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P.B. Jeffery 3/16/77
Signature, date

1st AMTRAC BN
Command Chronology

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HEADQUARTERS

1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion (Rein) FMF
3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF
c/o FPO, San Francisco, 96601

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF (SC-3)

Subj: Command Chronology; submission of

Ref: (a) DivO 5750.1

Encl: (1) Organizational Data, Including Attachments
(2) Sequential Listing of Significant Events
(3) Documentation

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following Command Chronology is submitted.



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1. Designation/Locations

- a. 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion (Rein) FMF.
(1) DaNang, Republic of Viet-Nam (Coordinates AT 990713).
Map, Tourane, 1:50,000, 1-AMS, Series L701, Sheet 6659 III.
- b. Company "A", 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion.
(1) Chu Lai, Republic of Viet-Nam (Coordinates BT 554054).
Map, Tri Binh, 1:50,000, 2-AMS, Series L701, Sheet 6757 III.
(2) Attached to the 4th Marine Regiment.
- c. Company "B" (-), 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion.
(1) DaNang, Republic of Viet-Nam (Coordinates AT 990713).
Map, Tourane, 1:50,000, 1-AMS, Series L701, Sheet 6659 III.
(2) Direct support OPCON to the 9th Marine Regiment.
- d. 3d Platoon (Rein), Company "B" (-), 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion.
(1) Republic of Viet-Nam (Coordinates AT 938786).
Map, Tourane, 1:50,000, 1-AMS, Series L701, Sheet 6659 III.
(2) Direct support OPCON to the 3d Marine Regiment.
- e. Company "A" (-), 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion.
(1) Chu Lai, Republic of Viet-Nam (Coordinates BT 572039).
Map, Tri Binh, 1:50,000, 2-AMS, Series L701, Sheet 6757 III.
(2) Attached to the 7th Marine Regiment.
- f. 2nd Platoon, Company "A" (-), 3d Amphibian Tractor Battalion.
(1) Qui Nhon, Republic of Viet-Nam and is attached to the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment.

2. Period Covered by Report. 1 October 1965 to 31 October 1965.3. Name/Rank of CO and Staff and Principal Subordinates.

- a. Commanding Officer, 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion (Rein) FMF
LtCol. W. D. POMEROY.
- b. Executive Officer Maj. E. E. CREWS
- c. S-1 1stLt. B. K. ALLEN
- d. S-2 1stLt. R. G. SCHWARZ
- e. S-3 Capt. R. C. CALDWELL
- f. S-4 Capt. S. E. THAMES, relieved 26 October 1965 by Maj. W. W. DAMEWOOD
- g. CO, Company "A", 1st AMTrac Bn. Maj. P. M. HELSHER

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- h. CO, company "B", 1st AMTrac Bn. Maj. H. L. KENDRICK
- i. CO, H&S company, 1st AMTrac Bn. Capt. R. L. CHAPMAN
- j. CO, company "A", 3d AMTrac Bn. Capt. E. J. BAIR
- k. Bn surgeon, Lt. J. A. SHIELDS (MC) USNR
- l. Commo, 1st Lt. K. W. SANTELMAN
- m. Supplyo, Capt. J. F. CHARLES
- n. Mainto, WO L. H. VANANTWERP, relieved 26 October 1965 by Capt R. ZALLES
- o. MTO, WO J. W. LITTLE
- p. Amphibian Howitzer platoon, Capt S. E. THAMES, platoon commander assigned 26 October 1965.
- q. Chaplain, LTjg Max DUNKS (ChC) USNR

4. Average monthly strength.

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

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1 Oct 1965: Journal opened. The Battalion set Defense Condition I due to S/A firing at 3rd M.T. Bn. and 9th Marines.

2 Oct 1965: B-21 struck a mine at (BT 081707) in the vicinity of Marble Mountain, 1 WIA. Co "A", 3rd AMTrac Bn at Chu Lai, received 1 WIA while retrieving a LVTP-5. The Battalion Civil Affairs Section distributed dolls, candy and soccer balls to 200 children from Phong Le Bac #1. Bn Medical Personnel gave medical treatment to 155 Vietnamese civilians from the same village.

3 Oct 1965: The Battalion Civil Affairs Section gave 1700 lbs of bulgar and corn meal plus 1 barrel of clothing, one case of cottonseed oil and one case of margarine to 300 Vietnamese from the Village of Phong Le Bac #1.

4 Oct 1965: Battalion Medical Personnel gave medical treatment to 70 civilians from Phong Le Bac (1) Village.

5 Oct 1965: Dispatched two LVTs to the Senior Advisor at Hoa Cam Training Center to investigate tunnels along banks of Song Cau Do River. Battalion Medical Personnel gave medical treatment to 110 Vietnamese civilians from Phong Le Bac #1. The Battalion's cantonment program is 40% completed.

6 Oct 1965: Capt P. J. SAXTON from MCSA Philadelphia remains in the area to assist in LVT parts procurement. No contact was made on the LVT/Hoa Cam tunnel patrol. Battalion Medical Personnel gave medical treatment to 110 Vietnamese civilians from Phong Le Bac #1.

7 Oct 1965: The Battalion Training Program is progressing at rate of 6 hours per week. Battalion Medical Personnel gave medical treatment to 40 Vietnamese civilians from Phong Le Bac #1. The Battalion S-3 received a Warning Order on the visit of Senator BREWSTER 10Oct65.

8 Oct 1965: Submitted Command Chronology to CG, 3d MarDiv. Battalion Medical Personnel gave medical treatment to 60 Vietnamese civilians from Phong Le Bac #1.

9 Oct 1965: FMFPac General Supply Survey Team visited the Battalion. Civil Affairs Officer met with Vietnamese civilians to settle claims of rice crops damaged by LVTs.

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10 Oct 1965: The Battalion was visited by Senator Daniel B. BREWSTER, from Maryland, escorted by Brig Gen HENDERSON. He was briefed by the Battalion S-3, shown various types of LVTs and was served refreshments. He met with Marines of this unit from Maryland and was driven to the 3d Motor Transport Battalion in an LVTP-5.

12 Oct 1965: Battalion Medical Personnel treated 65 Vietnamese civilians in Phong Le Bac #1.

13 Oct 1965: Battalion Medical Personnel treated 75 Vietnamese civilians in Phong Le Bac #1.

14 Oct 1965: A screen and search patrol, accompanied by a squad of ARVN, swept the area from highway #1A (AT 998710) west to the AMTRac CP. 1 VCS was apprehended and turned over to ITT at the Division Stockade.

15 Oct 1965: Battalion set Defense Condition I at 2100. Secured at 2340.

16 Oct 1965: A Vietnamese civilian struck down by a 3rd MT. Bn vehicle was treated at 1st AMTRac Bn Aid Station. His left leg was fractured, and his collar bone was broken. He was evacuated to a Vietnamese Hospital in DaNang.

18 Oct 1965: The Battalion CP was surveyed for hardstands and Butler buildings. Medical Personnel treated 50 Vietnamese civilians in Phong Le Bac Village.

19 Oct 1965: Battalion Medical Section treated 75 Vietnamese civilians at Phong Le Bac #1. 8 men from the Battalion attended an LFTU Vehicle Water-proofing School at 3d MT. Bn.

20 Oct 1965: 50 Vietnamese civilians medically treated at Phong Le Bac #1. Division G-3 requested 8 LVTs to support an ARVN operation, along the Ca De Song, north of Le My.

21 Oct 1965: 8 LVTs from H&S Co lifted 540 ARVN troops as requested by Division G-3.

22 Oct 1965: 8 LVTs continue support of ARVN troops on the Ca De Song River. Battalion Medical Section treated 135 Vietnamese civilians. Motor Transport Technical Inspection Team from FMFPac was in the area.

23 Oct 1965: B-24 struck a mine at (BT 083074). No casualties. Vehicle was damaged beyond repair. Battalion Medical Section treated 85 Vietnamese civilians at Phong Le Bac #1.

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25 Oct 1965: Battalion Medical Section treated 45 Vietnamese civilians at Phong Le Bac #1. FMFPac Ordnance Inspection Team in area.

26 Oct 1965: The Battalion Civil Affairs Officer went to Marble Mountain to inspect the area for alleged damage claims. The Battalion Medical Section treated 65 Vietnamese civilians from Phong Le Bac #1. The Battalion Surgeon treated 3 ARVN Officers injured in a vehicle accident.

27 Oct 1965: B-26 struck land mine at (BT 100659). There were no casualties. The vehicle was back in operation same day. The Battalion Civil Affairs Officer presented two piglets to deserving families from Phong Le Bac #1.

28 Oct 1965: At 280110H the Battalion went on 100% alert on order of 3d MarDiv. At 280621H, Battalion set modified alert condition. Battalion Medical Section treated 85 Vietnamese civilians at Phong Le Bac #1.

29 Oct 1965: The Battalion Medical Section treated 60 Vietnamese civilians at Phong Le Bac #1.

30 Oct 1965: The Battalion set Defense Condition I at 0335 and secured at 0640. At 0900 Defense Condition I was again set on order of the 3d MarDiv. At 0911 the Battalion secured from alert. Six Battalion Communications Personnel attended a Field Radio Waterproofing Course conducted by LFTUPac at 3d Shore Party Bn.

31 Oct 1965: 2055 set Defense Condition I. Secured at 2135. The Battalion cantonment program is 75% completed.

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Annex F - Daily Vehicle Availability Reports
Annex G - Combat Documents

Enclosure (3)

Amtrac 'Reborn'

DA NANG, Vietnam (ISO) — "The Sick and the Dead"—amphibious tractor B-26—came home today.

Amtrac drivers, like aviators, have the habit of naming their vehicles. Thus "The Sick and the Dead."

Old number 26, insides gutted by fire and explosion, sides warped and frame bent, had been given up for lost by most mafines after striking a Viet Cong land mine last month.

SSgt. C. E. Beal, of Albuquerque, N.M., maintenance chief for B Co., 1st Amphibious Tractor Bn., had other ideas. He got his tools while assistant, Lance Cpl. D. G. Antisdell, of Omaha, Neb., loaded up a brush and a bucket of white paint. Then they went to work on crippled amtrac.

Hours later, the engine came to life. Before bringing the vehicle back to headquarters, they used the paint on the sides of the fire-blackened machine.

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STAFF JOURNALS-1 Section
1stAmTracBnJOURNAL

<u>TIME</u>		<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>DTG</u>	<u>Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.,</u>	<u>Action Taken</u> M-map S-staff T-trps F-file
<u>In</u>	<u>Out</u>				
		1	021155H Oct	RICHTER, G. W. 1386935 SSgt LVT5-B-21 Struck land mine vicinity Marble Mt. WIA, Ambulatory-shrapnel fragmentation left leg, not evacuated, still on duty.	
		2	1400, 4 Oct 65	Sgt F. D. JOHNSON 1381577/ 1833 3dAmTracBn WIA while trying to retrieve LVT-5 stuck in the mud near Chu Lai in Ban Tuang Prov, condition serious wound missile over right scap- ula (T&T) wound missile lower back (T&T) from right to left Wound missile left lower leg (T&T) NOK Mrs Patricia Jane JOHNSON 2828 Guyton Street, Robbins Trailer Court, Goldsboro, N. C. notified.	
		3.	1500, 6 Oct 65	Lt M. E. DUNKS (Chaplain) reported in and also 2ndLt STADOLA.	
		4	2200 30 Oct 65	2ndLt MUSSER & GySgt LESTER & GySgt THOMAS reported for duty.	
		5	111500H Oct	GySgt PROCACCINO reported for duty.	

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1st Am Trac BnJOURNAL

TIME		Serial Number	DTG	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.,	Action Taken M-map S-staff T-trps F-file
In	Out				
		6	1514200H Oct	LCpl RENKEN reported for duty.	
		7	171000H Oct	GySgt WILLIAMS, Sgt RIBER Sgt SAMI, LCpl SMITH & LCpl USREY reported for duty.	
		8	181600H Oct	Cpl CATTELONA reported for duty.	
		9	211320H Oct	GySgt APPLE & 53 other personnel reported for duty as October replacement draft	
		10	31 Oct 65	Total average monthly strength for the month of October: USMC Off 31 USMC Enl 848 USN Off 2 USN Enl 16	

Annex B
to Encl (3)

S-2 JOURNAL

TIME		SERNO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
		J-1	010001H	<u>10oct65</u> Journal opened	F
1200		J-2		TO: AMTrac: Disseminated challenge and password	S,T,F
2400		J-3		Journal closed by order of commanding officer	F
		J-1	020001H	<u>20oct65</u> Journal opened	F
1025		J-2		Security sit. of new life hamlets in Quang Nam Province	F
1025		J-3		FM: III MAF/NCC rpt #134-65 received	S,M,F
1025		J-4		FM: III MAF/NCC rpt #135-65 received (heli suit overlay) enemy defense overlay	S,M,F
1025		J-5		FM: III MAF/NCC rpt #136-65 received. Enemy defense overlay & heli suit overlay	S,M,F
1025		J-6		FM: III MAF/NCC rpt #137-65 received (II rpt)	S,M,F
1025		J-7		FM: III MAF/NCC rpt #138-65 received (II rpt)	S,M,F
1025		J-8	301746Z	FM: CG, 3d Mardiv - SITREP #147 as of 301000Z sept65	M,S,T,F
1200		J-9		TO: AMTrac - Disseminated Challenge and password	S,T,F
	1215	J-10	021215H	TO: 9th Mar S-2 - Notified S-2 of LVT striking mine at coor (AT 081707)	M,S,REG,T,F
1600		J-11	292400H	FM: 9th Mar S-2 - ISUM #83 received	M,S,T,F
1600		J-12	302400H	FM: 9th Mar S-2 - ISUM #84 received	M,S,T,F
1600		J-13	012400H	FM: 9th Mar S-2 - ISUM #85 received	M,S,T,F
2400		J-14		Journal closed by order of commanding officer	F
		J-1	030001H	<u>30oct65</u> Journal opened	F
	1000	J-2		AMTrac: Made distribution of 20 bag (1700 lbs) of corn meal, bulgar wheat, 16 qts of soy oil, and 1 barrel of clothing, to the residents of phong Le Bac - total personnel 300	S,F
	1200	J-3		TO AMTrac: Disseminated challenge and password	S,T,F
2400		J-4		Journal closed by order of commanding officer	F
		J-1	040001H	<u>40oct65</u> Journal opened	F
0900		J-2	301200Z	FM: CG, III MAF/NCC, ISUM #142 for period 241200H to 301200H sep65	M,S,T,F
0900		J-3	011240Z	FM: CG, III MAF/NCC, ISUM #143 for period 301200H to 011200H sep65	M,S,T,F
0900		J-4	021608Z	FM: CG, 3d Mardiv, sitrep #149 as of 021000Z oct65	M,S,T,F

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IN	OUT				
0900		J-5	031222Z	FM: CG, III MAF/NCC, ISUM #145 for period 021200H to 031200H rec.	M,S,T,F
1115		J-6	041115H	FM: 9th Marines. Received ch #1 to CG, MSG DTG 280934Z sep65. After 5 Oct, change code 45 to read 46 (by phone)	S&C,F
	1200	J-7		To AMTrac: disseminated challenge and password	F,S,T
2040		J-8	042040H	FM: Div - received weather report	S,T,F
2400		J-9		Journal closed by order of pream 6 <u>5 Oct 65</u>	F
		J-1	050001H	Journal opened	F
0800		J-2	050800H	FM: Div - received daily weather report	S,T,F
0900		J-3	041452Z	FM: III MAF - received codes for challenge and Password from 9 Oct-15 Oct 65	F
1100		J-4	041836Z	FM: 3d MarDiv - received sitrep #151 as of 041000Z Oct 65	M,S,T,F
	1200	J-5	051200H	To AMTrac: challenge and password for period beginning 051200H to 061200H, disseminated	S,T,F
1300		J-6	041300H	FM: Recon Bn - patrol rpt covering search and destroy of caves along Song Yen River	S,M,F
	2030	J-7	052030H	To: Div - spot report of River Recon conducted sighting items discovered action taken, and future intentions.	F
2400		J-8		Journal closed by order of commanding officer <u>6 Oct 65</u>	F
		J-1	060001H	Journal opened	F
		J-2		FM: Div - received daily weather forecast	S,T,F
1100		J-3	040440Z	FM: Div - received sitrep #150 as of 031000Z Oct 65	M,S,T,F
		J-4	041450Z	FM: CG, MAF/NCC - received ISUM #146 from 031200H to 041200H Oct 65	M,S,T,F
	1200	J-5	061200H	To AMTrac Bn: Challenge and password for period beginning 061200H and ending 071200H Oct 65 issued	T,S,F
2400		J-6		Journal closed by order of commanding officer <u>7 Oct 65</u>	F
		J-1	070001H	Journal opened	F
0900		J-2		FM: CG, III MAF/NCC - Received Force order 01060.1	S,T,F
0900		J-3		FM: CG, III MAF/NCC - Received Force order 02305.A	S,F
0900		J-4		FM: CG, III MAF/NCC - Received Force Bul 05440	S,F

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TIME		SERNO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
IN	OUT				
0900	1200	J-5		FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - indoctrination program received	S, F
		J-6	071200H	disseminated challenge and password for period beginning 071200H and ending 081200H Oct65	S, T, F
1300		J-7	071536Z	FM: CG, III MAF/NCC - Received ISUM #149	S, T, M, F
1300		J-8	071628Z	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - sitrep 154 as of 071000Z Oct65	S, T, M, F
2400		J-9		Journal closed by order of battalion commanding officer	F
0001		J-1		<u>9 Oct 65</u> Journal opened	F
0800		J-2	041836Z	FM: CG, III MAF/NCC - Received ISUM #147 from 041200H - 051200H Oct65	M, S, T, F
0800		J-3	052100Z	FM: CG, III MAF/NCC - received info on responsibilities under Geneva convention for handling of captured personnel	M, S, T, F
0900	1200	J-4	060836Z	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - received sitrep no. 152 as of 051000Z	M, S, T, F
		J-5		FM: 1st AMTrac Bn - disseminated challenge and password for period beginning 081200H and ending 091200H	S, T, F
1600		J-6		30 Sep 65 - FM: III MAF/NCC - imagery int. Rpt #140-65	M, F
1600		J-7		1 Oct 65: FM: III MAF/NCC - imagery int. Rpt # 139-65	M, F
1600		J-8		30 Oct 65: FM: III MAF/NCC - enemy def. overlay Rpt # 134-65	M, F
1600		J-9		6 Oct 65: FM: III MAF/NCC - photo coverage overlay	F
2400		J-10		Journal closed by order of commanding officer	F
0001		J-1		<u>9 Oct 65</u> Journal opened	F
0900		J-2		FM: III MAF/NCC - Received Bul # 65-3	S, T, F
0900		J-3	050032Z	FM: CG, FMFPac - Received plan for reassignment of personnel	S, F
0900		J-4	061410Z	FM: CG, III MAF/NCC - Received ISUM # 148 from 051200H to 061200H Oct65	S, T, M, F
1000		J-5	061534Z	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - troop indoctrination program	S, F
1000		J-6	070632Z	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv (ISUM #153 as of 061000Z Oct65	S, T, M, F
	1200	J-7	091200H	FM: 1st AMTrac Bn. Possible compromise of classified info	F
	1200	J-8		Disseminated challenge and password for period beginning 091200 and ending 101200H Oct65	S, T, F
1800		J-9	071520Z	FM: CG, III MAF - Received tech assist team info list	F
1800		J-10	080815H	FM: 3d Recon Bn. Patrol report Recon 1-Alpha	S, T, M, F

