

Jan 4 - Chu Chi to FSB ~~Go Dau Ha~~ (0545 to 0710) (A, B, C + HQ Butler, there)

Jan 7 - ~~Chu Chi~~ ^{Croywell} to FSB ~~York~~ ³⁴⁸⁻¹⁷⁷ (1100 - 2:55) **convoy**

~~FSB York~~ to Go Dau Ha (2:55 - 1:54) **= 100 hrs of stop - fight**

Jan 9 - Go Dau Ha to FSB Houston (XT 446 063)

Jan 10 - FSB Houston (855) to ~~Patton~~ to Chu Chi - **convoy**

Chu Chi to FSB Patton. (airlift) (XT 585 215)

Jan 13 - Patton to FSB York to FSB ~~Marshall~~ ³³³⁵ ~~3335~~ **←**

Jan 17 - FSB Marshall to FSB ~~York~~ ^{345 305} (1056 - 2:45)

Jan 23 - FSB Pope (1230) to ~~Reed~~ (2:15) **463145**

Jan 25 - REED to FSB ~~Butler~~ + back to Reed - **← THIS Convoyed**

Jan 26 - REED to Houston to Reed.

Jan 27 - REED to Rosecrans (XT 591970) **convoy**

Jan 31 - Rosecrans to XT ~~546 964~~ ^{546 964} (5:15 - 6:45 p.m.) **given command**

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1-27 Co C provided security for FSB vic XT 548177. Conducted RIF operations vic XT510218, XT535220, XT550180 and XT501195. Co B provided 1 platoon for Cu Chi Base Camp reaction force. At 0042 hrs, Co C vic XT511209 engaged unknown size VC force, resulting in 2 US WIA's. At 0230 hrs, Co C vic XT511090 engaged est. VC squad resulting in 3 VC KIA (BC) and 8 US WIA's. At 0353 hrs, Co C vic XT512210 engaged by 2 VC squads with S/A and 35 rifle grenades, returned fire with 81MM, unknown results. At 0852 hrs, Co D vic XT552195 sustained 1 US WIA from falling in punji pit. At 2245 hrs, Co D vic XT 532202 engaged 6 VC resulting in 2 VC KIA (BC).

2-27 INF Conducted RIF operations vic XT426252. Co A provided 1 plt for Cu Chi Base Camp patrol. At 0550 hrs, Co B vic XT431251 received 1 hand grenade, negative casualties.

(b) At 2334 on 1 January 1968, elements of the 271st and 272d VC Regiments initiated an all out assault on the 3d Brigade's FSFB, Burt, vicinity XT 499806. Contact lasted until 0530 the next morning. Results: 21 US KIA and 152 US WIA. VC losses were 355 KIA (BC), 5 VC PW's, 75 AK-47 rifles, 16 RPG-2 and 12 RPG-7 launchers, 11 CHIOM LMG, 1 caliber .45 pistol, and scores of ammunition destroyed.

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Jan - July 9

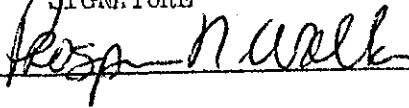
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1.	0001	Journal Open.			J.
2.	0230	Fr B/1/8 to Bn FDC-C/1/27 element reports 7 US WIA at this time in grid XT513216. Also 5 VC KIA (BC). B/1/8 fired 2 rounds of WP in support.			Not D/A RM
3.	0600	Fr Btry to Bn FDC-Ammo report: A/1/8 1684 HE 64 WP 174 ILL 24 SMK 60 BH; B/1/8 1805 HE 90 WP 134 ILL 26 SMK 60 BH; C/1/8 1274 HE 120 WP 76 ILL 60 BH; A/6/77 1758 HE 56 WP 52 ILL 39 SMK 60 BH; B/3/13 2192 HE 253 WP 648 ILL 169 SMK.			Not D/A RM
4.	0815	Fr Bde to Bn FDC-At 2245 hrs 31 Dec, B/1/27 in grid XT532202, were engaged by 6 VC en route to ambush site. Returned fire with small arms & automatic weapons. 2 VC KIA (BC) 1 pistol, 1 set of web gear, 1 VC wearing black pajama's, 1 wearing green top with black bottom.			Not D/A RB
5.	0820	Fr Bde to Bn FDC-At 0042 1 Jan, C/1/27 in grid XT512210 received unknown number of rounds, rifle grenades, returned fire with 81mm, small arms & automatic weapons. 8 US WIA, 3 VC KIA (BC).			Not D/A RB
8.	0845	Fr Div Arty to Bn FDC-Photomission in grids XT0050 2227 2828 & 3713 from 0900-0920 hrs.			Not Btry's RB
9.	1030	Fr B/1/8 to Bn FDC-D/1/27 has 1 US WIA at this time. He fell in a punji pit at grid XT517194.			Not D/A DW
10.	1150	Fr B/1/8 to Bn FDC-All G/1/27 elements have closed base camp at 1145 hrs.			Not D/A MH
11.	1255	Fr B/1/8 to Bn FDC-D/1/27 elements closed base camp at this time.			Not D/A DU
12.	1255	Fr Div Arty to Bn FDC-Sitrep submitted to Div Arty will be from 1800-1800 hrs instead of 1200-1200 hrs. Effective today.			BB Not Btry's
13.	1310	Fr B/1/8 to Bn FDC-A/1/27 elements closed Base camp at 1305 hrs.			Not D/A MP
14.	1645	Fr Maj Siegmund to Bn FDC-Reliable source indicated activity north of Ranger station at Pong Lo.			Not LO 6 JR
15.	1720	Fr Div Arty to Bn FDC-New PSB Early is grid XT730955.			Not FDC PT
16.	1930	Fr A/3/13 to Bn FDC-B/1/27 ambush patrol departed base camp for ambush patrol at this time.			Not D/A RB
17.	2158	Fr B/1/8 to Bn FDC-B/1/8 received one incoming grenade at this time. 1 US WIA, not from grenade.			Not D/A LM
18.	2400	Journal Closed.			J.
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(3) On 5 January 68 the project to convert the market place at Duc Huc vic XT443064 to a 2 room school was completed. *W 578M*

14. Special Equipment and Techniques:

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1.	0001	Journal Open.	0001	2 Jan 68	2120
2.	0600	Fr Div Arty: At this time, FSB Burt, grid XT499806 reported on damage done due to last night's ground attack. 1 US KIA from 2/77 Arty, 6 US WIA, 1 searchlight, 1 Quad 50, and 1 duster damaged. Air Cav will make daylight recon. Emergency resupply of HE, RH, & 50 Cal. ammo at 0330 hrs. Final totals were 58 US WIA.			
3.	0700	Fr Bde to Bn FDC-All Mustang and Trojan landing zones have been cancelled because all available aircraft are being used by the 3d Brigade.			
4.	0810	Bde: Air strike in grid XT5730 at 1330 hrs.			
5.	0930	A/1/8: At 0900 hrs in grid XT439247, C/2/27 found a 105mm dud. At 0907 hrs in grid XT439247, B/2/27 found 7 punji pits. At 0912 hrs in grid XT438246 C/2/27 found a 105mm dud.			
6.	0945	Fr C/1/27: C/1/27 reports receiving small arms fire at this time in grid XT507168.			
7.	0945	Div Arty: Photo mission in grid XT5808 & XT6708 XS5894 XS6794 from 0930-1015 hrs.			
8.	1325	B/1/8: B/1/8 reports receiving small arms fire at this time. Grid not given. Negative casualties.			
9.	1410	A/1/8: A/2/27 reports 3 detainees in custody. Originally had 4, but one escaped. Grid not given.			
10.	1630	A/1/8: A/1/8 expended 16 rounds in grid XT475283 at 1615 hrs.			
11.	1645	Div Arty: Estimated VC company in area defined by grids XT377368, XT376352, XT387353, XT382310.			
12.	1705	Fr B/1/8: At this time, B/1/8 found a boobytrap 100 meters south of battery center. Grid not given. Blown in place, negative casualties.			
13.	1940	Maj Ramos: Go Dau Ha subsector reported 2 105mm duds vic grid XT415256. Request EOD team to blow them.			
14.	1955	Div Arty: Fire mission: 3 boats going down Saigon river. Mission went to C/1/8. C/2/8 expended 17 rounds in grid XT718204.			
15.	2120	Bde LNO; 2/27 patrol Sue in position at this time. Grid not given.			

