

(g) CAMDEN (17 December - 31 December 1967). This operation was conducted by the 2d and 3d Brigades, 25th Infantry Division, in HAU NGHIA, TAY NINH, and BINH DUONG Provinces to locate and destroy the 101st North Vietnamese Army (NVA) Regiment which was reported to be located in the BOBO - BOI LOI WOODS and TRAPEZOID areas. The unexpected presence of a main force unit operating near CU CHI is partially explained by the fact that a rich rice harvest was in progress and the 101st NVA Regiment was present to secure and over-see the transportation of the rice to the North. Numerous small unit actions, which included armor-infantry S&D operations, combined reconnaissance intelligence platoon (CRIP), aerial combat assaults on Landing Zones (LZ's) based on intelligence reports, and multi-battalion airmobile combat assaults were conducted

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Summary  
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during CAMDEN. The 2d Brigade, which was operating in the TRAPEZOID area, used airmobile combat assaults for interdiction purposes to detect and destroy VC forces infiltrating in front of the mechanized infantry base camps. The 2d Brigade operating in the BOBO - BOI LOI area used tank-infantry teams and multi-battalion airmobile combat assaults for S&D operations. VC losses in personnel were 109 KIA (80) and 4 POW's. The VC also suffered the destruction of several base camp areas and the loss of nearly 33 tons of rice. US forces experienced 27 KIA, 1 died of wounds (DOW), and 118 MIA. Also noteworthy was the massing of combat power from operation YELLOWSTONE for this operation when the 3d Brigade and several artillery batteries joined with the 2d Brigade for operation CAMDEN.

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b. Artillery Support. During the quarter Division Artillery fired 1,200 rounds in support and 26,002 rounds for harassment and interdiction (H&I) missions. Included in the totals were rounds fired in support of ARVN operations and/or ARVN outposts under attack.

c. Air Support. There were 2,954 sorties during the quarter in support of 1,381 missions with the following results: 52 VC killed by air (see REPT) (BC), 234 VC KB&F (poss). In addition, 183 VC bunkers, 1,795 bunkers, 3 sampans, 1 oxcart, 1 bridge, 2 canals, 1 road, and 5 tunnels were destroyed. There were 14 secondary explosions and 47 secondary fires. There were 32 B-52 strikes in 301 sorties flown in support of combat operations.

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3RD Coy - Stand Strong - Continue  
First Day - 1st Day

US strength in Dec 1967 473,200

only ~~60~~ 10% combat infantry  
12% artillery + org  
2% aircraft

VC - 63,060 giving us the strip

24% 75% - HQ + logistic personnel

JK 1 hr

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1-5 INF (M): Remains OPCON to 1st Bde

1-27 INF: Conducted local S&D operations negative enemy contact.

2-27 INF: Remained Cu Chi Base Camp conducted maintenance and training.

4-23 INF (M): Continued to secure Rome Flow operation in IR N TRIANGLE. At 0852 hrs, Co B received 1 round RFG negative casualties or damage.