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TIME		SERNO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1828		J-11	081828H	FM: 3d MarDiv - Received weather report for period 091800H @ 100600H	S,T,F
2400		J-12		Journal closed by order of commanding officer	F
				<u>10 Oct 65</u>	
0001		J-1		Journal opened	F
0800	1200	J-2	100800H	FM: 3d MarDiv - received daily weather forecast	S,T,F
		J-3		FM: 1st AMTrac - disseminated challenge and password for period beginning 101200H and ending 111200H Oct 65	S,T,F
2000		J-4	102000H	FM: 3d MarDiv - received evening weather forecast	S,T,F
		J-5	102400H	Journal closed by order of COMMANDING OFFICER	
				<u>11 Oct 65</u>	
0001		J-1		Journal opened	F
0900		J-2	080312Z	FM: CINCPACFLT- CRYPTOSERVICE Request(U) Rec	F
0905		J-3	110905H	FM: 3d MarDiv - received morning weather forecast	S,T,F
1000		J-4	090800Z	FM: Cancellation of O/Order 323, 328, 330, 331 and 339-65	S,F
1000		J-5	091520Z	FM: CG, III MAF - received ISUM #151 from 081200H to 091200H Oct 65	S,T,M, F
1000		J-6	091626Z	FM: CG, III MAF - received SITREP #156 as of 091000Z Oct 65	
	1200	J-7	111200H	TO: 1st AMTrac BN - Dissemination of challenge and password for period beginning 111200H to 121200H Oct 65	S,T,F,
1800		J-8	111800H	FM: 3d MarDiv - Received evening weather forecast	S,T,F,
2000		J-9	112000H	FM: 9th Mar - Ho Van Dist 6 VC reported in Phong La Bac	S,T,F,
2400		J-10		Journal closed by order of commanding officer	F
				<u>12 Oct 65</u>	
		J-1	12001H	Journal opened	F
0800		J-2	120800H	FM: 3d MarDiv - received morning weather forecast	S,T,F,
0820		J-3	111246H	FM: CG, III MAF - Received code for challenge and passwords effective 161200H Oct 65	F
		J-4	111248Z	FM: CG, III MAF - Action to be taken upon receiving information from Vietnamese outside of direct Channels.	S,T,F
0900		J-5	101450Z	FM: CG III MAF - Received ISUM #152	S,T,M,F
0900		J-6	111156Z	FM: CG III MAF - Received ISUM #153	S,T,M,F
0900		J-7	101614Z	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received SITREP #157	S,T,M,F
0900		J-8	101342Z	FM: 9th Marines - received Frag Order 47-65	S,F

S-1 Journal

1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion (Rein) FMF

TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
0948		J-9	111636Z	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv-Received SITREP #158	S,T,M,F
2000		J-10	122000H	FM: CG, 3d MARDIV- Received evening weather forecast	S,T,F
	1200	J-11	112400H	Journal closed by order of Commanding Officer	F
	1200	J-12	121200H	Received challenge and password for period beginning 121200H Oct 65-131200H Oct 65	S,T,F
				13Oct65	
		J-1	130001H	Journal opened	F
0800		J-2	130800H	FM: 3d MarDiv- received morning weather forecast	S,T,F
	1200	J-3	131200H	Challenge and password for period beginning 131200H Oct65 -141200 disseminated	S,T,F
2000		J-4	132000H	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv-received evening weather forecast	S,T,F
		J-5	132400H	Journal closed by order of Commanding Officer	F
				14Oct65	
		J-1	140001H	Journal opened	F
0800		J-2	140800H	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv- received morning weather forecast	S,T,F
	1200	J-3	141200H	Challenge and password for period beginning 141200H Oct65 - 151200H disseminated	S,T,F
		J-4	141230H	Held 5 min tactical interrogation on one Phan, Chian., age 27, suspected VC apprehended during screen and search patrol in vic of Phong Le Bac (AT 995712)	S,F, Div. 9th M & III MAF
	1300	J-5	141300H	Took subject to ITT at Div POW stockade	S,F

S-2 Journal
1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion (Rein) FMF

TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
1500		J-6	132400H	FM: 9th Marines- Received ISUM#97	M,S,T,F
2400		J-7	142400H	Journal closed by order of commanding officer	F
				<u>15Oct65</u>	
		J-1	150001H	Journal opened	F
0800		J-2	150800H	FM: 3d Mardiv- Received daily weather forecast	S,T,F
0920		J-3		FM: CG, 3d MAF/NCC-Received force pul 3850 which deals with counterintelligence	S,T,F
	1200	J-4	151200H	challenge and password for period beginning 151200H Oct 65-161200H disseminated.	S,T,F
		J-5	151600H	FM: CG, 3d Mardiv- 2 VC Bn. numbering 700 including Hvy Wpn Co. armed with 60 and 81mm mortars loc at Hoa Thai vic (AT 980685), Hoa phoc vic (ET 009645) along Hgwy #1 will possibly attack convoy from Panang to Ho An, may be planning attack on Panang AB	S,T,M,F
1700		J-6	151700H	FM: 9th Marines- received ISUM#98	S,T,M,F
2000		J-7	151800H	Received evening weather forecast	S,T,F
2400		J-8	152400H	Journal closed by order of commanding officer	F
				<u>16Oct65</u>	
		J-1	160001H	Journal opened	F
0800		J-2	160800H	FM: 3d Mardiv- received morning weather forecast	S,T,F
0900		J-3	141310Z	FM: CG, III MAF- Received ISUM# 156	S,M,T,F
0900		J-4	141812Z	FM: 3d MARDIV- Received SITREP# 161	S,M,T,F

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TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
					M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
0900		J-5	131258Z	FM: CG, III MAF - Received ISUM No. 155	S,M,T,F
1000		J-6	121444Z	FM: CG, III MAF - Received ISUM No 156	S,M,T,F
1000		J-7	131256Z	FM: CG, III MAF - Received special intel. report	S,F
1000		J-8	151406Z	FM: CG, III MAF - Received ISUM No. 157	F
1000		J-9	151746Z	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received Sitrep No. 162	S,T,M,F
1200		J-10		Challenge and password for period beginning 151200H and ending 161200H disseminated.	S,T,F
2400		J-11		Journal closed by order of commanding officer <u>17Oct65</u>	S,T,F
0001		J-1		Journal opened	F
0800	1200	J-2	170600H	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Morning weather forecast	S,T,F
		J-3		Challenge and password for period beginning 171200H and ending 181200H disseminated	S,T,F
1500		J-4	171500H	FM: G-2 - Received request for G-2 billets assignments to reach that HQ by 20Oct65	F
1500		J-5	162400H	FM: 9th Mar - Received ISUM #100	S,T,M,F
2000		J-6	171800H	FM: 3d MarDiv - Received evening weather forecast	F
2400		J-7		Journal closed by order of commanding officer <u>18Oct65</u>	F
0001		J-1		Journal opened	F
0800		J-2		FM: 3d MarDiv - Received daily weather forecast	S,T,F
1200		J-3		FM: BN Surgeon, picked up leaflets at phong Le Bac(propaganda)	Div G-2

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TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
					M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
1200		J-4		Challenge and password for period beginning 181200H and ending 191200H disseminated	S,T,F
1630		J-5		FM: Div Civil Affairs - Highlights of Civil Action form and guide toward filling out form received	F
1700		J-6	161428Z	FM: CG, III MAF, Received INTSUM # 158	S,T,M,F
1700		J-7	161900Z	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received sitrep No 163	S,T,M,F
1700		J-8	171300Z	FM: CG, III MAF - Received INTSUM # 159	S,T,M,F
1820		J-9	172400Z	FM: 9th Mar. - Received ISUM # 101	S,T,M,F
1820		J-10		Received evening weather forecast	S,T,M,F
	2400	J-11		Journal closed by order of commanding officer 19oct65	F
0001		J-1		Journal opened	F
0800		J-2		FM: Div - Received morning weather forecast	S,T,F
	1200	J-3		Challenge and password for period beginning 191200H and ending 201200H disseminated	S,T,F
1300		J-4	171736Z	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received sitrep # 164	S,T,M,F
1800		J-5		FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received evening weather forecast	S,T,F
2400		J-6		Journal closed by order of Commanding Officer 20oct65	F
0001		J-1		Journal opened	F
0800		J-2		FM: 3d MarDiv - Received morning weather forecast	S,T,F
	1200	J-3		TO: 1st AMTrac - Challenge and password disseminated	S,T,F

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IN	OUT						
							M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
1820		J-4		FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received evening weather forecast			S.T.F
2400		J-5		Journal closed by order of commanding officer			F
				<u>21 Oct 65</u>			
0001		J-1		Journal opened			F
0800		J-2		FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received morning weather forecast			S.T.F
1000		J-3		FM: 9th Mar. - Received ISUM # 105			S.M.F
	1200	J-4		Challenge and password disseminated			S.T.F
1400		J-5	200630Z	FM: CG, III MAF - Codes for challenge and passwords rec.			F
1600		J-6		FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received sitrep #166			S.T.M.F
1627		J-7		FM: III MAF - Received ISUM # 161			S.M.F
	1700	J-8		TO: Div/MAF - Submitted civil affairs sitrep #1			F
2000		J-9		FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received evening weather forecast			S.T.F
2400		J-10		Journal closed by order of commanding officer			F
				<u>22 Oct 65</u>			
0001		J-1		Journal open ed			F
0800		J-2		FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received morning weather forecast			S.T.F
0950		J-3		FM: 9th Mar - Received ISUM #104			S.M.F
	1200	J-4		Challenge and password disseminated			S.T.F
1500		J-5		FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received sitrep #167			S.M.T.F
	1700	J-6		TO: Div/MAF - Submitted civil affairs sitrep #2			F
1800		J-7		FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received evening weather forecast			S.T.F
2400		J-8		Journal closed by order of commanding officer			F

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IN	OUT						
							M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
0001		J-1		<u>23 Oct 65</u> Journal opened			F
0800		J-2		FM: Div - Received morning weather forecast	083074		S,T,F
0950		J-3		FM: Co. "B" - (1) LVT hit mine vicinity (AT 078698)			S,M,F
	1200	J-4		Challenge and password disseminated			S,T,F
1815		J-5		FM: 9th Mar - Received ISUM # 106			S,T,F
1820		J-6		FM: CG, III MAF - Received sitrep # 168			S,M,T,F
2000		J-7		FM: Div - received evening weather forecast			S,T,F
2400		J-8		Journal closed by order of commanding officer			F
0001		J-1		<u>24 Oct 65</u> Journal opened			F
0800		J-2		FM: Div - Received morning weather forecast			S,T,F
	1200	J-3		Challenge and password disseminated			S,T,F
1800		J-4		FM: 9th Mar - Received ISUM # 107			M,S,T,F
2000		J-5		FM: Div - Received evening weather forecast			S,T,F
2400		J-6		Journal closed by order of commanding officer			F
0001		J-1		<u>25 Oct 65</u> Journal opened			F
0800		J-2		FM: Div - Received morning weather forecast			S,T,F
	1200	J-3		Challenge and password disseminated			S,T,F
	1700	J-4		TO: CG, 3d Mardiv/CG, III MAF - Civil Action Rpt #3			F

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N	OUT				
2000		J-5		FM: Div - Received evening weather forecast	S,T,F
2400		J-6		Journal closed by order of commanding officer <u>26 Oct 65</u>	F
0001		J-1		Journal opened	F
0800		J-2		FM: Div - Received morning weather forecast	S,T,F
0815		J-3	240828	FM: CG, III MAF/NCC - Received challenges and passwords effective 39 Oct 65 - 5 Nov 65	F
0900		J-4	221730	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received sitrep #169 as of 221000Z Oct	S,M,T,F
0900		J-5	231132	FM: CG, III MAF/NCC - Received ISUM #165	S,M,T,F
0900		J-6	232012	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received sitrep #170 as of 231000Z Oct	S,M,T,F
0900		J-7	241236	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received report sec of communications	S,F,T
1330		J-8	241820	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received sitrep #171 as of 241000Z Oct 65	S,M,T,F
1330		J-9	250932	FM: CG, III MAF - Received ISUM #167	S,T,F
2000		J-10		FM: Div - Received evening weather forecast	S,T,F
2400		J-11		Journal closed by order of commanding officer <u>27 Oct 65</u>	F
0001		J-1		Journal opened	F
0800		J-2		FM: Div - Received morning weather forecast	S,T,F
	1200	J-3		Challenge and password disseminated	S,T,F
	1325	J-4		Departed to Phong Lo Bac vicinity 995712 gave 2 piglets to 2 families	S,F
2000		J-5		FM: Div - Received evening weather forecast	S,T,F
2400		J-6		Journal closed by order of commanding officer <u>28 Oct 65</u>	F
0001		J-1		Journal opened	F
0110		J-2		FM: Div - Assume condition #1	S,T,F
	1200	J-3		Challenge and password disseminated	S,T,F
1300		J-4		FM: III MAF/NCC - Received ISUM #169	S,T,M,F
1300		J-5		FM: III MAR/NCC - Received Force 0 03120.1 info pertaining to conduct of ground recon ops	S,F
1300		J-6		FM: III MAF/NCC - Received Force 0 05727.1 - Indoctrination for rotating personnel	S,T,F
1300		J-7		Intelligence notes - FMF (CMC)	S,F
1900		J-8		FM: 9th Mar - Received ISUM #111	S,T,M,F

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IN	OUT				
1910		J-9		FM: 9th Mar - Received word that Guerrilla and MF VC units loc at (AT 980692) AND (AT 975675) spec Agent Rpt B-2	M,S,T,F
2000		J-10		FM: 9th Mar - Received evening weather forecast	S,T,F
2400		J-11		Journal closed by order of commanding officer	F
0001		J-1		<u>29 Oct 65</u> Journal opened	F
0800		J-2		FM: Div - Received morning weather forecast	S,T,F
	1200	J-3		Challenge and password disseminated	S,T,F
1205		J-4	280530Z	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Appendix to 3d MarDiv Sitrep No. 1 as of 281200H Oct 65	F
1210		J-5	280950Z	FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Hoa Vang Dist RF police opns	S,T,F,M
1210		J-6	281340Z	FM: CG, III MAF/NCC - Received ISUM #170 for period 271200H to 281200H Oct 65	S,M,T,F
1210		J-7		FM: CG, 3d MarDiv - Received supplementary intel. Rpt	F,S
1210		J-8		FM: III MAF/NCC - Received photographic intel. Rpt	M,S,F
2400		J-9		Journal closed by order of commanding officer	F
0001		J-1		<u>30 Oct 65</u> Journal opened	F
0800		J-2		FM: 3d MarDiv - Received morning weather forecast	S,T,F
	1200	J-3		Challenge and password for 301200H Oct disseminated	S,T,F
1800		J-4		FM: 9th Mar - Received ISUM #113	S,M,T,F

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N	OUT				
	1815	J-5		TO: 9th Mar - Sent spot report pertaining to finding suspected VC mortar position at vic (BT 039729)	S,M,F
1920		J-6		FM: 9th Mar - Received word that the challenge and password was compromised. Alternate issued	S,T,F
2000		J-7		FM: Div - Received evening weather forecast	S,T,F
2100		J-8		FM: G-2 - Special intel. Rpt. VC mine warfare	F
2130		J-9	261626Z	FM: Div - Received Sitrep #173	S,T,M,F
2130		J-10	281726Z	FM: Div - Received Sitrep #175	S,T,M,F
				FM: CG, III MAF - Received ISUM #171	S,T,M,F
2400		J-11		Journal closed by order of commanding officer	F
0001		J-1		<u>31 Oct 65</u>	F
0800		J-2		Journal opened	S,T,F
	1200	J-3		FM: Div - Received morning weather forecast	S,T,F
		J-4		Challenge and password disseminated	F
2400				Journal closed by order of commanding officer	

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TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
IN	OUT				
0001		J-1		<u>10Oct65</u> Journal Opened	F
	1600	J-2		Daily SITREP and Availability report to Division G-3	F
	2115	J-3		Set defense condition 1 due to S/A firing at 3d MT Bn. and 9th Marines	S
2155		J-4		Company "B" rapid reaction force manned and ready	S
	2240	J-5		Secured from defense condition 1. Guard remains at 100% alert.	S.T
2330		J-6		Call from 1/9 inquiring about fire fight. Negative report given	F
0110		J-1		<u>20Oct65</u> Post #5 fired on. Ordered to illuminate by Defense Officer. Individual spotted, ordered to fire on by Defense Officer. 3 rds fired.	S
0145		J-2		Defense Officer ordered reactionary force alerted	S
0230		J-3		Defense Officer suspects infiltrators, sweeps lower part of Camp with reaction force.	S
0400		J-4		Reaction force secured, sweep fruitless. Guard at normal strength	S
		J-5	020315Z	B-21 hit mine at (BT 081707) between water point and old french fort. 3 WIA. Bringing WIA to water point with B-45. Do not know if they were AMTrac or infantry WIA.	S.M

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TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
	1220	J-6		sent interim spot report to 9th Marines & 3d Mardiv on B-21	S
		J-7	020400Z	from 4th plt. to CO "B". AM at position 300 yards from water point 1 WIA, one man with possible broken wrist. one man with possible broken wrist. Ssgt RICHTER wounded. #7 road wheel off. track off on starboard side. 1 inf. WIA.	S.M
1230		J-8		CO. S-2, S-2 chief to site of mined LVT.	S.M
1245		J-9		Notified by company "B" 1stsgt that Ssgt RICHTER was AMTrac WIA. (shrapnel in leg). other 2 WIA were infantry.	S
	1300	J-10		Spot report to 9th Marines & 3d Mardiv (1) Dream "B" (2) 1 LVT hit mine. 3 WIA (1 AMTrac. 2 inf.) (3) 021200H (4) BT 081707 (5) Traveling down road. (6) AMTrac WIA w/LVT. inf WIA to 1/9 BAS. (7) None	S
1358		J-11		Major DORSEY, 9th Marines S-3 requests use of LVTE-1 to sweep area. Capt CALDWELL O.K.s	S
	1600	J-12		Daily SITREP and Availability report to division G-3	F
1610		J-13		B-21 returned to tractor park under its own power	S.M

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IN	OUT				
	1600	J-1		<u>30Oct65</u> Daily SITREP and Availability Report to Division G-3	F
1848		J-2		9th Marines 3 requests that the 2 LVTs with 3/9 go to Lo Son (4) (AT 957648). Company "B" notified. Vehicles to form river block.	S.M
1905		J-3		9th Marines 3 cancelled request for 2 LVTs. Company "B" notified.	S.M
	1600	J-1		<u>40Oct65</u> Daily SITREP and Availability Report to Division G-3	F
1905		J-2		Post #9 reported an explosion in Phong Le Bac to their front. S-3 Officer requested further information as to range etc..	S
	1910	J-3		Called 3d Tanks S-3 and they informed us that the above explosion was outgoing.	S
	1600	J-1		<u>50Oct65</u> Daily SITREP and Availability Report to Division G-3	F
1610		J-2		Senior Advisor at Hoa Cam Training Center requested 2 LVTs for patrol to the banks of the Song Cau Do River to investigate possible tunneling activity. Gave H&S Co. LVT platoon the commitment.	S.M.T
1703		J-3		H-19 & H-10 departed on patrol	S.M

