

c. 30 Jan - Negative contact es of 2400 hours.

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f. 31 Jan - At 1715 hours Company B reported heavy contact  
at XT700095 with 1 VC (BC). At 1735 hours Company I reported contact with  
entity XT701095 resulting in 2 VC (BC). At 1800 hours Company A reported  
7 VC (BC). Negative further contacts of 2400 hours.

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Special Operations: Beginning 02 Jan 68 the TF 1-5 Inf (M) conducted combined RIF operations in conjunction with 2 PF plt's from Tam Binh district.

1-27 INF: Co C provided security for FSB vic XT548177. Co D provided for the Cu Chi Base Camp Reaction Force. Conducted RIF operations vic XT5220, XT5219, XT5218, XT5218, XT5717, XT5116, XT5016, XT5017, XT5118, and XT5119. At 0144 hrs, Co B vic XT521201 sustained 1 US WIA from engagement with unknown size force. At 0940 hrs, Co C vic XT515171 received 5 10-160 burst from AK47 fire, negative casualties. At 1050 hrs, Co C vic XT443234 received fire from 1 VC, negative casualties. At 0730 hrs, Co C vic XT 512183 apprehended 2 detainees, will evac to IPW.

2-27 INF: Co A provided 1 plt for the Cu Chi Base Camp patrol. Conducted RIF operations vic XT4225, XT4324, XT4424, 4624, XT4375, XT4425, XT4525, XT4625, XT4224, XT4124, and XT4125. At 1340 hrs, Co Z vic XT450246 apprehended 6 detainees 3 were released and 3 were EVAC to IPW.

1-5 INF with Co C 3-22 and Co B 4-23 INF attached OIFCOUN to 2d Bde eff. 021200 Hrs. Conducted road march to night location.

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Special Operations: None

1-27 INF: Conducted foot march to trucking point XT514189 and convoyed to Cu Chi closing Cu Chi Base Camp at 1120 hrs. Conducted stand down, maintenance and prepared for future operations. At 0025 hrs, Co C vic XT523202 sustained 3 US WL's resulting from incoming rifle grenades. At 0110 hrs, LP vic XT523202 engaged unknown number of VC with hand grenades and shot guns, negative casualties, VC losses unknown.

TF 1-5 INF: Comprised of 1-5 INF (-) Co B 4-23 Inf. Co A 1-5 INF provided security for FSB vic XS728962. TF 1-5 INF (-) conducted RIF operations vic XS7292, XS7095, XS7097, XS7294, XS6993, and XD7199.

TF 4-23 INF: Comprised of 4-23 INF (-) Co A 2-34 and 28 rmc plows conducted move to night location.

Special Operations: Beginning at 04 Jan thru 06 Jan 68 1/27 and 2/27 have conducted combined S&D operations with the 5th ARVN Ranger Group.

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1-27 INF: Initiated night march to De-Truck Allocation vic XT732148. Moved to FSB vic XT732148. Co B provided 1 alt for security of FSB. Conducted RIF operations vic XT7317, XT7414, XT7514, XT 7315, XT7316, XT7416, XT7516 and XT7415. A Co D remained in FSB and provided Bn Reaction Force. At 0830 hrs, Co C and B received S/A and A/W fire sustained 1 US WIA resulting from A/W fire. At 0920 hrs, Co B and C received S/A and A/W fire, negative casualties. At 0925 hrs, Co C vic XT748168 engaged VC position, resulting in 1 VC KIA (EC). At 1000 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT742164 engaged 5 VC, resulting in 5 VC KIA (EC). At 0955 hrs, Co B vic XT742165 received S/A fire resulting in 5 US WIA's and 2 US KIA's. At 1048 hrs, Co C vic XT748158 sustained 8 US WIA's and 4 US KIA's from gunshot wounds. At 1100 hrs, Co A vic XT752151 sustained 2US WIA's from gunshot wounds. At 1225 hrs Co B vic XT747159 engaged unknown number of VC, resulting in 2 VC KIA (EC). At 1245 hrs, Co A vic XT755153 sustained 6 US WIA and 1 US KIA from sniper fire. At 1350 hrs, Co A vic XT756154 engaged 3 VC, resulting in 3 VC KIA (EC) and 8 VC KIA (PCSS). At 1554 hrs, Co A vic XT754154 sustained 20 US WIA's and 4US KIA's from friendly air support of troops in contact. At 1620 hrs, Co C vic XT748158 sustained 2 US WIA's and 1 US KIA resulting from S/A fire. At 1655 hrs, Co D vic XT748160 sustained 1 US KIA from engagement with unknown number of VC.

