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SUBJECT: Operational report of Headquarters, I PFORCEV for Quarterly Period Ending 31 January 1969, RCS CSFOR-65 (R1) (U)

(d) 55th MI Detachment (CORPS):

1. For the period 28 Oct 68 through 31 Jan 69, the 55th MI Detachment, II Section received 832 in-country missions and processed 554. In addition, 33 Dorsal Fin and 45 Yankee Team missions were processed. Sixty-seven Special Photo Interpretation Reports were submitted which included 16 area studies in RVN, five trafficability studies and 46 area studies in Southeastern Laos. Thirty-three supplementary Photo Interpretation Reports were also submitted covering the Dorsal Fin area.

2. In addition to reports submitted, the following projects were accomplished by the Imagery Interpretation Section:

a. Completed 50 town and airfield studies for the 64th Engr Det (T).

b. Continued six area studies covering approximately 18,870 square km in RVN.

c. Constructed six mosaics for requestors.

d. Furnished the 64th Engr Det (T) with updated master plates covering the II CTZ.

e. Furnished the G2 Air and FSCE with three artillery targets.

f. Interpreted numerous missions covering the NVA road network and border area and provided current information on these areas to the G2 Air and 64th Engr Det (T).

3. During the quarter, the Interrogation Prisoner of War (IPW) Section screened and classified 221 detainees and as a result of these interrogations, a total of 21 preliminary interrogation reports and interrogation reports were prepared and distributed. Captured documents were screened and 38 feet of documents were forwarded to Combined Document Exploitation Center (CDEC) for further exploitation. IPW teams translated a total of 263 enemy documents. The Technical Intelligence Section processed and evacuated all captured weapons and material through S4 and G4 channels.

(e) Company E (LRP), 20th Infantry (Abn):

1. During the month of December, E Co (LRP) 20th Inf was brought under the centralized control of the company commander rather than having platoons placed OPCON to I PFORCEV subordinate commands. From 11 Dec to 23 Dec the company stood down at its base at An Khe for reorganization and training. The reorganization made the company more responsive to the operation requirements of the Field Force, while at the same time resulted in greater productivity in missions conducted. Morale also improved immeasurably as a direct result of the revised concept.

2. During the reporting period, E Co inserted 157 teams which resulted in 112 enemy sightings and 40 enemy KIA (BC). Two-thirds of the results were experienced during the past 30 days, or since the revised concept was placed in effect. Friendly losses were two KIA and 26 WIA.

3. U.S. Mobile Training Team (MTT) assistance to ARVN LRP's and RF Medium Range Patrols (MRP's) terminated during the period. Both programs will be continued at the divisional and BR training centers, respectively, until all training requirements are completed.

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