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IN	OUT				
1830		J-4		From H-19 - We have been checking the holes along the bank. We fired MG into one. Apparently no one in them. We have found several caves and marked them. We are returning to bridge and then to CP.	S.M
1855		J-5		H-19 & H-10 Returned to CP	S.M
	2030	J-6		Spot report to 9th Marines and Div 2 & 3	S
2122		J-7		Division 3 requested info on line charge firing tomorrow. gave same.	S
				6 Oct 65	
1005		J-1		Frag Order 1-65 issued to H&S Co.	S,F
1145		J-2		H-19, H-10, H-26 departed this CP in accordance with Frag Order 1-65	S.M
1346		J-3		H-19 called and said they were not going to fire. Were proceeding to water point for chow then return to Bn CP	S
1440		J-4		H-19, 20 & 26 returned. They proceeded to coordinates AT 989699 to caves that were found last night and proceeded 100 yards up to ferry landing. Found mostly old holes, looked like old French positions. Found 2 new holes, one had been covered shaped like wishbone for 2 men. Found 5 air holes. ARVN are filling in holes and checking air holes. Target was too small for linear line charge so it was not fired, cooperation between the Senior Army Advisor and Senior Marine	

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TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
IN	OUT				
				officer was excellent. Lots of snakes and very large spiders, like tarantulas were observed.	S
1516		J-5		Received call from 9th Marines 3. A tank MT driver reported that an R-1 was on fire on highway #1 turn off to 2/3. Approx coordinates AT 975770. Trying to find out whose R-1 it is. Maybe FLSG. Am checking its not H-06 or B-08.	S
	1600	J-6		Daily SITREP and Availability report to division G-3	F
1728		J-7		H-06 returned to CP	S
1955		J-8		Cmdr of 9d reports drum beating in Phong Le Bac. Reported same to 9th Marines S-2	S
	1600	J-1		<u>7 Oct 65</u> Daily SITREP and Availability report to division G-3	F
	1900	J-2		Submitted distinguished Marksman report to div G-3. HICKS, R. G., Sgt 1515094/1833/8531. Distinguished badge awarded 1960.	S
1910		J-3		From Maj. TUBBS, Div G-3 - Senator BREWSTER will visit AMTracs, tanks, ATs and 3d MT Bn on 10 October. will arrive at 3d tank Bn at 1440-1500, ATs 1500-1600, AMTracs 1525-1545, 3d MT 1550-1600. CO responsible for tour at each place. Passed this word to 3d tank Bn, AT Bn and 3d MT Bn	S

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IN	OUT				
		J-1	081000H	<u>80Oct65</u> Delivered Command Chronology to Div S&C	F
	1600	J-2		Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	
				Readiness Profile Data report change to Div G-3	S
	1600	J-1		<u>90Oct65</u> Daily SITREP, Availability report and Weekly Summarized Operation Overlay to Div G-3	S
		J-2	091925H	Company "B" Reaction force activated to mount out to Cam Le Bac Bridge to assist 3 LVTs that are stuck in that area. Indications (not confirmed) are that a fire fight is in progress at that area. 9th Marines S-3 informed	S.M
		J-3	091940H	9th Marines S-3 states Cam Le Bac Bridge area secured no contact. ARVN fired FPL. Company "B" vehicles secured.	S.M
2315		J-4		Maj. KENDRICK reported that they had lost contact with 3 LVTs and he and Maj. DANWOOD and Capt SAXTON were going looking for them. Notified 9th Marines S-3.	S.M
2325		J-5		9th Marines located tractors. Sent the word out over the Company "B" tractor to notify Maj. KENDRICK, Maj. KENDRICK rogered the message.	S.M
1535		J-1		<u>100Oct65</u> Senator BREWSTER and Brig Gen HENDERSON arrived in Bn area	S

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IN	OUT				
1614	1600	J-2		Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
		J-3		Senator BREWSTER and Brig Gen HENDERSON departed area in LVT to 3d MT Bn area.	S
	1600	J-1		<u>11Oct65</u> Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
	1600	J-1		<u>12Oct65</u> Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
	1600	J-1		<u>13Oct65</u> Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
	1600	J-1		<u>14Oct65</u> Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
1100		J-1		H-18 & H-19 with patrol personnel are leaving tractor park	S.M
1120		J-2		Patrol has debarked and started the sweep operation	S.M
1148		J-3		Patrol has reached check point #2. No contact	S.M
1233		J-4		Patrol returned. 1 VCS turned over to Div ITT	S.M
	1600	J-5		Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
1500		J-1		<u>15Oct65</u> From G-3. Est. 700 VC located at Cam Ne 6	S.F
	1600	J-2		Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
	1600	J-3		Readiness Profile Data Report to Div G-3	S
1730		J-4		Guard on 100% alert	S.T
2100		J-5		Bn set defense condition one (1)	F.T

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IN	OUT				
2105		J-6		Alpha CP manned & ready	F
	2105	J-7		Bravo CP manned & ready	F
2111		J-8		Company "B" manned & ready	F
2120		J-9		Guard 100% alert	F
2145		J-10		CP 3 will relay for CP 4 due to radio frequency difficulties	F, S
2340		J-11		Secure from Defense condition 1	F
				<u>16Oct65</u>	
1330		J-1		A Vietnamese civilian hit by 3d MT Bn vehicle, treated at our aid station - left leg fractured, Broken collar bone. evac to vietnamese hosp. DaNang	S
	1600	J-2		Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3 Weekly Summarized Operation Overlay to Div G-3	F
2015		J-3		Tank Bn S-3 called to inform us that people from Phong Le Bac were leaving town. This is unconfirmed now but Tank Bn S-3 will keep us informed. Notified Guard to be on the alert.	S
				<u>17Oct65</u>	
1515		J-1		Received from 3d Tanks. Patrol Order 3-65	T, M
	1600	J-2		Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
				<u>18Oct65</u>	
	1600	J-1		Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F

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TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
IN	OUT				
1855		J-2		From G-3. Mr. KENDALLs visit cancelled	S,F
				<u>190ct65</u>	
0800		J-1		8 MT Personnel to 2 day vehicle waterproofing school at 3d MT Bn. Furnished 1 M38A1 and 1 M38 used as training aids	S
1435		J-2		Received Force Order 4614.1. Subj: Traffic Priority	
				Designators III MAF road system, DaNang enclave	F
	1600	J-3		Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
				<u>200ct65</u>	
1530		J-1		Received OP Order 327-65 from 9th Marines	F
	1600	J-2		Daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
1745		J-3		Division G-3 requested 15 LVTP-5s to support ARVN operation to report to Capt. ROGERS, Army Advisor at (AT 928842) by 1330 21 Oct. Reminded G-3 this was all we had left (8) to commit. G-3 acceptable to (8) LVTs. LVT Platoon H&S Co given commitment. Need a comm relay to maintain contact. CommO notified.	S,M
				<u>210ct65</u>	
	1020	J-1		8 LVTs leaving tractor Park to support ARVN operation	S,M
1320		J-2		Comm notifies us that tractors will splash in 5 minutes. if all goes well they will return tonight.	S,M
1350		J-3		LVTs splashed	S,M

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IN	OUT				
1530		J-4		H&S LVTs disembarked troops - 3 LVTs stuck, no assistance required.	S,M
1600		J-5		Daily SITREP and availability report to piv G-3	F
2115		J-6		Division G-3 called - requested info on stuck LVTs and coordinates of all LVTs - action taken by watch officer	S,M
2115		J-7		Division G-3, Ltcol CUNLIFF requested coupled coord of LVTs	S
2130		J-8		S-3 chief called G-3 to give coord of LVTs. Ltcol CUNLIFF wanted to know; 1. Are all vehicles at above coord? 2. Do they still have troops aboard? 3. Do they intend to move from gas point tonight?	S
2145		J-9		Received answer to above. 1. yes, 2. In area, 3. 0600 relayed same to G-3. Also coupled coord (XMDZUN)	S
2215		J-10		G-3 called and requested info as to how many ARVN troops with LVTs, and if Army Capt RODGERS is available ask him if LVT departure time can be advanced to 220515H.	S
2220		J-11		Message sent to H&S LVTs at gas point.	S
2230		J-12		From H&S Co. 250 ARVN with LVTs Capt RODGERS at drop off point	S
2231		J-13		Message relayed to G-3	S
2235		J-14		G-3 requested info of all LVTs committed, deadlined etc. Reminded G-3 (Ltcol CUNLIFF) that this info classified and this info available to him in our SITREP & vehicle availability report	S,F

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IN	OUT				
2300		J-15		From 3d Tanks S-3. Originated from Hoa Cam Thru 9th Marines 212400H ARVN camp will hold a simulated alert training exercise coor 915708. 3 explosions set off simultaneously. Each ARVN will have a full mag of carbine ammunition. Hq CWDt and guard informed.	S,M,F
0010		J-1		22Oct65 Tanker Back	S,M
1210		J-2		All LVTs will remain at stone quarry till H-13 is fixed. They are also replacing a road wheel on H-11	S,M
1320		J-3		H-23 is at river but it is stuck and will be delayed coming in	S,M
1534		J-4		H&S 10-11-17 returned to CP	F
1600		J-5		Daily SITREP and availability report to Div G-3	F
1720		J-6		All vehicles returned to CP from ARVN troop lift	F
1825		J-7		Retriever and E-1 returned to CP from 9th Marines (2 E-1s replaced this date)	F
2205		J-8		Following info was called into G-3 at their request. LVTP-5 availability as of 222205H 1. Not committed - 07 2. D/S 3d Marines - 05 3. D/S 9th Marines - 11 TOTAL 23	F

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TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS; ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
IN	OUT				
2210		J-9		G-3 was advised of limited availability of LVTs due to shortage of spare parts. bn CO suggested reducing standing commitment to 9th Marines to 1 platoon.	F, S
0950		J-1		<u>23 Oct 65</u> Major KENDRICK informs us that B-24 hit a mine at BT 083704. The tractor is burning and loaded with ammunition. No report as to casualties as of yet.	S, M
	1050	J-2		Spot report to 9th Marines and div 3 a. 1st AMTrac bn b. 230950H c. BT 083704 d. LVT hit land mine and burning, loaded with ammunition mortars and grenades. e. Fire and foam truck being dispatched to put out fire. f. N/A g. N/A h. N/A	S
	1600	J-3		Daily SITREP and Availability report to div G-3	F
2105		J-4		Tanks G-3. 2000-0400 patrol by Hoa Cam. Tanks believe it will be in their area. Notified guard.	S

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TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
IN	OUT				
1600		J-1		<u>24oct65</u> Daily SITREP and Availability report to div G-3	F
2000		J-2		G-4 called and requested extent of damage of B-24. S-3 chief told G-4 vehicle was code X	S
	1600	J-1		<u>25oct65</u> Daily SITREP and availability and REDOPS reports to div G-3	S
2115		J-2		Received call from 9th marines 3 (Sgt MONCHO) that Hoa Cam had & was receiving contact at 968700	F
2205		J-3		Received call from 9th marines 3 (Sgt MONCHO) to disregard contact at 968700	S
	0905	J-1		<u>26oct65</u> 3 H&S P5s departed CP for marble mt. and civil affairs prog	S
1345		J-2		civil Affairs assessment party returned intact to this Hq	F
1150		J-1		<u>27oct65</u> B-26 hit land mine at (BT 100659) No casualties	S.M
	1200	J-2		spot report to 9th Marines and 3d Div 2 & 3 a. 1st AMTrac Bn b. 271150H c. BT 100659 d. B-26 hit land mine e. company "B" investigating f. No casualties	S

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IN	OUT				
1510		J-3		Received 3d tank bn patrol order 5-65	S.M
	1600	J-4		Daily SITREP and Availability report to piv G-3	F
	1920	J-5		Spot report change to piv & Regt S-2 and S-3. Also notified Div 4. change para e. to read; "LVT not destroyed. will be back in operation in 48 hours."	S
				<u>28Oct65</u>	
0110		J-1		Bn into defense condition 1 on command from piv	S.T
0130		J-2		Company "B" manned and ready	S
0621		J-3		Set modified alert	ST
	1600	J-4		Daily SITREP and Availability report to piv G-3	F
1800		J-5		4 LVTs (H-10, 14, 18 and 19) departed CP for 1/1	S.M
2000		J-6		H&S 14 and 10 stuck near bridge. were freed proceeding to H&S 19 position where broken down. will then proceed to pontoon bridge set up security for night with squad from 1/1 pick up passengers from there at 290600h	S.T
2130		J-7		LVT Sect 1 needs throttle linkage. 3500 meters west of Hoa Cam Road. H&S go for action.	T.F
2200		J-8		H&S LVTs to return this CP for repair to H&S 19 - to return to pontoon bridge	S.T.F
2250		J-9		H&S LVTs returned to CP for repairs	S
				<u>29Oct65</u>	
0045		J-1		4 H&S LVTs departed CP for 1/1	S

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IN	OUT				
	1600	J-2		daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
2220		J-3		GYSgt FULLER reported team from FLSG had not shown up to off load LVT. Instructed FULLER to report again in 30 min	S
2320		J-4		GYSgt FULLER checked in - states FLSG team relieved him, they will unload tractors.	S
0330		J-1		<u>30 Oct 65</u> Div 3 called to alert that there has been a possible penetration in the area of 1/1	M, T, F
0335		J-2		Bn went into condition 1. All troops manned the positions	M, T, F
0355		J-3		Company "B" manned and ready Alternate CP manned and ready All CP stations up on net	F
0400		J-4		CP #3 reports all positions ready	F
0640		J-5		Secure from 100% alert	S
0900		J-6		Set defense condition 1 on order division	S
0910		J-7		All CP nets activated	S
0911		J-8		Secure from 100% alert	S
1600		J-9		daily SITREP and Availability report to Div G-3	F
1730		J-10		cmdr of guard reports two vietnamese males in front of post #2 acting in suspicious nature - guard attempted to talk to them - they turned and started running - guard yelled "halt" and fired one warning shot over their heads. Negative results	F

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IN	OUT				
2100		J-12		From Division G-3 Ref CG msg 261358 - Meeting 1400 Tuesday 2 Nov. 3d MarDiv Off. Mess. Send Representative.	S, F
2055		J-1		<u>31oct65</u> Set defense condition 1	S, T, F
2100		J-2		All CP stations manned and ready	F
2105		J-3		Alternate CP manned and ready	F
2135		J-4		Secure defense condition 1 except for perimeter guard.	F
2400		J-5		Journal closed	F

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IN	OUT						
							M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
	0850	181	010850	RedOps submitted			F
	1530	182	011530	Called "A" Co 3d AmTracs with regard to their combat essential deadline equipment report, report was late.			F
1630	1600	183	011600	Submitted Ammo Expended Report, hand carried to Div Ord.			F
		184	011630	Worked combat essential equipment deadline report.			F
	0930	185	020930	Submitted equipment modification work order request, to FLSG S-3 Via Gd Mail.			F
0935		186	020935	Typed combat essential deadline report.			F
1430		187	021430	Received "A" Co 3dAmtracs report of deadline combat essential equipment, Unsatisfactory			F
	2200	188	022200	Arrangements made f/S-4 to visit Chu Lai on deadline combat essential equipment report.			
2130		189	022130	Verbal instructions received from G-4 Maj. Grabowski to submit deadline report late, as per req of S-4.			
1130		190	031130	Telcon from Div Emb., have LVT destined for "A" Co 1st AmTracs at museum pier not later than 1500			
	1110	191	031110	Notified maintenance to have LVT ready for Embarkation.			
	1120	192	031120	Arranged for MP escort for LVT to museum pier ETD 1300			
1125		193	031125	Received call from Squire, LVTs request re-fueling			
	1130	194	031130	Notified MT dispatcher to send re-fueler to 2/3			

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IN	OUT							
							M- map S- staff T- troops F- file	
	1300	195	041300	Typed and submitted corrected report of deadline combat essential equipment report to G-4.			F	
	0900	196	040900	RedOps submitted 7 LVTs to deadline.				
0910		197	302314Z	Call from Shove 35 requesting report on multi-fuel vehicles.				
	1000	198	041000	Submitted multi-fuel vehicle report via letter to Div MTO.			F	
	1600	199	041600	"B" Co. tent frames 99% completed.				
	0910	200	050910	Engineer equipment & Engine Gen report submitted.			F	
1030		201	051030	Call from Axhandle on % of completion of strong-backing, 12 GPs, 5 Pyranidals.				
	1100	202	051100	RedOps submitted, no change				
	1055	203	051055	Called MTO Div requesting low boy trailer to transport LVT from Tien Sha ramp. S-4 had made arrangements.				
1445		204	051445	Call from maintenance officer, low boy did not arrive at destination, reason unk.				
	1505	205	051505	Contacted Div MTO, status of low boy f/transport of LVT.				
1600		206	051600	Div MTO called, stated low boy departed Shore Party 1100 Request return 060800.				
0800		207	060800	Commenced construction of H&S Co. strong-back tents.				
0815		208	060815	Capt. Saxon, P.J. rep. from MCSA Phila. remains in area to assist in LVT parts procurement.				

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IN	OUT				
0830		209	06830	Capt. Johnson Div Ordnance visited. Acquiring ^{Acquiring} data on deadline of LVTs spare parts etc. Acquiring ^{SEEKING}	
0900		210	060900	RedOps submitted	
1100		211	061100	Commenced rewriting Bn logistic S.O.P.	
1100		211	061100	Msg to Div Ordnance on submerged vehicle from "A" Co. 3d AmTracBn.	F
0800		212	070800	Continued work on Bn Logistic S.O.P.	
0800		213	070800	Communications with Div thru Senator, Shove Switch out of operation.	
0945		214	070945	Notification of low boy dispatched to haul LVT. Not of sufficient capacity. S-4 to Div MTO	F
1500		215	071500	LOGSUM # 4 typed for Commanding Officer signature.	F
1530		216	071530	Appointment of Sgt F.B. Linton as Motor Transport training and licensing NCO. published Ltr	F
1630		217	071630	Typed rough of letter requesting 2 men go to 3d FSR to locate and identify LVT parts.	
0800		218	080800	RedOps submitted, 3 E-1s, 2 Cmds. and 29 P5s.	F
0900		219	080900	Ammo Expended report submitted.	
1000		220	081000	Letter to G-4 requesting 2 men be authorized to travel to 3d FSR to locate LVT parts.	F

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IN	OUT				
1300	1030	221	081030	LOGSUM # 4 submitted, to G-4	F
		222	081300	FMFPAC general supply survey team visited this battalion. Checked condition of tents, typewriters, etc.	
	1600	223	081600	Submitted letter on personal effects of GySgt Marrero.	F
	0800	224	090800	Submitted Verification of Funds letter, to C.O.	F
	1330	225	091330	Embarkation school trained personnel report submitted to SCI-39.	F
1400		226	091400	Worked Equipment Density Report	F
	1010	227	101010	Equipment Density Submitted to G-4.	F
0900		228	110900	Attended meeting on combat essential equipment report and Logistics Conf.	
1300		229	111300	Worked on additional cantonment for H-6 platoon.	F
	0800	230	120800	RedOps submitted	
1030		231	121030	Typed cantonment letter for H-6 Plt, submitted to C.O. for approval.	F
1330		232	121330	Worked combat essential equipment deadline report.	
1345		233	121345	Engineer survey team from FMFPAC checked equipment.	
	0900	234	130900	Submitted letter for cantonment on H-6 Plt requirements.	F
	1000	235	131000	S-4 and log chief to Div G-4 for further information on deadline equipment report.	

