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 SUBJECT: INITIATION OF OPERATIONS (O)
 (C) IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 501.3E, III MAP FORCE ORDER
 PS121.5, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING OPERATIONS IN MOUNTAIN,
 FREDERICK HILL AND GENEVA PARK IS SUBMITTED:

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A. NAME: IRON MOUNTAIN, FREDERICK HILL AND GENEVA PARK

B. BACKGROUND: A REVIEW OF THE POSTURE OF GVN FORCES

IN THE SICZ REVEALED A NEED TO REDISPOSE THESE FORCES TO PLACE
 THEM IN THE BEST TACTICAL DISPOSITION TO ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY
 FOR THE ENTIRE AREA OF OPERATIONS. PRESENTLY OCCUPIED BY I US AND I ARVN
 DIV UPON THE WITHDRAWAL OF US/PV MILITARY FORCES FROM THE JOINT
 RESPONSE TO THIS REVIEW THE SEPARATE AREAS OF OPERATION IN WHICH
 THE AMERICAL DIVISION AND 2D ARVN DIVISION PRESENTLY OPERATE WILL BE
 ELIMINATED AND A COMMON AREA OF OPERATION WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN
 WHICH BOTH DIVISIONS WILL WORK JOINTLY. THIS COMMON AO IS PRESENTLY
 BROKEN DOWN INTO THREE BRIGADE/REGIMENTAL OPERATIONAL ZONES. IN
 ORDER TO OBTAIN AN ACCURATE EVALUATION OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THIS
 REALIGNMENT OF FORCES, A MAJOR NAMED TACTICAL OPERATION WILL BE
 CONDUCTED IN EACH OPERATIONAL ZONE.

C. CONCEPT OF OPERATION: A SERIES OF UNILATERAL AND COMBINED
 OPERATIONS BY FORCES FROM THE AMERICAL DIVISION, 2D ARVN DIVISION AND
 THE THREE PROVINCES WILL BEGIN ON 18 MAR 1969 TO FIND, FIND AND
 DESTROY ENEMY MF AND LF UNITS OPERATING IN EACH ZONE. A SERIES OF
 MULTI-COMPANY AND MULTI-BATTALION COMBINED OPERATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED
 WITH THE AIM OF IMPROVING THE OVERALL COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS OF ARVN
 AND PROVINCE FORCES AND AT THE SAME TIME PLACE THEM IN THE MOST
 FAVORABLE POSITION TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SECURITY OF GVN

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 POPULATION AFTER THE WITHDRAWAL OF US/ARVN MILITARY FORCES FROM THE COUNTRY. THESE OPERATIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED UNDER THE CONTROL OF EITHER US OR ARVN FORCE COMMANDERS AND WILL EMPLOY CROSS ATTACHMENT OF COUNTERPART UNITS. THROUGHOUT ALL THREE OPERATIONAL ZONES, MAXIMUM EFFORT WILL BE EXERTED IN THE FORM OF RECONNAISSANCE IN FORCE OPERATIONS, CORDON AND SEARCH OPERATIONS, AND OTHER TYPE OPERATIONS WHICH WILL PROVIDE TERRITORIAL SECURITY FOR GVN FORCES PARTICIPATING IN RD ACTIVITY, AND WILL FULLY SUPPORT THE PACIFICATION AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR 1969.

D. TASK ORGANIZATION:

11TH INF BDE - OPERATION IRON MOUNTAIN

1-20 INF

6EAQ INF

4-21 INF

6-11 ARTY (DS)

C/26 ENGR (DS)

E/1 CAV

B/1-82 GSR 6-11

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196TH BDE - OPERATION FREDERICK HILL

1-46 INF

1-52 INF

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2-1 INF

3-21 INF

4-31 INF

6EAQ ARTY (DS)

A/26 ENGR (DS)

F/17 CAV

C/14 ARTY OPCON 3-82

3-16 ARTY (-) GSR 3-82

198TH INF BDE - OPERATION GENEVA PARK

1-6 INF

4-3 INF

5-46 INF

1-14 ARTY (-) (DS)

B/26 ENGR (DS)

H/17 CAV

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D/1-82 GSR 1-14

E. AREA OF OPERATION FOR THE THREE NAMED OPERATIONS IS AS OUTLINED IN ANNEX A, AMERICAL OPORD 3-69 SHOWING THE OPERATIONAL ZONES OF THE THREE BRIGADE/REGIMENTS.

