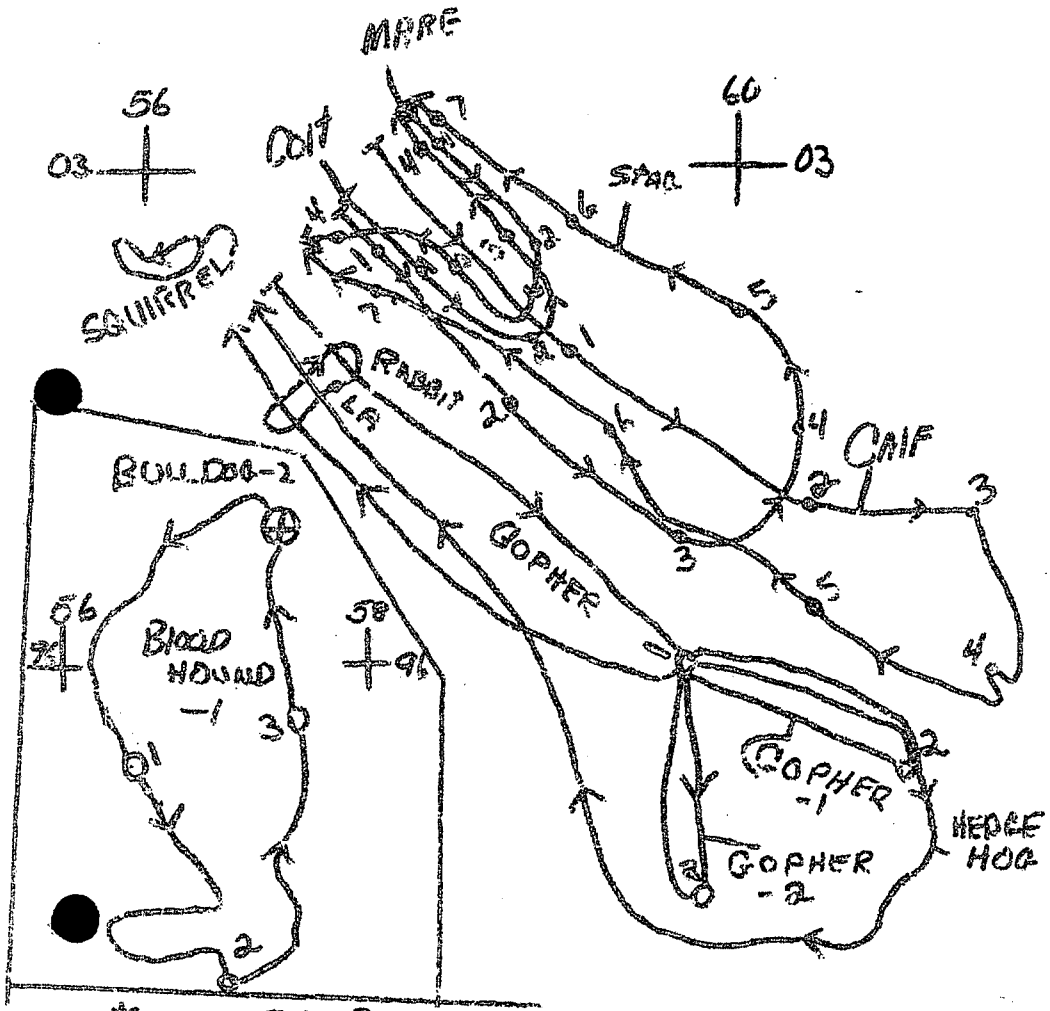

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UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co.A	STAG	SQD	061930H	070730H	SECURITY/AMBUSH
	MARE	F.T.	062200H	070030H	SECURITY
	COLT	F.T.	070130H	070330H	SECURITY
	CALF	SQD(+)	070830H	071400H	RECON
Co.B	GOPHER	Plt(+)	061730H	070730H	RECON/COMBAT
	GOPHER-1	SQD(+)	062000H	070100H	AMBUSH
	GOPHER-2	SQD	062400H	070400H	AMBUSH
	SQUIRREL	F.T.	062300H	070530H	REAR SECURITY(LP)
	RABBIT	F.T.	062300H	070530H	SECURITY (LP)
	HEDGE HOG	SQD.	070630H	071400H	RECON/COMBAT
Co.D	BLOODHOUND-1	Plt(-)	070645H	071000H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	Plt(-)	061600H	071600H	SECURITY.

NOTE: BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TAOR.

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound - 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6756, 6757

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 30 men

2. MISSION: Combat/Recon

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 061230H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 061645H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3.

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: Rice paddies still ankle deep in water which slows down movement through paddies.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: PF reported VC squad blocking traffic on Highway # 1 collecting taxes from people (coordinates BS 595930).

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: Contacted fire fight with about 12-15 VC in PHU LE. Set up base of fire and called in 81's and 106 which were slow coming in allowing VC time to escape. Village burned as result of five WP 3.5 rounds being fired into it. Wounded probably one VC as a hat was found in hamlet with hole in it and dried blood. Had two friendly WIA one with bullet wound in left thigh and other on panji trap.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Morale was low because it took 37 minutes for helo evac to get in and take injured man back to "B" Med.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Need quicker evacuation procedure as it is great detriment to morale to have to wait for choppers when compatriot is shot. There was a secondary explosion as a result of fire in the village. It sounded like rounds going off as a result of the heat.

/s/ H. M. HAYWARD

H. M. HAYWARD, 1stLt, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: Debriefer not used.

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ISUM # 114

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 071200H THROUGH 081200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 071830H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 071420H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 569944, ONE VC ARMED WITH A M-1 FIRED SIX ROUNDS, WHICH APPEARED TO BE WARNING SHOTS, FROM VICINITY COORDINATES BS 569945. VC WAS DRESSED IN BLACK PJ'S WITH NO HAT. PATROL RETURNED 20 ROUNDS OF M-14 FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

AT 072020H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 072000H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 625992, OBSERVING APPROXIMATELY EIGHT VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 627996. IMMEDIATELY TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS, 81'S AND 3.5'S. RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE IN RETURN, AGAIN FIRED 81'S, 106'S AND TWO 105 ROUNDS WHICH WERE ON TARGET. RESULTS OF FIRE UNKNOWN.

AT 072030H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 072020H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 627992, RECEIVED ONE INCOMING HAND GRENADE (A DUD). A SEARCH OF THE AREA AT FIRST LIGHT REVEALED A NEGATIVE FIND.

4. NEGATIVE.

5. NEGATIVE.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B", "C" AND "D" COMPANIES. ONE INTERPRETER ON LEAVE TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS
   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
   b. PATROL REPORT ATTACHED.

8. SINCE THE ACTION ON 05DEC65 THE RESIDENTS OF SON TRA AND TAN HY COMPLEXES HAVE CHANGED FROM A HOSTILE ATTITUDE TO A FRIENDLY AND RESPECTFUL ONE.

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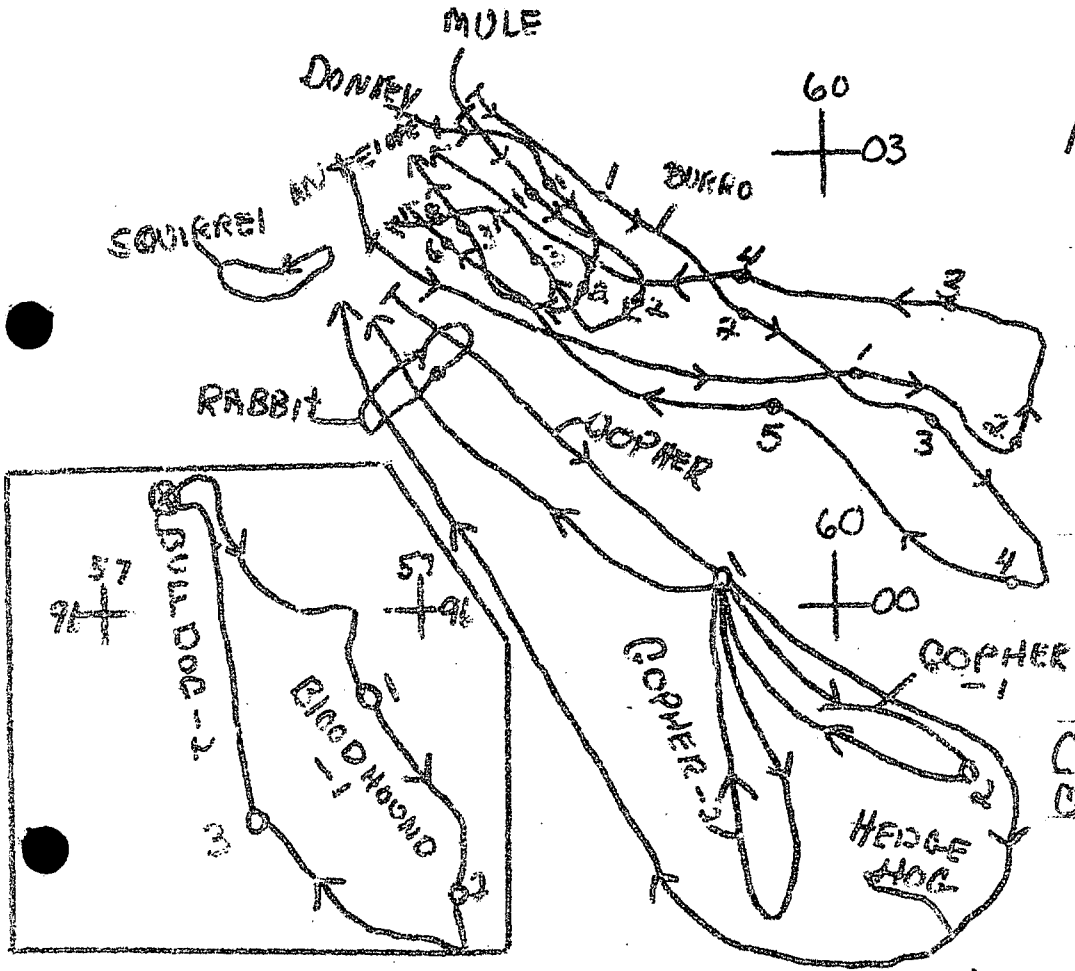

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UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
CO. A	BURRO	SQD	071930H	080730H	SECURITY/AMBUSH
	DONKEY	F.T.	072200H	080030H	SECURITY
	MULE	F.T.	080300H	080500H	SECURITY
	ANTELOPE	PLT(-)	080830H	081600H	CIVIL ACTION
CO. B	GOPHER	PLT(+)	071730H	080730H	RECON/COMBAT
	GOPHER-1	SQD(+)	072400H	080100H	AMBUSH
	GOPHER-2	SQD(+)	072400H	080100H	AMBUSH
	SQUIRREL	F.T.	072300H	080530H	REAR SECURITY (LP)
	RABBIT	F.T.	072300H	080530H	SECURITY (LP)
	HEDGE HOG	SQD.	080630H	081400H	RECON/COMBAT
CO. D	BLOODHOUND-1	PLT(-)	081030H	081330H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	071600H	081600H	SECURITY

NOTE: BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TAOR.

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound # 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6757 II, III, IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: One platoon (-)

2. MISSION: Combat/Recon

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 071315H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 071645 December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3.

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. At 071420H at coordinates BS 569944 patrol observed one VC with M-1 rifle.

   b. Negative.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: None

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: Point man fired at VC and missed, negative results.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Morale outstanding. Physical condition outstanding.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None

/s/ G. I. NELSON

G. I. NELSON, SSGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None.

/s/ G. J. TRAUTMAN

G. J. TRAUTMAN, GYSGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF DEBRIEFER

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ISUM # 115

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 081200H THROUGH 091200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 081725H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 081445H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 583948, FINDINING A 60MM MORTAR SHELL LAYING BESIDE THE TRAIL. SHELL WAS NOT BURIED BUT WAS COVERED WITH A PIECE OF PAPER. THERE WERE NO TRIP WIRES ATTACHED. THE PATROL WITHDREW FROM THE AREA AND SHOT THREE LAWS AT THE ROUND WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 082100H "C" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 082020H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 568019, OBSERVED ONE VCS APPROXIMATELY 20 METERS FROM THE COMPANY LINES VICINITY COORDINATES BT 569019. TWO MEN APPREHENDED THE VCS AND DELIVERED HIM TO COMPANY OP. MAN STATES HE IS 39 YEARS OLD AND FURTHER STATED HE WAS ONLY URINATING. HOWEVER HE HAS NO ID CARD AND THE NEAREST HAMLET IS APPROXIMATELY 200 METERS AWAY. VCS DELIVERED TO BOOTH COLLECTION POINT AT 090915H. THE VCS HAD SUFFERED SEVERE FACIAL ABRASIONS, LACERATIONS AND CONTUSIONS. CAPTURING UNIT STATED HE TRIED TO RESIST APPREHENSION. WILL BE FORWARDED ON FIRST AVAILABLE TRANSPORTATION TO ITT.

AT 082105H, "B" COMPANY OP REPORTED AT 082005H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 618985, OBSERVING A BOAT ON THE RIVER VICINITY COORDINATES BS 622981. THE BOAT FAILED TO CHECK IN AT THE OP, DUE TO IT BEING AFTER THE CURFEW. THE OP OPENED FIRE WITH THEIR M-60. RESULTS OF FIRE UNKNOWN.

AT 091030H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 090945H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 665009, UPON APPROACHING A LARGE RICE CACHE RECEIVED FIRE FROM ONE VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 664007. PATROL RETURNED FIRE, RESULTS OF FIRE UNKNOWN. THE PATROL IS CURRENTLY DESTOYING THE LARGE CACHE OF RICE. FOUND WITH THE RICE AS A CORPSMAN&S BAG, A SMALL AMOUNT OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND SOME CLOTHING.

4. NEGATIVE.

5. ONE VCS.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B" AND "C" COMPANIES. ONE ON LEAVE.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED.

D. D. BROOKS
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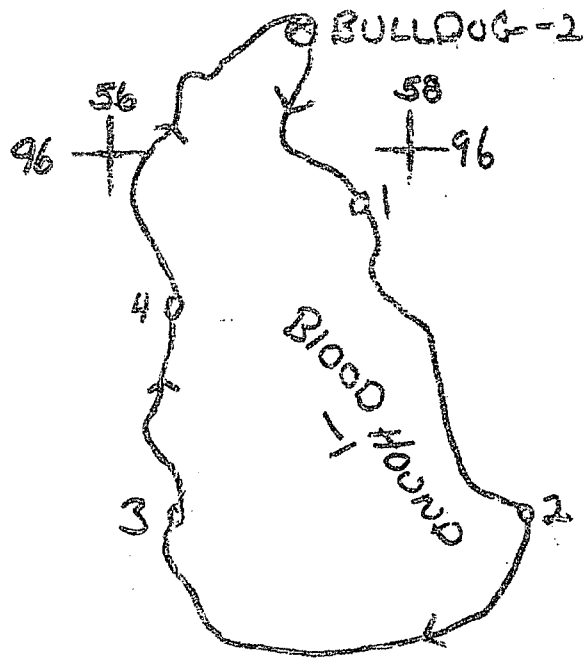

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PATROL OVERLAY FOR
9 DEC 65
081600 091600H
VIETNAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6757 II & III
M E Wood
LCpl USMC
DEC 6, 1965

LISTENING POSTS
Co. BW 567016 & 569015
Co. DW 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. D	BLOOD HOUND-1	PLT(-)	090800 H	091100 H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	081600 H	091600 H	SECURITY
	NOTE: BLOOD HOUND-1 ROUTE GOES SOUTH OF TAOR AND INTO 3/7 TAOR IF APPROVED.				

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound #1

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheets 6757 II,III and IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 32 Men

2. MISSION: Combat Patrol

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 090830H DEC65

4. TIME OF RETURN: 091100H Dec65

5. ROUTE: Refer to overlay

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

TIME	COORDINATES	OBSERVATION
0945	BS 574938	Received fire from Four VC
0946	BS 573936	Received fire from two VC

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Patrol left Bulldog at 0830 on patrol rpute. On the west side of PHU LE (1) VC opened fire from coordinates BS 574938. The fire wounded the point man. Approximately 5 more VC opened fire from coordinates BS 573936 the VC were armed with small arms and AR's. The patrol received approximately 100 rounds of fire. Patrol returned fire and the VC withdrew, before the patrol could assualt.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: One Marine wounded.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None

/s/ G. I. NELSON

G. I. NELSON, SSGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME,RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

/s/ G. J. TROUTMAN

G. J. TROUTMAN, GYSGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME,RANK & UNIT OF DEBRIEFER

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ISUM # 116

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 091200H THROUGH 101200H DECEMBER 1965.

3. a. AT 091330H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 090945H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 573936, RECEIVING APPROXIMATELY 100 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM SIX VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 574938. THE VC WERE DRESSED IN BLACK PJ'S WITH NO HATS. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH M-14 AND 3.5 FIRE. THE VC BROKE CONTACT AND A BARRAGE OF 81'S AND 106'S WERE FIRED ON THE IMMEDIATE AREA. RESULTS OF ACTION UNK.

AT 092115H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 092045H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 624991, OBSERVING THREE VIETNAMESE VICINITY COORDINATES BS 628 989. IMMEDIATELY TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE, RESULTS OF FIRE UNKNOWN.

AT 100810H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 092045H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 624991, OBSERVING MOVEMENT NEAR PROTECTIVE WIRE VICINITY COORDINATES BS 625993. THREW ONE HAND GRENADE, RESULTS OF ACTION UNKNOWN.

4. NEGATIVE.

5. NEGATIVE.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B", "C" AND "D" COMPANIES. ONE ON LEAVE.

7. MISCELLANEOUS
   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
   b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED.
   c. PATROL REPORT ATTACHED.

D. D. BROOKS
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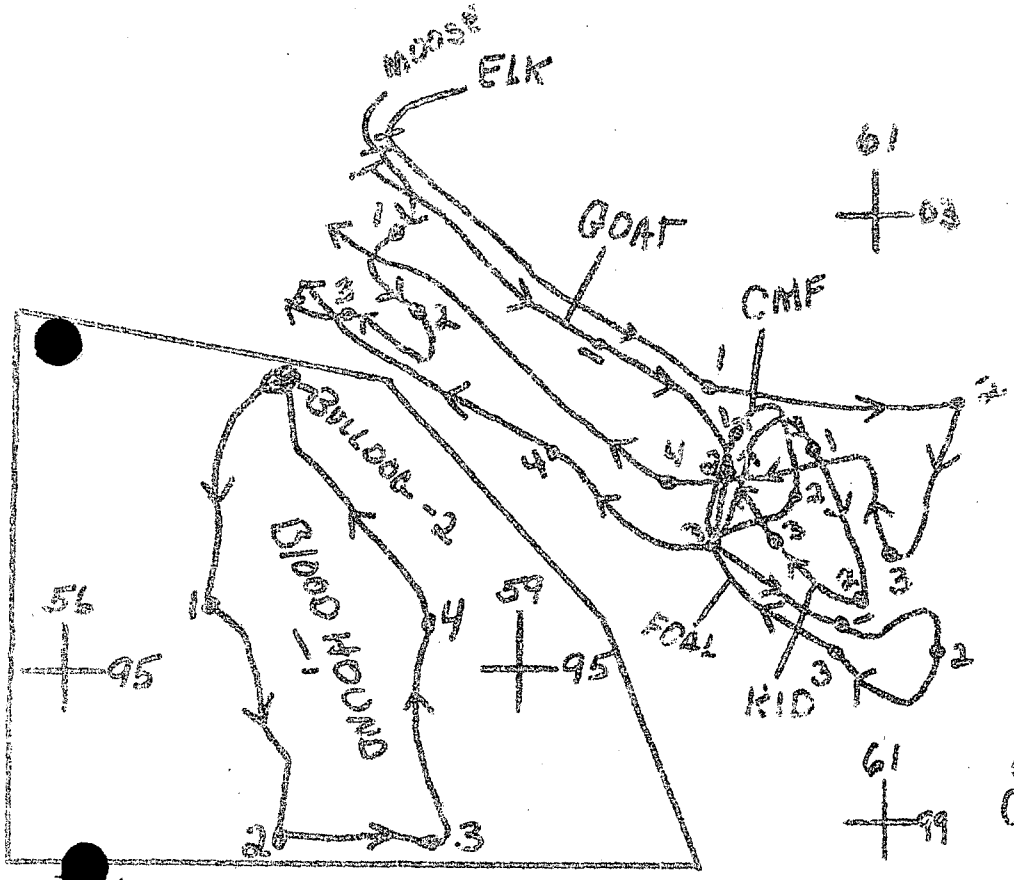

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SHEETS 6257 II & III
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LCpl USMC
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LISTENING POSTS
Co.A (2) 600014 & 598007
Co.D (1) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co.A	GOAT	SQD	092000H	100730H	AMBUSH/SEARCH
	KID	F.T.	092200H	100030H	SECURITY
	FOAL	F.T.	100130H	100330H	SECURITY
	CMF	F.T.	100400H	100500H	SECURITY
	MOOSE	F.T.	092300H	100100H	SECURITY
	ELK	PLT	100900H	101500H	CIVIL ACTION
Co.D	BLOOD HOUND-1	PLT(-)	101400H	101700H	COMBAT SEARCH
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	091600H	101600H	SECURITY

NOTE: BLOOD HOUND-1 ROUTE GOES SOUTH OF TAOR AND INTO 3/7 TAOR IF APPROVED.

NOTE: Co.C. OVERLAY WILL BE SUBMITTED LATE DUE TO THEIR JUST ARRIVING HERE.

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Python

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheet 6757 II

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 47 men - 1st plt "B" Co. (rein), 1st squad MGs, 1 team rockets, S-2 representative, interpreter and guide.

2. MISSION: Conduct a recon.combat patrol to locate and destroy a rice cache at DONG LE (5) BT 664009.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 090630 December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 091430H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3 on 8 Dec 65.

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. At 0910 coordinates 665010 observed a boy carrying rice up dike. He dropped load and fled southeast when squad was flanking DONG LE (5).

   b. At 0915 coordinates 663010 VC rice cache located. Temple in area adjacent to house filled with large urns containing rice. Obviously VC rice collection point, as interrogations confirmed. Estimate 200 bushels rice destroyed by scattering same into rice paddies. Hidden bags of clothing found in same urns, together with "hard Corps" medical corpsman bag and small quantity of pills.

   c. At 0918 coordinates 666009 four sniper rounds fired. Sniper probably alerted by boy (6.a.). Estimate snipers position as 664008. Fire returned, sniper flanked. No further contact.

   d. At 1000 coordinates 664010 found small medical cache hidden in wall. Also discovered carbine cartridge and picture of a VCS. Turned over to S-2 representative.

   e. At 1240 coordinates 644020 three men with objects in hand ran from high ground vicinity 643008 as squad approached. Patrol fired with negative results.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: No men under 50 in fields of villages. "C" company guide pinpointed house of communist finance representative at BT 625008. Claimed that new tailor woman had set up business at that location. Located tank traps at BT 643008 and BT 627996.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: Incidents #3 and #5, men pursued and flanked men who fired or fled. Negative contact since enemy were 4-500 meters away.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: Excellent.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

   a. Recommend use of squad (rein) sized patrols within sector assigned to a platoon. These patrols, run daily (and night if weather conditions permit) would enable the squad leaders to become familar enough with the terrain in this area so that they could be effective against sniper contacts. This would keep the area saturated and the VC off balance. Platoons could be used to set coordinated sweeps and ambushes within their assigned sectors, after squad leaders learn the terrain.

   b. Recommend sole use of squad reinforced patrols because they would draw sniper fire and are a flexible enough unit to be effective against them.

   c. Recommend that lead squads or squads be employed on line, widely dispersed, to outflank snipers sealing

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   off avenues of escape.

/s/ JOHN H. RANDOLPH

JOHN H. RANDOLPH, 2ndLt.B-1-7 USMC
NAME,RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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ISUM # 117

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 101200H THROUGH 111200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 101900H, "D" COMPANY SECURITY PLATOON REPORTED FROM 100900H THROUGH 101700H AT HALF HOUR INTERVALS WHILE AT VICINITY COORDINATES BS 015323 RECEIVED 500 ROUNDS OF AR AND M-1 FIRE FROM APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BT 005325. THE VC WERE DRESSED IN KHAKI UNIFORMS AND STEEL HELMETS. THE PLATOON RECEIVED ONE WIA AND INFLICTED FOUR WOUNDED TO THE VC.

AT 102140H, "B" COMPANY OP REPORTED AT 101040H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 618985 RECEIVING EIGHT ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE FROM MY HUE (1) LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 612988. OP RETURNED TWELVE ROUNDS OF M-14 FIRE AND OVSERVED TWO MEN RUN INTO TREES. OP WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF THEY WERE ARMED.

AT 102120H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED FROM 101910H THROUGH 102015H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 625992 RECEIVED THREE ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE FROM VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 628993. RETURNED FIRE WITH M-14 AND M-79 FIRE. OBSERVED ONE MAN FALL.

AT 102130H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED AT 102010H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 624992 RECEIVED TWO ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE AND THREE INCOMING HAND GRENADES FROM VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 625993. OBSERVED ONE MAN RUNNING ACROSS FRONT OF POSITION. TOOK THE VC UNDER FIRE WITH M-14, THREE 81, FIVE M-79 AND ONE 3.5 ROUNDS OF FIRE. RESULTS OF ACTION UNKNOWN.

AT 102200H, "B" COMPANY OP REPORTED AT 102135H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 624988 OBSERVED ONE MAN IN FRONT OF POSITION VICINITY COORDINATES BS 625986. FIRED THREE M-79 ROUNDS RESULTS OF WHICH ARE UNKNOWN.

AT 102340H, "B" COMPANY OP REPORTED AT 102315H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 624988 OBSERVED ONE MAN ON RIDGE LINE VICINITY COORDINATES BS 625986 AT SAME TIME AN M-49 WAS SET OFF. IMMEDIATELY TOOK UNDER FIRE WITH M-14 AND M-79 RESULTS OF FIRE UNKNOWN.

4. NO DEAD. FIVE WOUNDED.

5. NEGATIVE.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO BATTALION S-2, "B", "C" AND "D" COMPANIES.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED.

D. D. BROOKS

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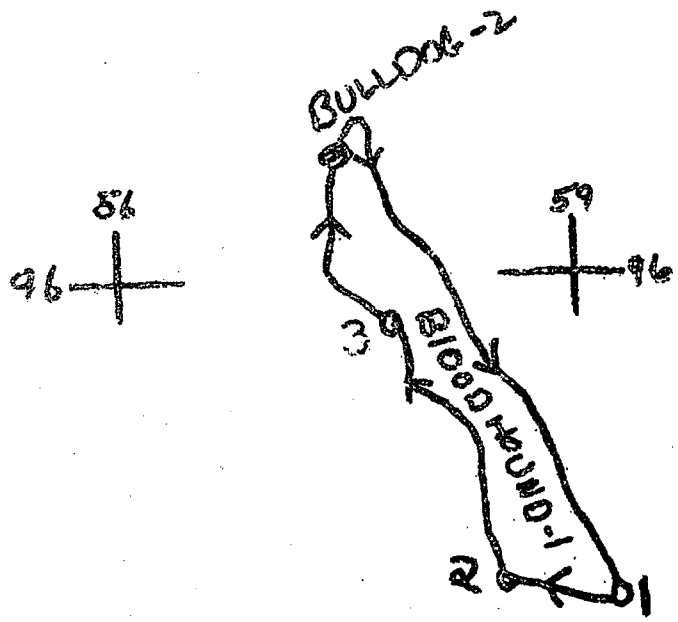

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8 DEC 65

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CO D (1) 55501?

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
CO. D	BLOOD HOUND-1	Plt (-)	111100H	111400H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	Plt (-)	101600H	111600H	SECURITY
	BLOOD HOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TAOR.				

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound #1

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheets 6757 II, III and IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 32 Men

2. MISSION: Combat/Recon

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 111100H Dec65

4. TIME OF RETURN: 111335H Dec65

5. ROUTE: Refer to overlay

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

TIME	COORDINATES	OBSERVATION
1245	BS 584948	Observed three VC armed with a carbine and an M-1.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Patrol left Bulldog at 1100 and proceeded on patrol route. Upon entering Chau Tu (4) observed three walking down the road. Two were armed with a carbine and an M-1. The point for the patrol fired wounding one, the VC got up and ran into a cane field. Patrol checked the area and found bits of flesh and intestines on the ground. A fire team was sent after the VC, returned with a negative find.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: One VC wounded but escaped.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: Good.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None

/s/ G. I. NELSON

G. I. NELSON, SSGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIFER: None

/s/ G. J. TROUTMAN

G. J. TROUTMAN, GYSGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF DEBRIFER

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ISUM # 118

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 111200H THROUGH 121200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 111525H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 111500H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 633990, RECEIVING ONE ROUND OF CARBINE FIRE FROM VICINITY COORDINATES BS 638993. A PATROL SEARCHED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 111925H, "B" COMPANY OP REPORTED, AT 111805H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 625991, RECEIVING TWO ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE FROM BOATS ON THE RIVER. OP THEN CALLED ALL BOATS IN TO SEARCH THEM. ONE BOAT FAILED TO COMPLY, INSTEAD IT TURNED INTO VINH AN (1) BEFORE IT STOPPED AT THE OP TO BE SEARCHED. OP RETAINED THE BOATMAN FOR QUESTIONING.

