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1-27 INF OFCON to II FFV.

2-27 INF: OFCON TO CMD. SAIGON

3-22 INF: CO D and Scout Platoon 4-23 INF (M) ~~executed counter~~
~~attack of VC penetration in Cu Chi.~~ Bn (-) conducted Reconnaissance
in Force Operations at 0630 hrs from Cu Chi Base Camp to Cu Chi Sub-
Sector. Conducted combined operations with ~~2-49th ARVN Regiment~~ and
one troop 10th CAV ARVN. At 0719 hrs, Co D and Scout Platoon engaged
unknown number of VC: resulting in 7 US WIA and 1 M-113 with major
damage. At 1630 hrs, Co's A, B and C departed Cu Chi and conducted a
combined operation with ~~2-49th Regiment ARVN~~ in vic Cu Chi Sub-Sector.
At 0935 hrs, vic XT637120 Co C engaged unknown number of VC resulting
in 1 VC KIA (BC) and one VC FW WIA. At 0940 hrs, vic XT639132 Co B
engaged unknown number of VC resulting in 4 VC KIA (BC). At 0945 hrs,
in market place at Cu Chi Co D engaged 3 VC resulting in 3 VC KIA (BC).
At 1010 hrs, Co B vic XT639132 located 1 VC KIA (BC). At 1215 hrs,
vic XT628128 Co D engaged unknown number of VC resulting in 2 VC KIA
(BC) and 1 VC FW WIA and captured 5 small arms weapons. At 1415 hrs,
Co's A, B and C closed Cu Chi Base Camp. At 1440 hrs, vic XT620119
Co D received RFG rds resulting in 2 US WIA'S.

TF 4-23 INF (-): Continued to secure Rome Flow operations
in Ho Bo Woods. Co A continued to secure Bridge vic XT501195.
Scout Platoon OFCON to 3-22 INF effective 010300 hours.

2-12 INF: Became OFCON 2d Brigade effective 010900 hrs. Conducted
airmobile combat assaults to LZ vic XT631180.

Special Operations: ~~3-22 INF~~ conducted combined Reconnaissance in
~~Force Operations~~ with elements of Cu Chi National Police, ~~2-49th ARVN~~
Battalion, and 1 Troop 10th ARVN CAV.

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 HQ, 1st Bn 8th Arty
 APO 96225

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 Cu Chi
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1 Feb 68

1930

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ITEM NO.	TIME IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
1.	0001	Journal Open.	J.
2.	0135	A/1/8-A/1/8 expended 30 rounds in grid XT445250.	Not FDC VC
3.	0245	Discom-All units put on 100% alert at this time.	Not D/A VC
4.	0350	Bao Trai-Bao Trai is receiving small arms fire at this time.	Not D/A LN
5.	0537	Trang Bang-Trang Ban received about 10 rounds of mortar fire, negative casualties.	Not D/A VC
6.	0554	Killer 3-Notify all batteries to be able to move on 1 hour notice.	Not Btrys VC
7.	0614	C/2/77-C/2/77 receiving small arms fire at this time. Grid not given.	Not D/A LN
8.	0730	Lt Menig-Total rounds received in Cu Chi: 4 122mm, 33 82mm, 1 US KIA & 3 US KIA from 116th Avn Bn.	Not D/A LN
9.	0900	Bde-2/12 In Bn will arrive in Cu Chi approximately 0930 hrs. B/6/77 will support them.	Not D/A CG
10.	1335	Div Arty-Photo mission in grid XT2828 from 1350-1420 hrs.	Not D/A PT
11.	1505	Discom-No longer in red alert status. Every other bunker will be manned by 3 men. Men should travel with armored vests, weapons, ammo & steel pots.	Not Btrys CG
12.	1652	Div Arty-Use heavy Arty on counter mortar & counter rocket targets.	Not Btrys CG
13.	1730	Gummy Cobra-any mission from GC 46 has district chief and province chief approval, except for missions from Ben Cat.	Not D/A CG
14.	1830	3/4 Cav-3/4 Cav reports red block consisting of mines, sticks, logs, & dirt about 200 meters long at grid XT695144.	Not D/A CG
15.	1915	Asst E-Cu Chi base camp under mortar attack at this time.	Not D/A CG
16.	1930	LHO 2/27-C/2/27 in grid XS781953 has 2 BKS rifles, 1 RPG 7 with sight, 5 US carbines, 2 RPG2's, 3 AK47's, 8 AK50's, 2 82mm mounts, 1 30 caliber on wheels, 2 PRC radios, 1 Chicom radio, 1 lb of documents, 20 lbs of medical supplies, 6 VC KIA (2C) & 1 VC POW.	Not D/A TH
17.	1930	Cu Chi sub sector-Compound on fire at this time. Also under ground attack.	Not D/A VC
18.	1930	Bde-A/2/27 has in grid XS786955 at this time 54 M1 rifles, 11 US carbines, 2 BAR's, 1 AK47,	
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18.	con't	4 M3 SMG's, 1 PRO radio, 1/2 lb of documents, 700 rounds of 45 caliber ammo, 15,000 rounds small arms ammo, asst grenad ammo, asst grenades & satchel charges.	Not FDC TJ
19.	2115	Asst 3-stand down from mortar attack on Cu Chi at this time.	Not D/A CG
20.	2400	Journal Closed.	J.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period, enemy contact was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from Arty. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL

KIA (BC) 504 KIA (POSS) 1621

	DES	DAM
1. Weapons		
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. Bampans	105	7
7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec exp	86	0
10. Bunkers	72	5

PLANS & SUMMARY

MOVES: None

PLANNED MOVES FOR 2 Feb: None

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: C/2/77 remains attached to 1/8 Arty.

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 429,255 rounds.

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PROSPER N. WALKER, MAJ, ARTY, S3

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2 FEB

Special Operations: CRIT in reaction to an intelligence report conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations of suspected VC mortar positions vic XT5204 south to vic XT5202 and west to vic XT5402, with negative results.

1-27 INF: OPCON to IIFV.

2-27 INF: OPCON TO CMD.

2-12 INF: Conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations an air-mobilo combat assaults. At 0550 hrs, Battalion night location vic XT628180 received 6 rounds of 82MM, negative casualties. At 1523 hrs, vic XT588173 Co A sustained 1 US WIA from detonating a booby trap.

3-22 INF: Provided security for the Cu Chi Sub-Sector and Cu Chi Base Camp. Provided security for the 554th Engineer ~~clearing operations on Highway 2 from Irong Bang south east to Hoc Mon Bridge.~~

Co A relieved Co D and assumed the responsibility of securing Cu Chi Sub-Sector effective 0800 hrs. At 1415 hrs, vic XT608137 Co C received 4 rounds of ineffective sniper fire, negative casualties.

4-23 INF (M): Provided Bridge security base camp reaction force. Provided security for Rome Flow clearing operations of fringe areas of Ho Bo Woods and Reconnaissance in Force Operation in search of VC rocket sites, vic XT6323. At 0700 hrs, Battalion received 6 RFG2 S/A, A/W fire from estimated 2 VC squads, resulting in 3 US WIA's. At 0825 hrs, received unknown amount of mortar rounds, with negative casualties. At 0930 hrs, Co C vic XT648251 located 3 VC KIA (BC) and 2 AKM's. At 0933 hrs, Co C vic XT648251 located 1 VC KIA (BC) and 1 12.5 Machine Gun. At 0945 hrs, Co C vic XT6485 located 2 VC KIA (BC), 2 60MM mortar rounds and 1 RFG 2 rocket launcher. At 1350 hrs, Co B vic XT643232 made contact with unknown number VC, resulting in the capture of 1 US .45 caliber pistol and magazine. At 1420 hrs, Co B vic XT642230 engaged 2 VC, resulting in 2 VC KIA (BC). At 1715 hrs, Co C vic XT640227 sustained 1 US WIA from gunshot wounds from contact with estimated 2 VC Squads. At 1715 hrs, Co's B and C XT648-228 received S/A, A/W fire from 2 VC squads, resulting in 1 US KIA and 4 US WIA, fire was returned with S/A, A/W, M79 and ARTY and LFT resulting in 5 VC KIA (BC). Commencing at 1921 hrs, ~~The Cu Chi Base Camp and the 2nd Brigade received 6 concrete mortar attacks, resulting in 1 US KIA and 11 US WIA from 2nd Brigade units. The ASF of the~~
~~4-23 INF (M) exploded after being hit with a 122MM rocket causing major damage to the 1-5 INF (M), and 4-23 INF (M) troop billets and facilities.~~

