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 HQ 269th Cbt Avn Bn
 CU CHI (XT6416) RVN
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References: Maps 1:50,000 RVN Series L7014, Sheets 6231 II, 6331 III, 6230 I, & 6330 IV.

Flt 1: BLACKHAWKS, 187th AHC, 10 slicks, 1 maint, 1 spare.
 ROBIN HOODS, 173d AHC, 10 slicks, 1 maint, 1 spare.

Flt 2: BLACK WIDOWS, 188th AHC, 10 slicks, 1 maint, 1 spare.
 VULTURES, 162d AHC, 10 slicks, 1 maint, 1 spare.

Flt 3: HORNETS, 116th AHC, 10 slicks, 1 maint, 1 spare.
 TOMAHAWKS, 128th AHC 10 slicks, 1 maint, 1 spare.

Gunships: RATPACK 2 LFT, STINGERS 2 LFT, SPIDERS 2 LFT, CROSSBOWS, 1 LFT, COPPERHEADS, 1 LFT, GUNSLINGERS 1 LFT, Control of gunships, BLACK BARON 5.

1. (S) SITUATION:

a. Enemy: As briefed.

b. Friendly: 1st Bde, 25th Div will eliminate the HoBo Woods as a VC Base area by 31 Oct 67 through: Tactical operations to destroy known and suspected VC forces in the area; Jungle clearing with Rome Plows in accordance with directed priorities; and destruction of VC field fortifications.

c. Attachments and Detachments:

(1) 173d AHC, effective 170530 Sep 67.

(2) 162d AHC, effective 170530 Sep 67.

(3) 128th AHC, effective 170530 Sep 67.

(S) MISSION: 269th Cbt Avn Bn conducts air aslts lifting 4-9th & 2-14th into bag zones in the HoBo Woods. Infantry insertions will consist of four lifts three organic AHC and three attached AHC. Gunship preparation and cover for on elements will be provided by the 269th organic and attached fire teams.

(S) EXECUTION:

a. Concept of Operation: Six AHC will lift elements of 1st Bde into LZ in the HoBo Woods area NORTHWEST of Cu Chi. Flights will be organized into three flights of 2 companies each. Flight one will consist of BLACKHAWKS and ROBINHOODS, flight 2 will be BLACK WIDOWS and VULTURES, and flight 3 will consist of the HORNETS and TOMAHAWKS. Infantry elements will be moved from PZ CU CHI, vicinity coordinates XT661149, and PZ TRUNG LAP, vicinity coordinates XT583190, to LZ-A vicinity coordinates XT629288. Initially six AHC will stage out of PZ CU CHI departing in flights of two companies, one minute separation between companies at LZ-A. The first two flights consisting of four companies will receive their first infantry elements from PZ TRUNG LAP. The third flight, after the first insertion will return to CU CHI for one subsequent insertion of troops landed at CU CHI. The four companies loaded at TRUNG LAP will make two subsequent insertion from PZ TRUNG LAP into LZ-A as specified by Annex B, Sequence of Events. All suppression will be authorized only to the BLACKHAWKS and ROBINHOODS on the first insertion. Subsequent flights are not authorized suppression, however, usual rules of engagement will apply. The LZ will have intense Air Force preparation with varied ordnance expended, a high concentration of artillery from seven artillery batteries, and final preparations by gunships supporting the airmobile force.

b. Annex A: Operation Overlay.

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 FROM CLASSIFIED ENCLOSURE AND ANNEX C

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 completion of operation.