AT 112000H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 112105H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 662007, RECEIVING SIX ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE. A SEARCH OF THE AREA RESULTED IN NEGATIVE RESULTS.

4. NEGATIVE.

5. NEGATIVE.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO S-2, "B", "C" AND "D" COMPANIES.

7. MISCELLANEOUS
   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
   b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED.
   c. PATROL REPORT ATTACHED.

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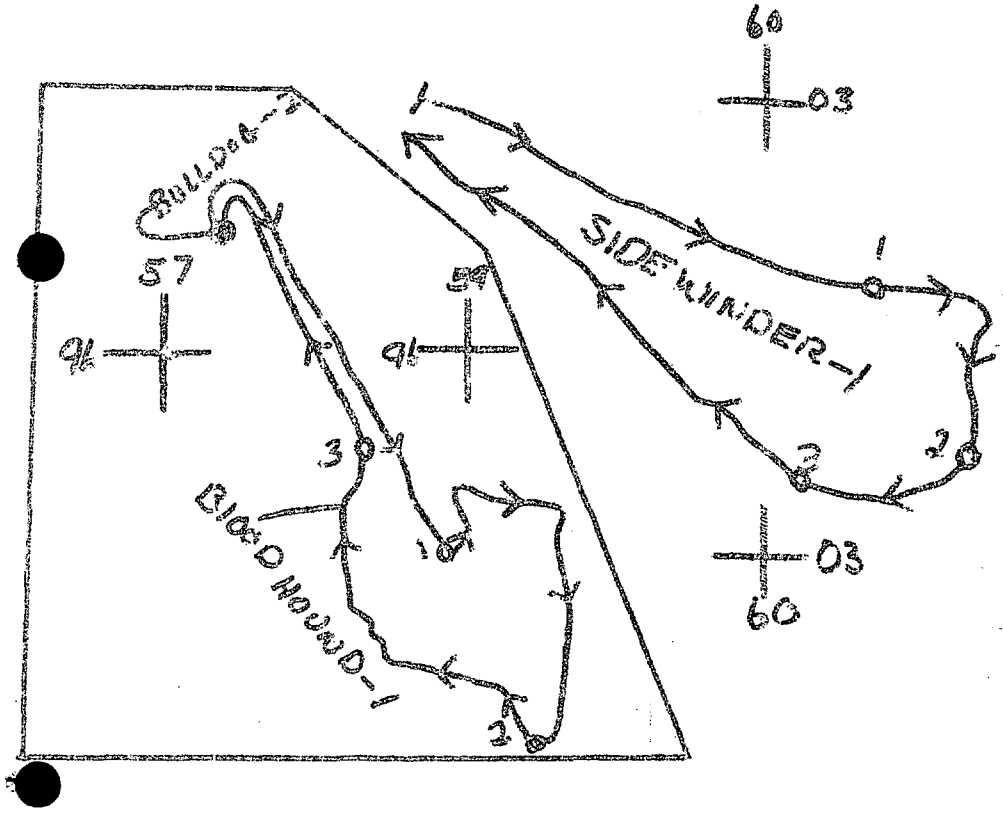

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VIETNAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6752 II & III
M. E. WOOD
L CPL USMC
DEC 9 1965

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CO DCU 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
CO. C	SIDEWINDER - 1	SQD	120600H	121600H	COMBAT/RECON
CO. D	BLOODHOUND-1	PLT(-)	121300H	121700H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULL DOG - 2	PLT(-)	111600H	121600H	SECURITY
NOTE:	BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TOAR.				

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ISUM # 119

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 121200H THROUGH 131200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 121600H, "B" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP EIGHT VCS APPREHENDED AT 111730H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 623989. AFTER RECEIVING TWO ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE THE OP DISPATCHED TROOPS TO TURN ALL BOATS IN THE VICINITY AROUND TO BE SEARCHED BY THE OP. ONE BOAT PRETENDED TO HAVE WIND TROUBLE AND DID NOT TURN AROUND. THIS BOAT MET ANOTHER BOAT AND TWO PERSONS GOT OUT OF THE FIRST INTOTHE SECOND. AT THIS TIME THE OP FIRED TWO ROUNDS OF 50 CAL AT THE BOAT CAUSING IT TO TURN AROUND TO BE SEARCHED. THE SECOND BOAT PROCEEDED TO VINH AN (1) VICINITY COORDINATES BT 617009, COULD NOT BE STOPPED. THE EIGHT VCS WERE ON THE FIRST BOAT. THE VCS WERE FORWARDED TO ITT AT 121630H.

AT 121600H, "B" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP ONE VCS APPREHENDED AT 121000H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 618989. VCS HAD NO ID CARD, TRIED TO USE A POW TAG WITH HIS NAME ON IT AS A SUBSTITUTE. FORWARDED TO ITT AT 121630H.

AT 121600H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED UPON ENTERING DONG LE, PHUOC HOA (4), LE THUY (1) AND PHUOC HOA (5). ALL HAMLETS WERE EMPTY THERE WERE NO VILLAGERS IN THE HAMLETS.

AT 122030H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED AT 121755H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 664985, OBSERVED FOUR VC ENTERING DONG LE (1). PATROL PROCEEDED TO INVESTIGATE THE VC FLED. THE VC WERE DRESSED IN BLACK AND ONE HAD A PACK. THE VC FIRED AR AND CARBINES AT PATROL. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WOUNDING ONE. THE WOUNDED VC WAS EVACUATED DIRECTLY TO "B" MED AT 122030H.

AT 122130H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED AT 122125H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 627992 RECEIVING THREE ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE. LOCATION OF VC UNKNOWN.

AT 130900H, "C" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED AT 121750H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 594997 OBSERVING TWO PERSONS FLEEING FROM THE HAMLET OF TRUNG AN (1) TOWARDS VINH AN. THE VILLAGERS STATED THERE WERE FIVE VC TWO ARMED WITH CARBINES. THE PATROL HAD NO CONTACT. PATROL FOUND PROPAGANDA SHEETS.

4. NO DEAD. ONE WOUNDED (CAPTURED)

5. NINE VCS. PROPAGANDA SHEETS ATTACHED.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO S-2, "B", "C" AND "D" COMPANIES.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED

D. D. BROOKS
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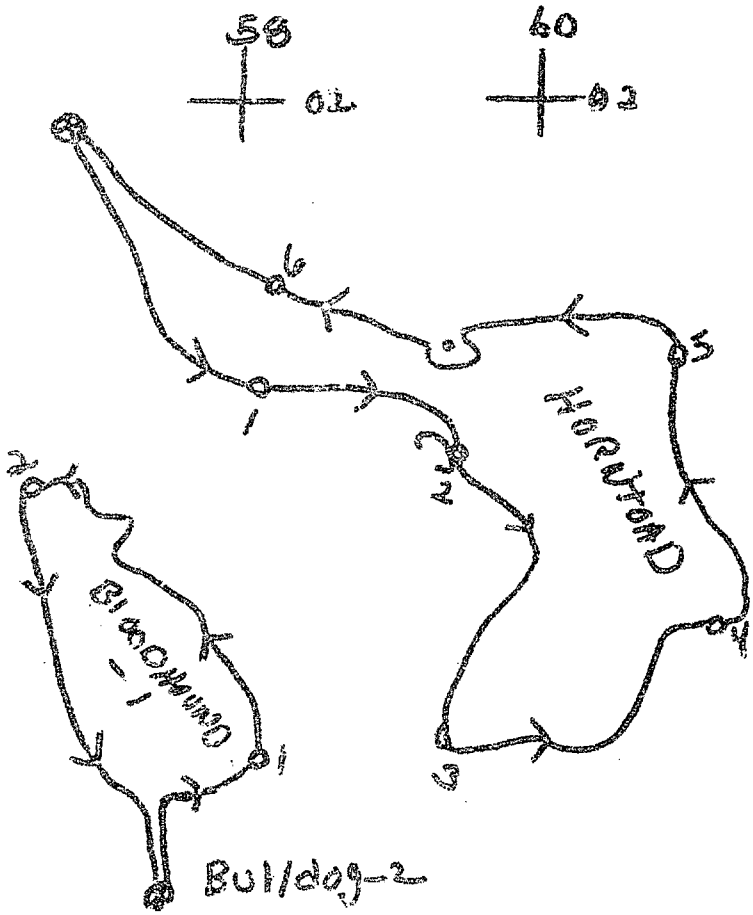

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G.D 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. C.	HARM TOAD	SQD(+)	121800H	131600H	COMBAT / AMBUSH
Co. D.	BLOODHOUND-1	SQD	130930H	131330H	RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	121600H	131600H	SECURITY

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Delta - 1

MAPS: Tri Binh 6757 III 1:50,000

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: Squad (reinforced)

2. MISSION: Recon

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 131400H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 131600H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: None

7. OTHER INFORMATION: None

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: The area covered seems fairly well pacified but should be patrolled.

/s/ R. A. LATONA

R. A. LATONA, SGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None.

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ISUM # 120

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 131200H THROUGH 141200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 132200H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED AT 132115H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 629990 OBSERVING ONE PERSON RUNNING WHEN A FLARE WENT OFF VICINITY COORDINATES BS 630990. FIRED FOUR ROUNDS AT THE VC. RESULTS OF FIRE UNKNOWN.

4. NEGATIVE

5. NEGATIVE

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B" AND "D" COMPANIES. TWO INTERPRETERS TAD TO REGIMENT.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
   b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED.

D. D. BROOKS
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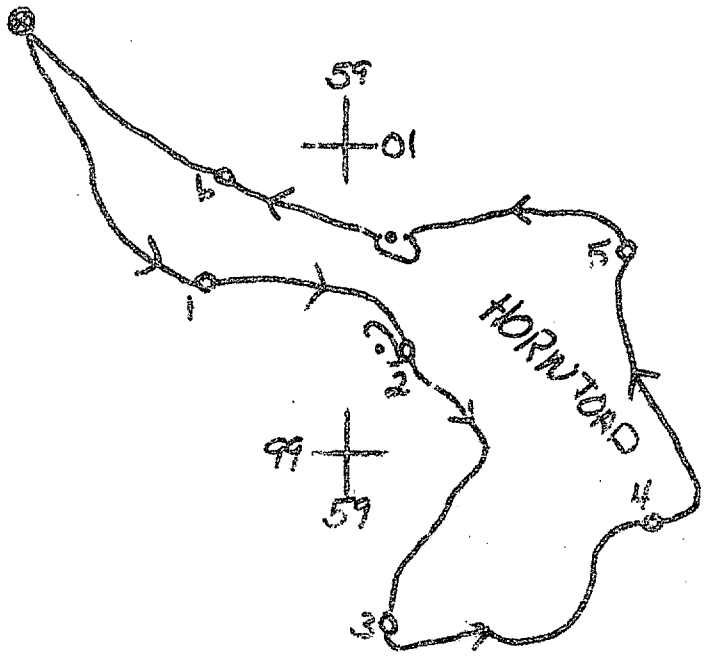

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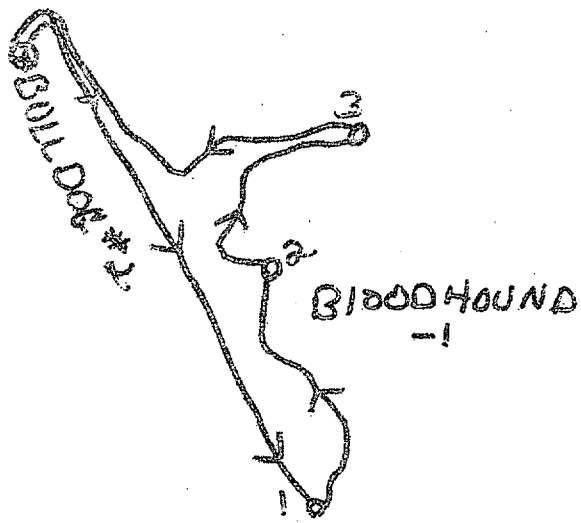

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co.C.	HORNTOAD	SQD(+)	131600 H	140800 H	COMBAT/AMBUSH
Co.D	BLOODHOUND-1	PLT(-)	141100 H	141500 H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	131600 H	141600 H	SECURITY
NOTE:	BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TAOR.				

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bravo - 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheet 6757I

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 15 men

2. MISSION: Combat/Recon

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 140630 December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 141400H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3.

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. Apprehended two suspects at THUONG HOA (1). After sighting patrol suspects ran toward a boat giving an indication of trying to escape. Coordinates BS 628973.
   Captured another suspect after finding numerous .45 cal. cartridges (expended) on person, plus M-1 cartridge also expended. Coordinates BS 635966.
   Sniped at from coordinates 634964. Estimated three carbines, one automatic (probably grease gun). Flanked enemy and chased them for approximately 600 meters. Wounded one but was unable to find body. Found blood spots coordinates 638957.

   b. On high ground brush is very thick many rocks and boulders more or less channelizes a patrol to the trails. Trails all flanked by high ground. There are outstanding positions for ambushes. The rice paddies are filled ankle deep with water.
   THUONG HOA (5)(4) are much larger villages than map indicates. They extend from coordinates 625984 along base of hill to trail junction at coordinates 632980.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Huts in village at coordinates 638964 contained excessive amounts of rice. Patrol had no means to destroy same.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: Wounded one sniper, could not recover body.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Condition good. Morale high.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Recommend next patrol in 638964 area. Take some type of equipment to destroy rice.

/s/ RICHARD E. WILBER

RICHARD E. WILBER, SGT, B-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None used.

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound # 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheet 6757 III

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: Platoon (-)

2. MISSION: Combat/Recon

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 141100H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 141410H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3.

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: None

7. OTHER INFORMATION: People seemed relatively friendly in midst of cane harvest.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Even though there was no contact there is a definite need for these patrols to prevent VC buildups.

/s/ M.R. YOUNGQUIST

M.R. YOUNGQUIST, 1stLt. D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

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ISUM # 121

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 141200H THROUGH 151200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 141420H, "B" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP ONE VCS, APPREHENDED AT 140945H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 621018. VCS WAS HIDING IN A HOUSE AND IS OF MILITARY AGE. FORWARDED TO ITT AT 141630H.

AT 142000H, "C" COMPANY REPORTED AT 141845H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 579003, OBSERVED FOUR VC VICINITY COORDINATES BT 599001. THE VC WERE MOVING EAST DRESSED IN KHAKI AND TWO WERE ARMED WITH CARBINES, FIRED TEN M-14 ROUNDS AT THE VC, RESULTS OF FIRE UNKNOWN.

AT 150910H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED OBSERVING 500 VIETNAMESE VICINITY COORDINATES BS 664971 MOVING NORTH. PATROL OBSERVING AND REQUESTED AO WHICH WAS APPROVED.

AT 151010H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 671965 AND 667979 OBSERVING ESTIMATED 250 OLD MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN VICINITY COORDINATES BS 654966. THEY WERE MOVING NORTH ON CART TRAIL, TURNED EAST AT TRAIL JUNCTION. AO DID NOT OBSERVE ANY WEAPONS.

AT 151015H, AO REPORTED OBSERVING PEOPLE IN TRENCH AT BS 674985. CALLED AIRSTRIKE. RESULTS OF STRIKE UNKNOWN. THERE WERE NO SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

4. NEGATIVE

5. ONE VCS

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B" AND "D" COMPANIES. TWO TAD TO REGIMENT.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED.

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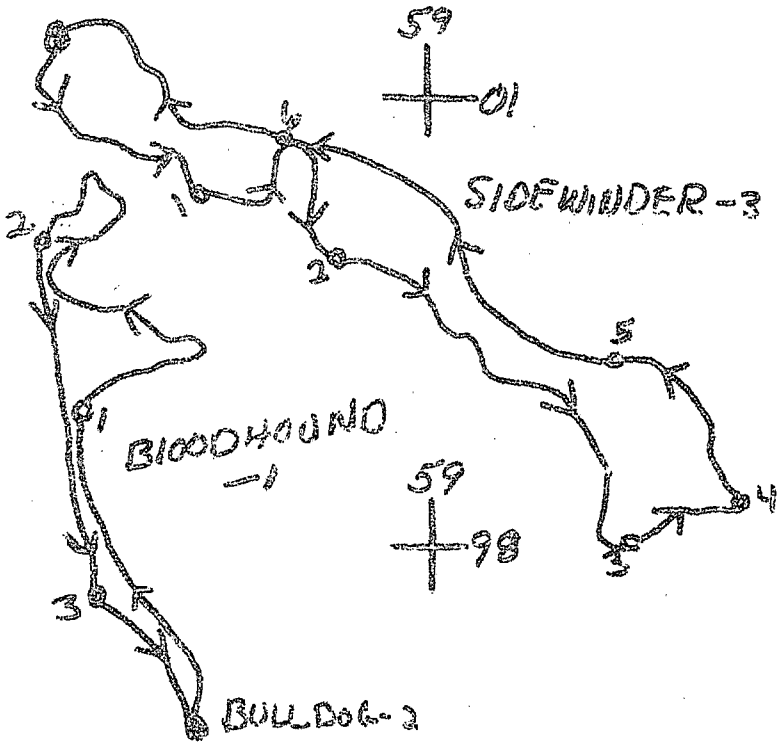

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PATROL OVERLAY FOR
15 DEC 65
141600 - 151600
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Co.D(1) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co.C	SIDEWINDER-1	SQD(+)	141750H	151600H	COMBAT/SECURITY
Co.D.	BLOODHOUND-1	PLT(-)	150930H	151330H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	141600H	151600H	SECURITY

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bravo - 2

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6757 II, 6756 I

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 11 men

2. MISSION: Combat/Recon

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 150630H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 151345H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3.

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. While following patrol route we stopped to check out village of THUONG HOA (2) at coordinates 633972. When we got half way through the town we saw seven men running out of the village. We followed them but by the time we got to the end of the village there was no one in sight. We went on to check a house sitting off by itself and found the men working in the rear of it. We tied their hands and continued the mission. We stopped at coordinates 656794 when we saw a column of people at coordinates 660979. At that time we were to far to see what the column men or women. A fire team went to check on this. At that time we found out it was about 200 to 250 women, children and old men going to the market. At 151030H Bravo called and said helos had spotted VC in trench at coordinates 675987. An air strike was called from there. Results unknown.

b. None

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Found excess rice in a house in the village of THUONG HOA (2) at coordinates 633972. We emptied the rice into the rice paddies.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: See article # 6.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: No casualties. Morale good.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Recommend that the area around grid squares 6297, 6397, 6497 and 6597 be patrolled.

/s/ JAMES K. WYSINGER

JAMES K. WYSINGER, CPL, B-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None used.

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound - 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheet 6757 III

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: Platoon (-)
2. MISSION: Combat/Recon
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 151002H December 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 151250H December 1965
5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3.
6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: None
7. OTHER INFORMATION: None
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No enemy encountered.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Keep patrolling area. This keeps the VC from building up.

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None used.

/s/ JOHN H. SHEEHAN

JOHN H. SHEEHAN, SSGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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ISUM # 122

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 151200H THROUGH 161200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 160900H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 160720H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 634962, RECEIVING APPROXIMATELY 25 ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE FROM SIX VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 638962. THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE, THE FO CALLED ARTILLARY ON THE AREA. RESULTS OF ACTION TAKEN UNKNOWN. ONE MARINE WAS SLIGHTLY WOUNDED.

   AT 161130H, "B" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP FIVE VCS. ONE APPREHENDED AT 150700H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 624005, HIDING IN A CAVE FULL OF WATER. TWO APPREHENDED AT 151030H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 647975, BOTH WERE YELLING AT THE PEOPLE TO REFUSE TO SHOW THEIR IDENTIFICATION TO THE MARINES. THE LAST TWO APPREHENDED AT 151400H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 619009 FOR BEING OF MILITARY AGE. WILL FORWARD TO ITT ON FIRST AVAILABLE TRANSPORTATION.

4. NEGATIVE.

5. FIVE VCS. BOOTH - 2 PROCESSED AND RELEASED FOUR CIVILIANS.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B" AND "D" COMPANIES. TWO INTERPRETERS TAD TO REGT.

7. MISCELLANEOUS
   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
   b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED
   c. SID REPORT ATTACHED.

D. D. BROOKS
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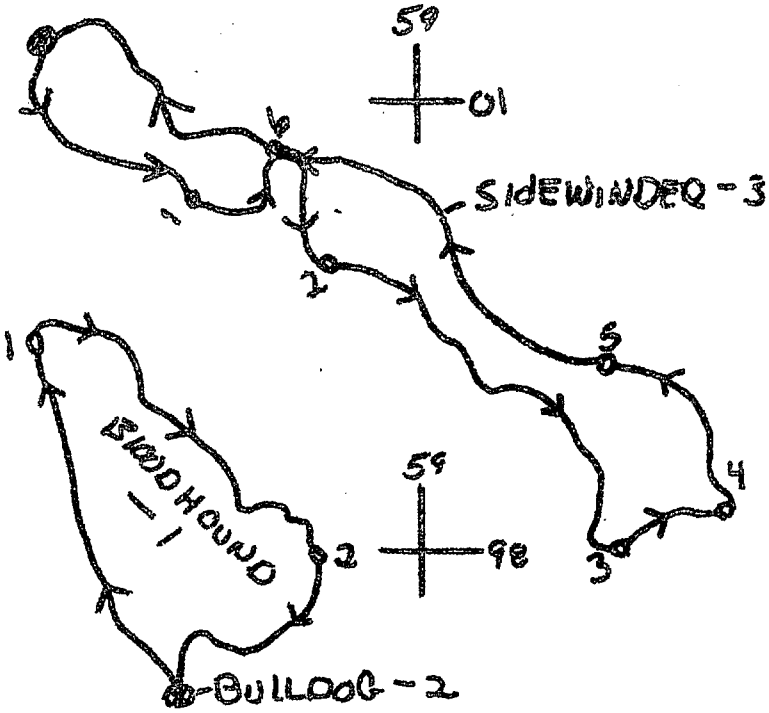

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VIETNAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6757 II & III
M E. WOOD
L CPL USMC
13 DEC 65

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CO. A.(1) 587025
CO. C.(1) 569015
CO D.(1) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. C	SIDEWINDER-3	SQD(+)	151600H	160800H	COMBAT/SECURITY
Co D	BLOODHOUND-1	SQD	161330H	161530H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	151600	16:600H	SECURITY

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound - 1
MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6757 II, III, IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL:: Squad reinforced
2. mission; Combat/Recon
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 161330H December 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 161530H December 1965
5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3.
6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: None
7. OTHER INFORMATION: None
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No enemy encountered.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: No casualties.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None

/s/ RONALD D. PETERSON

RONALD D. PETERSON, SGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None used.

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1. BOOTH - 2

2. 161200H THROUGH 171200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. NEGATIVE

4. NEGATIVE

5. NEGATIVE

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B" AND "D" COMPANIES. TWO INTERPRETERS TAD TO REGIMENT.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
   b. PATROL REPORTS ATTACHED.
   c. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED.

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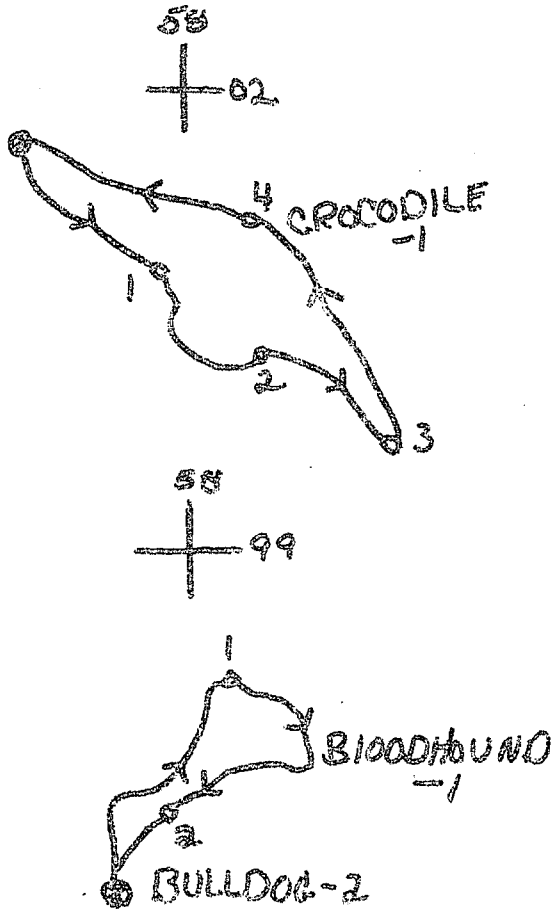

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14 DEC 65

LISTENING POSTS
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Co. C (U) 569.015
Co. D (U) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co C.	CROCODILE-1	SQD	161800H	170800H	COMBAT/SECURITY
Co D.	BLOODHOUND-1	SQD	171630H	171800H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	DIT(-)	161600H	171600H	SECURITY

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bravo - 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6757 II

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 14 men

2. MISSION: Search and clear villages

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 171100H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 171700H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. At 1540 coordinates BS 635970 observed three enemy walking across a ford in a northerly direction. When told to halt they ran.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Killed one of the three enemy (6.a.) who were running away on ford. The man killed was carrying a satchel of papers. The satchel with papers was turned to the company CP for forwarding to S-2. Two of the enemy were dressed in black and the one killed was wearing khaki. One of the three enemy was a women.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: One killed. Two escaped.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: No dasualties. Morale good.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Send a platoon in same area with one squad on high ground and two squads searching villages.

/s/ DONALD J. BRUUSSARD

DONALD. J. BRUUSSARD, SGT, B-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: Documents captured appear to be of intelligence value, are definite VC records and messages and will be forwarded with this report.

/s/ JAMES R. HERD

JAMES R. HERD, 1stLt, B-1-7- USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF DEBRIEFER

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1. BOOTH - 2

2. 171200H THROUGH 181200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 181000H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, VICINITY COORDINATES BS 643973, ONE VC RAN FROM THE PATROL AND ENTERED A CAVE, THE PATROL THREW A WP GRENADE INTO THE CAVE POSSIBLY KILLING THE VC.

AT 181000H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, VICINITY COORDINATES BS 648975, FINDING A ARVN DOG TAG AND WEBB BELT. MATERIAL DELIVERED TO THIS CP AT 181130H.

AT 181000H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, VICINITY COORDINATES BS 635970, OBSERVING THREE VIETNAMESE DRESSED IN KHAKI UNIFORMS. UPON OBSERVING THE PATROL THEY FLED, THE PATROL CHALLENGED AND FIRED TWO WARNING SHOTS TO NO AVAIL. THEN FIRED KILLING ONE, A SEARCH OF THE BODY DISCLOSED MANY DOCUMENTS THAT HAD NAMES AND JOBS OF THE VC IN THE AREA. ALSO A LIST OF DEAD VC FROM THAT AREA. THE DEAD VC WAS TURNED OVER TO THE VILLAGERS OF TAN HY (2). THE DOCUMENTS WERE DELIVERED TO THIS CP AT 181130H. THE DEAD VC'S NAME WAS NGUYEN VAN THONG, AGE 32 FROM BINH GIANG (V), BINH SON (D), QUANG NGAI (P).

AT 181000H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED, VICINITY COORDINATES BS 624 996, RECEIVING ONE ROUND OF CARBINE FIRE. COMPANY ALERTED THE LINE, COULD NOT OBSERVE THE VC.

AT 191000H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 180800H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 635070, RECEIVING APPROXIMATELY 50 ROUNDS OF FIRE FROM 6-12 VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 628972. RETURNED FIRE WITH M-60 AND M-14 FIRE. SEARCHED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL HAD ONE MARINE WOUNDED.

4. ONE DEAD (POSSIBLY ONE DEAD) NO WOUNDED.

5. DOCUMENT # 1
STATES THE NAMES, AGES, OCCUPATION, VC TRAINING PHASE AND JOB IN THE VC. ALSO ACTIVITY IN THE THUONG HOA AREA. THE LIST HAD 26 NAMES.

DOCUMENT #2
LISTS THE NAMES OF THE PEOPLE SUPPORTING THE VC WITH FOODS, INFORMATION, ETC. GIVING 101 NAMES. IT ALSO LISTS THE NAMES AND OCCUPATIONS.

DOCUMENT #3
CONTAINS THE ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION OF THE VC IN THE VILLAGES AND DISTRICT. NAMES AND TOTALS OF VC DEAD IN THE MONTH OF JULY 1965. VC SIGNALS, STAMPS AND PLANS FOR INCORPORATING THE PEOPLE.

DOCUMENT #4
IS A DIARY OF THE VC MEETINGS IN THE BINH DONG AREA, LEGAL STATUS PAPER THAT HAVE TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE VC BEFORE JOINING AND A LIST OF CIVILIANS WHO REFUSE TO JOIN OR WORK FOR THE VC.

