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From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division(Rein), FMF
 Subj: 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-)(Rein) Command Chronology 1-30 June 1966
 Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
 (b) DivO 5750.2A
 (c) Div Bul 5750 of 14 March 1966

Encl: (1) 1st Reconnaissance Battalion Command Chronology
 (2) Co "A" Frag Order 65-66
 (3) Co "B" Frag Order 1-66
 (4) Co "A" Frag Order 66-66
 (5) Co "C" Frag Order 15-66
 (6) Co "D" Frag Order 22-66
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 (8) Co "D" Frag Order 25-66
 (9) Bn Frag Order 5-66 to BnOpOrder 321-66
 (10) Bn Frag Order 6-66 to BnOpOrder 321-66
 (11) Co "D" Frag Order 27-66
 (12) Co "D" Frag Order 26-66
 (13) Bn Frag Order 7-66 to 7th Mar Frag Order 16-66 (Operation OAKLEAF)
 (14) Bn Frag Order 8-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 (15) Bn After Action Report (Operation KANSAS)
 (16) Patrol Debriefs

1. Enclosures (1) through (16) are forwarded in compliance with references (a), (b), and (c).
2. The classification of this letter is downgraded to unclassified upon separation from enclosure (1).
3. Patrol debriefs are taped in the hope that they may be used as a teaching vehicle for interested parties. Therefore three tapes are forwarded under separate cover.

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I. Command Chronology 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein)1. Organizational Data

(a) Reporting unit: 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein) BT 565045

(b) Two platoons 1st Force Reconnaissance Company, OPCON 1st Reconnaissance Battalion, ADCON remains with 1st Force Reconnaissance Company. On 23 June 5th Platoon 1st Force Reconnaissance Company became OPCON to 1st Reconnaissance Battalion, ADCON remains with 1st Force Reconnaissance Company.

(c) The 2nd Platoon Company "A" remains in HUE THU BAI, OPCON 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion, ADCON 1st Reconnaissance Battalion.

(d) The 3rd Platoon Company "B" remains with BLT 3/5 as SLF.

2. Period Covered by this report: 1 June-30 June 1966.

3. Name/rank/of Commanding Officer, Staff or principal subordinates, T/O billet assignments.

Commanding Officer	LtCol A. J. SULLIVAN
Executive Officer	Major A. S. HARRIS
CO Company A (-)	1stLt C. E. BRALY
CO Company B (-)	Capt C. M. WHITE
CO Company C	Capt T. J. GERAGHTY
CO Company D	1stLt P. B. GOODWIN
CO H&S Company	Capt C. D. SMALL
Adjutant/S-1	2ndLt D. C. LUEDTKE
S-2	Capt M. W. HOWARD
S-3	Major F. S. RINEY
S-4	1stLt J. D. STEWART
Communications Officer	Capt R. S. KAYE
Supply Officer	2ndLt D. BANKS
Bn Surgeon	Lt/USNR R. B. GROOVES
Bn Chaplin	Lt/USNR(Chaplin) P. A. FLANAGAN
Bn SgtMajor	SgtMajor A. J. TURNER

4. Average monthly strength during the period:

USMC Officers	23
USMC Enlisted	341(Excludes Force Recon)
USN Officers	2
USN Enlisted	22

5. Significant events:

a. Personnel. The shortage of Officers has necessitated utilizing SNCO's as platoon leaders on many reconnaissance patrols.

The 1st Marine Division ADC Brigadier General STILES presented personnel decorations and addressed the Battalion on 13 June 1966.

b. Intelligence. Intelligence processing and dissemination was conducted in accordance with the 1st Marine Division SOP P3800.1F. Routine intelligence processing during June was accomplished by compiling intelligence information, received from 1st CTT, 9th ITP, CIC, LY TIN, TAM KY, QUANG NGAI, and TRA BONG. Dissemination was made by spot reports, daily intsum and briefings.

(1) Statistics for June:

(a) VC KIA confirmed	156
(b) VC KIA probable	105
(c) VC WIA confirmed	56
(d) VC WIA probable	31
(e) VC suspects captured	6
(f) VC weapons captured	34

c. Training.

(1) Training in all MOS's was primarily accomplished by CJT and during the conduct of operations.

(2) Approximately 40% of the command is actively enrolled in correspondence courses.

(3) Reconnaissance Companies receive classes at the platoon level due to operational commitments.

(4) Forward observer school was conducted with the eventual goal that reconnaissance Marines have the capability of calling and adjusting artillery fire missions quickly and accurately.

(5) Classes were conducted in first aid, land mine warfare and demolitions, technique of fire, counter guerrilla warfare, NCO Leadership and ambush techniques.

(6) RIP program has been initiated.

(7) A Pre-Scuba indoctrination program was conducted on

7 and 14 June for personnel who will attend Scuba-School in Subic Bay, Philippines in July 1966.

d. Logistics.

- (1) All M422 Mighty Mites have been replaced by the M-422A.
- (2) Long range rations have been procured (4,000 meals) and have been used extensively by patrols.
- (3) The battalion has procured 21 M-12 pump action shot guns, 26 M-79 grenade launchers and 24 M-16's, which have increased our operational capabilities.
- (4) Sufficient electrical power has been a problem and a T/E change has been submitted for one FU 239 20 KW generator.
- (5) A plan has been completed for 3 semi-permanent structures for supply, motor transport and communications facilities. Construction is to commence in the near future.
- (6) The battalion is now in the process of acquiring 8, 35mm Nikon all weather cameras which will greatly increase our intelligence gathering capability.

e. Civil Affairs.

(1) This battalion in conjunction with 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion are working together in civic action programs in the villages formerly serviced by 1st Bn, 7th Marines. The civil affairs officers, doctors, corpsmen and interpreters, visited the villages, met the village chiefs, administered first aid as required and passed out soap. The villagers seemed extremely responsive.

f. Operations.

(1) The 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-)(Rein) in general support of the 1st Marine Division maintained its elements deployed outside the periphery of the CHU LAI, TAOR. The battalion not only saturated the reconnaissance zone with patrols but moved completely into two other provinces before, during and after Operation KANSAS.

(2) Throughout the month the Battalion continued to accomplish its assigned mission as directed by the Commanding General, 1st Marine Division(Rein). "Mission-To conduct unilateral reconnaissance operations in assigned sectors of the Reconnaissance Zone. Unilateral reconnaissance operations in the reconnaissance zone to be conducted only after coordination with appropriate sector command (ARVN). Exit and entry from the TAOR will be coordinated with appropriate commander responsible for sector TAOR.

(3) In support of this mission a total of 2 Battalion(-) size operations, 3 Company (-) size operations, 1 Company (Rein) size operation and 50 platoon size operations were conducted during the month.

(4) In addition to the Battalion's normal missions, 2nd Platoon, Company "A" maintained an observation post at NUI VO BS 622846 for a total of 120 hours prior to extraction on 5 June. A total of 2 sightings of 5 VC were made.

(5) The Battalion maintained another OP at NUI TRON BS 515778 until 200830H when the mission was assigned to 2/7 so that more reconnaissance personnel could be made available for reconnaissance work. This outpost has continually been a detriment to the VC.

(6) Battalion communication personnel maintained radio relay stations at Hill 69 BT 467068 and Hill 34 BT 572964. Communications liaison teams were attached to the 4th Battalion, 11th Marines for a period of three weeks, and another team was attached to the ARVN artillery group at TAM KY. A communication relay station was established at Hill 707 to facilitate communication with deep insertion patrols.

g. General Support Missions.

(1) 1st Reconnaissance Battalion conducted two Battalion(-) size operations, two Company (-) size operations, and 47 platoon size reconnaissance patrols during the month. Radio relay stations were established at HAU DUC, TIEN PHOUC and LOC SON.

h. Direct Support Missions.

(1) During Operation APACHE 6-12 June the reconnaissance effort resulted in 27 sightings of 149 VC/VCS. There were 8 fire missions called, 1 naval gunfire mission called and 1 air strike. Enemy losses resulted in 1 VC KIA confirmed, 1 VC WIA confirmed, 3 VC KIA probable, and 10 houses destroyed. Company "A"(-)(Rein) maintained their OP at Hill 69 in support of 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines.

(2) Operation OAKLAND 29-30 June Company "D"(-) supported 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines. The reconnaissance effort resulted in initially establishing an outpost at BS 635588 (ARVN). Nine sightings of 33 VC/VCS were made and eight fire missions were called resulting in 2 VC KIA probable and 5 VC WIA probable.

II Detailed Chronology of Significant Events.

6 June Company "A"(-)(Rein) commenced support of 2/5 in Operation APACHE. See Enclosures (4 and 16 pages 27, 28, 29, 30, 31)

12 June Company "A"(-)(Rein) completed Operation APACHE after 144½ hours of observation. There were 27 sightings of 149 VC/VCS, 8 fire missions, 1 naval gunfire mission and 1 air strike; resulting in 1 VC KIA confirmed, 3 VC KIA probable, 1 VC WIA confirmed and 10 houses destroyed. See Enclosure (4 and 16 pages 27, 28, 29, 30, 31)

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13 June Battalion Command Group inserted at LAC SON BT 018288.
See Enclosure (15)

13 June 1st Platoon, Company "C"(CARNIVAL TIME) inserted at BT 132202.
See Enclosure (1, 15, 16 pages 38, 39, 40)

14 June 4th Platoon, Force Recon, this patrol left the CHU LAI airfield at 140135H. The para-drop was made vicinity AT 944336 at 140205H with the patrol landing within a 150 yard area. The patrol hid their parachutes, assembled and moved toward their objective by 140230H. This was one of the most significant events in Marine Corps history as it was a Marine Corps first. 1stLt PAULL and 12 1st Force Recon Marines made the first combat jump in Marine Corps history. As a result of this extraordinary feat CO, 1st Recon Bn sent his congratulations in a message, "You're the Greatest". CG, 1st Marine Division in his message 170340Z; "I report with pride that every Recon type, past, present and future can stand tall in the shadow of the daring exploit of 1stLt PAULL and 12 1st Force Recon Marines who made the first successful jump 37 miles deep into Viet Cong territory. I am honored that they serve with us". See Enclosure (15, 16 pages 32, 33)

16 June The 1st Platoon, Company "C"(CARNIVAL TIME) manning an OP on Hill 488 BT 132202, made many sightings of numerous VC between 152130H and 152330H and called artillery missions. At 160030H, CARNIVAL TIME at BT 131202 reported hearing whistles below their position. The OP received small arms fire and the VC began probing the position. At 160117H CARNIVAL TIME reported they had been hit. At 160125H CARNIVAL TIME requested emergency Medical Evacuation and all available air support. MED-EVAC arrived on station approximately 30 minutes later but could not land due to heavy fire. At 160135H CARNIVAL TIME reported that they were under heavy attack from three sides by a large VC force estimated to be a battalion. The VC were equipped with 4 .50 caliber MG's, 60mm mortars, and hand grenades. The VC were a well trained, hard core unit. The attack was well coordinated and the VC were dug in throughout the area. At 160047, CO, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion requested CAS, flareships and extraction helicopters. At 160156H CO, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion informed CARNIVAL TIME that all support was on the way. At 160207H contact was made with flareship and at 160212H the 1st flare was dropped. At 160230H KLCNDIKE escort arrived on station and at 160300H a UH1E arrived on station to control CAS aircraft. This action continued thru the early morning hours as did the fight on the ground. The 18 man OP had withdrawn to a tight perimeter on top of Hill 488. About 160130H just about all hand grenades and M-79 rounds had been expended and CARNIVAL TIME relied on small arms ammo and close air support. Radio contact was maintained between the platoon leader and the TAC(L). As dawn arrived only 7 of the original 18 men were able to continue the fight. By the time the platoon was extracted 17 of its marines were either KIA or WIA. At 160722H the first elements of the reaction force touched down in the area. At 160900 CARNIVAL TIME was extracted. Results of the encounter were:

5 USMC KIA
1 USMC DOW
11 USMC WIA

39 VC KIA confirmed
3 VC KIA (By air)

29 Weapons
15 Bayonets
1 Mortar sight
15 Packs
1 VC Corpsman Bag
Miscellaneous documents, web gear
See Enclosure (15, 16 pages 38, 39, 40)

17 June Company 'D'(-) established Radio Relay at LAC SON BT 018288.

18 June Battalion Command Group shifted from LAC SON to TIEN PHOUC, BT 119143.

22 June Operation KANSAS terminated at 221800H after 208 hours of surveillance of assigned area in QUANG TIN and QUANG NAM Province, 141 sightings were made for a total of 763 VC/VCS observed, 43 artillery fire missions and numerous air strikes were called resulting in 127 VC KIA confirmed, 65 VC KIA probable, 36 VC WIA confirmed, and 21 VC WIA probable. Six VCS were captured, 31 weapons, 15 bayonets, 1 mortar sight, 15 packs, 1 VC Corpsman bag. Structures destroyed were 45 houses, and 1 tunnel complex. Forty elephants and 10 water buffalo's were probably killed by air and artillery. The Concept of Operation was formulated upon known and/or suspected enemy locations and formations derived from intelligence sources, SPARS, Red Haze, SMIAT reports and confirmed and/or suspected order of battle in the area bounded by north-south grid line AT on the west; the east-west BT 40 grid line of the north; Highway One on the east and the 00 grid line on the south. The terrain favored dispersing recon platoons in the area to ascertain main lines of communication and suspected enemy movements. See Enclosure (9, 15)

23 June Battalion Command Group extracted from TIEN PHOUC and returned to Battalion CP. See Enclosure (9, 15)

25 June Battalion Command Group reinserted at TIEN PHOUC BT 119143. See Enclosure (10).

27 June Battalion Command Group extracted from TIEN PHOUC. See Enclosure (10).

29 June 2nd Platoon and Headquarters Company 'D' were inserted in support 2/7 for Operation OAKLAND. See Enclosure (13, 16 pages 110, 111, 112)

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 CHU LAI, RVN
 020800H June 1966

Company Frag Order 65-66

Ref: (a) Bn OpO 321-66

(b) Bn OpO Supplement 8-66

(c) Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, Sheet 6757 III
 Series L701

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: 1st Platoon Lt. JONES

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) See Annex A (Intelligence) to reference (a).
- (2) As briefed by Bn S-2 Officer.

