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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
1	0052		(G) A Co (-) IZ Gater, A344 (-) IZ Paradise, A21 (587 948) A22 (560979) A31 (647007) B Co (-) IZ Gater, B11 (629012) B21 (470090) B31 (519920) C Co (-) IZ Dettie, C11 (566055) C31 (600003) D Co (-) IZ Buff, D22 (561078) D33 (552007) E Co (-) IZ Gater, E1-IZ Buff A&P 133, E26 (552903) E25 (550901) 3/H/170 Cav- (2) at IZ Dettie.	Bde informed.	
2	0125		(G) Foxhole Report: EQ 102 A Co 27 107 134 152 B Co 38 86 124 152 C Co 23 69 92 143 D Co 27 93 120 133 E Co 20 59 79 90 TOT: 135 414 549 852	Bde informed.	
3	0159		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
4	0258		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
5	0300		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
6	0400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
7	0500		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
8	0600		(G) A31 (B2649007) D33 (B2537807). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
9	0700		(C) A31 (B2647007). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
10	0800		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
11	0900		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
12	0905		(C) From Bde: Time 301000 Nov 68, action group reports unknown number of VC reported by villagers via 544005.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.	
13	0910		(G) From Bde: 301945 Nov 68, action group reports 200 VC in B2664906, 676965, 671961, 665 956, VC have complete indiv wps, mortars, BARs. Action group fired H&Is on grids last night.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.	

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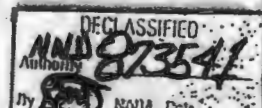
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14	0915		(C) To C Co: ARVN AG extension in effect till 002400 Nov 68, grids 6383, 6375, 7375, 7686, 5885.				Bde informed. S-3 informed. S-2 informed.		
15	1045		(C) Bde S2 Air: spotted 7-8 VC in AA position fired, resulting in 1 VC KIA. Fired HE resulting in 2 VC KIA, one bunker and one structure destroyed via 737827.				Bde informed.		
16	1008		(C) ER5 GP 558978.				Bde informed.		
17	1000		(U) Delayed entry: All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
18	1100		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
19	1200		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
20	1300		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
21	1400		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
22	1430		(C) Grids 559445595 were cleared for 81mm practice fire for 300. During the firing a VN boy was killed/his father injured. Both were brought to IZ Gator/treated. Recheck of plot of firing data proved correct.				Bde informed. S-3 informed.		
23	1500		(C) ER5(556976) moving South. All other elements no change.				Bde informed.		
24	1600		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
25	1700		(C) ER6(552981) ER5(549957). All other elements no change.				Bde informed.		
26	1705		(C) ER6(555881) ER5(566962).				Bde informed.		
27	1800		(C) ER6(moving). All other elements no change.				Bde informed.		
28	1805		(C) D12(573828) MFP.				Bde informed.		
29	1925		(C) D12 at 1730 hit one M16 mine. Dud round. Searched area and found another one. BN CO granted permission to move to new loc, at 573828. Mines were at 573833.				Bde informed. S-2 informed. S-3 informed. Artillery		
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30	1940		(C) B33 received 3 rds at 1740 from via 538804. Friendly loc 533807. Arty called 1740, negative results.	Bde informed.	
31	1945		(C) At 1825 ER6 loc is 558979.	Bde informed.	
32	1950		(C) Received from C Co at 13 Bottle at 1855 VIP: 18-M16 mines, 9-claymores, 75-M26 grenades, 24-M14 mines, 31-M79 HE rds, 1-M72, 10-VC gren, 26-60mm HE rds, 6-81mm rds, 9-TNT, 10-105mm HE rds, 2-81mm rds, 6-82mm HE, 2-VC TNT, 1000-mm arm rds, 2-claymores, 1-VT fuse, \$69,400 piasters expended.	Bde informed. S-3 informed. S-2 informed.	
33	1955		(C) Delayed entry: ER5(549957) ER6(558979). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
34	1955		(C) C31 to move to 693886.	Bde informed.	
35	2000		(U) All the elements no change.	Bde informed.	
36	2020		(C) Bde intell from CAP 133: 301900 friendly grid 664984. Enemy grid 665963. follow up of 30 Nov 68 2100. Results from arty: 1 VC KIA, many VC wounded. VC broke up after arty was called. 38 VC still reported in PHU LOB#2. Other intell reports VC in PHU NDA#122, making ladders, so they can enter lower compound of CAP 133. VC have been very active with PHU BOPS THU ONE NDA area via 640972.	Bde informed.	
37	2100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
38	2200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
39	2300		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
40	2400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
			Friendly losses for periods: None		
			Enemy losses for period: None		
			Friendly losses to date: 34 KIA, 315 MHA, 4 killed not as result of hostile action		
			Enemy losses to date: 93 KIA, 30 VC KIA, 93 indiv wons, 82 HE		

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2	0001		(G) Delayed entry: Foxhole Report: <table style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:10%;">HQ</td> <td style="width:10%;"></td> <td style="width:10%;"></td> <td style="width:10%;"></td> <td style="width:10%;"></td> <td style="width:10%;"></td> <td style="width:10%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>A Co</td> <td>25</td> <td>110</td> <td>135</td> <td></td> <td>181</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>B Co</td> <td>38</td> <td>85</td> <td>123</td> <td></td> <td>150</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>C Co</td> <td>39</td> <td>82</td> <td>121</td> <td></td> <td>142</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>D Co</td> <td>35</td> <td>56</td> <td>91</td> <td></td> <td>132</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>E Co</td> <td>202</td> <td>59</td> <td>79</td> <td></td> <td>90</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOT:</td> <td>157</td> <td>392</td> <td>549</td> <td></td> <td>848</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		HQ							A Co	25	110	135		181		B Co	38	85	123		150		C Co	39	82	121		142		D Co	35	56	91		132		E Co	202	59	79		90		TOT:	157	392	549		848		Bde informed.	
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11	0900		(C) A31(River Boat South) B11(River Boat South) E45-moving Northwest, E46-moving South. All other elements no change.		Bde informed.																																																		
12	0910		(C) D Co D22 spotted 4 VC via 565886 wearing packs, negative wms. Calling arty-results, 1 VC KIA lying in rice paddy. will observe body, if not one tries to drag body away, D22 will check out body this afternoon.		Bde informed. 8-3 informed.																																																		
13	0950		(C) E45 has 1 detainee, male, age 22, via 540960. No ID card. Will extract this afternoon.		Bde informed. 8-3 informed.																																																		

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14	1000		(G)HR6(549975)HR5(540960)A31(LZ Gator). All other elements no change.	Bde informed. Artillery			
15	1100		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
16	1105		(G)D Co D12 spotted 5 VC in grid 570827 with gray uniforms. Engaging with arty.	Bde informed. 8-3 informed.			
17	1200		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
18	1159		(G)Delayed entry: G31 spotted 3 VC 250 meters Southeast of G31 location, moving to Southeast. Engaged with small arms, all dressed in dark colored PJs. 2 VN were KIA when 31 fired on 3 VC. Dustoff called, girls wounded in legs. VN females were working in the area, had nothing to do with VC.	Bde informed. 8-3 informed.			
19	1300		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
20	1400		(G)HR6(542969)HR5(540971). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
21	1500		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
22	1600		(U)G31(returned to LZ Bettie)HR6(542969)HR5(543954). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
23	1700		(G)3/1/17 LZ Bettie. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
24	1800		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
25	1900		(G)HR6(moving to 541961)HR5(moving to 529956) All other elements no change.	Bde informed. Artillery			
26	2000		(G)013 moving to via 635882 HR5(529956)HR6(moved to 541961). All other elements no change.	Bde informed. Artillery			
27	2100		(G)G22 moving to B8645896, 013 moving to B8635882. All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Headquarters, 5th Battalion, 46th Infantry
198th Infantry Brigade Americal Division
APO San Francisco 96219

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2 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
AFIP: AFIP-BCZ
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1. Operation Summary: 3-46 continue operations and security of ILS in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 011740 hours, at 353007, B53 received 3 rounds of small arms fire from grid 353004. They called artillery with negative results.

At 012050 hours, at 348891, a patrol of CAP 12R, received 4 M-79 rounds and 300 rounds of small arms fire. The patrol called in artillery and used dogs to track down the insurgents. Negative results.

At 080940 hours, at 364879, 12R spotted 4 VC with packs at grid 365006. They called artillery and confirmed 1 VC KIA.

At 080920 hours, at 348897, a patrol from CAP 12R received 30 rounds of M-47 fire from grid and called artillery on that grid 348897. Negative results.

At 021105 hours, at 372827, B42 spotted 5 VC in gray uniforms at grid 370827. They called artillery and used the CO for observation. Negative enemy results. Detained 4 for interrogation.

At 021155 hours, at 403806, C31 spotted 3 VC 250 meters Southeast of their location. They engaged the 3 VC and wounded 2 young VC girls. Priority airstaff called 1210 and completed 1242.

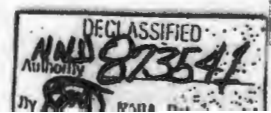
3. SUMMARY PLANS: 021900 - 051900 Dec 68

GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/3-46: Continue defense of LZ GARN. Reinforced squad for security of BSC equipment via 367948 (A21). One platoon (3rd) plus 2 81mm mortars defend LZ PARADISE. One squad secures bridge via 367979 (A22). One SINF (A26) via 403806. Released from bunker line at LZ GARN. One SINF (A26) to be inserted in location to be picked approx 051200 Dec 68.

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11/5-66: Assist in defense of LZ GARDN. One SLP (R31) via 519900 and one SLP (R21) via 470090, extracted to LZ GARDN approx 031900 Dec 68. Assume control of landing line at LZ GARDN 030000. One SLP to be inserted via 485838 at approx 031900 Dec.

11/5-66: Continue defense of LZ DORTIE. One SLP (R22) via 648904. One SLP (R11) via 564073.

11/5-66: Continue defense of LZ BUFF. One SLP (R22) via 564073. One SLP (R53) via 570000. One SLP (R12) via 570000.

11/5-66: Assist in defense of LZ GARDN. Recon via 540971 and via 542969. Mortars are in general support of LZ BUFF and CAP 193.

11/17 Cdr: The ASATS at LZ DORTIE for reaction force.

4. Conclusion:

4. Friendly: None

4. Enemy: 1 VC KIA

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1	0001		(U) Journal Opened.				
2.	0001		(C) Co A(-) LZ Gator, A3 & 4(-) LZ Paradise A21 (BS587948), A22 (BS568979), A31 (BS478858) Co B(-) LZ Gator, B21 (BS470890), B31 (BS519900) Co C (-) LZ Dottie, C11 (BS569878) C22 (BS646897) C13 (BS634877) Co D(-) LZ Buff D22 (BS564879), D33 (BS536813) D12 (BS576872) Co E(-) LZ Gator, EM CAP 133 & LZ Buff ER6 (BS541961), ER5 (BS529956) 2/3/H/17 Cav LZ Dottie.			Bde informed.	
3	0100		(C) D12 (BS576827) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	
4	0200		(C) D12 (BS576872) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	
5	0300		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
6	0305		(C) FOXHOLE REPORT: HHG 181 A 27 105 132 150 B 38 90 128 147 C 46 82 128 144 D 35 66 101 137 E 20 57 77 88 TOTAL 166 400 566 847				
7	0400		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
8	0500		(C) ER6 (BS541962) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	
9	0600		(C) A25 (BS478858) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	
10	0700		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
11	0800		(C) ER6 (BS541961) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	
12	0900		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
13	0955		(C) D6-D12 spotted 3xVC's in open vic (562835) 3xVC's are moving SW One has a pack neg wps Moving from vic D12 received sniper fire from last night Calling Arty.			Bde informed.	
14	1000		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
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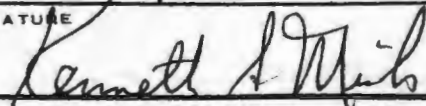
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15	1021		(C) ER6-ER5 reports PF's are careless where they shoot request ER5 move to ER6 loc (541961) S-3 granted.			Bde informed.		
16	1042		(C) D Co- D12 reports 1x KIA and large Secondary explosion vic (562835) Arty mission still firing.			Bde informed.		
17	1045		(C) ER5 has moved to ER6 loc (541961). Hold in place until PF Operation is overdue to end seen.			Bde informed.		
18	1100		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
19	1200		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
20	1300		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
21	1330		(C) MRI-Probable enemy location (BS448782)			Bde informed.		
22	1400		(C) B21(587947) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
23	1500		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
24	1555		(C) Bde S2 passed info that approx 200 per Activity unk at grid BS(699928/699942). Unk unit observed at 020800 Dec wearing green uniforms had two 57RR, one 82mm, two 60mm three 30 cal., or more unk no of BAR's. Six AK-47.			Bde informed.		
25	1600		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
26	1625		(C) NDPs B1(-) (485837) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
27	1700		(C) Area Scouts picked up two females at (717923). Took them to bayonet.			Bde informed.		
28	1700		(C) B21 returned to Gator, All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
29	1745		Insert: B1(-) PZ Gator: 1630 LZ (4854837) 1643. Insert All PZ Gator: 1710, LZ 519900 1725. Extract B31 PZ 519900 1726, LZ Gator, 1730:					
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30	1800		(C) BL(-) extracted (485837) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
31	1840		(C) DELAYED ENTRY: Spotted 2xVC with wpns. seen running into tree line at base of hill grid (568887: called arty at 57008887: one secondary explosion neg KIA's VC suspected moving SE towards C11. VC fired at chopper BL flying over area.			Bde informed.		
32	1900		(C) BL moving to 485838. All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
33	2000		(C) All KKKK elements no change.			Bde informed.		
34	2100		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
35	2130		(C) D12 observed at (564483) at 2045 eight VC called arty, 3 KIA's no equip sighted continue H&I all night.			Bde informed.		
36	2130		DELAYED ENTRY (C) Received report from S2 that 80 VC training for replacements for 48th Bn in 95th Sapper Co training 021700-072200 Dec at BS690914. Have one 30 cal unk number of AK 47 and AK 50's.			Bde informed.		
37	2130		DELAYED ENTRY (C) Received report from Bde S2 that 50 men are drafting people to repair VC commo tunnels at grid BS667943. At 021000 Dec one 51 RR, one 60 mm, one 30 Cal, four BAR's, five AK47's, four AK-50's, 3 MGT. Commo officer PHAN HOA of 95th Sapper Co.			Bde informed.		
38	2155		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
39	2255		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
40	2359		(C) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
41	2400		(U) Journal Closed.					
Friendly losses for period: None Enemy losses for period: 4 VC KIA Friendly losses to date: 34 KHA, 315 WHA, 4 killed not as result of hostile action Enemy losses to date: 98 KIA, 30 VC GIA, 93 indiv wpns, 82 HG								
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AVIF-300

3 December 1960

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
190th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVIF-300
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1. Operation Summary: 5-45 continue operations and security of LZ in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 021500 hours, at 576027, D12 observed automatic and semi-automatic weapons fire from grid 579053. The enemy fire was directed at D12 02 Dec 60 HRP location. Artillery was called with a resulting 6 secondary explosions. Negative friendly casualties.

At 030955 hours, at 576027, D12 spotted 3 VC in the open at grid 580053. 1 of the VC had a pack. Negative weapons. D12 called artillery and confirmed 1 VC KIA and 1 large secondary explosion.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 031500 - 041500 Dec 60
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GARDEN. One platoon (3rd) plus 2 81mm mortars defend LZ PARADISE and ambushed by air at 041000 Dec. One SLP (A11) via 519900. One SLP (A25) via 470050. Reaction force for CLEC. One SLP to be inserted by air approx 041500 Dec at place to be determined.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GARDEN. One SLP (B11) via 489057. One platoon secure control of LZ PARADISE at approx 041000 Dec 60.

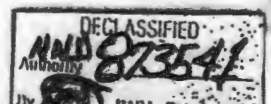
C/5-46: Continue defense of LZ JONES. One SLP (C22) via 646050. One SLP (C13) via 634070. One SLP (C11) via 579070 extracted by air at approx 041500 Dec 60.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ HUNT. One SLP (D12) via 577020. One SLP (D22) via 564079 to be extracted by air at approx 041500 Dec 60. One SLP to be inserted by air approx 041500 Dec at place to be determined.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GARDEN. Mortars are in general support of LZ HUNT and C&P 133.

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H/V Conv: Two ACWs at 12 DOTTIE for reaction forces.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: 1 VC KIA

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1	0050		(C) A Co (-) IS Gator, A364 (-) IS Paradise, A11 (510 900) A25 (478838) B Co (-) IS Gator, B11 (485838) B22 (587947) B23 (568978) C Co (-) IS Dottie, C11 (569878) C22 (646892) C13 (634877) D Co (-) IS Buff B12 (576827) B22 (564879) E Co (-) IS Gator, EN-12 Buff ACAP 13333/11/17 Cav- (2) IS Dottie.	Bde informed.	
2	0010		(C) Foxhole Report: HQ 180 A Co 26 108 134 192 B Co 28 98 126 146 C Co 39 81 120 146 D Co 29 91 120 139 E Co 0 82 82 92 TOT: 122 460 582 854	Bde informed.	
3	0126		(C) G Co had a grenade accident at IS Dottie. Called dustoff at 0034. Complete 0116. There were 3 US involved, 1 dead and 2 wounded.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.	
4	0215		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
5	0340		(C) TRA-ROME operation C195 on (060400) through (100900) mission recon, grid 4086, 4686, 4682, 4082.	Bde informed.	
6	0445		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
7	0530		(C) From G Co: Grenade accident happened in motor pool (IS Dottie). 2 vehicles were slightly damaged. At least 2 of the 3 persons were drunk. Found a bottle of 45 whiskey near them. Man that was killed seemed to have pulled the pin of the grenade and held it until it went off. SP4 HUBBS, killed not as a result of hostile action. PFC NOVAK & PFC CORTEZ wounded not as result of hostile action.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.	
8	0600		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
9	0700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
10	0800		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
11	0900		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	

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12	1000		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
13	1100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
14	1200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
15	1300		(C) B33(BB587949) All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
16	1400		(C) CM (returned to LZ Bettle) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
17	1430		(C) B8702913 significant amount of digging in bomb crater, 2 tunnel entrances inside crater B8723877 market place, only 5 VN in area this morning. Significant decrease in movement there and along trail running North-south thru market. B8683915 diggings in bomb crater, 5 bunkers 100 meters South of crater, well 200 meters East of crater, appears to be a tunnel entrance. B8530936 much activity to top of hill, trail terminates in heavy foliage. B8632959. Tunnel entrance appears to be 4'x3'.	Bde informed. S-3 informed. S-2 informed.			
18	1500		(C) B34(IZ Paradise) B33(587947) B32(568978) B34(572883). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
19	1600		(C) D34(569878) All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
20	1700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
21	1730		(C) Air Strike at B8480885, complete 1710. BDA, 2 hootches & 2 bunkers destroyed.	Bde informed.			
22	1735		(C) Aero Observers snatched 1 VC male at 559 884. At grid 51B883, also found 200lbs of rice and destroyed.	Bde informed.			
23	1800		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
24	1845		(C) A32 insertion, P3 IZ Gator 1815, IZ 706 328, 1832.	Bde informed. Artillery.			
25	1850		(C) 022 observed 3 VC moving Northwest at grid 684877. Wearing web gear. 1 grease gun, 1 AK-47. Took under fire with small arms. 1 VC KIA				

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AVIF-BOC

4 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
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APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 3-46 continue operations and security of LAs in assigned AO.

B. Contacts: At 051040 hours, at 364079, D22 spotted 2 VU with weapons running into a tree line at grid 360007. D22 called in artillery with unknown results.

At 052100 hours, at 376027, D12 observed 3 VU at 364054. D12 called in artillery with 3 VU KIA.

At 040000 hours, at 376027, D12 called artillery on 1 VU evading when the C/S blew over. Grid 366032. Negative results.

2. SUMMARY PLANS: 041900 - 051900 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/3-46: Assist in defense of LA GARD. One SLEP (A11) via 519900. One SLEP (A25) via 478858. One SLEP (A32) via 706988. Reaction force for G12G. One SLEP (A3-) to be inserted via 669911 at 050900 Dec 68.

B/3-46: Continue defense of LA GARD. One SLEP (B11) via 489038. One platoon (B2) with 2 81mm mortars (B4-) at LA PARADISE.

C/3-46: Continue defense of LA DOWIE. One SLEP (C22) via 649094. One SLEP (C13) via 634578. One platoon (C1) reaction force for GAF operation via 6494.

D/3-46: Continue defense of LA BUFF. One SLEP (D12) via 570028. One SLEP (D34) via 364079.

E/3-46: Assist in defense of LA GARD. Mortars are in general support of LA BUFF and GAF 133.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None
B. Enemy: 3 VU KIA

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R/3-46: Continue defense of LZ BUEF. One SINF (D12) via 376000. One SINF (D34) via 369079.