DOCUMENT #5
LISTS THE VC'S SUCCESSFUL ACTIVITIES AND THEIR REASONS WHY.

DOCUMENT #6
IS A VC PASSPORT OR SAFETY PASS (WHY, WHO, WHEN) WITH VC STAMP, ALSO INVITATIONS TO MEETINGS, ALSO WITH VC STAMP.

DOCUMENT #7
CONTAINS A CHART OF THE VC BREAK DOWN IN THUONG HOA (2) GIVING THE BREAK DOWN OF CIVILIAN AGE GROUPS, CIVILIAN AND VC CAPTURED AND DEAD. BREAKDOWN OF VC ESTIMATE ON AMERICAN ACTIVITIES THEY HAVE INFLICTED, AMOUNTS OF AMMO AND TYPES OF WEAPONS USED AGAINST US. ALSO VC POLITICAL LESSONS TAUGHT TO THE PEOPLE.

DOCUMENT #8
IS A TAX COLLECTORS REPORT BOOK GIVING NAMES OF PEOPLE TO BE TAXED AND REPORTS ON TAXES COLLECTED.

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DOCUMENT #9
DEAD VC'S ID CARD, LETTERS AND NOTEBOOK

DOCUMENT #10
VC SONG BOOK.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "B" AND "D" COMPANIES. TWO TAD TO REGIMENT.

7. MISCELLANEOUS
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   b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED

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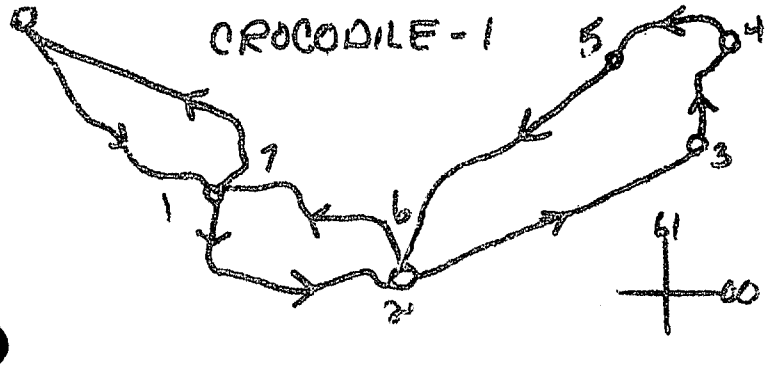

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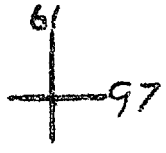

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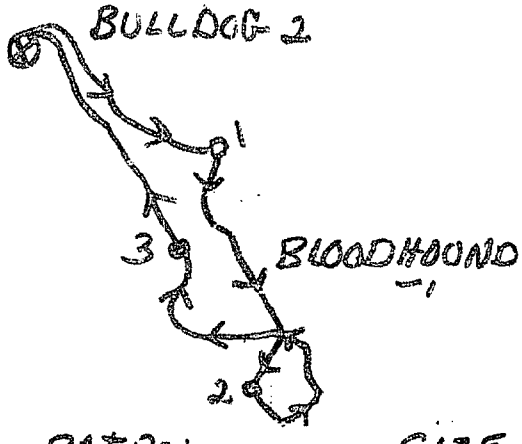

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
C.C.C	CROCODILE-1	SQD(+)	171630H	181600H	SECURITY/COMBAT
CO. D	BLOODHOUND-1	PLT(-)	180630H	181030H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	171600H	181600H	SECURITY
NOTE	BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TAOR				

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound - 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6757 I, II, III, IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: Squad reinforced
2. MISSION: Combat/Recon
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 171630H December 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 171815H December 1965
5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3
6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: None
7. OTHER INFORMATION: None
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No enemy encountered
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: No casualties
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None

/s/ RUSSELL A. LATONA

RUSSELL A. LATONA, SGT. D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None used

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound - 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6757 II, III, IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 2 squads reinforced
2. MISSION: Combat/ Recon
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 180713H December 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 181005H December 1965
5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3
6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: None
7. OTHER INFORMATION: None
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No enemy encountered
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: No casualties.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Bloodhound - 1 not to be to early when going south as PF'S do not open bridge until first light.

/s/ JOHN F. SHEEHAN

JOHN F. SHEEHAN, SSGT, D-1-7- USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None used

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Viper

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 6756 I & III

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 46 men

2. MISSION: Search and clear villages between 630963 and 660963.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 180700H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 181500H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3.

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

TIME	COORDINATES	OBSERVATION
0800	963635	Hit by sniper fire while crossing causeway. Approximately 20 snipers ambushed the patrol but our route was covered by machineguns and wer were able to get one squad across the dike to the high ground. The second time we began to move across we were hit again from the front and the rear. One marine was WIA.
0900	963635	Discovered two russian land mines along dike while awaiting helo evac for wounded marine. Destroyed booby traps with C-4.
1200	630963 660963	Villages all possess an unusually large amount of rice in cement containers. Most huts have 5-6 large vats of rice weighing over 500 lbs per house.
Observation		Destroyed the greatest percentage of rice and captured a VC tax collectors records of rice taxations.
1400		Returned via dike and destroyed a spider hole, many panji pits, and a fence which chanellized the causeway with C-4. A total of 25 caves blown with 300 lbs of C-4.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: No males seen in any villages although there was evidence that some had been there recently.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS: One marine wounded inright leg. Unknown damage to VC since we never say any of the VC who fired at us.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: One wounded marine. Patrol wet and cold from continous storm.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: That a large operation, including a blocking force be used to destroy the VC in the PHU LONG village complex.
That extreem care be used when crossing the causeway at coordinates 633965, and that a concentration of artillery be plotted as a contingency against future VC ambushes at that crossing.

/s/ D. T. HARVEY

D.T. HARVEY, 1stLt, B-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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ISUM # 125

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 181200H THROUGH 191200H DECEMBER 1965.

3. a. AT 181220H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 181130H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 635965, RECEIVING APPROXIMATELY 100 ROUNDS OF FIRE FROM 20 VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 614974. CALLED ARTILLARY TO GAIN FIRE SUPERIORTY. VC BROKE CONTACT. THE VC WERE ARMED WITH CARBINES AND ONE HAD A BAR.

AT 182130H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 180800H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 635967, FINDING TWO MINES WITH A WIRE LEADING AWAY FROM ONE INTO THE HAMLET LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 637967. BOTH MINES WERE DESTROYED.

AT 182135H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 180800H VICINITY GRID SQUARES 6396 AND 6496 FOUND 25 CAVES. PATROL DESTROYED ALL OF THEM. NONE OF THE CAVES WERE LARGE.

AT 182140H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 180800H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 670970, THE HAMLET COMPLEX OF PHU LONG CONTAINS A LARGE QUANTITY OF RICE. BELIEVED TO BE VC CACHE, IMPOSSIBLE TO RECOVER WILL DESTROY.

AT 191030H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 190945H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 633970, RECEIVING APPROXIMATELY 40 ROUNDS OF FIRE FROM 10 VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 639961. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH M-14 AND M-60 FIRE AND CALLED AN ARTILLARY FIRE MISSION ON THE AREA. THE VC BROKE CONTACT, SEARCHED THE AREA WITH A NEGATIVE FIND.

4. NEGATIVE.

5. NEGATIVE.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO S-2, "B", "C" AND "D" COMPANIES.

7. MISCELLANEOUS
   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
   b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED
   c. CAPTURED PERSONNEL REPORT ATTACHED

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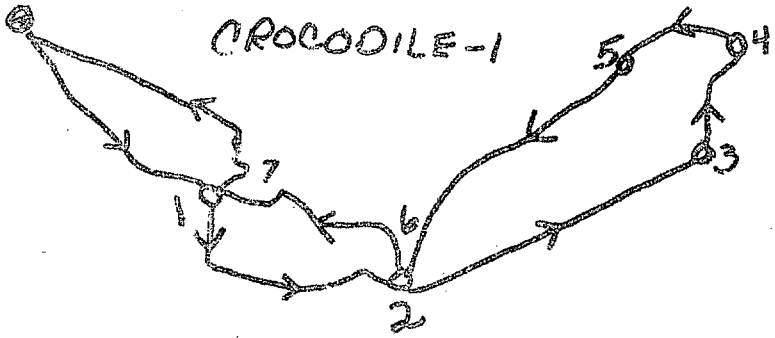

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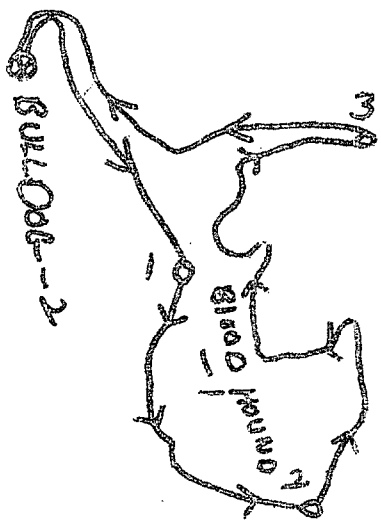

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
CO C	CROCODILE-1	SQD(4)	181600H	190800H	SECURITY/COMBAT
CO C	BLOODHOUND-1	PLT(-)	191330H	191600H	COMBAT / RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	181600H	191600H	SECURITY
NOTE:	BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TAOR.				

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Viper (Bravo 1-7)

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6757 I, III

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 45 men

2. MISSION: Search and clear THUONG HOA (1), (2), (5) and HOA TAY as well as village at 646968, to find and destroy excessive rice stores and pick up people for questioning.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 190700H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 191400H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. At 190800H coordinates 625983 3rd squad 2nd platoon destroyed 700-1000 pounds of rice. Apprehended four men for questioning who later told S-2 and interpreter the names of three VC guerrillas.

b. At 190815H coordinates 633971 2nd squad apprehended a man who yelled warning to a boy in THUONG HOA (1) which caused him to run away as Marines entered THUONG HOA (1). Interpreter and S-2 kept this suspect for further interrogation.

c. At 190830H coordinates 633971 2nd squad requested an artillery fire mission on the south side of the dike at 633967 to prevent ambush. Fire mission denied, and patrol was ambushed as it crossed the dike from high ground at 633967.

d. At 190930H coordinates 646968 2nd squad destroyed rice in village. Rice known to belong to VC by records found on dead VC 17 December 1965. One man picked up for questioning, later released by S-2.

e. At 190930H coordinates 646973 1st squad destroyed rice in HOA TAY and discovered many panji traps of body size with panji stakes in the bottom. All traps were well camouflaged.

f. At 191200H coordinates 646973 1st squad found a wounded boy about 17 years old in one building. He was bandaged and refused to let the corpsman examine his wound initially. Corpsman forced an examination and discovered a fresh bullet wound in the boys arm which broke the bone. Boy had lost a lot of blood so was hel evacuated and marked as VCS.

g. At 191200H coordinates 627971 3rd squad evacuated a small Vietnamese boy with a broken leg at the same time first squad evacuated the VCS. 3rd squad also blew 10 caves in THUONG HOA (1), but were unable to blow all the caves discovered due to a lack of C-4.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: All three squads blew a number of caves utilizing 300 pounds of C-4 during the days patrol. The S-2 and interpreter were able to extract about five names of VC in the area. Approximately 15 caves were destroyed.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: As a result of artilerys refusal to fire a preparation mission on the high ground at 633967, the second squad was ambushed in the same place that patrols have been ambushed in four out of five of the last five days. The squad quickly gained fire superiority, called in artillery and proceeded on with their mission. Casualties to the VC are unknown.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Cold and wet from continous rain. No casualties.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: That artillery let the FO (who was with the patrol, and who ordered the fire mission on 633967) evaluate the target and give support when it is requested.
That the remainder of the caves in THUONG HOA (1), THUONG HOA (2) and HOA TAY be destroyed with C-4.
That a good plan be devised to attack the VC in the high ground at 633967 without walking across the dike.

/s/ D. T. HARVEY

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[redacted] PATROL REPORT [redacted]

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound #[illegible]

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheet 6757 II III and IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 32 Men

2. MISSION: Combat/Recon

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 191330H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 191630H December 1965

5. ROUTE: Refer to overlay

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

TIME	COORDINATES	OBSERVATION
1515	BS 583938	Three VC with weapons running through cane fields.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Patrol left Bulldog at approximately 1330 and proceeded on patrol route. Patrol proceeded through Chau Tu (4) and (6) upon leaving Chau Tu (6) that came to a fork in the road. As they started down right hand fork a booby trap exploded wounding five of the patrol. Trap was believed to have been a 60MM mortar buried in the bank on the right. As to how it was detonated is not slear. Patrol set up a primeter defence. A patrol from 3/7 qas observed approximately 100 yards away, upon hearing the explosion they came over to assist. Patrol then had trouble with their radio at this time. The 3/7 patrol called for a med evac and a helo arrived in 15 min. At this time three VC were observed entering the cane field at BS 583938. Patrol opened fire, results of action taken unknown. Patrol then returned to Bulldog.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: Five Marines wounded by trap.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: All wounded evacuated to "B" Med.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: A sweep of the area to clear booby traps should be made. This is the 2nd time green paper has been found by this patrol to mark booby traps.

/s/ RONALD D. PATERSEN

RONALD D. PATERSEN, SGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: This patrol was unaware that a patrol from 3/7 was in the area and should have been informed prior to departure. Although they were of assistance after the incident, they could have been mistaken for VC.

/s/ G. J. TROUTMAN

G. J. TROUTMAN, GYSGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF DEBRIEFER

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1. BOOTH - 2

2. 191200H THROUGH 201200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 191725H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 191500H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 583938, ACTIVATING A BOOBY TRAP. THE BOOBY TRAP CONSISTED OF A GRENADE ATTACHED TO AN 81mm MORTAR ROUND. ONE MARINE WAS KILLED AND FOUR WOUNDED.

   AT 191810H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED DESTROYING LARGE CACHES OF RICE AT THUONG HOA (1), (2), (3), (4) AND (5). ALSO DESTROYED A LARGE CAVE AT PHU LONG (4) VICINITY COORDINATES BS 638958.

4. NEGATIVE

5. NEGATIVE

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO S-2, "B" AND "D" COMPANIES, ONE TAD TO REGIMENT.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
   b. PATROL REPORTS ATTACHED
   c. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED.

D. D. BROOKS
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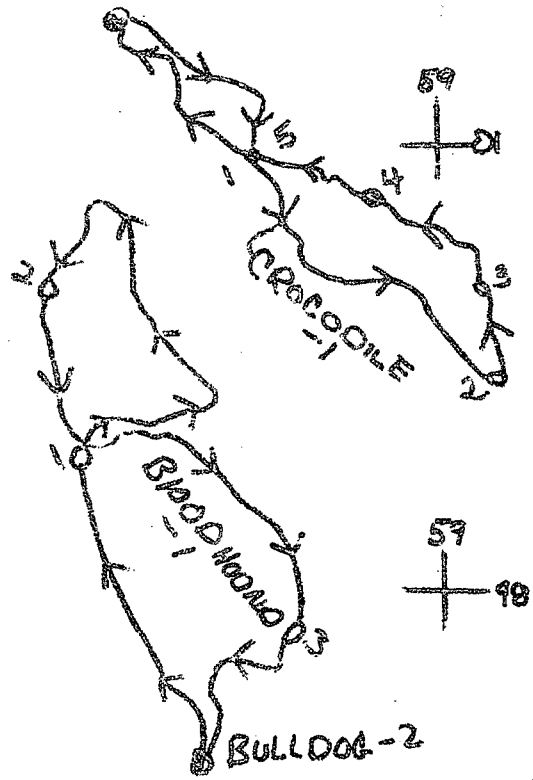

1ST BN 7th MAR
PATROL OVERLAY FOR
20 DEC 65
191600 201600
VIETNAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6757 I & II
M.C. WOOD
SGT USMC
DEC 17 1965

LISTENING POSTS
Co. A (1) 587025
Co. C (1) 569015
Co. D (1) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. C	CROCODILE -1	SQD	191730H	200800H	COMBAT/SECURITY
Co. D	BLOODHOUND-1	PLT(-)	201230H	201530H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	191600H	201600H	SECURITY

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ISUM #127

~~PATROL REPORT~~

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 201200H THROUGH 211200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 201405H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 200915H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 621010, RECEIVING FIRE FROM 6-10 VC LOCATED COORDINATES BT 621000. THE VC WERE ARMED WITH CARBINE, M-1s AND TWO HAD AR's. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. A SEARCH OF THE AREA DISCLOSED EMPTY CARBINE AND M-1 CASINGS. PATROL HAD THREE WOUNDED.

AT 201700H, "B" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP ONE VCS APPREHENDED AT 191130H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 618011. VCS STATED HE WAS A PF BUT COULD NOT PRODUCE ANY IDENTIFICATION. FORWARDED TO ITT AT 201745H.

AT 201705H, "B" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP ONE VCS APPREHENDED AT 201300H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 665979. THE VCS WAS OBSERVED LEADING APPROXIMATELY 150 PEOPLE FROM THE AREA OF WHERE A COMBAT PATROL WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE. FORWARDED TO ITT AT 201745H.

AT 202130H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 201200H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 673967 RECEIVING APPROXIMATELY 100 ROUNDS OF FIRE FROM 16 VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 677958. THE VC WERE ARMED WITH CARBINES AND ARs, AND WERE IN DUG IN POSITIONS WITH AN ESCAPE TRENCH. PATROL RETURNED FIRE, THE VC BROKE CONTACT AND WITHDREW TO PHU LONG (1). RESULTS OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE PATROL UNKNOWN. PATROL HAD THREE MARINES WOUNDED AND TREATED ON THE SPOT.

AT 210500H, H&S COMPANY OP REPORTED AT 210445H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 564043, HEARING NOISES IN BUSHES AT BT 562042. OP FIRED A HAND ILLUMINATION AND OBSERVED A MAN RUNNING FROM THE BUSHES. THE OP FIRED SEVEN M-14 ROUNDS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

4. NEGATIVE

5. TWO VCS

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO S-2, "B" AND "D" COMPANIES. ONE TAD TO REGIMENT.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED
c. PATROL REPORTS ATTACHED.

D. D. BROOKS
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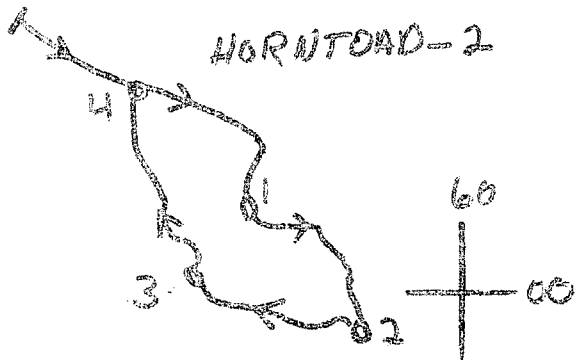

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PATROL OVERLAY FOR
21 DEC 65
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VIETNAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6757 III
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DEC 18, 1965

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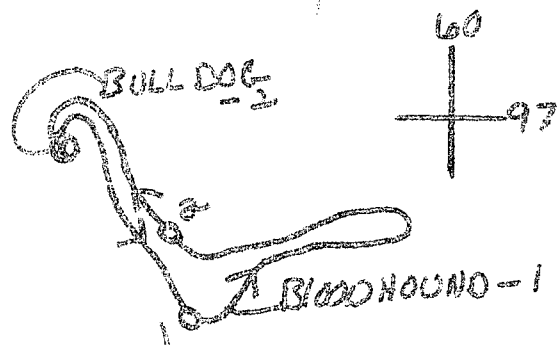
CO.C (1) 569015
CO.D (1) 555013



UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co.C	HORNTOAD-2	SQD	201730H	210800H	SECURITY/COMBAT
Co.D	BLOODHOUND-1	SQD	211000H	211130H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	201600H	211600H	SECURITY
NOTE:	BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TAORs				

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION O F PATROL: Bloodhound #1

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheet 6757 II, III and IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 16 Men

2. MISSION: Combat/Recon

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 211000H Dec65

4. TIME OF RETURN: 211120H Dec65

5. ROUTE: Refer to overlay

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: None

7. OTHER INFROMATION: None

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Recommend that patrol from Bulldog use differant radio freq than Battalion because patrols could not get contact. There is to much traffic on the Battalion net.

/s/ THOMAS B. FAZZIO

THOMAS B. FAZZIO, SGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound 1

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheets 6757 III

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 40 Men

2. MISSION: Combat/Recon

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 201230H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 201500H December 1965

5. ROUTE: Refer to overlay

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: None

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Found two pieces of paper at approximately Grid Square 574989 on a closed building. All writting is in Vietnamese.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: Morale very high.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Recommend that other patrols in this general area be made with reinforced squad (approximately 15-20 men) with OP #10 in this area they can see any enemy movement within the area. This would keep a smaller unit from being ambushed.

/s/ LON C. FAIRCHILD

LON C. FAIRCHILD, SSGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

/s/ G. J. TROUTMAN

G. J. TROUTMAN, GYSGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF DEBRIEFER

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ISUM # 128

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 211200H THROUGH 221200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 212130H, "D" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 212115H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 553016, HEARING AN EXPLOSION ON THEIR RIGHT FLANK. ILLUMINATION WAS FIRED WITH NEGATIVE OBSERVATION. AT 220845H THE COMPANY COMMANDER REPORTED IT WAS A M-26 GRENADE THAT WAS SET BY 3/7, DETONATED BY PERSON OR PERSONS UNKNOWN.

AT 220930H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 220200H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 626989, RECEIVING TWO ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE FROM UNKNOWN LOCATION. ILLUMINATION FIRED WITH NEGATIVE OBSERVATION. DID NOT RETURN FIRE.

AT 220930H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 220400H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 618985, RECEIVING ONE ROUND OF CARBINE FIRE FROM UNKNOWN LOCATION. ILLUMINATION FIRED WITH NEGATIVE OBSERVATION. DID NOT RETURN FIRE.

AT 220930H, "B" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP THREE VCS. ONE APPREHENDED AT 201200H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 637972 IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF WHERE A PATROL WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE. ONE AT 211000H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 629950. THE LAST A WOMAN AT 211300H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 618985 IT WAS FROM HER HOUSE A PATROL RECEIVED FIRE FROM. WILL BE FORWARDED ON FIRST AVAILABLE TRANSPORTATION.

4. NEGATIVE

5. THREE VCS

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO S-2, "A" AND "B" COMPANIES. ONE ON LEAVE TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED
c. PATROL REPORTS ATTACHED

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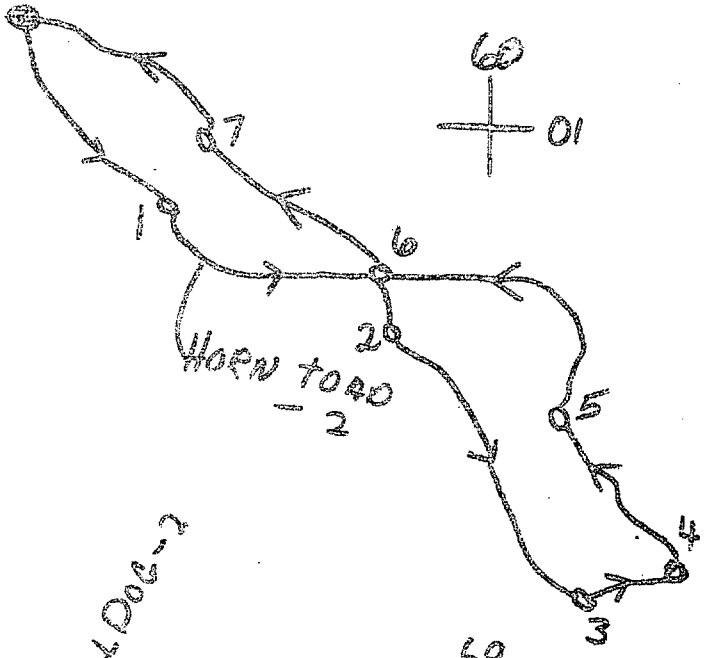

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VIETNAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6757 II & III
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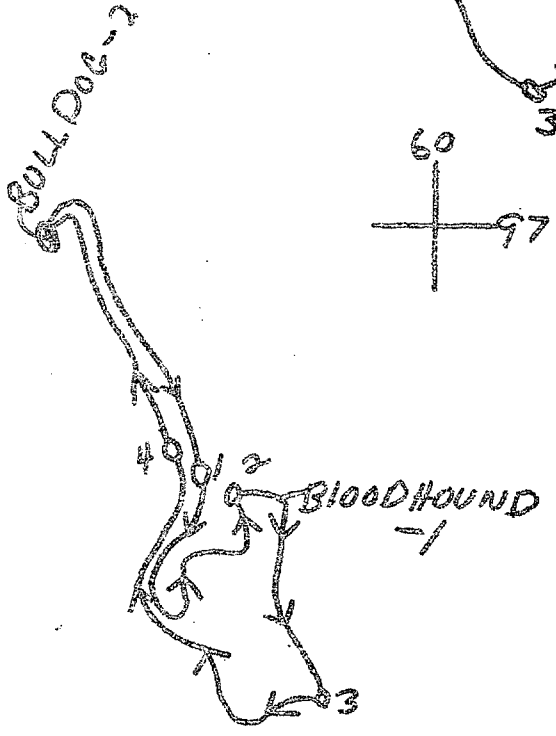
L CpL USMC.
19 DEC 65



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CO A(1) 587025
CO C(1) 569015
CO D(1) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co.C	HORNTOAD-2	SQD(+)	210900H	220800H	COMBAT/SECURITY
Co.D	BLOODHOUND-1	PIT(-)	220930H	221300H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PIT(-)	211600H	221600H	SECURITY
NOTE.	BLOOD HOUND-1 ROOTE LEAVES BN TAOR.				

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound #1

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheets 6757 II, III and IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 32 Men
2. MISSION: Combat/Recon
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 220940H Dec65
4. TIME OF RETURN: 221200H Dec65
5. ROUTE: Refer to overlay
6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: Still 6-12" of water in them.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: None
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None

/s/ LON C. FAIRCHILD

LON C. FAIRCHILD, SSGT, D-1-7 USMC

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Horn Toad 2

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheet 6757 IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 24 Men

2. MISSION: Combat/Ambush

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 210900 December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 220700 December 1965

5. ROUTE: Refer to overlay

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

TIME	COORDINATES	OBSERVATIONS
1300	BS 984613	Two anti American pieces of literature.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Found through twine on hedgerow in front of 2 houses along main trail. While moving through BINH YEN, a 10 year old male when questioned said 7 VC and pointed in the direction of MY HUE (1). When squad first intered MY HUE (1) anti American lit. was found. Searched several houses in immediate area, found 15 year old male who was egar to tell the following information. Seven VC all armed with carbines and 3 magazines, wearing black PJ's, no head gear, and shower shoes were at MY HUE (1) located vicinity coordinates BS 948613, 2100 20 December 1965 and would be back the night of 21 Dec65. Said the VC were using a boat and pointed to other side of river.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: All patrols of this type should have an interpreter with them.

/s/ JOHN L. McCARTY

JOHN L. McCARTY, CPL, C-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

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1. BOOTH - 2

2. 221200H THROUGH 231200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 221815H, "D" COMPANY OP REPORTED, AT 221810H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 576975, HEARING MACHINE GUN OR AUTOMATIC RIFLE FIRE FROM THE ABOVE LOCATION. AFTER THE INITIAL BURST THE OP HEARD NOTHING ELSE. (S-2 COMMENT - PROBABLY PFs LOCATED THAT POSITION, FIRING).

4. NEGATIVE

5. NEGATIVE

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "A", "B" AND "C" COMPANIES. ONE ON LEAVE TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
   b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED
   c. PATROL REPORT ATTACHED
   d. VC PROPAGANDA LEAFLET ATTACHED

D. D. BROOKS
By direction

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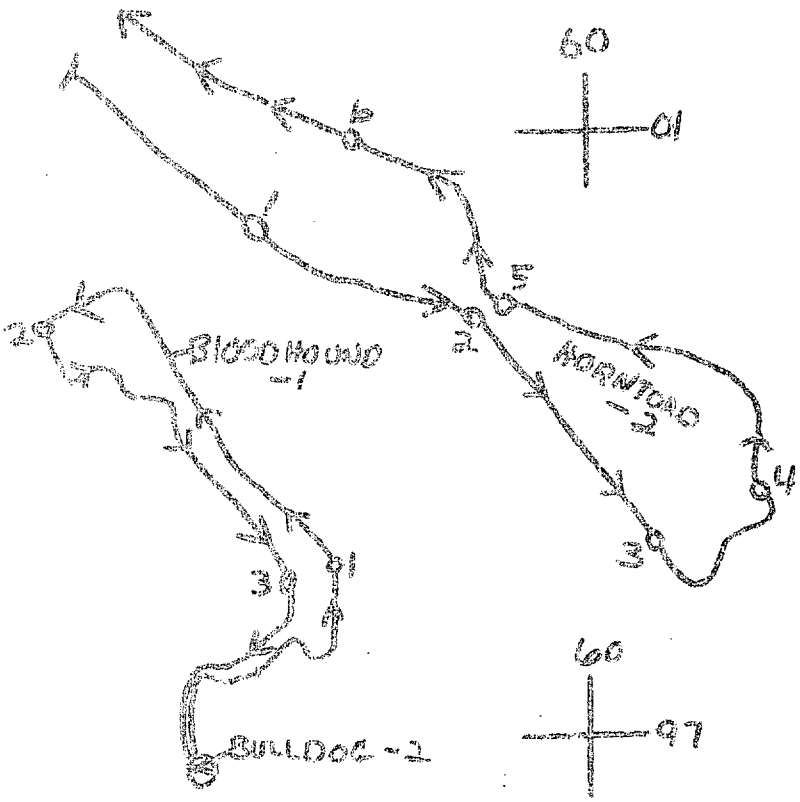

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PATROL OVERLAY FOR
23 DEC 65
221600 231600
VIET NAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6757 II & III
M E Wood
LCPL USMC
20 DEC 65

LISTENING POSTS
Co. A (D) 581025
Co. C (D) 569015
Co. D (D) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. C	HORNITOAD -2	SQD (+)	221800H	231600H	COMBAT/SECURITY
Co. D	BLOOD HOUND -1	PLT (-)	230645H	231000H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG -2	PLT (-)	221600H	231600H	SECURITY

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Rattler - 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheet 6757 II

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 26 men

2. MISSION: Combat/Recon - seek tax collector at coordinates 628004 then proceed to TAN HY (1), SON TRA (2), SON TRA (1).

