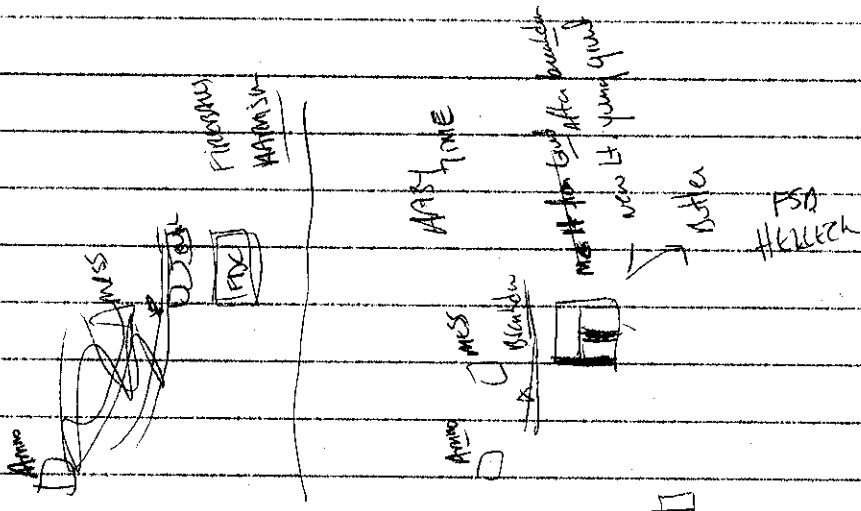


April 13: ^{Breakdown here:} Hellick to FSB McPherson XT ~~734987~~ XT 52682864 WB, 4/13
 April 6: McPherson to XT ~~52682864~~ ^{POPE II} (FSB POPE II) ~~734987~~
 April 9: FSB Pope II to FSB Hamison (Hoc Mon) 737049 XT
 April 13: FIREBALL (0900) to XS 734990 (^{TAN THON THUT} ~~POPE II~~) back at 550
 April 16: ~~POPE II~~ Hamison to XS 734986 ← 1/5 NL 0930 (1/5 March)
 Back to Hoc Mon (Hamison) 3:30 arrived 4:15
 April 17: FIREBALL BACK TO 1/5 position at ~~0900-0930~~ XT 734989 (Pulaski)
 April 18: Pulaski to Hamison. 3:05 pm - 5:50
 April 20: FIREBALL to XS 731942 (^{PIKE II}) 4th DRCK (920-915) 1/5
 April 25: Hamison to Pulaski II 1130 - 2:15 - XT 8044 0499
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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN.			MJR.	
2.	0142	Div Arty--At 0135, Long Binh reported receiving rockets from XT69721840, from company of VC.			Ntly FDC. RW	
3.	0144	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.			Ntly FDC. RW	
4.	D150	Div Arty--AN/TPS-25 radar sightings: at 0140 in XT69721840 a company of VC. At 0130 in XT69722205 a company of VC. At both of these targets arty was fired. At 0130 in XT70722046, moving personnel; this is a no-fire zone. At 0115 in XT69941869 a company of VC; fired on by arty.			Ntly 2nd Bde. RB	
5.	0308	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.			Ntly FDC. RW	
6.	0401	Div Arty--radar sighting: at 0350 in XT69841925 a company of VC; fired upon by arty.			Ntly FDC. RW	
7.	0503	Div Arty--radar sightings: at 0430 in XT69401822 a squad of VC; fired on by arty. At 0440 in XT69661769 oxcarts; fired upon by arty.			Ntly FDC. RW	
8.	0718	Fwd FDC--B/1/8 will be moving at 0730 hr. New area will be secured by 3/4 Cav. B/1/8 will be co-located with 3/13 Arty and 3/4 Cav elements.			Ntly FDC. RW	
9.	1125	Fwd FDC--B/1/27 Inf at 1109 in XT765066 destroyed 2 rds RPG-2.			Ntly 2nd Bde. RB	
10.	1500	Fwd FDC--at 1455 in XT765046 B/1/27 destroyed 2 rds 105mm aud.			Ntly Div Arty RB	
11.	2015	Fwd FDC--C/6/77 Arty needs 4 copies of current Light Data. Also, request helicopter to pick up Bn CO at 0700, requests helicopter for his use from 0900 to 1300 hr tomorrow.			Ntly S2, Div Arty RB	

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2034

Fwd FDC--B/1/5 Mech at 1200 in XT722911 destroyed
1 US WP grenade, 1 booby trap, 1 stick mine booby
trap, 1 RPG-2 rd. A/2/34 at 1445 in XT708935 had
a tank hit a mine, type AT, 15 lbs pressure cap.
Results: negative US casualties or damage.

Ntfy Div Arty RB

13.

2200

Div Arty--radar sightings: at 1930 in XT60392303
4 moving personnel; fired upon by arty. At 1940
in XT59652493, 4 moving personnel; fired upon by
arty. Results: unknown.

Ntfy FDC. RB

14.

2400

JOURNAL CLOSED.

MJR.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the period of the journal enemy activity was light.
There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty.

Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 750

VC KIA (POSS): 1630

1. Weapons:

DES DAM

a. mortars

17 2

b. MG's

11 2

2. Buildings

289 116

3. Ammo Dumps

1 0

4. Bridges

10 0

5. Trenches

3 0

6. Sampans

108 9

7. Vehicles

3 3

8. Boats

14 0

9. Sec Exp

99 0

10. Bunkers

81 5

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 2 April: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival
in country is 496,773.

The Bn strength is 17 guns green 1 gun amber.

Total rounds fired during March: 44,916 rds.

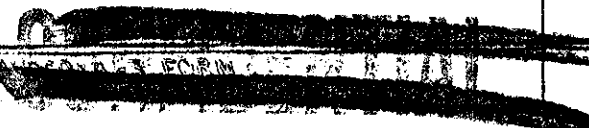
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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN.	MJR.		
2.	0105	Fwd FDC--SITREP: negative contact.	Ntly FDC. RB		
3.	0500	Div Arty--radar sightings: at 0420 in XT60211550 a suspected rocket position. Fired upon by arty.	Ntly FDC. RB		
4.	0815	Fwd FDC--6/77 Arty element (30) in XT540300 found 1 old Chicom rifle at 0730 hr.	Ntly Div Arty RB		
5.	1125	Fwd FDC--2/34 Armor elements at XT568305 found 3 dud 105mm rds; one VT Lot No. 3578 BAL, one PD Lot No. IDP 1-101. The other rd had fuze and supplementary charge removed.	Ntly Div Arty. RB		
6.	1845	Fwd FDC--NL for 2/34 Armor is XT568305.	Ntly FDC. RW		
7.	1910	2nd Bde LNO--Trung Lap rcvd 2 rds unk type mortar fire inside perimeter. Countermortar fire on grid XT587200, where TPS-25 radar picked up movement. All rds incoming landed in VN dependents area resulting in 2 VN CIV KIA, 9 VN CIV WIA.	Ntly FDC, S2. RM		
8.	2100	2nd Bde LNO--AN/TPS-25 Radar sightings: At 1920 in XT58772000, 3 or 4 personnel; NFZ. At 2035 in XT59252449, 5 or 6 personnel; fired upon by arty. At 2045 in XT58512520, 5 personnel; fired upon by arty, movement ceased. At 2100 in XT57722583, 4 or 5 personnel; arty fired, movement ceased.	Ntly FDC, S2. RM		
9.	2150	C/6/77--A/2/34 Armor elements in XT568305 rcvd 10 rds 82mm mortar, on an azimuth of 4500M, believed to be from XT514199. Results: 2 litter and 5 ambulatory wounded for total of 7 US WIA.	Ntly Div Arty. MJR		
10.	2250	Div Arty--AN/TPS-33 radar spotted 3 squads of VC in XT68642045; arty fired upon target.	Ntly FDC. TSP		
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was light.
There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8
Arty this date. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 750

VC KIA (POSS): 1630

1. Weapons:

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a. Mortars

17 2

b. MG's

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2. Buildings

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3. Ammo Dumps

1 0

4. Bridges

10 0

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3 0

6. Sampans

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7. Boats

14 0

8. Vehicles

3 3

9. Sec Exp

99 0

10. Bunkers

81 5

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 3 April: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival
in country is 497,384 rounds.