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16.	2320	B/1/8: C/1/27 elements had 2 incoming hand grenades at grid XT51202 at this time. 3 US TA dusted off. Negative fire returned.	Not D/A LN																																									
17.	2350	1/27: Sitrep; At 0644 hrs in grid XT521201 LP received 2 hand grenades. LP returned fire with 2 hand grenades. 1 US TA. VC losses unknown. At 1000 hrs in XT515171, C/1/27 have 2 VC surrounded.	Not D/A MH																																									
18.	2350	2/27: At 0910 hrs ingrid XT439248 B/2/27 destroyed 2 punji pits. At 0910 hrs in grid XT439247, C/2/27 located & destroyed 2 105mm auds. At 1030 hrs in grid XT441234, A/2/27 located 1 55gallon drum containing cosmetics and 1 empty drum. Both were buried underground. At 1030 hrs in grid XT450252, a man tripped a boobytrap but it did not detonate. At 1340 hrs in grid XT450246, A/2/27 apprehended 6 detainees.	Not D/A MH																																									
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The total amount of ammunition expended
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PROSPER H. WALKER, MAJ, ARTY, S3

Greg P. Meier

(5) 3 January 1968 - 05 February 1968 with 28 Rome
Flows moved into Filhol Plantation area and began cutting operations
cutting continued until terminated by TET offensive. Flows were
returned to Cu Chi Base Camp and released from OFCON, 2nd Brigade.

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2.	0600	Btrys: Ammo reports; B/1/8 1801 HE 90 WP 134 ILL 28 SMK 60 BH; C/1/8 870 HE 117 WP 71 ILL 76 SMK 60 BH; A/1/8 1498 HE 64 WP 174 ILL 34 SMK 60 BH; A/6/77 1625 HE 56 WP 52 ILL 39 SMK 60 BH; B/3/13 1407 HE 256 WP.	Not D/A PJ		
3.	0800	LNO 2/27: 2/27 patrol closed Cu Chi at this time.	Not D/A PJ		
4.	0915	Fr Bn FDC to Div Arty-A/6/77 will remain at Go Dau Ha because of lack of security from 3/4Cav or Brigade.	Not D/A JR		
5.	0935	B/1/8: B/1/8 under ground attack at this time. Grid not given. B/1/8 receiving small arms, automatic weapons & possibility of M79 fire from estimated 4 or 5 VC.	Not D/A OP		
6.	0945	B/1/8: Contact broken with estimated 5 or 6 VC at this time, grid not given. Negative casualties.	Not D/A OP		
7.	1000	B/1/8: 1/27 departed their location, grid not given. Approximately 4 minutes after departing, they received small arms & automatic weapons fire. Negative assistance needed at this time.	Not D/A OP		
8.	1044	B/1/8: B/1/8 departed FSB York for Cu Chi at this time.	Not D/A OP		
9.	1115	A/1/8: A/1/8 & B/3/13 departed Go Dau Ha for Cu Chi at this time.	Not D/A OP		
10.	1125	B/1/8: B/1/8 closed Cu Chi at this time.	Not D/A OP		
11.	1210	A/1/8: A/1/8 & B/3/13 stopped on road 200 meters north of FSB York due to roadblock.	Not D/A DW		
12.	1315	A/1/8: A/1/8 closed Cu Chi at this time.	Not D/A OP		
13.	1320	LNO 1/5: LNO 1/5 base camp is grid XT6717146.	Not D/A OP		
14.	1335	Div Arty: Photo mission in grids XS6076 7076 6096 7096 from 1440-1530 hrs.	Not Btrys DW		
15.	1535	B/3/13: B/3/13 closed Cu Chi at this time.	Not D/A OP		
16.	2130	B/3/13: B/3/13 reports 3/4Cav in contact in grid XS5515. B/3/13 firing illumination. Approximate VC mortar location is grid XS605226.	Not D/A LN		
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ITEM: Aero Rifle Platoon and RF/PF Forces Combined Ambush.

Regional Forces

DISCUSSION: RF/PF Forces have been found to be lacking in certain elements necessary to effectively carry out their assigned missions.

OBSERVATION: In recent advisor/training missions with RF/PF Forces, D Troop Aero Rifles have found that RF/PF shortcomings are attributable more to lack of RF/PF command and leadership than lack of training. They appeared reluctant to disrupt the local balance of power and have explicitly voiced fear of retribution if VC are aggressively pursued. This is partially understandable in view of their lack of appropriate weapons and low ammunition supply. Their only indirect fire support comes from 60mm mortars for which they have but a few rounds per weapon. However, capable of planning and executing excellent ambushes, they are also capable of sound tactical maneuvers at squad, platoon, and company level. They lack only the will to kill VC.

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*talk w/ inf. regulars
they talk about the RF/PF forces
i tell them also about our role
being mortars close to them and they
are not.*

Look at tower - we rocketed - they not.
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1.	0001	Journal Open.				J.	
2.	0050	1/321 Arty-1/321 Arty reports receiving rounds 200 meters from their location. Negative casualties. Check fire called.				Not D/A CN	
3.	0110	Div Arty: The iron triangle will be a 1st Div A9 at 0600 hrs.				Not D/A CN	
4.	0415	Div Arty-Negative arty moves today other than 1/8 A/6/77 and B/3/13.				Not FDC CN	
5.	0430	Btrys: Ammo report: A/1/8 1798 HE 90 WP 134 ILL 28 SMK 60 BH; B/1/8 884 HE 175 WP 344 ILL 91 SMK 30 BH; C/1/8 762 HE 104 P 71 ILL 60 BH; A/6/77 2306 HE 106 WP 217 ILL 39 SMK 60 BH; B/3/13 1730 HE 138 P 454 ILL.				Not D/A MH	
6.	0430	Btrys; H&I report: A/1/8 3 missions 3 rounds expended; B/1/8 4 missions 8 rounds expended; C/1/8 37 missions 74 rounds expended A/6/77 Negative. B/3/13 15 missions 30 rounds expended.				Not D/A MH	
7.	0515	Div Arty; Photo mission in grids XS6983 XS6493 XT7800 XT6500 from 0530-0550 hrs.				Not FDC MH	
8.	0545	Fwd FDC:Fwd FDC, A/1/8, B/1/8 & C/1/8 along with B/3/13 departed Cu Chi for FSB Crockett at this time.				Not D/A MH	
9.	0710	Fwd FDC:Fwd FDC, A/1/8, B/1/8, C/1/8, & B/3/13 closed FSB Crockett at this time.				Not D/A MH	
10.	1255	Asst 3: Asst 3 reports 1/27 had 19 MIA from napalm bomb that was dropped to escape. Grid not given.				Not D/A LN	
11.	1300	S2: Information from POW on 2 Jan. POW says C-1 was located at grid XT6127 & XT6288. Strength about 80 men.				Not D/A CC	
12.	1300	S2-C-2 company located at grid XT6128 & XT6129. strength is 60 men.				Not D/A CC	
13.	1550	LNO 1/27: 41Y was hit by an RPG round in grid ?. Man in critical condition. He has lost a leg. He was dusted off at this time.				Not D/A MH	
14.	1635	Div Arty-Photo mission in grid XT577153 at 1650 hrs.				Not FDC JW	
15.	1640	B/3/13: B/3/13 departed FSB Crockett for Cu Chi at this time.				Not D/A CJ	
16.	1725	B/3/13-B/3/13 closed Cu Chi at this time.				Not D/A CJ	
17.	1905	Killer 6: Killer 6 fired 2 mission on grid XT741173. at 1400 hrs. B-327 (D8) & 8 (F688).				Not D/A LN	
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18.	2115	Killer 5: Killer 5 reports 2 WIA's at this time. from small arms fire from the west of perimeter.																																								
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1.	0001	Journal Open..	J.
2.	0530	Div Arty-Negative arty moves planned for today.	Not FDC LN
3.	0730	Btrys-Ammo report: A/1/8 598 HE 89 WP 200 ILL 66 SMK 60 BH; B/1/8 469 HE 99 WP 119 ILL 27 SMK 60 BH; C/1/8 1261 HE 93 WP 160 ILL 100 SMK 60 BH.	Not D/A MH
4.	0845	Fwd FDC-B/1/27 received small arms fire at 0815 hrs in grid XT749157. A/1/8 expended 78 rounds in support in grid XT7481315927. negativie surveillance.	Not D/A MH
5.	1010	Fwd FDC-At 1001 hrs in grid XT780175, Gummy Cobra received 40mm fire. Contact began at 0840 hrs, was sporadic, estimated 20 rounds received. Devistator is believed to be the one firing.	Not FDC MH
6.	1030	Div Arty; Photo missions in grids XT3812 XT4812 XT3822 4812 from 1135 1200 hrs. In grids XT712070 and XS751830 from 1310-1330 hrs.	Not FDC DW
7.	1145	Bde: Agent reports at Bao Trai. Last night 30 oxcarts of rice moved from grid XT535320 to XT563222. Still at this location.	Not D/A RD
8.	1350	Fwd FDC-At 1300 hrs LNO/2/27 found a caved in bunker with AK47 inside. Grid not given. At 1345 hrs C/2/27 found 5 VC KIA (BC) by small arms. Grid not given.	Not D/A MH
9.	1450	Fwd FDC-C/2/27 reports 9 VC KIA (BC), 6 from Infantry 3 from Arty in grid XT757156.	Not D/A DW
10.	1545	Fwd FDC-At 1520 hrs B/1/27 found what appears to be 1st Aid station in grid XT750161. At 1522 hrs D/1/27 found 5 RPG rounds, drum of AK50 ammunition, documents & radio in grid XT754162. At 1530 hrs B/1/8 found a bunker reinforced with logs, will destroy at grid XT761158.	Not D/A DW
11.	1930	Trang Bang: H&I's for B/3/13 grids XT522207, XT525207 and XT528207.	Not D/A MH
12.	2240	Fwd FDC-C/1/8 expended 180 rounds for woodchopper prep.	Not D/A LN
13.	2400	Journal Closed.	J.

