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DTG 291338Z MONTH DECEMBER 1967

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR BGEN DAVIS AC/S J-1  
 FROM BGEN ANDERSON C OF S  
 AWARD OF MEDAL OF HONOR

A. MACV 272925Z DEC 67  
 1. PFC GARY W. MARTINI, USMC 2217825 WAS RECOMMENDED FOR THE  
 MEDAL OF HONOR (POSTHUMOUS) FOR SERVICE ON 21 APRIL 1967. THE  
 1ST MARINE DIVISION AWARDS BOARD, REVIEWED THE ORIGINAL RECOM-  
 MENDATION AND ALTHOUGH NO SPECIFIC RATIONALE IS RECORDED, WAS OF  
 THE OPINION THAT THE DESCRIBED ACTS MORE CLEARLY MET THE  
 CRITERIA FOR THE NAVY CROSS AND SO RECOMMENDED TO THE DIVISION  
 COMMANDER WHO ENDORSED THEIR RECOMMENDATION. THE III MAF AWARDS  
 BOARD AND THE CG III MAF CONCURRED IN THIS POSITION. INASMUCH  
 AS SO MUCH TIME HAS ELAPSED SINCE SUBMISSION OF THE ORIGINAL  
 RECOMMENDATION AND FORWARDING ENDORSEMENTS, AND PPERSONNEL  
 INVOLVED ARE NO LONGER AVAILABLE, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO RECONSTRUCT  
 THE RATIONALE AT THE TIME OF SUBMISSION.

PAGE TWO RUMSAK 2934 C O N F I D E N T I A L  
 2. ON 18 DECEMBER 1967 CG FMFPAC DIRECTED BY MESSAGE THAT  
 THEREAFTER RATIONALE WOULD BE PROVIDED IN ENDORSEMENTS WHEN  
 RECOMMENDATIONS DIFFER FROM THOSE BY ORIGINATOR AND/OR  
 INTERVENING ENDORSERS. IT WAS FURTHER DIRECTED THAT RECOMMENDATIONS  
 BEING PROCESSED AT THE TIME OF RECEIPT OF THE MESSAGE WOULD NOT  
 BE RETURNED FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE FOREGOING. HENCEFORTH,  
 ENDORSEMENTS ON RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AWARD OF THE MEDAL OF  
 HONOR WILL CONTAIN THE RATIONALE.

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**FOR**

DE RUMWAA 2916 3631106  
O 291106Z DEC 67  
FM III MAF COC  
TO FMFPAC COC  
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**S E C R E T**  
FOR BGEN WIDDECKE FROM BGEN ANDERSON  
FOLLOWING FLASH MESSAGE JUST RECEIVED FROM CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE.  
Z 290555Z DEC 67 ZYO RUYEGR  
FM CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE  
TO RUAUBUL/COMSEVENTHFLT  
INFO RUMFKRV/CTF SEVEN SIX  
RUABOL/CTF SEVEN NINE  
RUMWAA/CG III MAF  
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RUMSAL/CTE SEVEN ZERO PT TWO PT ONE PT ONE  
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**S E C R E T**  
BADGER TOOTH(U)  
A. CTE 70.2.1.1 MSG 282340Z DEC 67 (PASEP)  
B. COMSEVENTHFLT 290246Z DEC (NOTAL)  
1. OPERATION BADGER TOOTH WAS INITIATED WITH A SURFACE AND  
HELIBORNE ASSAULT ON 26 DEC. NO RESISTANCE WAS ENCOUNTERED AND  
ALL SCHEDULED WAVES WERE ASHORE BY 1420H. TROOPS WERE DEPLOYED  
TO SEARCH OUT VILLIAGES ALONG ROUTE 555. ABOUT 1530 26 DEC,  
ARMY ADVISOR TO 1ST RVN DIV REPORTED ELEMENTS 1ST RVN DIV IN  
HEAVY CONTACT WITH NVA FORCES AT THON MY THUY (YD 4956) AND  
REQUESTED SEARCH OF TWO VILLIAGES AT YD 5253 AND THAN THAM

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KHE (YD 5352). TWO RIFLE COMPANYS WERE SENT TO CHECK VILLAGES IN LATE AFTERNOON. NO ENEMY ENCOUNTERED AT VILLAGE (YD 5253).

2. LATE MORNING OF 27 DEC ONE COMPANY APPROACHED VILLAGE OF THAN THAM KHE (YD 5352) AND CAME UNDER HEAVY S/A AND MOTAR FIRE. THE SECOND COMPANY JOINED AND ALSO CAME UNDER HEAVY FIRE. BOTH COMPANY ATTACKED VILLAGE FOLLOWING AIR, NAVAL GUNFIRE AND ARTILLERY IRES AND BECAME HEAVILY ENGAGED WITH ENEMY FORCES OCCUPYING EXTENSIVE FORTIFICATIONS AROUND PERIMETER OF VILLAGE. CLOSE CONTACT LIMITED FURTHER USE OF SUPPORTING ARMS. REMAIN- DER OF BN JOINED AND TOOK UP POSITIONS ON LANDWARD SIDES OF VILLAGE. MTARKS, MONTARS AND RESERVE RIFLE PLATOON LANDED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT. DUE TO INTENSE SMALL ARMS FIRE, FRIENDLY FORCES WERE ABLE TO DISENGAGE ONLY AFTER DARK. FOLLOWING DISENGAGEMENT AREA WAS KEPT ILLUMINATED AND UNDER NGF.

3. ON 28 DEC, FOLLOWING APPROXIMATELY THREE HOURS OF EXTENSIVE PREPARATION BY AIR, AND ARTILLERY, VILLAGE WAS SUCCESSFULLY ASSAULTED.

