

ITEM: Daytime H&I's.

DISCUSSION: Daytime H&I fires have proved valuable in reducing mortar attacks of field positions.

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OBSERVATION: The tendency is to think of H&I's as primarily a night role for artillery. It has been shown, however, that daytime use of heavy and medium artillery against suspected mortar locations will sharply reduce mortar attacks on field positions. This is even effective against pop-up mortars which fire several rounds and then return to tunnels. The random nature of H&I's and the heavier artillery are apparently extremely discouraging to enemy mortars.