R/3-46: Assist in defense of LZ GARD. Recon column and search village via 549023. At 060530 Dec 68, return to LZ GARD. 061600 Dec 68. Mortars are in general support of LZ BUEF and CAP T33.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: 1 VC KIA

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10	0700		(C) A25(478854) All other elements no change.				Bde informed.																																											
11	0700		(C) BDE- ER will cordon & search village vic 531821 depart gator for Buff at 051700 Dec. 5x lifts avl 6 pax. Depart Buff for vill 0100 hrs 06 Dec 26x pax, 2x scout Dogs w/Handlers, 2x Inter, 1x Bull Horn, 3x Starlight Soppes.				Bde informed.																																											
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13	0800		(C) Serial No of AK47 Captured by G13 685935 Papers also captured-undetermined value.				Bde informed.																																											
14	0805		(C) BDE- 2x detainees at G1 would like 5/46 to pick up.				Bde informed.																																											
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14	0747		(E) A Co- A32 receiving sniper fire- calling arty A32 706927 on loc. 706928.		Bde informed.		
15	0850		(C) A Co- 60 par for GA tonight.		Bde informed.		
16	0805		(B) DELAYED ENTRY: BOD team working in grid 5999.		Bde informed.		
17	0900		(C) A32 moving, B33 587947. All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
20	1000		(C) A32 moving. All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
21	1100		(C) B33 587947, All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
22	1125		(C) BDE Accidents- Don't fire 81mm mortar HE or WP over heads of troops TAG-1300-203 pgs 4-2 forbids such firing.		Bde informed.		
23	1200		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
24	1205		(C) DELAYED ENTRY: From 1130 hrs from USMC. Request gunships at BS660950- Enemy contact, auto and small arms calling Arty BS656962.		Bde informed.		
25	1300		(C) A32 BS705928, All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
26	1400		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
27	1500		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
28	1530		(C) NRP's- Co A(-) BS 510880, AB(-) 669910 G13 635267, G32BS6587. All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
29	1600		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
30	1605		(C) CIDG reaction force 5 Dec 68 will be Co B(-) with 47 packs.		Bde informed.		
31	1700		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
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32	1705		(C) All at 1645 all spotted 6xVC in grid grid 512900. 3 VC were carrying weapons (pistols) and 3 were carrying bandoleers. Neg arty and did not engage. All loc BS518900.		Bde informed.		
33	1800		(C) Co A(-) moving EX to location, 063 moving to location. All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
34	1830		(C) FROM BN CO: A Co (-) P2 LZ Gator 1713 last LZ BS EX 475870, A3(-) P2 Gator 1815 LZ 665910 at 1830.		Bde informed.		
35	1900		(C) Co A(-) BS 475870. All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
36	2000		(C) Co A(-) BS 485875, A1(-) 487877, A2(-) 486880, A3(-) 660898. G13 moving to 640870. All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
37	2100		(C) G13 moving to 640870. All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
38	2200		(C) G13 moving, G33 moving. All other elements no change.		BDE INFORMED.		
39	2230		DELAYED ENTRY: CAP 137 loc 654955 enemy loc 650956; moving into PHU LAI (1) VC opened fire with auto and semi auto fire; found 8 graves 654946 approx 30 days old. Returned fire with arty & gunships they swept area found 2xVC KIA 1 CHI CHI grenade; swept through vill and linked up with 2nd element (1-R) and swept to.		Bde informed.		
40	2300		(C) G33 648859. All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
41	2400		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
42	2400		(U) Journal Closed.				
Friendly losses for period: None							
Enemy losses for period: 2 VC KIA							
Friendly losses to date: 34 KIA, 317 WHA, 5 killed not as result of hostile action							
Enemy losses for date: 101 KIA, 30 VC CIA, 101 indiv wpns, 85 HT.							
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V. Operation Summary: 3-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

B. Contacts: At 041850 hours, at 646098, G22 observed 3 VC at 684077 wearing web gear, with 1 grease gun and 1 M-47. G22 engaged them with small arms fire, killing 1 VC and capturing 1 M-47 and 2 Grison grenades. The other 2 VC escaped.

At 042345 hours, at CAP 133, received 1 round of 81mm mortar fire. The 4.2 mortars at CAP 133 returned the fire on suspected enemy grid 689974. Negative results.

At 051205 hours, at 660930, a patrol from CAP 133 received heavy semi-automatic weapons fire from 656962. The patrol returned the fire and received gunship support. While maneuvering, the Marines hit 3 M-14 anti-personnel mines wounding 4. 3/4 C/C dusted off the 4 Marines at 1245 hours.

F. SUMMARY PLANS: 051900 - 061900 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/3-46: Prepare for operation beginning 060600 via 510880 with Binh Son District and CAP. Operation will last until 061700 Dec 68. Airlift from via 479078 back to LZ GATER at 061700 Dec 68. One SLP (A25) via 470030. One SLP (A32) via 706928. One SLP (A3-) via 669910. One SLP (A11) via 519900.

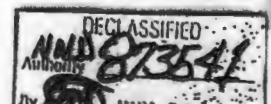
B/3-46: Continue defense of LZ GATOR. One SLP (B11) via 405036. One platoon (B2) with 2 81mm mortars at LZ PARADISE. One squad secures bridge via 568979. One squad secures ROK equipment via 586948. Secondary Reaction Force for CIBG.

C/3-46: Continue defense of LZ BOUTER. One SLP (C22) via 646098. One SLP (C15) moves from via 634079 to via 639067 at 052000 Dec 68. One SLP (C32) moves to via 6387 at 052000 Dec 68.

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		TOT: 229 352 581 858				Bde informed.	
2.	0100	(C) A CO (-) 485875, A1 (-) 487877, A2 (-) 486880, A3 (-) 660898, A11 (518900), A25 (478858), A32 (705928). B Co (-) IZ Gater, B2&B4 (-) IZ Paradise, B11 (485 838), B32 (568978), B33 (587947), C Co (-) IZ Dottie, C13 (642871), C22 (646898), C33 (648859), D Co (-) IZ Buff, D12 (576827), D34 (569878), E Co (-) IZ Gater, ER-LZ Buff, ER-LZ Buff and CAP 133.				Bde informed.	
3	0200	(C) ER (553823). All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
4	0300	(C) ER5 (557823) ER6 (554826). All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
5	0400	(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
6	0500	(C) ER5 (558819) ER6 (556826). All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
7	0510	(C) ER5 has moved to 559817.				Bde informed.	
8	0600	(C) ER5 (559819) ER6 (561826). All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
9	0700	(C) ER making search of village in grid 551821. All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
10	0725	(C) While ER was moving into village at grid 551821 they saw 1 VN evading and wouldn't stop when told to, so ER then shot him in the stomach. VCS had ID card and wearing black PJs. Called dusteff 0710, completed at 0725.				Artillery Bde informed.	
11	0800	(C) ER (551821) cordon village. All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
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12	0835		(G) BR had 2 VC pinned down, called artillery on grid 560825. Negative results, will check out area later.				Bde informed. Artillery
13	0830		(G) Delayed Entry: A1(-) checked 5087. Police said villagers reports VC left area towards 5085. Alerted BTR.				Bde informed. 8-3 informed.
14	0900		(G) From CAP 131: Location 636956 spotted 10 VC. 1st opened fire received auto fire, assaulted enemy position, killing 5 VC KIA. While returning to compound, 3 Marines stepped on mine, receiving 1 WMA, 4 dusted off immediately, 2 dusted off later. Found documents in water proof bag.				Bde informed.
15	0925		(G) A(-) 505884, A1(-) 505875, A2(-) 506880, A3(-) 669909, A11(518900), A22(478858), A32(705928). BR cardon village 551821. All other elements no change.				8-3 informed. Artillery Bde informed.
16	0945		(G) URI unknown size unit within 1000 meters B8437840.				Bde informed.
17	1000		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.
18	1100		(U) Called routine dustoff for 1 US ambulatory with 104° temp at IZ Paradise. Called 1036, completed 1035.				Bde informed.
19	1113		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.
20	1155		(G) A Co moving to GP George.				Bde informed.
21	1200		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.
22	1255		(G) Urgent dustoff 2 US ambulatory from B23 grid 575825, 5 or 6 M16 mines, called 1300, completed 1313.				Bde informed.
23	1325		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.
24	1245		(G) Delayed Entry: BR vic 554878 while moving to IZ Buff came under heavy AK47/M79 fire from 557824. Neg friendly casualties.				Bde informed.

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198th Infantry Brigade Americal Division
APO San Francisco 96219**

AVIF-300

6 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

**Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVIF-300
APO San Francisco 96219**

1. Operation Summary: 3-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AB.

2. Contacts: At 060430 hours, at 708972, a member of a patrol from CAP 195 hit an M-14 mine. An urgent dustoff was called and completed at 2930 hours.

At 060725 hours, at 551821, IR saw 1 VU crawling and yelled for him to stop. The VU didn't stop as IR opened fire wounding the VU in the stomach. No ID card was found as a priority dustoff was called and completed at 0725.

At 060833 hours, at 560823, IR engaged 2 VU and called artillery with negative results.

At 061030 hours, at 507882, A91 received 40 rounds of automatic weapons fire from grid 507882. A91 returned fire as the G/C put M-60 fire into the area. A search of the area led to one blood trail. Negative results.

At 061310 hours, at 551821, IR received auto and semi-automatic weapons fire, plus M-79 fire from grid 557824. IR returned fire as the G/C and gunships covered the area. IR returned to LZ BUFF.

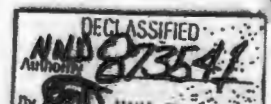
At 061905 hours, at 577827, D12 had 2 men receive wounds from an M-16 mine. An urgent dustoff was called and completed at 1315 hours.

**3. SUMMARY PLANS: 061900 - 071900 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AB.**

1/3-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. One SLP (A11) via 318900 to be airlifted at 071800 to via 606906. One SLP (A22) via 478838. One SLP (A3-) via 669911. One SLP (A32) via 706928. Reaction force for CLDC.

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B/3-46: Continue defense of LE GATON. One SLP (B71) via 46092. One platoon (B2) with 3 Dism mortars at LE PARAHEN. One squad secure bridge via 36097. One squad secure ROK equipment via 36094.

C/5-46: Continue defense of LE DOTTEN. One SLP (C73) via 64367. One SLP (C73) via 65587.

B/3-46: Continue defense of LE BUNT. One SLP (B44) via 36097. Two SLPs to be inserted at 071700 via 4478 and via 4708.

B/3-46: Assist in defense of LE GATON. Mortars are in general support of LE BUNT and C/5-46.

A. Casualties:

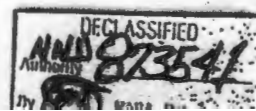
A. Friendly: 2 US KIA

B. Enemy: 1 VC KIA

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Delayed Entry: B1 killed 1 VC via 36097.

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15	1000		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
16	1100		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
17	1200		(C) C33 657867. All other elements no change.		Bde informed.	
18	1300		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
19	1350		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
20	1150		DELAYED ENTRY: At 1115 Binh Son reported 12 VC took 35 VN from grid (648013) they headed NE along tree line to grid (655035) or (659033) Bde 1200 request Helix observation much activity in grid (640055) 6 fishing boats on beach to many people in boats same drink delta to check boats Cap sweeping from N to S from grid (652048) RBS (653044) Alerted LZ Paradise alerted Marines will be working in area around grids (6502) and (6503) B2 at Paradise spotted 50 or 60 VN moving W to E at grid 6897 element deployed to try to round these people up group dispersed in all directions when they reached vill.		Bde informed.	
21	1510		NDP's, all elements no change.		Bde informed.	
22	1600		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
23	1705		(C) A32(705928) All other elements no change.		Bde informed.	
24	1735		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
25	1905		(C) A(-) Gator A3(-)(669911) A1(684926) A22(478858) A32(705928) B(-) Gator B2&4(-) Para. B11 (480830) B32(568978) B33(587947) C6(-) Dottie C13 (643868) C33(657867) G2(-) 687893D(-) Buff D34 (569878) E(-) Buff and Cap 133.		Bde informed.	

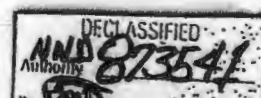
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AVHF-DCI

7 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
190th Infantry Brigade
AVHF: AVHF-DCI
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 3-46 continue operations and security of L&S in assigned AD.

2. Contact: At 061710 hours, at 402430, B11 spotted 6 VOB without packs or weapons at grid 402431. B11 called in artillery and knocked down 1 VOB as the others carried him away.

3. DETAILED PLANS: 071900 - 081900 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AD.

A/3-46: Combat assault by helicopter to via 684921, at 080715 Dec 68 to conduct search of area for enemy personnel and equipment. Unit will consist of 68 personnel and 4 scout dogs. Unit is prepared to remain for 2 days. One SLP (A11) via 686903. One SLP (A3-) via 669911. One SLP (A32) via 709928.

B/3-46: Continue defense of LZ CARR. One SLP (B11) via 400930. One platoon (B2) with 3 81mm mortars at LZ PARADISE. One squad secure bridge via 560979. One squad secure I&S equipment via 560948.

C/3-46: Continue defense of LZ BOWEN. One SLP (C33) via 670027. One SLP via 684924. One SLP (C13) via 642429 to return by foot at approx 081000 Dec 68.

D/3-46: Continue defense of LZ BUFF. One SLP (D34) via 560978.

E/3-46: Assist in defense of LZ CARR. Mortars are in general support of LZ BUFF and C/3-46.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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4	0029		(C) A Co-A22 reports receiving approx 20 rds semi auto small arms fire from unk distance, From south. Returning fire with small arms and M79- Neg arty fire because of prox. Neg results.	Bde informed.																																				
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12	0800		(C) Co A(-) BS(689919. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.																																				
13	0800		(C) FROM BN CO: A36-A1A2, FZ LZ Gator 0717 hours, LZ BS(689919) 0743 hrs.	Bde informed.																																				

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14	0900		(C) Co A(BS669911) moving SW, All(BS684926) A22(BS478858, A32(BS705928), Co B(-) LZ Gator B2&4 LZ Paradise, B11 BS(480830) B32(BS568978) B33(BS587947), Co C(-) LZ Dottie (G13, BS643868) G33, (BS657867), G2(+)(BS687891), Co D(-) LZ Buff (B34(BS669878), Co E(-) & ER-LZ Gator ER-LZ Buff and CAP 133.	Bde informed.			
15	1000		(C) Co A(-) BS686918, Co A(-)1(688914), A2(-)BS683915, A3(-) 686918, G33(657864), G13 returned to LZ Dottie, B34(569878). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
16	1050		(C) FROM BDE: Agent report from G-3 states that on 061000 hrs C Co (41) with 70 men at loc BS528962 has 1x57 mm recoilless rifle, 1x 60mm mortar, auto wpns-7, 5 AK50's, commanded by PHAM THANH, C Co (41) also known AP31 LF Co which reported 17 Nov 68 to be operating in vic of BS6992 with 50 men. PHAM THANH as stated in report dated 23 Nov as being the CO of this unit. This is the first time they heard that P31 LF Co had 57 recoilless rifle Binh Son states normal AL is east to north reported by LT BOYRGEOS.	Bde informed.			
17	1030	DELAYED ENTRY:	From 0900 hrs A1(-) south of objective found 2 tunnels and searched and destroyed 300 lbs old rice, 1 bunker destroyed A2(-) 1 punji pit-found by scout dog team-destroyed BS(688918) approx location.	Bde informed.			
18	1100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
19	1200		(C) Co A(-) BS(683915)A3(-) (683915)All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
20	1300		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
21	1305		(C) A Co has 4 detainees-all male- age 50, believed to be VC sympathizers at grid 681911-taken to LZ Gator: Detainees had pack burns on shoulders.	Bde informed.			
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22	1400		(C) A(-) 677912, A32(moving to 677912, C33 657867, All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
23	1430		(C) Scouts entered AO east of Hwy #1 1330 observed 3 green uniform and fresh trench works (775845).	Bde informed.	
24	1500		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
25	1600		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
26	1700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
27	1730		(C) 1705-putting A/S into Grid 557824: results 3 bunkers destroyed. Comp 1727.		
28	1750		(C) Extraction of A36, A1(-) A2(-) a32 PZ 677912 at 1713-IZ Gator 1750.	Bde informed.	
29	1750		(C) While extracting A Co, one gunship OBS 7 VC with wpns. At 667932 "The Musket" engaged the VC; 1 Confirm KIA no wpn.		
30	1800		(C) A(-) Gator, A3(-)669911, All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
31	1900		(C) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
32	1940		(C) G31 heard AK47 in vic 630880 called 81mm & arty into grid hoping to force VC into their position.(ambush) Neg results.		
33	2000		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
34	2100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
35	2200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
36	2125		DELAYED ENTRY: (C) B Co have 30 or 40 lights moving from grid 521852 to 543839 seems to be a convoy moving firing arty and quad 50's at this time. Lights are going out when they fire ill they come back on after the ill goes out time 2120 req CC to check out area in the morning.	Bde informed.	

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8 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Situation

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
AFIP: AFIP-BOC
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1. Operation Summary: 3-46 continue operations and security of LAs in assigned AB.

2. Contact: At 071930 hours, at 667892, C2(-) received 60 rounds of M-47 fire. C2(-) did not return fire but called artillery on suspected enemy location. Negative results.

At 080229 hours, at 478658, A22 received 80 rounds of semi-automatic small arms fire from grid 479055. A22 returned the fire with small arms and M-79 fire. Negative results.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 081900 - 091900 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AB.

A/3-46: Assist in defense of LZ GAKER. One SIFP (A3-) via 669911. One SIFP (A11) and one SIFP (A22) via 664926. A22 to be extracted by air approx 091600 Dec 68.

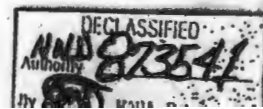
B/3-46: Continue defense of LZ GAKER. One SIFP (B11) via 480630. One platoon (B2, B4) with 3 81mm mortars at LZ PARKER. One squad (B32) secure bridge via 360719. One squad (B33) secure HHC equipment via 366948.

C/3-46: Continue defense of LZ DEXER. One SIFP (C33) via 638668. One SIFP (C2-) via 666091. One SIFP (C12) move by airlift via 6387 approx 091600 Dec 68. One ambush (C31) via 6387.

D/3-46: Continue defense of LZ BIFF. One SIFP (D34) via 369878 airlifted to LZ BIFF approx 091600 Dec 68. Two SIFPs (D22) and (D13) inserted by air via 4800 and via 4780 at approx 091600 Dec 68.

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E/3-46: Assist in defense of IS 6100, maintain use in general support of IS 6107 and GSP 132.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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3	0140		(C) D Co at IZ Buff received 1 round incoming unknown size mortar. Round came from 357° about 3000 meters, landed about 50 meters in front of bunker. No damage or casualties.	Bde informed.																																											
4	0202		(G) ER(541985) All other elements no change.	Bde informed.																																											
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9	0700		(G) ER(BS542985) All other elements no change.	Bde informed.																																											
10	0705		(G) PRUs grid BS560980 have 1 VC KIA and 1x AK-47 captured.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.																																											
11	0705		(G) From ER: New location- 545976.	Bde informed.																																											
12	0730		(G) From ER: Grid 545974, ER spotted 12 VC with weapons and engaged with small arms fire killing 2 VC, capturing 1x AK-47, 1x SKS-44, 3 Chicom grenades, 3 M-26 grenades and 1 pack, with documents. They destroyed all 6 grenades.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.																																											
13	0800		(C) ER(545976) All other elements no change.	Bde informed.																																											

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			FROM		TO	
			HOUR	DATE	HOUR	DATE
			0001	9 Dec 68	2400	9 Dec 68

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14	0900		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
15	1000		(C) ER closed IZ Gator 0930 hours. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
16	1010		(C) From C Co: ARVN tried to sell an M-16 SN: 876572 at IZ Dettie. He will bring the M-16 to IZ Gator and take the ARVN to Binh Son for questioning.	BN CO Bde informed. S-2 informed.	
17	1100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
18	1130		(C) B11(480830) called a routine dustoff of for 2 US (diarrhea and cut). Called 1100, completed 1130. Both were taken to IZ Gator.	Bde informed.	
19	1200		(C) D34(569878) moving West to 564878 PZ. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
20	1300		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
21	1315		(U) At coord BS4887 a VC meeting is scheduled for 111700 Dec in house of "Mr BO". Village, Binh MY, Hamlet name, THACH AN.	Bde informed. S-3 informed. S-2 informed.	
22	1400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
23	1500		(C) D34(564878) All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
24	1520		(C) C13 SLEP will be inserted 091600 at 6988.	Bde informed.	
25	1600		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
26	1624		(C) Insert C12 PZ Dettie-IZ699884, 1624 hrs.	Bde informed.	
27	1630		(C) D22(4785) D13(4782). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
28	1640		(C) Extract all PZ684926-1630, IZ Gator-1639.	Bde informed.	
29	1649		(C) Extract D34 PZ564878-1647, IZ Buff-1649.	Bde informed.	
30	1705		(C) Insert D13 PZ Buff-1654, IZ477828-1705.	Bde informed.	
31	1718		(C) Insert D22 PZ Buff-1708, IZ478858-1718.	Bde informed.	