4. TOTAL CASUALTIES AS OF 290600H:  
A. FRIENDLY

PAGE THREE RUYEUAE 109 S E C R E T

KIA 48

WIA 81

B. ENEMY

KIA 27(C)

KIA 1(V)

5. HIGH CASUALTIES RESULTED FROM ENEMY WITHHOLDING FIRES UNTIL FRIENDLY FORCES WERE IN CLOSE CONTACT. ENEMY ESTABLISHED IN EXTENSIVE WELL CONSTRUCTED AND CAMOUFLAGED BUNKER SYSTEM, AND FRIENDLY FORCES BEING FORCED TO ATTACK OVER OPEN SANDY AREAS WITH LITTLE COVER OR CONCEALMENT.

6. ENEMY FORCES ESTIMATED TO BE 2 COMPANYS TENTATIVELY IDEN- TIFIED AS FROM 116 NVA BN OF 716 REGIMENT. MEANS OF EXTRACTION FROM VILLAGE UNKNOWN HOWEVER INTERROGATION OF ONE WOUNDED NVA (EVENTUALLY DIED) INDICATED MAJOR PORTION ENEMY FORCES MAY HAVE MOVED OUT NIGHT OF 27 DEC BY SMALL BOAT DESPITE SEAWARD BLACKADE.

7. CURRENT OPERATIONS CONSIST OF DETAILED SEARCH AND DES- TRUCTION OF FORTIFICATIONS AT TRON THAM KHE AND S/D OPER- ATIONS WITHIN AOA.

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 ZNY CCCCC  
 R 271132Z DEC 67  
 FM CG III MAF  
 TO CG THIRD MARDIV  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MGEN TOMPKINS  
 FROM L GEN CUSHMAN

1. AS A RESULT OF GEN WESTMORELAND'S VISIT TO CON THIEN ON 25 DEC HE  
 DIRECTED THAT FOR FUTURE VISITS OF COMUSMACV AND VIP'S THE STRONG  
 PT AND COB COMDRS IN COMMAND BUNKER BE WELL PREPARED TO PRESENT A  
 DETAILED BRIEFING UTILIZING BRIEFING CHARTS AND OVERLAYS TO  
 INCLUDE AT LEAST THE FOLLOWING:

- A. WHAT IS HIS SECTOR.
- B. FIELDS OF FIRE.
- C. DEAD SPACE.
- D. WIRE.
- E. SENSORS.
- F. CONCENTRATIONS.

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2. THE BRIEFING SHOULD BE OF 20 TO 30 MINUTES DURATION AND BE  
 UNIFORM AT ALL EIGHT (8) POSITIONS. THE BRIEFING PROGRAMS SHOULD  
 CONSIST OF:

PAGE TWO RUMSAK 2674 C O N F I D E N T I A L

- A. AN OVERVIEW.
- B. FOLLOWED BY A DETAILED BRIEFING ON SITE.
- C. FOLLOWED BY A TRIP TO OBSERVATION PT TO OBSERVE WHAT  
 WAS DISPLAYED ON THE CHART.

GEN CUSHMAN SENDS.

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 ZNY SSSSS  
 P 231712Z DEC 67  
 FM CG III MAF  
 TO CG THIRD MARDIV  
 CG FIRST MARDIV  
 CG AMERICAL DIV  
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**SECRET** SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MGENS TOMPKINS, ROBERTSON AND  
 KOSTER FROM L GEN CUSHMAN  
 DEFENSE OF REFUGEE CAMPS

1. IT IS EVIDENT THAT THE ENEMY HAS SELECTED REFUGEE CAMPS AS ONE OF HIS PRIMARY OBJECTIVES.
  2. I CONSIDER THAT WE SHOULD COOPERATE WITH ARVN/RF/PF IN THE PROTECTION OF THESE CAMPS AND THAT OUR CONTRIBUTION COULD CONSIST PRIMARILY OF PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND REACTION BY FIRE AND COUNTERATTACK. COMBINED PLANS SHOULD BE DEVELOPED AND COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS ESTABLISHED AT ALL APPROPRIATE LEVELS TO THIS END.
  3. I SHALL ALERT GEN LAM AND THE ADVISORY GROUP TO THIS PROPOSAL.
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SECRET SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR MOENS TOMPKINS, ROBERSTON, KOSTER AND ANDERSON FROM LTGEN CUSHMAN  
H&I FIRES

- 1. I WOULD LIKE YOU TO REVIEW YOUR H&I PROGRAM (ARTY, NGF AND TPG-13/ SKYSPOT AIR STRIKES) IN LIGHT OF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS:
  - A. TO BE EFFECTIVE, H&I FIRES SHOULD FALL ON A CHOKER POINT OR STATIONARY INSTALLATION, SUCH AS CROSSROAD OR BRIDGE/FORD FOR VEHICLES, ARTY AND INFANTRY DEFENSIVE POSITIONS, LOGISTIC SUPPORT AREAS, RIVER CROSSING SITES FOR INFANTRY, ETC.
  - B. H&I FIRES ARE NOT EFFECTIVE AGAINST SUSPECTED ENEMY INFANTRY HARBOR SITES, RESTING PLACES AND CP'S, OR JUNGLE TRAILS EXCEPT WHERE PASSING THROUGH A DEFILE.
  - C. AMMO IS HARD TO COME BY, COSTLY AND PRESENTS ONE OF OUR BIGGEST

PAGE TWO RUMSAK 2294 SECRET SPECAT EXCLUSIVE  
LOGISTIC PROBLEMS.

- D. H&I IS ONE OF THE PRIMARY CAUSES OF CIVILIAN CASUALTIES.
- 2. I WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS YOUR VIEWS ON THIS SUBJECT DURING MY NEXT VISIT WITH YOU IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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