The Bn strength is 17 guns green, 1 gun amber.

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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN.	MJR.
2.	0930	C/1/8 CO--requests \$5.00 in small change.	Ntly C/1/8 1SG. RB
3.	1040	Fwd FDC--B/1/8 closed FSB McPherson at 1030hr. closed at 1255. C/3/13 closed at 1300. C/6/77 closed FSB Stewart at 1647. All times on 2 April. Btry centers: B/1/8: XT52582874; C/1/8: XT52682864; C/3/13: XT52632887; C/6/77: XT48371952.	C/1/8 Ntly FDC. RW
4.	1130	Fwd FDC--requests for additional sorties: 1 sortie for A/1/8; 3 sorties for B/1/8; 1 sortie for C/1/8.	Ntly Div Arty. RW
5.	1334	2nd Bde--1/27 Inf Recon in XT750038; C/1/27 in XT752013. Negative contact so far.	Ntly FDC. MJR
6.	1345	2nd Bde--B/1/5 located in XT719907. PF forces located in blocking positions from XT719901 to XT721908. Negative contact at this time.	Ntly FDC. MJR
7.	1349	3rd Bde--C/4/23 receiving sniper fire in NL in XT545307. Gunships firing in support. Negative artillery. A/4/23 is in the area.	Ntly Bn HQ. MJR
8.	1420	B/1/8--3/4 Cav FO from 6/77 Arty ran into an extensive bunker complex in XT474268. Found much ARVN clothing, small arms ammo, ponchos, etc. Recent occupation, about 3 or 4 days ago. 3/4 Cav elements are destroying bunkers at this time.	Ntly Div Arty. DW
9.	1500	C/6/77--A/4/23 and C/4/23 elements received sporadic small arms and auto weapons harrasing fire vic. XT5420. C/6/77 fired 18 rds HE in support. More sniper fire incoming now, C/6/77 starting blocking fire on grids XT544200, XT545195, XT547199.	Ntly Div Arty. DW
10.	1520	C/6/77--In referenct to contact by A/C/4/23, they are receiving continued small arms and auto weapons fire at this time. 1 APC has been hit by an RPG. C/6/77 presently under a checkfire due to LFT's on station in the area.	Ntly Div Arty DW.

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11.	1530	Fwd FDC--6/77 Arty FO for 3/4 Cav found a multi-battalion base camp, well fortified, in XT522326. Base camp is several hundred meters wide, and contained a classroom and messhall. Unit is still searching and blowing bunkers.	Ntfy Div Arty. RB.
12.	1535	C/6/77--A/C/4/23 still receiving occasional RPG fire. Neither commander has requested arty fire as yet. Negative report of injuries at this time.	Ntfy Div Arty RB
13.	1824	2nd Bde LNO--Dau Tieng Basecamp, in XT495465, received 9 rds of 82mm mortar. Arty fired on vic. XT516507. Negative US losses, VC losses unk.	Ntfy FDC. RM
14.	1835	C/6/77--Results of contact by A/C/4/23 elements: 1 US KIA, 4 US WIA, 1 APC totally destroyed, 1 APC damaged.	Ntfy Div Arty. RB.
15.	1850	2nd Bde LNO--C/3/17 in XT505688 observed one active VC base camp. Airstrike being called in.	Ntfy FDC. RM
16.	1930	2nd Bde LNO--D/1/27 elements in XT753070 received small arms and auto weapons fire from estimated 15 VC. PF forces in the area rcvd small arms fire from the same location, returned fire with small arms and 81mm mortars. Results: 1 US WIA, with minor injuries; PF and VC losses unknown.	Ntfy FDC. RM
17.	2000	Radar--The AN/MPQ-4A Radar Set will be non-operational for approximately 20 minutes in order that some adjustments may be made to the unit.	Ntfy FDC. MJR.
18.	2359	2nd Bde LNO--AN/TPS-33 radar sightings: at 2010 hr in grid XT66841454, a VC squad; NFZ. At 2015 in XT69021794, a VC squad; arty fired and movement dispersed. At 2055 in XT68772052, a VC squad; arty fired and movement ceased. At 2100 in XT71002477 2 VC squads; arty fired and movement ceased; At 2117 in XT72632217, a VC squad; arty fired and movement ceased.	Ntfy FDC. RM

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19.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.	MIR.
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 750	VC KIA (POSS): 1630
1. Weapons	DES DAM
A. Mortars	17 2
B. MG's	11 2
2. Buildings	289 116
3. Ammo Dumps	1 0
4. Bridges	10 0
5. Trenches	3 0
6. Boats	14 0
7. Sampans	108 9
8. Vehicles	3 3
9. Sec Exp	99 0
10. Bunkers	81 5

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 4 April: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 497,855 rounds.

The Bn strength is 17 guns. A/1/8 has one gun deadlined due to end of tube life.

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1. 0001

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2. 0500

Div Arty--There will be no second sortie for
A/1/8 today.

Ntly Ammo Off EW

3. 0651

Fwd FDC--Ammo and Fuze Report for 1800-0600:
B/1/8: 51 rd HE, 51 PD. C/1/8: 162 rd HE, 145
PD, 17 Ti. C/3/13--121 HE, 121 PD. C/6/77:
51 rd HE, 51 PD.

Ntly Div Arty MR

4. 0710

Fwd FDC--SITREP: negative contact. C/6/77 requests
checkfire out of XT5/12 for dustoff. Checkfire
was given.

Ntly FDC. MJR

5. 1130

Fwd FDC--At 1100 hr in XT5237, 3/4 Cav and 2/22
Mech elements reported receiving sniper fire.
C/3/13 fired 2 rd WP in support; now under checkfire
from AO. Results: 5 VC KIA (BC) and 4 VC POW
credited to infantry.

Ntly Div Arty. DW

6. 1230

S3--visited FDC at this time.

Ntly FDC. MJR

7. 1708

S3--returned to Fwd FDC.

Ntly FDC. MJR

8. 2035

Div Arty--Bn CO's helicopter confirmed from
0900 to 1130 on 5 April.

Ntly Bn CO. DW

9. 2130

S3--Message for Bn CO: 3Bde CO said 0930 hr was
a satisfactory time for Bn CO to arrive at Dau Tieng,
but if he could arrive sooner it would be appreciated.Ntly Bn
CO. DW

10. 2225

2nd Bde--3Bde elements will cross river vic XT450193
on 6 April, near Trang Bang. Coordination to begin
tonight. Material for bridge needs to be sent out on
5 April if the operation is to take place.

Ntly S2. RW

11. 2325

Div Arty--AO Duty II will be extended until
142400 April 1968.

Ntly Fwd FDC. RW

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty this date. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 750

VC KIA (FOSS): 1630

1. Weapons

DES

DAM

a. Mortars

17

2

b. MG's

11

2

2. Buildings

289

116

3. Ammo dumps

1

0

4. Bridges

10

0

5. Trenches

3

0

6. Boats

14

0

7. Sampans

108

9

8. Vehicles

3

3

9. Sec Exp

99

0

10. Bunkers

81

5

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES ON 5 April: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 498,356 rds.

The Bn strength is 16 guns green, 1 undergoing overhaul, 1 deadlined due to end of tube life.