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6. Sampans	97	7
7. Vehicles	3	3
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10. Bunkers	66	1

OPERATION SUMMARY

HQ Battery element remained at FSB Crockett, vic grid XT732152. A/1/8 remained at FSB Crockett. B/1/8 remained at FSB Crockett. C/1/8 remained at FSB Crockett. A/6/77 remains attached to 1/8 and is at Co Dan Ha. B/3/13 remains attached to 1/8 and is at Cu Chi.

The total ammunition expenditures since arrival in country is 402,508 rounds.

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1.	0001	Journal Open.	J.
2.	0130	Fwd FDC- C/1/8 LP had a VC run towards them & threw grenade at 0130 hrs. Returned fire, negative casualties at grid XT73171495.	Not D/A WM
3.	0545	Div Arty-Negative arty moves today. FSB Burt & FSB Buragard received unknown number of rounds at various times during the night. FSB Burt had 1 US KIA, unknown number of MIA at this time.	Not FDC LN
4.	0900	Div Arty-Photo mission in grid XT6823 from 1050-1110 hrs.	Not FDC DJ
5.	1010	Fwd FDC- Boat convoy consisting of 64 boats, departing from Ban Tieng, going to Phu Coang, arriving at 1800 hrs. Displaying yellow panels and ARVN flag.	Not D/A RB
6.	1040	Fwd FDC- Temporary specified strains none east of Bal Dong was effective 17 Dec 67, and has been terminated.	Not FDC RB
7.	1210	Bde- 1/8 Arty has been credited with 5 VC KIA (BO) so far today.	Not D/A RB
8.	1300	Fwd FDC- At 1233 hrs, A/1/8 reported that D/1/27 checked out graves; There were 7 to 10 days old. They were wrapped in ponchees; cause of death unknown. At 1225 hrs, in grid XT743167, B/1/27 found 1 bunker with a connecting tunnel; will destroy. At 1227 hrs, D/1/27, in grid XT748166, found two bunkers, will blow them. Found 1 KIA (VC) and 275 rockets at same location; will destroy rockets. At 1240 hrs, B/1/8 reported that D/2/27 found at grid XT756165 1 axe, 1 shovel, 1 basket, 1M-26 grenade, 2lbs polished rice, cooking utensils, 1 1/2 lbs of C-4. At 1245 Duster NCO reported 30 to 40 people in grid XT7619 moving north along hedgegroves; requested LNO/127 to investigate and identify.	Not D/A
9.	1330	Fwd FDC- At 1300 hrs, C/2/27 found in grid XT754157 2 60mm rounds, 1 ChiCom grenade, 1 M-26 grenade. In grid XT757153 C/2/27 found 1 155mm dud, 2 stick grenades, 1 VC helmet, 1 L-6 clip, 1 VC shirt (bloody). At 1315 hrs D/2/27, in grid XT754166 found 1 VC KIA body count.	Not D/A

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10.	1345	Bde- B/3/13 received from Bde in grid XT658287. 46 rounds expended, 1 bunker destroyed, 4 bunkers damaged.	Not D/A LN		
11.	1400	Fwd FDC- At 1243 hrs, B/1/27, in grid XT740169 1 bunker destroyed by artillery fire. At 1310 hrs D/1/27 in grid XT751162 found 6 fresh graves. At 1316 hrs D/1/27 in grid XT751162 found base camp, and a sign that read, "Do not search this place, Yankee, or you will die uselessly." Also found was 1 booby trap, ChiCom grenade. At 1327 hrs C/1/27 in grid XT740172 found a trail with a sign which had an L on it. At 1345 hrs C/2/27 in grid XT756615 found a small spider hole, 2VC canteens, 1 1/2 lbs of rice, 1 home-made grenade, 1 shovel, 1 pole, 1 US canteen.	Not D/A		
12.	1425	B/1/8- C/2/27 in grid XT758151 had one person with broken ankle, dustoff complete. At 1345 hrs A/1/8 reported that D/1/27 in grid XT751162 found 6 bodies, checked one body said to have been 15 to 17 years old, death from small arms fire. At 1400 hrs C/2/27 in grid XT755151 found 2 ChiCom grenades boobytrapped and two 20mm also boobytrapped. In grid XT756151 C/2/27 found 1 20mm shell boobytrapped, two home made, and 2 ChiCom grenades boobytrapped. At 1410, D/2/27 in grid XT6513 found 5 punji pits with green bamboo, will destroy.	Not D/A RB		
13.	1510	Fwd FDC- At 1450 hrs 1/27 and 3/27 had fire fight with each other. 1 US WIA from 1/27. Area had been cleared by LNO 2/27. 1/8 fired one mission: 1 WP, 200 meter height offburst; negative casualties. LNO 1/27 requested mission from A/1/8.	Not D/A 150-400/121		
14.	1650	Fwd FDC- At 1500 hrs A/1/8 reported 54 new location: in grid XT753164. At 1500 hrs A/1/8 reported that LNO 2/27 had 1 US WIA in grid XT753159. At 1525 hrs A/1/8 reported that the 1 US WIA had been dusted off to Cu Chi XT753159. At 1527 hrs B/1/8 reported that C/2/27 found in grid XT760150 found 2 ChiCom grenades boobytrapped, 1 M79 round. Will destroy.	Not D/A DM		
15.	1650	Fwd FDC- C/1/5 Mech received small arms fire. The 2 US WIA were dusted off from XT655205. The unit swept the area, the fire slowed down.			
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16.	1900	Fwd FDC: At 1400 hrs Fwd FDC said that LNO 2/27 and A/1/8 were firing at each other. Really had VC fire and LNO 1/27 returned fire. A/1/8 expended 102 rounds in support.																																												
19.	2225	Maj Ramos: Receiving possible 82mm rounds at this time. said XT722153.	Not D/A MH																																											
20.	2250	Maj Ramos: Engaging 1 VC north of position with mortars.	Not D/A MH																																											
21.	2250	Maj Ramos: Mortars ceased.	Not D/A MH																																											
22.	2300	Maj Ramos: Receiving incoming rounds again.	Not D/A MH																																											
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AT Crockett, A/6/77 remains attached to 1/8 and is at Go Dau Ha. B3/13 remains attached to 1/8 and is at Cu Chi. A/1/27 remains attached to 1/8 at Cu Chi.