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1.	0001	Journal Open.	J.		
2.	0325	Sgt. Paul-Bao Trai reports receiving 82mm mortar fire, also small arms & automatic weapons fire. VC attacking nearby from south. Spooky snip up & reports that he caught VC in open & started firing. No report of VC casualties as of yet.	Not D/A VC		
3.	0420	Btrys-Report of damage during attack on Cu Chi: 1/8 Negative 2 rounds in area: 3/13 Negative: 6/77 1 US WIA, 1 radiator damaged, 12 rounds in area. B/5/2 10 rounds in area, negative damage or casualties. or damage.			
4.	0420	Bn FDC to Div Arty-Mortar rounds came in heavy, negative arty fire returned fire because enemy was in a mortar zone, grid XG2701920.	Not D/A VC		
5.	0548	Tower #3-Cu Chi receiving rounds at this time.	Not D/A VC		
6.	0703	Bn FDC to Div Arty-Rocket attack on Cu Chi at this time.	Not D/A CG		
7.	0730	Bn FDC to Div Arty-At 0703 hrs, incoming rounds by Lifeguard TOC. At 0705 hrs, counter mortar fire was begun. At 0710 hrs, Maj Ramos reported 4/23 ammo dump on fire. At 0712 hrs, the fire was burning too fast to be put out. At 0720, C/2/77 reported CS gas escaping from ammo & alerted units to prepare for gas.	Not D/A CG		
8.	0745	C/2/77-C/2/77 FDC partly out due to exploding ammo, negative casualties.	Not D/A OP		
9.	0830	Maj Ramos-11 buildings in C/1/8 area are burning & are total losses.	Not FDC VC		
10.	0845	Maj Ramos-Assessment of damage: C/2/77 mess hall total loss, many buildings burning. Fire has crossed road, small fire but impossible to put out because it is too close to exploding ammo.	Not D/A OP		
11.	0855	Bn FDC to Div Arty-Casualty report: HNB 1 US WIA, 2 vehicles & 3 hootches destroyed. A/1/8 Negative. B/1/8 negative. C/1/8 1 US WIA. C/2/77 Negative.	Not D/A OP		
12.	0945	C/2/77-C/2/77 has to relocate FDC. Negative casualties, but old building destroyed.	Not D/A JA		
13.	1015	C/2/77-A/6/77 has found 5 VC KIA (BO) 2 by Arty. Also found 1 MG, 1 RPG and 10 RPG rounds.	Not D/A RS		
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14.	1040	Discom-3/4 Cav reports 100 VC in grid XT701088, VC setting up road block at grid XT698090, & VC platoon in grid XT665104 set up in a schoolhouse.	Not FDC CG																																			
15.	1550	C/2/77-C/2/77 reports 4 2 1/2 ton trucks destroyed, 1 3/4 ton truck destroyed, 1 generator destroyed, 3 radios destroyed.	Not D/A JA																																			
16.	1900	Bde-At 1300 hrs in grid XT633231, 6 VC KIA (BC) were found as well as 10 RPG 7 rounds, 1 M60 machine gun, 2 AK47's, 1 US .45 pistol & belt. C/4/23 has 1 US KIA. B/4/23 has 1 US KIA & 2 US KIA.	Not FDC PT																																			
17.	2025	Trang Bang-Trang Bang receiving small arms and mortar fire at this time.	Not D/A PT																																			
18.	2230	DIV Arty-Photo mission in grid XT5238 at this time.	Not FDC PT																																			
19.	2230	Fwd FDC- 1/27 Sitrep for today: At 1300 hrs B/7/27 had 4 detainees without ID cards. At 1830 hrs, Recon platoon had 2 VC KIA (BC) with 2 carcasses.	Not FDC PT																																			
20.	2344	Hotshot B-Hotshot B spotted 1 VC running 50 meters from perimeter. Engaged with M79 & small arms.	Not FDC LN																																			
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9. Sec exp

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PLANS & SUMMARY

MOVES: None

PLANNED MOVES FOR 3 Feb: None

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: C/2/77

remains attached to 1/8 Arty,

The total amount of ammunition expended since
arrival in country is 430,031 rounds.

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1-27 INF: OPCON to II FFV

2-27 INF: OPCON TO CMD.

2-12 INF: Conducted combined airmobile combat assaults to LZ vic XT705184 with elements of the 4th Battalion 7th ARVN and Reconnaissance in Force Operations South to Reinforce the Phu Hoa Dong Compound. At 0322 hrs, Battalion sustained 5 US WIA's vic XT631180 from fragmentation wounds. At 1135 hrs, Co A in contact with unknown size force vic XT708193, negative casualties. At 1255 hrs, Co's A and B vic XT714197 sustained 12 US WIA's from gunshot wounds, returned fire on unknown number of VC resulting in 7 VC KIA (BC). At 1400 hrs, supporting gunship was downed by S/A fire vic XT700196.

3-22 INF: Co B with Co A 4-23 INF (M) (-): Conducted movement to contact SE along Route QL #1 to the village of Tan Phu Trung vic XT6909, to destroy ~~VC ambush site and provide security~~. Co C provided security for the 554th Engineer road clearing operations of Route QL #1 from Cu Chi North West to Trang Bang and South East to the Hoc Mon Bridge vic XT7107. Co D conducted Reconnaissance in Force operations to Tan Hoa Compound vic XT7014 to reinforce ARVN Compound in heavy contact. At 0042 hrs, Co A vic ~~Cu Chi Sub Sector~~

Compound, ~~received 80 60MM mortar rounds and RPG rounds, attack continued until 0812 hours, sustained 5 US WIA's~~. Returned fire resulting in 13 VC KIA (BC). At 0902 hrs, Battalion vic XT690145 (Tan Hoa) received heavy volume of S/A, A/W fire from estimated VC Co, negative casualties. At 1115 hrs, Co D received heavy volume of S/A and A/W fire from vic XT679114 sustaining 2 US WIA's. At 1150 hrs, Co A vic XT710190 received S/A, A/W, RPG and 60MM mortars resulting in 7 US WIA's.

4-23 INF (M): Co A (-) moved South East from bridge site vic XT501193 along Route QL #1 to Cu Chi effected link up with Co B 3-22 Infantry, conducted movement to contact South East along Route QL #1 to the village of Tan Phu Trung vic XT6909. Provided 1 platoon for security of bridge site vic XT501193. Co's B and C conducted Reconnaissance in Force operations in AO WHITE and AO NANCY in search of suspected rocket sites. Recon platoon provided the Cu Chi Base Camp reaction force, provided security for ammunition resupply convoy from Ton Son Nhut North West along Route QL #1 to Cu Chi and Trang Bang. Co A 2-34 ARMOR continued to provide security for Rome Flow clearing operations in the South East portion of the Ho Bo Woods. At 0812 hrs, vic XT698189 Scout platoon was engaged by an estimated VC platoon armed with S/A, A/W and RPG's, negative casualties, VC losses unknown. At 0947 hrs, Co A vic XT554177 received sniper fire, with negative casualties. At 1342 hrs, Co A vic XT700088 sustained 8 US WIA's and 1 APC combat loss from contact with unknown size force. At 1420 hrs, Co's B and C vic XT637217 received fire from estimated VC Co received 50 caliber Machine Gun, RPG 2 and 60MM mortar fire, sustaining 11 US WIA, 2 APC's combat loss.

Supporting Air: At 1215 hrs, vic XT691147 supporting air engaged unknown number of VC, resulting in 4 VC KIA (BC).

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1.	0001	Journal Open.	J.		
2.	0312	FDC-Cu Chi base camp receiving incoming mortar rounds at this time.	Not D/A PT		
3.	0408	Discom-Stand down from mortar alert.	Not Btrys PT		
4.	0454	Btrys-Reference mortar fire reported earlier: 8/6/77 has 1 US KIA & 4 US MIA. Battery FDC took a direct hit from a delayed 75mm recoilless round. All other arty units report negative casualties.	Not D/A OP		
5.	0830	Bde-4/23 Mech recon platoon in contact at grid XT693092. They are receiving RPG rounds.	Not D/A OP		
6.	0930	Div Arty-Photo mission in grid XT701086 at this time.	Not Btrys VC		
7.	1205	LNO 4/23-A/4/23 had 4 US MIA in grid XT457071 from attack reported earlier.	No D/A PT		
8.	1640	LNO 1/27-1/27 reports 5 VC KIA (BC) & 150 detainees. Gunships have 19 VC KIA (BC).	No D/A VC		
9.	1752	Div Arty-Photo mission in grids XT770173 from 1930-2030 hrs.	Not Btrys PT		
10.	1847	3/4 Cav-All 3/4 Cav elements are at Cu Chi or Go Dau Ha.	Not D/A OP		
11.	1850	Bde-Resupply convoy is being pushed through to Cu Chi. Request clearance to shoot into a no fire zone because convoy is receiving small arms fire.	Not D/A LN		
12.	2015	FDC-C/1/27 in contact at grid XT608061, 1 US MIA.	Not D/A WM		
13.	2055	A/1/8-A/1/8 fired 30 rounds into an area that supposedly contained 200 VC. Report came from village that 200 VC were in the area. Negative surveillance.	Not D/A OP		
14.	2315	Bde-Resupply convoy closed Cu Chi base camp.	Not D/A LN		
15.	2400	Journal Closed.	J.		
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY					
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OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: C/2/77 remains
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1-27 INF: OPCON TO CMD.

C 1/8 Support

2-27 INF: OI CON TO CMD.

2-12 INF: Co's B and C conducted airmobile combat assaults to LZ vic XT673231. Co's A and C provided security for night location vic XT628180.

3-22 INF: At 1117 hrs, Co A conducted motor march from Battalion night location to Cu Chi Base Camp closing at 1205 hours. Co D conducted combined road clearing operations and security for convoy along highway #1 with elements of the 554th Engineer Battalion, from Cu Chi to Trang Bang. Co's B and C remained Cu Chi Base Camp providing the Base Camp reaction force. At 0100 hrs, Co A vic of Cu Chi Compound received 2 incoming 82MM mortar rounds, negative casualties. At 1355 hours, Co D vic XT653114 a bulldozer detonated a mine negative casualties or damage. At 1530 hrs, Co D vic XT695092 received sniper fire, negative casualties.

Special Operations: Co's A and B conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations in conjunction with Cu Chi National Police vic of ambush and lightning roads to the south west and established a blocking position vic XT634133 and XT635130. Co C and elements of the 554th Engineer Battalion conducted combined road clearing operations from Cu Chi Base Camp to vic XT553183 (Trang Bang).

TF 4-23 INF: Co A provided security for Trang Bang Bridge vic XT501193. At 1200 hrs, Recon platoon with mission of providing security for motor convoy departed Cu Chi Base Camp escorting 200 vehicles to Trang Bang. Convoy arrived Trang Bang at 1300 hrs, at which time the 3-4 Cav assumed the security mission of convoy.