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) AO's call sign BLACKCOAT on 39.6
- (2) VMO-6 call sign KLONDIKE on 39.2
- (3) 1st platoon Co "D" call sign CAKEWALK on 45.3 vicinity
 BS 418998 establishes radio relay and observation to the
 west from 021800H-071800H.

c. Attachments and Detachments. Two scout snipers and one corpsman will be attached from H & S Company, 1st Recon Bn (-) (Rein).

2. MISSION. From 041730H to 081730H June 1966, 1st Platoon conducts ground reconnaissance of grid squares BT 3900, BT 4000 and BT 4001. On D+3 establish observation of DONG CO vicinity 410017 and the surrounding valley area.

3. EXECUTION

a. CONCEPT OF OPERATION. 1st Platoon departs LZ QUAIL 041730H June 1966, lands vicinity 382010, and conducts ground reconnaissance of grid squares BT 3900, BT 4000 and BT 4001. On D + 3 establish observation of DONG CO vicinity 410017 and the surrounding valley area. Extraction will be at 081730H June 1966 from BT 407023.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Emphasis is to be placed upon developing trail networks in the area.
- (2) Special EMI: determine if VC are utilizing area as an infiltration/exfiltration route.
- (3) Additional EMI's: See annex A (Intelligence) to reference (a).
- (4) On call concentrations have been established as follows:
 1. VZ 389 BT 392005
 2. VZ 390 BT 399008
 3. VZ 391 BT 410018
- (5) Report to the Bn S-2 Officer prior to patrol for briefing.
- (6) Submit one patrol roster to the S-1 and two to the S-3 prior to the patrol.
- (7) LZ will be marked with yellow smoke for extraction.
- (8) Conceal all trash. Return all batteries.
- (9) Report to the S-2 upon extraction for debriefing.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. see ref (a)5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS ELECTRONICS.

- a. Frequencies: P-45.3 (M-423); A - 39.4 (M-363)
- b. Call sign: AVERAGE
- c. Numerical codes: Effective editions of KAC-J series numerical code will be utilized and will be drawn from Bn message center. Subject codes will be returned immediately upon return from the field.
- d. Report status and position (if Changed) every two hours. Monitor net continuously.
- e. Thrust points:
 - a. 3902
 - b. 4201
- f. Authentication: 15

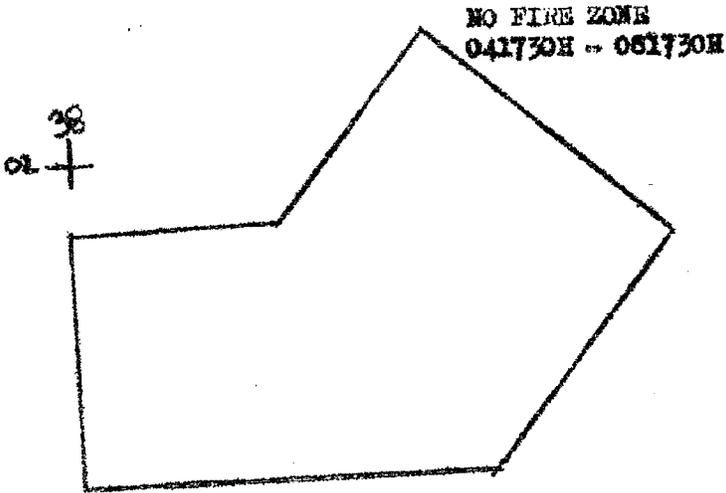
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Annex A (No Fire Zone Overlay)

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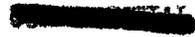


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ANNEX: A (NO FIRE ZONE)



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 CHU LAI, RVN
 030800H June 1966

Company Frag Order 1-66

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 (c) AdminO 322-66
 (d) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS 1701,
 Sheets 6756 IV and 6757 III.

Time Zone: E

Task Organization:

Company "B" (-)(Rein)

Capt C. A. WHITE

1st Platoon

1stLt J. D. BONE

2nd Platoon

2ndLt R. G. WALKER

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces

- (1) Annex A (Intelligence) to reference (a).
- (2) As briefed by S-2.

b. Friendly forces

- (1) 2/7 on 42.9 (COUNTY FAIR FOXTROT)
- (2) Company "FH", 2/7 on 51.8 (COUNTY FAIR).
- (3) AO on 39.6 (BLACKCOAT).
- (4) VID-6 on 39.2 (KLONDIKE).

c. Attachments and Detachments

(1) Two scout sniper teams attached from E&S Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein).

(2) Three corpsman attached from E&S Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein).

(3) Two ARVN Reconnaissance teams attached from 2nd ARVN Reconnaissance Company.

2. MISSION. Company "B" (-) will conduct ground reconnaissance of grid squares BS 4095, BS 4096, BS 4097, BS 4197, BS 4198, BS 4297, BS 4298, BS 4398.

ENCLOSURE (3)

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation. Company "B" (-) departs LZ QUAIL at 061730H June 1966 and lands in LZ EAGLE vicinity BS 407943. The company will then conduct ground reconnaissance of grid squares BS 4095, BS 4096, BS 4097, BS 4197, BS 4198, BS 4297, BS 4298, BS 4099 and BS 4398. Particular emphasis is to be placed upon developing trail networks, building complexes and storage areas. The company will be helolifted from LZ SEAGULL vicinity 437986 and LZ CONDOR vicinity 403992 at 101730H June 1966.

b. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Company "F", 2/7 will conduct a coordinated sweep from Hill 661 East (BS 4598) to Hill 661 West (BS 4398) in conjunction with this operation.
- (2) Special EET.
 - (a) Determine the extent of VC activity in this area.
 - (b) Determine if the VC are utilizing the area to stage equipment and supplies.
 - (c) Determine if the VC are utilizing the area as a staging/training area.
- (3) Be prepared to call and adjust artillery fire on targets of opportunity.
- (4) On call concentrations are located at BS 397957 (VZ 404), BS 403954 (VZ 405), BS 402973 (VZ 406), BS 414974 (VZ 407), BS 424976 (VZ 408).
- (5) Patrols will report status every two hours. Nets will be monitored continuously.
- (6) When reporting, utilize "SALUTE" form when possible.
- (7) Submit patrol rosters to this headquarters 48 hours prior to patrol.
- (8) All trash will be buried.
- (9) All batteries will be brought back with patrol.
- (10) Supply caches found will be destroyed. Samples (one pound) of rice and its container will be kept and brought in with the patrol for further evaluation. Record DTG, location and circumstances.

(11) HMI's: Annex A to references (a).

(12) Contact AO's when in the area.

(13) LZ will be marked with yellow smoke for recovery.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. See reference (a).

b. Special weapons and equipment.

(1) Two M-79's with 24 rounds each

(2) Three PRG-25's.

(3) One signal mirror, per platoon.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. Frequency: P-43.1 (M-401), A-44.1 (M-420)

b. Call signs: Company Headquarters
1st Platoon
2nd Platoon

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CANTILLER
BOOKCOVER

c. Numerical codes: Effective editions of KLC-J series numerical code will be utilized and will be drawn from Bn message center. Subject codes will be turned in immediately upon return from the field.

d. Thrust Points: (1) 4096
(2) 4199
(3) 4398

e. Authentication: 11

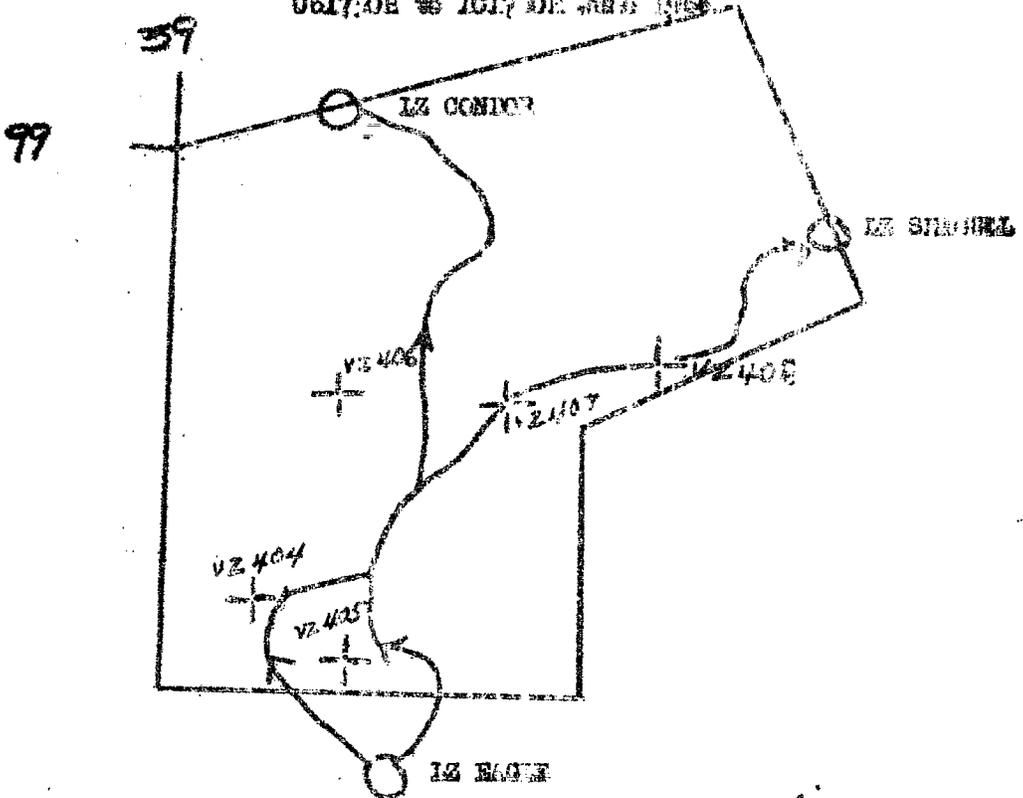
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ANNEX: A (Operation Overlay)

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Op Order 321-66

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061700E to 101700E Area 1966



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ANNEX A (OPERATION OVERLAY)

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 Co "A", 1st Recon Bn (-)(Rein)
 CHU LAM, RVN
 041800H June 1966

Company Frag Order 66-66

Ref: (a) Bn OpO 321-66
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 (c) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701, Sheets
 6757 III & IV, 6657 I & II
 (d) 2/5 OpO _____-66

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

Company "A", 1st Recon Bn (-)(Rein)	1stLt BRALY
1st Platoon	1stLt JONES
2nd Platoon (-), Company "C"	2ndLt BACH
3rd Platoon, Company "D"	1stLt ANDERSON

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces

- (1) See Annex A (Intelligence) to reference (a).
- (2) As briefed by Bn S-2 Officer.

b. Friendly forces

- (1) AO's on 39.6 with call sign BLACKCOAT.
- (2) See reference (d).

c. Attachments and Detachments.

- (1) Four (4) scout snipers and three corpsman will be attached from H&S Company 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein).
- (2) 2nd Platoon (-), Company "C", 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein).
- (3) 3rd Platoon, Company "D", 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein).

2. MISSION. Commencing 061800H June 1966 until completion of Operation, establish observation of areas surrounding Hill 302 (BT 313110) in support of Operation Apache.

ENCLOSURE (4)

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation. 3rd Platoon, Company "D", Lt ANDERSON, departs LZ QUAIL 061730H June 1966, lands vicinity BT 316153 and establishes observation to the south and west of Hill 107 (BT 312157). Extraction will be at 111800H June 1966 from BT 314161.

b. 1st Platoon, Company "A", Lt JONES, departs LZ QUAIL 081730H June 1966, lands vicinity BT 285122 and establishes observation of areas surrounding Hill 130 (BT 281120). Extraction will be upon completion of Operation Apache from BT 282117.

c. 2nd Platoon (-), Company "C", Lt BACH, departs LZ QUAIL 081730H June 1966, lands vicinity BT 325085 and establishes observation of areas surrounding that location. Extraction will be upon completion of Operation Apache from BT 325085.

d. Coordinating Instructions

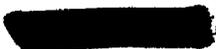
- (1) Be prepared to call and adjust artillery fire.
- (2) Submit patrol rosters to this headquarters prior to execution of assigned mission.
- (3) Report to S-2 Officer prior to patrol for briefing.
- (4) LZ will be marked with yellow smoke for extraction.
- (5) Conceal all trash. Return all batteries.
- (6) An escort must be provided for any prisoners taken.
- (7) A tag with Name, rank and serial number will be provided in each pack.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. See reference (a).