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32	1725		(G) Extract A22 PZ479856-1718, L3 Gator-1725.	Bde informed.	
33	1700		(G) Delayed Entry: D13 moving to 477828. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
34	1815		(G) D13, man jumping from chopper, broke both legs. Dustoff by C/G to 27th Surg, called at 1715, completed at 1749. Sgt PETERSON.	Bde informed. S-3 informed. S-1 informed.	
35	1816		(G) D13(477828) D22(478858). All other elements no change.	Bde informed. Artillery.	
36	1855		(G) ARVN AO extention: (1) 640960-622875-640875-624860-DTH. 100800-101800. (2) 6283-6273-6575-DTH: 101800-202400.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.	
37	1900		(G) D13(479824) D22(477857). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
38	1915		(G) From B Co: Captured weapons- AK-47 2016678; AK-44 11340981.	Bde informed.	
39	1915		(G) G33 reports small arms fire at 654877. Requested artillery, firing stopped, unknown results.	Bde informed.	
40	2000		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
41	2010		(G) Village chief told CAP 139 that villagers report VC reinforced company, fully equipped moving into 139 area. The mission is to hit the RF company and two CAP units, CAP 132&139. Burn down portion of village and village chief house at grid 567903. Location & strength of company unknown at this time.	Bde informed.	
42	2100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
43	2200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
44	2205		(G) VIP report from LZ Paradise: 1-42mm CS, 27-M26 grenades, 2-105mm, 3-41bs TNT, 2-booby traps, 5-claymores, 3-M79 canisters, 7-M79 HE duds, 13-M79 HE.	Bde informed.	
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45 2300

(U) All elements no change.

Bde informed.

46 2400

(U) All elements no change.

Bde informed.

Friendly losses for period: None

Enemy losses for period: 2 VC KIA

Friendly losses to date: 34 KHA, 319 WHA, 5 killed not as result of hostile action.

Enemy losses to date: 104 KIA, 30 VC CIA, 103 indiv wpns, 90 HB.

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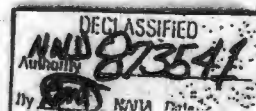
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Headquarters, 3rd Battalion, 46th Infantry
198th Infantry Brigade American Division
APO San Francisco 96219

AFIP-SCZ

9 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AFIP-SCZ
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 3-46 continue operations and security of LSA in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 082730 hours, at 667952, the (HUSKINS) gunships spotted 7 VC with weapons they engaged getting 1 VC KIA with neg. results.

At 082940 hours, at 633876, G31 heard AK-47 fire at grid 630800. They called in artillery hoping to finish something out. Neg results.

At 082125 hours, at 12 Buff, B Co. sighted 30 or 40 lights moving from grid 521852 to 543852. B Co. fired artillery and the gun 30's. The lights went out as G/C checked out area 090800 with neg results.

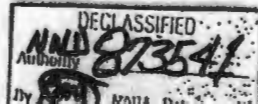
At 090100 hours, at 12 Buff, B Co. received 1 rd of mortar fire (unknown size). The round was fired at an estimated 357 direction from Buff at 3000 meters. B Co called artillery with neg damage or injuries.

At 090615 hours, at 552974, PRU's from Binh Son ambushed a VC patrol of of unknown size killing 1 VC and capturing 1 AK-47. After they sprung they sprung the ambush, they chased several other VC into THI BINH (5) area.

At 090730 hours, at 542974, BR spotted 12 VC with weapons and engaged them with small arms fire killing 2 and capturing 1 AK-47 and 1 ~~AK-44~~ 44, 3 G31 Can grenades, 3 M6 Grenades and a pack with documents. BR destroyed the hand grenades. Neg friendly casualties.

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3. Summary Plans: 090000-100000 Dec 68

GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/3-46: Assist in defense of LZ Gator. One SINF (A3(-)) via 669911 A-22 R 4
to be extracted airlift to LZ Gator approximately 101000 Dec 68. Two
SINFs to inserted at locations to be selected.

B/3-46: Continue defense of LZ Gator. One SINF (B11) via 480630
to be extracted at approximately 101000 Dec 68. One squad (B32)
secure bridge via 368979. One squad (B33) secure RPK equipment via
368948.

C/3-46: Continue defense of LZ Dottie. One SINF (C33) via 658868
to be extracted at approximately 101000 Dec. One SINF to be inserted
at location to be selected. One SINF (C12) via 6988.

D/3-46: Continue defense of LZ Buff. One SINF (D22) via 478858. 24
One SINF (D13) via 478853.

E/3-46: Assist in defense of LZ Gator. Mortars are in CS of LZ
Buff and CAP 133.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: 2 WO KIA

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1	0001		(U) Journal Opened.		
2	0001		(C) BROUGHT FOWARD FROM 9 DEC 68: A(-) Gator, A3(-)(669911), B(-)Gator, B2&4(-) Paradise, H11(480830), B32(568978), B33 (587947), G(-)Dottie, G2(-)(687895), G33 (657857), G12(692880), G(-)Buff, D22(477857), D12(479824), E(-) Gator, EM Buff & CAP 133.	Bde informed.	
3	0014		(C) FOXHOLE REPORT: MHC 180 A 13 121 134 152 B 25 105 130 148 C 38 87 125 152 D 21 104 125 139 E 0 81 81 93 TOTAL 97 498 595 864	Bde informed.	
4	0100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
5	0250		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
6	0347		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
7	0500		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
8	0600		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
9	0700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
10	0720		(C) BDE: PTF-5 will go to 5/46 OPCON need recommendation for deployment by 1200 today. Recommend-LZ Buff.	S3, Bde, CO informed.	
11	0800		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
12	0900		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
13	0905		(C) FROM CO C: Called priority dustoff for one US at dottie with 104% temp, who is almost immobilized called 0907 complete 0917. Roster 118 shp LZ Dottie SP4 taken to 312th Evac.	Bde informed.	
14	1000		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	

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15	1020		(G) FROM BDE: AO extension for ARVN troops on out southern boundary will be in effect from 10 Dec 68 to 20 Dec 2000 hrs.	Bde S3 informed.			
16	1100		(C) C12(688882), Co D(-) LZ Buff, All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
17	1125		(G) FROM BDE: There will be Air Strike at BS(4677) tomorrow.	S3 informed.			
18	1125		(C) FROM C2(-) BS(687895) spotted 15 male & 2 female in green uniforms at BS(687898)-one indiv is wearing a pack. Engaged with arty.	Bde informed.			
19	1200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
20	1230		(G) FROM BDE: Will have A/S at 1400 hrs in grid (4888)	S3 informed.			
21	1300		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
22	1400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
23	1500		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
24	1505		(C) Aero Scouts picked up one detainee at at (732955) taken to Bayonet.	Bde informed.			
25	1600		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
26	1639		(C) Extract B11 PZ(480830)1600 hrs-LZ Gator 1610 Insert A13 PZ Gator 1614-LZ674945 1622, Insert A23 PZ Gator 1630- LZ 639980 1639 Insert D33 PZ Buff-1556 LZ 480830 1600 hrs.	Bde informed.			
27	1700		(C) C12(688882), D13(477824), D33(483836) All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
28	1800		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
29	1850		(C) BDE URI- Unk size element believed to be located 1000m radius of BS(729850): Time of report, late noon today.	S2 informed.			

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198th Infantry Brigade Americal Division
APO San Francisco 96219**

AVIP-BCZ

10 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

**Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVIP-BCZ
APO San Francisco 96219**

1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 092200 hours, at Binh Son, received 10 rounds of 60mm or 81mm mortar fire from grid 616924. Binh Son called artillery, with unknown results.

At 092300 hours, at 607529, one of the ambushes from Binh Son received 30 to 40 rounds of small arms fire. The ambush returned fire as 1 PF was shot three times in the neck. Heavy casualties unknown.

At 101225 hours, at 687895, C12 spotted 15 VCS males and 2 VCS females in green uniforms at grid 687898. One was wearing a pack. C12 called artillery, with unknown results.

**3. SUMMARY PLANS: 101900 - 111900 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.**

A/3-46: Assist in defense of LZ GAIER. One SLEP (A1-) via 669911 to be extracted to LZ GAIER approx 111000 Dec 68. One SLEP (A12) to be inserted at 101600 hours via 639980. One SLEP (A12) to be inserted at 101600 hours via 674945.

B/3-46: Continue defense of LZ GAIER. Also CLIC reaction force. One SLEP (B11) via 480830 to be extracted to LZ GAIER at 101600 hours. One squad (B32) secure bridge via 560979. One squad (B33) secure NW equipment via 506948.

C/3-46: Continue defense of LZ DOTTIE. One SLEP (C33) via 696857 to be extracted to LZ DOTTIE 111000 hours Dec. One SLEP (C12) via 660882. One SLEP (C2-) via 687896. One SLEP to be inserted 111400 hours via 660882.

D/3-46: Continue defense of LZ BUFF. One SLEP (D22) via 476857. One SLEP (D23) via 479823. One SLEP (D33) to be inserted 101600 hours via 480830.

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E/3-46: Assist in defense of LZ CATOR. Mortars are in general support of LZ BUFF and O/P 133.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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7	0700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.																																																									
8	0657		(C) Delayed Entry: From C Co: New location for C12 - BS686882.	Bde informed. Artillery.																																																									
9	0800		(C) C12 (686882) D22 (474854) All other elements no change.	Bde informed.																																																									
10	0845		(C) From Bde: Agent report eval C-2: 8 Dec 68 107th AA BN was located at BS466830, strength 200 men. ORD included 4 CS wpns. OB comment 107th AA BN was last reported on 9 Nov 68 at BS4376 with 225 men. ORD consisted of 2x 82mm mortars, 2x 12.7 MIs, 2x 75mm RR and indiv wpns.	Bde informed. S-3 informed. S-2 informed.																																																									
11	0900		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.																																																									
12	1000		(C) C12 (686882) D22 (474854) All other elements no change.	Bde informed.																																																									
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S-3 5-46 Tnf		LZ Gator	0001	10 Dec 68	2400	10 Dec 68	
ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT					
13	1100		(C)C33(657875)moving to hwy#1 and then to LZ Dottie. All other elements no change.			Bde informed. Artillery.	
14	1105		(C)CAP 10 location - 554895.			S-3 informed.	
15	1110		(C)D Co D22(BS481864) since 0630 this morning.			Artillery.	
16	1200		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
17	1210		(U)C Co returned to LZ Dottie.			Bde informed.	
18	1300		(C)B13(587947).All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	
19	1400		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
20	1500		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
21	1525		(C)D22(474854)sniper fire-2 rounds, snipers retreated South, did not engage-time 1510, enemy grid approx 474855.			Bde informed.	
22	1600		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
23	1630		(C)A23 OBS 3 VC in black PJs, had wpns,went into underbrush,called arty in grid 634986. Negative results.			Bde informed.	
24	1700		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
25	1725		(C)URI suspected enemy locations of unknown size within 1000 meters, radius of BS734823.			Bde informed.	
26	1800		(C)C31 moving to 667847.All other elements no change.			Bde informed. Artillery.	
27	1900		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
28	1940		(C)Extraction of ER & PRU PZ 518875-1824, LZ Gator-1830.			Bde informed. Artillery.	
29	1940		(C)CA results: ER captured 1 AK47, 1 VCS at 517877. Gunships-KIA, 2 confirmed at 510880.			Bde informed. S-3 informed.	
30	2000		(C)C31(636852)All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	

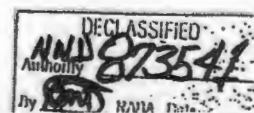
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31	2007	(U) VIP expended 3,600 pias: 2400-12 79 rounds, 800-4526 grenades, 400-21 lbs TNT.	Bde informed. S-2 informed.
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32	2100	(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.
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33	2200	(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.
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34	2300	(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.
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35	2400	(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.
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Friendly losses for period: None

Enemy losses for period: None

Friendly losses to date: 34 KHA, 319 WHA, 5 killed not as result of hostile action.

Enemy losses to date: 104 KIA, 30 VC CIA, 104 indiv wpns, 90 HG

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198th Infantry Brigade Americal Division
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AVIF-BCZ

11 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVIF-BCZ
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 102225 hours, at 619929, a PRU ambushed and engaged 5 VU with mortar tube. Then the PRUs called artillery in, with unknown results.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 111900 - 121900 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. One SLEP (A3-) via 669911 to be extracted to LZ GATOR approx 121100 Dec 68. One SLEP (A25) via 639980. One SLEP (A13) via 674945. GIDC reaction force, 86 packs.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GATOR. One squad (B12) secure bridge via 568979. One squad (B13) secure BOK equipment via 586948. B2 & 4 LZ PARADISE.

C/5-46: Continue defense of LZ DOTIN. One SLEP (C12) via 688882. One SLEP (C2-) via 687896 to be extracted approx 121100 Dec 68. (C39) moving to via by foot.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUNT. One SLEP (D22) via 481864. One SLEP (D13) via 478824. One SLEP (D33) via 489836.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Recon with PRU to CA via 317877 on suspected VU meeting at 111630 Dec 68. Total troops will be 35.

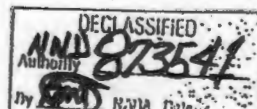
4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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						9001	12 Dec 68		2400	12 Dec 68	
ITEM NO.	TIME IN OUT		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.				ACTION TAKEN		INITIALS		
1	0100		(G) A Co (-) IZ Gater, A13(674945) A23(639980) A3(-) 669911, B Co (-) IZ Gater, B2&4 (-) IZ Paradise, B12(568978), B13(587942), C Co (-) IZ Battie, C12(686882), C2(-) 687895, C31(644845), D Co (-) IZ Buff, D13(477824), D22(481864), D33(481833), E Co (-) IZ Gater, EM-IZ Buff & CAP 133.				Bde informed.				
2	0115		(G) Foxhole Report: HQ 179 A Co 107 29 136 154 B Co 14 119 133 152 C Co 59 72 131 153 D Co 53 57 110 136 E Co 0 79 79 91 TOT: 233 356 589 865				Bde informed.				
3	0150		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.				
4	0300		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.				
5	0400		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.				
6	0500		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.				
7	0610		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.				
8	0700		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.				
9	0800		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.				
10	0820		(G) From C Co: Location for C31-B3648849.				Bde informed. Artillery.				
11	0900		(G) C12 vic B3688880, All other elements no change.				Bde informed.				
12	1000		(G) C12(B3689880), D33(B3488831), All other elements no change.				Artillery. Bde informed.				
13	1100		(G) A1(-) departed IZ Gater B3558961, C25(617844) C31(B3664847), All other elements no change.				Bde informed. Artillery.				
14	1120		(G) From C Co: C25 found at grid B3608852, notices mailed to TREESIN AREA, this area is VC controlled. 1 detainee, male, age 30-35 has old shrapnel wound in leg. 2 males 17&14 were taken to IZ Gater.				Bde informed.				
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S-3 5-46 Inf			IZ Gater		0001	12 Nov 68	2400	12 Dec 68
ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN		INITIALS
	IN	OUT						
15	1200		(C) A1(-) BS541951, C31 (BS654847), B2(-) BS512828. All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
16	1300		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
17	1320		(C) B22 observes 10 men at 496864, taking items from baskets and hiding them in bushes. Approx 1500 meters, calling artillery, 12 VN running to North to 492869. Possible 1 KIA, keeping under observation.			Bde informed. S-3 informed.		
18	1400		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
19	1423		(C) VN report that two new VC companies have moved into via 585900.			Bde informed.		
20	1450		(C) Insert C13 PZ Bottle 1430, IZ 669913 1435. Extract A3- PZ 669913, IZ Gater 1445: extract C2- PZ 687895, 1412, IZ Bottle 1426.			Bde informed. Artillery.		
21	1500		(C) A2-(554973) A1-(538954), B2-(527828). All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
22	1600		(C) B2-, closed IZ Buff. All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
23	1700		(C) B33(488831). All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
24	1735		(C) Aero Scouts at 712882 two VCS are males detained 705905, 1 VCS male detained, 719915, 1 KIA VN evading 717922. Inserted troops, & destroyed element haystacks, small cache of rice and 5 NVA green uniforms.			Bde informed. Artillery. S-3 informed.		
25	1800		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
26	1830		(C) A13 received 35-40 rounds semi-automatic sniper fire. From one AK-47 and two M1s or M14s. Put artillery on grid 668948. Negative results re friendly casualties.			Bde informed.		
27	1900		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
28	2000		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
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APO San Francisco 96219

AVIF-300

12 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
190th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVIF-300
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 111525 hours, at 474854, B22 received 2 rounds of sniper fire from grid 474853. The snipers evaded to the south as B22 was unable to call effective artillery.

At 111630 hours, at 669911, A3(-) noted 3 VC with packs, wearing khaki uniforms & carrying AK-47s at grid 676905. A3(-) called artillery and Helix 27 looked at the area with unknown enemy casualties.

At 111630 hours, at 639900, A23 noted 3 VC in black PJs carrying weapons at grid 634906. A23 called in artillery with negative results.

At 121320 hours, at 492854, B22 spotted 12 VCS taking items from baskets and hiding them in the bushes at grid 496854. The 12 VCS ran toward grid 492859. B22 called artillery with unknown results.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 121300 - 131500 Dec 68.

GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Assist in defense of LE GATOR. One SQUAD (A23) via 639900. One SQUAD (A13) via 674945. Company aims conduct ambushes in grid squares 5297, 5295 and 5596. At 130700 converge to search villages via 5395 and 5495.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LE GATOR. One squad (B12) secure bridge via 568979. One squad (B13) secure BMK equipment via 586948. B2 and B4(-) secure LE PARADISE. B22 will move from LE PARADISE to hill via 604972, and observe movement along trail running northeast through grid square 6897. Return approx 131500.

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C/5-46: Continue defense of LZ DOTTIE. One SLEP (C12) via 689880. One SLEP (C31) via 654847 moving to via 6785. One SLEP (C13) via 679910. C2 concludes sweep from LZ DOTTIE to via 600835 and to highway #1 via 629850 at 121600 Dec 68. C23+ air-lifted to via 683845 at approx 130000 and sweep west towards highway #1.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUFT. One SLEP (D22) via 482065. One SLEP (D13) via 478824. One SLEP (D33) via 488832. D2 concludes sweep from LZ BUFT to via 505835 and return at 121600 Dec 68. D5- at 130730, will sweep to via 553817, make detailed search of area and return approx 131500.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATER. Helicopters are in general support of LZ BUFT and CAP 133.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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13 December 1960

SUBJECT: Plans and Operations

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: SINF-247
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 2-46 continues operations and security of life in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 121830 hours, at 674945, A13 received 35-40 rounds of semi-automatic sniper fire from grid 668945. A13 called artillery with negative results.

At 131023 hours, at 639986, A23 was ambushed by 5 or 6 VU at grid 639880. A23 received approx 30 rounds of semi-automatic small arms fire, A23 called artillery with unknown results.

At 131055 hours, at 555815, B3(-) came under heavy automatic weapons fire from 4 VU at grid 550820. B3(-) returned fire and called artillery. Negative enemy casualties as B3(-) had one man shot through the shoulder. Dustoff was completed by the C/O at 1135 hours.

At 131150 hours, at LE PARADISE, B22 received 2 rounds of sniper fire while making a perimeter sweep. Enemy location 685963. B22 called in mortar fire, with unknown results.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 131900 - 141500 Dec 60
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Assist in defense of LE GATOR. One SINF (A23) via 639980. One SINF (A13) via 674945. Company minus ambush via 5594, 5595, and 5496. At 140700 sweep through village via of 5598 and 5597 and return to LE GATOR approx 141500 Dec 60. One SINF (A61) via 5599.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LE GATOR. One squad (B12) secure bridge via 568979. One squad (B13) secure BHK equipment via 506979. B2 and B1(-) secure LE PARADISE. B21 CP and ambush via 702963.

C/5-46: Continue defense of LE BOKIN. One SINF (C12) via 667880. One SINF (C13) via 669912. One SINF (C31) via 639846. C23+ airlifted via 603075 and conduct raid and search of village at that location. Unit will then sweep back to LE BUKF in afternoon.

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B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUEF. One SIFP (D22) via 482854. One SIFP (D33) via 483833. One SIFP (D15) via 477824. D5- at 140730 conducts sweep and search from LZ BUEF to via 553817 and returns to LZ BUEF at 141500.