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3.	0016	Killer 5-W a ter point 2 hit, 1 man taken to 12th Evac. 1/8 has 1 WIA, taken to 12th Evac.	Not D/A CG		
4.	0048	FDC-Standard from mortar attack.	Not D/A CG		
5.	0233	Dissem-False alarm for mortar attack at this time.	Not D/A PT		
6.	0405	Phu Hoa sector-Phu Hoa Dong under mortar attack at this time. B/3/13 fired illumination in grid XT713185.	Not D/A OP		
7.	0503	25th Arvn's-Duc Hoa reports hostile mortar fire at this time. Estimated 15 rounds of 60mm mortars on perimeter. Negative casualties or damage.	Not D/A OP		
8.	0535	Cu Chi sub sector-COSS reports rockets landing in Cu Chi district area.	Not FDC LN		
9.	0600	FDC-B/1/8 expended 80 rounds in support of Phu Hoa Dong when they were receiving rounds.	Not D/A LN		
10.	0750	Phu Hoa Dong-Results of firing so far are 15 VC KIA (BC), 5 AK 47's destroyed, & 1 RPG destroyed.	Not D/A PN		
11.	1016	Div Arty-6/77 has authorization to exceed their ASR by 200 rounds.	Not FDC OP		
12.	1130	6/77-4/23 element found at grid XT572232, 2 tunnels with fresh footprints around them, 3 bunkers with overhead cover, 1 sampan. All above items were destroyed. Also 600 lbs of rice was destroyed.	Not D/A VC		
13.	1235	C/1/8-C/1/8 fired for C/1/27 element & was given credit for 1 VC KIA (BC).	Not D/A RS		
14.	1330	Bde-Confirmed report of 150-200 VC in blue uniforms in grid XT565305. Air strike called in.	Not D/A VC		
15.	1415	C/1/8-1/27 in heavy contact at this time. Arty check fire in grid XT767055 because gunships assaulting area now.	Not D/A CG		
16.	1525	C/1/8-1/27 elements have 3 US KIA & 6 US KIA from earlier contact. They will move back to their old location and C/1/8 will work area over.	Not D/A VC		
17.	1533	Bde-4/23 elements at grid XT560300 round 6 bunkers and a tunnel with a caved-in entrance.	Not D/A VC		
18.	1640	C/1/8-Air strikes & 150 rounds of arty in grid XT7605 resulted in 3 secondary explosions.	Not D/A CG		
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19.	1655	C/2/77-All of 3/22 elements are in Cu Chi at this time.	Not D/A OP
20.	1730	Blaster 5- Day B/1/8 on Phu A Dong all night. They are expecting an attempt to overrun their position by VC.	Not D/A CG
21.	2100	Discom-A patient has escaped from 12th Evac Hospital wearing blue pajamas. He is a suspected VC.	Not D/A OP
22.	2140	Div Arty-Intelligence report: 1 VC company at grid XT584020. Estimated strength is 120 men.	Not Btrvs OP
23.	2307	Killer 5-Have 2 dusters on 1 hour standby effective 0600 hrs 5 Feb.	Not HSB LN
24.	2400	Journal Closed.	J.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period, enemy contact was moderate. B/1/8 was given credit for 15 VC KIA (BC) and 5 NG's destroyed. C/1/8 was given credit for 1 VC KIA (BC) & 3 secondary explosions. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL

KIA (BC) 527 KIA(POSS) 1621

	DEB	DAM
1. Weapons		
a. Mortars	17	2
b. MG's	11	2
2. Buildings	273	116
3. Ammo dumps	1	0
4. Bridges	10	0
5. Trenches	3	0
6. Sampans	105	7
7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec exp	89	0
10. Bunkers	72	5

PLANS & SUMMARY

MOVES: None

PLANNED MOVES FOR 5 Feb: None

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: C/2/77 remains attached to 1/8 Arty.

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 431,352 rounds.

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1-27 INF: OPCON to CMD.

2-12 INF: Conducted airmobile combat assaults and Reconnaissance in Force Operations in AO CLEANUP to LZ vic XT677124. At 1325 hrs, Battalion (-) came in contact with an unknown number VC. At 1325 hrs, Co C vic XT694125 engaged unknown number of VC, resulting in 1 US WIA, VC losses unknown. At 1403 hrs, Battalion sustained 8 US WIA and 4 US KIA from contact with unknown number VC. At 1602 hrs, Co C vic XT694125 received fire from 2 VC negative casualties. A sweep of the immediate area revealed 27 VC KIA from gunshot wounds, Airstrikes and Gunships 34 VC KIA (BC).

3-22 INF: Co's A and B conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations in conjunction with Cu Chi National Police vic of ambush and lightning roads to the South west and established a blocking position vic XT634133 and XT635130. Co C and elements of the 554th Engineer Battalion conducted combined road clearing operations from Cu Chi Base Camp to vic XT553183 (Trang Bang). At 0931 hrs, Co B vic XT641132 apprehended 3 detainees. At 1019 hrs, Co B vic XT625121 received 2 rds sniper fire, negative casualties.

TF 4-23 INF: Battalion (-) at 1145 hrs, Conducted motor march from Battalion night location vic XT651260 to the northern portion of Ho Bo Woods area vic XT589293, to establish and secure a new Battalion night location. Co A provided security for Rome Plow convoy from Battalion night location to Cu Chi Base Camp. Provided convey security for Battery B, 1-8 Artillery from Cu Chi Base Camp to Battalion night location.

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0130

Trang Bang-Trang Bang reports bridge at grid XT501194 is receiving 75mm ~~artillery~~ & small arms fire at this time. It is only harassing fire.

Not FDC VC

3.

0330

Bao Trai-Bao Trai reports they had received 13 rounds of 60mm fire at this time. Negative casualties or damage.

Not D/A VC

4.

0639

Bao Trai-Bao Trai is receiving mortar rounds at this time.

Not D/A VC

5.

0758

Div Arty-B/1/8 & A/1/8 will not move today. They should continue with recon.

Not FDC CC

6.

0810

Bao Trai-Damage report from earlier mortar attack was negative. 1 round landed in compound.

Not D/A JA

7.

0825

Div Arty-Photo mission in grids XT6931 & XS7260

Not FDC OP

8.

0923

6/77-6/2/77 expended 90 rounds for Flame prep.

Not D/A OP

9.

1000

B/1/8-B/1/8's PADAC is non-operational. It was turned in to be fixed once before & returned to them non-operational. Possible generator problems.

Not FDC OP

10.

1020

Div Arty-3 Companies of VC reported in grids XT713186 & XY714187. ARVN's firing 81mm into area at this time. Negative surveillance.

Not FDC PT

11.

1040

G/1/8-A/1/27 in grid XT790093 at this time, found numerous 60mm mortar rounds, AK47 rounds, 2 RPG rounds, & a pistol belt in a recently occupied area.

Not FDC JR

12.

1135

Div Arty-B/1/8 will move at 1430 hrs to join 4/23 Mech at grid XT6328 by road in fireball configuration.

Not D/1/8 PT

13.

1330

Blaster 5-B/1/8 is attached to 6/77.

Not B3 JR

14.

1400

6/77-3/22 element has 25 VC in a bunker at this time. 9 US MIA, 2 US KIA. Air strike to hit area at 1440 hrs.

Not FDC PT

15.

1545

6/77-3/22 contact reported earlier reports that Arty & air strikes have 9 VC KIA (BC) at this time.

Not D/A OP

16.

1625

G/1/8-A/1/27 element is pinned down by unknown size VC force in grid XT772048. 1 US MIA from Arty

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16.		can't firing too close. Observer corrected it.	Not FDC OP
17.	1745	C/1/8-Reference 1/27 contact reported earlier in grid XT722048, 1 US KIA & 5 US WIA.	Not FDC PW
18.	1840	C/2/77-All 3/22 elements are in Cu Chi base camp for tonight.	Not D/A PW
19.	1840	Discom-Clubs can be open until 2300 hrs nightly, but no floor show or movies are permitted.	Not D/A OP
20.	1845	B/1/8-B/1/8 closed 4/23's location, vic grid XT588296 at this time.	Not D/A JR
21.	1900	Div Arty-Photo missions in grids XT6277 & XT6935 from 1900-2000 hrs.	Not FDC ZA
22.	1915	C/1/8-Correction to earlier report of 1 US WIA from Arty. in 1/27 contact. He was not wounded by US Arty.	Not D/A OP
23.	2200	Killer 3 to A/1/8-A/1/8 alerted for move from <u>(to Dau Ha) to (Hoc Mon.)</u> If possible, road march with 2 dusters, pick up a searchlight at Cu Chi. If the road is closed from Cu Chi to Hoc Mon, road march to Cu Chi & airlift to Hoc Mon. If road is closed all the way, airlift to Cu Chi first, then to Hoc Mon.	Not A/1/8 OP
24.	2248	Div Arty-A/1/8 will be airlifted to Hoc Mon, vic grid XT7404 tomorrow.	Not D/A PW
25.	2400	Journal Closed.	J.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period, enemy contact was moderate. There was no positive or significant surveillance from Arty. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL

KIA (BC) 527 KIA (POSS) 1621

	DES	DAM
1. Weapons		
a. Mortars	17	2
b. MG's	11	2
2. Buildings	273	116
3. Ammo dumps	1	0
4. Bridges	10	0
5. Trenches	3	0
6. Sampans	105	7

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7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec exp	89	0
10. Bunkers	72	2

PLANS & SUMMARY

MOVES: B/1/8 moved to grid XT588296 & was attached to 6/77 Arty.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 6 Feb. A/1/8 will airlift to Hoc Mon.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: B/1/8 was detached from 1/8 Arty & attached to 6/77 Arty. C/2/77 remains attached to 1/8 Arty.

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 432,454 rounds.

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Special Operations: CRIP in conjunction with 1-10 ARVN CAV conducted blocking operations vic XT478064. At 1250 hrs, CRIP was engaged by an estimated VC Co vic XT478064 contact broken at 1440 hours. CRIP sustained 3 US WIA and 7 ARVN WIA from this engagement, VC losses unknown.

2-27 INF: OPCON to CMD.

2-12 INF: Conducted airmobile combat assaults to LZ vic XT678123 and Reconnaissance in Force Operations vic of LZ. At 1000 hrs, vic XT696124 Co A was engaged by an unknown number of VC. At 1130 hrs, Co B vic XT-695122 received an unknown amount of S/A and A/W fire, sustained 1 US WIA, VC losses unknown. At 1315 hrs, Battalion vic XT695122 received fire from unknown number of VC, sporadic contact continued until 1724 hours. A sweep of the battle area revealed a total of 9 VC KIA (BC), Battalion sustained a total of 9 US WIA from this engagement. A total of 4 VC KIA (BC) resulted from engagement by supporting gunships and a total of 2 VC KBA (BC) resulted from friendly airstrikes for a total of 15 VC KIA (BC) for this engagement.