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TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
IN	OUT				
1330		236	131330	3 letters received on damaged LVTS. 1 code X, 2 code R-4.	F
	1400	237	131400	Letter and Form to companies for submission of deadline combat essential equipment report.	F
	1600	238	131600	RedOps submitted.	
	0800	239	140800	RedOps submitted.	
	0830	240	140830	Rough of special allowances letter typed.	
	1000	241	141000	Rough of proposed Bn order on privately owned weapons typed.	
	1315	242	141315	Rough of proposed Bn order on inspection of baggage for contraband material typed.	
	1500	243	141500	Rough on Memo to Maj. Helsher, monitor operations and maint. of LVTS in Chu Lai typed.	
1600		244	141600	Worked on logistics S.O.P.	
	0840	245	150840	Ammo Expended report submitted, to Div Ord.	F
1500		246	151500	Roughed Battalion combat essential equipment report.	
1630		247	151630	Received "A" Co's Deadline combat essential equipment report	F
	1630	248	151630	RedOps submitted.	
0830		249	160830	Completed deadline combat essential equipment report, to typest.	
	1600	250	161600	RedOps submitted.	
	1100	251	161100	Letter requesting local disposition on LVT 107595. To Div Ordnance.	F

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TIME		SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M- map S- staff T- troops F- file
IN	OUT				
1440		252	161440	Telcon from Div Engr requesting use of TD-15 for repair of roads in Taor, approved.	
	0915	253	170915	Submitted deadline combat essential equipment report, To G-1	F
	1600	254	171600	RedOps submitted.	
1545		255	181545	Survey/Planning committee visited to survey area for hardstands and butler building.	
	1635	256	181635	RedOps submitted. 21 P5s, 2 E-1s and 1 Cmd. deadlined.	
	1400	257	191400	RedOps submitted, no change	
	1415	258	191415	Submitted total LVTs in RVN to Shove 204, including destroyed vehicles.	
1500		259	191500	Worked logistic S.O.P.	
	1600	260	191600	Sent forms for combat essential equipment report to both "A" compaines via gd. mail.	F
	1600	261	191600	Requested ser. numbers of vehicles requiring modification adapter for I.R. Kit.	F
	0800	262	200800	RedOps submitted.	
1000		263	201000	Worked logistic S.O.P.	
1035		264	151645Z Oct	Worked report on trip flares, to USA JOLIETT. (to Div Ord)	F
	1300	265	201300	Delivered flares to Div Ordnance for picture of Malfunction	
	1600	266	211600	RedOps submitted.	
		267	21	Routine operation.	

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IN	OUT				
0820		268	220820	Motor Transport contact technical assistance team in area.	
	1100	269	221100	LOGSUM # 5 typed and in for COs signature	
	1100	270	221100	Flare surface trip malfunction report submitted to Div Ord.	F
	1500	271	221500	Ammo Expended report submitted to G-4.	F
	1630	272	221630	RedOps submitted. 2 E-ls, 1 Cmd and 21 P5s deadlined.	F
0945	0950	273	230ct	B-24 struck land mine, grid coordinates 078698 condole 333 notified.	
	1630	274	231100	RedOps submitted.	
		275	230ct	Routine operations	
1300		276	241300	B-24 returned to C.P.	
		277	240ct	Semi-Holiday routine.	
0720		278	250720	Ordnance inspection team arrived.	
	1620	279	251620	RedOps submitted	
		280	250ct	Routine operations	
	1000	281	261000	Attended meeting at Div Engr on Milcon 66, Planning report due 3 Nov 1965.	
1300		282	261300	Received code cards on deadline equipment to annotate julian date of deadline.	F
	1615	283	261615	RedOps submitted	
0800		284	270800	Worked deadline equipment code cards, julian date of equipment to deadline.	F

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IN	OUT				
1100		285	271100	Drafted Base Loading Report	F
	1125	286	271125	Dispatched code cards to G-4 via GySgt Marrero	F
1100		287	271100	B-26 struck mine, light damage	
	1550	288	271550	Base Loading Report Submitted	F
	1400	289	271400	Meeting conducted on Milcon 66	
	1405	290	271405	Commenced re-hauling cantonment material	
	281140H	291	262314Z	Answered Div msg on brake shoes, 6 pr. at FLSG f/M-35	F
	1140	292	281140	Requested 50T low bouy from Div MT to transport LVT from TienSha	F
1300		293	281300	Worked Milcon 66 requirements	F
	1540	294	281540	RedOps submitted. 2 E-1s, 1 Cmd and 24 P5s deadlines	
	1030	295	291030	Ammo Expended report submitted, to G-4.	F
1130		296	291130	Worked logistic S.O.P.	
1300		297	291300	Worked Milcon 66 project.	
	1640	298	291640	RedOps submitted, no change	
	1300	299	301300	Letter to CO FLSG, omissions on deadline report, copy to G-4	F
	1130	300	301130	Letter to LCol Ragsdale, ordnance item information for	
	1300	301	301300	Memo to S-1 requesting 0431 NCO	F
	1530	302	301530	RedOps submitted	
IX	1300	303	311300	Meeting W/DivOrd officer on R&E program	
	1400	304	311400	Call from DivOrd req. FSNs on ltr to LCol Ragsdale, Furnished FSNs.	

NAVAL MESSAGE
OPNAV FORM 2110-28 (REV 3-61)

RELEASED BY CAPT R. G. CAIDWELL		DRAFTED BY MSGT R. G. GROVER		PHONE EXT NR DREAM 3	PAGE 1	PAGES 1		
DATE 1 OCTOBER 1965		TOR/TOD		ROUTED BY	CHECKED BY	OF		
MESSAGE NR	DATE/TIME GROUP (GCT)	PRECEDENCE	FLASH	EMERGENCY	OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	DEFERRED
		ACTION					X	
		INFO						

FROM: FIRST AMTRAC BN (REIN) FMF
TO: THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMF

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SITREP

1. FIRST AMTRAC BN (REIN) FMF
2. 301800H TO 011600H
3. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR AMTRAC BN. 7 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 16 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES. AT 301800H AN LVT SUPPORTING 1/9 HIT A LAND MINE AT BT 091682. NO CASUALTIES. VEHICLE SUFFERED CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE BUT NOT DESTROYED. 2 LVTS SENT OUT TO REPLACE IT AND ASSIST IN ITS RECOVERY. AT 010830H THE BATTALION RECOVERY VEHICLE WAS SENT OUT TO RECOVER THE DISABLED LVT.
4. NONE
5. NONE
6. NONE
7. A. LECTURE AND DEMONSTRATION
B. MAP READING
8. A. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES
B. NONE
C. LECTURE (1ST AND 2ND ECHELON PM)
9. BATTALION MEDICAL PERSONNEL GAVE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO 50 VIETNAMESE CIVILIANS FROM THE VILLAGE OF PHONG LE BAC (COORDINATES AT 995712). BATTALION CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER DISTRIBUTED DOLLS AND CANDY TO APPROXIMATELY 200 CHILDREN FROM THE PHONG LE BAC SCHOOL (COORDINATES AT 998709). SOCCER BALLS WERE GIVEN TO THE SCHOOL.

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TO: THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMP

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1. FIRST AMTRAC BN (REIN) FMP
2. 011800H TO 021600H
3. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR AMTRAC BN. 7 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 13 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES. AT 012150H THE BATTALION SET DEFENSE CONDITION 1 DUE TO S/A FIRING AT 3D MT BN AND 9TH MARINES. AT 012240H SECURED FROM DEFENSE CONDITION 1 WITH BATTALION GUARD REMAINING ON 100% ALERT. AT 021210H 1 LVT OPERATING WITH 1/9 MIT MINE AT BT 081707. 3 WIA (1 AMTRAC, 2 INF). LVT WAS REPAIRED AND IS RETURNING TO THIS CP.
4. NONE
5. NONE
6. NONE
7. A. LECTURE
B. 1ST & 2ND ECHELON PM
8. A. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
B. NONE
C. LECTURE (1ST & 2ND ECHELON PM)
9. BATTALION MEDICAL PERSONNEL GAVE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO 155 VIETNAMESE CIVILIANS FROM THE VILLAGE OF PHONG LE BAC (COORDINATES 995712).

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2. 021800H TO 031600H
3. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 7 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 14 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES.
4. NONE
5. NONE
6. NONE
7. A. LECTURE
B. 1ST AND 2ND ECHELON PM
8. A. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
B. NONE
C. NONE
9. BATTALION CIVIL AFFAIRS PERSONNEL GAVE 1700 LBS. OF BULGAR WHEAT AND CORN MEAL 1 BARREL OF CLOTHING, 1 CASE OF COTTONSEED OIL AND 1 CASE OF MARGARINE TO APPROXIMATELY 300 VIETNAMESE CIVILIANS FROM THE VILLAGE OF PHONG LE BAC (COORDINATES AT 998709).

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2. 031800H TO 041600H
3. 2 LVTS UTILIZED FOR AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 7 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 14 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES.
4. NONE
5. NONE
6. NONE
7. NONE
8. A. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 B. NONE
 C. LECTURE (CIVIL DISTURBANCES AND RIOT CONTROL)
9. BATTALION MEDICAL PERSONNEL GAVE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO 70 CIVILIANS FROM THE VILLAGE OF PHONG LE BAC (AT 995712).

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2. 041800H TO 051600H
3. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 7 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 16 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES. AT 051610H THE SENIOR ADVISOR OF HOA CAM TRAINING CENTER REQUESTED 2 LVTS TO TAKE A PATROL TO THE BANKS OF THE SONG CAU DO RIVER TO INVESTIGATE POSSIBLE TUNNELING ACTIVITY. THE HAS COMPANY LVT PLATOON MET THIS COMMITMENT.
4. NONE
5. NONE
6. NONE
7. A. LECTURE
B. CIVIL DISTURBANCES AND RIOT CONTROL
8. A. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES
B. NONE
C. LECTURE (CIVIL DISTURBANCES AND RIOT CONTROL)
9. BATTALION MEDICAL PERSONNEL GAVE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO 110 VIETNAMESE CIVILIANS FROM THE VILLAGE OF PHONG LE BAC (AT 995712).

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2. 051800H TO 061600H
3. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 17 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES. 7 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. AT 051830H H-19 & H-10 FIRED MACHINE GUNS INTO CAVES ALONG SONG CAU DO RIVER BANKS. APPARENTLY NO ONE WAS IN THEM. AT 051855H H-19 AND H-10 RETURNED TO CP. AT 061145H H-19, H-10, H-26 DEPARTED CP ON CAVE DESTRUCTION MISSION ON SONG CAU DO RIVER IN ACCORDANCE WITH FRAG ORDER 1-65. TARGET WAS FOUND TO BE TOO SMALL FOR VERTICAL LINE CHARGE SO IT WAS NOT FIRED AND TRACTORS RETURNED TO CP AT 1440H. CAVES AND HOLES FOUND WERE BEING INVESTIGATED AND COVERED BY ARVN TROOPS FROM HOA CAM TRAINING CENTER. CAVE LOCATION WAS AT (AT 989699).
4. NONE
5. NONE
6. NONE
7. A. LECTURE
B. CIVIL DISTURBANCES AND RIOT CONTROL
8. A. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
B. NONE
C. LECTURE, DEMONSTRATION, APPLICATION (MAP READING)
9. BATTALION MEDICAL PERSONNEL GAVE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO 110 VIETNAMESE CIVILIANS FROM THE VILLAGE OF PHONG LE BAC (AT 995712).

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2. 061800H TO 071600H
3. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 7 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 16 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES.
4. NONE
5. NONE
6. NONE
7. A. LECTURE, DEMONSTRATION, APPLICATION
B. MAP READING
8. A. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES
B. NONE
C. LECTURE, DEMONSTRATION, APPLICATION (MAP READING)
9. BATTALION MEDICAL PERSONNEL GAVE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO 40 VIETNAMESE CIVILIANS FROM THE VILLAGE OF PHONG LE BAC (AT 995712).

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SITREP #78 AS OF 1600H, 8 OCTOBER 1965.

1. NONE
 2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR AMTRAC BN. 7 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 14 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES.
 3. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. A. BATTALION CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER MADE CONTACT WITH THE HOA DA VILLAGE CHIEF (COORDINATES BT 027682) TO ARRANGE MEETING WITH VILLAGERS WHO HAVE CLAIMS.
B. TAOR
9TH MAR (PHONG LE BAC (1) AT 995712
- | | |
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| <u>UNIT TREATING</u> | <u>NR. TREATED</u> |
| 1ST AMTRAC BN | 60 |
5. NONE
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		ACTION					X		
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SITREP #79 AS OF 1600H 9 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR AMTRAC BN. 7 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 14 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTS-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES.
3. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
4. A. BATTALION CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER MET WITH VILLAGERS WHO HAD CLAIMS AND DETERMINED THE AMOUNT OF DAMAGE DONE TO THE RICE PADDIES.
5. NONE

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SITREP #80 AS OF 1600H 10 OCTOBER 1965

1. SENATOR BREWSTER, ESCORTED BY BRIG. GEN. HENDERSON ARRIVED IN THE BATTALION AREA AT 101535H AND WAS GIVEN A BRIEFING ON THE FIRST AMTRAC BN, SHOWN A STATIC DISPLAY OF AMPHIBIAN VEHICLES AND TALKED WITH MARYLAND CONSTITUENTS. THE SENATOR AND HIS PARTY DEPARTED THE AREA AT 101614H IN AN LVTP-5 ON HIS WAY TO 3D MT BN.
 2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR AMTRAC BN. 7 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 13 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES.
 3. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. NONE
 5. NONE
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SITREP # 81 AS OF 1600H 11 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
 2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR AMTRAC BN. 3 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 13 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES.
 3. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. NONE
 5. NONE
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		ACTION					X		
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SITREP #82 AS OF 1600H 12 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR AMTRAC BN. 3 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 15 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES.
3. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
4. A. TAOR
9TH MAR. (PHONG LE BAC (1) AT 995712)

<u>UNIT TREATING</u>	<u>NO. TREATED</u>
1ST AMTRAC BN	65
5. NONE
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		ACTION					X		
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SITREP # 83 AS OF 1600H 13 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
 2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR AMTRAC BN. 3 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 13 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES.
 3. A. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
B. SWEEP OPERATION OF PHONG LE BAC (1) IN CONJUNCTION WITH ARVN SCHEDULED FOR 141100H (SEE 1ST AMTRAC BN PATROL ORDER 1-65).
 4. A. TAOR
9TH MAR PHONG LE BAC (1) AT 995712
- | | |
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| <u>UNIT TREATING</u> | <u>NR. TREATED</u> |
| 1ST AMTRAC BN | 75 |
5. NONE
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		ACTION					X	
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SITREP #84 AS OF 1600H 14 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
 2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR AMTRAC BN. 3 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 13 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTS-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES. AT 141050H A SCREEN AND SEARCH PATROL WAS DISPATCHED AND PATROLED FROM AT 998710 ON HIGHWAY #1A TO THE AMTRAC BN CP AT AT 990713. NO VC WERE ENCOUNTERED BUT 1 VCS WAS APPREHENDED. A TACTICAL INTERROGATION WAS HELD AT THIS CP PRIOR TO TURNING SUSPECT OVER TO ITT AT THE DIVISION STOCKADE.
 3. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. NONE
 5. NONE
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SITREP #85 AS OF 1600H 15 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
 2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR AMTRAC BN. 3 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 17 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES.
 3. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. NONE
 5. NONE
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SITREP #86 AS OF 1600H 16 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
 2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR AMTRAC BN. 4 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 15 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES. AT 161330H BATTALION MEDICAL PERSONNEL GAVE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO A VIETNAMESE CIVILIAN WHO WAS HIT BY A 3D MT BN DRIVER. THE CIVILIAN WAS EVACUATED TO A VIETNAMESE HOSPITAL IN DANANG.
 3. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. NONE
 5. NONE
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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 17 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED		TOTAL		REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN	AVAILABLE	
LVTP-5	56	14	19	8	2	13	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	21	20	11	2	16	

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SITREP #88 AS OF 1600H 18 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 4 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 15 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES.
3. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
4. A. TACR
9th Marines PHONG LE BAC (1) AT 995712 UNIT TREATING NR. TREATED
1ST AMTRAC BN. 50
5. NONE
GP-4

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SITREP #89 AS OF 1600H 19 OCTOBER 1965

- 8 BATTALION MT PERSONNEL ATTENDED A VEHICLE WATERPROOFING SCHOOL HELD AT 3D MT BN BY LFTU. THE SCHOOL WILL LAST THROUGH NOON TOMORROW.
- 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 4 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 15 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 9TH MARINES.
- CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
- A. TACR
9TH MARINES PHONG LE BAC (1) AT 995712 UNIT TREATING NR. TREATED
1ST AMTRAC BN 75
- NONE
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SITREP #90 AS OF 1600H 20 OCTOBER 1965

1. 8 BATTALION MT PERSONNEL COMPLETED A VEHICLE WATERPROOFING SCHOOL HELD BY LVTU AT 3D MT BN TODAY.
 2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED FOR AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 15 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES. 4 LVTS ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES.
 3. CONTINUING COMBAT SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES
 4. TAOR
9TH MARINES PHONG LE BAC (1) AT 995712 UNIT TREATING NR. TREATED
1ST AMTRAC BN 50
 5. NONE
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SITREP #91 AS OF 1600H 21 OCTOBER 1965

1. 8 LVTS FROM HAS COMPANY ARE BEING UTILIZED AS PERSONNEL CARRIERS TO MOVE 540 ARVN TROOPS AS REQUESTED BY DIVISION G-9.
 2. 2 LVTS BEING UTILIZED BY AMTRAC BN AS COMMAND CENTER. 8 LVTS ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 3D MARINES. 16 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1 MINE CLEARANCE VEHICLES) ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES.
 3. CONTINUING COMBAT SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. NONE
 5. NONE
- GP-4

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SITREP #92 AS OF 1600H 22 OCTOBER 1965

1. 8 LVTS FROM H&S COMPANY CONTINUED MOVEMENT OF ARVN TROOPS UP THE CA DE SONG RIVER AS REQUESTED BY G-3. THE 2 LVTE-1S SUPPORTING 1/9 WERE REPLACED BY 2 MORE LVTE-1S FROM H&S COMPANY.
2. 2 LVTS BEING UTILIZED AS AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 6 LVTS ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 3D MARINES. 19 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES.
3. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
4. A. TAOR
 9TH MARINES PHONG LE BAC (1) AT 995712 UNIT TREATING NR. TREATED
 1ST AMTRAC BN 135 (INCLUDING 21 OCT 65)

5. NONE
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						X
						ROUTINE
						DEFERRED

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SITREP #93 AS OF 1600H 23 OCTOBER 1965

1. AT 230950H RECEIVED MESSAGE THAT 1 LVTP-5 (B-26) HIT A LAND MINE AT COORDINATES (BT 083704) AND WAS BURNING. TRACTOR WAS CARRYING A LOAD OF HAND GRENADES AND MORTAR AMMUNITION. NO CASUALTIES WERE RECEIVED. LATER MESSAGE INFORMS FIRE WAS EXTINGUISHED AND TRACTOR APPEARS TO BE DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR.
2. 2 LVTS ARE BEING UTILIZED AS AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 6 LVTS ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 3D MARINES. 14 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTR-1 MINE CLEARANCE VEHICLES) ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES.
3. CONTINUING COMBAT SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
4. TAOR UNIT TREATING NR. TREATED
9TH MARINES PHONG LE BAC (1) AT 995712 1ST AMTRAC BN 85
5. A. NONE
B. 1ST AMTRAC BN (-) DANANG AT 990713
COMPANY "B", 1ST AMTRAC BN (-) DANANG AT 990713
3D PLATOON, COMPANY "B", (-), 1ST AMTRAC BN (-) DANANG AT 939786
COMPANY "A", 1ST AMTRAC BN, CHU LAI BT 554054
COMPANY "A" (-), 3D AMTRAC BN (-) CHU LAI BT 561043