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 230500H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 231200H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3.

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

TIME	COORDINATES	OBSERVATION
230545H	628004	Captured two VC suspects
231115H	630004	Hit by snipers

7. OTHER INFORMATION: People in village were very hostile when VCS were apprehended also VCS were giving chaser a hard time as about to leave village. There was a lot of yelling and screaming.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: At coordinates 633002 my men were hit by estimated six VC with at least three automatic rifles and three carbines. They were set up at coordinates 630004. We returned fire and in the mean time both VC suspects tried to flee. They were killed and left for the villagers. No VC were taken captive as they fled.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: No casualties.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Suggest an interpreter be taken on patrol to distinguish between vietnamese and american talk; also to have 81 FO along as part of patrol. Radios should be better, had poor contact in villages.

/s/ ROBERT J. POLASKO

ROBERT J. POLASKO, SGT, B-1-7
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PTL LDR

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: VCS were bound together at the neck hands were tied. Pre-set immediate action must be outlined for fire team leaders to comply when a patrol is taken under fire, so rapid pursuit and an effective base of fire can be effected.
When 81 FOs are attached as in this case, reconnaisance by fire can be used on isolated terrain features that have been used as sniper positions in the past, before patrol passes through area.

/s/ JOHN H. RANDOLPH

JOHN H. RANDOLPH, 2ndlt, B-1-7
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LDR

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bravo -1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheet 6757 II

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 14 men

2. MISSION: Recon Area around THUONG HOA (1) & (2)

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 231100H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 231700H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3.

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   a. None

   b. Encountered mountainous terrain, thick brush and rice paddies.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Expended one M-14 round to pull a boat in so we could check IDs

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No enemy encountered

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: No casualties.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None

/s/ MICHIEL D. COUCH

MICHIEL D. COUCH, SGT, B-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

/s/ JAMES R. HERD

JAMES R. HERD, 1stLt, B-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF DEBRIEFER

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound - 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheet 6757 III

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 30 men

2. MISSION: Combat/Recon

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 230715H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 231010H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3

6/ OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: None

7. OTHER INFORMATION: None

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: No casualties

10. CONCLSSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None

/s/ D. L. ALAMO

D. L. ALAMO, SGT, D-1-7 USMC

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None used

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CHF	1	

ISUM # 130

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 231200H THROUGH 241200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 231230H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 231030H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 629004, THE REAR OF THE PATROL WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY SIX VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BT 630004. PATROL RETURNED FIRE, DID NOT OBSERVE THE VC. A SEARCH OF THE AREA WAS MADE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 231250H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 230630H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 631003, APPREHENDING TWO VCS NEAR SON TRA (1) VICINITY COORDINATES BT 634004. THE VCS WERE IDENTIFIED AS BEING VC BY A CIVILIAN ACCOMPANING THE PATROL. PATROL WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE, DURING THE CONFUSION THE VCS TRIED TO ESCAPE AND WERE KILLED BY THE PATROL. UPON RETURN OF THE PATROL THE CIVILIAN WAS RELEASED.

AT 231500H, "B" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP ONE FEMALE CIVILIAN APPREHENDED DURING ROUTINE CHECK OF ID CARDS, AT 220910H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 620985, ON SON TRA BONG RIVER. FORWARDED TO CIT AS CI INTEREST AT 231800H.

AT 240830H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 240805H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 625989, RECEIVING TWO ROUNDS OF FIRE FROM UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. THE LINES WERE ALERTED BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO HEAVY FOG. NO FURTHER ACTION TAKEN.

AT 240850H, S-2 SCOUT REPORTED, AT 240835H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 620013, WHILE IN A HELICOPTER ON ROUTE TO "B" COMPANY, THE HELICOPTER RECEIVED FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC FROM IMMEDIATE VICINITY AND ALSO FROM UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC IN BOATS ON THE SONG TRA BONG RIVER ADJACENT TO TAN HY HAMLET. THE HELICOPTERS OIL LINE WAS HIT AND THE HELO WENT DOWN BUT TOOK OFF IMMEDIATELY. A CHECK OF THE HELO REVEALED 10 HITS FROM CARBINES AND M-1's. THE HELICOPTER LANDED AT THE BATTALION HELO PAD AND IS CURRENTLY UNDERGOING REPAIRS. NO FRIENDLY DEAD OR WOUNDED. HELO WAS UNABLE TO RETURN FIRE DUE TO IMPLEMENTING EMERGENCY PROCEDURES.

4. NEGATIVE

5. TWO VCS KILLED

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "A", "B" AND "C" COMPANIES. ONE TAD TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED

D. D. BROOKS
By direction

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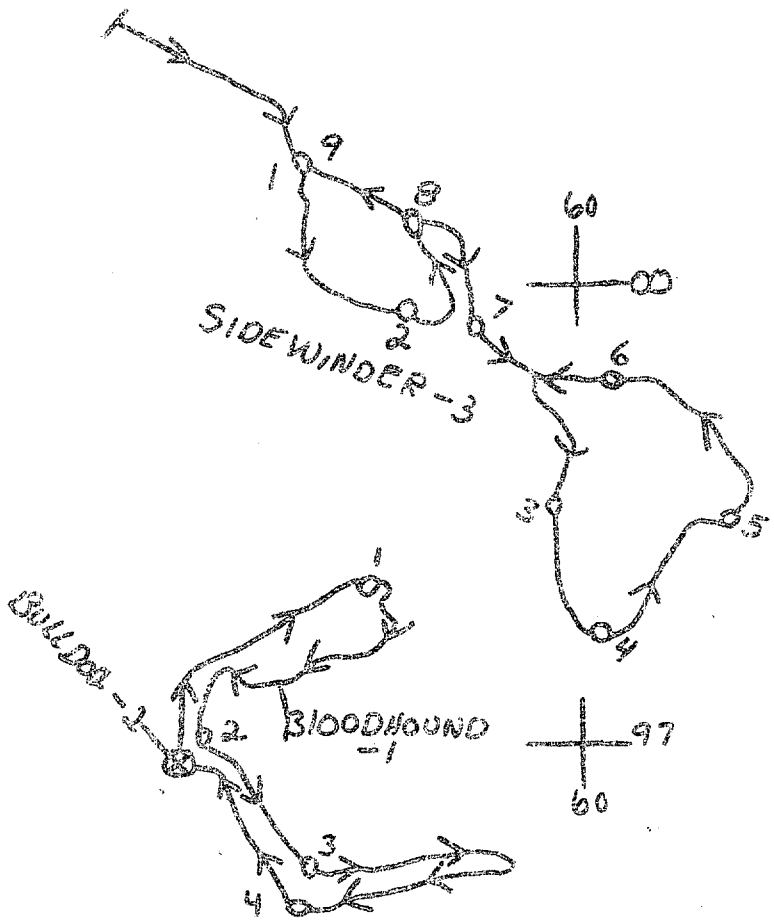

1ST BN 7TH MAR
PATROL OVERLAY FOR
24 DEC 65
231600 241600
VIETNAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6757 II & III
M.E. Wood
LCpl USMC
DEC 21 1965

LISTENING POSTS
Co. A (1) 587 025
Co C (1) 569 015
Co D (1) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. C	SIDEWINDER-3	PIT (-)	231600 H	241600 H	COMBAT/SECURITY
Co. D	BLOODHOUND-1	SQD	241400 H	241600 H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PIT (-)	231600 H	241600 H	SECURITY
NOTE:	BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TAOR.				

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Bloodhound - 1

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6757 II, III, IV

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 16 men
2. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 241400H December 1965
3. TIME OF RETURN: 241600H December 1965
4. MISSION: Combat/Recon
5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3
6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: None
7. OTHER INFORMATION: None
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: No casualties.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None

/s/ BYRON M. TAPP

BYRON M. TAPP, SGT, D-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None used.

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ISUM # 131

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 241200H THROUGH 251200H DECEMBER 1965.

3. a. AT 241300H, "B" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP THREE VCS. ONE APPREHENDED AT 240130H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 647975 FOR NOT HAVING AN ID CARD. THE SECOND AT 240730H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 635975 VCS CLAIMED TO BE 37, HIS ID CARD STATED HE WAS 38. THE LAST AT 241030H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 647975 FOR NOT HAVING A ID CARD. FORWARDED TO ITT AT 241330H.

AT 250750H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 242215H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 626992, MOVEMENT PICKED UP BY SID'S APPROXIMATELY 100 METERS IN FRONT OF THEIR LINES VICINITY COORDINATES BS 628993. ILLUMINATION AND TWO M-79 ROUNDS WERE FIRED. RESULTS OF ACTION TAKEN, CONDUCTED A CHECK OF THE AREA AT FIRST LIGHT, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

4. NEGATIVE.

5. THREE VCS.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO S-2, "A" AND "C" COMPANIES. ONE ON LEAVE TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS
   a. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED
   b. PATROL REPORT ATTACHED

D. D. BROOKS
By direction

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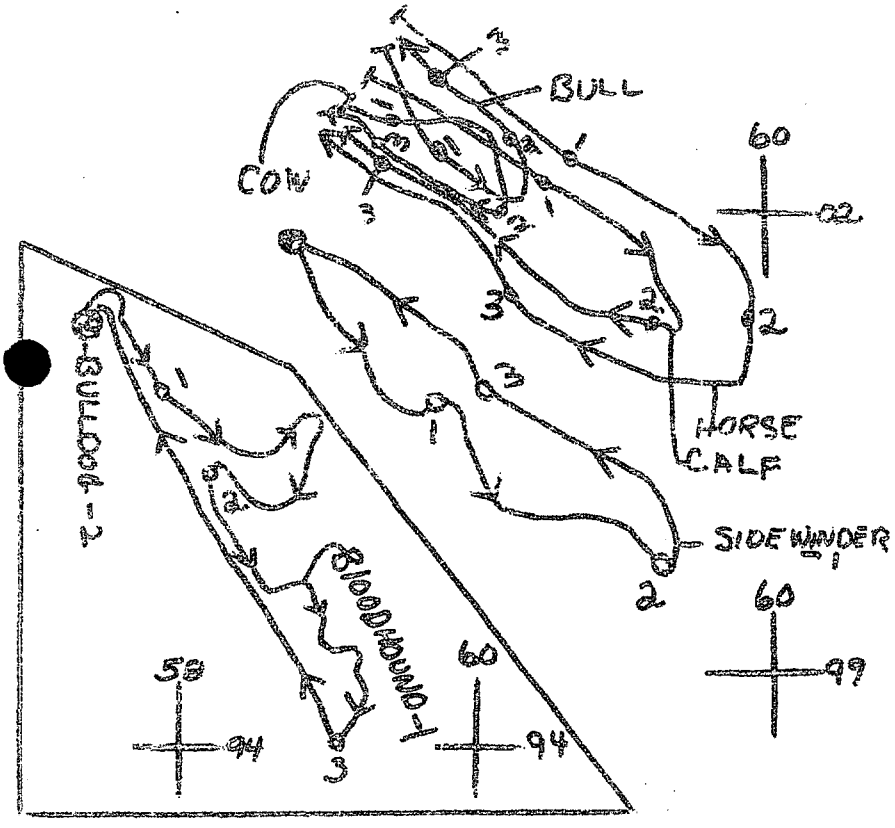

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PATROL OVERLAY TOR
25 DEC 1965
241600 · 251600
VIETNAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6757 II & III
M. E. Wood
LCpl USMC.
22 DEC 65

LISTENING POSTS
Co.A (2) 573026 & 578033
Co.C. (1) 569015
Co.D (1) 555013
PATROL CALF LP·CP·2

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
CO.A	BULL	F.T.	242000H	242200H	SECURITY
	CALF	SQD	242300H	250400H	SECURITY/L.P.
	COW	F.T.	250430H	250600H	SECURITY
	HORSE	SQD	250800H	251200H	RECON
CO.C	SIDEWINDER-1	SQD	241730H	250800H	COMBAT/SECURITY
CO.D	BLOODHOUND-1	PIT(-)	250915H	251330H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PIT(-)	241600H	251600H	SECURITY
NOTE:	BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TAOR.				

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ISUM #132

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 251200H THROUGH 261200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 260040H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED HEARING SMALL ARMS FIRE, AR'S AND RIFLES, APPROXIMATELY 2000 METERS TO THEIR FRONT. THE FIRE CONTINUED OFF AND ON FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE MINUTES. THE ROUNDS WERE NOT DIRECTED AT THE COMPANY, COULD NOT OBSERVE. IT IS BELIEVED TO HAVE CAME FROM THUONG HOA AREA.

AT 260400H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED FROM VICINITY COORDINATES BS 624991 OBSERVING AN EXPLOSION AND HEARING AR FIRE FROM THE VICINITY OF THUONG HOA COMPLEX. COULD NOT DETERMINE EXACT LOCATION OR RANGE. AT 260415H THE COMPANY REPORTED HEARING AR FIRE FROM THE SAME VICINITY.

AT 261100H, "D" COMPANY PLATOON REPORTED, AT 261000H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 606920, RECEIVING THREE ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM VICINITY COORDINATES BS 601918. RETURNED FIRE AND A FIRE TEAM SEARCHED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT.

4. NEGATIVE.

5. NEGATIVE.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO S-2, "A" AND "C" COMPANIES. ONE ON LEAVE TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS
   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.

D. D. BROOKS
By direction

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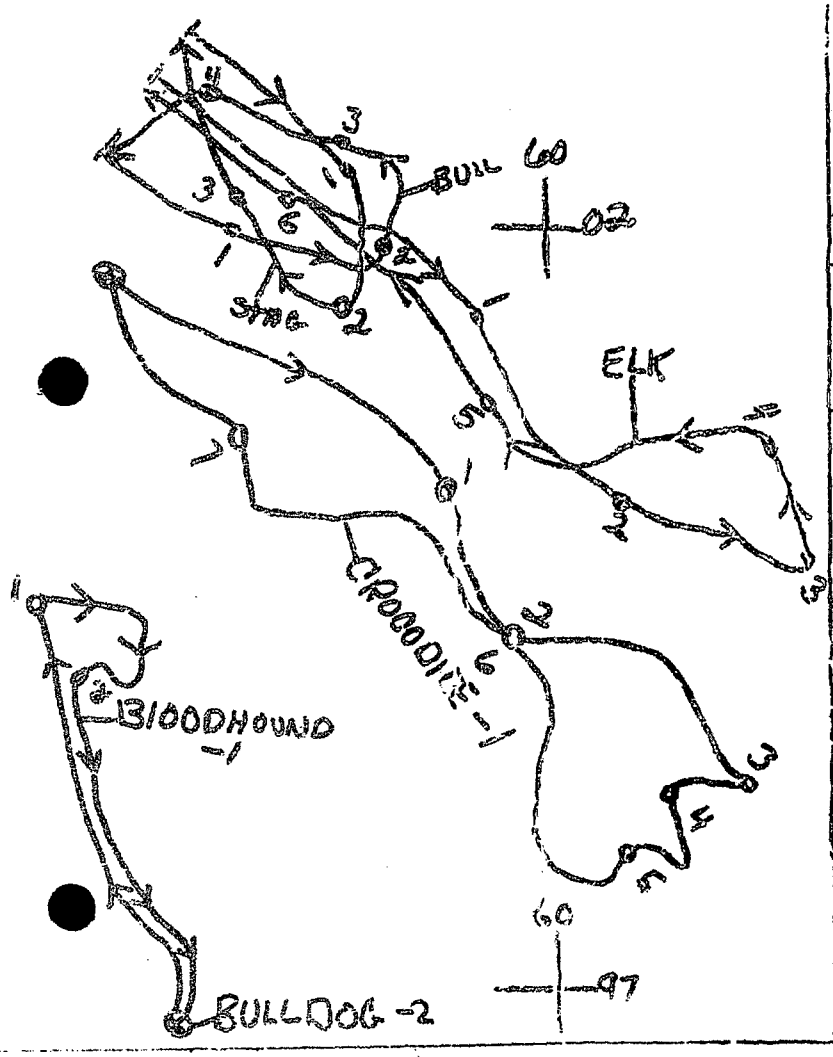

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PATROL OVERLAY FOR
26 DEC 1965
251600 - 261600
VIETNAM - 1850,000
SHEETS - 6767 II & III
M E. WOOD
LCPL USMC
23 DEC 1965

LISTENING POSTS
Co. A(2) 573026 & 578023
Co. C(1) 569015
Co. D(1) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. A	BULL	F.T.	252000H	252300H	SECURITY
	STAG	F.T.	260200H	260500H	SECURITY
	ELK	SQD	260900H	261200H	RECON
Co. C	CROCODILE-1	PLT(+)	251800H	280800H	ComRat/AMBUSH
Co. D	BLOODHOUND-1	SQD	261200H	261430H	RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	251600H	261600H	SECURITY

NOTE: CROCODILE-1 PATROL TO OPERATE W/PPB IN CO TAOR.

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ISUM # 133

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 261200H THROUGH 271200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 261900H, "D" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 261830H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 552017, A VIETNAMESE MALE SOLD A BOTTLE OF WHISKEY TO A MARINE FROM TANKS THAT WAS ATTACHED TO THE COMPANY. THE WHISKEY HAD A PUTRID SMELL TO IT. THE VCS WAS APPREHENDED AND FORWARDED TO ITT AT 261900H. THE BOTTLE OF WHISKEY WAS ALSO FORWARDED TO ITT.

4. NEGATIVE.

5. ONE VCS, ONE BOTTLE OF WHISKEY.

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO S-2, "A" AND "C" COMPANIES. ONE ON LEAVE TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS
   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
   b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAYS ATTACHED

D. D. BROOKS
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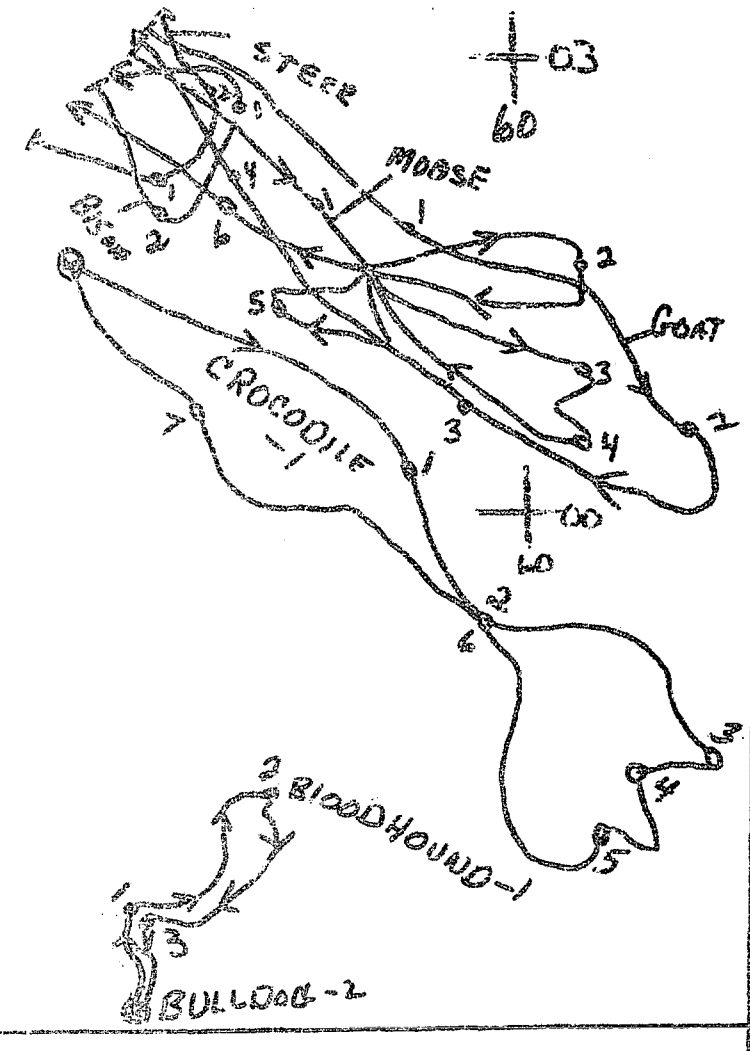

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27 DEC 1965
261600 - 271600
VIETNAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6752 II & III
M.E. Wood
L CPL USMC
DEC 24 1965

LISTENING POSTS
Co A (2) 573036 & 570033
Co C (1) 369015
Co D (1) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. A	MOOSE	SQD.	262000H	270500H	RECON
	STEER	F.T.	262230H	262330H	SECURITY
	BISON	F.T.	270230H	270330H	SECURITY
	GOAT	SQD.	270800H	271200H	RECON
Co. C	CROCODILE-1	PLT(+)	251900H	280800H	COMBAT/AMBUSH
Co. D	BLOODHOUND-1	SQD	271330H	271500H	RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	261600H	271600H	SECURITY

NOTE: CROCODILE-1 PATROL TO OPERATE W/PPB IN CO THOR.

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ISUM # 134

1. BOOTH - 2

2. 271200H THROUGH 281200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 271230H, H&S COMPANY 81 PLATOON REPORTED, AT 271215H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 569008, AFTER FIRING ONE ROUND OF REGISTRATION FIRE, EIGHT VIETNAMESE CIVILIANS WENT INTO THE IMPACT ZONE AND SAT DOWN. A PATROL FROM "C" COMPANY ESCORTED THE PEOPLE OUT OF THE AREA.

AT 271520H, "D" COMPANY OUT POST REPORTED, AT 270730H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 625933, RECEIVING THREE ROUNDS OF FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN LOCATION. ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED WHEN A ROUND HIT A BELT OF LINKED AMMUNITION THAT WAS SLUNG OVER HIS SHOULDER. THE WOUND WAS NOT SERIOUS, HE WAS TREATED BY A CORPSMAN ON THE SPOT. SEARCHED THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 271520H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 270945H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 635926, DESTROYING A ROLL OF BARBED WIRE. AT VICINITY COORDINATES BS 645922 ALSO DESTROYING A LARGE PILE OF PUNJII STAKES.

AT 271700H, "D" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP TWO VCS APPREHENDED AT 271030H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 645919. THE VCS WERE IDENTIFIED AS POSSIBLE VC BY A BINH SON INTELLIGENCE AGENT. NEITHER OF THE VCS HAD ID CARDS. FORWARDED THE VCS TO ITT AT 271930H.

AT 271930H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 271000H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 642927, A MEMBER OF THE PATROL STEPPED ON A PANJII STAKE WOUNDING HIM SLIGHTLY. THE WOUND WAS TREATED BY THE CORPSMAN, THE PATROL CONTINUED THEIR MISSION.

AT 280840H, "D" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 272110H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 561998, WHAT WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN A MORTAR ROUND PASSED OVER THEIR POSITION AND LANDED IN A RICE PADDY TO THE NORTH OF THEIR POSITION. THE ROUND DID NOT EXPLODE. THE OUT POST BELIEVES THE ROUND CAME FROM THE VICINITY OF PHU LE BS 570939.

4. NEGATIVE

5. TWO VCS

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "A", "B" AND "C" COMPANIES. ONE ON LEAVE TO SAIGON

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED

D. D. BROOKS
By direction

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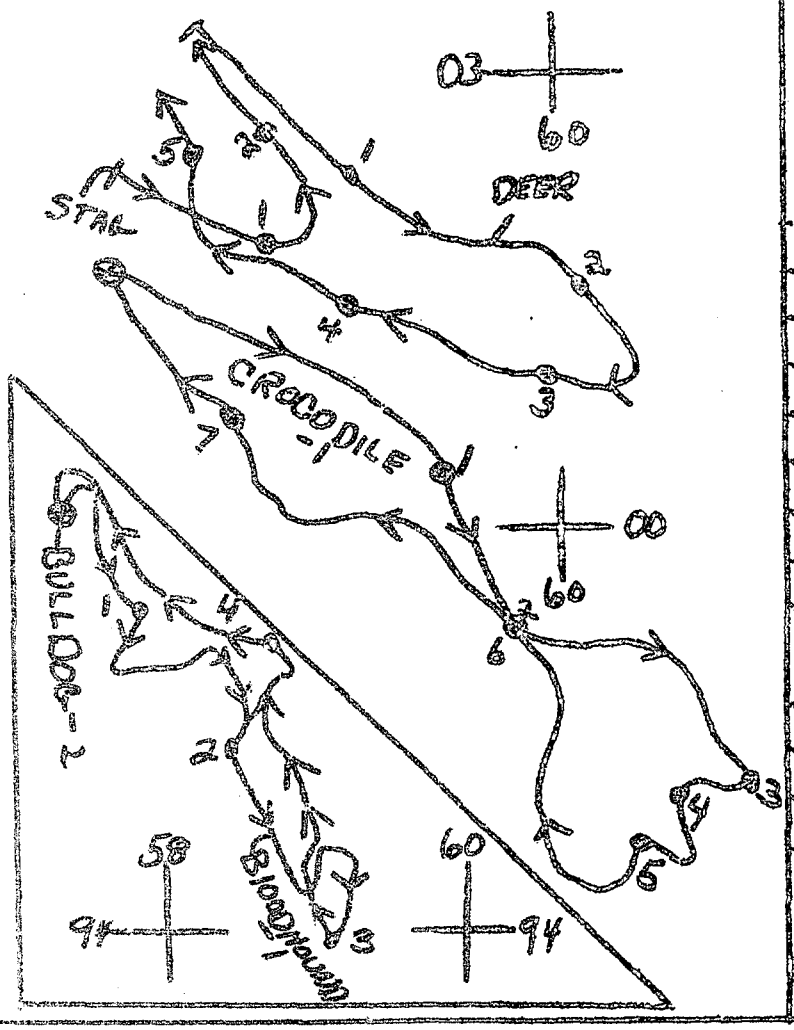

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28 DEC 1965
271600H-281600H
VIETNAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6757 II & III
M.E. WOOD
L.CPL USMC
DEC 25 1965

LISTENING POSTS
CO. A(2) 573026 & 578033
CO. C(1) 569015
CO. D(1) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
CO. A	DEER	SQD	272000H	280200H	SECURITY
	STAG	F.T.	280300H	280500H	SECURITY
CO. C	CROCODILE-1	PIT(-)	251800H	280800H	COMBAT/AMBUSH
CO. D	BLOODHOUND-1	PIT(-)	280630H	281100H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PIT(-)	271600H	281600H	SECURITY

NOTE BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEADS RN TAOR.

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Crocodile (1)

MAPS: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6757 II, III

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: 14 men Reinforced squad

2. MISSION: Set ambush around TRUNG AN (1) area

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 271820H December 1965

4. TIME OF RETURN: 280715H December 1965

5. ROUTES: See overlay filed with S-3

6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN: No enemy observed

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Checked ID cards in village with negative results

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No enemy encountered

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: No casualties

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None

/s/ M. ORTEZ

M. ORTEZ, CPL, C-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF PATROL LEADER

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

/s/ G. MEERDINK JR

G. MEERDINK JR, 1stLt, C-1-7 USMC
NAME, RANK & UNIT OF DEBRIEFER

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1. BOOTH - 2

2. 281200H THROUGH 291200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 282100H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 280920H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 626897, APPREHENDING TWO VCS. ONE FOR RUNNING AWAY FROM THE PATROL THE OTHER IN THE SAME AREA. NEITHER OF THE VCS HAD ID CARDS. THE FIRST WAS APPREHENDED AFTER A WARNING SHOT WAS FIRED. THE SECOND WAS APPREHENDED WITHOUT TROUBLE. WILL FORWARD ON FIRST AVAILABLE TRANSPORTATION.

AT 282100H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 280925H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 634895, RECEIVING FIVE ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE FROM UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 638896 AND BS 638892. THE VC WERE DRESSED IN BLACK PJs, CARTRIDGE BELTS AND HELMETS. PATROL RETURNED 15 ROUNDS OF M-14 FIRE AND THREE M-79 ROUNDS. SEARCHED THE AREA WITH A NEGATIVE FIND.