3-22 INF: At 0800 hrs, Co C with elements of the 554th Engineer Battalion conducted a combined road sweep of MSR highway #1 from Cu Chi to Hoc Mon Bridge. Co's A and D provided security along MSR (highway 1). At 1400 hrs, Co C vic XT699091 was engaged by a platoon sized VC force. At 0920 hrs, Co C sustained 1 US WIA from S/A fire vic XT675100, returned fire with VC losses unknown. At 1029 hrs, Co C vic XT655144 sustained 1 US KIA from S/A, and A/W fire, returned fire with VC losses unknown. At 1335 hrs, Co D vic XT698090 received a heavy volume of S/A and A/W fire, contact broken approximately 1505 hrs, Co sustained 3 US WIA, 3 US KIA VC losses unknown.

TF 4-23 INF: At 0700 hrs, Battalion (-) conducted motor march from Battalion night location to vic XT572302 to establish and secure a new Battalion night location. Bn (-) closed new night location at 1500 hours. Co's A and B provided security at damaged bridge site vic XT582300 for construction team from Co C 554th Engineer Battalion.

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1.	0001	Journal Open.	J.
2.	0027	Div Arty-Photo mission in grid XT551451 at 2351 hrs.	Not FDC OP
3.	0257	Gummy Cobra 46-ARVN outpost under attack, receiving small arms & RPG's. They requested illumination at 0245 hrs in grid XT726143. At 0257 hrs in grid XT723144, they requested HT. Both missions given to B/3/13.	Not B/3/13 LP
4.	0302	FDC-Received Tropic clearance for fire into grids XT723144 from Cpt Isaley.	Not D/A LP
5.	1010	Div Arty-Effective 1200 hrs today, B/1/8 is detached from 6/77 & returned to 1/8 Arty.	Not FDC SC
6.	1025	Div Arty-Div Arty assumes control at Cu Chi.	Not Btrys RS
7.	1330	S3-A/1/8 completed move to grid XT8004 in direct support of the 2/27, OPCON to IIFV.	Not D/A MW
8.	1400	S3-1/8 provided jump CP to control fires of A/6/77 & B/1/8 in support of 4/23 Mech. Missions: B/1/8 is direct support of 4/23 Mech. A/6/77 reinforcing B/1/8. A/6/77 OPCON to 1/8 effective 1800 hrs. B/6/77 OPCON to 1/8 direct support of 2/12 effective 1800 hrs.	Not D/A MW
9.	1800	S3-1/8 TOC moved to 1/8 Battalion area & became operational in that location.	
10.	2300	B/3/22-B/3/22 received small arms fire & RPGs at ARVN compound in Cu Chi. A,B.&D/3/22 are going to reinforce B/3/22. Spooky ship also supporting them.	Not D/A P
11.	2400	Journal Closed.	J.
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY			
1.	Weapons	DES	DAH
	a. Mortars	17	2
	b. NG's	11	2
2.	Buildings	273	116
3.	Ammo dumps	1	0
4.	Bridges	10	0
5.	Trenches	3	0
6.	Sampans	105	7
7.	Vehicles	3	3
8.	Boats	14	0
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10. Bunkers

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MOVES: A/1/8 was airlifted to Hoc Mon, vic
grid XT8004.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 7 Feb: None

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: B/1/8 was detached from
from 6/77 Arty & rejoined 1/8 Arty. A/1/8 was
placed OPCON to IIEV. A/6/77 & B/6/77 placed
OPCON to 1/8 Arty.

The total amount of ammunition expended since
arrival in country is 432, 654 rounds.

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1-27 INF: OPCON 3D BDE EFFECTIVE 061200 hrs.

2-27 INF: OPCON 3D BDE EFFECTIVE 061200 hrs.

2-12 INF: Conducted airmobile combat assaults from Battalion night location vic XT628180 to LZ vic XT700116 and established and secured a new night location vic XT698113. Co's C and D conducted sweep of yesterdays area of contact vic XT696124. Conducted move to new night location Co A provided security for the Battalion's new night location vic XT698113. Co B provided security for the old night location vic XT628180; at the completion of Battalion (-) closing the new night location, conducted move to Cu Chi Base Camp for platoon night combat patrol mission. At 1400 hrs, Battalion vic XT694123 located 3 VC KIA (BC).

3-22 INF: Battalion (-) conducted road clearing and security operations of MSR (QL 1) from Cu Chi South East to Hoc Mon Bridge vic XT712071. Conducted Reconnaissance in Force operations North of the Hoc Mon Bridge to the

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village of Ap Cho vic XT708800, established and secured a new night location vic XT708800. Co B provided the Cu Chi Base Camp reaction force. At 1000 hrs, Co C vic XT701088 received 2 rounds of sniper fire, negative casualties. At 1100 hrs, Co C vic XT702087 received sporadic A/W and S/A fire resulting in 3 US WIA's. At 1325 hrs, Co C vic XT703087 received S/A and AK47 fire, resulting in 3 US WIA and 2 US KIA. At 1350 hrs, Co A received fire from unknown number of VC, resulting in 2 US WIA and 1 US KIA.

TF 4-23 INF: At 1000 hrs, Battalion (-) conducted motor convoy from their night location vic XT572302 to Cu Chi Base Camp upon arrival they became OPCON to the 25th Infantry Division. Recon platoon provided security for convoy from Cu Chi to Trang Bang and continued to Go Dau Ha to secure Tay Ninh Convoy to Hoc Mon Bridge. Platoon released from 2nd Brigade OPCON 1230 hours.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

1 During the reporting period, enemy contact was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from Arty. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL

KIA (BC) 527 KIA (POSS) 1621

	DES	DAM
1. Weapons		
a. Mortars	17	2
b. MG's	11	2
2. Buildings	273	116
3. Ammo dumps	1	0
4. Bridges	10	0
5. Trenches	3	0
6. Sampans	105	7
7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec exp	89	0
10. Bunkers	72	5

PLANS & SUMMARY

MOVES: B/1/8 moved to Cu Chi.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 8 Feb: None

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: C/2/77 remains attached to 1/8 Arty.

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 433,862 rounds.

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8 FEB

Special Operations: CRIP in reaction to an intelligence report of large bodies of VC in area conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations vic XT5427 and XT5307. At 1500 hrs, Received unknown number of sniper fire, negative casualties, returned fire with S/A and A/W, VC losses unknown.

1-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-12 INF: At 0830 hrs, Co's A and D conducted airmobile combat assaults to LZ vic XT677139. Conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations from XT-677139 back to their night location vic XT698113. Co B conducted a search of tunnel complex vic of their night location. Co C conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations from the south of night location. At 2140 hrs, Co C AP vic XT695120 engaged 3 VC with claymore mines resulting in 3 VC KIA (BC). At 2300 hrs, vic XT698114 Battalion engaged approximately 150 VC with arty and LFT, VC losses unknown. At 1145 hrs, Co B vic XT698112 captured 5 VC POW. At 1410 hrs, Co D vic XT692144 received S/A and A/W and RPG fire, returned fire with all organic weapons and LFT resulting in 12 US WIA, 1 US KIA, 22 VC KIA (BC) and 8 VC KIA (POSS).

3-22 INF: Co's A, C and D conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations in Ap Cho Village vic XT7008. Provided security of MSR (QL1). Co B provided security for their night location vic XT708800. At 1210 hrs, Co A vic XT-703087 received 3 rounds of sniper fire from 1 VC, returned fire with S/A and M79, negative casualties, VC losses unknown. At 1445 hrs, Co's B and D vic XT703087 received S/A, A/W, M/G and RPG fire returned fire with all organic weapons and LFT. Sustained 2 US WIA, VC losses unknown. At 1620 hrs, Battalion vic XT699090 located 30 VC KIA (BC).

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1.	0001	Journal Open.			J.
2.	0340	Div Arty-Fire mission in grids XT65712183 65632185 65512085, suspected VC mortar location.			Not D/A CP
3.	0425	C/1/8-A/1/27 has 1 US MIA at Hoc Mon bridge from an RPG round at this time.			Not D/A VC
4.	0715	Bde-Air strike in grid XT7008 at 0730 hrs.			Not D/A VC
5.	0715	B/1/8-B/1/8 fired 98 rounds of H&I fire last night.			Not FDC VC
6.	0815	Bde-3/22 ambush patrol closed Cu Chi at this time.			Not D/A CG
7.	0825	Div Arty-Air strike in grids XT7008 & 7009 at 0830 hrs.			Not D/A CG
8.	0940	Div Arty-Air strike in grid XT6528 at 0950 hrs & in grid XT7009 at 1020 hrs.			Not DO DW
9.	1000	C/2/77-2/12 element receiving sniper fire at this time in grid XT7009. Arty working over area now.			Not D/A CG
10.	1005	Bde-Air strike in grid XT7008 at 1010 hrs.			Not DO VC
11.	1018	Div Arty-Photo mission in grid XT712070 from 1140-1240 hrs.			Not DO VC
12.	1030	B/1/8-B/1/8 march ordered at this time.			Not D/A OP
13.	1035	EOD-EOD team will be blowing in grid XT6717 from 1500-1800 hrs. Keep aircraft away.			Not D/A OP
14.	1105	C/1/8-C/1/8 has one howitzer deadlined. Needs trigger shaft, breech & firing mechanism.			Not FDC OP
15.	1110	C/2/77-C/2/77 expended 147 rounds in grid XT702092 at this time.			Not D/A DW
16.	1137	Killer 38-Notify btrys that lot LS21-10 is no longer suspended.			Not Btrys DW
17.	1153	B/1/8-B/1/8 departed Cu Chi at this time. B/1/8 is heading for grid XS734934.			Not FDC OP
18.	1250	Div Arty-Air strike in grid XT7008 immediately.			Not FDC OP
19.	1315	Bde-1 VC battalion moving north through grids XT685053 & XT684063. They are carrying alot of wounded personnel.			Not D/A JR
20.	1545	C/2/77-3/22 element has 2 US MIA in grid XT703086 at this time. Wounded are believed to have received RPGs or 60mm fire. Both were dusted off.			Not D/A DW
21.	1620	Bde-3/22 reports 30 VC KIA (BC) in grid XT699090 from Arty.			Not D/A VC
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APO 96225