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				ACTION					
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								ROUTINE X	
								DEFERRED	

FROM: FIRST AMTRAC BN (REIN) FMP
TO: THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMP

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SITREP #94 AS OF 1600H 24 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
 2. 2 LVTS ARE BEING UTILIZED AS AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 6 LVTS ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 3D MARINES. 14 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTR-1S) ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES.
 3. CONTINUED COMBAT SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. NONE
 5. NONE
- GP-4

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				ACTION					
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						OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE		PRIORITY	
								ROUTINE	
								DEFERRED	

FROM: FIRST AMTRAC BN (REIN) FMP
 TO: THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMP

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SITREP #95 AS OF 1600H 25 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
 2. 2 LVTS BEING UTILIZED AS AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. 5 LVTS ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 3D MARINES. 14 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES.
 3. CONTINUING COMBAT SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. A. TAOR UNIT TREATING NR. TREATED
 9TH MARINES PHONG LE BAC (1) AT 995712 1ST AMTRAC BN 45
 5. NONE
- GP-4

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SITREP #96 AS OF 1600H 26 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
 2. 2 LVTS BEING UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR FIRST AMTRAC BN. 5 LVTS ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 3D MARINES. 14 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES.
 3. CONTINUING SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. A. THE BN CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER WENT TO ~~THE~~ MARBLE MOUNTAIN TO INVESTIGATE CLAIMS. AFTER THOROUGHLY CHECKING THE AREA IN QUESTION IT WAS DETERMINED THAT CLAIMS WERE NOT JUSTIFIED.
B. TAOR
9TH MARINES PHONG LE BAC (1) AT 995712
9TH MARINES AUTO ACCIDENT AT BT 001723
- | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| <u>UNIT TREATING</u> | <u>NR. TREATED</u> |
| 1ST AMTRAC BN | 65 CIVILIANS |
| 1ST AMTRAC BN | 3 ARVN OFFICERS |

5. NONE
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SITREP #97 AS OF 1600H 27 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
 2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS AMTRAC BN COMMAND CENTER. **5** LVTS ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 16 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES. AT 271150H RECEIVED MESSAGE THAT 1 LVT (B-26) HAD HIT LAND MINE AT (BT 100659). NO CASUALTIES WERE RECEIVED. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE FORWARDED BY SPOT REPORT AS RECEIVED.
 3. CONTINUING COMBAT SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. A. THE BN CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER PRESENTED 2 PIGLETS DONATED BY CPL T. LEULUAI TO TWO DESERVING FAMILIES FROM THE VILLAGE OF PHONG LE BAC (1) (AT 995712)
 5. NONE
- GP-4

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SITREP #98 AS OF 1600H 28 OCTOBER 1965

- 6 BN COMMUNICATIONS PERSONNEL ATTENDED A 1 DAY FIELD RADIO WATERPROOFING SCHOOL CONDUCTED BY LFTU AT SHORE PARTY BN.
 - 2 LVTP-5 CMDS BEING UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER BY AMTRAC BN. 5 LVTS ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 3D MARINES. 12 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES. AT 280110H THE BN WENT ON DEFENSE CONDITION 1 ON COMMAND OF 3D MARDIV. AT 280621H THE BN SET MODIFIED ALERT CONDITION.
 - CONTINUING COMBAT SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 - A. TAOR
9TH MARINES PHONG LE BAC (1) (AT 995712) UNIT TREATING NR. TREATED
1ST AMTRAC BN 85
 - NONE
- GP-4

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SITREP #99 AS OF 1600H 29 OCTOBER 1965

1. 4 LVTS FROM HAS COMPANY PARTICIPATED IN AN OPERATION WITH THE 1ST BN, 1ST MARINES.
 2. 2 LVTP5 CMDS BEING UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER BY THIS BATTALION. 5 LVTS ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 3D MARINES. 12 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1 MINE CLEARANCE VEHICLES) ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES.
 3. THIS BATTALION WILL CONTINUE COMBAT SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
 4. A. TAOR UNIT TREATING NR. TREATED
9TH MARINES PHONG LE BAC (1) (AT 995712) 1ST AMTRAC BN 60
 5. NONE
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SITREP #100 AS OF 1600H 30 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
2. 2 LVTP-5 CMDS BEING UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER BY THIS BATTALION. 5 LVTS ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF 3D MARINES. 12 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1 MINE CLEARANCE VEHICLES) ARE IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES. AT 300335H THE BATTALION WENT INTO DEFENSE CONDITION 1 ON ORDER FROM DIV. SECURED FROM 100% ALERT AT 300640H. AT 300900H THE BATTALION AGAIN WENT TO DEFENSE CONDITION 1 ON ORDER FROM DIV. AT 300911H THE BATTALION SECURED FROM 100% ALERT.
3. CONTINUING COMBAT SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
4. NONE
5. A. NONE
B. 1ST AMTRAC BN (REIN) DANANG (AT 990713)
COMPANY "B" (-), 1ST AMTRAC BN DANANG (AT 990713)
3D PLATOON (REIN), COMPANY "B", 1ST AMTRAC BN DANANG (AT 999786)
COMPANY "A", 1ST AMTRAC BN, CHU LAI (BT 554054)
COMPANY "A" (-) 3D AMTRAC BN (-), CHU LAI (BT 561043)

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SITREP #104 AS OF 1600H 31 OCTOBER 1965

1. NONE
2. 2 LVTS UTILIZED AS COMMAND CENTER FOR THIS BN. 5 LVTS IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 3D MARINES. 12 LVTS (INCLUDING 2 LVTE-1S) IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF THE 9TH MARINES.
3. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE 3D AND 9TH MARINES.
4. NONE
5. NONE

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 1 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	18	16	8	2	12	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	2	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL GP-4	70	26	17	11	2	14	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 2 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN	AVAILABLE	
LVTP-5	56	15	16	10	2	13	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 GND	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTR-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	22	17	13	2	16	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 3 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN	AVAILABLE	
LVTP-5	56	16	16	10	2	12	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	23	17	13	2	15	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 4 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON		COMMITTED		DEADLINED		TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN			
LVTP-5	56	16	16	11	2	11	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL	
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1		
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1		
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1		
TOTAL GP-4	70	23	17	14	2	14		

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	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN	AVAILABLE	
LVTP-5	56	18	18	9	2	9	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	25	19	12	2	12	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 6 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN	AVAILABLE	
LVTP-5	56	18	17	9	2	10	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTR-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	2	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL GP-4	70	26	18	12	2	12	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 7 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN	AVAILABLE	
LVTP-5	56	18	17	8	2	11	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	25	18	11	2	14	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 8 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN	AVAILABLE	
LVTP-5	56	16	19	8	2	11	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL	70	23	20	11	2	14	
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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 9 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON HAND	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
			PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	16	19	7	2	12	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	23	20	10	2	15	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 10 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON COMMITTED		DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	15	19	8	2	12	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	22	20	11	2	15	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 11 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON HAND	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
			PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	58	11	21	10	2	12	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	18	22	13	2	15	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 12 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON HAND	COMMITTED	PARTS	DEADLINED REPAIR	ADMIN	TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
LVTP-5	56	13	19	11	2	11	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	20	20	14	2	14	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 13 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON HAND	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
			PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	11	19	10	2	14	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	18	20	13	2	17	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 14 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON HAND	COMMITTED	PARTS	DEADLINED REPAIR	ADMIN	TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
LVTP-5	56	11	19	10	2	14	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTR-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	18	20	13	2	17	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 15 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON HAND	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
			PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	15	18	8	2	13	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	22	19	11	2	16	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 16 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN	AVAILABLE	
LVTP-5	56	14	19	8	2	13	2 ADMIN DEAD LINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	21	20	11	2	16	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 17 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON HAND	COMMITTED	DEADLINED		TOTAL		REMARKS
			PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN	AVAILABLE	
LVTP-5	56	14	19	8	2	13	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	21	20	11	2	16	

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	TOTAL ON		COMMITTED DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	14	18	10	2	12	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	21	19	13	2	15	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 19 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	14	19	9	2	12	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTS-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	21	20	12	2	15	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 20 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON HAND	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
			PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	14	19	7	2	14	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	1	0	2	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	21	20	9	2	18	

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	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN	AVAILABLE	
LVTP-5	56	27	18	9	2	0	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	1	0	2	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	34	19	11	2	4	

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DATE		TOR/TOD		ROUTED BY		CHECKED BY			
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	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN	AVAILABLE	
LVTP-5	56	22	18	11	2	3	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	4	1	1	0	0	
LVTR-1	2	2	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL GP-4	70	32	19	13	2	4	

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	TOTAL ON HAND	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
			PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	15	19	9	2	11	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	22	20	12	2	14	

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LVT AVAILABILITY REPORT AS OF 1600H 24 OCTOBER 1965

	TOTAL ON	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
	HAND		PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	15	19	9	2	11	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	22	20	12	2	14	

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	TOTAL ON HAND	COMMITTED	DEADLINED			TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
			PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	15	18	12	2	9	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	3	1	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
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LVTP-5	56	15	18	12	2	9	2 ADMIN DEADLINED LACK OF PERSONNEL
LVTP-5 CMD	6	3	1	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	21	20	15	2	12	

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	TOTAL ON HAND	COMMITTED	PARTS	DEADLINED REPAIR	ADMIN	TOTAL AVAILABLE	REMARKS
LVTP-5	56	16	17	12	0	11	
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTR-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	23	18	15	0	14	

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			PARTS	REPAIR	ADMIN		
LVTP-5	56	12	17	12	0	15	
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTR-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL	70	19	18	15	0	18	
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LVTP-5	56	12	17	9	0	18	
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTE-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	19	18	12	0	21	

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TOTAL GP-4	70	19	18	12	0	21			

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LVTP-5	56	12	17	9	0	18	
LVTP-5 CMD	6	4	0	1	0	1	
LVTR-1	6	2	1	2	0	1	
LVTR-1	2	1	0	0	0	1	
TOTAL GP-4	70	19	18	12	0	21	

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OPERATION ORDER 327-65

Ref: (a) 3d MarDiv OpOrder 346-65
 (b) Maps: Ams Series L701 Sheets 6658I, 6658 IV,
 6659II and 6659 III

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATIONa. Enemy Forces. (See current ISUMS and PIRs)b. Friendly Forces

(1) QUANG NAM Special Sector Military Force consisting of the 59th RF Battalion, reinforced with five Peoples Action Team (PATs) and miscellaneous PF forces, conducts pacification campaign, introduces political cadres into area of operations. See Annex A (Operation Overlay).

(2) 3d Marines

(a) In coordination with 9th Marines conducts a search and destroy operation west of SONG YEN during period 200600H to 271800H from vicinity (AT 068700) to (AT 954650).

(b) Protects RVN Forces in 9th Marines zone from VC attack from the west.

(3) 12th Marines. Attaches one FO team to 9th Marines for employment in connection with this operation.

(4) III MAF. Provides maximum support to the NGU-HOANH-SON campaign (pacification operation) to be conducted by the QUANG NAM Special Sector, I Corps Tactical Zone.

2. MISSION. 9th Marines provides combat, limited administrative and logistics support to the QUANG NAM Special Sector pacification campaign in the regimental TACOR.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) 9th Marines in conjunction with 3d Marines conduct a search and destroy operation on the east bank of the SONG YEN and prevents infiltration by VC forces from the west. 3/9 by

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continuing aggressive patrolling will protect RVN forces from VC attack from the south. 9th Marines will provide liaison and an FO team to the 59th RF Battalion and provide maximum combat limited administrative and logistics support to the pacification campaign.

b. Headquarters, 9th Marines

(1) Provide a liaison team consisting of one officer and two enlisted equipped with the necessary communications to provide continuous communications for operations in the 59th RF CP which will be established vicinity MIEU DONG (BT 016685).

(2) Provide facilities for coordination of on-call fire support throughout area of operation commencing 220600H.

(3) Coordinate and control medical evacuation and emergency resupply requirements of 59th RF Battalion.

c. 1stBn, 9th Marines

(1) Annex A (Operation Overlay) denotes zone 1 as the north western sector of the 1/9 TAOR. 1/9 will not patrol in this sector without the prior approval of headquarters, 9th Marines. (See Annex B (Schedule of Operation)).

(2) Protect by aggressive patrolling RVN forces in Zone from VC attack from EAST and SOUTH-EAST.

d. 3dBn, 9th Marines

(1) Be prepared to conduct in conjunction with 3d Marines a search and destroy operation along east bank of SONG YRN during period 200600H to 271800H from vicinity (AT 954650) to vicinity (AT 968700). A separate Frag Order will be issued at a later date to cover this operation.

(2) Conduct river patrols on SONG YEN during hours of darkness during period 20 through 26 October 1965. Direct liaison with 1/1 is authorized to effect the coordination necessary for this phase of the operation.

(3) Protect by aggressive patrolling the RVN forces in zone from VC attack from the south.

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e. Coordinating Instructions

(1) 9th Marines will retain responsibility for tactical security of area of operations.

(2) QUANG NAM Special Sector has OPCON 59th RF Battalion reinforced.

(3) ~~CO Ninth Marines~~ has been designated 3d MarDiv coordinating authority with RVN forces in zone.

(4) Forward battalions will coordinate through the 9th Marines liaison officer with the 59th RF Battalion in establishment of mutually satisfactory boundaries around those hamlets for which RF units will then provide and be responsible for local security. 9th Marines liaison officer will keep 9th Marines (Attn: S-3) informed by overlay submitted weekly of these boundaries.

(5) All liaison between units of 9th Marines and 59th RF Battalion will be effected through the 9th Marines liaison officer who will be located at the 59th RF Battalion CP vicinity (BT 016685).

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. To be issued separately.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICSa. Command Posts

(1) 9th Marines (AT 996725)

(2) 1/9 (BT 067714)

(3) 3/9 (AT 993678)

(4) 59th RF Battalion (BT 016685)

b. Communication-Electronics

(1) To be issued separately.

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Annexes: Annex A (Operation Overlay)
Annex B (Schedule of Operation)
Annex C (Distribution)

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Annex B (Schedule of Operations) to Operation Order 326-65

20 October	Establish CP vicinity (BT 016685)
21 October	Preparation for recon/search and clear operations in Zone 1 (Annex A (Operation Overlay)).
22 October	Conduct recon/search and clear operation in Zone 1 (Annex A (Operation Overlay)).
23 October	Recovery Period
24-25 October	Training in Pacification Techniques
26 October	Prepare to enter Zone 2
27-30 October	Conduct recon/search and clear operation in Zone 2 (Annex A (Operation Overlay)).
31 October	Deploy RF companies in villages of HOA DA, HOA CHAU, HOA THAI and HIA CA.
1 November	Orient Pacification Teams.
2-30 November	Continue Pacification Operations.

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2. COMMENTS COMMENTS

A. 0-3 RATING FOR EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES ON HAND.

- (1) TO RATE HIGHER THAN 0-3 IN THIS CATEGORY ADEQUATE SUPPLIES AND SPARE PARTS FOR AUTHORIZED COMBAT ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT MUST BE ON HAND. THE 1ST ANTRAC BN HAS 40% OF THE OPERATING STOCKS REQUIRED FOR PROPER MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF COMBAT ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT.
- (2) THE DEFICIENCY OF STOCKS HAS BEEN THE DIRECT RESULT OF GREATLY INCREASED UTILIZATION OF THE LVT SINCE DEPLOYMENT TO RVN WITH GREATER SUPPLY DEMANDS AND A VERY SLOW RATE OF REPLENISHMENT. THE RECORD OF FILLS ON REQUISITIONS FOR LVT STORAGE SPARE SINCE DEPLOYMENT IS AS FOLLOWS:

PMI	SUMMITTER	RECEIVER	PERCENTAGE OF FILLS
02	857	7	47
05	940	25	26
12	1057	302	17
17	968	81	21
TOTALS	2762	574	21%

- (3) THE LOW FILL RATE FOR REQUISITIONS PMI 12 & 17 TO REPLACE OPERATING STOCKS IS A SIGNIFICANT FACTOR IN MOTIVATING THE RATE TO RFACE 0-3 RATING. THIS FACTOR IS BEYOND BATTALION CONTROL BUT IS THE BEST ESTIMATE BASED ON ANTICIPATED IMPROVEMENT IN REQUISITION RESPONSE.

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8. G-2 RATING FOR EQUIPMENT READINESS CATEGORIED BY
(1) 64% OF THIS BATTALION'S LVTB'S ARE IN THE COMBAT READY CATEGORY AS COMPARED TO THE 75% REQUIRED FOR G-2 RATING. 52 OF 144 LVTB'S ARE NOT COMBAT READY FOR LACK OF SPARE PARTS. EXCESSIVE DEADLINE TIME IS THE DIRECT RESULT OF THE LOW FILL RATE OF PRI 2 & 5 REQUISITIONS AS STATED IN PARA 2A(3) ABOVE. PROJECTED DATE FOR ATTAINING A HIGHER RATING IS BASED ON ANTICIPATED IMPROVEMENT IN REQUISITION RESPONSE AND THE WORK TIME REQUIRED WHEN NECESSARY PARTS ARE AVAILABLE.

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FRAG ORDER 1-65

Ref: (a) Map, NOMB SON, 1:50,000, Series L701, Sheet 658 IV

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATIONa. Enemy Forces:

- (1) Two Viet Cong Companies are located at AT 984655 and AT 986555 directly to the south of the Song Cau Do River.
- (2) Guerrilla bands have been known to be operating between the Song Cau Do and fresh excavations and cave networks have been discovered at AT 989699.

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) Company "B", 3/9 occupies positions around Yen Na at AT 983683.
- (2) 3d Anti Tank Bn (-) occupies positions at AT 981706
- (3) 3d Tank Bn (-) occupies positions at AT 990706
- (4) ARVN Patrol Elements from the Hue Cam Training Center will move from AT 984787 to AT 989699.

2. Mission. At 060000R October 1965, elements of H&S Co., 1st AMFree Bn will move by LVTP-3s and LVTH-1 down the Song Cau Do River and will destroy cave complexes on the banks of that river (AT 989699) by use of the vertical line charge and excavator blade of the LVTH-1. Further, to kill or capture any Viet Cong personnel in the area.

3. Execution

a. Concept of operations. H&S Co., 1st AMFree Bn will move by 2 LVTP-3s and an LVTH-1 down the Song Cau Do River from the Cam Lo Bn Railroad Bridge to AT 989699. The 2 LVTP-3s with a mounted squad will provide protection on the river and to the south for the LVTH-1 while it fires the line charge to destroy the caves on the north bank by over pressure. ARVN forces from Hue Cam will screen the area to the north of the Song Cau Do as well as keeping the populace away from the blast area.