AT 282100H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 281315H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 644936, RECEIVING FIRE FROM TWELVE VC. THE VC WERE LOCATED AT THREE DIFFERENT POSITIONS. SIX VC WERE ON A ROAD VICINITY COORDINATES BS 645936, UPON OBSERVING THE PATROL THEY TURNED AND RAN TO THE NORTH EAST. THREE WERE ARMED WITH CARBINES. FOUR VC WERE LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 647940, THREE HAD CARBINES. AND TWO WERE LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 647940, ONE HAD A M-1, THE OTHER A BAR. THE VC WERE DRESSED IN CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES, HELMETS AND WEEDS. THE PATROL TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE IMMEDIATELY RECEIVING APPROXIMATELY 400 ROUNDS OF FIRE IN RETURN. PATROL FIRED ONE LAW, ONE M-79 ROUND AND 500 M-14 ROUNDS AT THE VC. TWO VC WERE KILLED AND ONE WOUNDED. THE PATROL WAS UNABLE TO RECOVER THE BODIES OR THE WEAPONS BECAUSE THE REMAINING VC COVERED THE RETRACTION OF THE BODIES BY FIRE.

AT 282100H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 281505H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 628928, RECEIVING THREE ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE FROM ONE VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 627928. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH TWO M-14 ROUNDS AND 20 M-60 ROUNDS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

AT 282100H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 281540H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 620935, RECEIVING FOUR ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE FROM ONE VC, LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 628937. THE PATROL DID NOT RETURN FIRE DUE TO THE DISTANCE INVOLVED.

AT 290910H, "B" COMPANY REPORTED, AT 290900H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 618985, THEIR OP RECEIVED SIX ROUNDS OF CARBINE FIRE FROM ONE VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 614980. THE OP OBSERVED THE VC RUNNING TO MY HUE, FIRED APPROXIMATELY THIRTY ROUNDS OF M-60 FIRE AT THE VC WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

4. TWO DEAD. ONE WOUNDED.

5. TWO VCS

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "A", "B" AND "C" COMPANIES. ONE ON LEAVE TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED

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By direction

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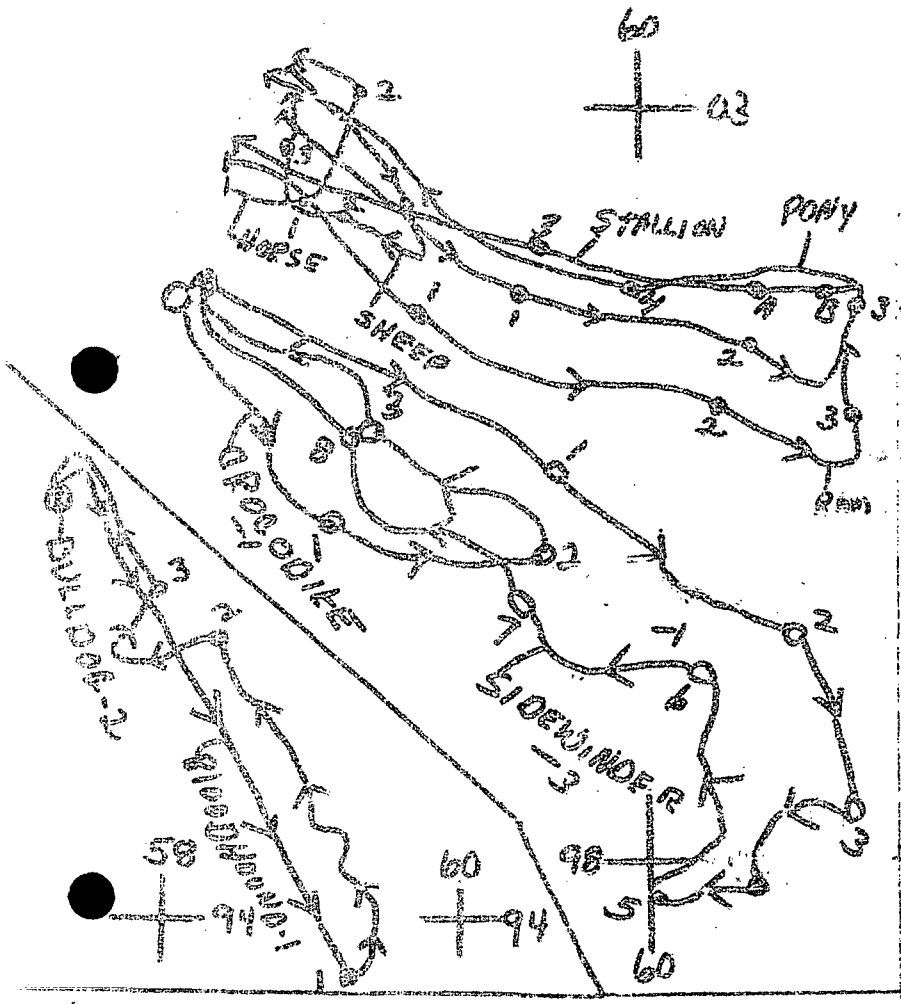

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VIETNAM 1:50,000
SHEETS 6757 II & III
M E. Wood
L. Col USMC
DEC 26-65

LISTENING POSTS
Co. A(2) 573021 & 573022
Co. C(1) 569015
Co. D(1) 555013

NOTE: RAM PATROL AMBUSHES AT CP. 3

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. A	STALLION	SQD	281500H	290600H	AMBUSH (CP A)
	RAM	SQD	281900H		CIVIL/ACTION
	SHEEP	F.T.	282200H	282400H	SECURITY
	HORSE	F.T.	290300H	290500H	SECURITY
	PONY	PLT	290900H	291500H	CIVIL/ACTION
Co. D	BLOODHOUND-1	PLT(-)	291230H	291600H	COMBAT/RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	281600H	291600H	SECURITY
Note	BLOODHOUND-1 ROUTE LEAVES BN TADR				
	RAM PATROL WILL REMAIN IN VILLAGE				
Co. C	CROCODILE-1	SQD	281730H	290800H	COMBAT/SECURITY
	SIDEWINDER-3	SQD	290900H	291600H	COMBAT/RECON

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1. BOOTH - 2

2. 291200H THROUGH 301200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 291300H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 291020H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 626003, RECEIVING AR FIRE FROM FOUR VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BT 625005. PATROL RETURNED FIFTY M-14 ROUNDS AND FIRED TWO LAW'S AT THE VC. RESULTS OF ACTION TAKEN UNKNOWN.

AT 291300H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 291110H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 622013, RECEIVING FIRE FROM FIVE TO SIX VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BT 620012, ARMED WITH CARBINES AND AR'S. PATROL RETURNED FIRE EXPENDING 200 M-14 ROUNDS AND FOUR M-79 ROUNDS WITH RESULTS UNKNOWN. ONE PATROL MEMBER WAS SLIGHTLY WOUNDED ON THE RIGHT ARM.

AT 291115H, "B" COMPANY CP LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 625991 REPORTED RECEIVING FIVE ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM VICINITY COORDINATES BS 635990. SECURITY PATROL INVESTIGATED, FOUND NO TRACE OF THE VC.

AT 291350H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 291300H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 622031, RECEIVING FIRE FROM TWO VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BT 628018, ARMED WITH A CARBINE AND AN UNKNOWN TYPE OF AUTOMATIC WEAPON. THE PATROL ASSUALTED THE VC POSITION, THE VC RAN TO THE BEACH LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BT 629023. PATROL TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE WOUNDING ONE, THE REMAINING VC PICKED UP THE WOUNDED MAN'S WEAPON AND ESCAPED INTO THE BRUSH ALONG THE BEACH. THROUGH AN ERROR BY "B" COMPANY THE VC WAS EVACUATED TO QUANG NAGI AS A CIVILIAN.

AT 291600H, "A" COMPANY DELIVERED TO THIS CP THREE FEMALE VCS, APPREHENDED AT 291201H VICINITY COORDINATES BT 614011. THEY WERE POINTED OUT BY THE VIETNAMESE S-2 FROM BINH SON ACCOMPANING THE PATROL AS VCS. UPON QUESTIONING THE VILLAGERS IT WAS LEARNED THAT THE VCS WERE STRANGERS IN THE HAMLET. NEITHER OF THE VCS HAD IDENTIFICATION. ALL WERE FORWARDED TO ITT AT 291900H.

AT 291700H, RECEIVED FROM THE S-2 CHIEF A BINH SON AGENTS REPORT DATED 28 DECEMBER 1965 THAT THERE ARE TWO VC PLATOONS LOCATED AT BAU GAM HAMLET (UNLOCATED), BINH LANH VILLAGE. WEAPONS CONSIST OF ONE 60MM MORTAR AND A BAR. AGENT FURTHER STATES THAT THE PLATOON HAS PREPARED POSITIONS IN THE VICINITY OF DANG PHUOC (4) LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 651915. INTELLIGENCE RATING B-3.

AT 291700H, RECEIVED FROM THE S-2 CHIEF A BINH SON AGENTS REPORT, DATED 28 DECEMBER 1965, THAT THERE ARE TWO VC COMPANIES LOCATED VICINITY OF TRI HOA (UNLOCATED), HOA BINH LOCATED VICINITY COORDS BS 674925, AND AN UNLOCATED AREA IN BINH KY (V). ONE OF THESE TWO COMPANIES IS REPORTED AS BEING HARD CORE. TOTAL STRENGTH OF THESE COMPANIES IS ESTIMATED AT 400 MEN.

AT 292200H, "D" COMPANY OP REPORTED, AT 291945H VICINITY COORDS BS 606920, OBSERVING TWO PERSONS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE HILL LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 607920. THREE ROUNDS OF ILLUMINATION AND THREE M-14 ROUNDS FIRED BY OP. OBSERVED THE TWO VCS DISAPPEAR INTO THE BUSHES. NO FURTHER OBSERVATION.

AT 292337H, "B" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 292025H VICINITY COORDS BS 633975, RECEIVING APPROX 150 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE, KILLING THE POINT MAN OF THE PATROL FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC LOCATED VICINITY COORDS BT 633975. PATROL RETURNED 350 7.62 FIRE, SIX M-79 ROUNDS, ONE ROUND OF ARTILLERY ILLUMINATION, 12 ROUNDS OF ARTILLERY HE, 14 ROUNDS OF 81MM MORTAR ILLUMINATION AND 18 ROUNDS MORTAR HE. RESULTS OF ACTION TAKEN UNKNOWN.

AT 301000H, "B" COMPANY OP REPORTED, AT 300845H VICINITY COORDINATES BS 618985, OBSERVING TWO MEN DEPARTING A FISHING BOAT AT BS 615990, THE BOAT FROM THE OP PURSUED, CAUGHT AND APPREHENDED ONE VCS. MEANWHILE THE OP RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY SIX ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM VICINITY COORDINATES BS 615990. OP RETURNED FIRE, RESULTS UNKNOWN. THE VCS WILL BE FORWARDED ON FIRST AVAILABLE TRANSPORTATION.

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AT 301145H [redacted]" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT [redacted]840H VICINITY COORDINATES [redacted] 628889, RECEIVING APPROXIMATEL[redacted]30-40 ROUNDS OF FIRE FROM APPROXIMATELY FOUR VC, LOCATED VICINITY COORDINATES BS 629889. THE VC WERE ARMED WITH ONE CARBINE, ONE AUTOMATIC CARBINE AND WHAT PATROL BELIEVES TO HAVE BEEN A LIGHT MACHINE GUN (UNCONFIRMED). THE VC WERE HIDING IN THE ROCKS IN NO APPERAENT FORMATION. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH FIFTY ROUNDS OF M-14, SEVENTY M-60 AND TWO M-79 ROUNDS. THE VC BROKE CONTACT, RESULTS OF ACTION TAKEN UNKNOWN.

AT 301150H, "D" COMPANY PATROL REPORTED, AT 300900H VICINITY COORDS BS 628895, AN ESTIMATED VC SQUAD IN A SEMI CIRCLE FORMATION VICINITY COORDINATES BS 629897 AND BS 631897 FIRED ON THE PATROL. THE VC WERE ARMED WITH ONE LIGHT OR POSSIBLE .30 CAL MACHINE GUN, THREE AUTOMATIC CARBINES AND THREE SEMI-AUTOMATIC CARBINES. THE VC LAID A HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE ON THE ENTIRE FORMATION. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH 125 M-14 ROUNDS, AND 150-200 M-60 ROUNDS. ONE VC OBSERVED TO HAVE BEEN HIT IN THE BACK, FELL AND DID NOT MOVE. THE PATROL WAS UNABLE TO CONFIRM THE KILL DUE TO THE HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE BEING RECEIVED AND THE DISTANCE INVOLVED. THE VC BROKE CONTACT TAKING THE BODY WITH THEM.

4. ONE DEAD. ONE WOUNDED (CAPTURED)

5. FOUR VCS

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "A", "B" AND "C" COMPANIES. ONE ON LEAVE TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED
b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED
c. ROUTE RECONNAISSANCE REPORT ATTACHED

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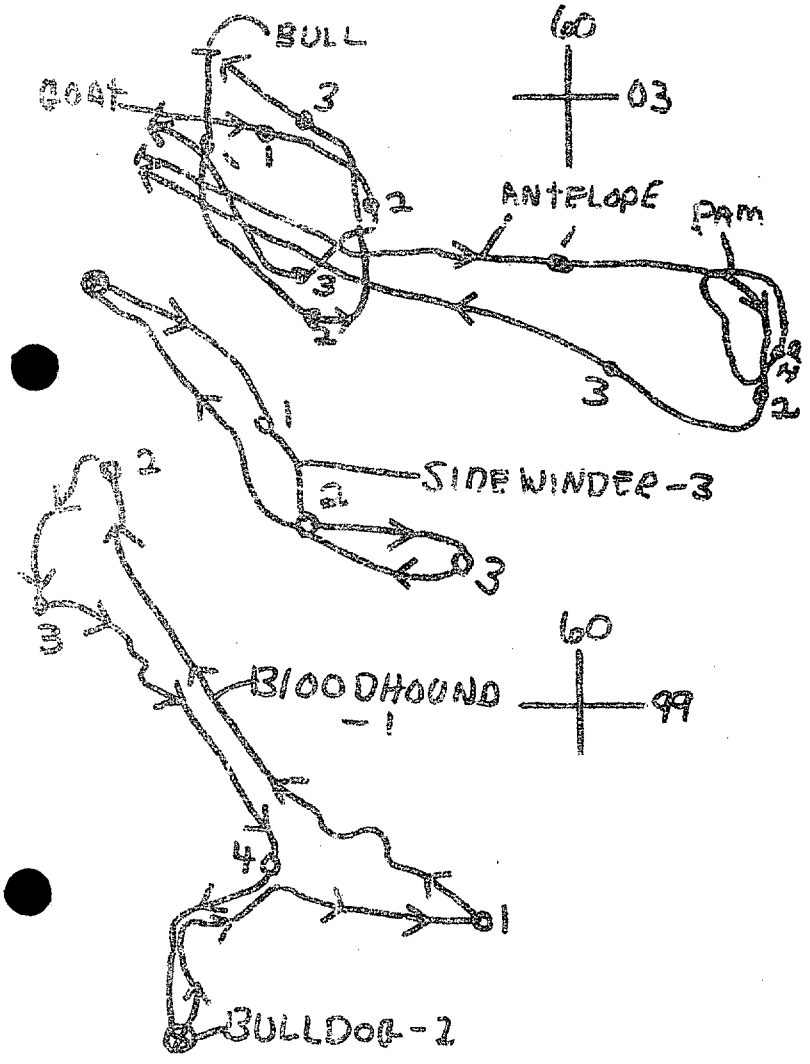

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SHEETS 6757 II & III
M. E. Wood
LCpl USMC.
DEC 27 1965

LISTENING POSTS
Co. A (2) 573026 & 578037
Co. C (1) 569015
Co. D (1) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. A	GOAT	F.T.	292100H	292300H	SECURITY
	BULL	F.T.	300200H	300400H	SECURITY
	RAM	F.T.	292000H	292400H	RECON
	ANTELOPE	PLT.	301000H	301500H	CIVIC ACTION
Co. C	SIDEWINDER-3	SQD.	291730H	300800H	COMBAT/SECURITY
Co. D	BLOODHOUND-1	PLT(-)	300900H	301300H	COMBAT/RECON
"	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	291600H	301600H	SECURITY

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2. 301200H THROUGH 311200H DECEMBER 1965

3. a. AT 310915H, "D" COMPANY REPORTED MR PHU OF NUOC MAN APPROACHED THEIR OP AND INFORMED THEM THAT THE SECURITY CHIEF OF TRI BINH (1) HAD BEEN MIRDERED LAST NIGHT. FURTHER STATED THE VC CAME OUT OF THE HILLS TO THE WEST OF TRI BINH (1). NO OTHER PEOPLE WERE BOTHERED.

   AT 311100H, "B" COMPANY PATROL TO THUONG HOA (1) & (2), VICINITY COORDINATES BS632973, REPORTED FINDING A CARBINE MAGAZINE THAT HAD BEEN PIERCED BY A FRAGMENT AT THE SIGHT OF WHERE A PATROL WAS INVOLVED IN A FIRE FIGHT ON 292025H DECEMBER 1965.

4. NEGATIVE

5. NEGATIVE

6. INTERPRETERS ATTACHED TO "A", "B" AND "C" COMPANIES. ONE ON LEAVE TO SAIGON.

7. MISCELLANEOUS.

   a. ROADBLOCK REPORT ATTACHED.
   b. MASTER PATROL OVERLAY ATTACHED.

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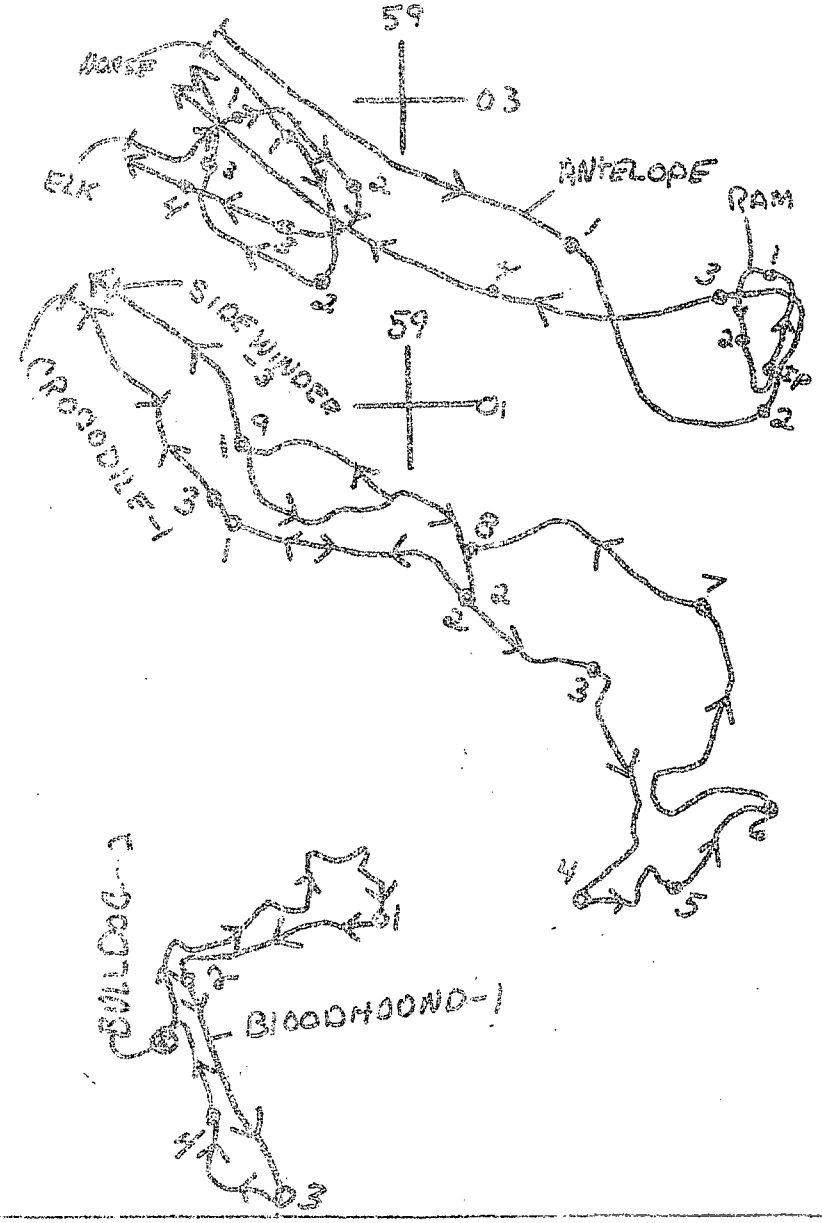

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LISTENING POSTS
Co. A (2) 573026 & 57[illegible]
Co. C (U) 569015
Co. D (U) 555013

UNIT	PATROL	SIZE	TOD	TOR	TYPE
Co. A	ELK	F.T.	302130H	302330H	SECURITY
	HORSE	F.T.	310230H	310330H	SECURITY
	RAM	F.T.	310100H	310500H	SECURITY
	ANTELOPE	PLT.	310930H	311300H	CIVIC ACTION
Co. C.	CROCODILE-1	SQD	300900H	301630H	COMBAT/RECON
	SIDEWINDER-3	SQD	301730H	310800H	COMBAT/SECURITY
Co. D	BLOODHOUND-1	SQD	311100H	311430H	RECON
	BULLDOG-2	PLT(-)	301600H	311600H	SECURITY

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Marine # 13
3rd Marine Division (Rein) FMF
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1 December 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP # 95 as of 011200H December 1965

1. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Operations

a. Company A completed exchange of personnel with 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines at 302050H. The company occupied OP#11, BT 586027 and maintained two LP's from 302358H to 010630H at BT 574025 and BT 580032. The company has one platoon on 15 minute standby as Battalion Reserve for Operation BLUE MOON. The company occupies Co B's portion of the MLR.

b. Company B(-) provided a reinforced platoon to Company C to defend its combat base during Operation BLUE MOON. The platoon departed by LVT at 301530H and arrived at Company C at 301600H. The company continues to provide one platoon to 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines for airfield defense. The company also has one platoon taking part in Operation BLUE MOON. The platoon was heli-lifted to LZ THRUSH at 010725H.

c. Company C reinforced by a platoon (rein) from Company B, occupied the combat base, BS 624991, on the THUNG PHAN Peninsula. At 301930H, BS 628993, the company perimeter received one hand grenade which fell considerably short. The company answered with two hand grenades and 81mm illumination. One VC was observed and Marines fired one 40mm grenade with results unknown as VC disappeared in rocks. At 301940H, BS628993, the perimeter received another grenade and returned fire with three hand grenades and fired one M-72 (LAAW) round with results unknown. At 302100H, BT 630993, OP reported sighting two VC near the defensive wire. Marines fired four 40mm grenades and 8 rounds of SA as VC withdrew into rocks and results were unobserved. The company commenced Operation BLUE MOON by crossing line of departure at 010645H. At 010720H, OP Group landed at LZ THRUSH with no enemy contact. At 010740H the company crossed PL APPLE and picked up three VCS, BT 641016, at 010745H. At 010800H a squad pursued two VC toward village, BT 644016. At 010820H, observed three VC, BT 649020, attempted capture and VC broke contact and ran. Marines promptly killed one, wounded the second and the third escaped in the Hamlet. The company reported crossing PL BANANA at 010823H. At 010825H, the company reported a total of six VCS and two VC captured. At 010840H, the company crossed PL CHERRY. At 010907H Blocking Force Elements on LZ THRUSH fired four 50 cal. warning shots at VCS attempting to cross SONG MOI River in a boat, BT 653044. One round appeared to hit the boat but boat continued across river. 106's fired one

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round each at 0910 and 0913 with results undetermined. At 010935H, BT 655055, LZ WHIPOORWILL observed 9 to 12 VCS grouping together. No visible weapons were observed. At 011100H, the company reported completing search and clear of objective area with estimated time of completion as 011100H. LZ THRUSH dispatched a squad to vic BT653044, at 011100H, to search for possible VCS encountered in boat incident at 010907H. At 011145H the company had completed their search and clear mission and were awaiting LVT's and helicopters for retraction from objective area.

d. Company D continues to provide a platoon size security force to the Hamlet of NUOC MAN, BS 574970. The company continues to maintain OP#10, BS 562998, and the traffic control point, BT 555017. The company has one platoon participating in Operation BLUE MOON. The platoon was heli-lifted from MAG-36 helipad at 010620H and arrived at LZ WHIPOORWILL, BT 657011 at 010630H. The company had no contact.

e. Box Score

	S&C Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	Scout Sniper	Total
Fireteam	0	0	0	2	0	2
Squad	0	1	0	0	0	1
Platoon	0	1	0	0	2	3
Company	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total	1	2	0	2	2	7

Contacts	DTG	OPNS	Friendly losses	Enemy losses
BT 649020	010820H	S&C	0	1 VC killed 1 VC wounded & captured

2. Plans Summary

a. Company A will be indoctrinated on Battalion operations and will continue to occupy OP#11, BT 586027, and the two LP's, BT 574025 and BT 580032.

b. Company B(-) continues in Operation BLUE MOON with Company C. The company continues to provide one platoon to airfield defense.

c. Company C continues Operation BLUE MOON.

d. Company D continues to provide security for NUOC MAN, BS 574970, maintains OP#10, BS 562998, and the traffic control point, BT 555017. The company continues local patrolling and one platoon continues in Operation BLUE MOON.

e. Box Score

	S&C Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	Scout Sniper	Total
Fireteam	0	2	0	2	0	4
Squad	0	1	0	0	0	1
Platoon	0	1	0	0	2	3
Company	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total	1	4	0	2	2	9

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3. Miscellaneous. A report received from MAG-36 indicated that the last helicopter departing LZ WHIPPOORWILL received several rounds of SA fire from BT 658007.

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2 December 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines(Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP# 96 as of 021200H December 1965

1. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Operations

a. Company A occupied OP# 11, BT 586027, and maintained two LP's from 011900H to 020700H, at BT 574025 and BT 580032. The company had no contact.

b. Company B(-) conducted two fireteam security patrols. Both patrols departed at 012300H and both returned at 020530H. The company also conducted a squad size security patrol from 011730H to 020715H. The company had no contact. The company provided one platoon to 2d Battalion, 7th Marines for airfield defense. The company had no contact.

c. Company C continues to occupy the company combat base, BS 624991, on the TRUNG PHAN Peninsula. At 012045H, the perimeter observed two VC moving along the skyline, BS 628994. 81 section fired an eight round barrage at BS 629994 as VC withdrew from area. The results were unobserved. At 012000H the SID's detected movement in vic BS 628992 and marines fired two 40mm grenades in the area with results unknown. At 012115H, the SID located vic BS 628992, detected movements which became very erratic and then ceased completely. Marines threw five hand grenades and fired 20 rounds SA fire. A fireteam checked the area and found line to SID cut about five meters from the device. No enemy were found in the immediate area.

d. Company D continues to provide a platoon size security force to the Hamlet of NUOC MAN, BS 574970. The company continues to occupy OP# 10, BS 562998, and the traffic control point, BT 555017. The company conducted a platoon(-) combat patrol to vic PHU LE(1), BS 574939. The patrol found no people in the hamlet when they entered at 011100H. At 011600H the patrol found the only inhabitant, a VCS, at BS 574938, and was apprehended. At 011630H, at BS 574937, a Marine attempting to blow a hole in a fence with a M-26 grenade, suffered minor wounds from shell fragments when he left his right arm exposed to the blast. At 011635H the patrol found, and marked a 105mm dud and arranged for EOD personnel to destroy same on 2 December. The patrol returned at 011715H. At 011943H the company observed two VCS at BT 558-015 and upon providing 81mm illumination, VC commenced firing from BT 556015 with M-1's and carbines.

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The Marines returned fire with seven 40mm grenades and approximately 225 rounds of SA. At 011945H, one VC was heard to be moaning and presumably wounded. A search of the area at dawn produced nothing.

e. Box Score

	S&C Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	Scout Sniper	Total
Fireteam	0	2	0	2	0	4
Squad	0	1	0	0	0	1
Platoon	1	1	0	0	0	2
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	4	0	2	0	7

Contact	DTG	Ops	Friendly Losses	Enemy Losses
BS 574937	011630H	Patrol	1 (Non-Battle)	None

2. Plans Summary

a. Company A continues to occupy OP# 11 and two LP's at BT 574025 and BT 580032, and conducts local patrolling.

b. Company B(-) continues to provide one platoon for airfield defense and conducts local patrolling.

c. Company C continues occupation of the combat base on the THUNG PHAN Peninsula and conducts local patrolling.

d. Company D continues to provide security to NUOC MAN, BS 574970, and maintains OP# 10, BS 562998, and the traffic control point, BT 555017. The company continues local patrolling.

e. Box Score

	S&C Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	Scout Sniper	Total
Fireteam	0	2	0	2	0	4
Squad	0	4	0	0	0	4
Platoon	0	2	0	0	0	2
Company	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total	0	8	0	2	1	11

3. Miscellaneous. Total figures for Operation BLUE MOON are as follows:

VCS captured: 6
VC captured: 1
VC killed: 1
Booby traps captured: 2

A report received late from Company C indicates that the 3d Platoon encountered three armed VC at BS 643988 while on patrol at 021020H. The platoon commenced long range SA fire on the VC fled toward DONG LE(3), BS 652993, with results unknown.