Cu Chi
XT 654 154

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ITEM NO.	TIME IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
22.	2000	Div Arty-Photo mission in grid XT6130 from 0330-0430 hrs. tomorrow.	Not FDC VC
21.	2035	Trung Lap-Trung Lap reports that they are under heavy mortar attack at this time.	Not D/A HW
22.	2120	S3-Province chief's clearance to fire into grids XT6814 6914 7014 7114 7214 obtained from Gummy Cobra 45 from H.H.	Not FDC MW
23.	2310	S3-Cu Chi under mortar attack at this time.	Not FDC MW
24.	2359	Div Arty-Stand down from mortar attack. B/6/77 expended 48 rounds, C/2/77 65 rounds. Cu Chi received 5 122mm rockets, all in the vicinity of the airstrip. Negative damage or casualties.	Not D/A PW
25.	2400	Journal Closed.	J.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period, enemy contact was moderate. 1/8 Arty was given credit for 30 VC KIA (BC). Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL

KIA (BC) 557 KIA (POSS) 1621

1. Weapons	DES	DAM
a. Mortars	17	2
b. MG's	11	2
2. Buildings	273	116
3. Ammo dumps	1	0
4. Bridges	10	0
5. Trenches	3	0
6. Sampans	105	7
7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec exp	89	0
10. Bunkers	72	5

PLANS & SUMMARY

MOVES: B/1/8 moved to grid (XT7404.)

PLANNED MOVES FOR 9 Feb: None

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: C/2/77 remains

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1-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-12 INF: Conducted airmobile combat assaults to LZ vic XT676144 and XT690150. One Company established and secured a new night location at XT691144. Co C with elements of the 554th Engineer Battalion conducted road clearing and security operations along Highway 8A from vic XT6514 east to XT6914. At 2029 hrs, night location vic XT698113 received an unknown amount of S/A fire, negative casualties, returned fire with S/A, A/W and Artillery, VC losses unknown. At 0745 hrs, Co C with elements of the 554th Engineer Battalion vic Cu Chi Base Camp, conducted road clearing and security operations along Highway 8A vic XT6514 east to vic XT6914. At 0835 hrs, Co C vic XT690145 received A/W and 50 caliber fire from unknown number of VC, sustained 1 US KIA and 1 US WIA, returned fire with all organic weapons, arty and airstrikes, a sweep of the battle area revealed 6 VC KIA (BC) and 20 VC KIA (POSS), and 1 VC KIA (BC), 9 US WIA and 2 US KIA. At 1248 hrs, Co's A and C vic XT6914 engaged by an unknown number of VC, received A/W and S/A fire, negative casualties. Returned fire with S/A, A/W, VC losses unknown. At 1306 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT6914 received unknown number of S/A, A/W fire, negative hits. At 1319 hrs, Battalion sustained 2 US WIA from gunshot wounds vic XT692144 returned fire with A/W and S/A and friendly airstrikes, VC losses unknown. At 1500 hrs, Co A vic XT692147 sustained 3 US WIA's and 3 US KIA's, in contact with an unknown size VC force, returned fire with S/A and A/W, VC losses unknown. At 1615 hrs, Co A and B vic XT7009 received a heavy volume of S/A and A/W fire from unknown number VC, negative casualties, returned with S/A, A/W, LAWS and Arty, resulting in 9 US WIA and 2 US KIA.

3-22 INF: Co's A and D provided security for road convoy. Conducted Reconnaissance in Force operation in Tp Cho village vic XT7008. Co's B and C provided security for their night location. Conducted foot march from vic XT708800 to vic XT701091, to establish and secure a new night location vic XT701091. At 1810 hrs - 1824 hrs, vic XT693144 while extracting from PZ, received unknown number of rounds from 2 VC, sustained a total of 20 US WIA's. Total casualties for the days activities: 22 US WIA's. Contact was broken at 1829 hrs. At 1907 hrs, vic XT698088 Battalion sustained 1 US NBI from accidental discharge of round from his weapon. At 1155 hrs, Battalion sustained 1 US WIA resulting from gunshot wounds vic XT702095 returned fire with unknown results. At 1432 hrs, Battalion vic XT701089 received a heavy volume of S/A, A/W and RPG fire from unknown size VC force, returned fire with 90MM RR, S/A and A/W, negative casualties, VC losses 23 VC KIA (BC). At 1510 hrs, Co's A and B vic XT702090 received sporadic sniper fire, negative casualties. At 1615 hrs, Co's A and D vic XT701090 received sporadic sniper fire, negative casualties.

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ITEM NO.	TIME IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN		
1.	0001	Journal Open.	J.		
2.	0400	C/2/77-C/2/77 has expended 6 rounds in grid XT65712183 & grid XT65632185.	Not D/A JA		
3.	0440	C/2/77-C/2/77 has expended 2 rounds in grid XT593169 at this time.	Not D/A JA		
4.	0604	Bn FDC to Div Arty-1/8 expended 18 rounds in grid XT749159 for TOT.	Not D/A JR		
5.	0730	Bde-Air strike in grid XT7515 at 0745 hrs.	Not D/A TA		
6.	1000	B/6/77-3/22 elements have withdrawn from Tan Hoa & arty fire stopped for air strike. Arty achieved a secondary explosion. 1 US KIA 2 VC KIA (BC) from infantry.	Not D/A CG		
7.	1109	B/6/77-3/22 receiving light rifle & machine gun fire in Tan Hoa at this time. Gunships working over area now. Arty standing by.	Not D/A OP		
8.	1125	Bde-Air strike in grid XT6914 from 1140-1145 hrs.	Not D/A VC		
9.	1130	82-Grids and back azimuths of the six 122mm rockets which hit Cu Chi base camp on 8 Feb. XT6575015525-Az6395m, XT6572515525-Az6395m, angle of fall 0500-0550m. XT6577515550-Az6395m. XT6567015450-Az6395m. XT6605015700-Az6395m. XT6607515730-Az6360.	Not D/A LM		
10.	1230	Div Arty-Immediate air strike in grid XT7008.	Not FDC OP		
11.	1300	2/12-2/12 element has 10 VC trapped in a hootch in grid XT7013 at this time. Too close to NPZ for Arty. Gunships working over area now.	Not D/A VC		
12.	1305	3/22-3/22 had contact with 6 VC wearing black PJ's in grid XT705085. 1 US MIA, VC losses unknown. Contact broken at 1230 hrs.	Not D/A OP		
13.	1308	6/77-Prep for today has been cancelled due to heavy contact in Tan Hoa.	Not FDC OP		
14.	1350	B/6/77-3/22 elements still in contact at Tan Hoa. 1 AK47, 1 carbine, 1 RPG launcher, & 1 VC KIA (BC) reported so far.	Not D/A VC		
15.	1400	2/77-2/12 elements in contact in grid XT7009. They are assaulting area now & receiving heavy fire. Arty firing in support.	Not D/A OP		
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16.	1415	C/1/8-Blaster 5 completed inspection at this time. He found WP rounds laying down, loose fuzes, charges pre-cut & ammo uncovered.	Not FDC CG
17.	1505	2/77-2/12 receiving heavy fire in grid XT695149. 2 US KIA. Gunships working over area now.	Not D/A CG
18.	1643	A/1/8-A/1/8 received 100 rounds of small arms fire, believed to be from gunship. 1 US KIA very slight. 1 ARVN national, working as barber wounded pretty bad. He will be dusted off.	Not FDC CG
19.	1645	A/6/77-A/6/77 closed (FSB Stuart, vic grid XT484196) at 1430 hr.	Not D/A CG
20.	1700	2/77-Arty body count, caught VC in open. A & C/1/8 got 57 VC KIA & C/1/8 fired another mission which got another 20 VC KIA (BC).	Not D/A CG
21.	1710	Div Arty-Photo mission in grids XT7503 8003 7506 & 8006 from 1700-1745 hrs.	Not D/A VC
22.	1915	Div Arty-Photo mission in grids XT6717 7404 5330 6138 from 1930-2000 hrs.	Not FDC DW
23.	1950	Bde-Warrior 2 said that 1/8 in support of 3/22 got 19 VC KIA (BC).	Not D/A OP
24.	2004	Div Arty-Air strike in grid XT7605 immediately.	Not D/A JR
25.	2040	B/6/77-2/12 night location is grid XT689144.	Not D/A OP
26.	2130	Div Arty-Fire mission in grid XT72301290, believed to be enemy Battalion. Mission given to C/2/77. C/2/77 expended 5 rounds, negative surveillance.	Not D/A VC
27.	2400	Journal Closed.	J.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period, enemy contact was moderate. A & C/1/8 fired a combined mission which resulted in 57 VC KIA (BC). C/1/8 fired another mission which resulted in 20 VC KIA (BC). 3/22 Inf also credited 1/8 Arty with 19 VC KIA (BC). Total VC KIA (BC) for this date is 96. TOTALS are as follows:

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KIA (BC) 654 KIA (POSS) 1621

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2. Buildings	273		116
3. Ammo dumps	1		0
4. Bridges	10		0
5. Trenches	3		0
6. Sampans	105		7
7. Vehicles	3		3
8. Boats	14		0
9. Sec exp	89		0
10. Bunkers	72		5

PLANS & SUMMARY

MOVES: None

PLANNED MOVES FOR 10 Feb: None

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: C/2/77 remains attached to 1/8.

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 435,838 rounds.

LATE ENTRY

1400 Cpt Loy would like to know how many rounds were expended in the grids he asked. Cpt Ginn answered him. B/3/13 expended 49 rounds in grid XT7008. In grid 6914, B/3/13 expended 165 rounds, B/6/77 expended 849 rounds. Grid 6915A/1/27 expended 20 rounds. In grid XT6914, B rounds of 811, 849 rounds of 105, & 167 rounds of 155.