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. Call signs and frequencies:

- (1) Company "A" Headquarters: CRANKCASE ALPHA 45.3 (M-423).
- (2) 3rd Platoon, Company "D": COMBINE 45.3 (M-423).
- (3) 1st Platoon, Company "A": AVERAGE 45.3 (M-423).
- (4) 2nd Platoon (-), Company "C": BOOKCOVER 45.3 (M-423).
- (5) 2/11: CONTRIVE 36.5 (M-340).
- (6) 2/5: CASSANDRA; P-41.8 (M-389); A-39.2 (M-360).



- (7) Co "E", 2/5: CASSANDRA ECHO 48.2 (M-444).
- (8) Co "F", 2/5: CASSANDRA FOXTROT 53.2 (M-485).
- (9) Co "G", 2/5: CASSANDRA GOLF 52.6 (M-481).
- (10) Co "H", 2/5: CASSANDRA HOTEL 48.0 (M-465).
- (11) AO: BLACKCOAT 39.6

b. Numerical Codes: Effective editions of KAC-J series numerical code will be utilized and will be drawn from Bn Message Center. Subject codes will be returned immediately upon return from the field.

c. Report status every two (2) hours. Monitor net continuously.

d. Fire missions will be called directly through CONTRIVE on M340. All other reports will be sent to CRANKCASE ALPHA on M423.

e. Thrust points: (a) 3041
(b) 3112

f. Authentication: 15

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- ANNEX A (3rd Plt, Co "D" NO FIRE ZONE)
- ANNEX B (1st Plt, Co "A" NO FIRE ZONE)
- ANNEX C (2nd Plt(-), Co "C" NO FIRE ZONE)

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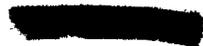
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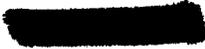


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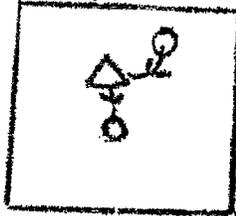


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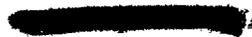
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ANNEX B (OPERATIONS OVERLAY)





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Company Frag Order 15-66

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 (c) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
 Sheets 6756 III & IV

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: 2nd Platoon (-)

Crank Case Whiskey
 SSgt RICHMOND

1. SITUATIONa. Enemy forces

- (1) As briefed by Bn S-2 Officer.
- (2) See Annex B to reference (a).

b. Friendly forces

- (1) One hundred (100) man Popular Force Company located on Hill 177 for security of OP.
- (2) One Battery of 105 Howitzers in direct support.
- (3) One FO team located on Hill 177 to call and adjust artillery fire.
- (4) AO on 39.6 with call sign BLACKCOAT.
- (5) VMO-6 on 39.2 with call sign KLONDIKE.

c. Attachments and Detachments. One corpsman and one scout sniper team attached from H&S Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein).

2. MISSION. 2nd Platoon (-) will establish and maintain an OP at NUI TRON (BS 5178) on Hill 177.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation. At 080900H the 2nd Platoon (-) will be helo lifted from LZ QUAIL and inserted NUI TRON (BS 5178). An OP on Hill 177 will be established and maintained. Extraction will be at 110900H to LZ QUAIL.

b. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Be prepared to call and adjust artillery on any target west of the 57 grid line.

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- (2) Bury all trash and all batteries will be returned.
- (3) Report all sightings and results of fire missions to this headquarters.
- (4) Report to Bn S-2 Officer prior to departing on patrol and upon returning.
- (5) Contact all AO's in the area.
- (6) When reporting, use SALUTE form whenever practicable.
- (7) Submit patrol roster to this headquarters at least 48 hours prior to departure.
- (8) EEI's: Annex A to reference (a).

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- a. See reference (a).
- b. Carry a minimum of two (2) day/night flares.
- c. Secure two (2) PRC-25's from the squad being relieved on NUI TRON.
- d. Carry a three (3) day supply of C-Rations and water.
- e. Carry a three (3) day supply of batteries.
- f. A lead time of 24 hours is required for resupply of food, water, and batteries.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS- ELECTRONICS

- a. Frequencies: P-43.1 (M-401); A-44.1 (M-410)
- b. Check in every two (2) hours and monitor net continuously.
- c. Call signs:
 - (1) 2nd Platoon (-): *Crank Case Whiskey* ~~PUNCTUATE RELAY.~~
 - (2) 1st Recon Bn: CRANKCASE.
 - (3) 1st Recon Bn Relay: CRANKCASE X-RAY.
 - (4) 1st MarDiv FSCG: CRANKCASE BAILEY.
 - (5) NUI VO OP: CHESTERWHITE.

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d. Shackle: Draw the KAK-J series numerical code from Bn S&C. Return the code immediately upon the return of the patrol.

e. Authentication: 17


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Company Frag Order 22-66

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 (c) Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheet 6756 III & IV

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: 1st Platoon (-), Co "D"

Sgt JONES

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces

- (1) As briefed by Bn S-2.
- (2) See Annex B to reference (a).

b. Freindly forces

- (1) One hundred man Popular Force Company located on Hill 177 for security.
- (2) One battery of 105 Howitzers in direct support.
- (3) One FO team located on Hill 177 to call and adjust artillery fire.
- (4) One FAC team located on Hill 177 to call and adjust air strikes.
- (5) One 106 RR w/Gun Crew located on Hill 177 to fire on targets of opportunity.
- (6) One .50 Cal. MG located on Hill 177 to fire on targets of opportunity.
- (7) AO on 39.6 with call sign BLACKCOAT.
- (8) VMO-6 on 39.2 with call sign KLONDIKE.

c. Attachments and Detachments. One corpsman attached from H&S Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein).

2. MISSION. Establish an observation post at NUI TRON and to bring fire to bear on all targets of opportunity west of grid line 57.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation. At 110900H the 1st Squad of the 1st Platoon will be helo lifted from LZ QUAIL and inserted at NUI TRON (BS 5178)

ENCLOSURE (6)

Hill 177. The squad will establish and maintain an observation post. The squad will be extracted at 150900H from NUI TRON, Hill 177, and returned to LZ QUAIL.

b. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Call artillery or direct other fires on all targets of opportunity west of grid line 57.
- (2) Bury all trash, return all batteries.
- (3) Contact AO's when they are in your area.
- (4) Report all sightings and results of fire missions to this headquarters as soon as possible.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- a. Carry a minimum of 2 day/night flares.
- b. Carry a minimum of 2 flash lights.
- c. Secure 2 PRC-25's from Squad being relieved on NUI TRON.
- f. A lead time of 24 hours is requested for resupply.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

- a. Frequencies: P - 43.1 (M-401); A - 44.1 (M-410).
- b. Check in every two hours and monitor the net continuously.
- c. Call signs:
 - (1) 1st Plt (-), Co "D": CRANKCASE WHISKEY
 - (2) 1st Recon Bn: CRANKCASE
 - (3) 1st Recon Relay: CRANKCASE X-RAY
 - (4) 1st MarDiv FSCC: CRANKCASE BALLY
- d. Shackle: Draw from S&C files the KAC-JJ series numerical code for 110900H through 162400H. Return the code immediately upon returning from patrol.
- e. Authentication: 9

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 (c) DivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1st Recon Bn AdminO 324-66
 (e) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS D701, Sheets 6656 I, II, III & IV,
 6657 III & IV

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: See Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence).
- (2) Current intelligence summaries.

b. Friendly Forces. See Annex C (Friendly Forces).

c. Attachments and Detachments

- (1) Detachment, 1st Force Reconnaissance Company (-)(Rein) attached.
- (2) H&S Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-)(Rein) remains in support of the 1st Marine Division(Rein), FMF.

2. MISSION. 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-)(Rein) conducts ground reconnaissance observation within assigned sector DO XA.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation

(1) 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-)(Rein) conducts reconnaissance within assigned sector of DO XA (AT 9000, BT 3000, BS 3082 and AS 9082) commencing 16 June for a period of 14 days. The assigned sector of DO XA is divided into four sections (Annex A- Operation Overlay), and assigned priorities for reconnaissance effort. Additionally, other means of reconnaissance will be employed as available.

ENCLOSURE (7)

Suitable targets developed as a result of reconnaissance will be attacked by air and/or artillery. Targets suitable for heliborne striking force will be attacked by 5th Marines when directed. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed upon:

- (a) Routes of ingress and egress.
- (b) Lines of communications.
- (c) LZ's suitable for exploitation forces.
- (d) Verifying the Order of Battle.
- (e) Locating major installations and facilities to include rest areas, command posts, communications facilities, hospitals, training areas and POW camps. On order be prepared to continue operations in remaining DO XL area.

(2) Company "A" (-) and Command Group (forward) will displace from present location to vicinity of Regional Forces outpost located at HAJ BUC (BT 073062) to exercise command and control and act as a radio relay station from that position.

(3) Company "C" will establish a company size patrol base in the vicinity of Hill 1110 (BS 239958) to carry out assigned missions and act as a harboring site and radio relay station.

b. Amplifying instructions, missions and special instructions to companies will be promulgated by a Supplement to this Operation Order.

c. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) D-Day - 16 June 1966
- (2) Code Name - Operation WASHINGTON.
- (3) Emphasize EEI's. See Annex B (Intelligence).
- (4) Report to the Bn S-2 Officer prior to patrol for briefing.
- (5) Systematic and detailed coverage will be planned for assigned areas and reflected in the Company Operation Order.
- (6) Primary and alternate extraction landing sites will be designated prior to departure of patrol.
- (7) Within each company's assigned reconnaissance area, rally points will be designated. In the event contact is lost during a patrol personnel are to be advised that AO's will check preplanned rally points twice daily.

(8) All companies will submit rosters of personnel participating in the subject operation to the S-1 and S-3 prior to departure. Two rosters will also be provided to the Command Group.

(9) Scout sniper teams will be attached for all operations.

(10) Rules of engagement in accordance with reference (c).

(11) Length of patrols - 2 to 3 days.

(12) Individual patrols will request preplanned, on-call TPQ-10 strikes 36 hours prior to insertion. Strike numbers will be assigned prior to departure by TF X-Ray Air Section. Support mission can be requested utilizing strike number as reference. Additional guidance and instructions is contained in Annex D (Supporting Arms).

(13) Utilize all available means to accomplish insertions. Para-insertions are planned. Particular emphasis is to be placed on feints and ruses when utilizing helos.

(14) When reporting utilize SALUTE form and make clear concise reports. Reports of contact must be detailed, report complete information as soon after the contact as possible, and designate nearest extraction LZ. See Annex E (Communications-Electronics) for reporting times.

(15) Caution all troops to be alert for AP mines.

(16) Supply caches will be destroyed. Samples (one quart) of rice will be kept and brought in with the patrol for further evaluation. Record DFG, location and circumstances of capture.

(17) Be prepared to provide terminal guidance for ground strike forces during the conduct of all patrols.

(18) Be prepared to call and adjust artillery fire on targets of opportunity.

(19) Be prepared to exploit with air support.

(20) LZ will be marked with yellow smoke.

(21) Bury all trash, return all batteries.

(22) Report to S-2 upon extraction for debriefing.

d. Special Instructions. As patrols move through areas employ booby traps on all trails, paths and likely avenues of approach. Maintain a location record and sketch of all booby trapped areas and submit same to this Headquarters upon return.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. See reference (d).

b. Special Equipment

- (1) One signal mirror per team.
- (2) One flashlight per team.
- (3) One day/night flare per man.
- (4) One CS grenade per team.
- (5) Two AN/PRG-25's per platoon.
- (6) Air panels.

(7) Booby Traps

(a) Fuzes

- * M-5 pressure release 3 per man
- ** M-1 pull 2 per man
- *** M1A1 pressure 6 per man

Need 1 non-electric cap per fuze.

(b) Main Charges

- M25 Frag grenade 4 per man
- 1 lb TNT block 5 lbs per plt.
- WP grenade 5 per plt.
- M18A1 Claymore 5 per plt.

- * Use M-5 pressure release w/1 lb TNT
- ** Use M-1 pull w/M-26 grenade, WP grenade and Claymore
- *** Use M1A1 pressure w/TNT

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. Frequencies, call signs, numerical codes and authentication in accordance with Annex E (Communications-Electronics).

b. Command Posts

- (1) 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein) remains in place at BT 566045.
- (2) Company "A" (-) - BT 073062
- (3) Company "C" - BS 239958.
- (4) Report CP locations when established.

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 (b) 1st MarDivO P3800,LF
 (c) 1st Recon BnO P3800,LF
 (d) Task Force X-Ray Intelligence Estimate for Operation WASHINGTON
 (e) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS 1701, Sheets 6656 I, II, III & IV,
 6657 III & IV.

Time Zone: H

1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

a. See reference (d).

b. Order Of Battle. The order of battle intelligence for this area is based almost entirely on low level agent reports of unknown reliability and accuracy.

2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

a. Determine the location, size and trafficability of roads and trails in the area of operation.

b. Determine the location of training area/harbour sites, supply points, and detention camps. Particular attention to presence of installation security, guard routes/posts, capacity of installations and number of captives held, to include race.

c. Determine the location, size and use of structures/habitated areas.

e. Determine location, size, occupancy, state of repair of defensible areas. Particular attention to automatic weapons, recoilless rifles and mortar positions, tunnel and cave entrances/exits.