2-27 INF: Conducted airmobile combat assaults from Row Bravo to LZ's in AO Vic XT794177 and XT796116 and RIF operations vic XT8011, Co B provided as the En reaction force. At 0950 hrs, supporting F.C vic XT800105 received unknown amount of S/A fire, negative hits. At 1705 hrs, Co C vic XT752149 sustained 10 US WIA's and US KIA resulting from artillery short rounds. 

TF 1-5 INF: Conducted cordon and search operations vic Phu Nhieu area vic XS7296 and XS7197. 1-5 recon platoon provided security for Night Location.

TF 4-23 INF: Conducted security for Rome Plow clearing operations vic XT6719 XT6819, XT6919, XT6920, XT6820. TF Recon platoon provided security of night location At 0800 hrs, Co D 3/4 Cav UCON to TF 4-23. At 0805 hrs, Co C vic XT692198 received unknown amount of S/A fire, returned fire with S/A and A/W negative casualties, VC

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On 4 January, the 1-27 INF and 2-27 INF contacted elements of the 2d Go Mon in their base areas in the 'p Nha Vieu-Trung An complexes on the western banks of the Saigon River. During the 2 day fight in this area the VC lost 89 KIA (BG).

(6) 4 January 1968 1-27 Infantry moved to FSB CROCKETT and attacked the VC strong holds of Trung An and Ap Nhia Viec. 2-27 Infantry Combat assaulted into LZ's along Saigon River vicinity Binh My. Unit later moved into N/L at Trung An. Battalions continued operations through area to the Saigon River.

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1-27 INF: Co A provided security for night location and the Bn reaction force. Co B provided 1 platoon for security of FSB vic XT733148. Bn (-) conducted RIF operations in AO SPIC to objective vic XT7416, XT7415 and XT7515. At 1835 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT665297 engaged 3 VC, resulting in 3 VC KIA (EC). At 1820 hrs, supporting air vic XT749163 engaged unknown number of VC, resulting in 3 VC KIA (EC) and 1 VC KIA (POSS).

AT 0910 hrs, Bn C&C vic XT752163 engaged 1 VC resulting in 1 VC KIA (EC). At 0935 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT749158 engaged 3 VC resulting in 2 VC KIA (POSS). At 1600 hrs, Co B vic XT 748161 located 4 graves containing VC bodies resulting in 9 VC KIA (EC). At 1600 hrs, Co B vic XT757157 located 1 VC KIA (EC).

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2-27 INF: Co D provided security for Bn night location vic XT752149. Bn (-) conducted RIF operations to the East of their night location to vic XT7614. At 0343 hrs, Bn sustained 1 US NBI from stomach disorder vic XT752149. At 1200 hrs, Co B vic XT752149 sustained 1 US WIA from booby trap. At 1240 hrs, Co E vic XT759150 sustained 2 US WIA's from booby traps. At 1300 hrs, Co C vic XT755151 located 2 VC KIA (EC). At 1600 hrs, Co B vic XT757157 located 1 grave containing 1 VC KIA (EC). At 1620 hrs, Co E vic XT757157 located 1 grave containing 1 VC KIA (EC). At 1617 hrs, Co C vic XT755159 located 8 VC KIA (EC). At 1730 hrs, Co B vic XT757157 located 1 VC KIA (EC).

TF 1-5 INF: Conducted cordon and search operations vic XS7343. Co D 3/22 provided security of night location.

TF 4-23 INF: Continued to provide security for Rime Flow clearing operations vic XT6919, XT6816 and XT6619. Recon platoon provided security of the location. At 1130 hrs, Co B vic XT719938 apprehended 4 detainees.