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 403,711 rounds.

LATE ENTRY

At 0025 hrs 1/321 Arty Radar down. Intermittent short, blowing fuzes. Reported to Div Arty at 0540 hrs.

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1.	0001	Journal Open.	I.		
2.	0020	Fwd FDC-Ref: Damage from mortar attack, One 2 1/2 ton truck took a direct hit. It split open. 12 rounds of 105mm ammo on the truck. One round of 60mm was found in back of truck. The truck had four flat tires. EOD team was requested.	Not D/A WM		
3.	0200	Estimated time of departure from FSB Crockett for A, B, C, 1/8 is 0830 in a fireball configuration. B/1/8 goes to FSB York, grid XT548177: C/1/8 goes to Go Dau Ha. The two sections of M42's are going to Go Dau Ha. A/6/77 will go to Cu Chi. At FSB York, the two sections of M42's will refuel and return to FSB York.	Not D/A RB.		
4.	0210	Fwd FDC-Div Trans is to get clearance for 9 vehicles from FSB Crockett to FSB York, then the 9 vehicles from Crockett to Go Dau Ha at 0630 hrs. Will also get clearance for 20 vehicles from Go Dau Ha to Cu Chi at 1100 hrs.	Not DT RB		
5.	0230	Fwd FDC-Crockett under mortar attack; Mortars firing from a distance of 600 meters, azimuth of 5000 mils. The counter mortar ship was scrambled. 1/8 Arty delivered direct fire on the mortar positions.	Not D/A RB		
6.	0417	Fwd FDC-FSB Crockett reported that they were receiving mortar rounds at 0224 hrs. At 0236 hrs the mortars ceased firing, negative casualties and negative damage as of that time. At 0256 hrs C/1/27 reported that they found an assembly of an RPG and shot an azimuth of 5400 mils from the assembly. At 0300 hrs B/1/27 reported movement at 330 degrees, range 75 meters, shooting Killer Jr. at this target.	Not D/A RB		
7.	0510	Div Arty FDC-Arty move: 1 plt of B/6/77 will go to Tay Ninh.	Not D/A LN		
8.	0515	12th Evac-Info on dustoffs: McLearym, Thomas- head lacerations, Marcus, Rick released to unit, Lecaup, K. Post Op Sat, Smith J.R. Post Op Sat, Caraway, Ervin-multiple frag wounds, very serious.	Not COL Dean		
9.	0825	Bde-B/1/27 first LZ cold, grid XT589181.	Not D/A MH		
10.	0910	Fwd FDC-A/1/8 & B/1/8 departed FSB Crockett at 0845 hrs for Cu Chi.			
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11.	0910	A/1/8-A/1/8 elements entered Cu Chi base camp.	Not D/A MH		
12.	0930	C/1/8-D/1/27 gunships received small arms fire from grid XT559189. D/1/27 found several spider holes & are investigating area at this time.	Not D/A DW		
13.	1035	LNO 1/27-C/1/5 Mech elements found VC base camp approximately Bn size in grid 523218.	Not D/A DW		
14.	1050	Div Arty-Upon receiving AO Lion, AO Saturn is no longer in effect.	A/1/27 Not D/A DW		
15.	1230	Bn PDC for A/1/8-A/1/8 hooks at pad 1. LNO 1/27 will be ground control for 1st lift.	Not D/A DW		
16.	1230	LNO 1/27-A/1/27 LZ Cold, time 1228 hrs. A/1/27 elements airborne at 1230 hrs.	Not D/A DW		
17.	1310	B/1/8-Battery B/1/27 Arty left Cu Chi at 1310 hrs.	Not D/A DW		
18.	1310	A/1/8-A/1/8 left Cu Chi for FSB Forrest at 1315 hrs by air.	Not D/A DW		
19.	1425	C/1/8-D/1/27 elements LZ cold at 1415 hrs in grid XT584208.	Not D/A DW		
20.	1455	C/1/8-C/1/8 departed FSB York at 1455 hrs for Go Dau Ha.	Not D/A DW		
21.	1545	C/1/8-C/1/8 closed Go Dau Ha at this time.	Not D/A DW		
22.	1550	LNO 4/23 Mech-4/23 Mech vehicle hit mine in grid XT664194, negative casualties, minor damage to vehicle.	Not D/A DW		
23.	1610	A/1/8-A/1/8 laid and ready to fire at 1450 hrs. Grid XT562198. At 1525 hrs all of A/1/8 elements closed FSB Forrest.	Not D/A NH		
24.	1650	A/6/77-A/6/77 left Go Dau Ha at 1620 hrs for Cu Chi.	Not D/A RB		
25.	1715	B/1/8-B/1/8 left FSB Crockett for Cu Chi. Remaining elements of C/1/8, A/1/8 and W2 left at the same time.	Not D/A RB		
26.	1720		Not D/A RB		
27.	1720	A/6/77-A/6/77 closed Cu Chi at 1707 hrs.	Not D/A RB		
28.	1720	B/1/8-B/1/8 closed Cu Chi at 1720 hrs.			
29.	2000	Bde-Intelligence report: 1 VC Co was observed in grid XT613197, negative fire, to close to a no fire zone.	Not D/A NO		
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1.	0001	Journal open.	J.		
2.	0010	Leapfrog TOC- 3 VC in grid XT518140 wre under observation and were fired upon with small arms and artillery. The artillery fire was from A/6/77.	Not D/A LN		
3.	0105	Div Arty (II Field Force)- Possible rocket attack to be conducted on 9 Jan 68.	Not D/A LN		
4.	0235	Bao Trai under heavy mortar attack. The counter mortar ship was scrambled. LFT's are on station. At 0330 the initial LFT left to return to Cu Chi to refuel and rearm. Saber elements dispatched at 0345. Plt B/3/13 laid on an azimuth of 3870 mils.	Not D/A LN		
5.	0300	Trang Bang Bridge on Hwy 1 is in hands of VC, at approximately 0100 hrs. At 0120 hrs the bridge was blown. At 0245 hrs the damage to the bridge was slight; an ARVN outpost was overrun, 1 ARVN KIA.	Missed over yesterday		
6.	0507	MAJ Pollack- Mustang alerted to air lift to Bao Trai at about 0630 hrs. B/1/8 was alerted to fireball vicinity near Duc Lap at 0630 hrs. B/3/13 was alerted to fireball to FSB Meade at 0600 hrs. Both batteries were alerted at 0515 hrs. Hotshot B was notified for duster support at 0530 hrs.	Not D/A LN		
7.	0540	PDO A/1/8- LEO 1/27 elements had negative air assets. HQ elements SD remain in Trang Bang area.	Not COL Dean LN		
8.	0701	B/3/13- B/3/13 closed Meade at 0700 hrs.	Not D/A CM		
9.	0710	Killer 70- Bao Trai compound hit by approximately 300 rounds of mortars, M79, RPG, and recoilless rifle fire. There were 3 US KIA, 20 ARVN KIA.	Not D/A CM		
10.	0715	B/1/8- B/1/8 departed at 0653 hrs.	Not D/A DVL		
11.	0735	A/1/8- At 0745 hrs C/1/27 and D/1/27 elements were standing by on ground at Bao Trai. At 0747 hrs A/1/27 elements were airborne.	Not D/A PT		
12.	0835	Bn XO- B/1/8 is laid and ready to fire.	Not D/A WM		
13.	0904	B/1/8- Receiving small arms fire at FSB Butler.	Not D/A CK		
14.	1000	Bde- Check fire from 1500 - 1900 hrs for low level aircraft in the following areas: XT5733, XT6733, ST6822, XT6022.	Not D/A RK		
			Not 321, A/6/77		
			CN		
15.	1140	B/1/8- C/2/27 elements found in the vicinity of grid XT553086 a 34 year old Vietnamese civilian with identification who had been wounded by a bullet.	Not D/A CM		
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16.	1445	B/1/8- B/1/27 questioned 2 personnel. They said that 2 VC told them that they would be mortared at 1800 hrs, grid XT554106.		Not D/A PT			
17.	1530	A/6/77- one of C/1/5 Mech elements was injured from a limb, dustoff was called in.		Not D/A RB			
18.	1625	Trang Bang- 1 unknown NVA Bn moved from grid XT5030 to grid XT525208.		Not D/A DW			
19.	1650	A/1/8- A/1/27 elements sweeping area XT5519; they received small arms fire, moved mortar into location to return fire.		Not D/A DW			
20.	1734	B/3/13- B/3/13 departed from Meade at 1730 hrs.		Not D/A LR			
21.	1915	Go Dau Ha Arty- At 1910 hrs P.B. sent a message to Go Dau Ha Arty saying that they reported one regiment of VC at grids XT470350, XT474350, XT480340, XT483344.		Not FDC, D/A MH			
21.	2000	Div Arty- AO Soui Da terminated at 0815 hrs. LP sending message from Div Arty.		Not FDC MH			
22.	2030	A/1/8- LNO 1/27 and A/1/27 are engaging 3 VC. 1 VC confirmed body count, negative grid.		Bn FDC MH			
23.	2115	A/1/8- A/1/8 receiving mortar fire, and hand grenades. The gunship is in the area, 2110 hrs. Mortar fire ended at 2115 hrs, negative results. negative surveillance.		Not D/A MH			
24.	2358	Trang Bang- Trang Bang is being mortared, requested counter mortar ship. 1 US WIA, dustoff complete, 0105 hrs. Times by C/1/8 were adjusted by GSCM observer. Firing was begun after ARVN Arty had fired into the grid. Both Province Chief's clearance and 25th Div CG's clearance were obtained. Observer reported fires to be falling over the mortar flashes. Mission was begun at 0020 hrs, completed at 0035 hrs.		Not D/A LH			
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6.		Sampons	97	7	
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9.		Sec exp	86	0	
10.		Bunkers	68	5	
OPERATIONS SUMMARY					
A/1/8 remained at FSB Forrest, grid XT564198.					
B/1/8 departed Cu Chi and moved to FSB Butler.					
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Arty are attached. B/1/8 departed FSB Butler and					
returned to Cu Chi. Two sections of M42's of Btry					
B/5/2 Arty were detached. B/3/13 departed Cu Chi					
and moved to FSB Meade, grid XT607113. Letc 1/6					
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B/3/13 departed FSB Meade and returned to Cu Chi.					
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Special operations: Grip reaction to an intelligence report conduct RIF operations vic XT508047, XT496048, XT493067, XT488068, XT440080 and XT502080, negative results. *Reinforce*