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3 December 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SITREP # 97 as of 031200H December 1965

1. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Operations

a. Company A conducted one squad recon patrol. The squad departed at 030800H and has had no contact at this time. The company occupied OP#11, BT 586027, and maintained two LP's, BT 574025 and BT 580032, from 021900H to 030700H. The company had no contact.

b. Company B(-) conducted two fireteam security patrols and one squad combat/recon patrol. The first security patrol departed at 022300H and returned at 030530H. The second security patrol departed at 022300H and returned at 030425H. The squad recon/combat patrol departed at 021730H and returned at 031010H. At 021848H the patrol was informed by civilians in THUNG AN(1), BS 595998, that 30 to 40 armed VC had entered the hamlet and set fire to huts previously occupied by PF's and the Company B security platoon. The civilians also stated the VC had left by the east gate and were heading toward the Battalion MLR. The patrol had no contact.

c. Company C continues to occupy the combat base, BS 624991, on the THUNG PHAN Peninsula. At 022020H, the SID located at BS 627993 detected four to five movements vic BS 627992. At 022100H, SID detected two to three movements vic 627992. GI's illuminated area and one VC was observed throwing a grenade toward the perimeter. Marines answered with five grenades, wounding the VC. The Marines sighted another VC approaching the wounded VC and threw six hand grenades with results unobserved in the failing light. Between the hours of 022200H and 030100H the company detected continuous movements outside their perimeter. From 030100H to 030245H the movements became sporadic. At 030245H greater movement was detected by the SID's and the company fired a mortar barrage and threw five grenades in the direction of the movements. Illumination revealed three wounded VC vic BS 62990. At 030400 the company departed on a search and clear mission of DONG LIN(2), BS 650992. The combat base is defended by two reinforced squads. At 030710H vic BT 655002, the company patrol observed five armed VC on hill at BT 654003. Marines fired on VC wounding one and capturing same along with one carbine and one M-26 grenade.

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d. Company D continues to provide a security platoon to the hamlet of NUOC MAN, BS 574970. The company continues to occupy OP#10, BS 562998, and maintains the traffic control point, BT 555017. The company maintained one LP, BT 565015 from 022130H to 030530H. The company conducted a platoon combat patrol which departed at 021500H. The patrol searched the hamlet of PHU LE(1), BT 577938, and found no inhabitants. At 021815H OP#10 reported sighting approximately 200 civilians milling about in GS 5899, and they could observe the fire in TRUNG AN(1).

e. Box Score

	S&C Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	2	0	3	1	6
Squad	0	2	0	2	2	6
Platoon	0	5	0	0	0	5
Company	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total	1	9	0	5	3	18

Contact	DTG	Operation	Friendly losses	Enemy losses
BS 627992	022100H	Defensive	0	1 WIA
BS 627990	030245H	Defensive	0	3 WIA

2. Plans Summary

a. Company A continues to occupy OP#11 and two LP's at BT 574025 and BT 580032, and conducts local patrolling.

b. Company B(-) will have the 1st Platoon returned at 031400H and continues local patrolling and maintains two LP's.

c. Company C continues occupation of the combat base on the TRUNG PHAN Peninsula and conducts local patrolling.

d. Company D continues to provide a security platoon to the hamlet of NUOC MAN, BS 574970, maintains OP#10, BS 562998, and the traffic control point, BT 555017. The company will conduct local patrolling and maintain one LP.

e. Box Score

	S&C Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	2	0	5	1	8
Squad	0	3	1	0	2	6
Platoon	0	2	0	0	0	2
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	7	1	5	3	16

3. Miscellaneous

a. At 022330H a report was received from 7th Marines that Artillery had observed nine VC vis BT 533046 at 021830H and the VC were being chased towards Highway #1 at 021900H. All units were alerted but no contact with VC was reported.

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b. Late report from Company C. At 021300H, BS 647982, the 3rd platoon encountered five VC with weapons at BS 654984 and delivered long range fire with machinegun on them as they were moving northward toward DONG LE(1). 81 Mortars were fired vic BS 657987 with results unobserved. At 021430H the 2nd platoon apprehended a female VCS in SON TRA (4), BT 643012. At 021530H the platoon tripped an M-26 grenade at BT 644005 which failed to detonate. Minutes later, the platoon found another M-26 grenade with monofilament line attached at 644005. No lot numbers were visible on either grenade.

c. Attention is invited to paragraph 1.d. regarding the deserted hamlet of PHU LE (1). Patrols operating in the area on 1 and 2 December found the hamlet completely uninhabited, except for one VCS apprehended on 1 December.

d. Company D employed the SID, BT 560015, from 021900H to 030700H with no movements detected.

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4 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP# 98 as of 041200H December 1965

1. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Operations

a. Company A occupied OP# 11, BT 586027, and maintained two LP's, BT 574-025 and BT 580032, from 031900H to 040700H. The company had no contact.

b. Company B conducted two fireteam security patrols and one squad size combat/recon patrol. The first fireteam security patrol departed at 032245H and returned at 040530H. The second fireteam departed at 032320H and returned at 040515H. The squad size patrol departed at 031730H and returned at 031745H, At BT 583001, a squad patrol in THUNG AN(1), apprehended one VCS who was beating on a bamboo drum. The entire hamlet of THUNG AN(2), was found to be deserted. The VCS was delivered to the Battalion Collection Point, at 040730H. The company had two LP's, BT 567016 and BT 569018, from 031900H to 040700H.

c. Company C continues to occupy the combat base, BS 624991, on the THUNG THAN Peninsula. At 031750H, BS 627992, the company received five rounds of semi-automatic SA fire from BS 635993. Marines returned fire with 50 rounds of machine gun fire and three 40mm grenades with results unobserved. At 031945H, BS 628993, the perimeter received two incoming grenades from vic BS 628991, which failed to detonate. Marines answered with two hand grenades, two 40mm grenades, and six rounds of SA fire with results unknown.

d. Company D continues to provide a security platoon to the hamlet of NUOC MAN, BS 574970. The company occupied OP# 10, BS 562998, and maintained the traffic control point, BT 555017. At 032235H, the SID detected movement vic BT 559010. 81 illumination revealed one VCS running down highway# 1 to the south. The company is conducting a platoon(-) patrol in GS 5897 and has had no contact.

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e. Box Score

	SAC Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	2	0	5	1	8
Squad	0	2	0	0	2	4
Platoon	0	1	0	0	0	1
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	5	0	5	3	13

Contact	DTG	Operation	Friendly Losses	Enemy Losses
BT 565001	031745H	Patrol	None	1 VCS captured

2. Plans Summary

a. Company A continues to occupy OP# 11 and two LP's, and conducts local patrolling.

b. Company B continues local patrolling and maintains two LP's. The company will provide a security squad to TRUNG AM(1), BS 595998.

c. Company C continues occupation of the combat base on the TRUNG PHAN Peninsula and conducts local patrolling.

d. Company D continues to provide a security platoon to NUOC MAN, BS 574-970, maintains OP# 10, BS 562990, and the traffic control point, BT 555017. The company will conduct local patrolling and maintain one LP, BT 565015.

e. Box Score

	SAC Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	5	0	5	1	11
Squad	0	2	1	0	2	5
Platoon	0	2	0	0	0	2
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	9	1	5	3	18

3. Miscellaneous

a. At 031655H, BS 629976, AO spotted one VC burying a rifle. Company C gave AO permission to fire on VC. AO fired four rockets with results unknown.

b. Battery G, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines conducted a rear area security patrol which departed at 031400H and returned at 031600H with no contact.

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c. CP and OP Locations

(1)	1st Battalion, 7th Marines	BT 555044
(2)	Company A	BT 572029
(3)	Company B	BT 566020
(4)	Company C	BS 626992
(5)	Company D	BT 558019
(6)	81MM Mortar Platoon	BT 561028
(7)	Company A, 3d AmTrack Bn	BT 568039

d. A Political Action Team from BINH SON will be assigned as security to TRUNG AN(1) upon their arrival.

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5 December 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP # 99 as of 051200H December 1965

1. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Operations

a. Company A occupied OP#11, BT 586027, and maintained two LP's, BT 574025 and BT 580030, from 041900H to 050700H. In addition the company conducted three fireteam security patrols and two squad size patrols. The first fireteam patrol departed at 041900H and returned at 042300H. The second patrol departed at 050005H and returned at 050405H. The third patrol departed at 050500H and returned at 050730H. The first squad size security patrol departed at 042025H and returned at 050156H. The second recon squad departed at 050630H and has had no contact at this time.

b. Company B conducted two fireteam security patrols and two squad size combat/recon patrols. The first fireteam patrol departed at 042300H and returned at 050515H. The second fireteam patrol departed at 042300H and returned at 050530H. The first squad patrol departed at 041900 and returned at 042400H. The second squad patrol departed at 050030H and returned at 050430H. In addition the company provided a platoon sized security force to the hamlet of THUNG AN(1), BS 595998, since 041730H. The company also maintained two LP's, BT 567016 and BT 569018, from 041900H to 050700H.

c. Company C continues to occupy the combat base, BS 624991, on the THUNG PHAN Peninsula. At 042025H, BS 628992, SID detected movement vic BT 626989. Marines fired one 40MM grenade under 81MM illumination at one VCS moving away from perimeter with results unknown. At 042100H, perimeter observed one VC moving toward hedgerow at BS 627992. Marines fired four rounds 3A's and illuminated with 81's with results undetermined. At 042300H, a platoon ambush was set near SON TRA(1), BT 626023. At 050050H, the ambush opened fire on five VC in black pajamas and with weapons. Two VC were wounded and were dragged off by remaining VC to surf line and into ocean. The VC waded and swam to an island located at BT 626026. Artillery fired for effect with devastating results and suspected five VC killed. A fireteam swam to island at 050500H and found a suitcase containing boots, khaki uniforms, socks, and cartridge belts. At 050700H, BT 654039, the 2nd platoon made contact with approximately 70 VC in TUYET DIEM(3) on their search and clear mission. The platoon killed 30 VC, wounded 14, captured three VC, one of which was wounded and MED EVAC'd to Co B, 3rd Medical Battalion. The platoon captured three weapons. The platoon is presently retracting by helo to the combat base.

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d. Company B continues to provide a security platoon to the hamlet of NUOC MAN, BS 574970. The company occupied OP#10, BS 562998, and maintained a LP, BT 565015. In addition, the company maintained the traffic control point, BT 555017, and conducted a platoon size combat/recon patrol. The patrol departed from NUOC MAN at 050750H and returned at 050950H. At 042050H, BULLDOG observed an explosion at BS 572969, of an unknown source.

e. The 106RR Platoon provided a squad to vic BT 614017, as a blocking force for Company C's search and clear mission. The patrol departed at 050830H and returned at 051155H. The patrol had no contact with the enemy but delivered two civilians to the BAS for medical aid.

f. Box Score

	S&C Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	5	0	5	1	11
Squad	0	5	1	0	2	8
Platoon	1	3	1	0	0	5
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	13	2	5	3	24

Contact	DTG	Operation	Friendly losses	Enemy losses
BT 626023	050050H	Ambush	None	2 WIA
BT 626026	050130H	Arty Mission	None	5 KIA possible
BT 654039	050700H	Search & Clear	None	30 KIA 14 WIA

2. Plans Summary

a. Company A will continue to occupy OP#11, and two LP's and conduct local patrolling. In addition, the company will provide a security squad to TRUNG AN(1), BS 595998 from 051700H to 061700H.

b. Company B continues local patrolling and maintains two LP's. The company prepares to relieve Company C on the TRUNG PHAN Peninsula on 6 December.

c. Company C continues occupation of the combat base on the TRUNG PHAN Peninsula and prepares to return to the MLR and relieve Company B on 6 December.

d. Company D continues to provide security for NUOC MAN, and maintains OP#20, and the traffic control point, BT 555017. The company will maintain one LP and will conduct local patrolling.

e. Box Score

	S&C Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	5	0	5	1	11
Squad	0	2	1	0	2	5
Platoon	0	2	0	0	0	2
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	9	1	5	3	18

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3. Miscellaneous. None

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6 December 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP # 100 as of 061200H December 1965

1. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Operations

a. Company A(Rein) provided a security squad to the hamlet of TRUNG AN(1), BS 595998, from 052050H to 060730H. The company, reinforced by a provisional squad from H&S Company, five Gates, and three Tanks, manned the MLR and maintained two LP's, BT 574025, and BT 580032, from 051900H to 060700H. In addition the company maintained OP/11, BT 586027. At 051700H, two platoons (rein), and the company headquarters were helolifted to TUYET DIEM(1), BT 655046. In addition, one squad plus a 106 recoilless rifle squad was lifted to OP THRUSH, BT 633045, simultaneously. The company's mission was to secure the area between TUYET DIEM(1) and (3), and provide security to divers searching for weapons in the SONG MOI River. The company also conducted search and clear missions in the immediate area. While flying into the LZ, the lead helo observed five VC with weapons at BT 634015. Upon reaching the LZ, the company observed six VC crossing the river to the south at BT 654044. After securing the LZ, the 3rd platoon moved toward the river and killed four VC and wounding one VC attempting to flee across the river, BT 654044, at 051715H. At 051715H, the 2nd platoon received SA fire from VC, BT 648048. The platoon deployed and killed one VC and captured one medical bag and documents. The platoon conducted a squad size search and clear operation to the northwest and found a cave at BT 644044 but had no contact. At 051730H, the divers began searching the SONG MOI River at BT 654044. The squad located at LZ THRUSH reported several civilians milling about the beach vic BT 658046, at 052000H. A search of the area by the squad dispersed the civilians and the squad was fired upon by one VC among the crowd with a carbine. The Marines killed the VC, captured the carbine and detained 25 civilians as VCS. The 25 VCS were returned to LZ BLUEBIRD and interrogated at 051847H. The 3rd platoon killed one VC in a bunker at BT 655045 at 051830H. At 051845H, BS 651044, the 3rd platoon killed one VC attempting to escape by boat and captured one French 9.MM machine gun. At 052000H, a local security patrol departed to the southeast and at 052012H all other elements of the company were in position for the night. After an uneventful night, the divers began searching the SONG MOI River at 060650H with the aid of mine detectors. At 060700H, a squad combat patrol commenced a search of TUYET DIEM(1), BT 650044, and discovered a small cave and six small punji pits, BT 650046, at [illegible] In addition a squad searched the area vic BT 660039 commencing at 060700H. At 060[illegible]H, BT 647045, the squad discovered a dead VC with a bandage on a fatal stomach wound. The squad dispatched a scout team across the SONG MOI River, BT 653043, at 060900H. The squad returned to the company OP at 061000H with no further contact. The divers concluded their search of the river at 061019H and returned to LZ BLUEBIRD.

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b. Company B conducted two fireteam security patrols and maintained two LP's, BT 567016 and BT 569018, throughout the night. The first patrol departed at 052335H and returned at 060540H. The second patrol departed at 052335H and returned at 060540H. The LP's were occupied from 051900H to 060700H. The company departed their MLR positions at 061000H by LVT's to relieve Company C in the combat base on the TRUNG PHAN Peninsula.

c. Company C occupied the combat base, BS 624991, on the TRUNG PHAN Peninsula. The company conducted a platoon combat patrol to DONG LN(3), BS 653993 at 060600H and returned at 061000H with no contact. At 061100H, the company began retracting from their combat base.

d. Company D provided a security platoon to the hamlet of NUOC HAN, BS 574970. The company occupied OP#10, BS 562998, and maintained the traffic control point, BT 555017. The company employed one LP, BT 565015, and occupied a portion of company B's MLR at 061030H.

e. H&S Company maintains an OP, BT 564041, 24 hours daily. The company provided a provisional squad to Company A for local security.

f. Box Score

	SAO Ones	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	2	0	5	2	9
Squad	2	2	0	0	3	7
Platoon	2	2	0	0	0	4
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	4	6	0	5	5	20

Contact	DTG	Operations	Friendly losses	Enemy losses
BT 654044	051715H	S & C	None	4 VC killed 1 VC wounded
BT 648040	051715H	S & C	None	1 VC killed
BT 658046	051800H	S & C	None	1 VC killed
BT 655045	051830H	S & C	None	1 VC killed
BT 651044	051845H	S & C	None	1 VC killed
BT 658046	051800H	S & C	None	6 VCS detained

2. Plans Summary

a. Company A will occupy its MLR positions and will conduct local patrolling. In addition, the company will occupy OP#11 and two LP's in zone.

b. Company B will occupy the combat base on the TRUNG PHAN Peninsula, BS 624991, and will conduct local patrolling.

c. Company C will occupy the MLR positions previously occupied by Company B. The company will provide a security squad to the hamlet of TRUNG AN(1), BS 595998, and maintain two LP's in their zone.

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d. Company D will continue to provide a security platoon to NUOC MAN, and maintain OP#10, and the traffic control point, BT 555017. The company will employ one LP in their zone, and conduct local patrolling.

e. H&S Company will maintain one OP.

f. Box Score

	S&C Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	4	0	5	2	11
Squad	0	3	2	0	2	7
Platoon	0	2	0	0	0	2
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	9	2	5	4	20

III Miscellaneous

a. Company A evacuated two wounded VCS to Company B, 3rd Medical Battalion, at 051845H. Complete information concerning the two VCS are not available at this time.

b. At 061200, plans were made to retract Company A by LVT's. Helicopters will retract the 106 recoilless rifle squad and gun from LZ THRUSH.

c. CP location changes:

(1) Company B BS 626992

(2) Company C BT 566020

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7 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP# 101 as of 071200H December 1965

1. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Operations

a. Company A conducted two fireteam security patrols, one squad (rein) recon patrol, and employed a squad size ambush. The first fireteam departed at 061255H and returned at 070015H. The second fireteam departed at 070130H and returned at 070345H. The squad ambush patrol departed at 062045H and returned at 070630H. The squad recon patrol departed at 070830H and has not had contact. In addition, the company occupied OP# 11, BT 586027, and maintained two LP's, BT 574025 and BT 580032, from 061900H to 070700H. At 1130 the company received an order to relieve units of 3d Battalion, 7th Marines by 071500H.

b. Company B occupied the combat base, BS 624991, on the THUNG THAN Peninsula. The company had no contact.

c. Company C provided a reinforced squad to the Hamlet of THUNG AN(1), BS 595998, as a security force. The company maintained two LP's, BT 567016 and BT 569018, throughout the night. The company prepares to move a platoon headquarters, two rifle squads, and one rocket squad to Company A's MLR by 071330H.

d. Company D provides a security platoon to the Hamlet of NUOC MAN, BS 574970. The company occupied OP# 10, BS 562998, and maintained the traffic control point, BT 555047. In addition, the company employed one LP, BT 565015.

e. H&S Company occupies one OP, BT 564041, 24 hours daily. The company prepares to provide a 15 man squad to Company A's MLR by 071330H.

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f. Box Score

	S&C Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	2	0	5	2	9
Squad	0	2	1	0	2	5
Platoon	0	0	0	0	0	0
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	4	1	5	4	14

2. Plans Summary

a. Company A will detach to 2d Battalion, 7th Marines by 071330H.

b. Company B will occupy the combat base on the TRUNG PHAN Peninsula and conduct local patrolling.

c. Company C will provide a security force to TRUNG AN(1), continues local patrolling and maintains two LP's in zone. In addition, the company will provide a Platoon (-)(Rein) to occupy Company A's portion of the MLR. The platoon will be supported by a light section of tanks and a platoon of Ontos.

d. Company D will provide a security force to NUOC MAN, and will maintain OP# 10 and the traffic control point, BT55017. The company will employ one LP and conduct local patrolling.

e. H&S Company will maintain one OP and continues to provide a 15 man squad to Company A's portion of the MLR.

f. Box Score

	S&C Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	0	0	5	2	7
Squad	0	1	0	0	2	3
Platoon	0	2	0	0	0	2
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	3	0	5	4	12

3. Miscellaneous. None

4. Civil Affairs. None

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8 December 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP # 102 as of 081200H December 1965

1. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Operations

a. Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. Company B continues to occupy a company size combat base, BS 624991, on the TRUNG PHAN Peninsula. The company perimeter received three rounds of harassing small arms fire from BS 627996 at 072000H. Seven VC were observed at the same location, the company then fired 81mm Mortars, 106 Recoilless Rifle, two rounds of 105mm, 3.5 inch Rocket Launcher, and small arms fire. The results of the fire is unknown and the VC broke contact and fled. At 072020H the company received one incoming dud hand grenade. The company was unable to locate the dud, therefore, the company was unable to obtain the lot number.

c. Company C furnished a squad size security force to provide security for the Hamlet of TRUNG AN(1), BS 595998. The squad occupied its defensive positions during the hours 071845H through 080820H. The company maintained two LP's, BT 567016 and BT 569018. The company had no contact. The company is currently furnishing a platoon (-)(Rein) and a platoon headquarters to man Company A's MLR positions. The platoon is reinforced by a squad of men from H&S Company, a light section of tanks, and a platoon of ontos.

d. Company D continued to furnish a platoon size security force to provide security for the Hamlet of NUOC MAN, BS 574970. The company continues to occupy OP#10, BS 562998, and maintain the traffic control point, BT 555017. In addition, the company employed one LP, BT 565015, during the hours of darkness. The company is currently conducting a platoon (-) combat patrol.

e. H&S Company occupies one OP, BT 564041, on a continuous basis. The company is furnishing a 15 man squad to reinforce Company C's platoon (-) that is occupying Company A's MLR positions.

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f. Box Score

	S&S Cmns	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	0	0	3	1	4
Squad	0	1	0	0	2	3
Platoon	0	2	0	0	0	2
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	3	0	3	3	9

2. Plans Summary

a. Company A will remain attached to the Provisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. Company B will occupy the combat base on the THUNG PHAN Peninsula.

c. Company C will continue to provide a security force to THUNG AN(1), conduct local patrolling, and maintain two LP's. The company will continue to furnish a platoon (-)(rein) and a platoon headquarters to coordinate the defense of Company A's MLR positions.

d. Company D will continue to provide a security force to provide security for the Hamlet of NUOC MAN. In addition, the company will conduct local patrolling, maintain OP#10, maintain two LP's, and the traffic control point, BT 555017.

e. H&S Company will continue to maintain one OP and provide a 15 man squad to help man Company A's MLR positions.

f. Box Score

	S&S Cmns	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	0	0	3	2	5
Squad	0	0	0	0	2	2
Platoon	0	3	0	0	0	3
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	3	0	3	4	10

3. Miscellaneous

a. Information received late from Company D.

(1) At 071420H one VC, BS 569944, armed with an M-1 rifle fired six rounds of harassing fire at a Marine patrol, BS 576943. The patrol immediately fired [illegible] rounds of small arms fire at the VC but the VC broke contact and fled into the dense heavy brush. The patrol was unable to apprehend the VC. The VC was dressed in black and had no hat.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP# 103 as of 091200H ~~November~~ DECEMBER 1965

1. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Operations

a. Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion that is manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. Company B continues to occupy the combat base, BS 624991, on the THUNG PHAN Peninsula. At 082005H the company OP, BS 618985, fired warning shots across the bow of a boat operating after the curfew hour. The boat did not stop and the OP was unable to stop the boat. The company is currently conducting a combat patrol in the vic of DONG LE(4), BT 666011. At 090945 the patrol found a rice cache, the object of its search and commenced destroying the rice. While in the process of destroying the rice the patrol, BT 664007, received light harassing fire from one VC, BT 665009. The patrol is currently pursuing the VC.

c. Company C provided a security/ambush squad to provide security for the Hamlet of THUNG AN(1), BS 595998, between the hours of 081815H and 090815H. The company maintained two LP's, BT 567016 and BT 569018, during the hours of darkness. At 082020H one VCS was apprehended when he was observed to have been hiding in some heavy brush. The VCS was at BT 569018 and the Marines observed him from BT 568019. The company is furnishing a platoon(-)(rein) and a platoon headquarters to control and coordinate the defense of Company A's MLR positions. The platoon is reinforced by a rocket section, platoon of Ontos, a light section of tanks, and a squad of infantry from H&S Company.

d. Company D continued to provide a platoon(-) to furnish security for the Hamlet of NUOC MAN, BS 574970. The company continues to occupy OP's BS 562998, and the traffic control point, BT 555017. In addition, the company employed one LP, BT 565015, during the night. The company is currently conducting a platoon(-) combat patrol. The company had no contact.

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e. H&S Company occupies one fireteam OP, BT 564041, on a continuous basis. The company is furnishing a 15 man squad to help Company A's MLR positions.

f. Box Score

	S&C Gens	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	0	0	3	2	5
Squad	0	0	1	0	2	3
Platoon	0	3	0	0	0	3
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	3	1	3	4	11

2. Plans Summary

a. Company A will continue to be attached to the Provisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. Company B will continue to occupy the company combat base on the TRUNG PHAN Peninsula and conduct local patrolling.

c. Company C will continue to provide security for the Hamlet of TRUNG AN(1), continue local patrolling, and maintain two L 's. In addition, the company will continue to furnish a platoon(-)(rein) and a platoon headquarters to man company A's MLR positions.

d. Company D will continue to provide security for the Hamlet of HUGC MAN, continue local patrolling, maintain OP# 10, the traffic control point, and the company LP.

e. H&S Company will maintain one OP and continue to provide a 15 man squad to help man Company A's MLR positions.

f. Box Score

	S&C Gens	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	0	0	3	2	5
Squad	0	2	1	0	2	5
Platoon	0	1	0	0	0	1
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	3	1	3	4	11

3. Miscellaneous. A 106 Recoilless Rifle Platoon section conducted a two hour firex on afternoon of 8 December 1965. The section practiced fire commands and fire procedures. In addition, the section test fired a recoilless rifle that had been returned after being repaired.

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10 December 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP # 104 as of 101200H December 1965

1. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Operations

a. Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion that is manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. Company B continues to occupy the combat base, BS 624991, on the THUNG PHA Peninsula. At 092045H three men were observed, BS 628989, and taken under fire. The men immediately fled into the heavy brush and no contact was made. At 100456H movement was observed in the vic of the defensive wire, BS 625993. One hand grenade was thrown into the vic of the movement, the results of which are unknown. The company is currently conducting a platoon combat patrol that is visiting the Hamlets of DONG LE (1), (4), and (5) and PHUOC HOA (5) and (4), grid squares BT 6601, BT 6600, BS 6699, BS 6696, BS 6798, and BS 6799. The patrol will return 131700H December 1965.

c. Company C provided a security/combat squad (rein) to provide security for the hamlet of THANG BE (1), BS 595998, between the hours of 090900H and 100845H. The company maintained one LP, BT 570017 between the hours of 091700H and 100700H. The company is furnishing a platoon (-)(Rein) and a platoon headquarters to control and coordinate the defense of Company A's MLR positions. The platoon is reinforced by a rocket section, platoon of ontos, a light section of tanks, and a squad of infantry from H&S Company.

d. Company D is furnishing a platoon as helicopter security for a helicopter down in a landing zone 20 miles NW of TAM KY. The platoon departed the Battalion area 091455H by helicopter and the platoon is currently under the operational control of the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines. To support the MLR the security platoon of HUOC MAN, BS 574970, was withdrawn to the MLR at 092130H. In addition, 12 men and four machine guns of Company B, 1st Tank Battalion were integrated into the MLR at 091940H. The company maintained one fireteam LP, BT 565015, OP#10, BS 562993, and the traffic control point, BT 555017. The company dispatched its security platoon back to HUOC MAN, BS 574970, at 101100H, and the company will conduct a platoon (-) combat patrol. The company had no contact.

e. H&S Company occupies one fireteam OP, BT 564041, on a continuous basis. The company is furnishing a 15 man squad to help man Company A's MLR positions.

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f. Box Score

	BAG Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	0	0	2	2	4
Squad	0	1	0	0	2	3
Platoon	0	3	0	0	0	3
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	4	0	2	4	10

2. Plans Summary

a. Company A will continue to be attached to the Provisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. Company B will continue to occupy the company combat base on the THUNG NHAI Peninsula and conduct local patrolling.

c. Company C will continue to provide security for the Hamlet of THUNG AN (1), continue local patrolling, and maintain two LP's. In addition, the company will continue to furnish a platoon (-)(rein) and a platoon headquarters to man Company A's MLR positions.

d. Company D will continue to furnish the security for the Hamlet of NUOC MAN, upon the return of the platoon under the operational control of the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines. The company will continue to conduct local patrolling, maintain OP-10, the traffic control point, and one LP.

e. H & S Company will maintain one OP and continue to provide a 15 man squad to help man Company A's MLR positions.

f. Box Score

	BAG Ops	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	0	0	3	2	5
Squad	0	1	0	0	2	3
Platoon	0	3	0	0	0	3
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	4	0	3	4	11

3. Miscellaneous. At 100055H four wounded civilians approached OP-11, BT 583027, for aid. The civilians are from vic of the Hamlet of HAI MINH (1), grid square 6001. The wounds are alledged to have been caused by artillery fire. The matter is currently under investigation. The BAS treated three of the civilians and one civilian was helicopter evacuated to QUANG NGAI, BS 628735, at 100950H.