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2.	0430	Trang Bang-At 0250 hrs, Trang Bang was receiving incoming 82mm mortar rounds. B/6/77 fired counter mortar. Negative casualties or damage.	Not D/A OP		
3.	0530	B/6/77-1/8 gave clearance to fire into grids X6914 & 6915 at this time. It is a suspected VC location.	Not D/A VC		
4.	0720	Div Arty-Photo missions: In grid XT7516 at 0800 hrs, in grid 7516 at 0830 hrs, in grid 6029 at 1140 hrs.	Not D/A VC		
5.	0800	EOD-EOD will be working in Ann Margret area today. Advise aircraft to stay away from this area.	Not D/A OP		
6.	0810	Div Arty-Photo mission in grid XT6814 at 0830 hrs.	Not D/A OP		
7.	1110	Bde-1/5 Mech is returning to Cu Chi today. They will be OPCON to the 2d Bde.	Not D/A OP		
8.	1400	B/6/77-air strikes in grid XT6914 at 1345 hrs & in grid 6914 at 1535 hrs.	Not D/A OP		
9.	1455	Div Arty-Immediate air strike in grid XT6404.	Not EDC OP		
10.	1500	B/6/77-B/3/22 at grid XT703143 received RPG rounds & automatic weapons fire. 1 US KIA, several US WIA.	Not D/A VC		
11.	1630	2/77-2/17 requested support for a 15 minute prep tomorrow morning.	Not D/A LN		
12.	1730	2/77-Requested that several H&I's in grid XT70150392. It is the center of a tunnel complex that has been receiving night resupply.	Not D/A LN		
13.	2105	Div Arty-All H&I's will be out in half. If one round before & 1 round after midnight, fire only once either before or after 2400 hrs.	Not EDC OP		
14.	2130	B/22's night location is XT6914. Message from 3/22.	Not D/A		
15.	2200	Div Arty-2/77 prep for tomorrow is cancelled.	Not 3/2/77 JM		
16.	2210	Div Arty-B/6/77 will reinforce 1/8 Arty. They will stay in Cu Chi effective 2400 hrs today.	Not EDC LR		
17.	2215	C/E 8-1/27 Sitrep: 3 US KIA, 19 US WIA for today. 1/27 found 60 VC bodies, 17 of these killed by Arty. B/1/27 found 6 bodies, none by Arty. In grid XT7604, they received heavy fire by RPG's, & automatic weapons, could only get 700 meters into woodline.	Not D/A OP		
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2.	0108	Div Arty-Fire mission in grid XT65052308, suspected VC rocket position. Mission given to B/6/77. B/6/77 expended 18 rounds at the target.	Not D/A VC				
3.	0112	Div Arty-Fire mission in grid XT64322337, suspected VC rocket position. C/2/77 expended 15 rounds.	Not D/A VC				
4.	0115	FDC-Cu Chi receiving incoming rounds at this time.	Not D/A VC				
5.	0130	Div Arty-Stand down from mortar alert.	Not FDC TA				
6.	0130	S2-Cu Chi base camp did not receive any rounds within its perimeter.	Not D/A LN				
7.	0545	2/12-2/12 had 12 US WIA & 11 VC KIA (BC) from earlier contact.	Not D/A OP				
8.	0545	Div Arty-At 0100 hrs Cu Chi base camp received 6-8 rounds of unknown type of mortar fire from unknown direction. Returned fire with Arty. VC losses unknown. 2/5 reported a large VC force moving west from grid XS785957 to XS770970. D/2/77 LP in grid XT801049 received 1 hand grenade, returned fire with small arms & hand grenades. At 2400 hrs, Pien Hoa east end of runway was under a mortar, rocket & ground attack, grid YT0017.	Not FDC JR				
9.	0945	B/1/8-3/4 Cav CO announced a complete change in ballgame. He says he will need 6 additional sorties & 4 complete A-22 bags.	Not FDC VC				
10.	1111	C/1/8-B/1/8 will be in the same night location as last night.	Not D/A VC				
11.	1120	Bde-2/12 proceeding through Tan Hoa with Engineer team at this time. B/6/77 may be required to move to FSB Crockett.	Not D/A OP				
12.	1400	Div Arty-Photo mission in grids XT755026, XT783123, XT813080, & XT759060 from 0330-0430 hrs tomorrow.	Not FDC OP				
13.	1540	Div Arty-6/77 FDC has control of Cu Chi Arty as of 111530 Feb. They will take all air data, etc.	Not FDC OP				
14.	1815	B/6/77-B/6/77 expended 18 rounds in grid XT6915 & destroyed 1 sampan & destroyed 1 sampan.	Not D/A DM				
15.	1928	Div Arty-Fire mission in grid XT5919, VC in open. B/6/77 expended 28 rounds. Negative surveillance.	Not FDC VC				
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16.	1930	C/1/8-C/1/8 CO will go on recon with 2/77 CO. He will move to A/1/8's location tomorrow. 3/4 Cav will provide security.	Not D/A OP		
17.	2130	C/2/77-1/8 notified C/2/77 that 2 Killer Jr's will be provided by him sometime after 0700 hrs tomorrow. They should take 150 rounds of HE, all smoke on hand, 20 illumination, & 10 beehive rounds per tube. Dusters will provide security.	Not D/A CG		
18.	2300	Div Arty-Movement of C/1/8 to A/1/8's location is approved.	Not D/A CG		
19.	2400	Journal Closed.	J.		
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY					
During the reporting period, enemy contact was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 this date. Totals are as follows:					
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OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: C/2/77 remains attached to 1/8.

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 436,908 rounds.

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Special Operations: CRIP at 1947 hrs, sustained 4 US WIA, 10 US KIA; from engagement with estimated 2 VC reinforced companies in area bounded by XT5700, XT5204, XT5304 and XT5401. Fire was returned with all organic weapons LFT, ARTY and gunships. Contact was broken at 2005 hrs, VC losses 39 VC KIA (POSS), 16 VC KIA (BC). ARVN losses 3 WIA, 3 MIA and 1 KIA.

1-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-12 INF: Co's B, C and D conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations in area of Tan Hoa village vic XT6814, XT6914, and XT7014 supported by elements of the 65th Engineer Battalion who conducted tunnel and bunker destruction in zone. Co A provided security for the Battalion night location. Elements of the 5th ARVN in conjunction with Battalion (-) conducted Reconnaissance in Force and block operations to the East of Tan Hoa Village vic XT7114. At 1000 hrs, Battalion (-) was heavily engaged vic XT701145 by an unknown size VC force employing S/A and A/W. Fire was returned with S/A, A/W LFT and Art. Contact broken at 1100 hrs. At 1135 hrs, Co C again received sporadic sniper fire, and from light to sporadic contact continued to the remainder of the reported period. At 2330 hrs, Battalion sustained 1 US WIA vic XT691144 night location resulting from friendly M79 fire. At 1135 hrs, Co C vic XT701145 received sporadic S/A, A/W fire resulting in 3 US WIA, returned fire with all organic weapons, Art and LFT's, TAC air strikes, VC losses unknown. Co sustained 3 US WIA's. At 1357 hrs, contact continued vic XT6709 until the close of the reported period, contact varied from heavy to sporadic fires. Continued to engage VC with Artillery, LFT and TAC AIR. At the close of the period Battalion remained in contact, sustaining an additional 3 US WIA and 1 US KIA, 1 VC KIA (BC).

3-22 INF: Co C and D conducted a detailed sweep of yesterday's battle area vic XT679098 supported by 1 attached flame track, two 40MM duster tracks, and one 105 howitzer employed as direct fire for the suppression of fires and neutralization of bunker and trench complexes within this area. Co B provided security for the Battalion night location and the Battalion reaction force. Recon platoon provided security for the attached elements. Co A remained OPCON to the 4-23 Infantry (M). At 1130 hrs, Co B and the Recon platoon in reaction to an intelligence report of a VC regiment in the area, conducted Reconnaissance in Force mission vic XT679095. National Police from Cu Chi provided road block in conjunction with the Battalion operation vic XT698089 and XT630126. At 1801 hrs, Co C and D remained in contact with unknown number VC, vic XT702088 withdrew to the south side of road, employed extensive fires into area of contact. Sustained 1 US KIA and 4 US WIA, VC losses unknown. At 1835 hrs, contact was broken, Co C and D departed for the Battalion night location closing at 1855 hrs. At 0855 hrs, Co D vic XT703089 received S/A and A/W fire sustained 2 US WIA returned fire with S/A and A/W, VC losses unknown. At 0858

hrs, Co C vic XT704088 received S/A and A/W fire, negative casualties, returned fire with unknown results. At 1353 hrs, until the close of the reported period the Battalion remained in contact vic XT6709 sustaining 3 US WIA and 4 US KIA, 3 VC KIA (BC).