Determine number of enemy using trails, roads, and rivers. Particular attention to river traffic, arms, uniform, supplies carried, state of training and direction of flow.

g. Determine the location, size and suitability of helicopter landing zone. Particular attention to H-34 capacity of zone, obstacles in zone and routes of egress from and entrance to the zone.

h. Location of sites, types of equipment, antenna systems or forms, and/or telephone equipment with special attention to signals used for the purpose of warning, breaking contact, opening fire, marking mine-fields, stake traps, signs and markers.

3. RECONNAISSANCE AND OBSERVATION

a. Orders to Subordinate Units

(1) See paragraph 3 of this operation order.

b. Requests to higher, adjacent and supporting units

(1) Make available an AC for on-call missions and photography assistance.

(2) Request Interpreter/Interrogation personnel be on call for support of 1st Reconnaissance Battalion.

(3) Make available specific aerial photography as required.

(4) Make available helicopters for reconnaissance of the area of operation, as required.

4. MEASURES FOR HANDLING CAPTURED PERSONNEL, DOCUMENTS AND MATERIAL

a. General

(1) References (b) and (c) provide basic guidance in the handling of captured personnel, documents and material.

(2) Captured personnel will be delivered to the collection and clearing point upon extraction of the patrol. The helicopters delivering the VCC/VCS will be directed to land at the C&C pad (BT 556052). If VCC/VCS are extracted prior to the extraction of the patrol, a guard will be furnished by the patrol.

5. MAPS AND PHOTOGRAPHS

a. Maps. Standard reference maps are AMS L701, 1:50,000; and L509, 1:25,000. Requests for maps and photographs will be submitted to the S-2, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion.

b. Photographs. Limited hand-held and strip photography is available. Photography may be requested, at least 48 hours lead time is desired.

6. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

a. See reference (b) and (c)

b. Countersigns: In accordance with section 5 of reference (b) and paragraph 7.g of reference (c)

7. REPORTS

a. Reports

(1) When reporting, utilize SALUTE form whenever possible. Make complete, concise reports. Reports of contact must be detailed; report complete information as soon after contact as possible.

(2) Patrols will immediately report to S-2, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion for debriefing upon completion of its assigned reconnaissance mission. Patrol reports will be expeditiously completed and distributed by S-2, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion. All debriefs will be recorded on magnetic type.

(3) INTSUMS. As required by higher headquarters.

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Annex C (Friendly Forces) to Operation Order 324-66

Time Zone: H

1. Exploitation Forces

a. Fifth Marines (-) (Rein)

HqCo (-)(Rein)

1st Bn (Rein), 5th Marines

3rd Bn (Rein), 7th Marines

b. MAG-12 provides close air support.

c. MAG-36 provides helicopter support.

d. 11th Marines provides artillery support.

e. Marine Air Support Squadron provides one Air Support Radar Team (ASRT) in support of 1st Reconnaissance Battalion.

2. Logistic Support Unit

(a) Company "A", 1st SP Bn (Rein)

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Annex B (Communication-Electronics) to Operation Order 324-66

Ref: (a) 1st MarDiv Order PC2000,2B
 (b) CG, Task Force XRAY Operation Order 2-66
 (c) 1st Reconnaissance Bn Operation Order 324-66
 (d) Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000 AMS 57014 Sheets 6739 I, 6739 II,
 6739 III, 6739 IV, 6639 I, 6639 II

Time Zone: F

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence).
- (2) The enemy has the capability to.
 - (a) Initiate active and passive enemy counter measures on all assigned circuits.
 - (b) Abandoned enemy communications equipment may be booby-trapped.

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) Annex A (Task Organization)
- (2) Exploitation forces will operate within the assigned area of operations on order.
- (3) 1st Marine Air Wing provides aerial radio relay in support of the operation. Aircraft availability schedules will be published under separate cover.

c. Command Posts

1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-) (Rein)	BT 566045
Company "A"	BT 561047
Company "B"	BT 561048
Company "C"	BT 561047
Company "D"	BT 561047
1st Force Recon Detachment	BT 561047

CP's established by companies and platoons in the field will be reported when established.

2. MISSION. Communication elements will establish, operate, and maintain communications facilities in support of the operation.

SECRET

3. OPERATIONa. Communication Platoon, E&S Company.

- (1) Radio Section. Establish and maintain radio facilities as set forth in reference (b) and Appendix 1 (Radio Guard Chart) to this order. Be prepared to deploy one radio team on order.
- (2) Wire Section. Install and maintain telephone facilities in support of Task Force reconnaissance elements.
- (3) Message Center. Process all traffic addressed to TF Kray via existing KW-7 covered HDTM circuit with 1st MarDiv. Passing instructions will include the following phrase: "Pass to Task Force KRAY COG." All classified messages will include the phrase "OPM WASHINGTON" inserted following the classification.
- (4) Repair Section. Process all emergency equipment repairs on a priority basis. Maintain continuous battery recharging facilities on order.

b. Company "A"

- (1) Establish and maintain communications in accordance with Appendix 1 (Radio Guard Chart and Frequency Plan).
- (2) Be prepared to coordinate communication requirements with exploitation forces when directed.

c. Company "B". Establish and maintain communications as in b. above.d. Company "C". Establish and maintain communications as in b. above.e. Company "D". Establish and maintain communications as in b. above.f. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Coordinating of requirements for inter-company communications will be provided upon request. Company Tactical nets may be established as required.

(2) Reporting. The following reporting schedule is prescribed.

- (a) Company "A". Deployed platoons report at least once each hour on the hour.
- (b) Company "B". Deployed platoons report every hour on the half hour.
- (c) Company "C". Report at least once each hour on the quarter hour. Alpha Sierra reports from subordinate platoons will be consolidated and reported as one.
- (d) Company "D". Deployed platoons report at least once each hour on the three quarter hour.
- (e) 1st Force Recon Det. At least once each hour.

(3) Authentication. Authentication shall be accomplished utilizing effective K&C J editions. Immediate destruction of tables is directed if capture possible or probable.

(4) Numerical Codes. Effective K&C J numeral codes will be utilized. Maximum use of thrust-line position reports is recommended.

(5) Direct Air Support. Requests for direct air support will be accomplished utilizing the code word VICEROY suffixed by the pre-planned concentration number or target position. Annex C to reference (b) applies. Tar #2 will be the air request net. FSCC hot-line will be used for air support requests originated at Bn CP rear and as an alternate means.

(6) Visual. Visual communications will be in accordance with reference (c). The following devices will be carried and employed under the following conditions.

<u>Device</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
Panel VS-4 (1 ea)	I am in danger
Panel VS-6 (1 ea)	Situation Secure
Panel VS-4 (2 ea)	My radio is bad
Steady light	Continuous beam (LZ secure)
Yellow Smoke	Flashing beam (LZ not secure)
Signal mirror	Marking LZ
	Use to alert or contact aircraft. (Three flashes-pause-three flashes indicates I have target and will mark with white smoke or WP)
Flares-hand held (1 ea)	Request MED Evac
(2 ea)	Request extraction

(7) Helicopter Messenger Service. Held messenger service availability to be announced.

(8) Suspected enemy intercept or deception will be reported utilizing the code word MOUSE TRAP.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Dry Cell Batteries. All batteries will be issued by the Communication Supply Section. All AA-386's will be returned to the Communications Officer upon return from the field.

b. BB-451. Communication Repair Section will coordinate and provide BB 451 support upon request. Recharging facilities will be available in the LSA when established.

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APPENDIX

- 1 - Radio Guard Chart and Frequency Plan
- 2 - Call Sign Assignment

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Appendix 1 (Radio Guard Chart and Frequency Plan) to Annex E (Communication Electronics) to Operation Order 324-66.

Ref: (a) 1st MarDiv Order FO2000.2B
 (b) Task Force XEAY OpO 2-66

Time zone: H

TITLE	EMSN	FREQUENCIES			FREQ DESIGS			1st Recon Bn (-)	Company "A" *	Company "B" *	Company "C" *	Company "D" *	Det, Force Recon Co
		PRI	SEC	TER	PRI	SEC	TER						
TF TACT #1	36F3	47.2	43.9		M-438	M-409		X					
TF RECON	3A3J	3326	6979	9446	M-71	M-156	M-205	W					
AIR OBS# 1	36F3	36.4			M-365			W	W	W	W	W	W
BN TACT **	36F3	39.4			M-363			C	X	X	X	X	X
TAR #2	3A3J	2812	4182		M-44	M-95		W					
TAD #3	6A3	314.6			M-578			W					
DIV TACT #1	36F3	38.7	45.9		M-537	M-428		X					

* Platoons will guard nets as indicated under respective Companies.

** Frequency 43.1 (M-401) will be used as the retransmission frequency when operating in automatic mode.

LEGEND: C - Net control station
 X - Guard
 W - When required

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Appendix 2 (Call Sign Assignments) to Annex E (Communication-Electronics) to
 Operation Order 324-66

Ref: (a) 1st MarDiv Order FC2000.2B
 (b) Task Force XRAY OpO 2-66

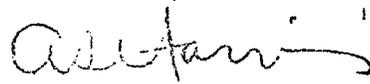
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1. Voice and Tactical Call Signs are as assigned in reference (a) and (b).
 Call Signs of participating units are set forth in reference (b).

2. Call Sign Assignments

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>VOICE</u>	<u>TACTICAL</u>
CG Task Force XRAY	EMERY WHEEL	9VNU
Task Force XRAY (Coll)	EAR WAGGER	9TWO
1st Recon Bn	CRANKCASE	9TVF
1st Recon Bn (Coll)	DIVEBOYER	60G7
Company "A"	CRANKCASE ALPHA	60KN
1st Platoon	AVERAGE	R194
3rd Platoon	COBBLER	WP1U
Company "B"	CRANKCASE BRAVO	OS6T
1st Platoon	CANTILEVER	N55E
2nd Platoon	DELICATESEN	3H09
Company "C"	CRANKCASE CHARLIE	M66V
1st Platoon	CARNIVAL TIME	9P18
2nd Platoon	CAKEMALK	91FX
3rd Platoon	BURGUNDY	7LP2
Company "D"	CRANKCASE DELTA	0M7I
2nd Platoon	CASTLEMAN	60FD
3rd Platoon	CROSSELD	7UZZ
Det 1st Force Recon Co	HATFIELD	BO1G

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Administrative Order 324-66 to Accompany Operation Order 324-66

- Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L-701 Sheets 6655 I and IV, 6656 III and IV, 6657 III, 6755 IV; AMS L-7014 Sheets 6739 I, II, III and IV, 6639 I and II
(b) Task Force XRAY Administrative Order 2-66
(c) 1st Marine Division Administrative Order 301-66
(d) 1st Reconnaissance Battalion Administrative Order 322-66

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1. General. This order provides administrative instructions to accompany Operation Order 324-66 which tasks the following elements of the 1st Reconnaissance Battalion to conduct reconnaissance in force for a period of approximately fourteen (14) days, commencing 16 June 1966.

- a. "H&S" Company (-), 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Command Group)
- b. Company "A" (-), 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (two Platoons and Company Headquarters)
- c. Company "B" (-), 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (two Platoons)
- d. Company "C", 1st Reconnaissance Battalion
- e. Company "D" (-), 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (two Platoons)
- f. 4th Platoon, 1st Force Reconnaissance Company

2. Supply.

a. Supply Source.

- (1) FLSG-BRAVO is the source of supply.
 - (a) 1st Reconnaissance Battalion requests supplies from FLSG-BRAVO throughout the operation.
 - (b) The Logistical Support Unit established to supply 5th Marines (-) Rein may be used by the 1st Reconnaissance Battalion for emergency requests that cannot be otherwise provided. These requests will go via "S-4".

b. Prescribed Loads.

- (1) Class I

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- (a) "H&S" Company (-) - five (5) days MCI
 - (b) "A" Company (-) - five (5) days MCI
 - (c) "C" Company - five (5) days MCI
 - (d) "B", "D" Companies and Force Recon - Long Range Rations two (2) meals per day supplemented by MCI where required.
- (2) Class II
 - (a) Essential T/E and T/A items. Sufficient salt tablets, halazone tablets, and insect repellent.
 - (3) Class III - As required
 - (4) Class IV - None
 - (5) Class V - As required for five (5) days operation
 - (6) Water - As required for five (5) days operation
- c. Supplies and Equipment Available.
- (1) Prescribed Loads. To be drawn from Company and Battalion Supply.
 - (2) FLSG-BRAVO. In accordance with reference (d).
- d. Control and Distribution. Normal distribution from Landing Zone QUAIL
- e. Supply Levels. Maintain prescribed loads.
- f. Resupply
- (1) Establish for five (5) day period for "A" Company (-) and "C" Company
 - (2) Emergency resupply anytime
 - (3) Requested through the "S-4".
- g. Aerial Delivery. None
- h. Transportation of Supplies. Resupply of Landing Zone QUAIL by organic Motor Transport requested through "S-4".
- i. Captured Material. In accordance with reference (d).
- j. Excess Material. Returned to Battalion Supply.

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3. Evacuation and Hospitalization.

- a. Requests for evacuation approved by "S-3".
- b. Evacuations made by helicopter direct to the 1st Medical Battalion.

4. Transportation.

- a. Highway. Organic Motor Transport will be used for resupply of Landing Zone QUAIL and will be requested through "S-4".
- b. Air. Will be used for insertion and extraction and will be requested through the "S-3".