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines
Marine # 13
3rd Marine Division (Rein) FMF
c/o FPO San Francisco, California
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11 December 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SITREP Number 105 as of 111200H December 1965

1. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Operations

a. Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion that is manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. Company B continues to occupy the combat base, BS 624991, on the THUNG THIN Peninsula. The company is continuing to conduct a platoon size combat patrol in the vicinity of DONG LAI (1), (5), in grid squares BS 6699, BT 6600, and BT 6601. The patrol departed 10 December and will return 131700H. There has been no contact to date. The company defensive position at 101910H, received light harassing fire from an unknown number of VC. VC threw three hand grenades into the company position. Several men were observed in front of the company position and movement was ascertained by SID. Company returned incoming with M-14, M-79, M-26, 81's, and 3.5 inch rocket launchers. During this period four men were observed on a cart trail at BS 628993. Men were taken under fire and one man was observed to have fallen. Marines were unable to apprehend him. The company is presently conducting a search of the area.

c. Company C established an ambush in the vicinity of the Hamlet of THUNG AN (1), BS 595998, between the hours of 101900H and 110800H. No contact was made. Company maintained one LP at BT 570017, observed approximately 200 tracers fired from an east to west direction on THUNG THIN Peninsula. Company is furnishing a platoon (-)(rein) and a platoon headquarters to control and coordinate the defense of Company A's MLR positions. The platoon is reinforced by a rocket section, a platoon of ontos, a light section of tanks, and a squad of infantry from H&S Company.

d. Company D's third platoon, that was attached to the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines for helicopter security, returned to the company area at 101730H. See miscellaneous paragraph for information received late from this platoon. Company continues to furnish platoon for security of the Hamlet of NUOC HAN, BS 574970. Company had no contact. Company is currently conducting a platoon (-) combat patrol. The platoon has had no contact at this time. The company maintained one firetem LP, BT 565015, OP#10, BS 562998, and the traffic control point, BT 555017.

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e. H&S Company occupied one fireteam OP, BT 564041, on a continuous basis. The company is furnishing a 15 man squad to help man Company A's MLR positions.

f. Box Score

	S&C Opns	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	0	0	2	2	4
Squad	0	0	1	0	2	3
Platoon	0	3	0	0	0	3
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	3	1	2	4	10

2. Plans Summary

a. Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. Company B will continue to occupy the company combat base on the TRUNG MAN Peninsula, and conduct local patrolling.

c. Company C will continue to provide security for the Hamlet of TRUNG AN (1), continue local patrolling and maintain two LP's. In addition, the company will continue to furnish a platoon (-)(rein), and a platoon headquarters to man Company A's MLR positions.

d. Company D continues to furnish security for the Hamlet of NUOC MAN. The company will continue to conduct local patrolling, maintain OP/10, the traffic control point, and one LP.

e. H&S Company will maintain one OP and continue to provide a 15 man squad to assist in manning Company A's MLR positions.

f. Box Score

	S&C Opns	Patrols	Ambushes	LP	OP	Total
Fireteam	0	0	0	2	2	4
Squad	0	1	0	0	2	3
Platoon	0	3	0	0	0	3
Company	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	4	0	2	4	10

3. Miscellaneous

a. Information received late from Company D. Between the hours of 100900H and 101700H the 3rd platoon, attached to the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, was attacked at BT 015323, by approximately 15 VC, wearing khaki uniforms and helmets. They were armed with AR's and M-1's, firing armor piercing ammunition. During the aforementioned time frame, approximately 500 rounds were fired by the VC. The platoon returned the fire expending approximately 600-700 rounds. During the firefight, one man was wounded. One VC was wounded (unconfirmed).

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b. Battalion S-2 and S-3, and D Company Commander conducted a liaison visit to BINH SON District Headquarters. The purpose of the visit was to reconnoiter the area for possible routes of reinforcement.

c. <u>CP and OP Locations</u>

(1)	1st Battalion, 7th Marines	BT 565044
(2)	Company A - Provisional Battalion	
(3)	Company B	BT 624991
(4)	Company C	BT 566020
(5)	Company D	BT 558019
(6)	Slam Fort Platoon	BT 561028
(7)	Company A, 3rd Amtrac Bn	BT 568059
(8)	Btry C, 3rdBn, 11thMar	BT 566042
(9)	OP 10	BT 561997
(10)	OP 11	BT 583027

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3rd Marine Division (Rein) FMF
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12 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SITREP #106 as of 121200H December 1965.

1. OPERATIONS

a. Nox score activities from 111800H to 121200H 1965.

(1) Small unit actions.

	Fireteam		Squad		Platoon		Company	
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night
Scout/Sniper ( )	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Listening Post (LP)	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Recon Patrol (RC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Security Patrol (SEC)	2	2	3	3	0	1	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
Clearing (CLR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion Actions

	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

b. Actions with contact

(1) Province/Coord - Quang Ngai BS 658992
Date/Time - 1118 OH
Action/Size/Type - Light harassing fire from one sniper.
Friendly Unit Losses - 0
Enemy Unit Losses -0
Initiated By - Enemy
Material/Wpns - None
Captured/Other - None

At 111800H Company B reported one of their patrols received one round of rifle fire from BS 658991. A search of the area was conducted with no contact.

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(2) Province/Coord - Quang Ngai BS 625991
Date/Time - 111805H
Action/Size/Type - Light harassing fire from fishing boat.
Friendly Unit Losses - 0
Enemy Unit Losses - 0
Initiated By - Enemy
Material/Wpns - 0
Captured/Other - 0

Two rounds of carbine fire were received in the Company B perimeter, BS 625991, from a fishing boat, located at BS 620993. All fishing boats in the immediate area were brought in for searching. One boat managed to let two men off at VIEN AN(1), BT 616008, before the Marines could apprehend it. The occupants of this boat were detained for questioning, all others were released.

(3) Province/Coord - Quang Ngai BT 662007
Date/Time - 112105H
Action/Size/Type - Received six rounds light harassing fire.
Friendly Unit Losses - 0
Enemy Unit Losses - 0
Initiated By - Enemy
Material/Wpns - 0
Captured/Other - 0

At 112105H, Company B reported one of their patrols received six rounds of small arms harassing fire, at BT 662007. The patrol was unable to locate the enemy due to darkness.

2. PLANS

a. Box score activities from 111800H to 121200H 1965.

(1) Small Unit actions.

	Fireteam		Squad		Platoon		Company	
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night
Scout Sniper (S/S)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Listening Post (LP)	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Recon Patrol (RPC)	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Security Patrol (SPC)	2	2	2	2	1	1	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
Clearing (CLR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion Actions

	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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3. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines furnished one FAC Team for the resupply convoy to Task Force Delta.

c. At 111500H, Company B reported receiving one round of carbine fire from BS 638993. There were no friendly or enemy losses. A search of the area was conducted with no contact.

d. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines is finalizing the plan for the relief of Binh Son District Headquarters.

e. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines will continue to furnish security for the Hamlets of TRUNG AN(1), BT 593001, and NUOC MAN, BS 575970.

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13 December 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SITREP # 107 as of 131200H December 1965.

1. OPERATIONS

a. Box score activities from 121800H to 131200H December 1965.

(1) Small unit actions

	Fireteam		Squad		Platoon		Company		
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Tot.
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Listening Post (LP)	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Security Patrol (SEC)	2	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	10
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	3
Clearing (CLR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	4	4	3	3	2	0	0	18

(2) Battalion Actions

	Day	Night	Total
Clearing (CLR)	0	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

b. Actions with contact

(1) Province/Coord - Quang Ngai BT 658997
Date/Time - 121755H
Action/Size/Type - Platoon combat base received light harassing fire.
Friendly/Unit Losses - Company B/O
Enemy Unit Losses - Unknown/one wounded
Initiated By - Enemy
Material/Weapons - O/O
Captured/Other - One identification card/O

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At 121730H four Viet Cong Suspects were observed entering DONG LE (1), BS 660990. When elements of the platoon gave chase, three of the suspects fled, firing automatic rifles and carbines at the Marines. The Marines returned the fire and wounded one of the suspects. All of the suspects were wearing black uniforms and one was carrying a pack.

(2) Province/Coord - Quang Ngai/BS 628992
Date/Time - 122125H
Action/Size/Type - Company combat base received three rounds of harassing fire.

Friendly Unit Losses - Company B/0
Enemy Unit Losses - Unknown/0
Initiated By - Enemy
Material/Wpns - 0/0
Captured/Other - 0/0

At 122125H Company B received three rounds of harassing fire into their combat base, BS 628992. The enemy fled under the cover of darkness.

2. Plans

a. Box score activities from 151800H to 141200H 1965.

(1) Small unit actions

	Fir team		Squad		Platoon		Company		Tot
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	0
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Listening Post (LP)	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Recon Patrol (RSC)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Security Patrol (SEC)	2	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	1
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
Total	2	5	2	3	3	1	0	0	

(2) Battalion Actions

	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0
Total	0	0

3. Miscellaneous

a. Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. Company B requested a Med Evac for one Marine at 120530H, who sprained his ankle, by falling off from a rock during a sweep and clear operation. The pick-up was effected at BS 663985. The Med Evac was completed by 121245H.

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c. At 121400H, Company B requested a Med Evac for two Marines. The two Marines were wounded while attempting to construct a booby trap, forward of their position. Information as to how the explosion occurred is not available at this time. One Marine expired enroute to Bravo Med. The other Marine arrived in critical condition. The Med Evac was completed by 121425H.

d. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines will continue to furnish security for the Hamlets of THUNG AN (1), BF 593001, and BUOC MAN, BS 575970.

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14 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SITREP 108 as of 141200H December 1965

Encl: (1) Summary of 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions with contact.

1. Operations

a. Box score summary of activities, DTG 131800H Dec to 141200H Dec 1965, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

(1) All Small Unit Actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (S/S)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	1	0	0		
Recon Patrol (RPO)	0	0	0	0	1	0		
Security Patrol (SPC)	1	1	0	0	1	1		
Search&Destroy/Combat (S/D/C)			1	0	0	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion Actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

2. Plans

a. Box score summary of planned activities, DTG 141800H Dec to 151200H Dec 1965, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines

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(1) All planned Small Unit Actions.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	1	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	0	1	1	1	0		
Search&Destroy/Combat(S/D/C)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion Actions planned.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

3. Miscellaneous

a. Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. ed Evac for Viet Cong Suspect wounded by Company B on 121730H, at coordinates BT 660940, was effected at 122030H. Viet Cong Suspect was evacuated to B Med.

c. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines will continue to furnish security for the Hamlets of TRUNG AN(1), BT 593001, and NUOC MAN, BS 575970.

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All Actions With Contact

Province/Coord	Date/Time	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit Losses	Initiated By	Material/[illegible]	Captured/Other
Quang Ngai	132115[illegible]	Company B, Combat	Company B	Unknown	[illegible]	0/[illegible]	0/0
1.[illegible]		Base fired on VC[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions with Contact

1. At 132115H Company B heard a noise forward of their perimeter. 81's fired illuminations and a man was observed running away from the perimeter. Four rounds of small arms were fired at him. There was no indication that he was hit as he fled into the darkness.

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM DAY	FIRE TEAM NIGHT	SQUAD DAY	SQUAD NIGHT	PLATOON DAY	PLATOON NIGHT	COMPANY DAY	COMPANY NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	0	0						
LISTENING POST (LP)	0	3						
AMBUSH (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
PECON PATROL (REC)	0	0	0	0	1	0		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	0	0	1	1	1	0		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)			3	0	0	0	0	0
CLEARING (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)	0	0
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)	0	0

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ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

	PROVINCE / COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIZE	ACTION TYPE+	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL WEAPONS IWC	MATERIAL WEAPONS CWC	CAPT OTH *
1	Quang Ngai	141845H	Squad	Recon	Company B Patrol	Unknown	Marine	0	0	0
	BT 579001		Fired on 4 VC		0	0	Patrol	0	0	0
2	Quang Ngai	141840H	Sqd	S/D	Company B Patrol	Unknown	Marine	0	0	0
	BT 624015		Apprehended 4 VCS		0	0	Patrol	0	0	0
3	Quang Ngai	141840H	Sqd	S/D	Company B Patrol	Unknown	Marine	0	0	0
	BT 623009		Apprehended 2 VCS		0	0	Patrol	0	0	0
4	Quang Ngai	141840H	Sqd	S/D	Company B Patrol	Unknown	Marine	0	0	0
	BS 635966		Apprehended 1 VCS		0	0	Patrol	0	0	0
5	Quang Ngai	141840H	Sqd	S/D	Company B Patrol	Unknown	VC	0	0	0
	BS 634964		Received VC fire		0	1 wounded		0	0	0
6	Quang Ngai	151010H	Airstrike		Company B Patrol	Unknown	Marine	0	0	0
	BS 675985				0	0	Patrol	0	0	0

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM DAY	FIRE TEAM NIGHT	SQUAD DAY	SQUAD NIGHT	PLATOON DAY	PLATOON NIGHT	COMPANY DAY	COMPANY NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	0	0						
LISTENING POST (LP)	0	3						
AMBUSH (AMB)	0	0	1	1	0	0		
PECON PATROL (REC)	0	0	0	0	1	0		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	0	0	1	1	1	1		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)			0	0	0	0	0	0
CLEARING (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)	0	0
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)	0	0

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ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

1. At 151845H a squad sized patrol from Company D observed four Viet Cong wearing khaki uniforms at coordinates BT 579001. Two of the Viet Cong were observed carrying carbines. The patrol took the Viet Cong under fire expending approximately ten rounds. The Viet Cong fled.

2. Company B reported at 151840H that one of their patrols on a search and clear mission of the hamlet of [illegible] THA (2) coordinates BT 624015, on 14 December, apprehended four Viet Cong suspects. One suspect was forwarded to this headquarters. The other three suspects were detained at Company B's position on the recommendation of their scout. They will be released if there is insufficient evidence to detain them. All four of the suspects were found with rounds of ammunition in their possession.

3. Company B reported at 1410400H that one of their patrols on a search and clear mission of the hamlets of [illegible] THA (3) coordinates BS 655980 and [illegible] BT (1) coordinates BS 623009, apprehended two Viet Cong suspects at BS 628973 as they were attempting to escape in a boat. The two suspects are being detained at Company B's position.

4. Company B reported at 1410400H that one of their squad patrols apprehended one Viet Cong suspect at coordinates BS 635966. The suspect had several empty .45 caliber and .30 caliber carbine rounds in his possession. The suspect is being detained at Company B's position.

5. Company B reported at 1413400H that one of their patrols received harassing fire from BS 634964. The Viet Cong appeared to be firing three M-1 carbines and one automatic rifle. The patrol returned the fire and attempted to flank the Viet Cong position. During the fire fight, one Viet Cong was wounded at coordinates BS 638947. The Viet Cong fled from their positions. A search of the area produced traces of blood, however no body could be found.

6. At 1510100H a Company B patrol requested an aerial observer to investigate a large gathering of Vietnamese. During the mission the aerial observer spotted some Vietnamese in a trench line at coordinates BS 675985. An air strike was requested by the aerial observer. The strike was completed at 1510400H. The aerial observer reported good coverage of the target. There is no further information on the results of the air strike at this time.

Miscellaneous

a. Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines FSR positions.

b. Company B requested a MEDEVAC for one Vietnamese civilian. The pick up was at BS 624001, at 1511145H. The wounded civilian was taken to Quang Ngai Army Hospital.

c. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines will continue to furnish security for the hamlets of [illegible] (1), BT 5[illegible]001, and [illegible], BS 575970.

B. D. [illegible]
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BN [illegible] REGT [illegible]

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM DAY	FIRE TEAM NIGHT	SQUAD DAY	SQUAD NIGHT	PLATOON DAY	PLATOON NIGHT	COMPANY DAY	COMPANY NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	0	0						
LISTENING POST (LP)	0	3						
AMBUSH (AMB)	0	0	1	2	0	0		
RECON PATROL (REC)	0	0	0	0	1	0		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	0	0	1	1	1	1		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)			3	0	0	0	0	0
CLEARING (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)	0	0
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)	0	0

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ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

	PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIZE	ACTION TYPE+	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL WEAPONS IWC	MATERIAL WEAPONS CWC	CAPT OTH *
1.	Quang Ngai BT 618986	151210H	Marines	fired on boat	Company B 0	Unknown 0	Marines	0	0	0
2.	Quang Ngai BT 622903	151900H	S/D Sqd captured	1 VCS	Company B 1 0	Unknown 1 Captured	Marines	0	0	0
3.	Quang Ngai BT 623009	151900H	S/D Sqd captured	2 VCS	Company B 0	Unknown 2 captured	Marines	0	0	0
4.	Quang Ngai BS 665975	151900H	S/D Sqd Captured	7 VCS	Company B 0	Unknown 7 captured	Marines	0	0	0
5.	Quang Ngai BT 638962	160720H	VC fired on S/D	Sqd patrol	Company B 1 WIA	Unknown	VC	0	0	0

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BOX SCORE DTG 16 1001Z [illegible] TO 17 1000Z [illegible] 196[illegible]

BN [illegible] REGT [illegible]

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM DAY	FIRE TEAM NIGHT	SQUAD DAY	SQUAD NIGHT	PLATOON DAY	PLATOON NIGHT	COMPANY DAY	COMPANY NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	0	0						
LISTENING POST (LP)	0	3						
AMBUSH (AMB)	0	0	0	2	0	0		
RECON PATROL (REC)	0	0	3	1	0	0		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	0	0	0	1	1	1		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)			0	0	1	0	0	0
CLEARING (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)	0	0
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)	0	0

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ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIZE	ACTION TYPE+	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL WEAPONS IWC	MATERIAL WEAPONS CWC	CAPT OTH *

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

1. Company B reported at 151210H that their island check point fired warning shots across the bow of a Vietnamese boat that refused to stop at the check point. The boat was searched and nothing was found.

2. At 151900H Company B reported that one of their squad size combat patrols had apprehended one VCS at coordinates BT 6[illegible]03.

3. At 1[illegible] Company B reported that one of their squad size combat patrols had apprehended two VCS at coordinates BT 623[illegible].

4. At 151900H Company B reported that one of their squad size combat patrols had apprehended seven VCS at coordinates ED 665975.

5. At 1[illegible]720H Company B reported that approximately six VC fired on one of their squad size combat patrols. One Marine was wounded. The Marines returned fire for five minutes and the VC fled. Arty Fire mission; good coverage, effects not assessed.

Miscellaneous

a. Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines [illegible] positions.

b. In yesterday's [illegible] it was reported that Company B requested a Med Evac for a wounded Vietnamese civilian. During the Med Evac the civilian expired. It is unknown at this time how the civilian was wounded.

c. At 1[illegible]747H Company B requested a Med Evac for one wounded Marine at coordinates BT 634962. The Med Evac was completed by 1[illegible].

d. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines will continue to furnish security for the Hamlets of [illegible], BT 5[illegible], and [illegible], BT 575970.

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM DAY	FIRE TEAM NIGHT	SQUAD DAY	SQUAD NIGHT	PLATOON DAY	PLATOON NIGHT	COMPANY DAY	COMPANY NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	0	0						
LISTENING POST (LP)	0	3						
AMBUSH (AMB)	0	0	0	1	0	0		
RECON PATROL (REC)	0	0	2	1	0	0		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	0	0	0	1	1	1		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)			0	0	1	0	0	0
CLEARING (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)	0	0
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)	0	0

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ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

	PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIZE	ACTION TYPE+	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL WEAPONS IWC	MATERIAL WEAPONS CWC	CAPT OTH *
1	~~[illegible]~~	~~[illegible]~~	~~[illegible]~~		~~[illegible]~~	~~[illegible]~~	~~[illegible]~~	~~0~~	~~0~~	~~0~~
	~~[illegible]~~		~~[illegible]~~		~~0~~	~~0~~				

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BOX SCORE DTG 27 1001Z Dec TO 28 1000Z Dec 196 5

BN 1st REGT 7th

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	FIRE TEAM DAY	FIRE TEAM NIGHT	SQUAD DAY	SQUAD NIGHT	PLATOON DAY	PLATOON NIGHT	COMPANY DAY	COMPANY NIGHT
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)	0	0						
LISTENING POST (LP)	0	5						
AMBUSH (AMB)	0	0	0	2	0	0		
RECON PATROL (REC)	0	0	1	0	1	0		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	0	0	1	1	1	1		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)			0	0	1	0	0	0
CLEARING (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	DAY	NIGHT
CLEARING (CLR)	0	0
SEARCH & DESTROY (S/D)	0	0

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ALL ACTIONS WITH CONTACT

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION SIZE	ACTION TYPE+	FRD UNIT/ LOSSES	ENM UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL WEAPONS IWC	MATERIAL WEAPONS CWC	CAPT OTH *

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

Miscellaneous

a. Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. At 162020H, Battery G, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines reported that their [illegible] located at coordinates BT 568039, observed an unidentified person at coordinates BT 567038 moving in a northeasterly direction. Two illumination flares were fired to facilitate making an identification. The attempts to identify the person were unsuccessful.

c. At 170840H, Company B requested a Med Evac for one Marine, suffering from blood poisoning in his leg. He was evacuated to Bravo-Med.

d. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines, will continue to furnish security for the Hamlets of [illegible] (1), BT 593001, and [illegible], BS 575970.

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HEADQUARTERS
1st Battalion, 7th Marines
Marine# 13
3rd Marine Division (Rein) FMF
c/o FPO San Francisco, California
96601

3/RES/ap
18 November 65

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP#112 as of 181200 November 1965.

Encl: (1) Summary of 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions with contact.

1. Operations

a. Box score summary of activities, DTG 17 1001 Nov to 18 1001 Nov 1965. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

(1) All small unit actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	0						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Search&Destroy/Combat(S/D/C)			0	0	0	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

2. Plans

a. Box score summary of planned activities, DTG 181012 Nov to 191012 Nov 1965, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

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(1) All planned small unit actions.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	1						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	1	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
Search&Destroy/Combat(S/D/C)	—	—	0	0	2	1	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion actions planned.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

3. Miscellaneous

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	Province/Coord	Date/Time	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit/Losses	Initiated By	Material/Wpns(IWC,CWC)	Captured/Others
1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0/0	0/0
	[illegible]		[illegible]	0	[illegible]			
2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0/0	Several VC documents
	[illegible]		1 VC		1 killed			
3	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	VC	0/0	0/0
	[illegible]		received [illegible] fire	0	0			
4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible] received	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0/0	0/0
	[illegible]		[illegible] fire.	[illegible]	[illegible]			
5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible] received	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0/0	0/0
	[illegible]		[illegible] fire	0	[illegible]			

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions with Contact

1. At 171530H a squad search and destroy patrol from Company B encountered one Viet Cong at coordinates BS 648973. The VC ran from the patrol and hid in a cave. The Marines tried to induce the VC to surrender and when he refused they threw a white Phosphorus grenade into the cave. The patrol was unable to determine if they VC had been killed, because of the heavy smoke left by White Phosphorus grenade.

2. At 171540H, a squad search and destroy patrol from Company B encountered three VC suspects one dressed in khaki uniform at coordinates, BS 635970. As the patrol approached the three, they attempted to escape. Warning shots were fired over the heads of the escaping VC suspects and when they refused to stop, one of them, wearing a khaki uniform, was shot and killed. Several important VC documents were found on the dead VC. They are being forwarded to this Headquarters. The body of the dead VC was taken to TAU HY(1), coordinates BT 624009, and turned over to the villagers.

3. At 080750H Company B reported receiving one round of harassing fire into their Combat Base at coordinates BS 624991. Attempts were made to determine from where the firing came. These attempts were unsuccessful.

4. At 080800H, a platoon search and destroy patrol from Company B, received harassing fire from approximately six VC located at coordinates BS 628972. The patrol returned the fire with M-14's and M-60's. One Marine was wounded in the leg during the firefight. The enemy losses are unknown.

5. While attempting to call in a Med Evac for the wounded Marine mentioned in incident 4, the platoon began receiving harassing fire from approximately 20 VC located at coordinates BS 641974. Artillery fire was called in upon the VC position. Results of the artillery fire are unknown at this time.

Miscellaneous.

a. Company A continues to be attached to theeProvisional Battalion manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, MLR positions.

b. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines is furnishing one FAC for the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines for a period of approximately 24 hours, commencing at 171800H.

c. Company B requested a Med Evac at coordinates BS 632966, for one wounded Marine. The Marine was shot through the leg. The Med Evac was completed to the 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Battalion Aid Station at 170915H.

d. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continues to furnish security for the Hamlets of TRUNG AN(1), BT 593001, and NUOC MAN, BS 575970.

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c. CP and OP Locations

(1)	1st Battalion, 7th Marines	BT 565044
(2)	Company A - Provisional Battalion	
(3)	Company B	BT 624991
(4)	Company C	BT 566020
(5)	Company D	BT 558019
(6)	81 Mortar Platoon	BT 561028
(7)	Company A 3d Amtrac Battalion	BT 568039
(8)	Btry G, 3d Battalion, 11th Marines	BT 566042
(9)	CP# 10	BS 561997
(10)	CP# 11	BT 583027

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HEADQUARTERS
1st Battalion, 7th Marines
Marine# 13
3rd Marine Division (Rein) FMF
c/o FPO San Francisco, California
96601

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39 [illegible] 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP# 113 as of 191[illegible] November 1965

Encl: (1) Summary of 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions with contact.

1. Operations

a. Box score summary of activities, DTG 181002 [illegible] to 191000 [illegible], 1965 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

(1) All small unit actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
Search&Destroy/Combat(S/D/C)			0	0	1	1	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

2. Plans

a. Box score summary of planned activities, DTG 191001 [illegible] to 201000 [illegible], 1965, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

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(1) All planned small unit actions.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	2						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	1	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
Search&Destroy/Combat(S/D/C)	—		1	0	1	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion actions planned.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	X

3. Miscellaneous

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All Actions With Contact

Province/Coord	Date/Time	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit/Losses	Initiated By	Material/Wpns(IWC,C,O)	Captured/Others
Quang Ngai	190945H	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	VC	0/0	0/0

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

1. At 190945H a squad search and destroy patrol, from Company B received small arms fire from approximately 10 VC, located at coordinates, BS 653961. The Marines returned the fire with M-14's and M-60's. Artillery fire was called in upon the VC position. There were no Marine casualties. The location of the artillery fire is being searched by the patrol. We have no reports of VC casualties at this time.

Miscellaneous

a. Company A (-)(Rein) departed at 190726H with convoy to pick up the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines. The pick up is to be on Highway # 1, north of Tam Ky. One platoon of Company A continues to be attached to the Provisional Battalion, manning the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions.

b. At 181800H, Company D brought a two year old Vietnamese girl, who had been wounded by artillery fire, registering in the vicinity of Dong Binh (1), GS 5799, to the Battalion Aid Station for treatment. The girl was accompanied by her father. She was treated and returned to her ~~village~~ hamlet at 191130H.

c. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines, continues to furnish security for the Hamlets of Trung An (1), BT 593001, and Nuoc Man, BS 575970.

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines
Marine # 13
3rd Marine Division (Rein) FMF
c/o FPO San Francisco, California
96601

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP #114 as of 201200 [illegible] 1965

Encl: (1) Summary of 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions with contact.
(2) Narration of actions with contact and miscellaneous incidents.

1. Operations

a. Box score summary of activities, DTG 111001 [illegible] to 201000 [illegible] 1965. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

(1) All small unit actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	5						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	1	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
Search&Destroy/Combat(S/D/C)	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

2. Plans

a. Box score summary of planned activities, DTG 201001 [illegible] to 211000 [illegible] 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

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(1) All planned small unit actions.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	1	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
Search&Destroy/Combat (S/D/C)			1	0	0		0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion actions planned.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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All Actions With Contact

	Province/Coord	Date/Time	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit/Losses	Initiated By	Material/Wpns(IWC, CWC)	Captured/Others
1.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Unknown	VC	2 .30 cal. carbine cart.	0/0
	[illegible]		RECEIVED SAFIRA	3 [illegible]	Unknown		3 M-1 cartridges	

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

1. At 200915H a squad combat patrol from Company D, received harassing fire from six to ten VC located at coordinates BT 621008. The VC had at least two automatic weapons. They were firing from within some huts located at the aforementioned position. The Marines returned the fire with their organic weapons. A squad size relief force was dispatched from Company B's combat base, located at coordinates BS 626992. The squad sustained three wounded Marines. The three wounded Marines were Med Evac to Bravo Med. The Med Evac was completed at 201100H. When the Marines began returning fire, the VC withdrew. There did not appear to be any VC casualties. A search of the area produced one old woman taken from one of the huts from which the VC were firing. The VC woman is being held for interrogation.