F. D-DAY IS MAR 69.

G. DURATION OF OPERATIONS: TO BE DETERMINED.

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 S E C R E T SECTION I OF II
 III MAF G-3
 FRAG O 34-69 (OPN OKLAHOMA HILLS) (U)
 A. CG 1ST MARDIV ADMIN O 301-68
 B. CG 1ST MARDIV O P4000.17A
 C. CG 1ST MARDIV O 3480.1A
 D. CG 1ST MARDIV O P02000.2D
 TASK ORG
 /TH MAR(-) (REIN)
 BLI 3/26(-)
 CN, 1ST MAR (TO BE DESIG)
 1. (S) SITUATION

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A. EN

(1) 1ST MARDIV SPEC STUDY NUI MANG - NUI FA NA - CHARLIE RIDGE.

(2) CURR INTSUMS AND PERINTREP

(3) THE CHARLIE RIDGE - HAPPY VALLEY AREA

IS A KNOWN BASE AREA AND AVENUE OF APPROACH FOR NVA/VC UNITS MOVING INTO THE DA NANG AREA FR THE W. PRESENT INTELL SHOWS THE 141ST AND ELMS OF 31ST NVA REGT AND 368B ARTY REGT TO BE IN THE A/O.

B. FRIENDLY

(1) 1ST MAW PROV F/W AND HCPTN SPT. AS REQ.

(2) 51ST ARVN REGT PROVIDES TWO BNS TO LAND BY HCPTN AND COND OPNS IN SW PORTION OF A/O.

(3) CO C 5TH SFGA SPTS OPN WITH CIDG CAMP AT THUONG DUC

2. (S) MISSION: 1ST MARDIV IN COOP AND COORD WITH ARVN FOR, COND MULTI-BN OPN IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE - HAPPY VALLEY AREA TO DESTROY EM FOR, CACHES, INSTALLATIONS AND FORTIFICATIONS.

3. (S) EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT OF OPNS: EMPLOYING THREE USMC BNS OPERATING IN COORD AND COOP WITH TWO ARVN BNS AND WITH SUPPORTING GRD AND AIR ELMS COND SEARCH AND CLEAR OPN IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE - WORTH RIDGE-

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HAPPY VALLEY ARE TO FIND, FIX AND DESTROY EM FOR, CACHES AND INSTALLATIONS THEREIN. PRIOR TO D-DAY: OPEN RT 4 TO HILL 52 AND REESTAB FSB THEREON. D-DAY: TWO ARVN BNS COND HCPTN ASSAULT INTO LZ'S ALONG SONG CON-SONG VU GIA TO COND OPNS IN SW PORTION AO; ONE USMC BN WITH ARTY COND HCPTN ASSAULT INTO HAPPY VALLEY VIC ZC0966 AND ATTACKS E AND SE; SIMULTANEOUSLY TWO USMC BNS ATTACK E TO W ALONG CHARLIE RIDGE-WORTH RIDGE. ONE USMC BN(-) AVAIL EXPLOITATION/REACT FOR ON TWO HR NOTICE. BNS WILL BE MANEUVERED, FSB'S EST AND SPT ARMS EMPLOYED AS NEC TO ACCOMPLISH MISSIONS.

B. 7TH MAR(-) (REIN)

(1) COND OPN OKLAHOMA HILLS.

(2) COORD WITH ARVN FOR IN OPN.

(3) ASSUME OPCON BLT 3/26(-) FR 5TH MAR AT A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TIME ON D-4.