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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN.			MJR.	
2.	0240	Fwd FDC--C/6/77 rcvd 20 rds incoming mortars. Fired 3 rds HE on XT487180. Results: negative US casualties or damage, VC losses unknown.			Ntly Div Arty. RG	
3.	0300	Fwd FDC--notified Bn CO that a prep was being fired for 2/34 Armor.			Ntly FDC. MJR	
4.	0715	Bn CO--to S3: Do not resupply Class V unless it is combat essential until S3 hears from Bn CO.			Ntly FDC. JR	
5.	1710	Fwd FDC--at 1620 hr in XT576267, C/3/4 Cav element rcvd small arms fire. Results: 1 litter and 2 ambulatory for a total of 3 US WIA; 4 VC KIA (BC) and 5 detainees. Div Arty DW			Ntly	
6.	2130	A/1/8--will conduct a "Fireball" mission on grid XS707917 throughout the day of 6 April.			Ntly Div Arty RW	
7.	2240	Div Arty--Message from BG Gleason: There has been a disciplinary incident involving injuries to a number of people. This might be a result of discontent or some subversive activities. Sector Commanders: will take particular attention to any indication such as troops failing to perform duties properly. There has already been one incident involving firing within the perimeter of Cu Chi Base Camp this evening.			Ntly FDC. TW	
8.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.			MJR.	
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY						
During the reporting period enemy activity was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty this date. Totals are as follows:						
PERSONNEL:						
VC KIA (BC): 750		VC KIA (POSS): 1630				
1. Weapons		DES DAM				
a. Mortars		17 2				
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2. Buildings	289	116
3. Ammo Dumps	1	0
4. Bridges	10	0
5. Trenches	3	0
6. Sampans	108	9
7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec Exp	99	0
10. Bunkers	81	5

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 6 April: Fwd FDC and B/1/8 to move from FSB McPherson to the Trang Bang area. C/1/8 will move from FSB McPherson to an unspecified area.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 498,629 rounds.

The Bn strength is 17 guns. A/1/8 has one gun deadlined for tube exchange.

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2.	0645	Bn CO--departed from Cu Chi.	Ntfy FDC. MJR
3.	0720	Bn CO--in route to Trang Bang.	Ntfy FDC. JP
4.	0925	Fwd FDC--Convoy departed from Trang Bang to FSB McPherson.	Ntfy FDC. JP
5.	1025	Fwd FDC--C/4/23 at XT574288 found a 55-gal drum filled with explosives and having a pressure-type fuze.	Ntfy Div Arty. JP
6.	1400	Fwd FDC--C/4/23 elements hit 2 mines at XT574287; some plow hit mine resulting in 1 US WIA (litter); 50 meters north hit another mine resulting in 1 US WIA (litter). Dusted off at 0930 hr.	Ntfy S3 Divarty. JP
7.	1115	Div Arty--EOD team will be blowing explosives from 1200 to 1215 in XT665175.	Ntfy FDC. JP
8.	1125	Fwd FDC--New FSB will be located in XT491264.	Ntfy Div Arty. JP
9.	1135	Fwd FDC--and B/1/8 have departed at this time.	Ntfy Div Arty JP
10.	1155	Fwd FDC--C/3/13 departed at this time.	Ntfy Div Arty JP
11.	1230	2nd Bde LNO--D/1/27 at 1045 in XT762062 found one US M-2 Aiming Circle.	Ntfy Op Sgt. JP
12.	1300	3rd Bde--2/22 elements are securing Trang Bang bridge at this time.	Ntfy FDC. RB
13.	1310	C/1/8--departed from FSB McPherson at this time.	Ntfy Div Arty RB
14.	1315	Bn CO--returned to Cu Chi at this time.	Ntfy FDC. MJR
15.	1335	Fwd FDC--and B/1/8 closed new FSB at 1330 hr.	Ntfy Div Arty RB
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16.	1345	Fwd FDC--C/6/77 has not yet received march order. C/3/13 will close in 5 to 10 minutes.	Ntly Div Arty RB
17.	1345	Fwd FDC--C/1/8 closed at 1345 hr. B/1/8 laid and ready to fire at 1345.	Ntly Div Arty. RB
18.	1355	Fwd FDC--Btry center for B/1/8: XT448222.	Ntly Div Arty RB
19.	1400	Fwd FDC--C/3/13 closed at this time.	Ntly Div Arty RB
20.	1545	Fwd FDC--Btry center for C/1/8: XT562322. Laid and ready to fire at 1401 hr. BC for C/6/77: XT445219; laid and ready to fire at 1550. BC for C/3/13: XT44862222; laid and ready to fire 1500 hr.	Ntly Div Arty RB
21.	1645	Bn CO--departed from Cu Chi.	Ntly FDC. MJR
22.	1800	Bn CO--returned to Cu Chi.	Ntly FDC. MJR
23.	1820	C/1/8 CO--to Bn CO: "Magic Dust does wonders. BD is in area. No future problems anticipated with adjacent elements."	Ntly FDC, S2. MJR
24.	2015	Bn CO--departed Cu Chi for the night.	Ntly FDC. MJR
25.	2100	C/6/77--checkfire on azimuth from 280° to 060°, for dustoff.	Ntly Div Arty. RW
26.	2345	Tower #1--reports rounds coming in; 1 outside the perimeter, 1 impacting on bunker in front of tower, 1 landing inside perimeter. Possibly 105mm, 82mm mortar, or 122mm rocket.	Ntly FDC, btrys. Siren. RW, MJR
27.	2358	Discom--no rds landed within perimeter. Stand-down at this time.	Ntly Btrys. MJR
28.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.	MJR.

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During the reporting period enemy activity was light.
There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8
Arty this date. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 750

VC KIA (POSS): 1630

1. Weapons

DES DAM

a. Mortars

17 2

b. MG's

11 2

2. Buildings

289 116

3. Bridges

10 0

4. Bunkers

81 5

5. Trenches

3 0

6. Boats

14 0

7. Sampans

108 9

8. Vehicles

3 0

9. Ammo Dumps

1 0

10. Sec Exp

99 0

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: Fwd FDC and B/1/8 moved from FSB Mcpherson to
FSB Hampton II at XT445208.

A/1/8 moved from FSB Pike II to FSB Pike III and then
back to FSB Pike II.

C/1/8 moved from FSB McPherson to FSB Pope II at XT568305.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 7 April: None.

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OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival
in country is 499,707 rounds.

The Bn strength is 16 guns green. A/1/8 and B/1/8
each have one ggun deadlined due to end of tube life.

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Div Arty--Check for possible incoming rounds impacting
in Cu Chi at A9Y2.

Ntfy S2. MJR

3.

0210

Tower 1--reports 5 more incoming rds.

Ntfy S2. DW

4.

0230

S2--Negative report on Shellrep.

Ntfy FDC. DW

5.

0240

Div Arty--Stand-down at this time.

Ntfy btrys. RW

6.

0615

Div Arty--Bn CO will have helicopter available from
0800 to 1130 hr today. Helicopter type H-23.

Ntfy Fwd FDC.

7.

0830

Fwd FDC--reports that they need (1) radiator for
5-ton truck, (2) fan blade for same, (3) upper
radiator hose for same.

Ntfy Bn Maint. RB

8.

0845

C/1/8 XQ--wants paper plates, cups, and silverware
sent to C/1/8 rear for morning resupply.Ntfy C/1/8 rear.
RB

9.

0950

Ammo Off--Resupply for B/1/8 will begin immediately.
One 1/2-ton vehicle will be brought back.

Ntfy Fwd FDC RB

10.

1005

Fwd FDC--Information on jeep to return: SN:
GC-644017; Engine No.: NZ-003423.

Ntfy S4. RB

11.

1025

Fwd FDC--B/4/23 Mech in XT547332 found two .45 cal
MG's, 100 lbs tuna fish, 1200 cans canned milk.Ntfy 2nd Bde,
Div Arty. RB

12.

1132

Bn CO--returned to Cu Chi at this time.

Ntfy FDC. MJR

13.

1210

C/1/8--C/1/8 CO wants the paper plates ASAP.
FDC will send out another case at 1300 hr.Ntfy FDC.
Ntfy C/1/8 RB

14.