3. Miscellaneous

a. Company A(-)(rein) departed at 190725H with convoy to pick up the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines. The pick up was effected at coordinates BT 280255. The convoy returned to the Chu Lai Enclave, arriving at 192000H. At 200700H, Company A (rein) departed with convoy to pick up elements of the LSU supporting Operation Harvest Moon. The pick up is to be effected vicinity OS 1643.

b. At 191145H Company B notified this Headquarters that their Bulldog patrol had a sick civilian at the patrol's base, at coordinates, BS 574569. The civilian was brought to the 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Battalion Aid Station, treated, and returned to his hamlet.

c.

c. At 191225H, Company B requested a Med Evac for two wounded civilians. The civilians were picked up at coordinates BS 643975 and BS 633967 and taken to Quang Ngai Army Hospital. One of the civilians had suffered a bullet wound in the arm. The other civilian suffered from a broken leg. Neither civilian was injured as a result of any action of Company B.

d. At 191504H, word was received from 3d Battalion, 7th Marines, that their Leopard patrol had encountered a platoon size patrol from Company D, at coordinates BS 583938, and found them with five wounded Marines. The Company D patrol was having communications difficulties with Company D at the time, so a Med Evac was requested through 3d Battalion, 7th Marines communications channels. The casualties were sustained when a booby-trapped grenade and 81 mortar round were detonated by a member of the patrol. The Marines were evacuated to Bravo-Med with two of them in critical and three in serious condition. At 191[illegible] this Headquarters was notified that one of the Marines in critical condition had died.

e. At 191715H Company B notified this Headquarters that one of their squad combat patrols had apprehended 10 VCS at vicinity coordinates BT 621020. All of the suspects were of military age. They are being forwarded to this Headquarters for processing.

f. At 191715H, Company B notified this Headquarters that one of their platoon size combat patrols had destroyed large caches of rice at the following hamlets: [illegible] (1), BS 628973, [illegible] (2), BS 634975, [illegible] (3) BS 643975, [illegible] (4), BS 633989, and [illegible] (5), BS 625984.

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g. At 200730[illegible], a patrol from Company B requested Artillery Fire on a suspected VC ambush position, at coordinates DE 63239652. The patrol reported good coverage of the target, however, casualties are unknown at this time.

h. Company C has been alerted, that if a convoy is required to return to vicinity CB 1643, to pick up the remainder of the LSD, supporting Operation Harvest Moon, they will relieve Company A as the security force for the convoy.

i. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines will continue to furnish security for the [illegible] of [illegible] AR(S) BT 593001 and [illegible], BL 575970.

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HEADQUARTERS
1st Battalion, 7th Marines
Marine # 13
3rd Marine Division (Rein) FMF
c/o FPO San Francisco, California
96601

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP #

Encl: (1) Summary of 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions with contact.
(2) Narration of actions with contact and miscellaneous incidents.

1. Operations

a. Box score summary of activities, DTG
1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

(1) All small unit actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
Search&Destroy/Combat(S/D/C)			0	0	0	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

2. Plans

a. Box score summary of planned activities, DTG
1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

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(1) All planned small unit actions.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	0						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	0	0	2	1	0		
Search&Destroy/Combat (S/D/C)			3	0	1	0	0	
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion actions planned.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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All Actions With Contact

	Province/Coord	Date/Time	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit/Losses	Initiated By	Material/Wpns(IWC,CWC)	Captured/Others
1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0/0	0/0
	BS 677958		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Unknown	[illegible]	0/0	0/0
	BT 562012		[illegible]	0	0			

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions with Contact

1. At 201200H, Company B reported that one of their platoon size combat patrols received heavy small arms fire from approximately 16 VC. The VC were firing with several automatic weapons from well prepared positions at BS 677958. The Marines returned the fire with all of their organic weapons from their position at BS 673967. During the exchange of fire, three Marines received minor wounds. None of the wounded Marines required a Med Evac. After a brief exchange of small arms fire, the Marine patrol began moving toward the VC position. At this time the VC withdrew into PHU LONG (1). A search of the area produced no signs of VC casualties.

2. At 210445H, the H&S Company OP located at BT 564043 heard unidentified noises at BT 562042. Personnel manning the OP fired a hand illumination flare and observed man wearing a straw hat running away from their position. The man was running in a southwesterly direction. Marines at the OP fired seven rounds M-14 at the fleeing suspect. The man did not appear to be hit and subsequently escaped.

Miscellaneous

a. Company A returned to this Headquarters at 202045H and went into an assembly area to spend the night. At 210800H, they commenced moving back into their original positions on the FLH.

b. Company B requested an artillery reconnaissance by fire at BS 632963 this morning at 210900H. Company B had a patrol in the area and had received small arms fire several times there during the past week. A total of 12 rounds were fired by the battery. The area was not searched after the fire mission, because the patrol was instructed to not cross the Song Thai Can River.

c. From 221201H to 261200H December, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines assumes the mission of Division General Reserve (Six hour alert).

d. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines will continue to furnish security for the Hamlets of TRUNG AN (1), BT 593001 and NUOC MAN, BS 575970.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines (Rein)

Subj: 1st Battalion, 7th Marines SIT REP # 116 as of 221200 November 1965

Encl: (1) Summary of 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions with contact.
(2) Narration of actions with contact and miscellaneous incidents.

1. Operations

a. Box score summary of activities, DTG [illegible] as to 221200 [illegible] 1965 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

(1) All small unit actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	0	0	3	1	1		
Search&Destroy/Combat(S/D/C)			3	0	1	0		
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	[illegible]	[illegible]

(2) Battalion actions with and without contact.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

2. Plans

a. Box score summary of planned activities, DTG [illegible] as to [illegible] 65 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

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(1) All planned small unit actions.

Type Action	Fireteam Day	Fireteam Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout/Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	5						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	1	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	1	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	2	0	1	1	1		
Search&Destroy/Combat (S/D/C)			2	1	2	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

(2) Battalion actions planned.

Type Action	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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All Actions With Contact

Province/Coord	Date/Time	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit/Losses	Initiated By	Material/Wpns(IWC,CWC)	Captured/Others
Quang Tin 1 BT 553016	212115[illegible]	Co B reported explosion	Company B 0	Unknown Unknown	Unknown	0/0	0/0
Quang Ngai 2 BS 626[illegible]	220200[illegible]	Co B received 1 rd harassing fire	Company B 0	Unknown 0	VC	0/0	0/0
Quang Ngai 3 BS 626[illegible]	220440[illegible]	Co B received 1 rd harassing fire	Company B 0	Unknown 0	VC	0/0	0/0

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

1. At 212115H Company D reported an explosion sounding like a hand grenade at BT 594013. The companies line was alerted and illumination was called for. There was nothing observed. This morning a search of the area produced a long trip wire attached to the pin of a grenade. Apparently a booby trap had been established and tripped which resulted in the explosion. It is not known at this time who established the booby trap or who tripped it.

2. At 220200H Company B received one round of harassing fire from an unknown location into the Company position at BS 626989. Company position was alerted but nothing further was observed.

3. At 220440H Company B received one round of harassing fire from an unknown location, into the company's position at BS 626989. Illumination was fired, however, nothing further was observed.

Miscellaneous

a. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines will establish a platoon (rein) with an 81mm Mortar section and 106mm RR section as a patrol base on NUI CHUA HILL mass at BS 606920 in BINH SON from 23 December through 30 December. The primary purpose for this move is to establish a base from which patrols can be sent out to the east and southeast of BINH SON. The patrols will not venture out in excess of 4000 meters. Company D will provide the platoon. Company G will provide a platoon to fill in the Company D left flank position during this period.

b. A recommendation was sent to Regiment concerning the possibility of increasing the number of M-14(Modifieds) within each rifle company. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines recommendation was to increase the number of M-14s (Modified) within each fireteam from one to two.

c. At 221201H 1st Battalion, 7th Marines assumes the mission of Division General Reserve. (Six hour alert)

d. At 221600H a PAT platoon of up to 40 men will arrive at this location. They will be delivered to TRUNG AN(1), BT 593001, and assume the responsibility for the village security and political reconstruction. After the night of 23-24 December, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines will be relieved of the nightly requirement for a village security platoon. Coordination will be effected with the PAT platoon where by they can signal for support if necessary.

e. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines will continue to furnish security for the Hamlets of TRUNG AN(1), BT 593001, and NUOC MAN, BS 575970.

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	0						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	1	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	1	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	2	0	1	1	1		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			2	1	2	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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All Actions With Contact

	Province/Coord	Date/Time	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit/Losses	Initiated By	Material Wpns(IWC, CWC)	Captured/Others
1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible] Patrol	[illegible]	[illegible]	VC	0/0	0/0
	[illegible]		Received harass ing [illegible]	0	[illegible]			

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BN [redacted] REGT [redacted]

ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	4						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	0	0	1	2	1		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			3	1	1	2	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)		
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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Province/Coord	Date/Ti	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit/Losses	Initiated By	Material/Wpns(IWC, CWC)	Captured/Others

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions with Contact

1. Company B reported that at 231030H one of their squad size patrols received harassing fire from approximately six VC armed with at least three automatic rifles. The Marines returned the fire with small arms. There were no Marine casualties. There did not appear to be any enemy casualties. A search of the area produced no results.

2. Miscellaneous

a. At 221440H Company B requested a Med Evac for one wounded civilian. The wound was inflicted by Company B's mortar section while registering. The civilian was brought to 1st Battalion, 7th Marines' Battalion Aid Station, treated, and returned to Company B at 221730H.

b. At 221850H word was received from Binh Son District Headquarters, through Regiment, that two VC platoons were reported at BS 600994 and BS 593994. It was requested that we fire artillery at the locations. Permission was granted. At 222022H word was received that Binh Son had requested fire at the wrong coordinates. Instead of BS 600994 the coordinates should have read BS 608994. It was requested that we fire at the corrected location. The request was denied due to the proximity of the Hamlet of Vinh An (4).

c. At 222315H Company B reported that there were four wounded civilians brought to the Hamlet of Nuoc Man, BT 575970. The civilians stated that they had been wounded by artillery fire near the Hamlet of Trung An. One of the wounded, in serious condition, was taken to Company B's Bulldog position for medical treatment. He expired while being treated by Bulldog corpsmen. This morning a Civil Affairs Team was dispatched to Nuoc Man to ascertain the extent of the injuries of the civilians.

d. Company D commenced moving one platoon (rein) to Nui Chua hill mass, BS 606920, 250830H.

e. At 221[illegible]H a CAT platoon of 25 men were delivered to Trung An (1), BT [illegible]93001. The CAT platoon will assume the responsibility for the hamlets' security and political reconstruction. Coordination has been effected by Company C whereby they can signal for support if necessary.

f. At 231021H Company B reported that a Marine had been killed by a .50 caliber machinegun. In preparation for a Technical Inspection Team, the tank commander ordered the tank loader to clear the .50 caliber machinegun. At this time the tank commander went to check the weapon himself, while directing the tank driver to activate the master switch. As the tank commander was opening the gun cover, one round discharged, striking the tank driver in the middle of the chest killing him. The driver was three feet from the gun. The tank commander reported that no one was in position to activate the gun electrically or by trigger at the time it went off. The gun and tank were given a quick check by the Technical Inspection Team and no defects were found.

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The body has been Med Evac to Bravo Med, (dog tags were destroyed in the accident). The tank commander has been evacuated to 1st Battalion, 7th Marines C.P., The Commanding Officer of Company B tanks has been notified and is investigating.

g. 1st Battalion , 7th Marines continues its mission of Division General Reserve (Six hour alert).

h. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines will continue to furnish security for Hamlets of Nuoc Man, BS 575970.

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	4						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	2	0	1	1	1		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			3	1	1	1	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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All Actions With Contact

Province/Coord	Date/Time	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit/Losses	Initiated By	Material/Wpns(IWC,CWC)	Captured/Others
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0/0	0/0
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0/0	0/0
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0/0	0/0

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	4						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	2	2	0	1	1	1		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			2	1	1	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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All Actions With Contact

Province/Coord	Date/Time	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit/Losses	Initiated By	Material/Wpns(IWC, CWC)	Captured/Others

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

1. At 240805H Company B reported receiving two rounds of harassing fire into their company position at BT 623989. The firing appeared to be coming from the vicinity of BT 628987, however, due to heavy fog it was impossible to determine the exact location of the VC. The company line was alerted but there was no further action.

2. A helicopter from HMM-36, while attempting to locate Company B's Combat Base, received heavy small arms fire at coordinates BT 623004. The helicopter, which was taking the Battalion Executive Officer to Company B's position, was having difficulty locating the helipad within Company B's position. DUE TO FOG While making a low pass over an area north of Company B's location, they were taken under fire by several VC. The VC fired approximately 30 rounds at the helicopter hitting it 12 times. The helicopter's radio was knocked out, a tire was punctured, the tail rotor was hit and the air pump oil line was punctured. There were no Marine casualties. The helicopter departed the area immediately and returned to 1st Battalion, 7th Marines CP.

3. Company B reported that at 241135H they received harassing fire from BT 627987. Company B returned the fire and wounded a female Vietnamese working in a field near the VC snipers. The woman was struck in the heel by small arms fire. She was Med Evac to Quang Ngai. There were no Marine casualties. There did not appear to be any VC casualties.

Miscellaneous

a. Company B reported that at 251250H one of their squad combat patrols returning to the Combat Base with two VCS, received harassing fire from BT 634004. During the fire fight that followed, the two VCS attempted to escape. The Marines attempted to prevent the VCS from escaping by wounding them. When the VC withdrew, and the firing ceased, the two VCS were dead. The Marine patrol felt that the two VCS were VC for when they were apprehended, they caused the patrol much difficulty. Neither of the two VCS had identification cards. The bodies were turned over to local civilians.

b. Company D has established a platoon (rein) on Bui Chum hill mass, BT 606920.

c. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continues its mission of Division General Reserve (Six hour alert).

d. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continues to furnish security for the Hamlets of Trung An (1), BT 606920, and Thuoc Man, BT 575970.

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TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	4						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	2	2	0	1	1	1		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			2	1	1	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	5	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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All Actions With Contact

	Province/Coord	Date/Time	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit/Losses	Initiated By	Material/Wpns(IWC,CWC)	Captured/Others
1	[illegible]	242215H	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0/0	0/0
2	[illegible]	24[illegible]73[illegible]H	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0/0	0/0

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	2	0	0	1	1		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			2	0	2	1	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

1. At 242215 Company B reported a movement detected by one of their SID's. The area of detection was illuminated and an armed VC was observed at BS 628993. The VC was taken under fire by an M-79 grenade launcher. The VC withdrew and nothing further was observed. There were no friendly casualties. There was no indication of any enemy casualties.

2. At 241730H Company D's platoon at NUI CHUA hill mass, BS 606920 received one round of harassing fire from BS 604916. The platoon perimeter was alerted but nothing further was observed. There were no friendly casualties. (A Spot Report was not submitted at the time of incident because of poor radio communications. The Battalion Communications Officer was dispatched to the platoon's location this morning to rectify the problem. Good communication have now been restored with the platoon.)

Miscellaneous

a. Company D continues to maintain a platoon (rein) on NUI CHUA hill mass, BS 606920. At 250835H this platoon reported that one Marine engineer received a minor injury while blasting defensive positions with demolitions. The Marine was treated by the platoon corpsman and will be evacuated on todays resupply run.

b. At 240900H a detail from the Battalions S-2 section accompanied by a platoon (rein) from Company C departed on two LVT's for the Hamlet of MY [illegible](1) BS 614983. The purpose of the detail is to talk to a man who allegedly knows where two American bodies are buried.

c. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines has assumed the mission of coordinating the security for FLSU's ammunition dump vicinity BT 561[illegible]42.

d. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continues its mission of Division General Reserve (Six hour alert.)

e. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continues to furnish security for the Hamlets of TRUNG AN(1), BT 606920, and [illegible] C [illegible]AN, BS 575970.

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	[redacted]	[redacted]						
Listening Post (LP)	[redacted]	[redacted]						
Ambush (AMB)	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]		
Recon Patrol (REC)	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]		
Security Patrol (SEC)	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
Clearing (CLR)			[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	[redacted]	[redacted]
Search & Destroy (S/D)	[redacted]	[redacted]

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	Province/Coord	Date/Time	Action/Size/Type	Friendly Unit/Losses	Enemy Unit/Losses	Initiated By	Material/Wpns(IWC,CWC		Captured/Others
1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		[illegible]
	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]				

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	0						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	2	2	0	0	1	1		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			3	1	2	1	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

1. At 261000H Company D's platoon at Nui Chua hill mass, BS 606920, received three rounds of harassing fire from VC located at BS 601918. A search team was dispatched to the VC position but nothing was found. There were no friendly casualties and no enemy casualties.

Miscellaneous

a. At 251305H Company B requested a Med Evac for one wounded civilian. The wounded male was brought to Company B's position at BS 626992, from the village of Binh Nghia, by several civilians. He had been shot in the small of the back with an M-1 carbine. The Med Evac was completed to the Quang Ngai Army Hospital at 251355H. The civilians who brought the wounded man to Company B's position did not give any information as to how the wound was incurred.

b. At 251405H a civilian approached Company B's position at BS 626992 for medical treatment. The civilian is a friendly informer and has assisted with intelligence efforts in the past. The civilian stated that he was tied and beaten by VC at BT 624008. The man was treated by Company B's corpsman and released.

c. At 261144H Company D's platoon at BS 606920 requested a Med Evac for a sick Marine. The Marine was brought to the 1st Battalion, 7th Marines Battalion Aid Station. The Med Evac was completed at 261215H.

d. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines is relieved of the mission of Division General Reserve at 261200H.

e. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continues to furnish security for the Hamlets of Tuong An (1), BT 606920 and Nuoc Man, BS 575970.

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TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	0						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	2	2	0	0	1	1		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			3	3	2	3	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	1	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	1	1	0	1	3*	2		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			2	1	[illegible]	1	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0		0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

1. None

Miscellaneous

a. At 270945H 1st Battalion, 7th Marines was alerted to be prepared to assume 3d Battalion, 7th Marines MLR positions should the latter be committed further to their operation to the south.

b. Company D continues to maintain a platoon patrol base at Nui Chua hill mass, BS 606920.

c. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continues to furnish security for the Hamlets of TRUNG AN(1), BT 606920 and NUOC MAN, BS 575970.

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	1	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	1	1	0	1	3	2		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			2	1	3	1	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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1	[illegible] Fred [illegible]	2707[illegible]	Patrol received harassing fire	Company [illegible] 0	Unknown 0	[illegible]	0/0	0/0
	[illegible] Fred [illegible]	2709[illegible]	Patrol received harassing fire	Company [illegible] [illegible]	Unknown 0	[illegible]	0/0	0/0

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	2	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	1	2	*1	1	*3	2		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			2	1	2	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

* Indicates Civic Action Patrol.

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1. Company D's platoon at NUI CHUA hill mass BS 606920 reported at 270730H that one of their patrols received three rounds of harassing fire from the vicinity of BS 625933. The patrol searched the area but was unable to determine the location of the VC. There were no friendly casualities and no enemy casualities.

2. Company D's platoon at NUI CHUA hill mass BS 606920 reported at 270930H that one of their patrols received one round of harassing fire at BS 624933. The enemy round struck a linked M-14 cartridge on the shoulder of one Marine. The M-14 cartridge exploded wounding the Marine slightly in the chin and upper arm. A Med Evac was not requested as the wounds were not serious and were adequately treated by the platoon corpsman. The patrol searched the area but was unable to determine the location of the VC. There were no enemy casualities.

MISCELLANEOUS

a. Company D's platoon at NUI CHUA hill mass BS 606920 reported at 271000H that one Marine had been slightly wounded in the right leg by a panji stake at BS 642927. The Marine was on a patrol when the injury was incurred. The wound was not serious enough to warrant a Med Evac. The Marine was treated by the platoon corpsman.

b. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines has been alerted to furnished two mighty mites w/drivers and six Marines from Company D to escort an ARVN convoy from Company D's roadblock at BT 555014 up Highway# 1 to BT 430110.

c. Company D continues to maintain a platoon patrol base at NUI CHUA hill mass BS 606920. This platoon was originally scheduled to remain at their patrol base for a period of one week. Due to the Christmas truce curtailing all offensive patrolling, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines has decided to extend the mission until 2 January.

d. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continues to furnish security for the Hamlets of T[illegible] AN(1), BT 593001, and NUOC MAN, BS 575970.

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TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	1	0	0	2	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	3	0	0	*3	2		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			2	1	1	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

* Includes one daylight Civic Action Patrol

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1	Quang Ngai BS 604917	282315H	Patrol based observed 2 VCS on	Company D 0	Unknown Unknown	Mines	0/0	0/0
2	Quang Ngai BS 614980	290900H	Harassing fire rec'd by Shack 08	Company B 0	Unknown 0	VC	0/0	0/0
3	Quang Ngai BT 625006	291020H	Sqd SD	Company B 0	Unknown Unknown	VC	0/0	0/0
4	Quang Ngai BT 620012	291110H	Sqd SD	Company B 0	Unknown unknown	VC	0/0	0/0

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	1	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	2	1	1	3	2		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			0	0	1	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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1. At 282315H, Co D's patrol base, BS 606920, observed two VCS on path near patrol base. The VCS had triggered two trip flares and withdrew. The patrol returned with 20 rounds SA fire and illumination, with results unknown.

2. At 290900H, Company B's OP at BS 618986 received six rounds of harassing fire from vic BS 614934. The OP returned fire with approximately 20 rounds Machine Gun fire with results unobserved. There were no friendly casualities.

3. At 290020H, Company B reported that one of their squad patrols at BT 626-003 received automatic rifle fire from four VC at BT 625005. The Marines returned the fire with small arms and two rounds of M-72. There were no friendly casualities. There did not appear to be any enemy casualities. After a brief fire fight the VC withdrew.

4. At 291110H, Company B reported that one of their squad patrols at BT 622-013, received harassing fire from six VC located at BT 620012. The VC were armed with carbines and automatic rifles. The Marines returned the fire with small arms and four M-79 rounds and assaulted the VC position. The VC withdrew and artillery fire was called in upon their escape route. There were no friendly casualities and a search of the area produced no signs of any enemy casualities.

MISCELLANEOUS

Late Entries

The following incidents were not reported till late due to the poor communications with patrols from the patrol base.

a. At 180920H, Co D's patrol apprehended two VCS, BS 626897. One attempted to run, but stopped when a warning shot was fired over his head. Neither VCS had ID tags. Their were no friendly casualities.

b. At 280920H vic BS 634895, Co D patrol received five rounds of harassing fire from vic BS 638896 and BS 638892. The VC were dressed in black P. J.'s, cartridge belts, and helmets. The patrol returned 15 rounds SA fire and three rounds 40 mm grenades and conducted a search, but the VC broke contact and withdrew. Their were no friendly casualities.

c. At 281315H, Co D patrol, BS 644936, received a heavy volume of harassing fire from 12 VC located at three different positions. Six VC, BS 645936, three armed with carbines; four VC, BS 647940, three armed with carbines; two VC, BS647940, one with an M-1 and the second with a BAR. All twelve were dressed in camouflaged clothing, helmets, and had [illegible] weeds and brush tied to their bodies. The patrol returned fire with one M-72, one 40 mm grenade, and 500 rounds of SA fire, apparently killing two VC and wounding one. The VC returned approximately 400 rounds SA fire and recovered the three bodies under cover of the fire. The VC then broke contact and withdrew from the area. Their were no friendly casualities.

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d. At 281505H, BS 620978, Co D patrol received three rounds of carbine fire from one VC, BS 627928. The patrol returned fire with 22 rounds SA fire and the VC withdrew from contact. Their were no friendly casualities.

e. At 281540H, Co D patrol, BS 620935, received four rounds of carbine fire from one VC, BS 628937. The patrol did not return fire due to the distance involved and continued on mission. Their were no friendly casualities.

f. Company D continues to maintain a platoon patrol base at NUI CHUA HILL, BS 606920.

g. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continues to furnish security to the Hamlets of [illegible] AN(1), BP 606920, and DUOC MAN, BS 575970.

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	1	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	4	1	1	3	2		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			3	1	2	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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1	[illegible]	291[illegible]	Flt [illegible]	[illegible]	N/A	[illegible]	0/0	0/0
	BS 614011			0	N/A			
2	[illegible]	291945	Flt [illegible]	Company D	[illegible]	[illegible]	0/0	0/0
	BS 607970			0	0			
3	[illegible]	292029	Sod S/[illegible]	Company B	[illegible]	VC	0/0	0/0
	BS 633975			1 KIA	[illegible]			
4	[illegible]	300545	Sod Check	Company B	[illegible]	VC	0/0	0/0
	BS 615990		Point	0	[illegible]			
5	[illegible]	300900	Sod S/[illegible]	Company B	[illegible]	VC	0/0	0/0
	BS 626858			0	[illegible]			
6	[illegible]	300900	Sod S/[illegible]	Company [illegible]	[illegible]	VC	0/0	0/0
	BS [illegible]			0	[illegible]			
7	[illegible]	300840	Sod S/[illegible]	Company [illegible]	[illegible]	VC	0/0	0/0
	BS [illegible]			0	[illegible]			

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	1						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	1		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	1	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	1	1	1	1	1		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			1	0	1	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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1st Battalion, 7th Marines Actions With Contact

1. At 291201H, Company A apprehended three female VCS, BT 614011. The women were pointed out by a Vietnamese Intelligence agent from BINH SON District accompanying the patrol. The women had no identification cards and were strangers to the hamlet.

2. At 291945H, Company D patrol base observed two VCS vicinity BS 607970. Marines fired three rounds SA fire under illumination provided by 81MM mortars but the VCS withdrew into the bush. There were no friendly casualties.

3. At 292025H, a B Company patrol at BS 633975, received approximately 150 rounds SA fire from vicinity BT 633975. The patrol returned fire with 350 rounds SA's and six 40MM grenades. In addition, Artillery fired 12 rounds of HE and one illumination, and [illegible] rounds of HE were fired by the 81MM Mortar Section along with 14 rounds of illumination. One Marine was killed during the initial burst of the firefight. There did not appear to be any VC casualties.

4. At 300045H, Company B island check point observed two men leaving a fishing boat at BS 615990. A fireteam was dispatched by boat and apprehended one VCS. While returning to the combat base, the boat patrol received six rounds of harassing fire from vic BS 615990. The boat patrol returned fire with 40 rounds SA fire and continued on back to the combat base. There were no friendly casualties.

5. At 300900H, BT 624844, a Company D patrol received harassing fire from vic BT 626888. The Marines returned fire and pursued the VC as they were withdrawing. There were no friendly casualties.

6. At 300900H, BT 628895, a Company D patrol received harassing fire from a squad of VC vic BT 629897 to BT 631897. The Marines returned fire with 325 rounds SA's and observed one VC wounded being carried off. The VC broke contact and the patrol continued back to the combat base. There were no friendly casualties.

7. At 300840H, a Company D patrol, BT 628889, received approximately 30 rounds of SA's fire from four VC, BT 629889. The Marines returned fire with 125 rounds of SA and MG fire and two 40MM grenades. The VC broke contact and fled to the southeast. There were no friendly casualties.

Miscellaneous

a. At 291115H, Company B Combat Base received five rounds of harassing fire from vic, BS 635990, and dispatched a security patrol. The patrol was fired upon by two VC located, BT 628018, armed with a carbine and an automatic rifle. The patrol immediately assaulted and the two VC broke contact and ran towards the beach. The patrol wounded one VC while fleeing and the other VC picked up the fallen VC's weapon and escaped into the heavy brush along the river. The captured wounded VC was erroneously reported as a civilian and was evacuated to QUANG NGAI. There were no friendly casualties.

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b. During a contact at 291035H, reported on previous SIT REP, one Marine was slightly wounded by a bullet burn on inside of arm. He was treated by a corpsman and returned to duty.

c. The Battalion received a warning order at 291858H to provide a company for security of a damaged helicopter.

d. Company D continues to maintain a platoon patrol base at NUI CHUA HILL, BS ~~606920~~.
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e. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continues to provide security to the hamlets of RUNG AN (1), BT ~~656920~~, NUOC MAN, BS 575970, and VINH AN (2), BS 613017.

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TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	3						
Ambush (AMB)	0	1	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	1	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	3	1	1	3	2		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			1	0	1	0	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	1

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TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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ALL SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH AND WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Fire Team Day	Fire Team Night	Squad Day	Squad Night	Platoon Day	Platoon Night	Company Day	Company Night
Scout Sniper (SS)	0	0						
Listening Post (LP)	0	4						
Ambush (AMB)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Recon Patrol (REC)	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Security Patrol (SEC)	0	5	2	1	2	[illegible]		
Search & Destroy (S/D)			1	8	1	5	0	0
Clearing (CLR)			0	0	0	0	0	0

BATTALION ACTIONS WITH & WITHOUT CONTACT

TYPE ACTION	Day	Night
Clearing (CLR)	0	0
Search & Destroy (S/D)	0	0

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MISCELLANEOUS

a. Company D continues to maintain a platoon patrol base at NUI CHU HIEL, BS 606920.

b. 1st Battalion, 7th Marines continues to provide security to the Hamlets, of TRUNG AN(1), BT 593001; NUOC MAN, BT 574970; and VINH AN(2), BS 613017.

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