5. Service.

- a. 1st Marine Air Wing provides helicopters for resupply, medical evacuation and tactical troop lifts.
- b. FLSG-BRAVO provides supplies to support Reconnaissance Operations.

6. Personnel.

- a. In accordance with reference (d).
- b. Submit Personnel Daily Summary of designated forces to Task Force XRAY Headquarters daily as of 2359 by 1200 following day. First report due 151200H June 1966. Continue submission normal reports to 1st Marine Division Headquarters as required by reference (c).

7. Miscellaneous.

- a. Requests for special supplies and non-T/E items will be submitted through the "S-4".
- b. Each separate company will be responsible to recover individual equipment and weapons of evacuated personnel.

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Annex D (Supporting Arms) to Operation Order 324-66

Ref: (A) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701, Sheets 6656 I, II, III & IV,
 6657 III & IV

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1. Artillery Support. 4.2 Mortar Battery w/4 tubes available upon commitment of exploitation forces.

2. Air Support

a. Close air support available during daylight hour on condition III status (condition IV during hour of darkness). Request for CAS will be made via Recon Net. Be prepared to mark target and/or friendly positions in accordance with instructions contained in Bn OpOrder 321-66; Annex B (Comm-Elec).

b. Five UH-34D helicopters, four AA's and two HUEI's on condition III. The two HUEI's will be located at HUONG LAM (3) (BT 073062) during daylight hours (0700-1900). HUEI's to be used for fire suppressions/TAC (A)/ retransmissions.

c. One C-117 available from 1900-2300 and 0300-0700 daily for airborne radio relay. C-117 has flare capability which could be used for lighting during extractions by helo. Any request for emergency extraction must be approved by this Headquarters.

d. Two AO flights daily in DO XA to conduct recon and check preplanned rally points.

e. Individual patrols will request preplanned, on-called TPQ-10 strikes 36 hours prior to insertion. Strike numbers will be assigned prior to departure by the Task Force X-Ray air section. Support missions can be requested via the Recon Net utilizing strike numbers as reference. Adjustments from preplanned strikes can be made by giving the following:

- (1) Strike number
- (2) Magnetic azimuth to the target.
- (3) Distance in meters from the preplanned strike to the target

f. TPQ-10 strikes can be requested during the conduct of patrols by giving the target description and six place coordinates.

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ENCLOSURE

g. One Air Support Radar Team (ASRT).

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6639 Sheet I, Sheet 6631 II

(b) BnOpOrder 324-66

1ST RECON BATTAL (-) (Rein)

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28 Aug

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

<u>1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein)</u>	LtCol A. J. SULLIVAN
<u>H&S Company(-)</u>	Capt C. D. SMALL
<u>Company "A"(-)</u>	1stLt C. E. BRALY
<u>Company "B"(-)</u>	Capt C. A. WHITE
<u>Company "C"</u>	Capt T. J. GERAGHTY
<u>Company "D"</u>	1stLt P. B. GOODWIN
<u>Det, 1st Force Recon Co</u>	1stLt J. PAULL

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) See Annex B (Intelligence) to reference (b).
- (2) As briefed by Battalion S-2

b. Attachments and Detachments

- (1) See reference (b).
- (2) Det, 1st Force Recon Co (4th) Platoon attached.

2. MISSION

- a. See reference (b)

3. EXECUTION

ENCLOSURE (1

a. Concept of Operation. See reference (b).

b. H&S Company

(1) From 151700H-180900H provide a Command Group (forward) to operate from the Regional Forces outpost at HAU DUC.

c. Company "A" (-)

(1) At 151700H displace from current location to vicinity of Regional Forces outpost located at HAU DUC. Be prepared to operate from that location for a period of about 15 days. The code name of ANNE is assigned for this mission. Include one AN/PRC-47 and one AN/PRC-41 to your communication equipment.

(2) From 181700H to 221700H establish observation posts overlooking the river and valley in GS 0701, 0601, 0501 and 0502. Particular emphasis is to be placed on determining enemy LOC's and activity in this area. Reference (b) establishes the no fire zone. The code name of MAY is assigned to this mission. Entry will be by foot.

d. Company "B" (-)

(1) From 161700H to 191700H establish observation posts overlooking the SONG TRANH and NAM NIM rivers in GS 9096, 9095 and 9196. Particular emphasis is to be placed on determining enemy LOC's in your area and determining enemy activity in your area. No fire zone is prescribed in reference (b). The code name ROWENA is assigned for this mission.

(2) From 161800H to 201800H conduct a ground reconnaissance of GS 8990, 9090, northwest corner of 9190, 9191, and 9291. Emphasis will be placed on determining enemy activity and order of battle in this area of operations. Probable enemy lines of communications will be determined. Reference (b) establishes the no fire zone. The code name ANGELA is assigned for this mission.

e. Company "G"

(1) From 151700H to 300800H establish a company size patrol base in the vicinity of Hill 1110 (BS 239958). Be prepared to act as a radio relay from this position. Include one AN/PRC-41 to your communication equipment. The code name LINDA is assigned for this mission.

(2) From 171700H to 201700H establish observation posts overlooking the SUOI TRA CO river in GS 2090, 2190, and 2290. Particular emphasis is to be placed on determining enemy activity and lines of communications in this area. Reference (b) establishes the no fire zone. The code name MARGE is assigned for this mission.

f. Company "D" (-)

(1) From 181700H to 221700H establish observation post overlooking the SONG VANG river and the surrounding valley in GS 0196, 0297 and 0396. Particular emphasis is to be placed on determining enemy activity and probable lines of communications in this area. Reference (b) establishes the no fire zone. The code name ESTELLE is assigned for this mission.

(2) From 191800H to 211800H establish observation of the SONG VANG and SONA THUONG river and surrounding valley in GS 0894, 0994, 1094 and the southern tributaries to those rivers located in GS 0993 and 1093. Emphasis is to be placed on determining enemy activity and lines of communications in this area. Reference (b) establishes the no fire zone. The code name LOUISE is assigned to this mission.

g. Detachment, 1st Force Recon Company (4th platoon)

(1) From 160200H to 190900H, utilizing a para-drop entry, establish observation posts overlooking the SONG TRANH and SONG VANG rivers and adjacent land area in GS 9697, 9797, 9798 and 9896. Emphasis is to be placed on determining enemy order of battle, lines of communications, and activity in this area of operations. Reference (b) establishes the no fire zone. The code name SUSAN is assigned to this mission.

h. Coordinating Instructions. See reference (b).

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. See reference (b) and AdminO 324-66.
5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS. See reference (b).

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Company Frag Order 25-66

Ref: (a) Bn OpOrder 321-66
 (b) Supplement 10-66 to Bn OpOrder 321-66
 (c) Map: VITTRAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheet 6756 III & IV

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: 1st Platoon (-), Co "D" Lt. BUDTKE

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) As briefed by Bn S-2.
- (2) See Annex B to reference (a).

b. Friendly forces

- (1) One hundred man Popular Force Company located on Hill 177 for security.
- (2) One battery of 155 guns in direct support.
- (3) One Fo team located on Hill 177 to call and adjust artillery fire.
- (4) One Fac team located on Hill 177 to call and adjust air strikes.
- (5) One 106 AR w/Gun Crew located on Hill 177 to fire on targets of opportunity.
- (6) One .50 cal. MG located on Hill 177 to fire on targets of opportunity.
- (7) AD on 39.6 with call sign BLACKCAT.
- (8) VAO-6 on 39.2 with call sign REDDIE.

c. Attachments and Detachments. One corpsman attached from H&S Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-) (Rein) and one man to fire .50 cal. MG from Amphac Bn.

2. MISSION. Establish an observation post at FUI PAF and to bring fire to bear on all targets of opportunity west of grid line # 5/.

ENCLOSURE (8)

3. FUNCTION

a. Concept of Operator. At 16000H the 1st Squad of the 1st Platoon will be hoisted from LZ QUAIL and inserted at NUI TRON (BS 5178) Hill 177. The squad will establish and maintain an observation post. The squad will be extracted at 21000H from NUI TRON and returned to LZ QUAIL.

b. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Call artillery or direct other fires on all target of opportunity west of grid line #57.

(2) Bury all trash, return all batteries.

(3) Contact AO's when they are in your area.

(4) Report all sightings and results of fire missions to this headquarters as soon as possible.

(5) NO junks or sampans will be fired upon w/o ARVN approval.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTICS

a. Carry a minimum of 2 day/night flares.

b. Carry a minimum of 2 flash lights.

c. Secure 2 FRC-25's from Squad being relieved on NUI TRON.

d. A lead time of 24 hours is requested for resupply.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. Frequencies; P - 43.1 (M-401); A - 44.1 (A-410).

b. Check in every two hours and monitor the net continuously.

c. Call signs:

(1) 1st Plt (-), Co "D": CRANKCAST WHISKY

(2) 1st Recon Bn: CRANKCAST

(3) 1st Recon Relay: CRANKCAST X-RAY

(4) 1st MarDiv SSG: CRANKCAST SALLY

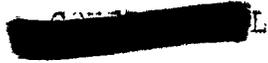
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d. Shackle: Drawn from SAC files the KAC-JJ series numerical code for 160900H through 212400H. Return the code immediately upon returning from patrol.

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 Sheets 6675 I, II, III and IV
 (b) BnOp Order 321-66
 (c) Task Force X-Ray Op Order (to be issued)

Time Zone: H

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H & S Co (-)	Capt C. D. SMALL
Company "A" (-)	1stLt G. BRALY
Company "B" (-)	Capt C. WHITE
Company "C"	Capt T. GIBRAGHTY
Company "D" (-)	1stLt P. B. GOODWIN
4th Plt, 1st Force Recon Co	1stLt J. PAUL
2nd ARVN Recon Co	Capt SPIES (Advisor)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) See Annex A (Intelligence) to reference (b)
- (2) As briefed by S-2 Officer.

b. Friendly Forces. See reference (c)

c. Attachments and Detachments

- (1) 4th Plt, 1st Force Recon Co, attached.
- (2) 2nd Reconnaissance Co, 2nd ARVN Division

ENCLOSURE (9)

2. MISSION. 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Foia) conducts ground reconnaissance in the QUANG NAM/QUANG TIN Province to determine location of enemy forces in that area.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation. See reference (c)

b. H&S Company. From 181500H to completion of operation provide a command group to operate from the vicinity of TIEN PHOU.

c. Company "A". From 180700H to completion of operation provide one platoon, (COVETOUS), to establish surveillance from Hill 330 vicinity of BT 112277. The primary direction of observation is North and West.

d. Company "B".

(1) From 181500H to completion of operation provide one platoon, (CAKEWALK), to operate with Command Group. At 190600 the platoon will conduct patrol as indicated on the operation overlay and report all enemy sightings encountered.

(2) From 191800H provide one platoon, (CASTLEWER), to conduct patrol as indicated on the operation overlay and report all enemy sightings encountered.

e. Company "C". From 180700H to 231800H establish an OP, (CHESTERWATER), on Hill 110 in the vicinity of BT 233187. Primary direction of observation to the North and West.

f. Company "D"

(1) From 171230H to completion of operation establish your Company Headquarters (-) at LAC SON to act as radio relay and establish surveillance of the area to the North.

(2) From 181400H provide one platoon (CASTILLION) to establish surveillance from LAC SON with primary direction of observation to the North. At 202000H establish an OP on Hill 403 in the vicinity of BT 045274 with primary direction of observation to the South.

g. 2nd Recon Co, 2nd ARVN Division and 4th Flt, 1st ForRecon Co.

(1) From 180600H to 221700H establish a combined force (HATEFUL), in the vicinity of AT 972373 and establish surveillance of that area with primary direction of observation to the South and SouthEast. Conduct patrolling as indicated on the operation overlay.

(2) From 191830H to 231700H establish a combined force, (AVERAGE), in the vicinity of BT 003424 and establish surveillance of this area. Conduct patrolling as indicated on the operation overlay.

h. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Report all sightings immediately to CRANKCASE (Command Group)
- (2) Report every two hours and monitor net continuously.
- (3) Be prepared to exploit with Air and Artillery Support.
- (4) Individual patrols will request preplanned TFQ-10's.
- (5) All companies will submit patrol rosters prior to patrol.
- (6) Three false inserts at 180700H vicinity BT 164265, 190500H vicinity BT 183205, 201200H vicinity BT 990249.
- (7) One para-drop (2-chutes, no troops) at 202300H vicinity AT 955275.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- (1) See admin Order 321-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
- (2) Resupply of class I, II and V, available on request.
- (3) One signal mirror per team
- (4) One flashlight per team
- (5) Air panels will be carried.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS.

a. See reference (c)

b. Command Posts

- | | |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| (1) 1st Recon Bn Cmd Group | BT 113141 |
| (2) 1st Recon Bn Rear | BT 567045 |
| (3) Company "D"(-) | BT 024288 |

Platoons report positions when established.

c. The following net and frequency assignments are established.

<u>NET</u>	<u>FREQ</u>	<u>DESIGNATOR</u>
Bn Cmd	(F) 2585 KC	M-30
	(S) 9448 KC	M-199
BnTAC Primary	45.3 MC	M-423
BnTAC Secondary	39.4 MC	M-363
Pl/Linky Liason	43.1 MC	M-401
DAC	39.6 MC	M-365

d. Call Signs - See Operations Overlay.

e. Effective KAC JJ Numeral Code tables will be drawn prior to departure. Emergency destruction is authorized if capture possible or probable.