1330

Bn CO--13F (1LT Frank) will attend a Historians' class

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14 cont.		tomorrow in Cu Chi.		Ntly 13F. RB	
15.	1430	Fwd FDC--B/4/23 Mech elements found bandages and one gas mask in grid XT543355.		Ntly Div Arty. RB	
16.	1730	3rd Bde LNO--No significant activities today.		Ntly FDC. GK	
17.	1855	2nd Bde LNO--Trung Lap rcvd 12 rds 82mm mortar fire, resulting in 2 US WIA.		Ntly FDC. RM	
18.	1900	2nd Bde LNO--An RF OP in XT1053 observed a platoon size force of VC moving from north to south towards village of Cau Xa.		Ntly FDC. RM	
19.	1900	2nd Bde LNN--1/49 ARVN's rcvd 3 rds 82mm mortar fire in XT487101. Returned fire with arty. Results: Negative ARVN casualties, VC losses unknown.		Ntly FDC. RM	
20.	1930	2nd Bde LNO--1/5 Mech ambush patrol in XS734914 located 1 VC with weapon. Results: 1VC KIA (BC).		Ntly FDC. RM	
21.	1958	1st Bde--AVAR closed Tay Ninh due to today's activities: they received 2 KIA's and 16 WIA's, 11 MIA's; 4 of the missing are believed to have been killed.		Ntly FDC. RB	
22.	2010	Div Arty--AN/TPS-25 radar sightings: At 1900 in XT60052331, 4 or 5 personnel; arty fired, movement ceased. At 1923 in XT60562441, 3 or 4 personnel; arty fired, movement dispersed. At 1940, set out of operation.		Ntly FDC. RM	
23.	2011	2nd Bde LNO--D/2/14 Inf in XT715028 observed 1 person moving from bush to bush, 25 meters away. Engaged person with small arms. Results: VC losses unk.		Ntly FDC. RM	
24.	2245	2nd Bde LNO--Cobra 16 LRRP in XT682197 engaged 2 VC with small arms and auto weapons. VC returned fire with small arms. LRRP backed off and broke contact at 2251 hr. Results: Negative US losses, VC losses unknown.		Ntly FDC. RM	
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 750

VC KIA (POSS): 1630

	DES	DAM
1. Weapons		
a. Mortars	17	2
b. MG's	11	2
2. Buildings	289	116
3. Ammo dumps	1	0
4. Bridges	10	0
5. Trenches	3	0
6. Vehicles	3	3
7. Sampans	108	9
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec Exp	99	0
10. Bunkers	81	5

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 8 April: Fwd FDC and B/1/8 to move from FSB Hampton II to FSB Harrison at Hoc Mon, returning to 2nd Bde Control.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 499,473 rounds.

The Bn strength is 16 guns. A/1/8 and B/1/8 each have one gun deadlined due to end of tube life.

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WILBURT I. JENKINS, MAJ, ARTY, S-3.



On 8 April the 4th Battalion, 23rd Infantry (Mech) became COCON to the 1st Brigade from 3rd Brigade. In the 2nd Brigade area, the 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry conducted a cordon and search in the vicinity XT745072 and conducted a combat assault at XT787138. At 1345-hours in the vicinity XT792115 to 792118 Companies A and D captured 246 rounds of M16-2 ammunition, 14 M16-7 rounds, 305 60mm mortar rounds, 258 M16 boosters, 19 75mm M rounds, 28,800 rounds of small arms ammunition, 1000 hand grenades and 1200 82mm mortar fuzes. Also on 8 April, the battalion captured two pounds of documents, one M16-47 rifle and destroyed 500 pounds of sugar, 3690 pounds of rice and four sampans. The 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry conducted a TIE from XT1729 to 179323. At 1445 hours at XT178296, companies A and D captured 32 Chi Com Carbines, one light machine gun, one Chi Com heavy machine gun and 25 pounds of documents. It also destroyed 15 bangalore torpedoes, one M16-7 round, 8 claymores, 15 pounds of explosives, 1000 small arms rounds, one light antitank weapon (LAW) and 50 pounds of salt.

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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN.	MJR.
2.	0130	Div Arty--Bn CO's helicopter availability changed from 0800-1200 to 1300-1700 hr today.	Ntfy Bn HQ. RW
3.	1010	Fwd FDC--A/1/5 Mech APC carrying Recon Sgt hit a mine in XT575164. Results: 3 US WIA due to shrapnel and bruises. Time of occurrence: 0700 hr.	Ntfy Div Arty RW
4.	1030	Fwd FDC--2/77 Arty elements 5 minutes from Cu Chi. B/1/8 has March Ordered at this time.	Ntfy Div Arty. RB
5.	1050	Fwd FDC--Fwd FDC and B/1/8 are March Ordered now.	Ntfy FDC. RB
6.	1055	Fwd FDC--Needs carburetor for 3/4 ton vehicle.	Ntfy Bn Maint RB
7.	1230	Fwd FDC--and B/1/8 departed at this time.	Ntfy Div Arty, Ammo Off, 2nd Bde. RB
8.	1330	2nd Bde LNO--D/1/27 Inf elements at 0825 in grid XT799101 found and destroyed 15 bunkers. A/1/27 at 0905 in XT801106 destroyed 6 bunkers. D/1/27 at 0905 in XT801104 found 1 set green fatigues and 1 back pack, found 1 bunker. C/1/27 at 1300 in XT785112 destroyed 3 bunkers 2x3x4 ft. A/2/34kArm. at 0800 in XT713952 destroyed 1 dud 90mm round. At 0845 they destroyed 1 4.2" rd in XS525984. B/1/5 Mech at 0845 in XT580160 found a road block consisting of 3 dirt mounds. C/1/27 at 1120 in XT789109 found 91 100-lb bags of polished rice; at 1010 in XT784105 they found 30 100-lb bags of polished rice. D/1/27 at 1240 in XT806100 destroyed 1 tunnel 10 feet long containing 400 rds .30 cal. ammo.	Ntfy FDC. RB
9.	1345	Bn CO--departed from Cu Chi.	Ntfy FDC. MJR
10.	1425	Fwd FDC--and B/1/8 closed FSB Harrison at 1420 hr. Mtd and ready to fire at 1450 hr. Btry center: XT73510483.	Ntfy Div Arty RB
11.	1500	FDC--The new 70Y, SSG Beal, departed Cu Chi for 70.	Ntfy FDC MJR.

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12.	1530	2nd Bde LNO---C/1/27 Inf at 1300 in XT785112 destroyed 3 bunkers 2x3x4 ft. A/C/1/27 at 1300 in XT784101 rcvd small arms fire. Results: unknown.	Ntly Div Arty RB
13.	1745	Bn CO--returned to Cu Chi at this time.	Ntly FDC. MJR
14.	1900	S3--At 1300 hr 1/27 LNO submitted a grid (XT794119) as an on-call mission to C/2/77 Arty for clearance. At 1430 Fwd FDC assumed control of the location of 2/77. At 1445 1/27 LNO asked for fire on the grid from Fwd FDC, which did not know that 2/77 FDC had previously cleared the grid. Fwd FDC resubmitted the grid for clearance, which took 15 minutes. Mission was fired at 1500 hr.	Ntly FDC. DW
15.	2045	Div Arty--Helicopter for Bn CO confirmed for 0800 to 1200 tomorrow.	Ntly Bn HQ. DW
16.	2100	Div Arty--AN/TPS-25 radar sightings: At 1926 in XT58812339, 4 personnel. At 1936 in XT59272450, 4 personnel.	Ntly FDC. RW
17.	2130	Opns Sgt--Laundry for Fwd FDC will come out with gun jeeps tomorrow. Also their laundry may be turned in tomorrow.	Ntly Fwd FDC. DW
18.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.	

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PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 750

VC KIA (POSS): 1630

1.	Weapons	DES	DAM
	a. Mortars	17	2
	b. M's	11	2
2.	Buildings	289	116

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3.	Ammo dumps	1	0
4.	Bridges	10	0
5.	Trenches	3	0
6.	Vehicles	3	3
7.	Sampans	108	9
8.	Boats	14	0
9.	Sec Exp	99	0
10.	Bunkers	81	5

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: Fwd FDC and B/1/8 moved from FSB Hampton II to FSB Harrison.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 9 April: C/1/8 to move from FSB Pope II to FSB Harrison.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 499,838 rounds.

The Bn strength is 17 guns operational. A/1/8 has one gun deadlined due to end of tube life.