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1.	0001	Journal Open.	J.		
2.	0500	Div Arty-Div Arty wants 2d Bde clearance in grid XT 6115. Negative until patrol is in.	Not D/A DB		
3.	0950	C/1/8-C/1/8 closed new position, vic grid XT8048, at 0930 hrs. Laid & ready to fire at 0940 hrs.	Not EDC TA		
4.	1045	Bde-1,000 VC=in grid XT686096. 3/22 going in this afternoon.	Not D/A OP		
5.	1105	Bde-3/4 Cav element in contact with unknown size VC force in grid XT679097 at this time.	Not D/A OP		
6.	1115	Bde-1,000 VC with picks & shovels in grid XT6809. They also have small arms & RPG's. Request clearance to fire if US unit needs assistance.	Not D/A CB		
7.	1130	Bde-Suspected VC location from XT685094 to a line XT683096.	Not D/A VC		
8.	1300	EDC to Bao Trai-Bao Trai requested clearance in grid XT6709. Notified them that were given clearance from 670099-680094. Connect points & we have clearance for that much of grid Square, south from the given 2 points.	Not K3 TA		
9.	1300	Bde-Element in contact with 2 or 3 snipers in grid XT679079 at this time. Tanks are returning fire & infantry is using small arms.	Not D/A DB		
10.	1330	B/6/77-3/22 reports 75% of area is secure. 6 VC KIA (BC). Negative report of US casualties. Engineers have 75% of road secure.	Not D/A TA		
11.	1740	B/1/8-B/1/8 wants 2 cases of smoke ammo on first resupply tomorrow.	Not K38 OP		
12.	1750	B/6/77-2/77 requests a replacement for 1 US MIA that was a forward observer & 1 US MIA from 3/22.	Not 2/77 CG		
13.	1800	Div Arty-LRRP no fire zone, grid 6217 6917 6920 6240 at this time. Div Arty will inform 1/8 when patrol is thru area & possibility of ambush.	Not EDC OP		
14.	1805	Bde-Sitrep: 12 US KIA & 14 US MIA. VC KIA (BC) & VC MIA (1035) 1. C/2/12 at 1115 hrs in grid XT698149 received sniper fire from 3 VC, returned fire. 7 US MIA & 1 US KIA, 1 VC KIA (BC). At 0855 hrs in grid XT703089, 3/22 received small arms fire, returned fire. 2 US MIA, VC losses unknown. At 1028 hrs in grid XT702088, D/3/22 found 6 RPG rounds & 2 lbs of drugs. At 1340 hrs			
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14.	const	D/3/22 in grid XT681098 received small arms & automatic weapons fire, returned fire. 5 US KIA, 4 US KIA, 3 VC KIA (BC) & 1 AK47 captured.			Not D/A OP																																									
15.	1825	PDC-Notified Hotshot B & Longshot C that their machines that accompanied Miller Jr team departed & on their way back to Cu Chi at 1800 hrs.			Not D/A OP																																									
16.	1852	C/2/77-3/22 in heavy contact at this time south of Route 1.			Not D/A OP																																									
17.	1905	Div Arty-No fire zone 1,000 meters each side of main supply route from Tay Ninh to Tan Son Nhut.			Not Btry's OP																																									
18.	2000	Trang Bang-Trang Bang reports they received 20 rounds of 60mm mortar fire. Negative casualties.			Not D/A PB																																									
19.	2006	C/2/77-B/2/12 & D/2/12 position at contact at this time.			Not D/A OP																																									
20.	2010	B/3/77-2/12 has OK'd shooting of H&I's within 700 meters of Grids XT692142 & XT692146.			Not K3 OP																																									
21.	2220	C/2/77-All 2/12 elements in village & no AP's are out at this time.			Not DO OP																																									
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MOVES: C/1/8 moved to grid XT8048. 904048

PLANNED MOVES FOR 13 Feb: None

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: C/2/77 remains attached to 1/8 Arty.

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 437,706 rounds.

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1-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-12 INF: Co's A, B and C with elements of 65th Engineer Battalion conducted Reconnaissance in Force and tunnel and bunker destruction vic XT6914. Co D provided security for the Battalion night location and the Battalion reaction force. At 1130 hrs, Co B vic XT695140 was engaged by an unknown number of VC with AK47 and carbine fire. Fire was returned with all organic weapons, TAC air strikes and artillery. At 1130 hrs, Co C was engaged by an unknown size VC force vic XT695147, contact continued until the close of the reported period. Fire was returned with Arty, Gunships, TAC air strikes, S/A and A/W fire, VC losses unknown. Battalion sustained 3 US WIA's and 2 US KIA's.

3-22 INF: Co's C, D and elements of the Recon platoon conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations vic XT697090. Co's A and B provided security for the Battalion night location and the Battalion reaction force. Cu Chi National Police provided road blocks along Route QL 1 vic XT698089 and XT630126. At 0830 hrs, maneuver elements were engaged by an unknown size VC force employing RPG, A/W, S/A fire. Fire was returned with Arty, 90MM RR, S/A A/W and flame provided by two OPCON flame tracks. At 0830 hrs, Co's C and B vic XT698089 enroute to reinforce elements of the 4-23 Infantry (M) received S/A and A/W fire from unknown number VC, returned fire with unknown results. Contact continued until 1740 hrs fires placed on the contact area consisted of Arty flame, 90MM RR, S/A and A/W fire with unknown results. Battalion sustained 2 US WIA's.

4-23 INF: OPCON 2d Brigade effective 130500 hrs. At 0752 hrs, Battalion sustained 1 US NDI resulting from convulsions. At 0813 hrs, vic XT698092 Battalion was engaged by an unknown size VC force, entrenched in tunnels and bunkers, employing S/A and A/W, Fire was returned with all organic weapons, 105MM and 155MM and Artillery fire, TAC AIR strikes consisting of bombs and napalm, flame provided by two flame tracks, and a 8 inch Arty employed as direct fire against tunnel and bunker complexes. At 0843 hrs, Co D vic XT697090 received an unknown number of RPG rounds, contact continued until the close of the reported period. TAC air strikes employing 500 lb bombs, Napalm, Arty fires from 105, 155 and 8 inch Arty pieces, flame tracks, S/A, A/W and L/W's were placed on the area of contact, VC losses unknown. Battalion sustained 34 US WIA and 4 US KIA, 3 APC's combat loss.

TAC AIR: At 1837 hrs, vic XT648151 1 VC KBA (DC). At 0840 hrs, vic XT699152 2 VC KBA (DC). At 0943 hrs, vic XT698153 3 VC KBA (DC).

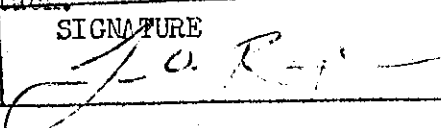
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1.	0001	Journal Open.					
2.	0135	Div Arty-Stand down. Disregard standown. Alert still on.	Not FDC WM				
3.	0715	Bde-Air strike in grid XT706092 at 0800 hrs, 0815 0830 & 0910 hrs.	Not D/A VC				
4.	0950	Bde-4/23 held up, they will bring in flame throwers. 3/22 pinned down across road, in contact with 10-20 VC in a hedgerow. VC are armed with RPG's.	Not D/A OP				
5.	1100	Div Arty-LRRP positions at this time are XT665220 & XT664120.	Not FDC OP				
6.	1109	Div Arty-B/6/77 expended 1 round WP in grid XT70221475.	Not FDC OP				
7.	1115	Div Arty-UHID type resupply & locations: At 1600 hrs for A/1/8, at 1630 hrs for C/1/8 & at 1700 hrs for B/1/8.	Not 38Y OP				
8.	1125	Div Arty-25th Inf Div HQ noticed that B/1/8's ammo dump needs improvement in it's revetting. Div Arty getting 12 men to help.	Not S4 CC				
9.	1130	Bde-Possible anti-aircraft sight in grid XT614304. Request Arty saturation. 1/8 sent message to D/A	Not D/A OP				
10.	1140	C/2/77-C/2/77 found 12 tail fins from mortar attack last night on azimuth of 5400-5500.	Not D/A VC				
11.	1156	C/2/77-3/22 receiving sniper fire at this time in grid XT694091. 3/22 will pull back to make room for 4/23.	Not D/A OP				
12.	1307	B/6/77-B/6/77 firing blocking fires in grid XT70141490. 3/22 had 1 dustoff ship receive automatic weapons fire from wood line. 2 assault gunships received automatic weapons fire from edge of cemetery.	Not D/A VC				
13.	1605	Bde-1600 Sitrep: At 1125 hrs in grid XT695147 2/12 was receiving AK47 & carbine fire. Returned fire with automatic weapons. VC losses unknown. 2 US WIA, 2 US KIA. At 0843 hrs in grid XT692094 3/22 received small arms, automatic weapons & RPG's. Returned fire with organic weapons. Negative casualties. At 0035 hrs in Cu Chi 1/27 received 19 rounds of 82mm fire. 1 hootch destroyed. 4 US KIA. At 0605 hrs in grid XT698092 4/23 received small arms & automatic weapons fire. Returned fire with					
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13.	con't	all organic weapons. 2 US KIA, 41 US WIA, 3 APC's combat losses.	Not D/A OP																																											
14.	1900	B/6/77-B/6/77 was given credit for 3 VC KIA (BC) in grid XT697146, where they expended 52 rounds. They also expended 66 rounds in grid XT699147, negative surveillance.	Not D/A VC																																											
15.	2100	FDC to Div Arty-1/8 requested A/3/13 assistance for prep in the morning of support of 2/12.	Not D/A VC																																											
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Special Operations: Elements of the Cu Chi National Police in conjunction with the 3-22 Infantry and 4-23 Infantry (M) operations established and maintained 2 vehicles and personnel checkpoints along Route (QL 1) vic XT698089 and XT630126.

1-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-12 INF: Conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations on a Company front along the North and South of highway 8A to vic XT695146, with one Company moving to the rear providing security and reaction force. Bn provided a composite platoon for the security of the night location. Elements of the 65th Engineer Battalion conducted tunnel and bunker destruction along the axis of the Reconnaissance in Force Operations. Elements of the 5th ARVN Division conducted Reconnaissance in Force and blocking operations. 4.2 mortar, 106MM, Artv, S/A and A/W Fires were employed in conjunction with the Reconnaissance in Force Operations. At 0650 hrs, moved to area of previous contact vic XT695147 with 4 Companies swept area with negative contact, located 46 VC KIA (BC) and 3 VC KIA (FOSS) vic XT695147.

3-22 INF: Conducted move to night location vic XT686088; closing at 0115 hrs, LP's were employed vic the night location. Conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations and a 2 Company attack to objective RRD vic XT703089. Co D provided security for the night location and provided the Battalion reaction force, effective 140500 hrs, Co A OPCON 3-4 CAV. 8 inch Arty prep of the objective area commenced prior to the Reconnaissance in Force attack. At 1915 hrs, vic XT698088 Recon sustained 1 US KIA from a RPG round, returned fire with unknown results. At 0950 hrs, Co's B and C received A/W fire from vic XT698089. Returned fire with all organic weapons, 105MM, 155MM and 8 inch artillery fire. Unit remained in sporadic contact until end of reported period. VC losses 10 VC KIA (BC). Bn sustained 6 US KIA, 4 US NDI.