1-27 INF: Conducted RIF operations vic XT5519, XT5517, XT5617, XT5518, XT5619, XT5719, XT5819, XT5519, XT5419, XT5529, XT5521, XT5621. Fm provided a composite unit to secure the new night location. At 2210 hrs, Co A vic XT556191 engaged 3 VC resulting in 1 VC KIA (DC) with weapon. At 1145 hrs, Co D vic XT531195 was engaged by 4-5 VC with S/A fire, negative casualties, returned fire with A/W and Artillery VC losses unknown.

2-27 INF: Conducted airborne combat assaults to LZ's vic XT412012, XT408021, XT448030, XT451016, XT435004 and XT448027. Co A provided 2 platoons for

2-27 security of FSB vic XT438071. Conducted combat assault to LZ vic XT441032 to establish and secure a new Fm night location. *W 6/18*

TF 4-23 INF: Conducted RIF operations vic XT6322, XT6422, XT6421, XT6420, XT6320, and XT6219. Continued to provide security for Rome Flow clearing operations vic XT665210, XT636217 and XT660220. Fm provided a composite unit to secure Fm night location. At 0720 hrs a tank from Co A 2/34 vic XT644218 received 1 round of RPG2 resulting in 1 US WIA; negative damage to the tank. At 1054 hrs, vic XT642142 dozer detonated a 20 lb tilt rod mine resulting in 3 US WIA's and moderate damage to the dozer. At 1150 hrs, XT646217 a dozer detonated a Anti-Personnel mine negative damage to the dozer and negative casualties. At 1450 hrs, XT646217 Co A 2/34 sustained 1 US WIA from a booby trapped grenade.

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1.	0001	Journal Open.	J.		
2.	0600	A/6/77-A/6/77 expended 122 rounds for H&I's.	Not 1/5 LN		
3.	0720	Div Arty-VT Fuze lot 3070 BAC which was temporarily suspended is no longer suspended.	Not Btrys LN		
4.	0830	LNO Bde-Immediate airstrike in grid XT4101.	Not FDC DN		
5.	0916	Fwd FDC-Rounds expended on prep in grid XT411012. B/1/8 158 rounds. A/6/77 181 rounds.	Not D/A CN		
6.	0948	Fwd FDC-Rounds expended on prep in grid XT407022. B/1/8 107 rounds. A/6/77 91 rounds.	Not D/A CN		
7.	0951	C/1/8-C/1/8 closed FSB Houston at this time.	Not D/A CN		
8.	1100	B/3/13-D/1/5 Mech report: in grid XT642327, they found heavy bunkers 50 meters down a trail, also found documents. In grid XT647214, they hit a mine. # of casualties not given, but personnel were dusted off.	Not D/A EG		
9.	1105	Fwd FDC-Rounds expended on prep in grid XT448029. A/6/77 expended 96 rounds. B/1/8 expended 95.	Not D/A CN		
10.	1130	Fwd FDC-Rounds expended on prep in grid XT449017. A/6/77 109 rounds. B/1/8 91 rounds. C/1/8 58 rounds.	Not D/A CN		
11.	1140	Fwd FDC-Total rounds expended on LZ's. 1035 rounds.	Not D/A CN		
12.	1150	B/2/27-B/2/27 at 1140 hrs found a bunker, grid not given.	Not D/A EG		
13.	1320	Fwd FDC-Rounds expended in grid XT435004, A/6/77 187 rounds. B/1/8 156 rounds. C/1/8 113 rounds.	Not D/A CN		
14.	1415	Fwd FDC-Rounds expended in grid XT443027, A/6/77 77 rounds. B/1/8 91 rounds. C/1/8 107 rounds.	Not D/A CN		
15.	1430	Div Arty-Check fire for anything over 1000 ft of XT6220-7910, 7010-7420.	Not Btrys DN		
16.	1540	Bde-2/27 night location will be FSB Johnson.	Not D/A DN		
17.	2015	Bde-Intelligence report: 1 VC Co in grids XT514220 & XT599208. 1 VC Bn at grid XT5224.	Not D/A RB 2 days		
18.	2200	A/1/8-B/1/27 & C/1/27 spotted 15 to 20 VC, grid not given. LP's hear VC blowing bugles, women screaming megaphone, and interpreters said VC are trying to organize people for mass attack.	Not D/A PT		
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54 0600 - GoDwtk
1200 - arrives in Houston

(not off shift)

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6 2400 - 16

Special Operation: CRII in reaction to an intelligence report conducted RIF operations vic XT5503, at 1545 hrs, vic XT557037 engaged 1 VC, resulting in 1 VC KIA (DC).