B/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GAKOR. Mortars are in general support of LZ BUEF and CAP 133.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: 1 US MIA

B. Enemy: 4 VC KIA
1 VC KIA (Delayed from contact at 121300 Dec by D22)

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1	0100		(C) A Co(-) 537974, A1(-) 523953, A3(-) 535948, A21 (525968), A13(674945), A23(639988). B Co(-) LZ Gater, B2&4(-) LZ Paradise, B12(568978), B13(587942). C Co(-) LZ Dottle, C12(687880), C13(669912), C31(659847). D Co(-) LZ Buff, D13(477824), D22(481864), D33(481833). E Co(-) LZ Gater, EM-LZ Buff & CAP 133.3/H/17(3 @ LZ Gater, 2 @ (587942), 2 @ Binh Son Bridge.		Bde informed. Artillery.	
2	0105		(C) Foxhole Report: HQ 180 A Co 108 30 138 156 B Co 22 111 133 151 C Co 58 72 130 153 D Co 50 68 118 137 E Co 0 80 80 91 TOT: 238 361 599 868		Bde informed.	
3	0250		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
4	0350		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
5	0445		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
6	0600		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
7	0700		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
8	0800		(C) C23+(BS682847). All other elements no change.		Bde informed.	
9	0815		(U) 3/H/17 Cav returning to LZ Bayonet from LZ Gater and Binh Son Bridge.		Bde informed.	
10	0825		(C) From C Co: C3(-) in ville BS676893 found meeting hall, VC used. Diagrams of AK-47 drawn on wall, anti GI propaganda written on walls.		Bde informed.	
11	0900		(C) A Co(-) BS539964, A1(BS523957), A3(-) BS528957, A23(BS639980), B12(BS568978), B13(BS587912), D3(-) moving to BS553817. All other elements no change.		Bde informed. Artillery.	
12	0900		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
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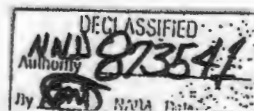
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13	1000		(G) A3(BS527963). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
14	1025		(G) From A Co: 5 or 6 VC location BS640987. Set up ambush on A23 BS639880 while personnel were going for water, VC fired approx 30 rounds of auto and semi weapons, with negative results or damage. A23 calling artillery at this time.	Bde informed. Artillery.		
15	1100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
16	1100		(C) D Co B3(-) had man wounded by bullet in shoulder, C/G picked up and took him to 27th Surg, called 1055, completed 1135.	Bde informed. Artillery.		
17	1130		(G) From B3(-) came under heavy auto weapons fire from unknown no. of VC. Enemy location BS550820, Friendly location BS555815.	Bde informed.		
18	1200		(C) B3(-) BS555815. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
19	1300		(C) B3 returned to IZ Buff 1240 hours. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
20	1400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
21	1500		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
22	1505		(C) D Co B13 & B33 spotted 13x VCS grid 466830 have packs wearing black PJs, calling arty, 5 VC KIA w/packs, C/G has 1 VC KIA.	Bde informed.		
23	1600		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
24	1615		(C) B22 observed 6 indivs w/rifles & two tubes, believed to be 60mm at grid 485867. Called arty, negative results.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.		
25	1635		(C) D13 spotted 3 indiv at grid 466830. Engaged with artillery, VC evaded into a tree line. Negative results with arty.	S-3 informed. Bde informed. Artillery.		
26	1700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
27	1800		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
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14 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVIF-BOC
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 131615 hours, at 481864, D22 observed 6 VC with weapons and 2 60mm mortars at grid 685867. D22 called artillery, with negative results.

At 131635 hours, at 477824, D13 spotted 3 VCS at grid 466830. D13 called artillery, with negative results.

At 131905 hours, at 674945, A13 received 6 rounds of sniper fire from grid 668948. A13 called artillery, with negative results.

At 140800 hours, at 675887, the insertion of G2- & ER came under fire when the aircraft left the LZ. The left strips returned the fire getting 1 VC KIA. Negative friendly casualties.

At 140950 hours, at 550820, D1 received 4 rounds of sniper fire from grid 534824. D1 called in 81mm fire and quad 50 fire. Also, Aero Scout #27 put in an A/S. Negative results.

At 141315 hours, at 706965, B21 received 400 rounds of small arms fire from grid 703995. B21 called artillery and checked out the area with negative results as of 141500 hours.

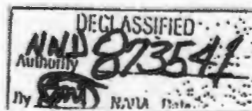
At 141415 hours, at 656876, ER received small arms fire from grid 657874. ER called artillery as the Q/C observed the area with negative results.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 141500 - 151500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Artist in defense of LZ OATON. One SLEP (A23) via 639980. One SLEP (A13) via 674945 to be extracted at approx 151430 hours. One squad (A33) move out at 150900 to via 514977 to ambush and patrol in this area, for 3-5 days. CIDG reaction forces.

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B/3-46: Continue defense of LZ GATOR. One squad (B12) secure bridge via 568978. One squad (B13) secure B&K equipment via 586942. B2 and B4- secure LZ PARADISE. B21 patrol and observe along route 690973 to 685987 to 679997. Will depart 150800 and return approx 151300.

G/3-46: Continue defense of LZ BUTTE. One SINF (G13) via 669919. One SINF (G12) via 687880. One SINF (G33) via 667845.

D/3-46: Continue defense of LZ BUFF. One SINF (D33) via 482833. One SINF (D13) via 477823 airlifted at approx 151430 to LZ BUFF and one SINF (D12) to replace them via 477823. One SINF (D14) move by foot to via 557824. One SINF (D33) airlifted to LZ BUFF at approx 151430.

E/3-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Recon airlifted to via 528910 at 151430, and move at night to via 527883. Mortars are in general support of LZ BUFF and GAF 133.

H/17 Cav: Provides 1 platoon (7 tracks) as reaction force.

4. Conditions:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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8	0800		(C) DELAYED ENTRY: From 0745 from BN CO. C2 and ER PZ Dottie 0732 LZ BS 675887 0738 hrs. When the airlift departed LZ they recieved approx. 5 rds of small arms fire. One of the aircraft, while returning fire got 1 VC KIA at BS 675889. Aircraft were at 100ft & traveling north. Believe neg hits on aircraft also 3 detainees draft age picked up near LZ at 0735, brought back to LZ Gator.	Bde informed.																																																																	
9	0805		(C) FROM COMPANY C: C2 (-) & ER Dottie, PZ 0732 (1) LZ 0739 BS 675887 LZ Dottie (2) PZ 0745 (2) LZ 0750 BS 675887.	Bde informed.																																																																	
10	0900		(C) A1 (-) + A2 (-) BS 546965, A35 557963, All other elements no change.	Bde informed.																																																																	

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11	0915		(C) From S3: Correct casualty count for 13 Dec 68. Contact at 1505 hours, via BS466830, B13 3 KIA confirmed. Contact at 1615 via BS485867 no KIA, B22 although other were seen to fall, they could not be counted. 1 KIA by C/Caircraft is also confirmed at BS466830.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.			
12	0945		(C) From LZ Paradise, B Co VIP report: 8,400pac 200pac- 1x booby trap 1,800pac- 19x M79 rounds 500pac- 1x 155mm round 1,000pac- 2x 155mm rounds 1,600pac- 8x M26 frag grenades 400pac- 2 1/2 lbs TNT 200pac- 1x B40 rocket 1,200pac- 4x 81mm rounds 1,500pac- 5x 4.2mm rounds	Bde informed. S-3 informed. S-2 informed.			
13	0950		(C) Expenditures at LZ Bettie for VIP report: M16A1 mines- 10 M72 Laws- 1 M79 HE- 51 M79 Canister- 3 81mm HE- 14 60mm HE- 44 Claymores- 11 M26 Grenades- 36 WP Grenades- 2 VC Grenades- 11 Supplimentary TNT- 53 50 Ammo- 1275 rounds M16 Ammo- 310 rounds 105mm HE- 7 M14 Mines- 25 VC Mines- 1 57 RR HE- 7 3.5 Rocket- 1 155mm HE- 1 Lot number for 60mm MA- 1- 377 MA- 1- 315 Lot number for shape charges	Bde informed.			

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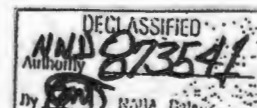
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14	1000	(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
15	1115	(C) A34(BS532945), B2(-) BS709964.2/H/17, 7 @ IZ Dettie. All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	
16	1200	(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
17	1300	(U) A Co(-) IZ Gator closed at 1228 hours.			Bde informed.	
18	1300	(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
19	1400	(C) A13(674945), A23(639980), A-(IZ Gator), B(-) IZ Gator, B12(568978), B13(587942), B2&4 IZ Paradise, B21(709964), C(-) IZ Dettie, C2-C12(673873), C13(669919), C31(666843), D(-) IZ Buff, D13(477824), D22(481864), D33(482833), D1-(556824), E(-) IZ Gator, EM-IZ Buff&CAP 133, ER(673873).			Bde informed. Artillery.	
20	1440	(C) C2, C12, ER received approx 35 rounds auto fire from vic 652874. VC were in a tree line, called arty, negative results.			Bde informed.	
21	1500	(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
22	1600	(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
23	1700	(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
24	1800	(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
25	1900	(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
26	2000	(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
27	2100	(C) 1/H/17 2 @ IZ Dettie, 2 @ BSB, 3 @ (587942) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	
28	2200	(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
29	2300	(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
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Friendly losses for period: None

Enemy losses for period: 3 VC KIA

Friendly losses to date: 34 KHA, 320 WHA, 5 killed not as result of hostile action

Enemy losses to date: 112 KIA, 30 VC CIA, 104 indiv wms, 90 HG

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AVIF-300

15 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVIF-300
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZ in assigned AO.

2. Contact: None

3. GUNBURY PLANS: 151300, - 161500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GARD. Two SLIP (A25) via 639900 and (A15) via 614945 to be extracted at approx 161430 hours. One squad (A35) moving towards via 524907 to ambush and patrol in this area. Prepare for operation via 515887 with CAP on 17 Dec 68. A21, with 1 81mm mortar airlifted to via 478074 at 151600 to set up security for CAP team arriving on 16 Dec 68. Platoon will remain for approx 10 days.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GARD. One squad (B12) secure bridge via 568978. One squad (B13) secure B&B equipment via 586942. B2 and B4- secure LZ PARADISE. B21 moves at 160800 from LZ PARADISE west for 3 KM south 1 KM and return to LZ PARADISE.

C/5-46: Continue defense of LZ DOTTIE. One SLIP (C15) via 669911. One SLIP (C31) via 667845 to be brought back to LZ DOTTIE by APC at approx 151600. C21 moves at approx 160900 from LZ DOTTIE west to via 600850, north to via 600870 and east to highway 81 and then south to LZ DOTTIE, returning at approx 161500.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUFF. Three SLIP (D22) via 482864, (D15) via 477829, (D33) via 484855 to be airlifted to LZ BUFF approx 161000. Three SLIPs to be airlifted via 450005, 458805, 464805 approx 161430 if AO extension for that area is approved.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GARD. Recon airlifted via 528910 at 161430, cross river at night and establish strong points via 515888 for operation on 17 Dec 68. Fortares are in general support of LZ BUFF and CAP 133.

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1/11/17 Coy: Three M113s at H&K equipment, two M113s at Binh Son Bridge, two M113s at LZ DOTTIE and all elements at LZ DOTTIE during day.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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10	0910		(C) From S3 to Bde 73. 1st Plt to A will be lifted from LZ Gator to vic (478876) 1430 hrs to secure new cap location. Plt will have 25 personnel and 1x81mm mortar until 17 Dec when addition- al 13 men will join from SGRP (A23) Cap team will be lifted from AN DIEM (570907) on 16 Dec. 56 men, 26 marines and 30 VN.	Bde informed.																																											
13	0940		(C) CO of Co with 4 ACAVs from 1/H/17 Cav will Recon area from Dottie south to BS 6384 - East to BS 6784 and north back to Dottie departure approx 0930 arrive Dottie																																												

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			(CON'T FROM PAGE #1) approx 1400. Co C's CO will take 1st Plt Co C with him.			Bde informed.	
14	1000		(U) All elements no change, C6 & 4/1/H/17 Cav & C1 departing Dottie moving south. 3/1/H/17 Cav returning to Bayonet for Repairs.			BDE informed.	
15	1015		(C) From Co C to Bde- C6 & C1 & 4 Asavs 1/H/17 Cav on recon will pick up C31 and return to Dottie when Recon is complete to approx 1400 hrs.			BDE informed.	
16	1030		(C) Unknown size unit believed to be within 1500 m of BS(672834) mid morning today.			Bde informed.	
17	1100		(C) B21(685987)C6 & 1/H/17 Cav (6684) vic and still moving. D22(481864) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	
18	1200		(C) From C6- Inspected bridges at B2(695845) found them usable.			Bde informed.	
19	1200		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
20	1300		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
21	1315		(C) At 1210 hrs, A23 observed 3 VC vic(649969) moving south. Observed no wpms. Called arty at grid 643966; neg results.			Bde informed.	
22	1400		(C) A35 moving west, B21(Return Paradise) 1/H/17, 1 at Dottie and 4 at (673846)			Bde informed.	
23	1500		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
24	1525		(C) CAP 135 recieved fire from (713963)-(709964) called arty on both. Believed to be approx 10-20 VC w/AK47.			Bde informed.	
25	1600		(C) A23 departed Gator., A32 departed GATOR, C31 closing Dottie, C1 moving (673846), 4 1/H/17 Cav closing Dottie. All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	

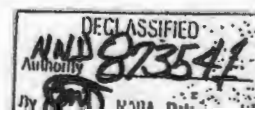
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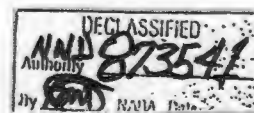
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26	1648		(C) EXTRACTION: D13(PZ488826) at 1615; LZ Buff 1618; D33 PZ488826 1625 LZ Buff 1628 D22 PZ 481864 1640 LZ Buff 1644.				Bde informed.	
27	1700		(C) A35(538981), A23(moving to 5479, A32 (moving to 5394), C1(-) moving (673846). All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
28	1800		(C) A32(moving to 5394, A23 moving to 5479. All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
29	1840		(C) C13 observed 13 VC w/wpns 1500 meters West. Fired arty at (654913) enemy scattered north west, neg results.				Bde informed.	
30	1900		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
31	2000		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
32	1915		(C) DELAYED ENTRY: CAP 134(151545) friendly BT621017 enemy BT661015 & 659009. Recieved Intel from village chief that the MF Co will hit Son Tra Tanhy & CAP 134 compound. Uniforms were green, blue, grey, black, est 120 wpns 3 M79, one 81mm, 20 AK47, Six M-16 & Carbines Co CO is NGOCOY-BONG action taken; ZoneSweep by Arty. CAP 13-10, fired arty on grids 155mm on (546886)- 105mm(547890), could not obs got several secondary explosions RF's checking area. Fired this on one Co VC. Checked within 200 meters heard moans and groans.				Bde informed.	
33	2005		(C) Intel from PF vic 612855, suspected location of VC plt armed one MG & Indiv wpns 2006 PFx engaged this plt.				Bde informed.	
34	2040		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
35	2100		(C) AO extention(060600) to (262400) BS5277, west to BS(435770) northwest to BS422795 to BS422800 to BS411819 to BS425850 to current AO boundary 430875.				Bde informed.	
36	2200		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
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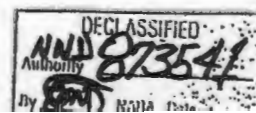
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SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

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1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 151210 hours, at 642901, A23 observed 3 VU with out weapons at grid 649969. The 3 VU were moving south as A23 called artillery on grid 643966. Unknown results.

At 151323 hours, at CAP 135, received small arms fire from grids 713963, 709964. CAP 135 called artillery on the suspected 10 to 20 VU and searched the area with negative results.

At 151636 hours, at 669911, O13 spotted 6 VU in uniforms and carrying weapons at grid 673903. O13 called artillery with unknown results.

At 151915 hours, at CAP 13-10, fired artillery on grids 546886 and 547890 on suspected VU company. Several secondary explosions resulted as moans and groans were heard from the area. A check of the area uncovered many bunkers (suspected bomb shelters) and destruction of many hootches.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 161500 - 171500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Two SLEPs (A23 via 639980 and A13 via 674945) to be extracted approx 161530 hours and brought back to LZ GATOR. One SLEP (A33) via 545984 move by foot back to LZ GATOR and will close approx 161600 hours. At 170630, A(-) will be airlifted to via 513870 to participate in operation with CAPs and recon, 5-46. CAPs will block in two locations via 523879 to 528886 and via 300876 to 513886.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GATOR. One squad (B12) secures bridge via 568978. One squad (B13) secures BHK equipment via 586942. B2 & B4- secure LZ PARADISE. B21 patrols from LZ PARADISE at 170800 along route 693966 to 706964 to LZ PARADISE.

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C/5-46: Continue defense of LZ DOTTIE. One BHP (013) via 669911. C/1 sweeping west to via 600650, north to via 600870 and east to Highway #1 and returns to LZ DOTTIE at 161700. C company prepares for operation via 4579 to be conducted on 18 Dec 68. Operation will consist of company search and sweeps of area.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUFF. Three BHPs to be inserted approx 161500 as follows: D12 via 454906, D26 via 463804 and D32 via 458791.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Recon airlifted via 532913 to cross Song Tra Bong and establish blocking position via 515888 to 524889 for operation commencing 170600. Mortars are in general support of LZ BUFF and CAP 133.

1/H/17 Cav: If 8 ACAVs available, then there will be 2 at LZ GATOR, 2 at Binh Son Bridge, 2 at BSH equipment and 2 at LZ DOTTIE.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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1	0100		(C) A(-) LZ Gator, A35(538981) A32(534949) A22(557975) A13(674945) A23(641979) A1-(470868) .B(-) LZ Gator, B2&4 (LZ Paradise) B12(568978) B13(587942) C(-) LZ Dottie, C13(669911) .D(-) LZ Buff. E(-) LZ Gator, EM-LZ Buff&CAP 133.1/H/17 3 @ LZ Dottie 2 @ Binh Son Bridge.				Bde informed.	
2	0105		(C) Foxhole Reports: HQ 181 A Co 96 43 139 157 B Co 22 109 131 150 C Co 63 68 131 154 D Co 36 66 102 138 E Co 0 80 80 91 TOT: 217 266 583 871				Bde informed.	
3	0200		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
4	0300		(C) 1/H/17 2 @ (587942) All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
5	0400		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
6	0500		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
7	0600		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
8	0700		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
9	0800		(C) A32 returned to LZ Gator. All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
10	0900		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
11	0920		(C) From Aero Scouts: BS66847 snatched 1 military aged male. 1 KIA VCS evading male.				Bde informed.	
12	1000		(C) 1/H/17 3 @ LZ Dottie and 4 @ Binh Son Bridge. All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
13	1100		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
14	1140		(C) From Bde: URI, unknown size enemy unit within 750 meters of BS663803 early this morning.				S-3 informed. S-2 informed. Bde informed.	
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ITEM NO.	TIME IN OUT		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.		ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
1	0001		(U) Journal Opened.			
2	0058		(C) A(-) Gator, A1(-)(470867), B(-)Gator, B2&4(Paradise), B12(567978), B13(587942), C(-) (Dottie), C13(669911), D(-)(Buff), D2&32(454974), D12(466804), E(-) Gator, EM (Buff) & CAP 133, ER(514895), 1/H/17 2 at (DOTTIE) 2 at (Binh Son Bridge), 3 at (587942) Bde informed.			
3	0002		(C) FOXHOLE STRENGTH: HHC A 101 37 138 157 B 22 109 131 150 C 12 103 121 153 D 39 74 123 138 E 17 62 79 90 TOTAL 191 384 592 870		Bde informed.	
4	0200		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
5	0250		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
6	0345		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
7	0455		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
8	2110		(C) DELAYED ENTRY: JAP 132 recieved 1000 rds auto fire also 2 B40 rockets returned fire and called arty blood trails were found dust off was called for 1 wounded marine enemy grid (567904) & (571901) time 2110.		Bde informed.	
9	0446		(C) FROM BUNKER JO' THOL: Bunker 3 reports 1 increased at 0446 hrs. Calling illum neg results.		Bde informed.	
10	0600		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
11	0700		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
12	0718		(C) FROM D12: at (467908)-2 have wans 3 have packs moving west 1000 meters. From D12 element calling arty.		Bde informed.	
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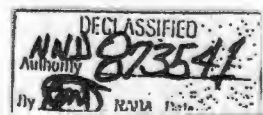
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13	0740		(C) FROM D12: Arty called on BS(454998) hit a hootch where 2 VC ran into hootch was destroyed. Two probable KIA's. Aero Scouts will check area.		Bde informed.	
14	0740		(C) DELAYED ENTRY FROM 0700 HRS: From Co A PZ IZ Gator 0710 IZ BS(515870) 0733 hrs.			
			CA of A1, PZ BS(470867) 0745 hrs, IZ BS515870 0755 hrs.		Bde informed.	
15	0800		(C) A(-) (515870), C13(669913), D12(464804) D2(451792), All other elements no change.		Bde informed.	
16	0816		(C) FROM AERO SCOUTS: one snatch mil age male (573795).		Bde informed.	
17	0820		(C) FROM CC: 2 detainees A Co 3 detainees 1 detainee ran, shot by CC, 1 KIA at 512862. 2 detainees at 516865 at 0730 there was much running and known VC picked up for into taken from hootch brought to IZ Gator.		Bde informed.	
18	0830		(C) FROM AERO SCOUT: While enroute to D12s location-redieved small arms fire 1 gunship hit will set down at QUANG NGAI to check ship 1 NVA KIA BS556763 dressed in blue uniform with full web gear no wpa sighted.		Bde informed.	
19	0900		(C) FROM CO A: 8 detainees-2 confirmed VC (Interpersters says) 7 picked up by CC to Gator-1 stayed with Co A says he knows the location of the mortar that has been used on Binh Son-All male mil age, healthy looking, no ID Cards 505883.		Bde informed.	
20	0900		(C) Co A(-) 505883, A3 518874, D32 moving west fr from 452789. ER6 518886, 36A 515886, All other elements no change.		Bde informed.	
21	1000		(C) Co A(-) 515882, A3(518878) B21 702963, D2(-) 449793, D32(461789) ER 523888, ER6 526888, 1/H/17 Cav 4 at Gator, 3 at Bayonet 7 tracks at Gator sending 3 back to Bayonet for maintenance leaving 4 at gator for today.		Bde informed.	
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22	1045		(C) FROM AERO SCOUTS: At 438803, 1 NVA KIA w/helmet, pack/wpn, poncho liner, web gear could not make pick up of equipment. Snatched 1 female 482878.	Bde informed.			
23	1045		(C) FROM CO D-D2(-) found 2 caves observing area 446794-caves 3' diameter heavy trail leading to it not entered yet.	Bde informed.			
24	1100		(C) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
25	1115		(C) FROM CAP 131-Friendly loc 603954, enemy location 604954, dtg 15/2000 hrs, element spotted 2 VC then recieved heavy auto wpns fire from tree line, results sent reaction force from CP fired illum arty- two possible KIA (VCs)	Bde informed.			
26	1130		(C) FROM CAP 1-3-10- Friendly loc 559893 enemy loc 551885 dtg 15/2100 hrs RF Honcho informed FO of VC Co called arty on VC position 551885 their mission was to attack 1-3-10 called check fire on mission RF went to check area results-ceased fire while RFs checked area they stated they heard many people screaming and noises of people in pain came back to position and called arty on possible escape routes. Bde informed.				
27	1130		(C) FROM 134: Friendly loc 622020 and 623007 friendly loc's 624016 & 632021 & 632013. Dtg 15/2230 hrs, VC opened fire on Son Tra (1) 134 positions and element for Bravo. Explosive charges, (5) grenades and approx 600 rds AK & BAR fire element 4 Bravo recieved 60mm and approx 25 to 30 rds of AK Results called for illum and arty on VC positions and escape routes Estimated 3 enemy positions, at about 30 to 35 men element observed what appeared to be an NVA Flag at top of hill 620022 will investigate.	Bde informed.			
28	1200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
29	1134		(C) DELAYED ENTRY: From 1134 hrs: A3 urgent Dustoff possible M16 mine 3 US WHA, 2 Walking & 1 litter patient. mine at 526884 dustoff				