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 AMS L701, Sheet 6657 I, II, III

(b) Bn Op Order 321-66

Time Zone: H

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Company "A" (-)	1stLt C. E. BRALY
Company "B" (-)	Capt G. A. WHITE
Company "C"	Capt T. J. GERAGHTY
Company "D" (-)	1stLt P. B. GOODWIN
3rd Plt, 1st Force Recon Co	1stLt J. PAULL
4th Plt, 1st Force Recon Co	1stLt BEST
2nd ARVN Recon Co	Capt SPIES (advisor)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces

- (1) See Annex A (Intelligence) to reference (b)
- (2) As briefed by S-2 Officer

b. Friendly forces

- (1) 1st Bn, Fifth Marines provides one rifle company reaction force.
- (2) MAG-12 provides air support.
- (3) MAG-36 provides helicopter support.
- (4) 11th Marines and RVN forces provide artillery support.

c. Attachments and Detachments

- (1) 3rd and 4th Plt, 1st Force Recon Co, attached

ENCLOSURE (10)

(2) Detachment, 2nd Reconnaissance Co, 2nd ARVN Division, attached.

2. MISSION 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein) conducts ground reconnaissance in the QUANG NAM/QUANG TIN Province to determine location of enemy forces in that area.

3. EXECUTION

a. H&S Company. Commencing 221800H be prepared to provide a command group to operate from vicinity of TIEN PHOUIC and other areas as directed.

b. Company "A" (-).

(1) Commencing 250630H provide one platoon, (BURGUNDY), to establish surveillance from Hill 218 vicinity of BT 237142. The primary direction of observation is North and East.

(2) Commencing 251800H provide one platoon, (CROSSTIDE) to establish surveillance from Hill 396 vicinity BT 238085. The primary direction of observation is west and south.

(3) On order be prepared for additional missions.

c. Company "B" (-).

(1) Commencing 251700H establish Company Headquarters at HAU DUC vicinity BT 073062 and act as radio relay.

(2) Commencing 251800H provide one platoon, (AVERAGE), to establish surveillance from Hill 482 vicinity of AT 876175. The primary direction of observation is North and East.

(3) On order be prepared for additional missions.

d. Company "C".

(1) Commencing 251800H provide a platoon, (BOOKCOVER), to establish surveillance in that area as shown on the operation overlay. Primary direction of observation is North-West and South-East.

(2) Commencing 260630H provide a platoon, (CAKEWALK) to establish surveillance from Hill 607 vicinity BT 013145. The primary direction of observation is North and South.

(3) On order be prepared for additional missions.

e. Company "D".

(1) Commencing 230700H provide a platoon, (CASTILLIAN), to establish surveillance from Hill 376 vicinity BT 206127.

(2) Commencing 240800H provide a platoon, (COVETOUS), in the KY TRA area at DUC PHU (1) vicinity BT 327084. Your mission is primarily that of gathering intelligence information from local agents concerning all activities in the surrounding area.

(3) From 221700H establish a platoon size radio relay on Hill 707 vicinity 419998.

f. 3rd & 4th Plts, 1st For Recon Co.

(1) Commencing 250630H establish a platoon (HATEFUL), in the vicinity of Hill 303 vicinity BT 257104 and establish surveillance of that area with primary direction of observation to the North and South.

(2) On order be prepared for additional missions.

g. 2nd Recon Co. 2nd ARVN Division.

(1) Commencing 251700H establish a combined force with CRANKCASE BRAVO Headquarters at HAU DUC vicinity BT 073062 and act as a radio relay.

(2) On order be prepared for additional missions.

h. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Report all sightings immediately to CRANKCASE (Command Group).

(2) Report every two hours and monitor net continuously.

(3) Be prepared to exploit with air and artillery support.

(4) Individual patrols will request preplanned TPQ-10's.

(5) All companies will submit patrol rosters prior to patrol.

(6) Two false inserts at 240630H vicinity BT 164204 and BT 097247.

(7) One stiff wing and AQ available daily, with priority to AVERAGE.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. See Admin Order 321-66 to ~~Bn Order~~ 321-66.

b. Resupply of Class I, II and V, available on request.

c. One signal mirror per team.

d. One flashlight per team.

e. Air panels will be carried.

f. One light, marker, distress Model 464 per platoon.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. See reference (b).

b. Command Posts

(1) 1st Recon Bn (-)

BT 564047

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- (2) Command Group BT 107143
- (3) Company "D" (-) BT 107143
- (4) Platoons report positions when established.

c. The following net and frequency assignments are established.

<u>NET</u>	<u>FREQ</u>	<u>DESIG</u>
Bn TAC Primary	45.3 MC	M-423
Bn TAC Secondary	39.4 MC	M-363
Bn TAC Spare #1	44.1 MC	M-410
Bn Arty Liaison	43.9 MC	M-401
	51.85	M-475

d. Call signs

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>CALL SIGN</u>
1st Recon Bn (-)	CRANKCASE
1st Plt, Co "A"	BURGUNDY
3rd Plt, Co "A"	CROSSBIDE
Company "B"	CRANKCASE BRAVO
1st Plt, Co "B"	AVERAGE
2nd Plt, Co "B"	CANTILEVER
2nd Plt, Co "C"	CAKEWALK
3rd Plt, Co "C"	BOOKCOVER
Company "D"	CRANKCASE DELTA
1st Plt, Co "D"	COVETOUS
2nd Plt, Co "D"	CASTILLIAN
3rd Plt, Co "D"	DELICATESSEN
Det, 1st Force Recon Co	HATEFUL
Bn Arty Liaison	CRANKCASE 22 & 22A

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e. Company "D" establishes communications liaison group vicinity BT 10 DELICATESSEN provides radio relay in support of Battalion Operations.

f. Effective KAC J Numeral Code tables will be drawn prior to departure. Emergency destruction is directed if capture possible or probable.

g. Platoons will draw emergency strobe lights from the Bn Message Center prior to departure.

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Company Frag Order 27-66

Ref: (a) Bn OpOrder 321-66
 (b) Supplement 10-66 to Bn OpOrder 321-66

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: 3rd Platoon (-), Co "D" GySgt GUTIERREZ

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces

- (1) As briefed by S-2
- (2) According to latest reports it is believed that enemy forces may be operating between grid 3702 westerly to 4001.

b. Friendly forces

- (1) One squad, 3rd Platoon, Co "D" is now located on Hill 707 to act as a radio relay.
- (2) AO's on 39.6 with call sign BLACKCOAT.
- (3) VMO-6 on 39.2 with call sign KLONDIKE.

2. MISSION. To reinforce the radio relay on Hill 707 vicinity BS 419998 and to conduct a ground reconnaissance to the west of Hill 707 to determine enemy activity in that area.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation. At 231800H the 3rd Platoon (-), Co "D" will be heli-lifted from LZ QUAIL and inserted vicinity Hill 707 (BS 419998). At first light on the 24th the squad will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the west of Hill 707 (See Annex A - Operations Overlay). At 241700H the squad will be heli-lifted from vicinity BT 373012 and reinserted at Hill 707 vicinity BS 419998. 3rd plt, "D" Company will be extracted on order.

b. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Be prepared to call and adjust artillery fire.
- (2) Submit patrol posters to this headquarters prior to execution of assigned mission.

ENCLOSURE (11)

(3) Report to S-2 officer prior to patrol for briefing

(4) Conceal all trash, return all batteries.

~~(5) All items will be provided for any prisoners taken~~

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: See reference (a)

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION - ELECTRONICS

a. Call Signs Thrust points:

(1) 3rd Platoon Co "D" - DELICATESSEN

(2) Recon Bn - CRANKCASE

(3) 1st Mar Div FSCC - CRANKCASE BAILEY

b. Frequencies: 39.4

c. Shackles: Draw from Bn S&C files the KAC-J series numeral code for 231700H to 282400H. Return code to S&C file upon completion of patrol.

d. Thrust points:

Red -- 4001

White -- 3900

Blue -- 3701

e. Authentication: 13

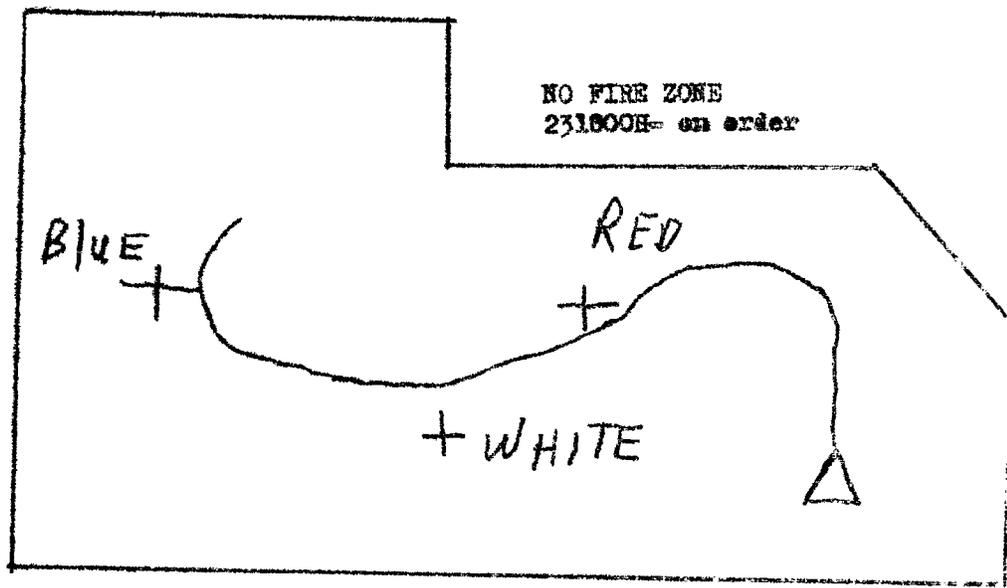
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 231530H June 1966

Company Frag Order 26-66

Ref: (a) Bn OpOrder 321-66
 (b) Supplement 10-66 to Bn OpOrder 321-66
 (c) Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000 AMS L701,
 Sheet 6757 III - 6657 II

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: 1st Platoon (-), Co "D" Sgt. JONES

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces

- (1) As briefed by Bn S-2
- (2) See Annex B to reference (a)

b. Friendly forces

- (1) One Company of Popular Forces located in Doc Phu I

c. Attachments and Detachments

- (1) One RVN interpreter
- (2) One corpsman will be attached from H&S Company,
 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-) (Rein)

2. MISSION To establish an observation post at Doc Phu I and to observe the area north west and south and to gather as much information as possible from friendly forces.

3. EXECUTION

a. Commencing 240800H June 1966 the Squad will be helo lifted from LZ QUAIL and inserted in vicinity BS 324085. The unit will then establish an observation post to observe the area north west and south of Doc Phu I.

b. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Be prepared to call and adjust artillery fire.
- (2) Submit patrol rosters to this headquarters prior to execution of assigned mission.
- (3) Report to S-2 officer prior to patrol for briefing.
- (4) Conceal all trash, return all batteries.

ENCLOSURE (12)

(5) Contact AO's when they are in the area.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

(1) See reference (a)

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION - ELECTRONICS

a. Call signs:

(1) 1st Plt (-) Co "D" - COVETUS

(2) 1st Recon Bn - CRANKCASE

(3) 1st Recon Relay - CRANKCASE YANAKEE

(4) 1st Mar Div FSCC - CRANKCASE BAILEY

b. Shackles: Draw from S & C files the KAC-JJ series numeral code for 240900H through 292400H. Return the code immediately upon returning from patrol.

c. Authentication: II

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1st Reconnaissance Bn (-)(Rein)
 CHU LAI, RVN
 271200H June 1966

1st Recon Bn Frag Order 7-66 to 7th Marines Frag Order 16-66 (Operation OAKLAND)

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, Series 1701,
 Sheet 6756 II and III, 6755 I and IV
 (b) 7th Marines Frag Order 16-66 (Operation OAKLAND)
 (c) Bn Op Order 321-66

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

Company "D" (-)

1st Lt P. B. GOODWIN

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) Current INTSUM.
- (2) As briefed by S-2 Officer

b. Friendly Forces. See reference (b)

c. Attachments and Detachments. None

2. MISSION To conduct ground reconnaissance in support of 7th Marines (-)(Rein) in the MO DUC area, QUANG NGAI province, RVN to determine location of enemy forces in that area.

3. EXECUTION

(a) Commencing 290530H be prepared to furnish a Company Headquarters (-) to operate with the 2nd Battalion(rein), 7th Marines.

(b) Commencing 291100H provide one platoon to establish OP's as directed to effect surveillance of the SONG VE Valley.

(c) On order be prepared to carry out additional missions.

(d) Coordinating Instructions

- (1) D-Day: 29 June 1966
- (2) L-hour: 0900
- (3) Brief SITREP on landing, then every two hours commencing 1100H.
- (4) Spot reports on any significant occurrence as well as on receiving or inflicting casualties.
- (5) Position reports when necessary to inform this headquarters of location of friendly units.

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1st Recon Bn Frag Order 8-66 to BnOp Order 321-66.