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b. HQ Company

- (1) Provide 2 LVTP5s and 1 LVTH-1 with full crews
- (2) Provide 1 T/e Infantry squad
- (3) On order on or about 060930H Oct65 move these units to the Song Cau Do River
- (4) Establish a river blocking force on the Song Cau Do
- (5) Establish surveillance to the south bank of the river, and protect by fire if necessary the LVTH-1 while it arranges and fires the line charge.
- (6) Ensure the safety of personnel and Vietnamese civil populace and protect within the limits of the mission the material property of the Civil populace.
- (7) Be prepared to use the excavation blade on new openings discovered as a result of the firing of the line charge.
- (8) Be prepared to aggressively engage Viet Cong elements should they attack or harass the force.

c. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) H-Hour 060930 Oct65
- (2) Rules of engagement remain in effect
- (3) Reports
 - (a) Arrival at positions
 - (b) Line charge ready for firing
 - (c) Results of firing
 - (d) Spot reports on enemy contact
 - (e) Situation reports as to operational or maintenance problems as they occur

4. Administration and Logisticsa. Supply

- (1) Class I 2 meals MCI per individual and 2 5 gal. water cans per vehicle
- (2) Class II Normal O&M and Op Spares
- (3) Class III Full Tanks all vehicles
- (4) Class IV Basic allowance for LVTH-1
- (5) Class V Basic allowance for all weapons

b. Medical Corpsman will carry a unit one

c. Emergency resupply and maintenance on call

d. Emergency evacuation requested through this headquarters

e. Personnel

- (1) Casualty reporting
 - (a) The unit will report casualties by the most expeditious means to this Headquarters as follows:
 - (1) PVO Joe NGOW WIA 1130 gunshot wound Rt shoulder as a result of sniper fire. Eyes by bolo.

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(2) POW - Collection point to be announced.

f. Uniforms and equipment

(1) Combat uniform, helmet, green side out, normal arms and equipment.

(2) Flak Jackets

5. Command and Communications

(1) Utilize Battalion common net for command and control.

(2) A forward CP will be established by this Headquarters at AT 990710.

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Patrol Warning Order 1-65

Ref: (a) Map, DaNang 1:50,000 AMS, Series L701 Sheet 6659 III

Time Zone: H

1. Situation

a. Enemy Forces

Suspected VC activity Phong Le Bac #1

b. Friendly Forces

(1) 3rd Anti-Tank Bn(-) occupies position at AT 981706

(2) 3rd Tank Bn (-) occupies position at AT 990706

2. Mission of the Patrol. At 141100H the patrol will move by 2 LVTs to check point #1 coordinates AT 998710 on Highway #1 ALPHA. The patrol will dismount and sweep west thru the village of Phong Le Bac #1 to the AMTrac CP, observing any unusual activity or occurrences and apprehending any suspected VCS. If engaged by fire the patrol will return fire until contact is broken.

3. Execution.

a. The dismount point on Highway #1-A will be check point #1. The patrol will form as skirmishers as far as the situation permits and sweep due west searching all buildings, houses and shelters for arms, supplies, medical equipment or any items considered stockpiled for VC use. The northern boundary of the patrol will be the refugee barracks and the southern limits will be a line due west of dismount point as indicated on overlay (Annex A).

b. One fire team (USMC) screen from barracks area to the right flank (north of sweep).

c. ARVN Squad screen and set up blocking positions along left flank (south) in Phong Le Bac.

d. 2 LVTP5s will remain on Highway #1-A as a blocking force and will pick up ARVN Squad at the conclusion of the patrol and return them to area.

e. The Battalion Rapid Reaction Force with 1 LVT will be prepared in the Battalion area to assist the patrol if needed.

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f. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Probable direction of fire if engaged will be east to west. No fire line will be established in that direction at check point #2.

(2) Care will be exercised not to fire at or into friendly areas. Strict fire discipline must be enforced if engaged.

4. General Instructions.

a. Organization. The patrol will consist of 24 men plus corpsmen from H&S Company and 1 Squad ARVN. The patrol leader is WO ROTH.

b. Uniform and Equipment. Normal field uniform and equipment, minus pack, to include upper torso, protective vest.

c. Weapons and Equipment. T/O Weapons plus a 3.5 Rocket Launcher Section. 100 rds M-14 Ammunition, 3 rds HE 3.5 Ammunition, 21 rds .45 Ammunition, no rations, 2 yellow smoke grenades.

d. Medical evacuation will be by helicopter.

5. Command and Control.


a. Net control is Slaveborn, Patrol leader's call sign is Slave-born Yankee 1.

b. Patrol will be equipped with 2 PRC-6.

c. Upon reaching check point #1 the patrol will check into net, and every 15 minutes thereafter. Upon reaching check point #2 the patrol leader will call in a situation report to Slaveborn.

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ANNEX A (Overlay) To Patrol Order 1-65

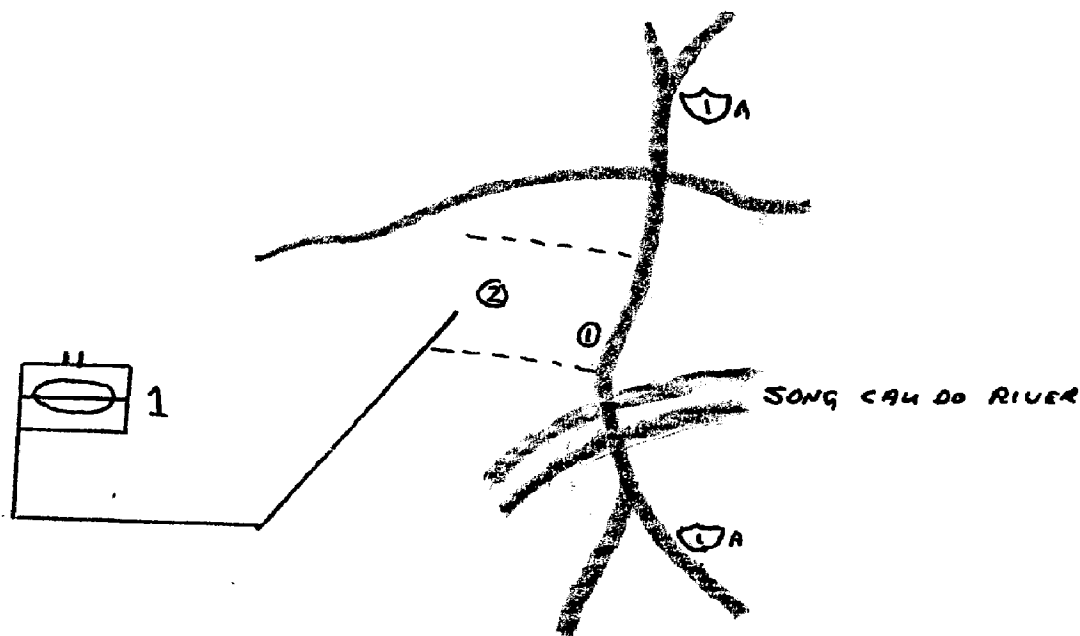
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--- PATROL LIMITS
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DaNang, RVN
261300H Oct 65

Patrol Order 5-65

1. Situation.

a. Enemy Forces. Viet Cong activities have been reported in the increase in this area.

b. Friendly Forces. Ridge line north of Song Cau Do River (AT 986699) to (AT 989719) is occupied by friendly forces.

2. Mission. To conduct patrols/ambushes as deemed necessary.3. Execution.

a. Elements of 3d Tank Battalion will establish a patrol/ambush. See Encl. (1).

b. Coordination Instructions.

(1) Tanks located at (AT 986699) will cover patrol/ambush squad during entire operation.

(2) Tanks will monitor radio.

(3) Weapons of killed or wounded VC will be recovered if possible.

4. Administration and Logistics.

a. Supply.

(1) Normal equipment will be carried.

b. Evacuation.

(1) Will be handled by Battalion reaction force.

5. Communications.

a. See Encl. (1).

b. Radio silence will be maintained except in case of emergency.

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Major, U.S. Marine Corps
Executive Officer

Incl. (1): Patrol Overlay

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UNIT: 3rd Tk Bn.
 PVT LDR: LT. RICK
 DATE: 28 OCT 1965
 TIME: 2100-0100
 NO. IN AMBUSH: 9
 NO. OF WEAPONS: 9 M-14S
 AMMO: 100 RDS WEAPON
 10 FRAT GRENADES
 TYPE OF RADIO: AN/PBC-8
 RADIO FREQ: 25.0

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3d Tank Bn
DaNang, RVN
191510H Oct 65

Patrol Order 4-65

1. Situation.

a. Enemy Forces. Viet Cong forces are believed to be infiltrating into DaNang area through neighboring villages.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) Elements of 3d Battalion, 9th Marines occupy defensive positions at Highway 1 bridge (AT 999705).

(2) 3d Tank Battalion, 3d Anti-Tank Battalion, 1st Amph Trac Battalion, and 3d Motor Transport Battalion occupy defensive positions on the ridge line north of Song Cau De River (AT 986699) to (AT 989719).

2. Mission. To conduct a combat patrol south and east of Tank Battalion to prevent infiltration into installations and to kill or capture the enemy.

3. Execution.

a. Concept of Operations. During daylight hours a combat patrol consisting of elements of the 3d Tank Battalion will move out south and east from 3d Tank Battalion along established trails approximately 825 yards through Phong Bao (1) to trail junction (AT 995707), northwest approximately 1600 yards to 3d Motor Transport Battalion. Patrol will then proceed along road south to 3d Tank Battalion.

b. Composition of Patrol.

- (1) Patrol Leader
- (2) Grenadier
- (3) Three Riflemen
- (4) Two Automatic Riflemen
- (5) Two Ass't Automatic Riflemen
- (6) One Radio Operator
- (7) One Corpsman

c. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Time 221200H Oct 65
- (2) Confirm targets prior to engagement.
- (3) Maintain visual contact.
- (4) Fire M-79 only on order of patrol leader.
- (5) Recover weapons of VC killed or wounded, if possible.

d. Reports.

- (1) Arrival at check points.
- (2) Enemy contact.
- (3) Loss of contact with enemy.

4. Administration and Logistics.a. Supply.

- (1) Ammunition (Basic allowance plus rifleman will each carry two frag grenades with spoons taped). Grenadier will carry twelve rounds 40mm FF.
- (2) Water (One canteen per man).
- (3) Medical supplies (Each man will carry jungle kit).
- (4) Resupply in emergency only.

b. Evacuation. Will be handled by the Battalion Reaction Force.

c. Uniforms.

- (1) Combat uniform with steel helmet.
- (2) Flak jackets.

5. Communications.

a. Radio silence will be broken only at check points or if contact is made with enemy.

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Major, U.S. Marine Corps
Executive Officer

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UNIT: 3d Ttk Bn.
Olt Ldr: W0 Wllygs
No of Weapons: 8 M-14 RIFLES
1 M79 Grenade Launcher
Amount of Ammo: 100 rds weapon
12-40mm HE
6- Frag Grenades
Type of Radio: AN/PRC 8
Radio Freq: 23.2
Time of Dep: 1200
Time of Ret: 1530
DATE: 22 Oct, 1965

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3d Tank Bn
BaKang, RVN
160000N Oct 65

Patrol Order 3-65

1. Situation

a. Enemy Forces. Viet Cong forces are believed to be infiltrating into BaKang area through neighboring villages.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) Elements of 3d Battalion, 9th Marines occupy defensive positions at Highway 1 bridge (AT 999705).

(2) 3d Tank Battalion, 3d Anti-Tank Battalion, 1st Amph Trac Battalion, and 3d Motor Transport Battalion occupy defensive positions on the ridge line north of Song Can De River (AT 986699) to (AT 989719).

2. Mission. To conduct a combat patrol east, south, and west of Tank Battalion to prevent infiltration into friendly installations and to kill or capture the enemy.

3. Execution

a. Concept of Operations. During daylight hours a combat patrol consisting of elements of the 3d Tank Battalion will move out southwest from the 3d Tank Battalion CP along established trails approximately 800 yards to trail junction in tree line (AT 982705), east through Yen Bae (1) approximately 1675 yards to trail junction (AT 996708), northwest through Phong Bae (1) approximately 1600 yards to 3d Motor Transport Battalion CP. Patrol will then proceed along road south to 3d Tank Battalion CP.

b. Composition of Patrol.

- (1) Patrol Leader
- (2) Grenadier
- (3) Three Riflemen
- (4) Two Automatic Riflemen
- (5) Two Ass't. Automatic Riflemen
- (6) One Radio Operator
- (7) One Corporal

c. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Time 181200H Oct 65.
- (2) Confirm targets prior to engagement.
- (3) Maintain visual contact.
- (4) Fire M-79 only on order of patrol leader.
- (5) Recover weapons of VC killed or wounded, if possible.

d. Reports.

- (1) Arrival at check points.
- (2) Enemy contact.
- (3) Loss of contact with enemy.

4. Administration and Logistics.

a. Supply.

- (1) Ammunition (Basic allowance plus riflement will each carry two frag grenades with spools taped). Grenadier will carry ten rounds 40mm HE.
- (2) Water (Two canteens per man).
- (3) Medical supplies (Each man will carry jungle kit).
- (4) Resupply in emergency only.

b. Evacuation.

- (1) By helicopter - mark landing zone with yellow smoke.

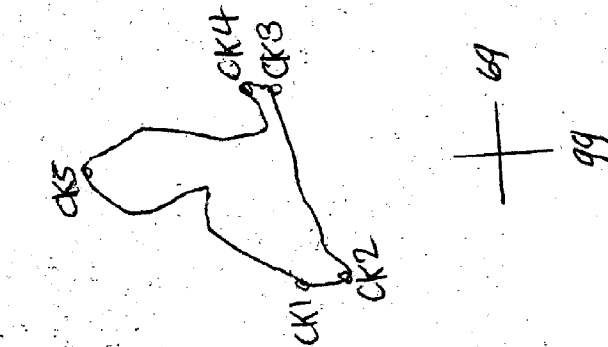
c. Uniforms.

- (1) Combat uniform with steel helmet.
- (2) Steel inserts will be worn in jungle boots.
- (3) Flak jackets.

5. Communications.

- a. Radio silence will be broken only at check points or if contact is made with enemy.
- b. Patrol will be equipped with two yellow smoke grenades.

J. G. DOSS
Major, U.S. Marine Corps
Executive Officer



UNIT: 3rd TH Bn
 Pl. Lt. WO Wiggins
 No. of Weapons: 7 M-14 Rifles
 1 M-79 Grenade Launcher
 Amount of Ammo: 100 Rds Wpn
 6 Frag Grenades
 10 40 mm HE
 2 yellow smoke Grenades

Type of Radio: AN/PRC 8
 Radio Freq: 23.2
 Time of Day: 1200
 Time of Act: 1530
 Date: 18 OCT 1965

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Scat 1 - Alpha

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheet 6653 IV, Ser. 1-701

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: (1) Off (17) Enl (1) USN (1) ARVN
2. MISSION: Conduct day and night undetected land reconnaissance, establish day OP's and selective night ambush positions.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 021800H - September 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 020800H - October 1965
5. ROUTE (SHOW ON OVERLAY): Refer to OP Order 166-65
6. OBSERVATION - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
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No visual or physical contact made.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

- (1) Map Corrections: An unmarked trail starting from (AT 855706) moving West up a finger joins another trail at (AT 844711). Indications are this trail has been frequently used. Refer to overlay. Some places along the trail had been matted down by individuals. Very old panji stakes were also detected. A 150 foot rain forest canopy covers the entire trail complex.
- (2) From 300300H to 010630H (AT 834710). The patrol heard movement near their position. At (AT 833708). Elephant grass was found tied across the trail.
- (3) Natural caves were detected along the trail from (AT 833708) to (AT 828713). This portion of the trail appeared infrequently used.
- (4) At (AT 834723). Elephant grass was found tied across the trail. This portion of the trail appeared regularly used.
- (5) The trail leading towards the Ba Na complex (AT 845724) is an old logging trail or road approximately 10 feet to 15 feet wide in some areas. Piles of old logs were found along the trail network.
- (6) No body traps or trail markers were located except for the elephant grass being tied across certain trails.

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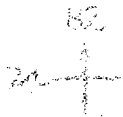
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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None
9. CONDITION OF PATROL, INCLUDING DISPOSITION OF ANY DEAD OR WOUNDED:
Good.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
Conclusions: That the VC have some OP's in the immediate vicinity of
the BA NA region.

W. T. HENDERSON
2nd Lt. Co. A

11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER:
Indications are; that the VC have in the past utilized the trail nets
reported on by this patrol; that the trails tied off by elephant grass
are no longer in use by the VC; that the trail (AT 899706) is
presently in use by the VC.

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SPATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Scat 1-Charlie

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheet 6658 IV, Ser. L-701

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: (1) Off (21) Enl (1) USN (1) ARVN
2. MISSION: Conduct an area reconnaissance of RAOR #6
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 300900H - September 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 030930H - October 1965
5. ROUTE (SHOW ON OVERLAY): Refer to Operation Order 47-65
6. OBSERVATION - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
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No visual or physical contact made.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) At 011315H (AT 8865). In this vicinity possible elephant screams were heard. Throughout the day near the village of DONG NGHE' (AT 884654) wood cutters were observed and also numerous domestic animals. No unusual occurrence was noted. At 1700 the wood cutters and animals were noted leaving and heading towards the village of DONG - NGHE' (AT 884654).

(2) 010815H (AT 875636). Two cows were noted moving up the finger at these coordinates. No individuals were handling the cattle.

(3) Map correction: Refer to overlay.

(4) The trails used by the patrol were very poor. Many stopped after a few hundred meters. No booby traps or trail markers were detected. The patrol leader believes that the area had recently been occupied by Marine personnel due to the C-ration tins and broken BA 279 batteries which littered the area.

(5) Communication throughout the patrol's area was excellent.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No enemy contact made.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL, INCLUDING DISPOSITION OF ANY DEAD OR WOUNDED: Good

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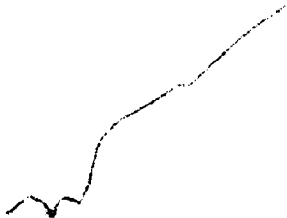
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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

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- A. The trail is not shown
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It commences at (AT 876646)
and ends at (AT 856634)

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DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Seat 2 - Alpha

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: (1) Off (16) Enl (1) USN (1) ARVN
2. MISSION: Conduct day and night undetected land reconnaissance, establish day OP's and selective night ambush positions.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 301800H - September 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 031020H - October 1965
5. ROUTE (SHOW ON OVERLAY): Refer to Operation Order 167-65
6. OBSERVATION - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
302100H	(AT 912858)	While patrol was moving up the trail in a North-westerly direction, the point detected a possible VC ambush. The point man walked right up to a VC and fired 3 rounds as the VC attempted to flee. The VC was armed with a Carbine and wore dark clothing with a beret. It is believed the VC had been wounded because of the moans heard after contact had been broken. 3 carbine rounds were found at the position the VC had occupied. Movement from all directions was heard after the contact was made and broken. The patrol leader did not attempt pursuit.
010650H	(AT 911865)	The patrol had linked up with 3-Delta. The 3-Delta patrol, observed 15 VCS at these coordinates at a range of 500 meters. As the 3-Delta patrol took the VCS under fire and the VCS were attempting to disperse across the rice paddies, the 2-Alpha patrol then combined their fire power with 3-Delta's on the VCS. Two VCS were observed hit by small arms fire and seen to fall. One of the two VCS who had fallen was observed hobbling toward the brush line paralleling the rice paddy complex. When 3-Delta had reached the VCS's position on the low ground, the 2-Alpha patrol

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ceased fire and continued on their mission.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

- (1) Map Correction: Refer to overlay. This trail is 4 feet to 6 feet wide and is not booby trapped. One trail marker was noted carved into a large tree. (Refer to sketch). The rain forest canopy is 40 to 50 feet high. The vegetation under the rain forest is traversible.
- (2) Communications in the patrols area of operation was considered fair. Utilization of a long wire increased the communication range on efficiency of the AN/PRC/10.
- (3) The trail network in the patrols area has been used frequently.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: One VC killed and two wounded.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL, INCLUDING DISPOSITION OF ANY DEAD OR WOUNDED:
Good.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

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1stLt Co. A

11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None.