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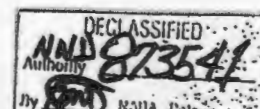
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29			CON'T FROM PAGE #3: pickup 526884 taken to 27th Surg CG completed 1146.	Bde informed.			
30	1245		FROM AERO SCOUTS: (C) 1 NVA KIA grid 551765 w/wpn web gear blue uniform and poncho 2 chicom grenades.	Bde informed.			
31	1300		(C) Co A(-) 511885, B21(704969), D32449788, ER 545872 moving to Gator.	Bde informed.			
32	1400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
33	1500		(C) A(-) moving from 511855 to 478872. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
34	1600		(C) C13 extraction: PZ 669911 1550 LZ Dottie 1555	Bde informed.			
35	1600		(C) A(-) moving 488878, All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
36	1605		(C) AGENT REPORT: 14 Dec 68 F3 rating from Amcal: Unit of 48th Bn is loc Lac Son (1) Hamlet at 685916. Rept stated 120 VC/NVA dressed in green, gray, mustard, uniforms have been meeting during the day in Lac Son (1) and ambushing during the night in area. Possible tunnel in area.	Bde informed.			
37	1615		(C) CC AND GUNSHIPS took fire at 548871: Birds moving north to south 80 knots: Altitude 4-500 ft tail #CC 441 GS 016.	Bde informed.			
38	1700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
39	1800		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
40	1809		(C) D12 observed 3 VC at vic 478798 wearing black PJs white cap, 1 wpn, called arty neg results.	Bde informed.			
41	1825		(C) D2(-) observed approx 10 VC packs at 456793 called arty neg results.	Bde informed.			
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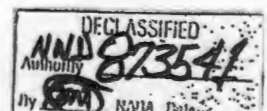
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42	1830		(C) A(-) PZ 1645 (488878) LZ Gator 1707.	Bde informed.		
43	1900		NDP (C): A(-) Gator, A(-) 474873, B(-) Gator B241 Paradise, B12 567978, B13 589942, C Co Dottie, D(-) Buff, D12 466804, D2(-) 449793, D32 447787, E(-) Gator, EM Buff & CAP 133 ER 543873, 1/H/17 2 at Binh Son Bridge, 2 at Dottie 3 at RMK.	Bde informed.		
44	1945		(C) CAP 139 fired arty on 484837 2 KIA at 1755	Bde informed.		
45	1958		(C) VIP REPORT: Total Exp: 3200 2000 ten M79 HE, 200 one B40 rocket 500 one 105 rd; 500 one 8" how.	S5, Bde informed.		
46	2000		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
47	2055		(C) Tracks at Binh Son: A report from ARVN that at 586923 587920 585919 there is a Co of NVA at each grid.	Bde informed.		
48	2100		(C) VC are going to attack CAP 133 tonight from direction of AN LOC left one NVA flag and leaflets at gates of TRUONG-HOA (2) one Co of VC in AN LOC.	Bde informed.		
49	2100		(C) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
50	2100		(C) MARINES- Intel from women who returned from Binh Son reported that a plt of Co size of VC moved from Dung Le #5 to Troung Hoa #3 Wearing brown and green uniforms. They are at an old Bn Base Camp at 630997. PE think they hit 133 tonight.	Bde informed.		
51	2200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
52	2300		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
53	2400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
Friendly losses for period: 3 US WHA						
Enemy losses for period: 1 KIA, 3 CIA						
Friendly losses to date: 34 KHA, 323 WHA, 5 killed not as result of hostile action.						
Enemy losses to date: 113 KIA, 33 VC CIA, 104 indiv wpns, 90 HG						
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15	1200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
16	1300		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
17	1400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
18	1430		(U) B21 closed LZ Paradise.	Bde informed.	
19	1500		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
20	1510		(C) ER PZ LZ Gator 1434, LZ(533913) 1448.	Bde informed.	
21	1600		(C) C2 sweeping 611839. All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
22	1638		(C) C2 closed LZ Dottie.	Bde informed.	
23	1645		(C) D12 observes 3 enemy w/packs, one w/wpn at 459798, called artillery.	Bde informed.	
24	1700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
25	1800		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
26	1900		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
27	2000		(C) D12(466804) D2-D32(454794). ER(514895) All other elements no change.	Bde informed.	
28	2100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
29	2200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
30	2300		(U) VIP Report: 9-M79 canaster rounds, 3-M79HE, 1-7.75 rocket war head lot 54-92, 1-M26 grenade, 1-1½ block TNT. Total: 3100p.	Bde informed.	
31	2400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
Friendly losses for period: None					
Enemy losses for period: None					
Friendly losses to date: 34 KHA, 320 WHA, 5 killed not as result of hostile action					
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1. Operation Summary: 5-45 continue operations and security of L2 in assigned.

2. Contact: At 161445 hours, at 458006, D12 observed 3 VC with picks and 1 weapon at 459790. D12 called artillery with unknown results.

At 161010 hours, at 456004, D12 observed 40 VC, 20 with weapons at grid 452794. Gunships were immediately called, but cancelled by Brigade. (Because it was not contact). D12 also had preplanned artillery. The 5-45 C/O was over the area also as the 40 VC moved out of the sight of D12. D12 called artillery with negative results.

At 162110 hours, CAP 132, received 1,000 rounds of automatic weapons fire and 2 B-40 rockets from grids 567904 and 571091. CAP 132 returned and called artillery. Many blood trails were found as 1 Marine was wounded. Recoil was called and completed at 2110 hours.

At 170710 hours, at 456004, D12 observed 3 VC, 3 with picks and 2 with weapons, at grid 454790. D12 called artillery, with unknown results.

At 170740 hours, at 454790, D12 called artillery on a hootch in which 2 VC ran into. They destroyed the hootch with unknown enemy casualties.

At 170820 hours, at 567000, the C/O got 1 VC HQ and 1 VC.

At 171154 hours, at 506004, 3 VC at 45 100 on Hill side. 1 HQ, 2 with C/O completed the Recoil at 1145 hours.

SUMMARY PLANS: 171500 - 181500 Jan 61
ORIGINAL: Continue operations in assigned area.

1/3-45: Assist in defense of L2 GAZON. A(-) brought back to L2 GAZON from via of George at 171700 Jan 61 after operation. 21 with 6th mortar remain in via of George for security for CAP 133. One platoon move to L2 GAZON at approx 181500 by truck to secure broken previously named by G Co. Engineers and artillery will not broken from 180600 until platoon arrives.

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B/5-46: Continue defense of LE GARD. One squad (D12) secure bridge via 560970. One squad (D13) secure HUK equipment via 506942. B2 and B4- secure LE PARADISE. B1 patrol at 180900 south-south-west from LE PARADISE for 1400 meters and CA and return at approx 181500.

C/5-46: Continue defense of LE DOTTE. One SLP (D15) via 669911 airlifted to LE DOTTE at 171600. C Co CA at 180700 to via 4779 for operation in valley at that location. Company will remain in area for approx 4-5 days.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LE BUFF. One SLP (D12) via 464804. One SLP (D2-) via 450495. One SLP (D32) via 447789.

B/5-46: Assist in defense of LE GARD. Moon(-) searches via 545672 for reported weapons cache. Moon to return on 18 Dec 68. Bortons are in general support of LE BUFF and CA 133.

1/17/69: Two ADAY at Binh Son Bridge at night and remainder at LE DOTTE. During daylight the two at the bridge returns to LE DOTTE.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: 1 US KIA
2 US WIA

B. Enemy: 1 VC KIA

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1	0002		(C)Foxhole Report: HHC 182 A Co 26 103 129 148 B Co 22 109 131 150 C Co 118 16 134 153 D Co 39 78 117 138 E Co 17 63 80 91 TOT: 222 369 591 862	Bde informed.			
2	0100		(C)A(-)IZ Gator,A1-(474863).B(-)IZ Gator,B2&B4 IZ Paradise,B12(568978),B13(587947).C Co IZ Dottie.D(-)IZ Buff,D2-(449793)D12(466804)D32(447787).E(-)IZ Gator,EM-IZ Buff & CAP 133 ER(543873).1/H/17, 3 @ IZ Dottie, 2 @ Binh Son Bridge, 3 @ RMK.	Bde informed. Artillery.			
3	0200		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
4	0300		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
5	0400		(C)B12(567978),B13(589942).All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
6		0400	(C)S2 to Bde: 10 detainees taken to Bde,one PW captured at vic BS5187 approx 170800-170830 4 confirmed VC to include 1 1st Sgt. 6 VCS detained(intell,new BN formed one month ago, consists of 506A,506B,C21,C4,operating vic BS 5075.Additional intell, From Chieu Hoi indicated 35 WIA personnel VC type were treated at hospital vic BS4479, one day after attack on Binh Son.	Bde informed. S-3 informed. S-2 informed.			
7	0500		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
8	0600		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
9	0700		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
10	0750		(C)From BN CO: CA of C Co: C2, 3&4 PZ IZ Dottie, 0728 hours, IZ BS440779, 0752. C6+1 PZ IZ Dottie, 0808 hours, IZ 450798, 0817 hours.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.			
11	0800		(C)C Co(-)BS450798 moving west,C2&3&4 BS440779 moving west. All other elements no change.	Artillery. Bde informed.			
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12	0815		(C) From Bde TOC: Suspected enemy rocket sites BS5498, 5499, specific area BS547993.	S-3 informed.				
13	0900		(C) B12(BS567978), B13(BS589942), B21(BS692972). C2&3&4(BS140779) moving west. ER(BS543873) moving east. All other elements no change.	Bde informed. Artillery.				
14	0912		(C) C Co(-) C6&1: At BS147798 found NVA foot prints with diamond shaped marking. Also, found local marking sign indicating mines in area.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.				
15	1000		(C) ER moving from BS545872. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.				
16	1005		(C) From Marines: 1 VN male, age 34 came to CAP 139 and told them that he had worked for 8 VC with 1x M16, 1x carbine, 1x thompson sub-machine gun, in CAP 138 AO. He also said that these 8 VC planted many AP mines in grid 5088, 5188, and 5288. 5/46 C/C will evac to LZ Gator for further interrogation.	Bde informed.				
17	1100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
18	1200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed,				
19	1215		(C) From C Co: Hospital site was a cleared trail grid BS144806, had not been used for about 5 or 6 weeks. Found sandals and tape of plastic tape also no building.	Bde informed.				
20	1300		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
21	1310		(C) Delayed entry: B21 at BS690966 received sniper fire from enemy grid BS693963, 3 auto weapons and 690958, 1 semi auto. 1 VC dead male found at BS693963 dressed in black, no weapon.	Bde informed.				
22	1400		(C) ER(LZ Gator). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.				
23	1440		(C) 1 KIA at 693810. two VC were wearing black PJs. 1 wearing green and evaded.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.				
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S-3 5-16 Inf			LZ Gator			0001	18 Dec 68	2400	18 Dec 68
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24	1445		(U)B21 closed LZ Paradise, 1415.	Bde informed.					
25	1500		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.					
26	1600		(C)Intell report: There are 3 main force units in said grids. C4 unit has a base camp at BS489777. Also unit 506A has 44 men at BS493758. Also unit 506B has 64 men at BS480772. Also unit C21 has 21 men at BS498777. Also on 16 Dec one of the said units was to attack a village named AN DIAN #2 BS554896. It was called because of US troops in area. Will attack when the US leave. Also on 14 Dec all said units were to attack on new moon. Don't know where they were to attack. On 16 Dec 28 men were observed at BS504883. They were there for 20 days. Also a VC DHQ at BS553783 has been there for one year. There is also 2 man foxholes and trench for DHQ when the US pass through that location of the DHQ, the VN wave at them, as warning so the people at DHQ can get out of the area and go to a village in the mountains called NUI-NHAN. Also an 8 man VC unit at BS5478 to watch LZ Buff. Also a unknown size company at BS552771.	Bde informed. S-3 informed. S-2 informed.					
27	1600		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.					
28	1630		(C)C Co reports that 1 of 3 detainees stated that 50 NVA passed BS47797 moving east to west. No weapons or uniforms and equipment observed.	Bde informed.					
29	1700		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.					
30	1800		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.					
31	1900		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.					
32	2000		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.					
33	2100		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.					
34	2200		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.					
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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AVINF-BOC

18 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
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1. Operations Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contacts: At 171615 hours, at 548871, the G/C and Hunter gunship received fire just lifting off the G13 extraction site. The aircraft were south at 500 feet, doing 80 knots. Negative hits or casualties.

At 171809 hours, at 466804, D12 observed 3 VC in black PJs, white cap and 1 weapon. D12 called artillery, with unknown results.

At 171825 hours, at 449793, D2(-) observed 10 VC with packs at 456793. D2(-) called artillery with unknown results.

At 181000 hours, an element from CAP 135 made contact with estimated 45 VC at BS703 958. Friendly location at 707965. Artillery and mortar fire from LZ PARADISE. Swift boats were called into above grids, helix was called to observe area. Observed many secondary explosions and flames. Results, 14 VC KIAs and 1 AK-47 captured. Helix confirmed that there were bunkers at the enemy grids. Artillery was credited with 8 KIA, Swift boats with 3 KIA, and D12 from LZ PARADISE with 3 KIAs.

At 181100 hours, D21 at 690966, received sniper fire from vic 693963 and 690958. 81mm mortars fired and area searched. 1 VC KIA found at grid 693963.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 181500 - 191500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. A21 with 81mm (A4) via 450866 for security of CAP 139. One platoon (A2) patrolling and ambushing vic 551993 and will return approx 191000, leaving a SLP in the area. One platoon (A3) secures LZ DOTTIE during absence of C Co. Engineers and artillery also are securing portions of bunker line.

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B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GATOR. One squad (B12) via 567978 secures bridge. One squad (B13) secures RUM equipment via 586942. B2 and B4- secure LZ PARADISE. B21 will patrol from LZ PARADISE at 190800 to via 704969, 704963, 701965, 699970, and return approx 191500 to LZ PARADISE.

G/5-46: Continue operations in area via of AO extension searching and sweeping area and ambushing at night. Area of search will be approx in area 4381, 4781, 4778, and 4378.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUUF. One SLRF (D12) via 464803. One SLRF (D2-) via 449794. One SLRF (D32) via 447784. D3- will be airlifted at 0730 to via 558824, and block as D1- moves towards 554824. Both elements return to LZ BUUF approx 191600.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Mortars are in general support of LZ BUUF and CAP 133.

1/H/17 Cav: Two ACAV at Binh Son Bridge and remainder at LZ DOTTIE. During daylight the two ACAVs at bridge return to LZ DOTTIE.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: 4 VD KIA

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1	0100	(C) A(-) IZ Gater, A1&4(-) 470867, A3(IZ Dettie) A2-(544994), A21(551993). B(-) IZ Gater, B2&4(IZ Paradise, B12(567978), B13(589942). C(-) & C1(431 798), C2(440798), C3&4(447779). D(-) IZ Buff, D12 (466804), D2-(449793), D32(447787). E(-) IZ Gater, EM(IZ Buff) and CAP 133, 1/H/17 2 @ IZ Dettie, 2 @ Binh Son Bridge, 2 via (629833).				Bde informed.	
2	0155	(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
3	0125	(C) Foxhole Report: HQ 181 A Co 49 82 131 149 B Co 22 107 129 148 C Co 111 17 128 152 D Co 76 56 132 139 E Co 16 62 78 89 TOT: 274 324 598 858				Bde informed.	
4	0350	(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
5	0450	(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
6	0600	(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
7	0700	(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
8	0800	(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
9	0845	(C) C1 BS437801, spotted 3 VC in black PJs and with weapons(rifles) engaged with small arms, unknown results, searching area, took no enemy fire, found many spider holes and 1x bunker at BS437801.				Bde informed.	
10	0900	(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
11	1000	(C) 1/H/17, 2 @ IZ Bayonet. All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
12	1050	(C) From CAP 139: At BS504884, 10-15 VC block- ing and will not let people pass. Making them take another route. We are sending airo scout to check this area out.				Bde informed.	
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13	1053		(C) From D Co: Insertion D3(-) from IZ Buff, PZ 1047 hours, IZ BS558826, 1053 hours.	Bde informed. Artillery.		
14	1100		(C) D3(-) BS556825. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
15	1115		(C) From Aero Scouts: At BS504884 road being blocked by VC. Suspect road being mined. Passed to USMC, Bde, and Binh Son.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.		
16	1200		(C) B21 closed IZ Paradise. C33 returned to C3's location. ER leaving IZ Gator, moving west. All other elements no change.	Bde informed. S-3 informed. Artillery.		
17	1300		(C) ER(548955). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
18	1345		(C) Suspect enemy location, unknown size element, 500men, via 724829.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.		
19	1400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
20	1500		(C) ER(548824). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
21	1600		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
22	1605		(U) D1 and D3 closed IZ Buff.	Bde informed.		
23	1700		(U) 1/H/17 IZ Dottie. All other elements no change.	Artillery. Bde informed.		
24	1800		(C) ER(548944). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
25	1900		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
26	2000		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
27	2100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
28	2200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
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Friendly losses for period: None

Enemy losses for period: None

Friendly losses to date: 34KHA, 323 WHA, 5 killed not as result of hostile action

Enemy losses to date: 114 KIA, 33 VC CIA, 104 indiv wps, 90 HG

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19 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVHP-BOG
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operations Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of Hqs in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 190810 hours, more scouts reported 1 VC KIA evading at NS667046 and 1 VOB KIA NS792048.

At 190815 hours, CI at NS437802, spotted 3 VC in black fls and with weapons. Engaged with small arms. Searched area with negative results.