Ref: (a) VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014, Sheets 6639 I, 6739 IV
 (b) BnOp Order 321-66

Time Zone: H

Task Organization:

Company "A" (-)

1stLt C. J. BRALY

Company "D" (-)

1stLt F. B. GOODWIN

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces

- (1) Current ISUMS.
- (2) As briefed by S-2 Officer

b. Friendly forces

- (1) 1st Bn, Fifth Marines provides one rifle company reaction force
- (2) MAG-12 provides air support.
- (3) MAG-36 provides helicopter support.
- (4) 11th Marines provide artillery support.

c. Attachments and Detachments. None

2. MISSION 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-)(Rein) conducts ground reconnaissance in the QUANG TIN Province to determine location of enemy forces in that area.

3. EXECUTION

a. Company "A" (-).

(1) Commencing 010800H July provide one platoon, (CROSS TIE) to establish surveillance from vicinity of BT 252062. The primary direction of observation is South and West.

(2) On order be prepared for additional missions.

b. Company "D"

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(1) Commencing 301500H provide one platoon, (DELICATESSEN) to establish surveillance from BT 327084. Primary observations will be West, and Southwest.

(2) On order be prepared for additional missions.

c. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Report all sightings immediately to CRANKCASE.

(2) Report every two hours and monitor net continuously.

(3) Submit thrust points and NFZ prior to departure.

(4) Be prepared to exploit with air and artillery support.

(5) Individual patrols will request preplanned TEQ-20's.

(6) All Companies will submit patrol rosters prior to patrol.

(7) All patrol leaders will have a record of all MIM designators and a list of all friendly patrols in the area prior to departure.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. See AdminOrder 321-66 to EnOpOrder 321-66.

b. Resupply of Class I, II and V, available on request.

c. One signal mirror per team.

d. One flashlight per team.

e. Air panels will be carried.

f. One light, marker, distress Model 464 per platoon.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. See reference (b).

b. Command Posts

(1) 1st Recon Bn (-) - BT 566044

(2) Platoon report CP location when established.

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c. Call signs and Frequencies

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>CALL SIGN</u>	<u>NET</u>	<u>FREQ.</u>	<u>DESIG</u>
1st Recon Bn	CRANE CASE	Bn TAC (p)	45.3 MC	M-423
		Bn TAC (P)	43.1 MC	M-403
		Bn TAC (P)	39.4 MC	M-363
3rd Plt Co "A"	CROSSTIDE	Primary	45.3	M-423
		Arty Liaison	51.85	M-475
3rd Plt Co "D"	DELLIMESSEN	Primary	39.4	M-363
		Arty Liaison	51.85	M-475
H&S Co	CC X-RAY	Polay (P)	43.1	M-403
	CC YANFEE	Polay (P)	39.4	M-363
	CC 22 A	Arty liaison	51.85	M-475
	CC 22 B	Arty liaison	51.85	M-475

d. Effective KAC J Numerical Code tables will be drawn prior to departure. Emergency destruction is directed if capture possible or probable.

e. Platoons will draw emergency strobe lights from the Bn Message Center prior to departure.

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Subj: Combat Operations After Action Report

Ref: (a) DivO 3480.1
 (b) 1st Recon BnOp Order 321-66
 (c) 1st Recon Bn Frag Order 5-66

Encl: (1) Terrain Analysis
 (2) Patrol overlay (Composite)
 (3) Team Debrief Reports

1. Code Name: Operation KANSAS
2. Dates of Operation: 140200H to 221800H June 1966
3. Location: QUANG NAM/QUANG TIN Province
4. Command Headquarters: 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-) (Rein)

LtCol A. J. SULLIVAN

5. Task Organization:

Command Group	LtCol A. J. SULLIVAN
H&S Company (-)	Capt C. D. SMALL
Company "A" (-)	1stLt C. E. BRALY
Company "B" (-)	Capt C. A. WHITE
Company "C"	Capt T. J. GERAGHTY
Company "D"	1stLt P. B. GOODWIN
3rd Plt, 1st Force Recon Co	1stLt S. J. BEST
4th Plt, 1st Force Recon Co	1stLt J. PAULL
2nd ARVN Recon Co	Capt SPIES (Advisor)

ENCLOSURE (15)

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6. Supporting Forces

a. Artillery-Utilized to destroy targets of opportunity as spotted by the Recon OP's. Forty-three fire missions were called with excellent coverage and were considered very effective.

b. Aviation

(1) Helicopters were used for insertions and extractions of Recon units and for resupply.

(2) A total of forty-three TFQ-10 missions were called as requested by Recon OP's with very effective coverage.

7. Intelligence: See reference (b)

8. Missions: To conduct ground reconnaissance in the QUANG NAM/QUANG TIN Province to determine location of enemy forces in that area.

9. Concept of Operation: The concept of operation was formulated upon known and suspected enemy locations and formations derived from a composite of SPARS, RED HAZE, SMIAT reports and accepted order of battle for the area generally bounded by North South grid AT 85 on the west; the East West 40 grid lines on the north; highway one on the east and the 00 gridline on the south. Terrain favored dispersing small units throughout the area to learn of the enemy trace in main LOC's. The initial insertion had to be clandestine to prevent enemy counter movement to either destroy Recon elements or to preclude observation of him. A parachute entry was to be used for the initial insertion, surrounded by conventional helo inserts.

10. Execution: See references (b), (c)

11. Results: During Operations KANSAS, Recon elements made 141 sightings for a total of 763 VC/VCS observed. The fire missions and air strikes called resulted in 127 VC KIA confirmed, 65 VC KIA probable, 36 VC WIA confirmed and 21 VC WIA probable. Six VCS, 32 weapons, 15 bayonets, 1 mortar sight, 15 packs and 1 VC corpsman's bag were captured. Structures destroyed were 45 houses and one tunnel complex. Forty elephants and ten water buffalo were probably killed by air and artillery. One patrol parachuted in, two walked from forward bases and the remaining twenty-two were inserted and extracted by helicopters.

12. Administration Matters: Helicopters were used for insertion, extraction, resupply and medical evacuations. Communications was primarily by FM. Reliance on HF for admin and TAR nets proved difficult. Neither the FRC 47 or MRC 83 gave effective, continuous service. The best HF service was obtained during the hours 0600 to 2300. Difficulties with HF (SSB) seemed to stem from the poor propagation in this area. On deep patrols, ground relay was critical. The extraction of one patrol in this chain often had a domino effect.

13. Special Equipment and Techniques:

a. The techniques of direct communication from the Recon platoons to the FDC was utilized in calling fire mission. Nine patrols submitted terrain analysis on their respective areas attached here to as enclosure (1).

b. Using the techniques of having so much air support on Condition III (OE's, HUIE's, H34's and A4E's, Flare plane) is effective but there is a requirement for an OE over deep patrols to ensure a faster reaction time.

14. Commander's Analysis: Operation KANSAS again proved that in suitable terrain, OP's manned by reconnaissance personnel can effectively keep enemy movements under constant surveillance. This precludes any large buildup in the observed area from going unnoticed as well as inflicting casualties and disrupting enemy plans. The Recon effort from 13 June to 28 June was a testing ground for ideas as to the conduct of a proposed operation in the DOXA to be called WASHINGTON. The premise that reconnaissance elements could operate deep in enemy territory and beyond the protection of friendly long range artillery was based primarily on air support ability to cover teams in difficulty and assure their retraction. Approach to the problem encompassed the following:

(a) Development of composite positions of enemy activity reported through SMIAT, SPAR, RED HAZE and confirmed OOB by III MAF.

(b) Deception in terms of false inserts and insertion of material to draw enemy attention to other areas.

(c) Clandestine entry of one platoon followed by conventional helo entry of others.

(d) Insertion during Arc light strikes while the enemy had other more important problems to contend with.

(e) Forward placement of artillery elements to cover teams whenever possible.

(f) Short term patrols based on selecting OP sites rather than traversing vast areas. Such OP sites to intersect main LOC's.

(g) Availability and/or feasibility of 24 hours airborne radio-relay (Autocat)

(h) Availability and feasibility of gathering certain number and kinds of aircraft in direct support of Recon elements.

(i) Higher echelon provision of an emergency extraction force.

The resultant patrol activity (See enclosure 2) proved highly effective in bringing heavy air and artillery fire upon enemy activity throughout the HEIP DUC area. Whatever his intentions for forming in that area, this recon effort supported by fire broke up his formations, caused him to move, and inflicted casualties upon him and his logistic buildup. The significance of numerous secondary explosions is considered important. His sensitive areas were penetrated causing him to fight back. He is particularly vulnerable to observed fire and air strikes.

Artillery displaced in sections of 2 guns to forward bases as was done at TIEN PHOU (Army Special Forces Camp) and a battery to Hill 29 north of TAM KY proved particularly effective in bringing immediate fire on enemy target of opportunity;

Knowledge of the enemy proved fruitful in inflicting casualties upon him. As an example, one OP brought artillery fire upon 7 VC and then requested the guns to remain laid on this target. The enemy, as is his doctrine, sent more enemy to remove the VC KIA's. Immediate fire on these brought more casualties. 17 VC KIA were inflicted by this one position in this manner.

Air support when on station was both accurate and devastating. Air was the sole basis for saving 12 men of 1st Platoon Co "C". The chief problems with air were these:

(a) On the deep patrol it took too much time for a HUIE to get from his base at MAG 36 to the platoon operating area. At that range his time on station was extremely limited and as a result of the long time enroute fixed wing aircraft were not employable for from 40 to 90 minutes, after call by the patrol.

(b) Requested OE's were furnished by the Army from QUANG NGAI, The OE is more ideal because of its longer time on station but since it was not in direct support of deep patrols it was not always on hand when needed.

(c) The bear-hug technique employed by enemy units in the attack makes it mandatory that fire is within 10 minutes of the call by the platoon leader to break up enemy attempts to close. This could not be done in this area.

15. Recommendations:

(a) That in future operations of this type OE's be placed in direct support of the deep patrol from an hour before daylight until one hour after sundown.

(b) That gunships be displaced forward in direct support of the Recon efforts to lengthen their legs and time on station.

(c) That strike A/C be on condition II alert during support period required.

(d) That airborne radio relay (Autocat) be made available.

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 022030H June 1966

Frag Order 12-66
 Team: 3rd Plt(-), Co "C" (CAKEWALK)
 Debriefers: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheet 6757 III

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 10 Enl, 1 USN.
2. Mission: Establish a radio relay on Hill 707 vicinity BS 418998 and conduct what observation is possible of the area to the west.
3. Time of Departure: 281700H May 1966
4. Time of Return: 021930H ~~May~~ 1966
5. Route: See attached overaly (enclosure (1)).
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 122 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours with no VC sightings. The patrol observed columns of smoke from the vicinity of BS 405995 on three different days. Smoke would always appear 15-30 minutes after a rain shower.

7. Observations: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATIONS</u>
291325H	BS 405985	Observed two columns of white smoke.
311245H	BS 405985	Observed 3-4 columns of white smoke. Fire mission requested. Good coverage on target, no more smoke seen.
021315H	BS 405985	Observed 3 columns of white smoke.

8. Other Information: Vegetation is extremely thick throughout the area, making movement slow and difficult.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None.

10. Condition of Patrol: Good.

11. Recommendations and conclusions: None.

R. W. Richmond
 SSgt R. W. RICHMOND
 3rd Plt (-), Co "C"
 Patrol Leader

12. Additional comments by debriefer: None.

G. E. Williams
 G. E. WILLIAMS, SSgt
 Debriefers

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion (-) (Rain)
 CHU LAI, RVN
 021330H Jun66

Frag Order 1-66

Team: Det, 1st Force Recon Co (KILLER KANE)

Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS

Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS 1701,
 Sheet 6657 IIPATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 14 Enl, 1 USE
2. Mission: Det, 1st Force Recon Co will conduct observation of grid squares BT 2508, 2608, 2708, and 2707.
3. Time of Departure: 291730H May66
4. Time of Return: 021200H Jun66
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 90½ hours with 9 sightings of 68 VC. At 021030H at BT 259067 the patrol made contact with 9 VC, resulting in 1 VC confirmed KIA, and 3 VC possible KIA. Two cartridge belts, two grenades, four magazines, personal items from the dead VC, and a soviet 7.62mm assault rifle model AK 47 were captured and have been forwarded to Division G-2. Two USMC suffered minor wounds but did not require med-evac. All sightings took place on a well traveled trail running N-S. The VC observed appeared well trained and well equipped. Many were armed with automatic weapons, and their uniforms ranged from black PJ's, to complete khaki uniforms. At BT 259065 a cache containing two 5 gallon ESSO oil cans full of clear oil was found and destroyed.

7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
300930H	BT 259065	1 VC walked into the rear security of the patrol. VC wore khaki shirt and black shorts and carried a rifle, M-79 round fired at VC failed to detonate, and VC escaped.
010930H	BT 259069	15 VC walking South on trail, wearing mixed clothing. VC were maintaining a 25 meter interval and had leaves and vines tied to their bodies for camouflage. All VC wore packs and cartridge belts, three BAR's were observed along with two MG's, others carried automatic weapons.

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010932H BT 259069 1 VC walking South on trail wearing a khaki uniform, and carrying a pack and rifle. (Possible rear guard for the 15 VC observed at 010930H)

011550H BT 259069 4 VC walking North on trail wearing mixed clothing, carrying packs and automatic weapons.

011605H BT 259069 8 VC walking South on trail wearing mixed clothing, carrying packs and rifles.

011710H BT 259069 7 VC walking North on trail wearing mixed clothing, carrying packs and rifles.

011805H BT 259069 10 VC walking South on trail, wearing mixed clothing, carrying packs and automatic weapons.