TF 4-23 INF: Effective 140500 hrs, 1 troop from the 3-4 Cav consisting of 6 tanks and 20 APC's OPCON TF 4-23 Infantry effective 140500 hrs, recon platoon OPCON 3-4 Cav. Conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations and a combined attack to objective Blue vic XT715099 with 3 Infantry Companies and one Cav Troop. A pre-dawn Tac Air strike dropping 500 lb, 750 lb and 1000lb bombs was employed on the objective area commencing at 0300 hrs. A one (1) hour prep employing 8 inch artillery followed the air strike on the objective area. Elements of the 554th Engineer Battalion conducted road repair, tunnel and bunker destruction in conjunction with the Battalion's operations. At 0854 hrs, Co B received S/A sniper fire from vic XT697090. Fire was returned with A/W, Grenades with unknown results. At 0950 hrs, Troop A 3-4 Cav and Co A received S/A, A/W fire. Fire was returned with S/A, A/W, 90MM, 105MM and 8 inch

artillery fire. Unit remained in Sporadic contact until end of the reported period. VC losses 91 VC KIA (BC). Bn sustained 10 US KIA and 52 US KIA and 1 Tank and 1 APC combat loss.

TAC AIR: At 1330 hrs, vic XT658287 engaged an unknown VC force resulting in 6 VC KIA (BC) and 3 VC KIA (POSS).

2D Brigade C&C ship at 1215 hrs, vic XT703091 2nd Brigade C&C engaged 1 VC resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC).

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2.	0600	Div Arty-At 2320 hrs last night, a Popular Forces unit in grid XT468126 received small arms & RPG rounds from a unknown size VC force. 2 Popular Forces KIA. At 0012 hrs this morning, a popular forces outpost at grid XT506260 received small arms, automatic weapons, RPG round, & unknown number of 57mm & 82 mm fire. Returned fire with RVN arty. 2 Civilian KIA. At 0217 hrs in grid XT803048, 2/27 received 65-75 rounds of 60mm mortar. Returned fire with Arty. Negative casualties or damage.	Not FD ^U OP		
3.	0630	C/2/77-C/2/77 expended 120 rounds for prep, center mass XT698148.	Not D/A VC		
4.	0700	Div Arty-AO Boeam extended from 161800 -251800 termination of AO Nancy effective 131800.	Not FDC OP		
5.	0940	B/6/77-FO from 2/12 reported finding a grave containing 42 VC KIA (BC). 1 girl among bodies.	Not D/A DM		
6.	1225	Div Arty-Air strike in grid XT7708 at 1230 hrs.	Not Bde DM		
7.	1311	LNO 4/23-1 man received sharpnel in neck, not serious, but he will be dusted off.	Not FDC DM		
8.	1335	LNO 4/23-In grid XT699095, a bunker was found destroyed by a 8" shell. 1 VC KIA (BC), more in bunker but they cannot uncover them. Man wounded that was wounded & reported earlier was hit here.	Not D/A DM		
9.	1750	FDC to Div Arty-B/1/8 is down is down, shot somewhere in machine. Generator not damaged.	Not D/A TA		
10.	1820	Div Arty-Photo mission in grid XT600366 at 2300 hrs, in grid XT6717 & 7424 at 0430 hrs, in grid XT6834, XT7457 & XT4510 at 2200 hrs.	Not D/A OP		
11.	1910	Div Arty S-2: At 1525 hrs, C/3/17 engaged 4 huts, 8 bunkers, 3 foxholes & a 100 meter trench at grid XT570391. At 1553 hrs C/3/12 engaged & destroyed 6 sampans in grid XT666248. At 1555 hrs C/3/17 engaged 2 sampans loaded with 2 122mm rockets in grid XT669248. At 0800 C/3/17 had contact with a large VC force in grid XT7008. Engaging with small arms, automatic weapons, & Arty. 40 VC KIA (BC). Still in contact at 1800 hrs.	Not D/A LH		
12.	2230	FDC to Div Arty-The 2 8" tubes will be at the intersection of Lighting & Ambush roads BLT 0700 hrs.			
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There will be 4 bull dozers going out with them.

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2400

Journal Closed.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period, enemy contact was moderate. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL

KIA (RC) 671 KIA (POSS) 1621

1. Weapons	DMS	DAN
a. Mortars	17	2
b. MG's	11	2
2. Buildings	273	116
3. Ammo dumps	1	0
4. Bridges	10	0
5. Trenches	3	0
6. Sampans	105	7
7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec exp	89	0
10. Bunkers	72	5

PLANS & SUMMARY

MOVES: None

PLANNED MOVES FOR 15 Feb: None

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION: C/2/11 remains attached to 1/8 Arty.

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 438,091 rounds.

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LEE O. RINCHAN, CPT, ARTY, S3

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15 FEB

Special Operations: Cu Chi National Police provided 2 personnel and vehicle checkpoints vic XT713072 and vic XT643120 in conjunction with the Battalion operations, 554th Engineer's provided the 3-22 Infantry 5 dozers for assistance in destroying tunnel and bunker complex in the objective area. Elements of Co A 65th Engineer's provided 2-12 Infantry Engineer Support in the destruction of tunnel and bunker complexes in the area of operations.

1-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-27 INF: OPCON to 3D BDE.

2-12 INF: Co A provided security for 4 dozers who moved from Cu Chi Base Camp to Battalion area of operation. Battalion conducted sweep of the battle area and with elements of Co A 65th Engineer Battalion and 4 dozers, destroyed tunnel and bunker complexes vic Tan Hoa village. At 0730 hrs, all Companies started sweep of area of previous contact, vic XT695145, with negative contact. Located 36 VC KIA (BC).

3-22 INF: At 0500 hrs, A Troop and Co C released OPCON 4-23 INF. A Troop and Co C 3-22 Infantry and two flame tracks from 4-23 Infantry (M) moved via QL 1 to Cu Chi. At 0946 hrs, Battalion crossed ID and commenced the attack to objective area vic XT7008. At 1035 hrs, Co's D and B received sporadic sniper fire continuing until 1210 hrs. Resulting in 2 US WIA, fire was returned with all organic weapons, 105, 155 and 8 inch artillery resulting in 28 VC KIA (BC).

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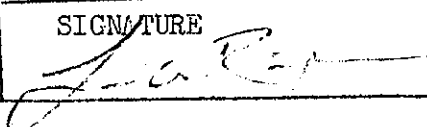
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1.	0001	Journal Open.	J.	
2.	0950	C/2/77-C/2/77 expended 125 rounds for a prep in grid XT70220895. Negative surveillance.	Not D/A DW	
3.	1235	A/1/8-A/1/8 requests 4 cans of gas & 4 50 gallon drums of diesel.	Not SA LP	
4.	1408	C/2/77-2/12 at 1350 hrs in grid XT705084 found 2 82mm tubes, 3 AK47s & 5 VC KIA (BG). C/2/12 still sweeping toward objective. Negative contact. All elements negative contact at this time.	Not D/A OP	
5.	1420	Div Arty-Div Arty S3 requested that A/6/77 move to D/1/8 gun site today. Ordered by Cpt Cinn.	Not FDC CG	
6.	1508	C/2/77-LNO/2/77 night location is grid XT710096.	Not D/A OP	
7.	1520	Div Arty-AO Spurrier cancelled as of 152030.	Not FDC CG	
8.	1600	3/22-3/22 elements made push & linked up with RVNs. On sweep of area, they found a large cache of rice, ammo & medical supplies. Also found 2 VC KIA (BG) from Arty. Ambush patrol's & H&I's are the same as last night.	Not D/A JP	
9.	1740	LNO/2/77-No fire zone grids XT710110. 710081 725095 & 696095.	Not D/A DW	
10.	1745	Bde-2 LRRP teams going from Ann Margaret to AO Watchboy at this time.	Not D/A JR	
11.	1935	Div Arty-5 US KIA from possible arty fragments in grid XT701088 at 1010 hrs. Personnel from C/2/22.	Not FDC DW	
12.	1936	Bde-Bde reports that 5 US KIA mentioned in preceding entry were wounded from hand grenades.	Not D/A DW	
13.	2030	Div Arty-An unknown source reported thru PA&E supervisor that VC entered the popular forces OP at grid XT671142 at 2200 hrs. VC said that they were their friends and that they plan to ambush US troops using the sanitary fill or passing through the hamlet.	Not D/A DW	
14.	2155	C/2/77-C/2/77 expended 14 rounds in grid XT7008, 1 VC KIA (POSS).	Not FDC VC	
15.	2325	C/2/77-D/3/22 ambush site is grid XT712077.	Not D/A DW	
16.	2400	Journal closed.	J.	
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2-27 INF: OPCON 3D BDE.

2-12 INF: Provided security for Engineer elements. Conducted clearing of tunnel and bunker operations. At 2235 hrs, Co C vic XT708145 engaged unknown number of VC with S/A and A/W fire, negative casualties, VC losses unknown. At 2250 hrs, Co B vic XT708145 received unknown number of sniper rounds, returned fire with S/A, negative casualties, VC losses unknown. At 1025 hrs, Co B vic XT-683124 sustained 3 US WIA from booby trapped grenade.

Co C 4-23 Infantry (M) remained in position (M). Conducted Reconnaissance in Force operations tunnel and bunker destruction and provided security for 65th Engineer and 554th Engineer dozers. At 2135 hrs, Co D vic XT708077 engaged 12 VC, with S/A, A/W, M79 and Artillery. VC returned fire with S/A and A/W negative casualties, VC losses unknown. At 2333 hrs, Battalion vic XT712096 sustained 1 US NBI resulting from a malaria attack. At 0721 hrs, Co D vic XT708077 engaged 3 VC with S/A and A/W fire, resulting in 3 VC KIA (DC). Between 1000-1400 hours, Co C vic XT701089 located 21 VC KIA (DC). At 1430 hrs, Co C vic XT701089 located 4 VC KIA (DC).