At 190910 hours, CI received small arms fire from right flank at NS437802. 2 US and 1 VN interpreter WIA. Dusted off at 0945 at NS438799. Returned small arms fire at enemy located at NS8804. Negative results.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 190500 - 201500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. A1 & A4- with 81mm mortar via 470868 for security of GAP 139. One SLP (A2-) via 564997. One platoon (3d) secures LZ DOTTIE during absence of C Co. Engineers and artillery are also securing portions of bunker line. One SLP to be inserted via 685000 at approx 201400.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GATOR. One squad (B12) via 567778 securing bridge. One squad (B13) secures NVA equipment via 586442. B2 and B4 secure LZ PARADISE. B21 patrolling at 200800 via 692977 to 688979 to 683979 to 680977 to 684975 to 688976 and return at approx 201400.

C/5-46: Continue operations in area of AO attention and will sweep and search the area via 4379, 4378, 4479, and 4478.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUFF. One SLP (D12) via 467803. One SLP (D2-) via 449793. One SLP (D32) via 449787. D3- and D4- return from operation via 558804 at approx 191600.

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1/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Recon, ER6, 1 section via Sh8995. ER6 LZ GATOR. Mortars are in general support of LZ BUFF and CAP 133.

1/11/17 Cavi: Two ACAV at Binh Son Bridge at night. Two ACAVs via HX equipment and remainder at LZ DOTYIL.

h. Casualties:

A. Friendly: 3 US WHA

B. Enemy: None

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2	0012		(C)Foxhole Report: HQ 179 A Co 97 38 135 147 B Co 22 108 130 149 C Co 108 15 123 147 D Co 39 71 110 141 E Co 6 75 81 91 TOT: 272 307 579 851			Bde informed.	
3	0025		(C)Dustoff IZ Buff for 1 US from D Co. Priority accidental shooting in the foot. EM name is PFC DAWSON, was on top of bunker firing H&Is. Thinking his M-16 was unloaded, had started to climb off of bunker, weapon accidentally went off hitting him in right ankle. Dustoff called 0025, completed 0105. Taken to 312Evac.			S-1 informed. Bde informed.	
4	0250		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
5	0350		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
6	0450		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
7	0600		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
8	0700		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
9	0745		(U)From C Co 1st Plt: 1 NVA with green uniform, neg weapon, had a ruck sack. North to South, walked into C1's night location. Cap- turned and was taken to IZ Gator.			S-3 informed. Bde informed.	
10	0750		(U)From D Co: Dustoff report for D Co at 0025 20 Dec 68, called to S-1.			Bde informed.	
11	0800		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
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12	0900		(C) A2(-) BS544994 moving towards CP5. All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
13	0905		(C) From C Co: At 0900 C3(-) received 12 rds small arms semi-automatic fire from BS440770. Did not return fire, to far away.			Bde informed.		
14	1000		(C) A2(-) closed LZ Gator. All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
15	1100		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
16	1105		(C) From C Co: Urgent dustoff, hit mine, believed to be command detonated. Whenever C2 tries to move they receive heavy auto wps fire from the North, from 50 to 100 meters. Gunships requested by dustoff 57, on station 1145. Enemy grid 441805.			Bde informed. Artillery.		
17	1105		(C) From C Co: Need urgent dustoff BS441805 2 US mine, 2 possible KHA, 1 US broken ankle. 2 Plt ldrs. Time called 1108, complete 1220. Taken to 27th surg.			S-3 informed. Bde informed.		
18	1200		(C) ER(BS537929) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
19	1300		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
20	1400		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
21	1500		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
22	1600		(C) ER(544940) ER6 (LZ Gator) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
23	1700		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
24	1745		(C) D12 observed 1 NVA with weapon (AK-47) at 478802. Called arty, Negativ results.			Bde informed.		
25	1800		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
26	1900		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
26	2000		(C) C6, C2, C1 (434798) C3, C4 (455784) C33 (448785) All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		

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AFIP-300

20 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Operations

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
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1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continues operations and security of ILS in assigned AO.

2. Contacts: At 200035 hours, at IS BHP, a man (PFC BASH) from D Co accidentally shot himself in the foot while trying to climb off his duty assigned bunkers. He thought his M-16 rifle was cleared. Duntuff was called at 0035 hours and completed at 0105 hours.

At 203745 hours, at 434790, G1 snatched a suspected EVA in green uniform with pack. Negative weapon. The IVAS was walking along a trail going north to south.

At 200900 hours, at 451783, G3- received 12 rounds of small arms and automatic fire from grid 487770. G3- did not return fire because enemy grid was too far away. Negative artillery.

At 201100 hours, at 441032, G2(-) hit a command detonated explosive (unknown aim). The explosion killed 2 US and wounded 1 US. Request duntuff called 1400 hours. At G2(-) was trying to secure IS for the duntuff, they came under heavy automatic weapon fire. Gunships were on station at 1145 as the duntuff was completed at 1820 hours. Air strikes were put in by Helix 27. Negative enemy domination.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 201500 - 211500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

1/5-46: Assist in defense of IS GASH. At and A4(-) via 470060 for security of CAS 139. One platoon (34) secures LE DORIN during absence of O Co. One BMR (A21) inserted at 201500 via 635000.

2/5-46: Continue defense of IS GASH. One squad (B13) via 586942 securing BMR equipment. One squad (B12) via 587970 securing bridge. B2 and B4 secure IS PASHIN and begin moving equipment in preparation for turning over to PF on about 22 Dec 68.

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11/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUZY. One SLP (D12) via 466804. One SLP (D2-) via 449795. One SLP (D32) via 447787. D1 prepare for movement from LZ BUZY to begin after clearance of LZ PARADISE.

11/5-46: Continue operations in area of AD extension and sweep area via 4431, 4531, 4480, 4580.

11/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Recon, H5 via 557929. H6 at LZ GATOR. Horses at LZ BUZY and CAP 135.

11/17 Cav: 2 M4Vs at Binh Son Bridge. 2 M4Vs at BUK equipment and remainder at LZ DOTTIE.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: 2 US KIA
2 US WIA

B. Enemy: None

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9	0745		(C) A Co, A2(-) SLRP will have an OP at BS639 998.	Bde informed.																																				
10	0800		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.																																				
11	0825		(C) C Co, C3&4 at BS466804 will move west to C Co(-) at BS434796 in 15 minutes.	Bde informed.																																				
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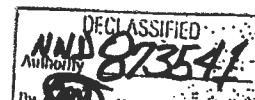
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16	1105		(C) FROM BDE: URI Unk unit size (enemy) within 500 meters of BS681817 early this morning.		S3 informed.		
17	1155		(C) FROM BDE: GS drop today 1330 hrs between BS677812 & BS687834. Approved by S3. Co A alerted by SSG NEAL.		Company A S3, S2, Arty, informed.		
18	1200		(C) A22 BS641997 OP, C Co 439799, All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
19	1300		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
20	1400		(C) A1 & 4 473870, A3 IZ DOTTIE, ER 540998 7 tracks closed Dottie. All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
21	1400		(C) A13, A12, closed CAP 139. A21, A22 dropped and are CPs for A2(-).		Bde informed.		
22	1410		(C) A/S BS685831 compl; 1410; BDA 1 Structure destroyed; 1 secondary explosion.		Bde informed.		
23	1500		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
24	1500		(C) HELIX 23: A/S 439806 compl; 1535; 1 Bunker dest 3 secondary explosions.		Bde informed.		
25	1545		(C) Binh Son says they will not be able to man Paradise. They request we give the PFs the concertina & other misc equip before destroying Paradise.		Bde informed.		
26	1600		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
27	1640		(C) A1 observed 5 VC at 459883 wearing frag jackets w/1 hv wpn fired 81mm neg results CC checked area. N/R.		Bde informed.		
28	1700		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
29	1800		(C) M/H/17 3 Dottie, 2 Binh Son Bridge, 2 RMK(589944) All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
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30	1812		(C) C Co found 15 deeply dug foxholes connected by tunnel structures also 9 fresh graves at 438803; 15 foxholes, interlocking trenches also chickens & cows, engr stakes & wire; Appears to be a Bn size base camp going to destroy everything tomorrow.	Bde informed.		
31	1825		(C) Paradise received sniper fire from grid 697969; 4-5 snipers; approx 70 rds; returned fire with S/A and calling arty at this time. No clearance for arty.	Bde informed.		
32	1835		(C) NDP's, A(-) GATOR, A1&A4(-) (473870) A3 Dottie, A21(567978), A2(-) (640999), B(-) GATOR B2&4 Paradise, B12(567978), B13(589944) C(439799), D(-) Buff, D12(466804) D2(-) (449795), D32(447787) E(-) GATOR, EM Buff & CAP 133. ER(548974), #3/H/17 3 at Dottie, 2 at Binh Son Bridge, 2 at RMK.	Bde informed.		
33	1900		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
34	2000		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
35	2100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
36	2120		(C) Recon is to move at 212130 to 538973.	Bde informed.		
37	2145		(C) FROM BDE: Pilot coming in for a landing at CHU LAI spotted two large explosions on runway. He turned, at grid (542934) alt. 2000 ft observed two rockets being launched neg sightings of rockets on the ground. He observed one more fired from (485935) Tried to direct A4 in with 20mm cannons-missed by 200 meters another A4 pilot spotted two rockets fired at (549985) and two at (532988). All around 1830 hrs. Bde S3 requested this be added to plans sky spots into tonight.	Bde informed.		
38	2121		(C) DELAYED ENTRY: Password immediately will be changed to alt. due to primary has been compromised from bde.	All units informed.		
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21 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVIF-BOC
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1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contacts: At 201305 hours, at LZ PARADISE, received approx 7 rounds of semi-automatic weapons fire from grid 693978. Negative action taken.

At 201745 hours, at 466804, D12 observed 1 VC with AK-47 at grid 478802. D12 called artillery with unknown results.

At 201920 hours, at 474864, CAP 139 spotted 10 VC with packs, set up around a hootch at grid 47718383. The Marines called in artillery as the VC fled from the area. While later, 4 VC returned to the house for equipment. The Marines again called in artillery, destroying the hootch and killing 4 VC. Later, 5 VC returned to remove the equipment and bodies. Another artillery mission killed 2 VC. Total of 6 VC KIA.

At 201850 hours, at 434796, C Co(-), while moving from 434198, to 434796, observed 2 VC with weapons. C Co(-) engaged them with small arms fire, possibly getting 1 VC KIA. C Co(-) attempted to maneuver but came under heavy automatic weapons fire from grid 442880. C Co(-) had 2 US WHA (leg wound) and called a dustoff at 1850, to be accompanied by a flareship and gunships. Dustoff completed at 1947 hours. C Co(-) called artillery on suspected enemy grid, with unknown results.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 211500 - 221500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. A1 and A4(-) via 470868 for security of CAP 139. One platoon (3d) secures LZ DOTTIE during absence of C Co. One squad (A22) move to OP5 at 211700 and is joined by PHU to move via 547974 for cordon and search at 220600.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GATOR. One squad (B13) via 589942 securing RPK equipment. One squad (B12) via 567978 securing bridge. B2 and B4(-) securing LZ PARADISE evacuate by air to LZ GATOR to close at approx 221700. A PF platoon assumes control of LZ PARADISE.

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C/5-45: Continue operations in area of 10 extension and finish sweep of vic 4480 and be extracted to LZ DOVER at approx 221500, if nothing significant is found.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUFF. One SLP (D12) vic 466804. One SLP (D2-) vic 449795. One SLP (D32) vic 447787. Prepare for movement to LZ GATOR to commence about 26 Dec 68.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Recon vic 540998 checking for rocket positions and move at 230100 to vic 540974 and establish cordon for PRU. Mortars are in general support of LZ BUFF and CAP 133.

1/H/17 Cav: 2 ACAVs vic Binh Son Bridge. 2 ACAVs vic RMK equipment, and 3 ACAVs at LZ DOVER.

A. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: ~~None~~

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1	0001		(U) Journal Opened.	Bde informed.	
2	0001		(C) Brought forward from 21 Dec 68. A(-) Gator, A1&4(-) 473870, A3 Dottie, A21 567978, A2(-) 640999, B(-) Gator, B2 &4(-) Paradise, B12 567978, B13 589944, C 439799, D(-) Buff, D12 465800, D2(-) 449793, D32 447787, E(-) Gator, EM Buff and CAP 133 ER 538978, 3/H/17 3 at Dottie, 2 at Binh Son Bridge, 2 at 589944.	Bde informed.	
3	0012		(C) FOXHOLE REPORT HHC A 7 B 14 C 100 D 39 E 14 TOTAL 174 120 117 17 76 68 398 127 131 117 115 82 572 177 150 150 142 137 92 848		
4	0054		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
5	0200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
6	0255		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
7	0350		(C) Neg SITREP Neg contact.	Bde informed.	
8	0510		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
9	0600		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
10	0650		(C) FROM CO D: D12 spotted 4 VC dragging 2 bodies at BS453801. All have packs, no wpns moving SSE calling arty corfram D12 moving to check area for results. Four possible kills checked area nobodies only blood stains.	Bde informed.	
11	0700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.	
12	0705		(C) FROM CO A: A21 moving into Tri Binh(4) spotted 3 VC with wpns moving into ville engaged with M16 and have 1 possible KIA VC ran in ville. A21 is moving into Tri Binh(4)		

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12			(CON'T FROM PAGE 1 Item #12) with PRUs at this time neg results.			Bde informed.			
13	0749		ER (C) ERB has 1 KIA VC Female moving out of Tri Binh (4) to south believed to be a nurse she had a sack with combs, soap, note book, and pills. Enemy grid BS547973.			Bde informed.			
14	0800		(C) A21 Checking Tri Binh (4) All other element no change.			Bde informed.			
15	0830		(C) FROM S3-A to BDE: D#3 PZ LZ Buff 0820 hrs LZ Dottie 0833 hrs A3 PZ Dottie 0835 hrs, LZ Gator 0847 hrs, A1 & 4(-) PZ BS473870 0900 hrs, LZ GATOR 0912 hrs.			Bde informed.			
16	0830		(C) Extraction and Insertion of Co C. PZ BS450799 0841 hrs, LZ BS 535934 0911 hrs.			Bde informed.			
17	0900		(C) A21 567978, All other elements no change.			Bde informed.			
18	0930		(C) FROM BDE: G2 Air has a VR lead out BS 440840 ARVNS suspect VC Bn suggest Air Strike			Bde informed.			
19	1000		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.			
20	1040		(C) FROM BN CO: Extractions D12 PZ 468748 0941 hr to LZ Buff 0948 hr D2(-) PZ 455795 (0951 hrs) LZ Buff 0956 hrs A2(-) PZ BS640949 1025 hrs LZ Gator 1035 hrs.			Bde informed.			
21	1100		(C) C6, 1 & 4 moving C3 moving, C2 535934 D32 moving, D3 Dottie, ER6 542979, ERA 534977, All other elements no change.			Bde informed.			
22	1105		(C) FROM BDE: CHERRY HILL has just been rocketed-Bde requests we lookout for flashes.			S3& CO informed.			
23	1200		(C) Co A moving, left Gator 1140, B1 moving, C2 moving 535934, All other elements no change.			S3& Bde informed.			
24	1210		(C) FROM CO E: Suspected rocket site 543982 4 stakes in a line pointing to CL, Cleared area, burnt grass, home made carrying handles of wood and commo wire. Moving to AC and Co A will bush above grid.			Bde informed.			
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25	1215		(C) FROM S3 to Units: Following loc are suspected rocket sites and are to be searched specifically. Co A: BS532988 ER 549985 Co C: BS542934 & 485935			Units informed.		
26	1215		(C) FROM BDE: Possible Rocket sites, 544983			Units informed.		
27	1245		(C) FROM BDE: URI Bn size unit believed within 1250 meters of 773841 mid morning today.			S3 informed.		
28	1230		(C) FROM S3 to CO A: Ambush area of suspected rocket site for this evening 543982. ER found this site but it is out of their AO.			Bde informed.		
29	1300		(U) All elements no change.			BDE Informed.		
30	1345		(C) Extraction: D32 PZ 448784 1332 LZ Dottie 1340.			Bde informed.		
31	1400		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
32	1500		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
33	1540		(C) From Bde S3- Continue rocket prev OPs until 270700 & then continue appropriate indiv opns.			Bde informed.		
34	1600		(C) 1555 C3 Obs 2 VC w/wpns at 492918 prox 800 mm, arty SM arms fired C33 checking area found the two rucksacks, had food & misc items of no significant destroyed.			Bde informed.		
43	1600		(C) A(538946), A3(moving) A1(550978), B(-) Gator, B2&4 Paradise, B12(567978) B13(589944) C-(528935) C2(529927) C3(521926) C33(492918) D(-) Buff, D3 Dottie, E(-) Gator, EM Buff & CAP 133 ER(566994) 3/H/17 Dottie.			Bde informed.		
44	1700		(U) All elements no change.			BDE informed.		
45	1740		(C) SGT GILL, D Co while setting up a claymore in front of Bunker 13 CAP detained in his hand: Indiv taken to Gator aid by utility, further taken to 27th Surg at 1745 hrs. S1 will notify Bde.			Bde informed.		
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22 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
AFM: AVIF-BOZ
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1. Operation Summary: 5-45 continue operations and security of life in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 211640 hours, at 473870, A1 observed 3 VC wearing flak jackets and carrying 1 weapon at grid 473870. A1 called down weapons fire, with unknown results.

At 211825 hours, at 473870, received 70 rounds of sniper fire from grid 697759 from 4 to 5 snipers. The bunker line returned fire with small arms. Unknown results.

At 211835 hours, at 466804, D12 observed 10 VC with weapons and packs at grid 454803. D12 called artillery with 8 confirmed VC KIA. Shortly after, D12 spotted 3 more VC move into a hutch at grid 457887. They called artillery, with a possible 3 KIA.

At 212205 hours, at Binh Son District Headquarters, received 7 to 8 rounds of 60mm mortar fire from grid 611977. Binh Son called artillery, with unknown results. Negative friendly damage or casualties.

At 211215 hours, at bunker (The gate bunker) received 4 rounds of sniper fire from grid 574964. Bunker control called for illumination, with negative results.

At 220630 hours, at 463800, D12 spotted 4 VC with packs at grid 453801. The 4 VC were dragging 2 bodies. D12 called artillery, with negative results.

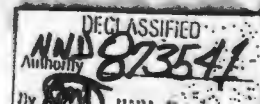
At 220705 hours, at 547973, A21 spotted 3 VC with weapons moving into the village of THE KINH #4. A21 engaged them with small arms. A check of the area proved negative.

At 220730 hours, at 546974, B2 engaged and killed 1 VC female crawling at grid 547973. A search of the KIA found a sack containing candy, soap, notebook and pills. Suspected nurse.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 221500 - 231500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

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A/5-46: Company searches, patrols and ambushes in assigned area to prevent rockets from being fired in CHU LAI. A1(5498), A2(5496), A3(5495).

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GATOR. One squad (B13) via 589942 securing ROK equipment. One squad (B12) securing bridge via 567978. B2 and B4- securing LZ PARADISE and will be evacuated by air to LZ GATOR by 231700, after engineers dismantle LZ PARADISE. One platoon (B1) CPON A/5-46 via 5597.

C/5-46: Company searches, patrols, and ambushes in assigned area to prevent rockets from being fired on CHU LAI. C3(4993), C1-(5293), C2(5292), C13(5493).

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUFF. One platoon (D5) at LZ DOTTEL during absence of C Co. D(-) prepared for dismantling and movement from LZ BUFF to commence about 26 Dec 68.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Recon, ambush, patrol and search in assigned area to prevent rockets from being fired on CHU LAI. Recon via 5499 and 5599. Mortars are in general support at LZ BUFF and CAP 133.

1/5/47 Gw: 2 ACAVs via ROK equipment, 2 ACAVs via Binh Son Bridge, and 3 ACAVs at LZ DOTTEL.

A. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: 9 VC KIA

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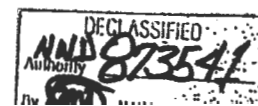
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1	0105		(C) A(-) 538946, A1(-) 545978, A15(543982), A23(539972), A3(-) 542949, A32(548950), B(-) LZ Gator, B2 & 4(LZ Paradise, B12(567978), B13(589944), B1(-) 528935, B14(545958), C(-) 528935, C2(529927) C3(498922), D(-) LZ Buff, D3(LZ Dottie), E(-) LZ Gator EM(LZ Buff & CAP 133), ER(537995). 3/H/17 2 at Binh Son Bridge, 2 at(589944), 3 at(LZ Dottie)			Bde informed.	
2	0110		(C) Foxhole Report: HQ 179 A Co 116 6 122 147 B Co 44 88 132 150 C Co 99 28 127 143 D Co 0 122 122 137 E Co 14 68 82 92 TOT: 273 312 605 848			Bde informed.	
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8	0700		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
9	0800		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
10	0815		(C) B2&B4 at 0810, at LZ Paradise, received 12 to 15 rounds semi-automatic fire. Enemy grid BS698969. Called arty, negative results.			Bde informed. Artillery.	
11	0900		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
12	1000		(C) C25(BS545930). All other elements no change. ER moving east to highway #1.			Bde informed.	
13	1100		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.	
14	1200		(C) ER(BS564996). All other elements no change.			Bde informed.	
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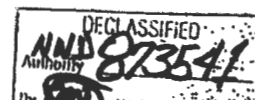
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15	1300		(C) C33 (moving 498922). ER (555996). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
16	1320		(C) 1320 A1 spotted 2 VC near a trail at grid 545977, moved in behind them, 1 VC started to run, the other reached for a carbine. A1 opened up with small arms fire, getting 2 VC KIA. Found, 1 map, 1 pistol belt, book. Setting up ambush. Serial No: 6475063. All equipment turned into S4, 1515 23 Dec 68.	Bde informed. S-2 informed.			
17	1400		(C) ER5 (555996), ER6 (556997). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
18	1500		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
19	1505		(C) Air Strike, 632975: Received secondary explosions and yellow smoke. Put second A/S on same area. Negative results.	S-3 informed. Bde informed.			
20	1540		(C) Dustoff for C Co, two men with 104° temp. Taken to IZ Gator.	Bde informed.			
21	1600		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
22	1700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
23	1800		(C) ER6 (554998). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
24	1900		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
25	2000		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
26	2100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
27	2200		(C) B32 (567978), B33 (589942), B1 (538946). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
28	2300		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
29	2400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			

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AVDP-BCZ

23 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVDP-BCZ
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1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 221600 hours, at 521986, C3 observed 2 VC with weapons at grid 492918. C3 engaged them with small arms fire and called artillery. C3 checked the area out and found 2 rucksacks filled with food and miscellaneous items. It was destroyed.

At 222148 hours, at Bunker 6, LZ Gator, grid 66539595, received 4 rds of sniper fire from hill grid 566964. Bunker 6 returned fire and called for illumination. Unknown results.

At 230815 hours, at LZ Paradise, received 12 to 15 rounds of semi-automatic wpn fire from grid 698969. B4 called 81mm mortar with negative results. Helix 27 had a look at the area also stating that many wood cutters were in the area.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 231500-241500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO

A/5-46: Company searches and ambushes in assigned area to prevent rockets from being fired into CHU LAI. A(-) 538947, A1 550978, A3 544949.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ Gator. One squad (B13) vic 589942 securing BMK Equipment. One squad (B12) securing bridge vic 567978. B2 and B4(-) returned from LZ Paradise approximately 231700 after engineers dismantled it. One platoon (B1) vic 529959 OPOON to A/5-46.

C/5-46: Company searches, patrols, and ambushes in assigned area to prevent rockets from being fired on Chu Lai. C(-) 528935, C3 499921, C2 529926.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ Buff. One platoon (D3) at LZ Dottie during absence of Co C. D(-) prepares for dismantling and movement from LZ Buff to

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1/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ Gator. Recon, ambush, patrol and search in assigned area to prevent rockets from being fired on Chu Lai. Recon via 555995 and 557996. Mortars are in GS at LZ Buff and CAP 133.

1/17/17 CAV: 2 ACAVs via HMK equipment, 2 ACAVs via Binh Son Bridge and remainder at LZ Dottie.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: 2 VC KIA

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1. DELAYED CONTACTS: At 231300 hours, at 545977 Al spotted 2 VC with one carbine near a trail at grid 545977. Al moved in behind them as 1 VC started to run while the other reached for his carbine. Al immediately engaged them with small arms fire killing both VC. Also found where 1 pistol belt one belt one map one book. Carbine SN 6475063 captured.

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11	0815		(U) CO A- A22 closed A(-) loc BS 538964, A11 closed A1 loc BS 549977, A31 closed A3(location BS 542945, A1 & A2 & B1 in ville BS546974.			BDE informed.																																				
12	0900		(C) B1(546974) ER6 moving west from 554998.			BDE informed.																																				
13	1000		(C) C25 moving to 550924, ER6 546995, ER5 540992, 2 ACTVs at BSB moving to Dottie.			BDE informed.																																				
14	1011		(C) CAP 133 has 1 confirmed VC female, from DONG LE (4) Picked up at market place 661015. Request bird to take VC to Binh Son.			BDE informed.																																				

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15	1055		(C) CO A- Routine Dustoff A22 requestor 1 VN WIA evading male-found 1 VC body, killed in yesterday's action-1 detainee wounded man's wife dustoff by CC completed 1105 312th Evac VC body-reference 231300- BS545977.			BDE informed.		
16	1100		(U) All elements no change.			BDE informed.		
17	1200		(C) Co A(-) 544966, A1 549977, A2 544966, B1 544966, C31 465926, C11 moving to 528935, C1(-) moving to meet C11. All other elements no change.			BDE informed.		
18	1205		(C) DELAYED ENTRY: From 1120 hrs from Co C C11-2 US WIA friendly grid 515945, enemy grid 513945-dustoff by CC at 1135 taken to 27th Surg. C11 recieved 20 rds small arms fire 1 mine believed command detonated fired 81mm and called gunships 1 man died at 27th Surg. 1 man minor wounds. CC hit by small arms fire fuel tank, rotor blade, disabled. Just made it back to IZ Gator.			BDE informed.		
19			(C) DELAYED ENTRY: From 0950 hrs from spotter plane. Spotter enter AO 0950 at 740863-749856-772849-753849 Complete: bridge dest rd cut 3 plates 740863 635960 completed 1240 BOA 2 bunkers suspected more bunkers same area.			BDE informed.		
20	1210		(C) FROM S3 AIR: CC shot up at grid 515945 flying 100 ft banking NE took approx 2-3 hits fuel cell, blades coming out of medivac area.			BDE informed.		
21	1300		(U) All elements no change.			BDE informed.		
22	1335		(C) C2 found relatively new punji stakes stuck in ground at angles; not in holes of any kind left as is covers roughly an area 100 m by 100 m at 599927.			BDE informed.		
23	1400		(U) All elements no change.			BDE informed.		
24	1500		(U) All elements no change.			BDE informed.		
25	1525		(C) C3 at 500922 rec 3 rds sniper fire from 500917, returned fire; checked; neg results.			BDE informed.		

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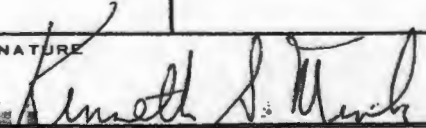
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26	1600		(U) All elements no change.	BDE informed.		
27	1700		(U) All elements no change.	BDE informed.		
28	1800		(U) All elements no change.	BDE informed.		
29	1900		(U) NDP's, all elements no change.	BDE informed.		
30	1910		(C) DELAYED ENTRY: USMC came into "TOC" with AO ext and posted it on Inf map but not arty arty cleared grid 4988 for daytime H&I result one USMC wounded not serious.	BDE INFORMED.		
31	1925		(C) Div requests an immediate report on enemy activities, such as movement, attacks, by fire assaults, mining, terrorist attacks, etc., against mil or civ targets. 5/46 gave a neg report. Div did not consider CAP 133 incident a break in the truce because it started prior to 241800 Dec 68.	BDE informed.		
32	2000		(U) All elements no change.	BDE informed.		
33	2100		(U) All elements no change.	BDE informed.		
34	2200		(C) CAP 135 is rec heavy small arms fire from grid 706965. firing ill and HE on grid 706965 LE TUY 2 also getting hit one (1) PF at LE TUY injured.	Bde informed.		
35	2200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
36	2354		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
37	2400		(U) Journal Closed.			
Friendly losses for period: 1 US WHA 1 US KIA Enemy losses for period: None Friendly losses to date: 37 KHA, 328 WHA, 5 killed not as result of hostile action. Enemy losses to date: 118 KIA, 33 VC CIA, 104 indiv wpns, 90 HG						
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24 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
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1. Operation Summary: 3-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 231830 B13 at 389942 had a group of VN milling around their position. People were told to leave and also one VC dressed as a PRU came along told the people to leave. He threatened them with a grenade and pulled pin on grenade. US shot him in stomach. Grenade went off injuring one US in foot. Injury very minor-no dustoff for US but dusted VC off.

At 232135 hrs RF ambush at 537884 sprung their ambush killing 2 VC and capturing 1 M79. RF's had 1 KIA.

At 241055 hrs, A22 at 545977 shot one VN male evading. Called dustoff and detained wounded man's wife for questioning. Male was wearing black pajamas-no ID card.

At 241130 hrs, C11 at 515945 ^{Received fire} ~~ambushed~~ by unknown size force. One command detonated mine ~~triggered ambush~~. Received approx 20 rounds AK47. 1 US KIA, 1 US WIA dusted off by OC. OC received small arms fire on dustoff in fuel tank, but was able to fly to LZ Gator where US were transferred to utility chopper. Fired 81mm and called gunships.

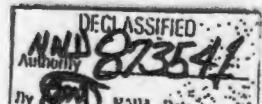
3. SUMMARY PLANS: 241500-251500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Company searches and ambushes until 241000 hours and then goes defensive patrolling and defensive ambushes to prevent rockets from being fired into CHU IAL. A(-) via 538964, A1 via 548974, A3 via 543946.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ Gator, one squad B33 via 389942 securing bridge via 567978. B13, one plt via 548974 OPCON to A/5-46.

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C/5-46: Company searches, patrols, and ambushes in assigned area until 241800 and then uses defensive patrols and ambushes to prevent rockets from being fired on CPU LAI. C(-) vic 528936, C2 vic 529928, C3 vic 498923.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ Buff, one platoon D3 at LZ Dottie during absence of Co C. D(-) prepares to dismantle and evacuate LZ Buff commencing at 26 Dec 68.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ Gator. Recon will search, ambush, and patrol in assigned area until 241800 and then employ defensive ambushes and patrols to prevent rockets from being fired on CPU LAI. Recon vic 534995 and 548995. Mortars are in GS at LZ Buff and CAP 133.

1/H-17 CAV: 2 ACAVs vic RMK equipment, 2 ACAVs vic Binh Son Bridge and remainder at LZ Dottie.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: 1 KHA 2 WIA

B. Enemy: None 1 VC WIA

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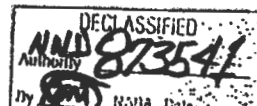
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8	0600		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
9	0700		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
10	0800		(C) ER(533996) All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
11	0900		(C) ER moving east from 533996. 3/H/17 returned to IZ Bayonet. All other elements no change.				Artillery. Bde informed.	
12	1000		(C) ER(541988). All other elements no change.				Bde informed.	
13	1100		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
14	1200		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.	
15	1245		(C) From C Co: Sniper shot at more than 500meters at C Co(-) at BS528935. Enemy grid is 532925. Firing 81mm mortars.				Bde informed. Artillery.	
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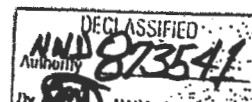
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S-3 5-46 Inf			IZ Gator		0001	25 Dec 68	2400	25 Dec 68
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16	1300		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
17	1400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
18	1500		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
19	1600		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
20	1700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
21	1800		(C) ER(548988). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.				
22	1804		(U) Cease fire lifted at 1800 hours, Back to normal operations.	Bde informed.				
23	1823		(U) Urgent dustoff 1 US A Co burned hand on trip flare. Called 1825, completed 1837. EAST, John E.	Bde informed. S-1 informed.				
24	1900		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
25	2000		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
26	2100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
27	2200		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
28	2300		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
29	2400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.				
Friendly losses for period: 1 US WHA(burned hand on trip flare)								
Enemy losses for period: None								
Friendly losses to date: 37 KHA, 328 WHA, 5 killed not as result of hostile action								
Enemy losses for date: 118 KIA, 33 VC CIA, 104 indiv wons, 90 HI								
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196th Infantry Brigade Americal Division
APO San Francisco 96219

AVIF-BCG

23 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
196th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVIF-BCG
APO San Francisco 96219

F. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

E. Contact: At 242200 hours, at GAP 135, came under heavy auto weapons fire from grid 698974. GAP 135 returned fire and called in artillery. Results, were 1 PF KIA, 1 VC KIA, and captured 1 SK-56.

At 250930 hours, at GAP 135, received 250 rounds of sniper fire from grid 687977. Artillery was called with unknown results.

At 251245 hours, at 528933, C Co received sniper fire from 532925. C Co returned fire with M-60. Unknown results.

F. SUMMARY PLANS: 251300 - 261300 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Company patrols and ambushes defensively until 251800H and searches and patrols in assigned area to prevent rockets being fired on Chu Lai. A(-) 544967, A3- 536948, A1- 554984.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GATOR. One squad (B33) securing HK equipment via 589942. One squad (B32) securing bridge via 567978. One platoon (B1) via 544965 OPCON to A/5-46.

C/5-46: Company patrols and ambushes defensively until 251800H and searches and patrols in assigned area to prevent rockets from being fired on Chu Lai. C(-) 588935, C2- 503932, C3- 494924.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUFF. One platoon (D5) at LZ DOTTIE during absence of C Co. D(-) prepares with engineers to dismantle and evacuate LZ BUFF by 28 Dec 68.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Recon will patrol and ambush defensively until 251800 and then search and patrol in area to prevent rockets from being fired on Chu Lai. Recon via 541988. Mortars are in general support at LZ BUFF and GAP 135.

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1/8/77 Oct: 2 AGAVs via BKK equipment, 2 AGAVs via Binh Son Bridge and remainder at LA DOTTIE.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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MAJ, Infantry
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					0001	26 Dec 68	2400 26 Dec 68
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1	0001		(U) Journal Opened.				
2	0006		(C) FOXHOLE STRENGTH:				
			HHC 175 A 116 12 128 153 B 44 87 131 149 C 102 18 120 142 D 0 104 104 141 E 21 57 78 88 TOTAL 283 278 661 848				
			Bde informed.				
3	0055		(C) A(-)(544966), A1(-)(553984), A11(548985), A12(554977), D22(549865), A3(-)(555954), A32(557959), B(-)(GATOR), B1(-)(543963), B11(550967), B32(567978), B33(589942), C(-)(528935), C2(503932), C3(494924), D(-)(BUFF), D3(DOTTIE), ER(548988), 3/H/17 2 at Binh Son Bridge, 2 at (589942), 2 at Dottie.				
			Bde informed.				
4	0200		(U) All elements no change.				
			Bde informed.				
5	0251		(U) All elements no change.				
			Bde informed.				
6	0400		(U) All elements no change.				
			Bde informed.				
7	0400		(C) Marines CAP 133 at grid (673978) time dooy received a large amt of satchel charge 3 marines received scrapnel wounds 1 possible concushion and busted ear drum 2 w/wounds in the legs 1 PF LT. KHA. Total KHA 3 PF. No dustoff for marines, scrapnel hit radio and contact was lost for 1 1/2 hour. Dustoff called at 0244 for 3 marines and 3 PFs completed at 0254. Taken to 312th Evac. Hosp.				
			Bde informed.				
8	0500		(U) All elements no change.				
			Bde informed.				
9	0600		(U) All elements no change.				
			Bde informed.				
10	0700		(C) C2(503932 and moving), all other elements no change.				
			Bde informed.				
11	0800		(C) Co A(-), A22, B1(-) & B11 at (544966) 4 CAVs at Bayonet for repair, all other elements no change.				
			Bde informed.				

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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS				
	IN	OUT							
12	0825		(C) FROM BDE: MAJ POWELL would like to meet with COL RICHARDSON some time today brieing classified Julien Date 9002.	CO & S3 informed.					
13	0830		(C) Aero Scouts neg sightings in western AO	Bde informed.					
14	0830		(C) Co A(-) at 544966 in process of questioning villiagers in that area through their interpreter. Info given about 2 VC (1) BUI HONG, age 30 no wpm lives BINH AN Hamlet. (2) NGUYEN DANH, Age 22 carbine BINH AN Hamlet. People questioned said VC move into their villages at night and collect taxes, 30 lbs of rice per family.	Bde informed.					
15	0859		(C) FROM BDE: URI 260859 unknown size enemy elements unit believed to be loc within 1000 meters of 470837 early this morning.	Bde informed.					
16	0900		(C) All elements no change.	Bde informed.					
17	0925		(C) FROM Aerial Obs 21: Request clearance grid 779824. Grid cleared A/S Comp 0953 hr BDA 80/25 dest 50m of trench lines and 1 bunker-leaving AO at this time. Helix 27 still in AO.	Bde informed.					
18	0935		(C) Dustoff 1 man with stomach cramps(GATOR)	Bde informed.					
19	0945		(C) From D3 at DOTTIE VIP Program: 23 M26 grenades 37 30 cal rds 7 M79 rds 12 M14 anti personnel mines 1(81m) mortar rd 10 mags of unk type ammo sim to 7.60 rd D3 requests EOD team to blow this. Also Co D did not have money to pay for items. S5 will go to DOTTIE today with money. EOD will arrive approx 1300 hrs today.	Bde informed.					
20	1000		(C) A13 moving out on patrol, All other elements no change.	Bde informed.					
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198th Infantry Brigade Americal Division
APO San Francisco 96219

AVIN-302

26 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVIN-302
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contacts: At 060000 hrs., at 695978, a patrol from C/P 133 received unrelayed charges and automatic weapon fire. Three (3) Marines received wounds as three (3) PWs were KIA. An urgent airstaff was called at 0244 and completed at 0254 hours.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 261500 - 271500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

1/5-46: Company patrols and ambushes in assigned area until approximately 270900 and then sweeps back to LZ GARD. A(-) 544566, A1 544584, A3 555655.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GARD. One squad (B33) securing BHK Equipment via 589942. One squad (B32) securing bridge via 567978. One platoon (B1) via 544566 (BORN to 1/5-46).

C/5-46: Company patrols and ambushes in assigned area until approximately 270900 and then sweeps back to LZ GARD. C(-) 529935, C2 515930, C3 515941.

D/5-46: Continue defense of LZ BUFF and evacuate after dismantling positions by approximately 271700 Dec 68. D3 continuing LZ DOTTIE.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GARD. BORN via 548996 will patrol and ambush in assigned area until approximately 270900 and then return to LZ GARD. BORN are in CS at LZ BUFF and C/P 133. BORN from LZ BUFF will return to LZ GARD by 271700 Dec 68.

3/11/17 C/P: 2 AMATs via BHK Equipment, 2 AMATs via Binh Son Bridge and remainder of LZ DOTTIE.

4. Casualties:

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A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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21	1035		(C) From Co C: C3 loc 513926 picked up two male detainees at 1035 hrs. Approx age 35 and 40. One has ID and one is wearing OD shirt.		Bde informed.	
22	1100		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
23	1125		(C) From Aero Scouts: A1 475848 obs 2 military age males were wearing black PJ engaged with 2 KIA left AO 1135.		Bde informed.	
24	1200		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
25	1300		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
26	1400		(U) All elements no change.		BDE informed.	
27	1415		(C) A/S at 772849; BDA; 1 bridge destroyed.		Bde informed.	
28	1500		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.	
29	1520		(C) C2 obs 5 VC w/wps vic 515930 engaging w/ small arms unk results; check area; C Co setting up around and closing; CC in air above; 1545 found lot of blood following trails now; MAJ MINK requested dog team; bde will ask div what the delay:		Bde informed.	
30	1600		(C) C2 in contact, All C Co elements moving to assist at this time. D(-) BUFF, all other elements no change.		Bde informed.	
31	1655		(C) CC going to pickup tracker dog team at LRRP Pad.		Bde informed.	
32	1700		(C) C(-)(528935), C3(515942), C2(515930) All other elements no change.		Bde informed.	
33	1800		(C) C(528935) C2(515930) C3(512939) All other elements no change.		Bde informed.	
34	1800		(C) VIP: Total expenditures 28,150P one 82mm, fifteen 60mm one 81 fuze well one M18 mine, one M26 frag, 32 M79HE.		Bde informed.	

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AVDF-BCZ

27 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVDF-BOC
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 1-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 261520 hrs., at 515950, C2 spotted 5 VC in green uniforms wearing steel helmets with camouflage covers. The point man carried an M-79. C2 engaged the 5 VC with small arms and immediately pursued the insurgents. The other C element in the area set up blocking forces as a search of the area led to blood trails. A tracker dog team was lifted in also. Negative confirmed enemy casualties.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 261500 - 271500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Returns to LZ Gator and refits and organizes for operation in SW corner of AO on 29 Dec 68.

B/5-46: Continues defense of LZ Gator. One squad (B33) securing H&K equipment vic 589942. One squad (B32) securing bridge vic 567978. One platoon (B1) returns to LZ Gator and goes back to B Co control.

C/5-46: Returns to LZ Gator and prepares to send one plt to vic of LZ P re-
dise at 260900 hrs, and sends 1 patrol plus C4 to LZ Dottie replacing D3
at 261000 hrs.

D/5-46: D Co destroys and evacuates LZ BUFF and closes LZ GATOR. 271700
hrs, and refits and organizes for operations in SW corner of AO on 29 Dec
68. D3 gets replaced by 2 patrols of C Co at 281000 and returns to Gator.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ Gator. ER returns to LZ Gator and refits
for future operations. Mortars in GS at LZ Gator and CAP 133.