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On 9 April, the 199 Light Infantry Brigade was released from CFCN to the 25th Infantry Division and returned to the control of II Field Force.

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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN. UNCLASSIFIED			
2/	0505	Div Arty---AN/TPS-25 radar sighted a platoon-size force of VC at 0413 in XT68852097. Arty fired with unk results.		Ntfy 2nd Bde. RB	
3.	0810	Bn CO---departed Cu Chi at this time.		Ntfy FDC. MJR	
4.	0839	Fwd FDC--At 0815 B/3/13 fired 24 rds HE and 1 WP in prep for 1/27 Inf in XT78851096. B/1/8 fired 75 rd HE and 1 WP in the prep. LZ for D/1/27 was cold.		Ntfy Div Arty. RB	
5.	1000	2nd Bde LNO--1/27 Inf at 0700 in XT753070 captured 2 detainees: 1 a male draft dodger, 1 a female without an ID card. Detainees were turned in to Hoc Mon officials. D/1/27 at 0900 in XT786108 destroyed 3 40-lb bags of rice in water.		Ntfy Div Arty MJR	
6.	1003	Fwd FDC--At 0930 hr in XT778109 D/1/27 elements found 30 100-lb bags of polished rice.		Ntfy Div Arty MJR	
7.	1020	Fwd FDC--At 1015 hr LHX (PFC O'Brien) returned to NL because of illness.		Ntfy Div Arty MJR	
8.	1022	Fwd FDC--D/1/27 in XT788109 found 1 AK-47 and web gear, unknown amount of M-16 and .30-cal ammo.		Ntfy Div Arty MJR	
9.	1025	C/1/8--departed at 1015 hr, for FSB Harrison.		Ntfy Div Arty. DW	
10.	1050	Fwd FDC--A/1/27 elements in XT789110 found 800 lbs molded rice and 200 lbs of sugar. They destroyed these items in place.		Ntfy Div Arty DW	
11.	1130	2nd Bde LNO--ARVN outpost in XT607126 is under attack.		Ntfy FDC. DW	
12.	1130	Fwd FDC--A/1/27 in XT789110 found 3 sampans which had been destroyed by arty at 1110 hr.		Ntfy Div Arty. DW	
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13.	1400	Fwd FDC--D/1/27 Inf elements in XT794117 found a cache of approximately 200 RPG rds.	Ntly Div Arty DW
14.	1450	C/1/8--arrived in FSB Harrison at 1440 hr, laid and ready to fire at 1450 hr. Btry center is XT73760495.	Ntly Div Arty DW
15.	1500	S3--Bn CO requests helicopter at 0730 hr tomorrow. Also requests an additional helicopter to transport 2 personnel from Cu Chi to Hoc Mon.	Ntly Div Arty DW
16.	1759	2nd Bde LNO--D/1/27 elements in XT-792115 at 1345 hr found 246 rds RPG-2, 14 rds RPG-7, 305 rds 60mm mortar, 258 RPG boosters, 40 cases 7.62 ammo, 30 cases 82mm mortar fuzes. At 1415 in XT792118 found 11 100-lb bags of home-made hand grenades. A/1/5 Mech at 1045 in XS723927 destroyed 1 dud 155mm round.	
17.	1858	Div Arty--confirmed helicopter for Bn CO. The 2 passengers for Hoc Mon can go out on Bn EO's aircraft only.	Ntly Bn HQ. DW
18.	2000	Div Arty--AN/TPS-25 radar sightings: at 1934 hr in XT727227 a plt of VC. At 1949 in XT67662014 a squad of VC with oxcarts. At 1940 in XT709246 a plt of VC. At 1945 in XT691203 a plt of VC. At 2137 hr in XT68712052, a Co. of VC.	Ntly FDC. DW.
19.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.	MJR.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty this date. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 750 VC KIA (POSS): 1630

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5.	Trenches	3	0
6.	Vehicles	3	3
7.	Sampans	108	9
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PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: C/1/8 moved to FSB HARRISON.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 10 April: ^aNone.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 500,059 rounds.

The Bn strength is 17 guns. A/1/8 has one gun deadlined due to end of tube life.

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WILBURT L. JENKINS, MAJ, ARTY, S-3.

Leland C. Nichols

On 10 April, 2nd Battalion, 34th Armor passed to the operational control of the 1st Brigade from 3rd Brigade and 3/22 Infantry passed from 1st Brigade to the 3rd Brigade. At 0950 vicinity XS725859 helicopter gunships from Company B, 25th Aviation Battalion supporting 2/27 Infantry engaged 11 VC in 5 sampans with automatic weapons fire. The 5 sampans were sunk and three enemy KIA were identified by body count.

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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN.	MJR.
2.	0300	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.	Ntfy FDC. RB
3.	0855	3rd Bde--D/2/77 units on ground.	Ntfy FDC. RB
4.	1700	Commo Sgt--Daily convoy from Hoc Mon departed at this time.	Ntfy Div Arty OP
5.	1725	Commo Sgt--All vehicles of convoy have closed the Cu Chi checkpoint at this time.	Ntfy Div Arty RB
6.	1815	Fwd FDC--asks that FDC/S3 requisition for 40 sheets of PSP.	Ntfy Supply. GK
7.	1832	2nd Bde LNO--SITREPs. 1/27 Inf at 0858 in XT761053 apprehended 1 female and 1 young boy and 1 child outside their perimeter. Personnel were turned over to ARVN control in Hoc Mon. At 1220 in XT760053 dest one CBU and one AP mine. At 1330 in XT760053 dest 1 CBU and 1 rd 105mm, also 2 homemade booby traps formed from C-ration cans. 2/27 elements at 0950 in XT725859 engaged 5 sampans carrying unidentified supplies, travelling southwest. Results: 5 sampans destroyed, 3 VC KIA (BC), 8 VC KIA (POSS). VC were dressed in black pajamas. 2/14 Inf reports that Recon elements of 1/5 Mech at 0903 in XT573161 located and is clearing 4 dirt piles 15 ft long and 1 ft high. 1/5 Mech elements also found several propaganda leaflets which will be evacuated.	Ntfy FDC. RWT
8.	2205	FDC--Incoming rounds impacting in Cu Chi Base Camp at this time. Believed 122mm rocket or 75mm recoilless.	Siren. MJR/OP
9.	2245	S2--Located one 122mm rocket casing near Division EM Club.	Ntfy FDC. MJR
10.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.	

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was light.
There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8
Arty this date. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 750 VC KIA (POSS): 1630

	DES	DAM
1. Weapons	17	2
a. Mortars	11	2
b. MG's	289	116
2. Buildings	81	5
3. Bunkers	3	0
4. Trenches	3	0
5. Trenches	3	3
6. Vehicles	108	9
7. Sampans	14	0
8. Boats	1	0
9. Ammo dumps	99	0
10. Sec Expl		

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 11 April: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since
arrival in country is 500,231 rounds.
The Bn strength is 18 guns operational.

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Leland C. Nichols

On 11 April, the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry became CFCM to the 3rd Brigade from the 199th Light Infantry Brigade.