1-27 INF: Conducted RIF operations vic XT5320, XT5420, XT5520, XT5620, XT5319, XT5419, XT5519 and XT5619. Recon platoon provided security for night location. At 2200 hrs, Co D vic XT562192 engaged VC in CX Carts with M79, unknown result. At 0024 hrs, vic XT559198 the In night location received heavy volume of RPG fire, mortar rds, S/A and A/W fire, resulting in 28 US WIA's and 5 US KIA's, returned fire with IFT, Spooky, Artillery S/A and A/W resulting in 63 VC KIA (DC) and 1 VC PCW (WIA). At 0511 hrs, Co D vic XT559198 received 1 RPG rds resulting in 2 US WIA's. At 0721 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT572250 engaged 1 VC, resulting in 1 VC KIA (DC). At 0901 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT574274 engaged 2 VC, resulting in 1 VC KIA (DC) and 1 VC PCW. At 0915 hrs, Co B vic XT560192 located 13 VC KIA (DC). At 1010 hrs, Co D vic XT564206 located 2 VC KIA (DC). At 1040 hrs, Co B vic XT559064 located 6 VC KIA (DC). At 1030 hrs, 2d C&C ship vic XT585195 located 1 VC KIA (DC). At 1045 hrs, Co D vic XT561212 located 5 VC KIA (DC). At 0945 hrs, Co A vic XT588192 located 1 VC KIA (DC). At 1150 hrs Dn vic XT536208 located 2 VC KIA (DC). At 1610 hrs, Supporting gunships vic XT-549218 engaged 4 VC, resulting in 4 VC KIA (DC). At 1630 hrs, Co F vic XT542228 engaged 1 VC, resulting in 1 VC KIA (DC), and apprehended 1 detainee, evacuated to IPW.

2-27 INF: Conducted airborne combat assaults to LZ's vic XT579228, XT549227 and XT565236. Co A provided 2 platoons for security of PSD vic XT585215. Co A (-) established and secured a new In night location. At 1315 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT539217 located 1 VC KIA (DC). At 1500 hrs, Co D vic XT568232 located 22 graves containing 22 VC KIA (DC). At 1503 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT565234 received S/A fire and was downed, resulting in 4 US WIA's. At 1645 hrs, Co D vic XT565237 sustained 2 US WIA's from booby trap.

TF 4-23 INF: Continued to provide security for Rome Flow clearing operations vic XT6620, XT6621, XT6720, and XT6719. Conducted Reconnaissance in force operations vic XT6218, XT6318, XT6219 and XT6319.

(Jan.) 10th the 7th Coochee battalion then nearly half NVA launched a human wave

assault on the night position of the 1st wolfhounds and cost them a 108 dead.

The build-up of NVA soldiers with LF units was made dramatically evident when on the night of 10 January, the 1-27 INF night location was attacked by a battalion size element, later identified as the 7th Cu Chi Battalion. A prisoner captured during this battle stated the 50% of his and other units were made up of NVA soldiers. The addition of NVA soldiers to MF and LF units markedly increased their combat effectiveness, a fact that would become increasingly evident in the days to come. 108 VC were killed in this human wave attack.

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Cu Chi

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1.

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2.

0025

A/1/8-A/1/8 reports they are under heavy mortar attack at this time. B/3/13 firing in support. A/1/8 direct firing. A/1/8 request dustoff for 2 MIA's, but unable to because of heavy firing.

Not D/A DN

3.

0100

Div Arty-Photo missions in grids XT7318 XT8023 XT5942 & XT6037 from 0100-0130. In grids XT 1640 & YS0456 from 0200-0500 hrs.

Not B/3/13 BB

4.

0350

Div FDC-Estimated amount of ammo expended: A/321 900 rounds. B/3/13 364 rounds.

Not D/A LN

5.

0500

A/1/8-D/1/27 LP which was cut off from perimeter during attack at A/1/8 location was recovered. (2) liters are being dusted off now.

Not D/A LN

6.

0600

LNO 1/27-1/27 casualty report from early morning encounter was 5 KIA & 26 MIA.

Not D/A DN

7.

0605

B/3/13-B/3/13 has expended 560 rounds in support of 1/27 from 092100 to 100600.

Not D/A DN

8.

0745

A/1/8-B/1/27 has found 4 AK50's, 3 AK47's, 1 Chicom carbine & 1 US carbine at this time. Grid not given.

Not D/A LN

9.

0855

Div FDC-A/1/8 departed FSB Houston and moved to FSB Patton. B/1/8 started their airlift at 0700.

Not D/A DN

10.

0900

B/1/8-B/1/8 closed FSB Houston at this time.

Not D/A PM

11.

0915

Bde-Bde reports 1 POW in Hobe Woods since May. Says he was being held by NVA. C/1/27 reports finding 61 VC KIA (BC) from Infantry and 3 VC KIA (BC) from arty beehive rounds. C/1/27 also found 3 RPG7 grenades and RPG rounds. Grid not given.

Not D/A PF

12.

1000

Killer 3-B/1/8 departed FSB Johnston for Cu Chi at this time.

Not D/A PF

13.

1030

A/1/8-D/1/27 found 1 VC KIA (BC) at grid XT564206.

Not D/A CJ

14.

1100

Div Arty-Photo mission in grid XT7107 & XS7533 from 1120-1145 hrs.

Not D/A RB

15.

1100

B/1/8-B/1/8 closed Cu Chi at this time.

Not D/A P

16.

1145

B/3/13-B/4/23 reports finding an anti-tank mine and 2 dud 105mm rounds at grid 626188.

17.

1230

A/6/77-2/27 extraction complete at this time.

Not D/A LN

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18.	1230	A/1/8-A/1/8 found a 82mm round. Request a EOD team at A/1/8 location.	Not D/A CM																																									
19.	1300	LNO 1/27-B/1/27 spotted 2 groups of VC at 092155 hrs in grid XT561201. Engaged with 81mm, negative results. At 092144 in grid in grid XT559198 B/1/27 received 10-60 rounds. Negative casualties. At 092300 D/1/27 LP received small arms fire & returned fire. 1 US KIA, VC losses unknown.	Not D/A SA																																									
20.	1530	A/1/8-CH47 aircraft dropped load of 8x8 timbers on the village of Ben Chi, vic grid XT6614. Negative casualties, damaged 1 house.	Not D/A PM																																									
21.	1645	Asst 3-total body count for A/1/8 & attached elements on early morning encounter was 108 VC (BC).	Not D/A CM																																									
22.	1710	LNO 2/27-2/27 reports a downed helicopter at grid XT568323.	Not D/A LN																																									
23.	2130	A/1/8-B/1/27 reported 17 VC well armed at this time, grid not given. B/1/27 cut off from perimeter. B/1/27 spots an ox cart along trail with 10 VC, will engage with Killer Jr. (A/1/27 LP spotted 3 people changing into US clothing & helmet.)	Not D/A LN																																									
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OPERATION SUMMARY

A/1/8 remained at FSB Forrest, grid XT564199.
 B/1/8 airlifted from FSB Johnston & closed FSB
 Houston, from FSB Houston B/1/8 moved to Cu Chi.
 From Cu Chi, B/1/8 was airlifted to FSB Longstreet,
 via grid XT545225. C/1/8 moved from FSB Houston
 to Cu Chi. ~~C/2/8 then moved from Cu Chi to FSB~~
~~Padang via grid XT585215, B/2/8~~ A/6/77
 remains attached to 1/8 and moved from FSB
 Houston to Cu Chi. B/6/77 remains attached to
 1/8 and remained at Go Dau Ha. B/3/13 remains
 attached to 1/8 & remained at Cu Chi.

The total amount of ammunition expended
 since arrival in country is 408,770 rounds.

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11 JAN

1-27 INF: Conducted Reconnaissance in force operations vic XT5220, XT5319, XT5419, XT5519, XT5618, XT5710, XT5719, XT5820, XT5730, XT5620.

* 2155 hrs, LP B vic XT561201 spotted 2 groups of VC containing 17 personnel plus 1 Ox Cart, engaged with 81mm, VC losses unknown. At 2204 hrs, Bn vic XT559198 received 10 60mm rds and 10 rifle grenades, negative casualties. At 2300 hrs, LP D vic XT558197 received S/A fire returned fire with S/A, resulting in 1 US KIA, VC losses unknown. At 0055 hrs, LP B vic XT560200 received 1 fire with S/A, negative casualties VC losses unknown. At 0940 hrs, Co C vic XT531201 received 2 rds S/A fire, negative casualties. At 1000 hrs, Cp A vic XT556-186 detonated 4 booby trapped grenades, negative casualties. At 1105 hrs, Co C vic XT529210 engaged 4 VC, negative results. At 1335 hrs, Co C vic XT521204 received 5-8 rds S/A fire, negative casualties.