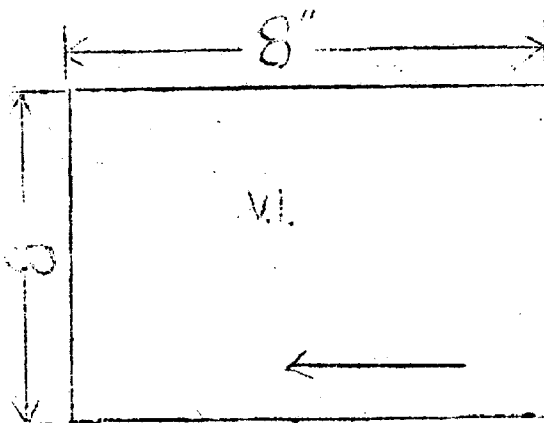
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- A. This trail is not shown on the 1:50,000 map. The trail commences at (AT 884879).



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- B. This trail marker was found engraved on a large tree trunk at (AT 878877). The initials "W. L." and the arrow were plainly visible.

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Scat 3 - Delta #6 Patrol No. 2

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6659 IV, Ser. L-701

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: (1) Off (18) Enl (1) USN (1) ARVN
2. MISSION: Establish a reconnaissance net East of grid 88, and North of grid 86 and determine the extent of VC activity.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 041730H - October 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 070800H - October 1965
5. ROUTE (SHOW ON OVERLAY): Refer to Operation Order 457-65
6. OBSERVATION - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

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No visual or physical contact made.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

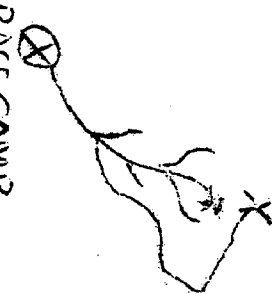
- (1) At 050700H. A trail runs generally towards the north from (AT 903900) to (AT 909909). The trail is 2' to 3' wide and provides for good rapid movement. It was apparent the trail was being used frequently. Numerous old camp fire sites were noted. The trail terminated at what appeared to be an old logging site. Along this main trail numerous trails branch off, but end abruptly after a short distance.
 - (2) At 050700H. A trail runs generally northeast from (AT 898897) to (AT 909909). (Refer to overlay) The trail is approximately 6 feet wide and has been frequently used by loggers. 2 wedges, and one home made ruler were found in the vicinity of (AT 909909). The trail ends at these coordinates.
 - (3) Communications throughout the patrol's area was excellent.
 - (4) The trails were infested with land leeches. Water was in abundance.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No contact made
 9. CONDITION OF PATROL, INCLUDING DISPOSITION OF ANY DEAD OR WOUNDED: Good
 10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
 Conclusion: That the main trail the patrol used was for logging purposes only.

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- (1) a. 1st AMTrac Bn - 2 LVTP-5, 1 Communicator, 6 crew members.
b. Hoa Cam Training Center - 3 officers, U.S. Army Advisors, 9 RVN enlisted

(2) At 051703H a recon river patrol of 2 LVTP-5 running at low tide adjacent to the northern bank of the Song Cau Ho River in an attempt to locate suspected VC tunneling. The search extended from coord (AT 978699 to 989699). Many holes were found in the vicinity of 989699. There was evidence of recent digging. Digging tools which included U.S. entrenching types were found. Blood stained clothing were also found at this location, and retained by advisors of the Hoa Cam Training Center. Bolts were heard going home, and orders were issued to fire into these positions. The AMTracs fired approximately 250 rds of .30 cal. No casualties could be ascertained. The cave entrances in the area were run over and superficially closed by the 2 LVTP-5s.

(3) 051800H

(4) Vicinity of (AT 989699) south west of Yen Bac

(5) Upon request of Senior Advisor of Hoa Cam Training Center

(6) On 6 October 1965, time undetermined, commit 2 LVTP-5 and 1 LVTH-1 to fire Line Charge and destroy cave complex.

(7) None

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Capt. USMC S-3

REPORT of Helicopter Reconnaissance made by Major H. L. KENDRICK
058841 WMC on 7 Oct 65.

Flight Time: 1330-1350

Altitude: 2000ft

Purpose: Estimation of LVT and Tracked Vehicle Trafficability

The reconnaissance started and ended at Ha Dong (AT980642) bridge. The south leg of the flight was made parallel to and east of the RR track. The north leg of the flight was made parallel to and west of the RR track. The bridge on the Song Ky Lam River (AT998947) was the southernmost point.

GENERAL

Rice paddies appeared to be dry and trafficable affording fair going for all LVTs. The triangular area formed by the Song Ai Nghia on the North & West, the railroad track on the East and Hwy 14 on the South appears particularly favorable to track vehicle employment. South of Hwy 14 the favorable area narrows but is generally trafficable.

The Song La The River is a major barrier to track-vehicles. LVTs may be able to cross but only with extreme difficulty. The river appears to be deep, current slight, heavy tree and vegetation growth exists on both banks. The banks appear to be high and steep, probably very muddy. The bridge at AT995616, AT993596 and AT998947. Rice paddies at La Huan (1) and Ha Dong Tay (1) are wet and probably not trafficable. The Song Ky Lam affords numerous crossing sites for LVTs.

GENERAL OPINION

That the area is negotiable by LVTs, Tanks and Ontos after routes into and out of the area are located. The Song La The will require major engineering effort or a ferry for Tanks and Ontos to cross and medium engineering effort for a LVT crossing site. Best area for crossing appears to be in the West and near the junction with the Song Ai Nghia.

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 070900H October 1965

PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Scat -1 Delta #6 Patrol No. #1

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6659 IV, Ser. L-701

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: (1) Off (16) Enl (1) USN (1) ARVN
2. MISSION: Establish a reconnaissance net East of grid 88, and North of grid 86 and determine the extent of VC activity.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 041730H - October 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 070800H - October 1965
5. ROUTE (SHOW ON OVERLAY): Refer to Operation Order 457-65
6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
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No visual or physical contact made.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

- (1) At 050730H. A trail runs generally from (AT 905898) to (AT 905910). The trail is 7 feet to 8 feet wide. It has been frequently used and is well kept. Ten old camp sites were noted along the trail. It was apparent that no recent wood cutting activity had been attempted. The area along this trail has a 10' high brush canopy, exceeded by a 50' high rain forest canopy. The area surrounding the trail complex is infested with land leeches. Water throughout the area is abundant.
- (2) Map corrections: Refer to overlay.
- (3) The old map sheet No. 6659 IV is erroneous by 1600 meters.
- (4) Communications in the patrols area of operation was excellent.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No contact made.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL, INCLUDING DISPOSITION OF ANY DEAD OR WOUNDED:
Good
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
That artillery and NGF as a harassing and interdicting agent on the low ground, cross trails, and stream functions, should not be heavily relied upon. Craters of shells fired for H and I were located in abundance on the slopes in the objective area. The trail nets were

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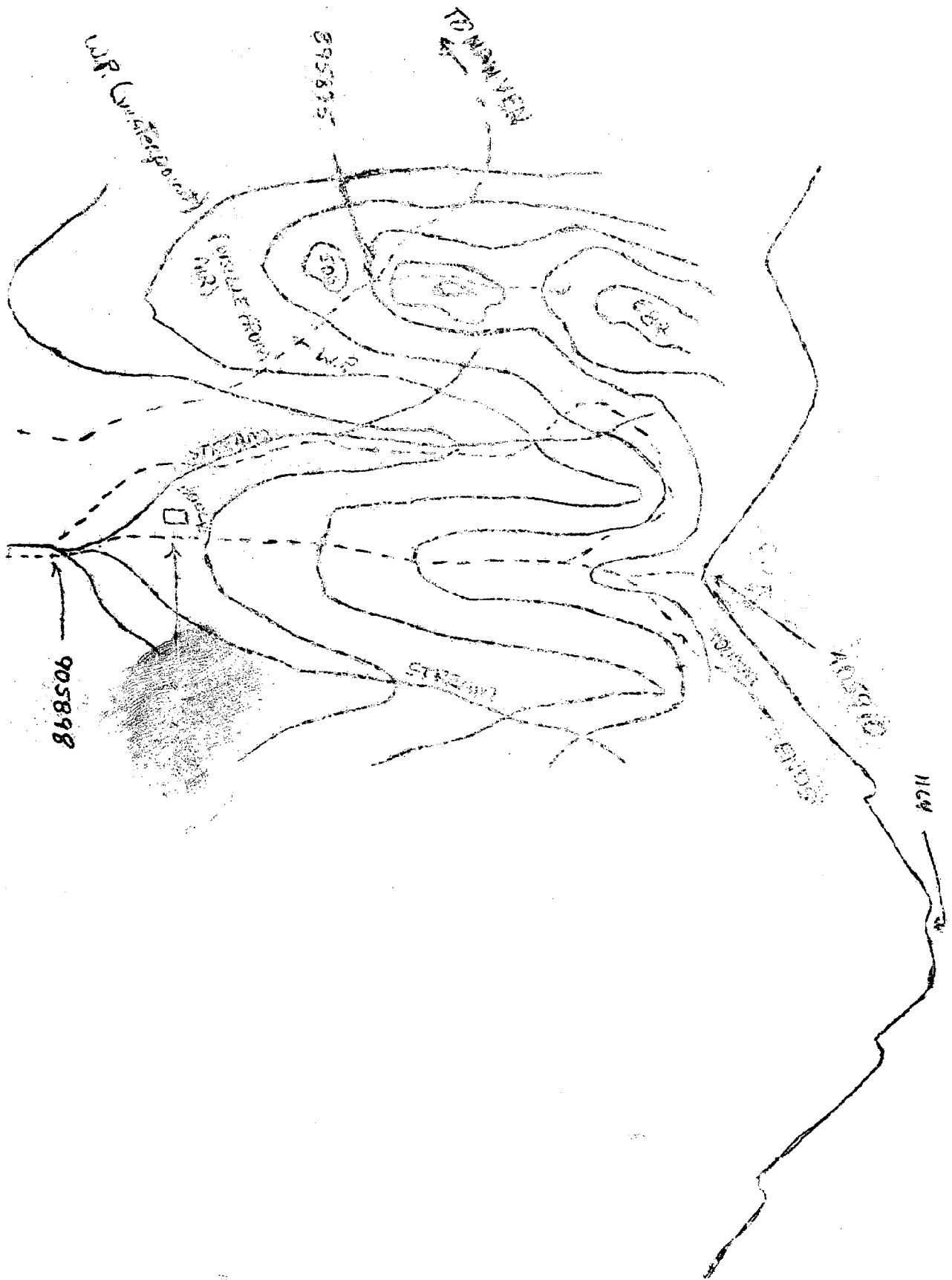
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virtually clear of damage. This may be due to the map, being used for plotting H and I fires, being in accurate up to 1500 meters.

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11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Scat 3 - Alpha

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheet 6659 III, Ser. L-791

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: (1) Off (16) Enl (1) USN
2. MISSION: Conduct day and night undetected land reconnaissance establish day OP's and selective night ambush positions.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 040800H - October 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 071230H - October 1965
5. ROUTE (SHOW ON OVERLAY): Refer to Operation Order 168-65
6. OBSERVATION - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
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No visual or physical contact made.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

At 051400H (AT 820839). The patrol was proceeding North on a trail when they came upon a hidden VC storage area. The storage area consisted of one building elevated 3 feet off the ground by 12 4X4 hardwood beams. The building itself was constructed of 4X4 studs and 2X6 siding boards all made of hardwood, possibly oak. The sidings were fastened to the studs by interlocking slots and inserts and were fastened together by wooden peg's. All the fastenings on the walls and floor were driven from the inside. The ceiling was fastened by wooden pegs from the outside. There were no door or windows. The building was approximately 30 feet long, 15 feet wide and 10 feet high. The hardwood building had a canopy over it made of thatched bamboo. A rain forest canopy approximately 100 feet high surrounds the area. The building was filled to capacity with rice. There were an estimated 300 bushels of rice within its interior. The rice was treshed and unhusked. 60 meters West of the storage hut two leveled, cleared areas approximately 25 meters square were located. There use could not be determined. At 051600H. The patrol destroyed the building and its contents by burning it. (AT 820839) 20 meters from the hut a booby trap was tripped. The trap consisted of one Chi Com hand grenade tied with a vine to a log. Two USMC received severe leg wounds. A round of M-79 was fired into the hut resulting in a small secondary explosion inflicting a head wound on one USMC. The USMC WIA's were helo evacuated

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to C and C. Their condition was considered fair. No VC were detected in the building area or its surroundings.

At 070700 (AT 828853). A trail was found at (AT 828853) it ran along the stream in a northeasterly direction for 500 meters. The trail is not shown on the map. The trail was 4 feet wide and had been matted down. 10 or 15 small fire places were detected. 15 to 20 Hatches approximately 5 feet square to 15 feet square were also located. The rain forest canopy was 80 feet high. This trail was not booby trapped. No trail markers were detected.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No contact made.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL, INCLUDING DISPOSITION OF ANY DEAD OR WOUNDED: Three USMC WIA's resulting from VC booby traps. Helo evacuated to C & C. Condition considered fair.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: That the trail at (AT 828853) be continually shelled by H & I fires.

J. LATERRA
1st Lt. Co. A

11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER:
Indications are that the VC storage area had been used for two or three weeks and that the VC used local laborers to harvest and carry the rice to its location. The VC Company utilized as a security element was possibly the N-68 Company just recently reported in this vicinity on 2 September. This Company's purpose was to help harvest, and protect against intervention by local forces until disposition of the rice could be accomplished.

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Seat 2 - Charlie

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheet 5558 IV, Ser. L-701

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: (1) Off (17) Enl (1) USN
(1) ARVN
2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance of assigned area utilizing patrolling and daylight OP's. Conduct ambushes of opportunity.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 031830H -- October 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 071300H - October 1965
5. ROUTE (SHOW ON OVERLAY): Refer to Operation Order 48-65
6. OBSERVATION - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
040830H	(AT 883654)	Four VCS were moving West on a trail. Two wore light clothing with straw hats and the other two wore dark clothing with straw hats. No unusual occurrences were noted.
040845H	(AT 883654)	6 VCS carrying long poles, were moving West on a trail. They wore light and dark clothing with straw hats. No unusual occurrences were noted.
051830H	(AT 879647)	The patrol was coming down a steep gradient which was heavily vegetated when the point came upon a stream containing large boulders. Two of the patrol members went down stream to attempt to find a stream crossing. 40 meters down from their location they noted a man sitting on a rock weaving a basket. After moving closer to the VCS they observed a small cave approximately 15 feet wide, 10 feet high and 20 feet deep near his position. Inside were two other VCS sitting and talking.

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The patrol leader then attempted to maneuver one squad around the backside of the cave. The VCS who were sitting on the rock observed the squad and fled. One of the VCS in the cave then came out with his basket and was apprehended by the patrol. The other VCS must have observed the apprehension and fled through a rear entrance in the cave. Members of the patrol then searched the cave and found the following items: One cartridge belt with two potatoe masher grenades. One small poucho which contained some sort of medication in a bottle. One bandolier of 7.62 ammunition. 2 knives. Fresh cloths, a poncho and paper documents in a plastic bag. Cooking utensils and 2 twenty five pound bags of rice were also found. The VCS did not attempt to resist. The ARVN interpreter who interrogated the prisoner stated that the VCS who had fled through the rear entrance also fled with two weapons. The patrol leader had the rice thrown in the stream and destroyed miscellaneous equipment left in the cave. The prisoner, equipment, and documents were helo evacuated at 060815H to ITT.

060930H (AT 882652)

In a burned out area two large bundles of wood were found. They had recently been cut and tied.

070900H (AT 888654)

2 groups of people, one group consisting of men and one of men and women proceeded west in the vicinity of the LZ. They wore civilian clothing with straw hats. Their activity could not be determined due to the dense vegetation.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: Communications was fair on the high ground, but poor in the draws and ravines.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: (1) VCS captured at (AT 879647).

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9. CONDITION OF PATROL, INCLUDING DISPOSITION OF ANY DEAD OR WOUNDED: Good.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation: That the streams in grid squares (AT 8764) and (AT 8763) be searched for possible VC activity.

D. M. DICKE
1st Lt. Co. C.

11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER:

Indications are that the VC located at (AT 879647) were local force guerrillas operating in the general area.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: (Faint text, mostly illegible)

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14. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: (Faint text, mostly illegible)

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DESIGNATION OF PATROL

MAP: DaNang 1:50,000, Series L701 Sheet 6659 III

- A. 27 U. S. Marines, 1 USN, 2 U. S. Army Advisors, 14 ARVN
- B. Screen and Search from AT 998710 on Highway #1A due west to AMTrac CP AT 990713
- C. Departure time 141050H
- D. 141240H
- E. On a line due west from AT 998710
- F. Extremely rough, rice fields, thick bamboo, and thorn type vines and brush
- G. No contact
- H. NONE
- I. NONE
- J. One VCS taken because he carried no identification. Natives were generally friendly.
- K. Patrol in good condition upon return. Patrol was very aggressive and eager
- L. Patrol completed it's mission. Recommend ARVN be used on all future sweeps.

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WO, H&S Co

M. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Scat 1 - Charlie

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6658 IV, Ser. L-701

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: (2) Off (19) Enl (2) USN (1) ARVN
2. MISSION: Conduct a reconnaissance and surveillance of assigned area using patrolling and daylight OP's.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 080830H - October 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 120830H - October 1965
5. ROUTE (SHOW ON OVERLAY): Refer to Operation Order 49-65
6. OBSERVATION - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
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081500H (AT 883627)

The first VC contact was made approximately 100 meters West of these coordinates. Two VC were first observed atop hill mass 423 moving West on a trail towards the patrol's observation post. Both of the VC were carrying automatic weapons, possibly K-50's, wearing khaki shirts, short trousers, and one wore a helmet. The patrol waited until the VC were approximately 100 meters from their position and then commenced firing. One VC was hit immediately, went down, got back up and was hit again. The other VC on the initial burst of fire, turned, and fled behind a rock and down a gully on the South side of the hill. The platoon was deployed in search of the escaped VC. One weapon, a Chicom K-50 submachine gun was apprehended, plus some documents from the dead VC. As the search for the escaped VC was in progress, (45 minutes), the patrol's observation post atop hill 423 informed the patrol leader by radio that two more VC were approaching on the trail from the direction of hill 419. The platoon was quickly reorganized on top of the hill, and deployed in an ambush along the trail. The OP located at (AT 883628) saw the two VC disappear in the dense brush. One squad from the patrol was deployed to the top of hill 423 to engage the two VC. As they reached the military crest of the hill, two grenades were hurled towards the squad. The squad leader fired his M-79 in the general vicinity of the VC, but missed, the round bursting behind the VC. The VC, jumped up, looked towards his rear where the

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M-79 had exploded, and was immediately snuff and killed. A search was then initiated for the other VC on hill 423 for a duration of approximately 20 minutes. All that was found was the bush that the VC had worn secured to his back. During this short skirmish one friendly casualty was sustained from a panji stake. He was wounded in the knee. The two VC wore khaki shirts and trousers, no headgear, and both were carrying Carbines of Chinese manufacture. Both had bushes secured to their backs. One Carbine of Chinese manufacture, a handloader of 7.62 API, Chinese manufacture, and documents were apprehended from the dead VC. A med evacuation was requested and granted, and the wounded Marine, the two dead VC, and their weapons and equipment were evacuated to C and C for future disposition. At grid coordinates (AT 885626) a night ambush was established until early morning with negative contact. On the 9th of October an OP was established in the vicinity of hill 423 (AT 885626) to support a search and clear operation conducted by D-J-1. At 091300H a two man VC OP was sighted atop hill 419. (AT 867627). At this point, a guide attempting to bring a comrade to the aid of a man in exhaustion casualty, sustained a knee wound by a panji stake. At 091545H (AT 867627) two more VC moved up to the crest of hill 419 and were frantically being waved towards the rocks occupied by the other two VC. It was concluded by the patrol leader, that the patrol location had been compromised by the VC OP. At 091615H a helo evacuation for the two USMC casualties was requested and granted. After the completion of the med evacuation, a fire mission was requested and granted on the VC OP location at 091635H (AT 867627). The effects of the fired artillery dispersed the VC but, a casualty assessment could not be determined. There were possibly two VC KIA. Two VC were noted sprinting away toward hill 405 wearing dark clothing with bushes secured to their backs. The patrol then displaced to (AT 870620) under cover of darkness.