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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN.			MJR.	
2.	0005	Fwd FDC--SITREP: Negative activities.			Ntly FDC. DW	
3.	0005	Div Arty--Radar sighting: 1 VC squad in XT695209.			Ntly FDC. DW	
4.	0015	Div Arty--Resupply flights: at 1100 hr to A/1/8, 1 water trailer. At 1300 to A/1/8, 2 Class V.			Ntly Ammo Off RB	
5.	0600	Div Arty--Helicopter for Bn CO at 0730 hr is confirmed.			Ntly Fwd FDC. RB	
6.	0615	Fwd FDC--Ammo expenditures 101800-110600: For A/1/8: 199 HE, 4 WP, 202 PD, 1 TL. For B/1/8: 144 HE, 38 PD, 6 VT. For C/1/8: 30 HE, 24 PD, 6 VT.			Ntly Div Arty. RB.	
7.	0800	Div Arty--Planned moves for 11 Apr: C7/11 to move to FSB Stuart III, A/2/77 and A/1/27 Inf to move to FSB Taylor.			Ntly FDC. RB	
8.	0900	Bn CO--returned to Cu Chi.			Ntly FDC. RB	
9.	0915	Fwd FDC--C/2/27 Inf elements in XT780805 found 1 dud 155mm rd at 0905 hr. In XT719845 found unk quantity pots and pans.			Ntly Div Arty. RB	
10.	0915	Ammo Off--Convoy departed from Cu Chi to Fwd FDC at this time.			Ntly FDC, Fwd FDC. RB	
11.	0925	FDC--HQ/1/8 CO will meet with the 2 men to be paid at 1100 hr today at Tan Son Nhut Main Gate.			Ntly Fwd FDC. RB	
12.	1115	Fwd FDC--At 0740 hours on 9 Apr 68, B/1/8 fired the 500,000th round of the Bn in Vietnam. Bn CO, LTC Dean, conducted a ceremony on this with A/1/8.			Ntly FDC. RB	
13.	11400	2nd Bde LNO--Aircraft sighted 50 VC in the open				
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13 cont		In grid XS700910. VC took evasive action.	Ntfy FDC. RB		
14.	1400	Fwd FDC--A/1/27 elements in XT713074 found 6 bunkers with overhead cover consisting of 2 ft of mud. The bunkers were 5x3 ft, approximately 24 hr old.	Ntfy Div Arty RB		
15.	1520	2nd Bde LNO--2/27 Inf S-2 Agent "Oxhide Taly" reports numerous concrete bunkers with walls 12" to 18" thick, and 70 VC, in between grids XS627887 and XS678855.	Ntfy FDC. DW		
16.	1522	2nd Bde LNO--Grid XS705840 is considered to be VC-dominated since 9 Apr. Razorback aircraft rcvd fire from unk size force. Suspected VC base camp in XT644501.	Ntfy FDC. DW		
17.30	1530	Fwd FDC--A/1/27 elements at 1535 hr in XT738074 found 1 decomposed VC body. Cause of death unk.	Ntfy FDC. DW		
18.	1545	2nd Bde LNO--C/1/27 FO will depart from Fwd FDC's location to Cu Chi in approx 10 minutes.	Ntfy FDC. MJR		
19.	1700	Commo Sgt--Convoy has closed at Cu Chi.	Ntfy Div Arty OP		
20.	2030	Div Arty--OH-23 aircraft confirmed for Bn CO from 0800--1200 at Div Arty helipad.	Ntfy Bn HQ. GK		
21.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.	MJR.		
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY					
During the reporting period enemy contact was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty this date. Totals are as follows:					
PERSONNEL:					
VC KIA (BC): 750 VC KIA (POSS): 1630					
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On 12 April the night location of the 3rd Battalion, 22nd Infantry (3rd Brigade) at XT449609 came under heavy attack at approximately 0400. The attack began with a heavy 82mm bombardment and was followed shortly by human assault waves from a battalion size enemy force. The heaviest attacks came on the battalion perimeters south and southwest where the enemy succeeded in penetrating the perimeter. Engaging the enemy in close combat until 0600 hours with small arms and automatic weapons and supported by helicopter gunships, artillery and Air Force air strikes. The 3/22nd was successful in ejecting the enemy from its night position and re-establishing its perimeter. At approximately 0615, the 3/22nd was reinforced by the 2nd Battalion, 22nd Infantry (Mech) and the enemy broke

contact. Results of the engagement were: 153 enemy killed; 45 AK-50 rifles, 7 AK-47 rifles, 13 machine guns, 7 RPG-2 rocket launchers and 2 bolt action carbines with grenade launchers captured: 38 RPG-2 rounds, 5 RPG-7 rounds, 45 RPG-2 boosters and 93 hand grenades destroyed. The 3/22nd suffered 16 KIA and 47 MIA in the action.

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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN.		MJR.	
2.	0100	Div Arty--Radar sightings. AN/TPS-25: at 0020 hr in XT59102462, 3 or 4 personnel; arty fired. At 0035 hr in XT59802256, 3 or 4 personnel; NFZ. AN/TPS-33: at 0001 hr in XT69071809, plt of VC; arty fired. At 0001 hr in XT68761784, plt of VC; arty fired.		Ntly FDC. RB	
3.	0100	2nd Bde LNO--At 0100 in XT762054 1/27 Inf observed movement 200 meters to their front, engaged with M-79's. Results unknown. At 0135 in XT713187 an RF OP rcvd small arms, auto weapons, and 60mm mortar fire, returned fire with small arms, auto weapons, and arty. Results: negative RF casualties, VC losses unknown.		Ntly FDC. RM	
4.	0615	Fwd FDC--111800-120600 ammo expenditures: A/1/8: 123 HE, 123 PD. B/1/8: 105 HE, 6 WP, 109 PD, 2 Ti. C/1/8: 81 HE, 1 WP, 76 PD, 6 Ti.		Ntly Div Arty. RB	
5.	0805	Bn CO--departed Cu Chi for Fwd FDC.		Ntly FDC. RB	
6.	0840	Div Arty--B/2/77 Arty reports two attacks: one from 0410 to 0530 hr, one from 0730 to 0830 hr. Results: 3/22 Inf rcvd 14 KIA, 47 WIA; 2/22 Mech elements rcvd 3 KIA, 9 WIA; 2/77 Arty rcvd 1 KIA, unknown WIA; VC losses at present 72VC KIA (BC).		Ntly FDC DW.	
7.	1020	Fwd FDC--A/2/27 Inf elements down at 1015 hr in XT795095; LZ is cold.		Ntly Div Arty. DW	
8.	1135	Fwd FDC--B/2/27 Inf elements down at 1115 hr in XT791081; LZ is cold.		Ntly Div Arty. DW	
9.	1310	Fwd FDC--A/1/8 closed new location at FSB Pulaski at 1225 hr, laid and ready to fire at 1235 hr. Btry center: XT805048; azimuth: 6400m. B/6/77 Arty closed 1240 hr, laid and ready to fire at 1245 hr. Btry center: XT805047, azimuth 1600m.		Ntly Div Arty. DW	
10.	1350	Bn HQ--requests helicopter for Bn CO 130800-1200 hr.		Ntly Div Arty DW.	

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11.	1445	Ammo Off--Resupply flights: for A/1/8, one at 1530, one at 1700.	Ntfy Fwd FDC. kDW
12.	1530	Fwd FDC--D/2/27 elements at 1500 in XT798075 found 5 lbs documents.	Ntfy Div Arty. DW
13.	1715	2nd Bde LNO--There will be an airstrike in XT6128 at 1730 hr.	Ntfy FDC. RB
14.	1730	Survey Chief--Convoy leaving Hoc Mon for Cu Chi.	Ntfy FDC. RB
15.	1750	Commo Sgt--Convoy closed Cu Chi at this time.	Ntfy FDC. OP
16.	1900	Survey--wants 2 personnel to come out to A/1/8's new location as soon as possible tomorrow morning with equipment for sun shot and other computations.	Ntfy S2. OP
17.	1925	Fwd FDC--needs a new 24-volt dc generator; their old one lost the oil dipstick during operation and now sounds bad during operation.	Ntfy FDC. OP
18.	2100	Div Arty--Radar sightings are classified and cannot be sent by landline. Matter will be discussed tomorrow with 1/8 Arty S-2.	Ntfy S2. OP
19.	2100	Fwd FDC--Battery locations: A/1/8: XT80440443; B/6/77: XT8049004625.	Ntfy Div Arty OP
20.	2120	Fwd FDC--Their generator assumed deadline status at this time. Replacement is mandatory.	Ntfy FDC. OP
21.	2130	Div Arty--Bn CO's helicopter confirmed for 0730 to 1130 on 13 April.	Ntfy Fwd FDC. OP
22.	2200	Fwd FDC--A/2/27 ambush patrol at 2115 engaged a sampan. Results: 2 VC KIA (BC); 2 US WIA from US grenade bouncing off tree back towards US troops.	Ntfy Div Arty OP.