2-27 INF: Conducted Reconnaissance in force operations vic XT-5422, XT5522, XT5423. Conducted airborne combat assaults to LZ's vic XT561264, XT567267, XT549277, XT559231, XT549254. Co A provided 2 platoons to secure ESB vic XT582125. Co A provided security for the new night location. At 1427 hrs, Co E vic XT562265 engaged 3 VC resulting in 3 VC KIA (BC). At 0910 hrs, Co B vic XT549232 detonated a booby trapped grenade resulting in 1 US WIA. At 1429 hrs, Co B vic XT562265 engaged 3 VC resulting in 2 VC KIA (BC) and 1 VC POW. At 1600 hrs, Co B vic XT556324 apprehended 1 detainee. At 1708 hrs, supporting slicks vic XT559231 crashed and burned, negative casualties.

TF 4-23 INF: Conducted Reconnaissance in force operations vic XT7021, XT6822, XT6523 and XT6218. Provided 1 platoon to secure night location.

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				HOUR 2140	DATE 11 Jan 68
1.	0001	Journal Open.			J.
2.	0025	A/1/8-B/1/27 LP spotted 4 VC with weapons, will engage with M60, grid not given.			Not D/A DM
3.	0700	A/1/8-A/1/8 expended 119 rounds from 8 Jan - 9 Jan and 776 rounds from 9 Jan - 10 Jan in support of 1/27.			Not D/A DM
4.	0900	A/1/8-At this time B/1/27 found a butterfly bomb boobytrap at grid XT090842. Also found 3 Chicom grenades and a 88mm round. B/1/27 will blow them in place.			Not D/A EG
5.	0930	Fr Div Arty-Photo mission in grids XT7107 & XS9096 from 1200-1220 hrs.			Not Btrys PJ
6.	1000	Bde-Air strike in grid XT6527 at 1110 hrs.			Not D/A DM
7.	1055	A/1/8-1/27 element in heavy contact with 3 VC. VC ran into hedgerow and fired automatic weapons in grid XT525215. Negative casualties.			Not D/A DM
8.	1315	B/1/8-2/27 LZ cold at grid XT588262.			Not FDC DM
9.	1430	B/1/8-C/2/27 found 2 VC, 1 POW in grid XT561267 at this time. In grid XT568271 C/2/27 found a bunker, 4 punji pits, and gave A/1/8 credit for 4 VC KIA (BC).			Not D/A CN
10.	1445	MO 4/23 Mech-4/23 Mech reports artillery rounds impacting in his AO without ground clearance. ARVN's got ground clearance from Phu Hoa, but not US ground clearance.			Not D/A PR
11.	1615	Div Arty-Photo missions in grids XT6050 XT7050 XT6030 from 1700-2000 hrs. At 1700-2000 hrs in grids XT6050 XT8050 XT8060 XT6060.			Not FDC MH
12.	1700	B/1/8-B/1/8 reports a chopper down at grid XT559231. Chopper is burning, negative casualties.			Not Col Dean
13.	1830	Div Arty-Photo missions in grid XS3388 XT6624 XT1640 YSO456 from 0200-0500 tomorrow.			Not FDC RB
14.	2100	A/1/8-1/27 elements report unknown size VC force advancing towards perimeter from NW. Engaging with small arms, automatic weapons, arty blocking and direct fires in grid XT559231. B/1/321 and B/3/13 are firing support. 1200 rd. from us.			Not D/A LN
15.	2140	A/1/8-D/1/27 VC spotted in front of their position.			Not D/A MN
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16.	2145	A/1/8-A/1/8 engaged VC with small arms fire in grid XT561204 at 2100 hrs.	Not D/A PT
17.	2400	Journal closed.	J.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period, enemy contact was light. A/1/8 was given credit for 4 VC KIA (BC). Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL

KIA (BC) 499 KIA (POSS) 1615

1. Weapons	DES	DAM
a. Mortars	17	2
b. MG's	6	2
2. Buildings	273	116
3. Ammo dumps	1	0
4. Bridges	10	0
5. Trenches	3	0
6. Sampans	97	7
7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec exp	86	0
10. Bunkers	68	5

OPERATION SUMMARY

A/1/8 remained at FSB Forrest, grid XT564198.
 B/1/8 remained at FSB Longstreet, grid XT546224.
 C/1/8 remained at FSB Patton, vic grid XT585215.
 A/6/77 remains attached to 1/8 and remained at Cu Chi. B/6/77 remains attached to 1/8 and remained at Go Dau Ha. B/3/13 remains attached to 1/8 and remained at Cu Chi.

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 409,344 rounds.

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1-27 INF: Conducted airmobile combat assaults and Reconnaissance in force operations to LZ's vic XT527216, XT524216, XT515217, XT541-219, XT535199. Conducted airmove to new night location. Co A provided security for the new night location and Bn reaction force. At 2025 hrs, Co B vic XT558197 spotted 21 VC to their front, received rifle grenades, returned fire with mortar and artillery fire, negative casualties, VC losses unknown. At 1030 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT552198 engaged 4 VC resulting in 2 VC KIA (BC). At 1440 hrs Recon platoon vic XT507223, apprehended 1 detainee, will evac.

2-27 INF: Conducted airmobile combat assaults to LZ's vic XT-581266, XT545257, XT535240, XT550251. Conducted Reconnaissance in force operations vic XT540228, XT528205, XT527219, XT549236, XT550226, XT555221, XT548216 and XT548227. ~~Co A provided 2 platoons for the security of the LZ vic XT535215.~~ At 1225 hrs, Co B vic XT552226 received 1 rd sniper fire, negative casualties. At 1523 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT571268 engaged 1 VC resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC). At 1500 hrs, friendly airstrikes vic XT5733 engaged unknown size VC force, resulting in 3 VC KIA (BC). At 1620 hrs, supporting gunships on Recon of air strikes area vic XT573314 engaged 1 VC in a sampan resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC). At 1645 hrs, Co C vic XT574278 received fire from unknown number of VC, returned fire with S/A and gunships resulting in 1 US KIA. At the close of the period Bn (-) in night location. Co C remained in contact with unknown size force.