100900H (AT 865627) Six VC wearing khaki and dark clothing with bushes secured to their backs had Carbines and rifles, and were manning an OP. Artillery was requested, and granted, but due to the erratic fire, the six VC were noted fleeing westward along a trail. A second mission, also resulted in negative efforts.

Significant Remarks:

The military crest of hill 423 is infested with panji stakes approximately 27 inches long, and placed at a 45° angle to the ground. Some are concealed by natural vegetation, and others are clearly visible. (Refer to Sketch)

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An unmarked trail 40 inches wide and in good condition was located and used by the patrol. (Refer to Overlay) No rocky traps or trail markers were located.

At 081030H (AT 897629). A small bamboo bridge, 1 foot wide, and 3 feet long stretched across a small stream. At this same location a water flume constructed of bamboo, was found and used by the patrol. The water was clear, free flowing, and drinkable.

The trail net work, which the patrol utilized, (Refer to Overlay) was littered with approximately 12 straw hats, neatly concealed off the trail. These hats were old, weather beaten, and had possibly been there for a period of time.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 2 VC Killed and 1 possibly wounded and 2 possibly killed by artillery.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL, INCLUDING DISPOSITION OF ANY DEAD OR WOUNDED: Fair: 2 USMC WIA's resulting from panji stake wounds, both were helo evacuated to C and C. Their condition considered good.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
It is the belief of this patrol leader that this trail is a main route from the training center area to the valley to the east of this hill complex. I think continued patrolling along this trail, and ambushes would bear fruit.

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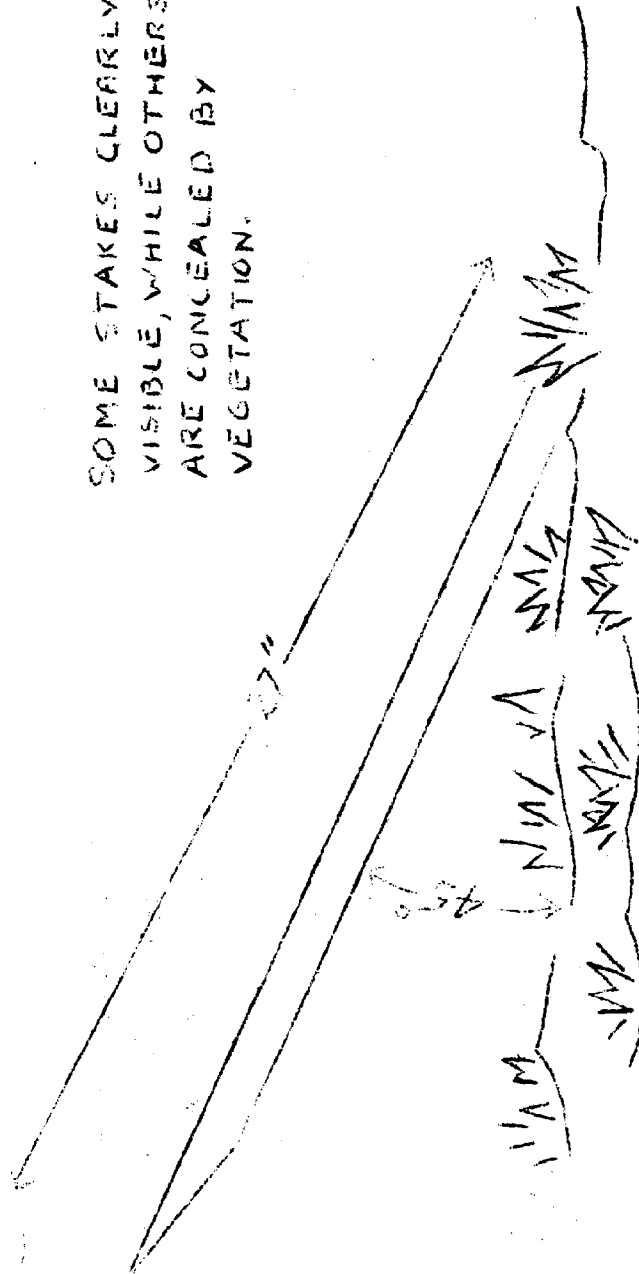
11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER:

Indications are, that the VC are using this trail net work as a rapid means of movement of personnel and rice from their known rice caches to the SONG VI GIA basin as a supply route. The 405, 419, and 423 ridge line complexes are frequently being used as observation posts as an early warning device against possible USMC and ARVN large scale movements into these hill masses. The knowledge of USMC Recon elements having occupied and utilized the area and trails and having been detected by the VC, extreme caution should be utilized in future operations and missions in this same area.

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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Seat 2 - Delta

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1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: (1) Off (16) Enl (1) USN
 (1) ARVN
2. MISSION: Conduct surveillance of area East of the area bounded by Grid line (AT 87) on the South and (AT 87) on the West
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 061800H - October 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 100900H - October 1965
5. ROUTE (SHOW ON OVERLAY): Refer to Operation Order 458-65
6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
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No visual or physical contact made.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

The wood cutter's trails that the patrol utilized were free of booby traps and trail markers. The patrol leader believes the trails are only being used periodically rather than on a daily basis.

- (1) At 062100H (AT 927887). The beating of drums was heard. The drums were heard for approximately 10 minutes.
- (2) No significant pattern noticed.

- (2) The rain forest canopy is approximately 80 feet high at the 900 meter level and 30 feet high at the 1100 meter elevation.
- (3) Water in all the streams was clear, and in abundance.
- (4) Cloud cover prevails approximately 50% of the time on hill mass 1192.
- (5) Communications in the ravines was poor.
- (6) Map corrections: Refer to overlay.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No contact made.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL, INCLUDING DISPOSITION OF ANY DEAD OR WOUNDED: Good.

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation: That the trail running on the ridge line on hill 1192 and heading north should be further reconnoitred at a future date.

T. V. MEYER'S
1st Lt. Co. D

11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

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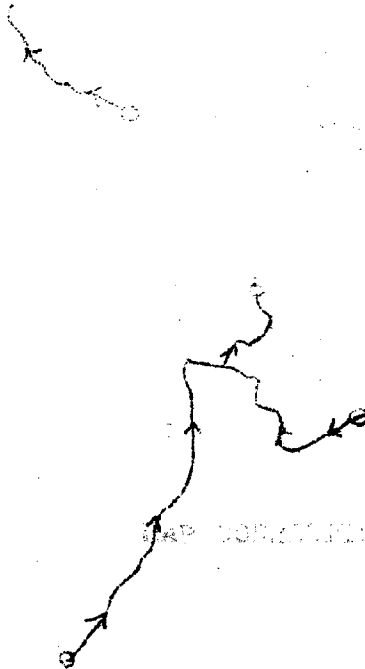
11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: None

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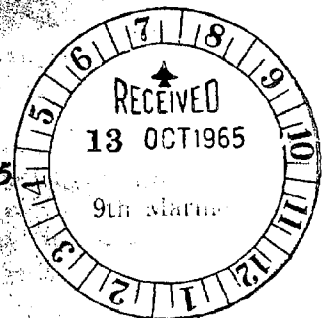
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PATROL REPORT

DESIGNATION OF PATROL: Scat 2 - Alpha

MAPS: Vietnam, 1:50,000, Sheet No. 6658 IV, Ser. L-701

1. SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF PATROL: (1) Off (18) Enl (1) USN (1) ARVN
2. MISSION: Conduct day and night undetected land reconnaissance, establish day OP's and selective night ambush positions.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE: 091630H - October 1965
4. TIME OF RETURN: 121530H - October 1965
5. ROUTE (SHOW ON OVERLAY): Refer to Operation Order 170-65
6. OBSERVATIONS - ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

TIME COORDINATES OBSERVATION

No visual or physical contact made.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

At 091330H (AT 825673). As the patrol was moving West up the SONG LO DONG, they observed approximately 8 or 10 elephant tracks on a shallow sand bar at these coordinates. The tracks led from the sand bar North towards a trail leading to hill mass 142. The patrol followed this trail for approximately 500 meters then established a patrol base at (AT 823675). One team was deployed to further reconnoiter the trail for approximately another 1000 meters. Elephant dung was noted throughout the trails route. The elephant dung had not deteriorated and was believed to be approximately a week old. The trail came to an abrupt end at (AT 812679). The trail was approximately 1 foot wide, and infrequently used as indicated by the excessive under growth. The canopy surrounding the trail is approximately 10 feet high. The vegetation along the trail is infested with land leeches. No booby traps were located, but one trail marker superimposed on the ground in the shape of an arrow was located at (AT 819677) and pointed West by Northwest.

At 091700H (AT 820674). The patrol came upon a large natural cave. The entrance was approximately 3 feet in diameter. The interior was approximately 30 feet deep and 5 feet high. All that was detected inside of noteworthy significance were two human foot prints. The cave was completely uninhabited. For two subsequent days the patrol area was traversed and no human sighting was made.

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- (1) With the use of the AN/PRC 25, communications was excellent at all times. One battery for the AN/PRC 25 was used for 81 hours without failure or replacement. Communications with the AN/PRC 10 was poor.
- (2) Movement throughout the patrol area was very difficult, and trails were limited and very difficult in finding.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: No contact made.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL, INCLUDING DISPOSITION OF ANY DEAD OR WOUNDED: Fair.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

The patrol leader believes that the VC may transient the area in squad size or smaller units, or possibly not at all, because of the limited trails, heavy vegetation and dense canopy.

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1st Lt. Co. A

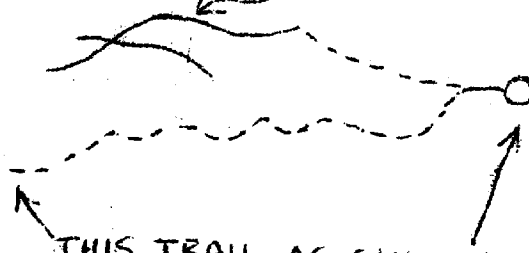
11. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER:

Indications are the VC are using this area, but on a limited basis and for very small units. The finding of the elephant tracks, and dung are evidence that pack animals are being used for certain heavy supply functions. The lack of any local inhabitants being observed during the day suggests possible clandestine operations, being conducted at night, rather than during the day, when observation from ground and air is possible.

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division

Subj: Weekly Summarized Operation Overlay

Ref: (a) DivO 3100.1A

Encl: (1) Explanation Sheet
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- NOTE #1. 3 LVTP-5s and 1 LVTP-5 CMD in direct support OPCON 2nd Battalion, 3d Marines.
- NOTE #2. 1 LVTP-5 CMD in direct support OPCON 9th Marines.
- NOTE #3. 8 LVTP-5s, 2 LVTE-1s and 1 LVTR-1 in direct support OPCON 1st Battalion, 9th Marines.
- NOTE #4. 42 LVTP-5s, 4 LVTP-5 CMDs, 4 LVTE-1s and 1 LVTR-1 remain at 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion.
- NOTE #5. Sweep and clear operation in conjunction with ARVN conducted from 141100H to 141233H in accordance with Patrol Order 1-65. No contact was made. 1 VCS apprehended and turned over to Division ITT.
- NOTE #6. 3 LVTP-5s in direct support OPCON 3d Battalion, 9th Marines.

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- NOTE #1. 5 LVTP-5s in direct support OPCON 2nd Battalion, 3d Marines.
- NOTE #2. 1 LVTP-5 CMD in direct support OPCON 9th Marines.
- NOTE #3. 7 LVTP-5s, 1 LVTP-5 CMD, 2 LVTE-1s and 1 LVTR-1 in direct support OPCON 1st Battalion, 9th Marines.
- NOTE #4. Operation with 1st Battalion, 1st Marines involving 4 LVTP-5s from H&S Company on 29 October 1965.
- NOTE #5. 43 LVTP-5s, 4 LVTP-5 CMDs, 4 LVTE-1s and 1 LVTR-1 remain at 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion CP.

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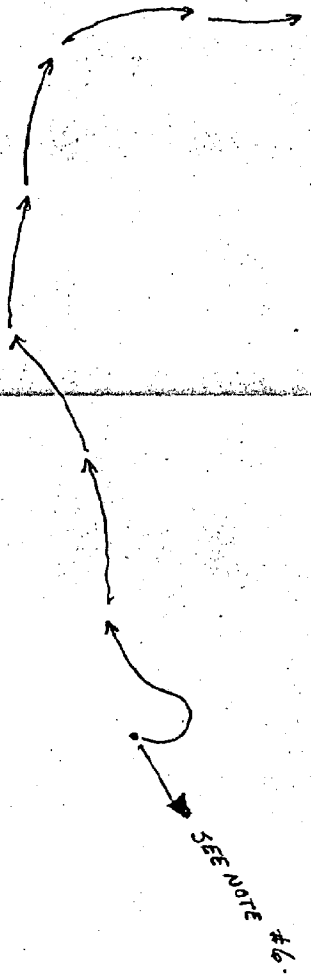
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- NOTE #4. 3 LVTP-5s in direct support OPCON 3rd Battalion, 9th Marines.
- NOTE #5. 41 LVTP-5s, 4 LVTP-5 CMDs, 4 LVTE-1s and 1 LVTR-1 remain at 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion CP.
- NOTE #6. 8 LVTP-5s utilized to move 540 ARVN troops up the Ca De Song River on 21 and 22 October 1965 as requested by Division G-3.

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- NOTE #4: 7 LVTP-5s, 2 LVTE-1s and 1 LVTR-1 in direct support OPCON 1st Battalion, 9th Marines.
- NOTE #5: 40 LVTP-5s, 4 LVTP-5 CMDs, 4 LVTE-1s and 1 LVTR-1 remain at 1st AMTrac Battalion CE.
- NOTE #6: At 051703H 2 LVTP-5s were dispatched on a riparian patrol to check out suspected VC tunneling. Upon return at 051855H reported several caves along the banks. At 061145H 2 LVTP-5s and 1 LVTE-1 dispatched to the vicinity of the caves on a destruction mission. At 051440H the tractor returned to the Battalion CP area. The vertical line charge not fired due to the target being too small.
- NOTE #7: On 8 October 1965 the Battalion Civil Affairs Officer made contact with the Hoa Da Village Chief to arrange meeting with villagers who have claims.
- NOTE #8: On 9 October 1965 the Battalion Civil Affairs Officer met with the villagers who had claims and determined the amount of damage done to the rice paddies.

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b. HAG Company

- (1) Provide 2 LVTG's and 1 LVTG-1 with full crews
- (2) Provide 1 T/e Infantry squad
- (3) On order on or about 060930H Oct65 move these units to the Song Cau De River
- (4) Establish a river blocking force on the Song Cau De
- (5) Establish surveillance to the south bank of the river, and protect by fire if necessary the LVTG-1 while it arranges and fires the line charge.
- (6) Ensure the safety of personnel and Vietnamese civil populace and protect within the limits of the mission the material property of the Civil populace.
- (7) Be prepared to use the excavation blade on new openings discovered as a result of the firing of the line charge.
- (8) Be prepared to aggressively engage Viet Cong elements should they attack or harass the force.

c. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) H-Hour 060930 Oct65
- (2) Rules of engagement remain in effect
- (3) REPORTS
 - (a) Arrival at positions
 - (b) Line charge ready for firing
 - (c) Results of firing
 - (d) Spot reports on enemy contact
 - (e) Situation reports as to operational or maintenance problems as they occur

4. Administration and Logisticsa. Supply

- (1) Class I 2 meals MCI per individual and 2 5 gal. water cans per vehicle
- (2) Class II Normal OEM and Op Spares
- (3) Class III Full Tanks all vehicles
- (4) Class IV Basic allowance for LVTG-1
- (5) Class V Basic allowance for all weapons

b. Medical Corpsman will carry a unit one

c. Emergency resupply and maintenance on call

d. Emergency evacuation requested through this headquarters

e. Personnel

- (1) Casualty reporting
 - (a) The unit will report casualties by the most expeditious means to this Headquarters as follows:
 - (1) PFC Joe ELON KIA 1130 gunshot wound Rt shoulder as a result of sniper fire. Evac by helo.

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Ref: (a) Map, NCHD SCN, 1:50,000, Series L701, Sheet 658 IV

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATIONa. Enemy Forces.

- (1) Two Viet Cong Companies are located at AT 984655 and AT 98655 directly to the south of the Song Cau Do River.
- (2) Guerrilla bands have been known to be operating between the Song Cau Do and fresh excavations and cave networks have been discovered at AT 986699.

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) Company "E", 3/9 occupies positions around Yen Ho at AT 98669.
- (2) 3d Anti Tank Bn (-) occupies positions at AT 981706
- (3) 3d Tank Bn (-) occupies positions at AT 990706
- (4) ARVN Patrol Elements from the Hoa Cam Training Center will move from AT 984727 to AT 986699.

2. Mission. At 060000N October 1965, elements of MAC Co., 1st AMTRAC Bn will move by LVTP-5s and LVTE-1 down the Song Cau Do River and will destroy cave complexes on the banks of that river (AT 986699) by use of the vertical line charge and excavator blade of the LVTE-1. Further, to kill or capture any Viet Cong personnel in the area.

3. Execution

a. Concept of operations. MAC Co., 1st AMTRAC Bn will move by 2 LVTP-5s and an LVTE-1 down the Song Cau Do River from the Cam La Bae Railroad Bridge to AT 986699. The 2 LVTP-5s with a mounted squad will provide protection on the river and to the south for the E-1 while it fires the line charge to destroy the caves on the north bank by over pressure. ARVN forces from Hoa Cam will screen the area to the north of the Song Cau Do as well as keeping the populace away from the blast area.

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(2) POW - Collection point to be announced.

f. Uniforms and equipment

(1) Combat uniform, helmet, green side out, normal arms and equipment.

(2) Flak Jackets

5. Command and Communications

(1) Utilize Battalion command net for command and control.

(2) A forward CP will be established by this Headquarters at AT 990710.

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COMPANY A
1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion
4th Marines (-) (Rein)
3d Marine Division, FMF
c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96601

PMH:rcw
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5 Nov 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 4th Marines (-) (Rein)
Subj: Command Chronology

1. Company A, 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion is attached to the 4th Marines.
2. One (1) LVT(Gnd) and ten (10) LVTP5's are attached to First Battalion, 4th Marines. Two (2) LVTP5's are attached to Second Battalion, 4th Marines. One (1) LVT(Gnd) and four (4) LVTP5's are attached to Third Battalion, 3d Marines. One (1) LVTP5 is attached to MAG-12 for use as a crash/Rescue vehicle.
3. Movie screen erected and Movie Projector obtained through Army and Air Force Special Services at Saigon. Movies have been shown nightly since 20 October 1965. New Mess Hall erected and strong-backed. Communication and Supply tents strong-backed.
4. The problem area is the lack of support from supply as previously reported in the Periodic Logistics reports and the combat deadline essential equipment reports.


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