(4) ON D-3 COMMENCE PHASED TURNOVER TO 26TH MAR OF THAT PORTION OF TAOR N OF OKLAHOMA HILLS A/O. TO BE COMPL AT A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TIME NLT D-1. ON ADJUSTMENT OF BDRY WITH 26TH MAR ASSUME CONTROL OKLAHOMA HILLS A/O.

(5) EST FSB'S AND LZ'S DUR OPN AS NEC FOR SPT OF MANEUVER ELMS.

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(6) BE PREP ASSUME OPCON ONE BN(-) 1ST MAR ON TWO HR NOTICE FOR USE AS REACT/EXPLOITATION FOR.

C. 26TH MAR

(1) ASSUME OPCON BLT 2/26(-) FR 1ST MARDIV AT TIME TO BE DESIG ON 25MAR.

(2) ASSUME OPCON ONE RFL CO FR 1ST MAR AT A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TIME ON D-2.

(3) ASSUME RESP THAT PORTION 7TH MAR TAQR N OF OKLAHOMA HILLS A/O BDRY IN PHASED TURNOVER COMMENCING ON D-3, TO BE COMPLETED AT A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TIME NLT D-1.

D. 1ST MAR

(1) DESIG ONE BN(-) FOR USE AS REACTION/EXPLOITATION FOR.

(2) BE PREP PASS OPCON REACTION/EXPLOITATION BN(-) TO 7TH MAR ON TWO HR NOTICE.

(3) PASS OPCON ONE RFL CO TO 26TH MAR AT A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TIME ON D-2.

E. 5TH MAR

(1) PASS OPCON BLT 2/26(-) TO 1ST MARDIV WHEN LAST ELEMENTS CLEAR A/O AT TIME TO BE DESIGNATED ON 24 MAR.

(2) PASS OPCON BLT 3/26(-) TO 7TH MAR AT A MUTUALLY AGREE-

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ABLE TIME ON D-4.

(3) BE PREP ON ORDER PROVIDE SCREENING FOR ALONG S BANK SONG VU GIA IN AO.

F. 11TH MAR

(1) PROVIDE ARTY SPT AS REQ.

(2) DISPLACE ARTY UNITS PRIOR TO D-DAY AS REAR TO SPT OPN.

G. 1ST RECON BN: PROVIDE ONE RECON CO DIR SPT 7TH MAR AT MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TIME PRIOR TO D-DAY FOR DURATION OF OPN.

H. 1ST ENGR BN

(1) PROVIDE ONE ENGR CO DIR SPT 7TH MAR AT MUTUALLY AGREEMENT TIME PRIOR TO D-DAY FOR DURATION OF OPN

(2) ON ORDER OPEN RT 4 PRIOR TO D-DAY FR HILL 65 W TO HILL 52 AND MAINTAIN THROUGH OPN.

(3) BE PREP TO OPEN RT 4 FR HILL 52 W TO BRIDGE AT (ZC149538) NEAR THUONG DUC CIDG CAMP AS TACTICAL SIT PERMITS.