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2300

Div Arty--AO Columbus terminated at 121700 Apr.
AO Timer terminated at 121400 Apr 68.

Ntfy Fwd FDC. OP

24.

2400

JOURNAL CLOSED.

MJR.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity in the 2nd Bde area was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty this date. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 750

VC KIA (POSS): 1630

1.	Weapons	DES	DAM
	a. Mortars	17	2
	b. MG's	11	2
2.	Buildings	289	116
3.	Bridges	10	0
4.	Trenches	3	0
5.	Bunkers	81	5
6.	Vehicles	3	3
7.	Sampans	108	9
8.	Boats	14	0
9.	Ammo Dumps	1	0
10.	Sec Exp	99	0

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: A/1/8 moved to FSB Palaski (XT805048).

PLANNED MOVES: B/1/8 and C/1/8 to move to FSB Pope IV.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 501,014 rounds.

The Bn strength is 17 guns operational. A/1/8 has 1 gun deadlined due to end of tube life.

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Gerald C. Nichols

On 13 April, the 2nd Battalion, 22nd Infantry (Mech) (3rd Brigade) was conducting a reconnaissance in force in the vicinity XT455597 when companies A and C received small arms, automatic weapons and RPG-fire at 0937. Fire was returned with organic weapons and supporting helicopter gunships and artillery. Results of the engagement were! 36 enemy KIA by body count, 6 US KIA and 46 US wounded and evacuated.

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0355

Div Arty--Radar sighting. At 0320 in XT680179,
2 VC squads. No arty known to have fired.

Ntly FDC. RB

3.

0910

Fwd FDC--B/1/8 and C/1/8 have departed on FIREBALL
mission to vic XS7498 at 0900.

Ntly Div Arty. DW

4.

0950

Fwd FDC--B/1/8 closed FIREBALL location 0935, laid
and ready to fire 0950; btry center XS73449902, azimuth
unk. C/1/8 closed 0940, laid and ready to fire 0950;
btry center XS7344990, azimuth 3200m.

Ntly Div Arty. DW

5.

0954

Bn CO--returned to Cu Chi at this time.

Ntly FDC. MJR.

6.

0955

2nd Bde--D/2/27 is located at XT845083, B/1/5 Mech
is located at XS720955.

Ntly FDC. MJR.

7.

1005

Bn CO--departed Cu Chi at this time.

Ntly FDC. MJR.

8.

1200

Bn CO--returned to Cu Chi at this time.

Ntly FDC. MJR.

9.

1240

2nd Bde--1/5 Mech Team "E" at 1245 hr in XS727908
sighted 4 VC with weapons. Results: have 1 VC POW WIA,
who had a weapon but threw it away. The 3 other VC are
being looked for at this time.

Ntly FDC. MJR.

10.

1300

S3--wants current copy of 2nd Bde TAOI overlay from
2nd Bde LNO. LNO says one was sent to 1/8 FDC. 1/8
FDC informed LNO that it has been sent out.Ntly Opn Sgt.
Ntly 2nd Bde LNO. MJR.

11.

1330

FDC--Resupply flights for A/1/8: 1 Class V at 1330
hr, 1 Class I at 1530 hr.

Ntly Fwd FDC. DW

12.

1500

Bn CO--departed from Cu Chi at this time.

Ntly FDC. MJR.

13.

1520

FDC--At 1320 hr in XS727908, 1/5 Mech and PF forces

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captured 1 VC POW WIA, 1 AK-47, 1 AK-50, 1 US M-1 carbine.

POW stated that there were 3 other VC; US forces now searching for these VC.

Ntly Fwd FDC. DW

14. 1530

Fwd FDC--1/5 Mech elements learned from their POW that there is an arms cache and unknown size VC force in Ntly Div Arty, XT709929. One of the 1/5 elements is going to check. Bn HQ. DW

15. 1735

FDC--requests aircraft for Bn CO 0800-1200 tomorrow. Ntly Div Arty DW

16. 1750

Fwd FDC--B/1/8 and C/1/8 have departed from the FIREBALL location for FSB Harrison.

Ntly Div Arty. OP

17. 1955

Div Arty--OH-23 helicopter for Bn CO is confirmed for 0800-1200 tomorrow.

Ntly Fwd FDC. OP

18. 2030

Fwd FDC--requests another 24-volt DC generator. The one they have now runs badly half of the time, on one cylinder, etc.

Ntly Bn Maint OP

19. 2230

Div Arty--Radar sightings from AN/TPS-33: At 2000 hr, XT689179, VC Co.; arty fired. At 2001, XT69281823, VC Co; arty fired. At 2002, XT69651854, VC Co, arty fired. At 2028, XT709258, personnel in column, no arty known to have fired.

Ntly FDC. OP

20. 2315

Div Arty--6/77 Arty firing illumination in XT6614 for ARVN patrol.

Ntly S2. RB.

21. 2400

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty this date. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 750

VC KIA (POSS): 1630

1. Weapons

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a. Mortars

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b. MG's

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		DES	DAM
2.	Buildings	289	116
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8.	Boats	14	0
9.	Ammo dumps	1	0
10.	Sec Exp	99	0

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: B/1/8 and C/1/8 engaged on a FIREBALL mission in XS734990, and returned to FSB Harrison.
 PLANNED MOVES FOR 14 April: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 501,211 rounds.
 The Bn strength is 17 guns operational. A/1/8 still has one gun deadlined due to end of tube life.

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WILBURT L. JENKINS, MAJ, ARTY, S-3.

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At 0615 on 14 April at vicinity XT512249, Company C, 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry (1st Brigade) engaged an unknown number of VC with small arms, automatic weapons and supporting artillery and helicopter gunships. Results of the engagement were one US KIA, five VC KIA. At 0915, a helicopter gunship supporting Company C engaged an unknown number of VC at XT517242 with automatic weapons and rockets, killing eight enemy by body count. Contact between elements of the Tropic Lightning Division and enemy forces was relatively light and scattered from 15 to 22 April as the enemy avoided contact with maneuvering divisional battalions.

Reliable intelligence sources provided indications that NVA/VC main-force units would attempt a major attack on Saigon and its environs on or about 1 May (Vietnamese Labor Day). To meet this threat, the 25th Infantry Division executed a major deployment of its assets on 23 April. All but two of its maneuver battalions were moved into the southern and southeastern portions of the TAOI to block the main avenues of approach into Saigon from the west. The 2nd Brigade (1/27 Infantry, 2/27 Infantry, 1/5 Infantry (Mech) and 3/4 Cavalry) and the 1st Brigade (4/9 Infantry, 2/14 Infantry, 3/22 Infantry, 2/34 Armor and 3/17 Cavalry) maneuvered in GIA MINH, BINH DUONG, LONG AN and HAU NGHIA Provinces within the Division TAOI. The 3rd Brigade (2/22 Infantry (Mech) and 2/12 Infantry) assumed responsibility for the defense of TAY NINH and DAU TIENG base camp areas and the MSR's connecting them to CU CHI. The 4th Battalion, 23rd Infantry (Mech) was placed directly under division control.