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1.	0001	Journal Open.		J.	
2.	0535	Div Arty-ARVN boat convoy: Phu Cong to Dau Tieng; 62 boats displaying white panels. 0600-1800 hrs.		Not Btry's WH	
3.	0600	Gummy Cobra-ARVN units vic grid XT7411 under heavy ground attack from 2330 yesterday to 0500 hrs today. 30 VC sampans located vic grid XT749101. B/1/321 and B/3/13 fired blocking fires in grids XT7416 & XT7515.		Not FDC LN	
4.	0600	Div Arty-Rounds expended on the above mentioned blocking fires. 1/321-208 rounds. B/3/13-72 rounds.		Not FDC LN	
5.	0730	Bde-At 2035 hrs last night, B/1/27 engaged 21 VC with arty and rifle grenades. Negative casualties, negative surveillance.		Not FDC MH	
6.	0800	B/3/13-B/3/13 departed Cu Chi for Go Dau Ha at this time.		Not D/A MH	
7.	0915	B/3/13-B/3/13 closed Go Dau Ha at this time.		Not D/A MH	
8.	1050	C/1/8-In grid XT532198 4 VC were engaged by gunships support 1/27. 2 VC KIA (BG) 2 VC KIA (POSS)		Not D/A PT	
9.	1100	A/1/8-A/1/8 departed FSB Forrest for FSB MacArthur at this time.		Not D/A JR	
10.	1100	Div Arty-Photo missions in grids XT7107 & XS7096 from 1245-1305 hrs. In grids XT6801 & XS8576 from 1235-1250 hrs. In grids XT5831 & XT4845 from 2100-2330 hrs.		Not FDC CJ	
11.	1225	Bde-4/23 Mech will be going into the Hobo Woods approximately 14 or 15 Jan.		Not CN MH	
12.	1345	B/1/8-C/2/27 element had cold LZ at this time in grid XT581266.		Not FDC LR	
13.	1400	LNO Bde-1/27 will have 5 aircraft tomorrow for angle flights.		Not D/A CN	
14.	1440	B/1/8-C/2/27 spotted 5 VC with weapons in open. VC engaged with gunships & fire mission given to B/1/8.		Not D/A PT	
15.	1500	B/1/8-Landing Zone for D/2/27 cold at grid XT599261.		Not D/A CN	
16.	1555	Bde-Issue 24 has VC in the open. C/1/8 was given fire mission. 1/1/8 expended 82 rounds in grid XT5731, 2 bunkers destroyed.		Not D/A CN	
17.	1725	A/1/8-Resupply ship receiving small arms fire when attempting to land. 1/27 returned mortar fire.			
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17.	con't	Enemy fire silenced. Incident happened at grid XT121732.		Not D/A MY	
18.	1910	Trang Bang-Received fire mission from Trang Bang for grid XT508204. Mission given to A/1/8.		Not D/A MH	
19.	2400	Journal Closed.		J.	
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY					
During the reporting period, enemy contact was light. C/1/8 fired a mission which resulted in 2 bunkers being destroyed. Totals are as follows:					
PERSONNEL					
KIA (BC) 499 KIA (POSS) 1615					
1. Weapons					
a. Mortars					
b. MG's					
2. Buildings					
3. Ammo dumps					
4. Bridges					
5. Trenches					
6. Sampans					
7. Vehicles					
8. Boats					
9. Sec exp					
10. Bunkers					
OPERATION SUMMARY					
A/1/8 departed FSB Forrest and moved to FSB MacArthur, vic grid XT51862160. B/1/8 remained at FSB Longstreet. C/1/8 remained at FSB Patton. A/6/77 remains attached to 1/8 and remained at Cu Chi. B/6/77 remains attached to 1/8 and remained at Go Dau Ha. B/3/13 remains attached to 1/8 & remained at Cu Chi.					
The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 410,296 rounds.					
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The concept of a patrol base on the border had been proven. It was at once an agonizing temptation to the 271st and 272nd regiments on the border and a completely effective deterrent to their infiltration. The enemy was incensed.

On the 24th of April, ten days after the attack on Diamond III, a new patrol base was established by the 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry. Manchu one and one half miles north of the "Angel's Wing" along the Cambodian border. In that flat open area, Charlie Company, with Alfa Company supporting, was to build and hold a tiny new patrol base to be named "Frontier City."

On the morning of the 24th, both companies began, with the aid of engineers and artillery personnel, to line out the perimeter of their position. Using heavy explosives, the troops blew a symmetrical pattern of holes around the perimeter and began to cut them and shape them into hardened fighting positions. Steel plate and beams were flown in as concertina wire was strung out at intervals beyond the bunker line. A CH-54 Flying Crane airlifted a bulldozer in as another dozer was floated down the nearby river on a raft. The area was cleared around the position to give the men the best possible fields of fire. A prefabricated tower was lowered into position at the center of the base and two 105 mm Howitzers were flown in from 7th Battalion, 11th Artillery to provide organic artillery support. Communications were established and, as darkness gathered, the men settled down to wait.

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1-27 INF: Conducted airmobile combat assaults and Reconnaissance in force operations vic of LZ's XT514250, XT514250, XT518249, XT527-250, XT495235, XT488223, XT487220, XT468242, XT475220, XT496226, XT-473219. At 100 hrs, Co A vic XT525245 received 2 rds sniper fire, negative casualties. At 1238 hrs, Co A vic XT522242 recd 1 rd RFG 2 fire, negative casualties.

2-27 INF: Conducted airmobile combat assaults to LZ's vic XT-549175, XT341362, ~~XT332555~~, XT337367. Co A provided 2 platoons for initial security of FSB vic XT345261. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~. At 1830 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT575278 engaged 1 VC, resulting in 1 VC KIA (EC). At 1855 hrs, Co C vic XT574278 located 8 bodies and 1 grave containing 1 body resultin in 9 VC KIA (EC). At 1905 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT575277 located 1 VC KIA (EC), from previous contact at 1855 hrs. At 1020 hrs, Co D vic ~~XT575277~~ received 3-4 rds sniper fire resulting in negative casualties.

TF 4-23 INF: Continued to secure Rome Flow clearing operations vic XT666210. Scout platoon conducted Reconnaissance in force operations vic XT626180, XT630195. At 1604 hrs Co A vic XT674223 sustained 2 US WL's from RFG hitting tank, returned fire with S/L and L/W resulting in 1 VC KIA (PC).



At approximately 2 a.m. the 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry withholds received rifle and mortar fire from enemy positions along the border of their perimeter (LP-whatever). They immediately called for supporting artillery and gunships to surround the tiny base.

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1.	0001	Journal Open.	J.		
2.	0130	Div Arty-Photo mission in grid XT1690 and YS9983 from 0200-0500 hrs.	Not FDC RB		
3.	0550	Div Arty-B/1/8 & C/1/8 fired 288 rounds in an arclight in grids XT5231 5831 5530 5630 5633 5531 5729 5730. Prep was begun at 0520 hrs and completed at 0545 hrs. Prep followed a three flight heavy arty strike at grid XT567297.	Not FDC LN		
4.	0600	A/1/8-A/1/8 expended 126 rounds in support of 1/27.	Not D/A RM		
5.	0600	B/3/13-o Dau Ha village received small arms attack, power plant knocked out, 5 Civilian WIA, 1 KIA. Contact broken at 0215. B/3/13 expended 11 rounds of illumination.	Not D/A LN		
6.	0740	Div Arty-Air strikes in grids XT5927 at 0940 hrs & at 1000 hrs in grid XT6224.	Not D/A LN		
7.	0823	25th Avn-7 VC with arms spotted in grid XT508204. Mission given to A/1/8.	Not D/A RB		
8.	0931	A/6/77-A/6/77 expended 50 rounds on woodchopper prep in grids XT688217, 684223, 677225.	Not D/A RB		
9.	0955	B/1/8-B/1/8 move from FSB Longstreet to FSB York completed at this time.	Not D/A MC		
10.	1006	B/1/8-B/1/8 departed FSB York for FSB Marshall at this time.	Not D/A MC		
11.	1100	A/1/8-A/1/27 found 1 spider hole, 1 bunker, both will be destroyed. C/1/27 found in grid XT518238, 2 dud 105mm rounds, 4 dud 155 rounds. D/1/27 in grid XT499235, had a cold LZ.	Not D/A MC		
12.	1230	B/1/8-B/1/8 closed FSB Marshall at this time.	Not D/A MC		
13.	1245	A/1/8-A/1/27 element received 1 RPG round at this time in grid XT522240. Negative casualties.	Not D/A MC		
14.	1315	B/6/77-B/6/77 closed FSB Marshall at this time.	Not D/A PL		
15.	1330	Bde-LNO Bde spotted a VC road block consisting of 3 mounds of dirt at grid XT450250.	Not D/A MC		
16.	1352	C/1/8-C/1/8 closed FSB Marshall at this time.	Not D/A MC		
17.	1845	1/321-1/321 had all elements in Cu Chi at this time.	Not D/A PT		
18.	2230	Had FDC 2/27 had 1 US KIA from a VC grenade.	Not D/A PT		
19.	2345	A/1/8-B/1/27 elements LP spotted 11 VC to their right, front & will engage with hand grenades.			
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ITEM: Use of Popular Forces Regional Forces/National Police.

DISCUSSION: THE RF/PF/NP can be of great assistance when conducting Night Thrust or other tactical operations. However, prior briefing of US personnel and close control of the Vietnamese personnel is necessary.

OBSERVATION: Use of the Vietnamese forces assists both in additional ground strength (since each Armored Cavalry Platoon has a limited number of dismounted personnel), and in identification of suspects. It is necessary to work with a ratio of at least one (1) US to one (1) Vietnamese to properly control movement and expedite the mission.

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