I. 1ST SP BN: PROVIDE SPT AND ASST AS REQ BY 7TH MAR

J. 11TH MT BN: PROVIDE SPT AND ASST AS REQ BY 7TH MAR.

K. 1ST MED BN: PROVIDE SPT AND ASST AS REQ BY 7TH MAR.

L. COORD INSTNS

(1) AREA OF OPNS: AREA CONTAINED WITHIN LINE START AT

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AT 950630 NW ALONG QUAN DAI LOC - QUAN HIEU DUC DORY TO AT910630 NW TO AT895670 NNW TO STREAM AT AT890683 W AND NW ALONG STREAM TO AT869696 W AND NW ALONG STREAM TO AT860703 NNW TO SONG TUY LOAN AT AT856710 NW ALONG SONG TUY LOAN TO ZC210753 NW TO ZC170783 SW ALONG NUI CA NHONG RIDGE TO ZC094730 W ALONG EW GRID 73 TO WESTERN EXTREMITY OF RZ AT ZC040730 S ALONG WESTERN EXTREMITY OF RZ TO SONG CON AT ZC030575 E ALONG S BANK SONG CON TO ZC150550 E ALONG EW GRID 55 TO ZC192550 E ALONG S BANK SONG VU DIA TO AT900563 S ALONG W BANK OF SONG VU GIA TO AT900540 E ALONG EW GRID 54 TO AT915540 NE TO AT922545 E TO AT936545 S TO AT936540 E TO AT942540 NE ALONG S BANK SONG THU BON TO AT977562 N ACROSS SONG THU BON TO STREAM JCT AT AT976571 N ALONG STREAM TO AT977598 N TO AT973612 NE ALONG W BANK RIVER TO AT989630 W ALONG EW GRID 63 TO CLOSE AT AT 950630.

(2) D-DAY: TENTATIVE 28MAR69, TO BE CONFIRMED.

(3) M-MR/L-MR: TO BE ANNOUNCED; 1100H OR LATER.

(4) NAME: OPN OKLAHOMA HILLS.

(5) DUR: 20-30 DAYS.

4. (S) ADMIN AND LOG: 7TH MAR PROVIDES LOG AND SUP PLANNING AND SPT FOR THIS OPN. FLC IS THE SOURCE FOR ALL CLASSES OF SUP, SERV BT

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SPT AND LTD THIRD ECH MAINT THROUGH THE LSA EST AT HILL 55. REFS
A AND B REFER.

5. (S) COMMAND AND COMM/ELEC

A. RTP CP LOC WHEN CH.

B. OPERATIONAL REPORTING: IAW REF C.

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TEMP AO MOD (U)

A. YR 281720Z FEB 69

B. YR 311800Z JAN 69

1. (S) REQ TEMP AO APPR BY REF A 3E EXT UNTIL 302400H APR 69.

TEMP AO REQ IS RESTATED AS FOL: FR PRESENT (1ST MARDIV/ROKMC BDRY)
 AT BT019607 S ALONG W BANK SUOI CO CA TO JUNCTURE SONG YAM GIAP
 AT BT025598 THEN FURTHER S ALONG W BANK SUOI CO CA TO BT014563
 THEN DUE S TO SONG KY LAM AT BT014559 THEN W ALONG N BANK SONG KY
 LAM TO BT080543 THEN ALONG PRESENT 1ST MARDIV/ROKMC BDRY TO CLOSE AT
BT019607.

2. (S) THE DODGE CITY AREA IS REGR TO COORD SMALL UNIT OPNS AND
 FIRE SPT MISSIONS IN SPT OF ENGINEERING EFFORTS ON ROUTE 4 AND

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LAND CLEARING BOTH WITHIN AND ADJACENT TO TEMP AO.

3. (U) COORD AS REQ IN PAR 2 REF B WILL PROVIDED.

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LAM SON 271

(MAINE CRAG)

LAM SON 265

(MASS STRIKER)

HUNG QIAN VI NINH 02

(LUKA HILLS)

QUYET HANG 49

(IRON MOUNTAIN)

LE LOI IV

AT 9861

BT 0361

BT 0354

AT 9854

LAM SON 245

(54th ARVN REGT)
VI NINH DOC

LAM SON 261

FM CG III MAF DNG
 TO COMUSMACV

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ATTN: MACV CMD CNTR, MACV
 J3-06, AND I CORPS
 DESK

AO FOR OPN MUSKOGEE
 MEADOW

1. THE MUSKOGEE MEADOW AO
 BOUNDARY IS FROM:

ZC 210540 east along Song Vu Gia/
 Song Vu Bon Rivers to AT 974561
 to BT 000520 to BT 060480 to
 AT 080430 to AT 920340 to
 AT 840350 to AT 880410 to
 AT 880440 to ZC 200450 to
 close at ZC 210540