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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN.			MJR.	
2.	0030	Fwd FDC--B/1/5 Mech AP in contact; B/1/8 will fire illumination in support.			Ntfy FDC. RB	
3.	0130	Fwd FDC--B/1/5 Mech element ambushed 11 VC in XT735003. Sweep of area resulted in 5 VC KIA (BC), 4 AK-47, 1 M-16. Negative knowledge of US casualties at this time.			Ntfy Div Arty, S2 RB	
4.	0600	Fwd FDC--131800-140600 Ammo and Fuze Report. A/1/8: 123 HE, 123 PD, 4 WP, 1 TL. B/1/8: 84 HE, 4 WP, 48 ILL, 88 PD, 48 TL. C/1/8: 27 HE, 14 WP, 32 PD, 9 TL.			Ntfy Div Arty RB	
5.	0830	Ammo Off--Resupply flights for A/1/8: at 1100 hr, 1 water trailer; at 1330, 1 POL; at 1400, 2 Class V.			Ntfy Fwd FDC. DW	
6.	0840	Fwd FDC--A/2/27 elements down in XT810069; LZ cold.			Ntfy Div Arty DW	
7.	1130	Bn CO--departed Cu Chi at this time.			Ntfy FDC. MJR.	
8.	1425	Fwd FDC--B/2/27 elements in XT820061 received sniper fire, resulting in 1 US WIA, dusted off at 1330.			Ntfy Div Arty. DW	
9.	1430	Fwd FDC--B/2/27 elements at 1350 hr in XT825068 rcdv heavy sniper fire, resulting in 3 US KIA, 4 US WIA.			Ntfy Div Arty. OP	
10.	1540	FDC--requests OH-23 for Bn CO tomorrow from 0800 to 1200, to pick him up in Cu Chi.			Ntfy Div Arty OP	
11.	1600	Div Arty--there will be an airstrike at 1610 in XT8206.			Ntfy Fwd FDC OP	
12.	1600	Fwd FDC---In reference to contact by B/2/27 elements.				

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12	mont	A/1/8 and C/1/8 are presently firing into grid XT825068. B/1/8, B/6/77, and B/3/13 are prepared to fire in support if necessary.				Ntly Div Arty OP	
13.	1700	Fwd FDC--A/1/8, C/1/8, and B/3/13 are now firing on grid XT825068. C/2/27 is getting sniper fire now. Results for B/2/27: 1 VC KIA (BC), 3 US KIA, 4 US WIA. Believed 10 or 12 VC are firing.				Ntly Div Arty OP	
14.	1720	Ammo Off--POL resupply for A/1/8 is still on the way, so A/1/8 will just have to wait until it gets there.				Ntly Fwd FDC. OP	
15.	1725	Commo Sgt--Convoy has departed FSB Harrison and is now en route to Cu Chi.				Ntly Div Arty OP	
16.	1800	FDC--informed C/1/8 rear to send a 2 ¹ -ton vehicle to MP Checkpoint to tow an inoperative vehicle.				Ntly C/1/8 Rear. OP	
17.	1815	Fwd FDC--Arty has ceased firing. 2/27 Inf is beginning sweep of area of contact at this time.				Ntly Div Arty. OP	
18.	1850	FDC--Revision of time for Bn CO's OH-23 for tomorrow: is now to be 1000 to 1400 hr.				Ntly Div Arty OP	
19.	1900	Fwd FDD--A/1/8 has received End-of-Mission. All arty fire has ceased. No further reports from 2/27 elements at present.				Ntly Div Arty. OP	
20.	1930	Div Arty--Confirmation fo OH-23 for Bn CO from 1300 to 1700 hr tomorrow.				Ntly Bn CO. OP	
21.	2000	Fwd FDC--requests 3 55-gal drums mogas for their location tomorrow: 1 for VHF, 1 for RTT, 1 for Fwd FDC.				Ntly FDC. OP	
22.	2000	Div Arty--radar sightings. At 1937 in XT687205,					

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22	cont.	a plt of VC; at 1950 hr in XT74502151, a squad of VC; at 1955 in XT719212, a squad of VC; at 2000 in XT727228, a plt of VC.		Ntly FDC. OP	
23.	2100	Div Arty--radar sightings. At 2043 in XT675214, 3 or 4 personnel; at 2059 in XT684179, an oxcart.		Ntly FDC. OP	
24.	2225	Div Arty--radar sightings: At 2124 hr in XT679178, an oxcart; arty fired. At 2123 hr in XT68141798, an oxcart; arty fired. At 2125 hr in XT68081772, an oxcart; arty fired. Results: unknown.		Ntly FDC. RB	
25.	2310	Fwd FDC--A/1/8 did not receive any incoming rds.		Ntly FDC. RB	
26.	2355	Div Arty--Radar sighting: At 2337 in XT737240, a plt of VC. Arty fired, results unknown.		Ntly FDC. RB.	
27.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.		MJR.	
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY					
During the reporting period enemy activity was heavy. A/1/8 and C/1/8 fired in support of B/2/27 in grid XT825068, with unknown results. Totals are as follows:					
PERSONNEL:					
VC KIA (BC): 750		VC KIA (POSS): 1630			
1.	Weapons	DES	DAM		
	a. Mortars	17	2		
	b. MI's	11	2		
2.	Buildings	289	116		
3.	Bridges	10	0		
4.	Trenches	3	0		
5.	Bunkers	81	5		
6.	Vehicles	3	3		
7.	Sampans	108	9		
8.	Boats	14	0		
9.	Ammo dumps	1	0		
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PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 15 April: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival
in country is 501,988 rounds.The Bn strength is 17 guns operational. A/1/8
still has one gun deadlined due to end of tube life.

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12 cont.		B/6/77 Arty reports 5 secondary explosions in XT837048 when firing for 2/27 Inf.			Ntly Div Arty. OP	
13.	1700	Fwd FDC--B/1/27 Inf went into area of contact, found 2 US MIA's, who are now KIA's, 3 122mm warhead.			Ntly Div Arty. OP	
14.	1710	Commo Sgt--Convoy has closed Cu Chi.			Ntly FDC. RB	
15.	1730	Fwd FDC--B/1/27 elements have 4 US KIA, 5 US WIA, 2 US MIA's recovered with equipment. Found 20 bunkers 3x3x3 ft with fortified overhead cover, showing damage due to Arty. Also 2 VC KIA (BC) credited to arty.			Ntly Div Arty. DW	
16.	1900	Bn XO--C/1/8 will send 5 drivers to Cu Chi tomorrow for vehicle maintenance.			Ntly C/1/8. OP	
17.	1920	Div Arty--AN/TPS-25 radar sighted 3 or 4 personnel in XT58922448; arty fired, with unk results.			Ntly 2nd Bde. OP	
18.	1930	FDC--cancel previous request for helicopter for Bn CO; due to tactical requirement he will need it from 0800 to 1700 tomorrow to support Div Arty CO.			Ntly Div Arty GK	
19.	1940	Fwd FDC--A/1/8 forward needs 1000 sandbags, 40 engineers stakes, and 1 Starlite.			Ntly A/1/8 rear. MJR	
20.	2140	Div Arty--Helicopter for Bn CO confirmed 0800-1700.			Ntly Bn CO. OP	
21.	2150	FDC--Incoming rounds, probably 122mm rocket, impacting in the area of the airstrip.			Siren. OP/MJR	
22.	2151	2nd Bde LNO--2nd Bde wants to move 2 arty btry tomorrow in order to support 1/5 Mech operations in XS6992. If any questions or comments contact 2nd Bde S3.			Ntly Bn CO. OP	
23.	2200	A/1/8 rear--incoming rounds impacted on Airport road where				

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23 cont.		plane crossing is located; and on road to A/1/8 location.	Ntly Div Arty. OP
24.	2200	Btrys--all btrys report negative rounds in Bn area.	Ntly Div Arty. OP
25.	2205	2nd Bde LNO--2/27 Inf has 2 WIA from 122mm rockets; they also observed a 75mm recoilless rifle rd hit near bunker line vic. their location.	Ntly Div Arty. OP
26.	2220	Div Arty--Stand-down at 2207 hours.	Ntly Btrys. OP
27.	2230	2nd Bde LNO--1/5 Mech Bn CO would like 1/8 Arty Bn CO to control movement of arty tomorrow morning.	Ntly Bn HQ. RB
28.	2250	S2--"Red Rocket" exercise will commence. All units involved notified. Exercise reported completed 2052.	Ntly BN CO. RB
29.	2350	Fwd FDC--Frequency for Div Arty CO is 43.95.	Ntly S2, Opn Sgt. RB
30.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.	MJR.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was light. A/1/8 fired 1 mission in support of B/1/27 Inf, resulting in 1 secondary explosion and 2 VC KIA (BC). Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

	CVC KIA (BC): 752	VC KIA (POSS): 1630
1. Weapons	DES	DAM
a. Mortars	17	2
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2. Buildings	289	116
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