3/11/17 CAV: 2 ACAVs vic H&K equip, 2 ACAVs vic Binh Son Bridge and re-
minder at LZ Dottie
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4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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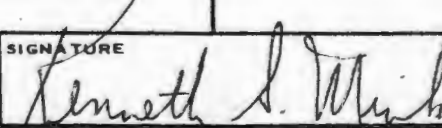
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			E	21	61	82	92		
			TOTAL	273	294	567	853	Bde informed.	
3	0100		(C) A(-) & B1(544966), A1(-)(553984), A3(-)(555954), A31(547955), A11(555984), A12(556976) B11(550967), A23(538968), B(-) GATOR, B32(567978), B33(589942), C(-)(528935), C2(515930) C3(522929), D(-) BUFF, D3 DOTTIE, E(-) GATOR EM BUFF & CAP 133, ER(556996) 3/H/17 2 at Binh Son Bridge, 2 at (589942), 2 at DOTTIE.				Bde informed.		
4	0200		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
5	0252		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
6	0350		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
7	0445		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
8	0600		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
9	0700		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
10	0800		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
11	0900		(C) Co A(-), B1 moving to GATOR, A1 moving to GATOR, A3 moving to GATOR, A12, A23, B11 & A31 closed with parent elements. Co B IZ GATOR 4 ACAVs moving to DOTTIE. All other elements no change.				Bde informed.		
12	1000		(U) All elements no change.				Bde informed.		
13	1100		(C) C33 sweeping area, all other elements no change.				Bde informed.		
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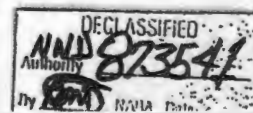
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28	1800		(C) EM GATOR and CAP 133, ACAVS; 2 at Binh Son Bridge, 2 at RMK, 2 at DOTTIE. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
29	1910		(U) D(-) while departing BUFF rec approx 15 rds sm arms fire returned fire called gunship neg results.	Bde informed.		
30	1835		(C) Bde extended AO for 2 ARVN Div 280600-032400 Jan BS520970-520820-560820-560816 REASON: Combat Opns.	Bde informed.		
31	1900		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
32	2000		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
33	2100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
34	2140		(C) Priority Dustoff- 1 US with severe stomach pain, from LZ Gator, Doctor Called 2115 comp 2129. EM taken to 27th Surg.	Bde informed.		
35	2205		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
36	2256		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
37	2310		(C) INTEL about VC in ville at 668960 fired arty w/results of 37 Conf KIA & 18 Probables & 1 cow when the area was searched found 3 chicom grenades and 3 charred rifle barrels.	Bde informed.		
38	2355		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
39	2400		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
40	2400		(U) Journal Closed.	Bde informed.		
Friendly losses for period: None Enemy losses for period: None Friendly losses to date: 37 KHA, 328 WHA, 5 killed net as result of hostile action. Enemy losses for date: 118 KIA, 33 VC CIA, 104 indiv wpns, 90 HG.						
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14	1130		(C) AERO SCOUTS: Observed 2 mil age males evading resulting in 2 MIA loc 489828.			Bde informed.			
15	1155		(C) BDE: BOD team wishes to use area in vic 5999 tomorrow between 0800 to 1200 request clearance. Clearance granted.			S3, CO informed.			
16	1200		(C) Co C(-) 528935 and moving toward GATOR 6 ACAVS at DOTTIE. All other elements no change.			Bde informed.			
17	1255		(C) S3 AIR: Movement of 2 squads of E Mortars PZ LZ BUFF 1115 hrs LZ GATOR 1130 hrs.			Bde informed.			
18	1300		(C) Co C moving to GATOR, all other elements no change.			Bde informed.			
19	1400		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.			
20	1410		(C) AERO SCOUTS: WIA one fem VC took her to 312 Evac: picked up 2 draft age males and 1 fem detainee at 757818; also at same loc obs 3 VC, green shirt 1 pack VCs evades also many bunkers obs 1 VC at 720931 that evaded at 787863 are 4 fresh graves.			Bde informed.			
21	1455		(C) AERO SCOUTS: 4 VC wearing black pants 1 blue pants captured one M1 carbine, 3VC KIA also 1 detainee fem taken to Bayonet all activity at 470827. One VC was wearing US Pistol belt. At 5378% one VC KIA also he had small dirty bag. Aero Scouts left AO at 1500.			Bde informed.			
22	1500		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.			
23	1500		(C) HELIX 27 compl A/S 415822-1300 compl A/S 753849-1430 BDA neg.			Bde informed.			
24	1540		(C) POLAR HERMIT 23 reports at 497883 20-25 VS possible tax collection point; notified marines.			Bde informed.			
25	1600		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.			
26	1700		(U) All elements no change.			Bde informed.			
27	1745		(C) LZ BUFF dest and evac by D Co.			Bde informed.			

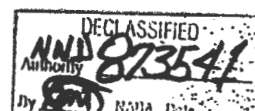
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Headquarters, 5th Battalion, 46th Infantry
198th Infantry Brigade American Division
APO San Francisco 96219

AVDP-BOC

28 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officers
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVDP-BOC
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 3-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contacts: At 271400 hrs, at CAP 135, Advisors from Binh Son received intelligence that there are VC in villages at grids 664905, 664900, and 664955, from Village Chief and a PF informant. Artillery was called on the villages with 75 M/A. 281500, GS, 5/46 going to check out the area.

At 280245 hrs, at CAP 134 (SON TRA PA) ammo under attack receiving 3 to 4 60mm rps, 10 to 12 179 rps, and 2000 rps of small arms fire. Artillery and illumination was called on suspected enemy loc 664017, 663821, 663812. Estimated 15 to 20 VC. Negative enemy casualties as 1 PF was lightly wounded. Negative shutoff.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 281500 - 291500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

1/5-46: CA to via 440771 after completion of CA by 1/5-46. Participate in operation with SF moving in direction 490785, 490785, 490785, 585795.

2/5-46: Continue defense of LZ Cator. One squad (B21) securing HHC equipment via 589942. One squad (B21) securing bridge via 587978. One platoon (B3) secures advance fire base via 480825.

3/5-46: Continue defense of LZ Bottle. One platoon (C5) searches village vicinity 660962, returns to CAP 133 and is airlifted to LZ Bottle at approximately 271/30 Dec 68. One platoon (C5) to be airlifted after CA is complete on 290900 Dec 68 to CAP 133 and move with CAP to LZ Paradise to village via 693975. Unit less U/Ps move to 12D and 300700 moves to River Road South for pick up at time unknown. Pick up will be by air.

4/5-46: CA to via 455001 at 290700 to participate in operation with SF.

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Moves in direction 455801, 440805, 414798, 395805.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ Gator. Mortars in CS at LZ Gator and CAP 133.

2/H/17 CAV: 2 ACAVs via BHK equipment, 2 ACAVs via Binh Son Bridge and 4 ACAVs at LZ Dottie. During the day all tracks return to LZ Dottie.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None

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1	0001		(C)A(-)LZ Gator,B(-)LZ Gator,B32(567978),B33(589942).C(-)LZ Gator,D(-)LZ Gator,D3(LZ Dottie)E(-)LZ Gator,EM(LZ Gator and CAP 133).3/H/17 2 at Binh Son Bridge, 2 at(589942), 2 at LZ Dottie.			Bde informed.		
2	0007		(C)Foxhole Report:					
			HQ		176			
			A Co	0	129	129	151	
			B Co	14	117	131	148	
			C Co	0	119	119	147	
			D Co	0	106	106	141	
			E Co	0	81	81	91	
			TOT:	14	552	566	854	Bde informed.
3	0050		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
4	0154		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
5	0255		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
6	0355		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
7	0505		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
8	0550		(C)B32(567978).All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
9	0700		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
10	0800		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
11	0800		(U)Dustoff requested by aid station-LZ Gator, 1 US litter patient with hernia. Priority, called 0745, completed 0810, taken to 27th Surg.			Bde informed. S-3 informed.		
12	0900		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
13	1000		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.		
14	1100		(C)B3 moving to BS480829.All other elements no change.			Bde informed.		
15	1200		(U)All elements no change.			Bde informed.		

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16	1300		(C)B22(589942),B21(567978),B3(480829).All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
17	1335		(C)URI: unknown element size within 1200meters of BS388769, 386779, and 402809.	S-2 informed. Bde informed.			
18	1400		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
19	1500		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
20	1505		(U)C3 PZ IZ Dottie: IZ CAP 133, 1459.	Bde informed.			
21	1600		(C)C3(668961).All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
22	1700		(C)C3(668961) enroute to CAP 133.All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
23	1800		(C)D23(480825).All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
24	1810		(C)C/C 5/46 policed up two detainees at PHU LONG #2 evading BS6796. Interrogated: Confired				
			VC: NGUYEN THIEN, VC guerrilla 16. NGUYEN KINH, VC laborer, 23. Forwarded to IZ Bayonet for further interrogation.	S-3 informed. Bde informed. S-2 informed.			
25	1900		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
26	2000		(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
27	2005		(C)Bde Intell: VC platoon operating in dark hours at 606915,613897,616890.Day time activity in 628907.Weapons, numerous small arms, M16, 4 carbines, AK-47s, 2 M79s, 3 pistols, 3 AK-50s, 4 SKS, 2 M-1s. Has a B4 rating.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.			
28	2010		(C)Bde Intell: K51st Co, at BS670910.CO is DINH. Unit has green uniforms, strength of 65 personnel, weapons, one 57RR, 1 60mm, 30 cal Heavy Machine gun, 4 BARs. Mission, is to dig and repair all tunnels in thier area. Has a B3 rating.	S-3 informed. Bde informed.			
29	2100		(C)ER moving to(540988).All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			

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30	2200	(C)ER5(567978).All other elements no change.
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31	2300	(C)ER(554983). All other elements no change.
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Bde informed.

32	2400	(U) All elements no change.
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Bde informed.

Friendly losses for period: None

Enemy losses for period: None

Friendly losses to date: 37 KHA, 328 WHA, 5 killed not as result of hostile action

Enemy losses to date: 118 KIA, 33 VC CIA, 104 indiv wpns, 90 HG

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29 December 1968

SUBJECT: Plans and Summaries

Commanding Officer
198th Infantry Brigade
ATTN: AVDF-BCZ
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 281500 hours, CAP 139, friendly BS474864, enemy BS479839, OP spotted 14 VC moving across an opening in small groups to a house. Called artillery. VC ran leaving 1 KIA behind. Observed area, watching the KIA. Negative further results.

Bunker 18 at LZ GATOR received 2 incoming grenades. Fired artillery and illum. Negative results.

290200 hours, CAP 133, PPs from LZ TUY #2 under heavy automatic weapons fire from grids 679970, 694967, 676967. PPs returned fire and called for mortar fire. Negative results.

CAP 13-40, PPs observed VC movement. Approx 1 company. VC opened fire with 1 mortar and small arms. PPs called artillery. Villagers reported 3 VC KIA, 2 VC WIA, all taken by VC. No confirmed bodies.

At 290732 hours, on way into LZ at 455800, gunships got 2 VC KIA. VC were evading. No weapons.

At 290835 hours, gunships killed 1 VC evading grid 440786 and 1 VC evading in grid 429768.

At 290900 hours, CAP 13-40, PPs observed 10 VC in village. Opened fire with small arms. Called artillery on escape route. Turned out to be 1 VC company, approx 80 men. Called gunships. Negative results.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 291500 - 201500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Continue operations in AO extension, moving in direction 420785, 400785, and 385795.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GATOR. One squad (B22) securing RMK equipment via 589942. One squad (B21) securing bridge via 567978. One reinforced platoon (B3) secure LZ CLINSON via 480628. Secondary reaction force for CLDO.

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C/5-46: Company minus secures LZ DOTTIE. One platoon (B1) at LZ GATOR on bunker line. One platoon (C5) vic to patrol and ambush in rocket zone for Chi Lai.

D/5-46: Continue operations in AO extension, moving in direction 414798, 395805.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Mortars are in general support of CAP 133 and LZ GATOR. Recon is reaction platoon for SF operation and contingency plans.

2/1/77 GWS: 4 AGAVs vic RMK equipment and remainder at LZ DOTTIE.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

H. Enemy: 4 VC KIA

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1	0001	A Co(Iz Gator).B(-)Iz Gator,B21(567978),B22(589942),B23(480825),B3(480829).C Co(Iz Dottie).D Co(Iz Gator).E(-)Iz Gator,EM(Iz Gator/CAP 133,ER(554893).2/H/17 Cav, 2 at Binh Son Bridge, 4 at Iz Dottie, 2 at RMK equipment, 589942.	Bde informed.		
2	0002	(C)Foxhole Report: HQ 172 A Co 103 13 126 152 B Co 53 77 130 149 C Co 35 87 122 144 D Co 110 17 127 139 E Co 16 64 80 90 TOT: 317 258 585 846	Bde informed.		
3	0100	(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
4	0200	(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
5	0300	(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
6	0400	(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
7	0500	(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
8	0600	(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
9	0700	(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
10	0732	(C)Gunships on way into Iz at BS455800, spotted 2 VC evading. Results, 2 VC KIA. No wans.	Bde informed.		
11	0800	(C)A Co(BS440776).D Co(BS455800).All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
12	0900	(C)D Co(BS447801).All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
13	1000	(U)All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
14	1100	(C)B21(567987).D Co(447801).All other elements no change.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.		
15	1200	(C)ER(554983).All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
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16	1250		(C) From D Co at BS443802, 20 holes along the trail, holes are 9"x12"x30" diameter & circular. Believed to be incomplete pungi pits, no stakes. VN boy believes they are pungi pits.		Bde informed. Artillery.		
17	1300		(C) A Co (BS433785), B21 (BS567978), B3 & B23 (BS480826), B22 (BS589942), C3 (BS559972), D Co (BS443802) moving to LZ Gator. All other elements no change.		Bde informed. Artillery.		
18	1335		(C) URI: Unknown size unit located 800 meters of BS538780, BS316775, BS357780. Late morning.		Bde informed.		
19	1400		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
20	1435		(C) From C Co: C3 found an 81mm found BS557973 with nose fuse up. Also, pressure release device. Blown in place. Device was 18" from the round, with 18" lead wire.		Bde informed. Artillery.		
21	1445		(C) From A Co: Found a cave, food scraps and places for people to sleep. Nothing significant. BS474784.		Bde informed.		
22	1500		(C) C3 (BS557973). All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
23	1600		(C) A Co (431794), C3 (557973) and moving. D Co (441805). All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
24	1700		(C) C3 (543976), D Co (441805). All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
25	1800		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
26	1900		(U) All elements no change.		Bde informed.		
27	1710		Delayed entry: A Co sent small patrol out which engaged 5 VC, at 413793. Hit 2 VC. Believe VC element to be larger. VC appeared to be carrying 1x 82mm mortar or some type of large weapon. Fired arty, with neg results.		Bde informed. Artillery.		
28	2000		(C) C32A (547977), C32B (545975). All other elements no change.		Bde informed.		
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1	0001		(C) A Co (431794), B (-) LZ Gator, B21 (567978), B22 (589942), B23 & 3 (480826). C (-) LZ Dottie, C1 (LZ Gator, C3 (543976), C32A (547977), C32B (545975), D (-) 441805, D12 (439801), D22 (437807), D32 (437803) E (-) LZ Gator, EM (LZ Gator/CAP 133.2/H/17 Cav 4 at RMK, 4 at LZ Dottie.	Bde informed.			
2	0100		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
3	0105		(C) Foxhole Report: HQ 172 A Co 101 23 124 151 B Co 63 68 131 150 C Co 35 86 121 144 D Co 108 0 108 137 E Co 0 79 79 89 TOT: 307 256 563 843	Bde informed.			
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8	0600		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
9	0700		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
10	0800		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.			
11	0900		(C) C31 moving west. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
12	1000		(C) C31 (BS533982). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
13	1100		(C) C31 closed C3, C35 closed C-3. All other other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
14	1200		(C) A Co (BS427790), C3 (BS543976), D Co (BS433803). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			
15	1300		(C) A3 (BS423789), D3 (BS431801). All other elements no change.	Bde informed.			

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16	1400		(C) A Co(BS423789) .D Co(BS433798) .All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
17	1410		(C) From D Co: Has 1 detainee, BS433798, male taken to LZ Clemson.	Bde informed.		
18	1500		(U) All elements no change.	Bde informed.		
19	1555		(C) From Bde: At BS4777, 1 company VC crossing river to the north.	Artillery. S-3 informed.		
20	1600		(C) D Co(BS428797) .All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
21	1700		(C) C3(BS543976) and moving.D Co(BS428795) .All other elements no change.	Bde informed. S-3 informed.		
22	1705		(C) From forward TOC: 301130 hours, BS366794, Special Forces initiated contact with 1 squad of NVA with all uniforms, equipment and AK-47. Contact lasted 5 min., after contact, was broken, the NVA moved south. Results, 2 NVA KIAs, 2 US WHA, captured 2x AK-47s and web gear. 2 US WHA were dusted off at LZ Clemson by C/C.	Bde informed. Artillery.		
23	1800		(C) A(-)424794, A3(422792) .C3(543983) .D Co at 428795. All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
24	1900		(C) A Co(422792) .D Co(428795) .All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
25	2000		(C) A Co(422797) .All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
26	2100		(C) A Co(422792) .All other elements no change.	Bde informed.		
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Enemy losses for period: None						
Friendly losses to date: 37 KHA, 328 WHA, 5 killed not as result of hostile action						
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APO San Francisco 96219

30 December 1968

Subject: Plans and Operations

Commanding Officer
196th Infantry Brigade
AFHQ: AFHQ-300
APO San Francisco 96219

1. Operation Summary: 2-4 missions operations and security of the assigned AO.

2. Contacts: At 291710 hours, A Co sent a small patrol out which engaged 5 VC at BS413795. Friendly grid BS402795. Hit 2 VC. Believed element to be larger than the 5 VC seen. VC appeared to be carrying in 82mm mortar tube, or some type of large weapon. Fired artillery. Unknown results.

At 300000 hours, 1RA BDE Special Forces unit received 10 rounds of automatic weapons fire from enemy grid BS324815. Air strikes put in with results. BDA unknown.

At 301050 hours, Swift Boat was given clearance to fire on suspected enemy sampans in grid BS7687. Results, sampans destroyed by 82mm mortar fire. No KIA's.

Summary Plans: 301500 - 311500 Dec 68
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Continue operations in AO extension, moving in direction 427700, 440700, and 385795.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GATOR. One squad (B21) secure bridge via BS267770. One reinforced platoon (B3) secures LZ GIBSON via BS400820. One platoon from LZ GATOR secondary reaction force for CLDG.

C/5-46: Company mine secures LZ DOTTIE. One platoon (C1) at LZ GATOR on bunker line. One platoon (C3) via 5437 and 5438 to patrol and ambush in rocket zone for Ctn Ltn.

D/5-46: Continue operations in AO extension, moving in direction 427700, 440700, and 395805.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATOR. Marines are in general support at Ctn 133 and LZ GATOR. Recon, reaction platoon for SF operation and contingency plans.

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2/H/17 Cav: 4 ACAVs at RMK equipment and 4 ACAVs at LZ DOTTIE.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: None

B. Enemy: None (The 2 VC hits from A Co, could not be found)

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Commanding Officer
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1. Operation Summary: 5-46 continue operations and security of LZs in assigned AO.

2. Contact: At 0855 hours, 31 December 1968, D Co found 1 dead NVA in uniform with canteen in a stream bed near location where A Co called artillery on 5 VO yesterday. Grid 420795.

At 1015 hours, 31 December 1968, The Bong Special Forces 1 VC KIA at 395808. 2 VC escaped to northeast. Captured 1x AK-47. Also, 1x brown canvas ammo belt and OD green uniform. (NVA not VC). 1x document shot full of holes. Negative value. Artillery called, with negative results.

3. SUMMARY PLANS: 311900 - 011900 Jan 69
GENERAL: Continue operations in assigned AO.

A/5-46: Continue operations in AO extension, moving in direction 409790, 400790, and 395795.

B/5-46: Continue defense of LZ GATER. One squad (B1) secure bridge via 367978. One reinforced platoon (B5) secures LZ GIBSON via 480828. Secondary reaction force for CLDG.

C/5-46: Company mine secures LZ DOTTIN. One platoon (C1) at LZ GATER on bunker line. One platoon (C5) via 543983 to patrol and ambush in rocket zone for Ctn Lai.

D/5-46: Continue operations in AO extension, moving in direction 407800, 399804.

E/5-46: Assist in defense of LZ GATER. Mortars are in general support of GAF 133 and LZ GATER. Recon, is reaction platoon for SF operation and contingency plans.

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2/H/17 Caves 4 ACAYs for security of HKK equipment during day, and remainder at 12 DOTTEN.

4. Casualties:

A. Friendly: 1 US WHA

B. Enemy: None

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