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1-27 INF: Conducted Reconnaissance in force operations vic XT7314, XT7315, XT7416, XT7417 and XT7516. Recon and Co A provided security for FSB vic XT741170. Co B provided 1 platoon for the security of FSB vic XT72916. Provided a composite element for the security of night location vic XT737146. At 0940 hrs, Co C vic XT746164 located 3 graves containing 3 VC KIA (DC). At 1300 hrs, Co D vic XT752-158 located 1 VC KIA (DC). At 1345 hrs, Co D vic XT751162 located 6 graves containing 6 VC KIA (DC).

2-27 INF: Conducted Reconnaissance in force operations vic XT7514, XT7615, XT7614. Co A provided security for the night location. At 1800 hrs, Co B vic XT757153 located 5 VC KIA (DC).

TF 1-5 INF: Conducted Reconnaissance in force operations vic XT720005. One PF Co blocked on the North of village along road 236. 1-5 L-C'C blocked to the west and south of hamlet.

TF 4-23 INF: Continued to provided security for Romeo Plow clearing operations vic XT650215, XT652201 and XT67204. Recon platoon provided security for night location.

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Special operations: TF 1-5 INF: Conducted combined Reconnaissance in force operations with 2 FF platoons from Tam Binh district vic XS728953, XT723915, and XT728953. CRIF in reaction to an intelligence report conducted Reconnaissance in force operations vic XS528995. Discovered a small VC Base Camp and mortar positions, will destroy.

1-27 INF: Conducted airmobile combat assaults to LZ's vic XT589181, XT589190, XT564214, XT559198, XT579209. At 0225 hrs, Co D and C vic XT736147 received 10-15 rds unknown type fire from North negative casualties, VC losses unknown. At 1020 hrs, Co D vic XT560188 received 3 rds S/A fire, negative casualties.

At 1020 hrs, supporting choppers vic XT560188 received 5 rds S/A fire, negative hits. At 1630 hrs, Recon platoon vic XT566194 received 4 rds sniper fire, negative casualties.

2-27 INF: At 0800 hrs, truck convoy departed Cu Chi enroute & to pick up the BN's forward elements. At 0945 hrs, convoy closed Cu Chi will stay the night.

TF 1-5 INF: Conducted Reconnaissance in force operations vic XS728953, XT-723915, XT703923, XT728953.

TF 4-33 INF: Continued to provide security for Reme Plow clearing operations vic XT652201 and XT670220. At 1540 hrs, Co A 2/34 vic XT664197 detonated a 25 lb tilt rod mine, minor damage to tank, negative casualties.

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1-27 INF: Co A provided security of In night location. Conducted airmobile combat assaults and Reconnaissance in force operations in area of LZ's vic XT539-092, XT560091, XT546111. At 1830 hrs, vic XT559198 a Chui Hoi turned himself in to S-5, evacuated to HFW. At 2125 hrs, Co C vic XT563193 engaged 9 VC with S/A fire resulting in 1 VC KIA (OC). At 0250 hrs, vic XT730149 located 2 VC KIA (EC), killed from artillery. At 1653 hrs, Co A vic XT599198 received 4 rds sniper fire negative casualties.

2-27 INF: Remained Cu Chi Base Camp.

TF 1-5 INF: Conducted road march to Dau Tieng released OFCON effective 081100.

TF 4-23 INF: Provided a composite platoon for the security of the night location. Continued to provide security for Rone Plow clearing operations vic XT650215, XT670220, and XT665209. At 0800 hrs, Co A vic XT650213 detonated an anti-tank mine resulting in 2 US WIA's and APC combat loss. At 0835 hrs, CO C vic XT662214 Rone Plow detonated an Anti-Personnel Mine, negative casualties. At 0835 hrs, Co A vic XT62220 a Rone Plow detonated an Anti-Personnel Mine negative casualties. At 0958 hrs, Co A vic XT662220 detonated an Anti-Tank Mine resulting in 2 US WIA's and heavy damage to APC.