020750H BT 259067 13 VC walking N on trail, mixed clothing, carrying packs and automatic weapons. USMC Patrol had divided at this point with patrol leader and two other men observing trail and the remainder of the patrol on top of a hill attempting to establish communications. VC observed Marines trail up the hill and moved in that direction. At 020845 VC fired into patrol base on top of hill. Fire was returned with no casualties. 4 VC came down the hill and went behind the three men observing the trail. The VC passed within 3' of the Marines but did not see them.

021030H BT 259067 After the 4 VC had left the area the patrol leader established radio contact with the rest of the team and nine men came down from the hill, joined the three others & moved toward the top of the hill. Contact was made with 9 VC, resulting in 1 VC KIA confirmed, 3 VC KIA possible. 1 Soviet 7.62mm Assault Rifle Model AK 47, 2 cartridge belts, 2 grenades, and assorted ammo was captured and brought in by the patrol.

8. Other Information: Canopy was from 20' - 65' throughout the area. Helicopters reported receiving fire from the LZ as the patrol was extracted.

9. Encounters with the Enemy: 1 VC KIA confirmed, 3 VC KIA possible. 2 USMC WIA, no med-evac required.

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10. Condition of the Patrol: Good

11. Comments and Conclusions: None

J. T. Paull
1st Lt J. T. PAULL
Det 1st Force Recon Co

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

G. B. Williams
Sgt G. B. WILLIAMS

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 021900H Jun 66

Frag Order 11-66
 Team: 1st Plt "C" Co (BURGANDY)
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheet 6756 IV
 Debriefer: Capt HOWARD

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 15 Enl, 2 GAN
2. Mission: 1st Platoon conducts ground reconnaissance/observation of LOC THANH (1) and (2) (BS 4788 and BS 4789) and TUY MY (1) (BS 472894) from 23 May - 02 June 1966.
3. Time of Departure: 291700H
4. Time of Return: 021730H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1.)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 96 1/2 hours with 2 sightings of 7 VC. The patrol landed in landing zone vicinity BS 479900 at 291730H. At 292100H patrol heard 4 rounds of mortar fire, estimated location of mortar to be BS 404893. At 292115 patrol again heard 3 mortar rounds fire from same location. Mortars estimated to be 60 or 81mm. At 300900H, 301300H and 301630H patrol heard small arms fire, estimated to be from BS 478897. Patrol called fire mission at 011200H resulting in 2 houses destroyed and 4 VC KIA possible.

7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
300800H	BS 472889	Area covered with old punji stakes.
301132H	BS 473901	Saw 3 VC with camouflaged nets over their head and shoulders.
312030H	BS 478098	Found 4 caves with log fronts facing the underside seemed to be well kept. However, no signs of recent occupation.
011132H	BS 473901	Saw 5 VC, one dressed in black PJ's and others in no particular uniforms. VC went into a house at this location.
011200H	BS 473901	Saw 1 VC who entered the house with 3 other VC. Fire mission called, house completely destroyed 4 VC KIA possible.

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8. Other Information: None

9. Encounter with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Recommendations and Conclusions: Good trails in area. Trafficability good throughout area. Several good landing zones at BS 469900, BS 469892 and BS 475900.

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Ssgt J. HOWARD
1st Plt "C" Co

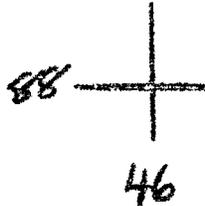
12. Additional Comments by Observers: None

M. M. Howard
Capt. M. M. HOWARD

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1st BATT Co (A), 1st Bn (BURGUNDY)
CHU LAI, RVN
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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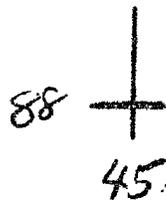
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- A - 1ST AMBUSH
- B - 2ND AMBUSH
- C - POSITION OF FIRE MISSION

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- O - LZ
- Δ - O/D
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- NEW TRAILS



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 021030H June 1966

Oral Report 1.
 Team: 4th PLT, Co "G" (FUNCTIONAL REFLAY)
 Detachment: SSgt Williams
 Map: WINDMILL, 1:50,000, AMS 1701,
 Sheet 8756 III

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 8 Enl.
2. Mission: Establish OP on Hill 177 (BS 516779)
3. Time of Departure: 070830H May 1966
4. Time of Return: 021000H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure (1)).
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 145 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours with 50 sightings for a total of 306 VC. 48 Fire missions and two air strikes were called resulting in 7 VC KIA confirmed, 6 VC KIA possible, 10 VC WIA confirmed and 6 VC WIA possible.
7. Observation: (Enemy and terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
271005E	BS 468733	6 VC moving E on road, black PJ's, carried packs. Fire mission fired, 1 VC WIA confirmed.
272330H	BS 468782	11 VC on bikes heading E on road, black PJ's carried packs. Fire mission fired, 1 VC WIA confirmed.
271540H	BS 468732	5 VC on bikes heading west on road, black PJ's, carried packs, fire mission fired, 1 VC KIA confirmed, 2 VC WIA confirmed.
271745H	BS 503744	1 sampan w/2 VC moving east on river. Sampan pulled into bank and VC were unloading supplies. Fire mission fired, 1 VC KIA confirmed.
280800H	BS 468782	4 VC moving E on road on bikes carrying packs. Fire mission fired VC dispersed.
280810H	BS 488786	3 VC riding bikes at road junction. Black PJ's, no equipment observed. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.
280950H	BS 474782	5 VC moving E on road on bikes, wearing black PJ's. Fire mission fired VC dispersed.

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281010H BS 473783 3 VC riding bikes east on road, wore black PJ's and carried packs. Fire mission fired VC dispersed.

281100H BS 474782 5 VC riding bikes east on road, wore black PJ's and carried packs. Fire mission fired 1 VC WIA possible.

281130H BS 474782 5 VC riding bikes east on road, wore black PJ's and carried packs. Fire mission fired 1 VC WIA confirmed, 1 VC WIA possible.

281235H BS 525751 3 VC moving south, wore black PJ's, carried packs and rifles. Fire mission called, VC dispersed.

281255H BS 522756 Fire mission fired on four houses, reported as VC meeting house. 1 Secondary explosion heard.

281305H BS 522756 6 VC observed trying to put out fire started by fire mission. Fire mission fired, 2 VC WIA confirmed, 4 VC WIA possible.

281730H BS 473765 10 VC moving NW on bikes. Wore black PJ's and carried packs and rifles. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.

281635H BS 474761 12 VC hiding in woodline. Black PJ's, packs and rifles. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.

281830H BS 463757 10 VC moving NW in rice paddy. Wore black PJ's and carried packs. Fire mission fired, 1 VC WIA confirmed.

290830H BS 453775 6 VC hiding in woodline, no equipment observed. Out of range for fire mission.

290950H BS 467782 1 VC walking S on road. Black PJ's, no equipment observed. Fire mission fired VC left area.

291110H BS 472782 Fire mission fired on VC hamlet in dense jungle. 1 VC KIA confirmed, numerous secondary explosions heard.

291200H BS 532809 18 VC moving west on trail into village. Wore black PJ's and carried packs. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.

291220H BS 532809 Fire mission fired into VC village. 2 VC KIA confirmed, 22 secondary explosions heard.

291245H BS 472783 2 VC heading E on bikes, black PJ's. Fire mission fired, 1 VC WIA confirmed.

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291310H	BS 483745	16 VC moving in formation, with point and rear guard. Wore black PJ's carried packs and rifles. Fire mission fired, but VC had left the area.
291350H	BS 483751	3 VC going into village. Black PJ's, rifles and packs. Fire mission called, unable to observe results.
291350H	BS 474759	6 VC heading S along stream. Black PJ's, carried packs. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.
292030H	BS 519733	3 small boats ascending river. Illumination and FM rounds fired. Boats moved to shore and unknown number of VC moved into woods.
300855H	BS 481785	5 VC riding bikes E on road, wore black PJ's carried packs. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.
300900H	BS 481785	1 VC heading E on road. Wore black PJ's, carried pack and rifle.
301245H	BS 544762	15 VC in sampans moved across river and into bank. Unloaded large bags of what appeared to be rice. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.
311055H	BS 487798	10 VC moving south around base of hill. Fire mission could not be fixed because of range.
311245H	BS 468782	6 VC on bikes moving W on road. Wearing black PJ's and carrying packs. Fire mission fired, 1 VC KIA confirmed, 1 VC WIA confirmed.
311405H	BS 542760	15 VC carrying packs and bundles from river toward treeline. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.
311445H	BS 500770	5 VC in open, shooting at CP. Fire mission fixed with good coverage on target.
311507H	BS 477765	30 VC moving in open area out of range of artillery. Wearing black PJ's and carrying rifles. Ammunition called, VC dispersed.
311540H	BS 552758	7 VC loading supplies into boats. Black PJ's rifles and packs. Fire mission fired, 5 VC KIA possible.
311640H	BS 552758	5 VC unloading supplies from sampans. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.
311630H	BS 490784	3 VC walking in open. Black PJ's, carrying rifles. Fire mission fired. VC dispersed.

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3A1720H BS 500783 5 VC shooting at OP from building in the village. Fire mission fired, VC moved out of building into tree line.

3A2100H BS 500783 BS 519783 BS 499783 Heavy sniper fire received into OP from these directions. Fire mission fired, 2 secondary explosions in village at PS 499783.

010915Z BS 500709 2 VC firing at OP with rifles. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.

010930H BS 504774 1 VC firing at OP. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.

011010H BS 476773 1 VC loaded two sampans on beach. Fire mission fired, VC dispersed.

011245Z BS 534773 3 VC standing in tree line. Black PJ's, cellophane hats, no equipment observed. Fire mission fired. VC dispersed.

011310H BS 531761 4 sampans carrying 6 VC moving west on river. Fire mission fired, could not observe results.

011400H BS 480772 4 VC moving south on trail. Black PJ's and carrying packs. Fire mission fired, VC left area.

011440H BS 527759 4 sampans carrying supplies west on river. Fire mission fired, 2 sampans destroyed.

011900H BS 465781 10 VC, with packs and rifles, heading west over bridge. Fire mission not fired, because of range.

012250 BS 502782 OP received automatic fire from hamlet and tree line. Fire mission called, three secondary explosions heard.

8. Other Information: None.

9. Results of Encounter with Enemy: None.

10. Condition of Patrol: Good.

11. Conclusions and Recommendations:

R. H. Pugh
Sgt R. H. PUGH
4th Plt, Co "C"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by debriefers: None.

G. E. Williams
G. E. WILLIAMS SSgt
4 Debriefers

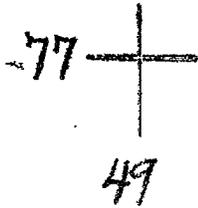
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 CHU LAI, RVN
 031500H June 1966

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 Frag Order 14-66
 Team: 3rd Plt, Co "C" (CARNIVAL TIME)
 Debriefing: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheet 6757 III

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 17 Enl, 1 USN.
2. Mission: 3rd Platoon establishes an OP at BS 488965 to observe THO AN, TAY PHUOC (1) and (2), PHUOC BINH TAY (1) and (3) and NAM BINH (6) from 311730H May 66 to 041700H June 1966 in conjunction with Company "G", 2/7 operation.
3. Time of Departure: 311730H May 1966
4. Time of Return: 031145H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (enclosure (1)).
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 66 hours with 5 sightings of 27 VC. Three fire missions were called, resulting in 1 VC KIA confirmed, 15 VC KIA possible, and 2 VC WIA confirmed.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
010900H	BS 479953	2 VC moving south through village. Joined by 3 more VC. All wore black PJ's, and 2 carried rifles. Fire mission called, excellent coverage on target. 1 VC KIA confirmed, 4 VC KIA possible.
011550H	BS 498947	1 VC came out of village and picked up a rifle from hedge row after infantry had swept through village. Sweeping unit was notified.
011630H	BS 508939	7 VC moving in village, all wore black PJ's, 1 man carried a rifle. Sweeping unit notified.
021120H	BS 513939	Infantry requested OP to call fire mission on area when they were receiving fire. Good coverage on target, two people seen running from area.
021545H	BS 513937	12 VC, 11 wearing black PJ's, one wearing brown shirt, black shorts, all wearing coolie hats. One VC carried rifle, four carried packs. Fire mission called, good coverage on target, 11 VC KIA possible, 1 VC WIA confirmed.

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030805H BS 513937 6 VC, 2 with rifles, 4 with packs, 1 wearing white trousers, rest in black PJ's. Fire mission requested, VC left area before mission could be fired.

8. Other Information: None.

9. Results of Encounter with Enemy: None.

10. Condition of Patrol: Good.

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That recon OP's have radio contact with the sweeping unit in order to keep them informed of movement to their front and flanks. When using the M-49 spotter scope, attach a compass to the scope to enable the observer to give an azimuth without moving away from the scope. The M-49 scope will not effect the compass reading.

R. A. Irvin

R. A. IRVIN
1stLt USMC
3rd Plt, Co "C"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional comments by Debriefer: None.

G. E. Williams

G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefer

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
051930H June 1966

Frag Order 64-66
Team: 2nd Plt, Co "A" (CHESTERWHITE)
Debriefer: Capt HOWARD
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
Sheet 6756 I & IV.

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 7 Enl, 1 USN, 1 Vietnamese Interpreter.
2. Mission: 2nd Platoon (-), Company "A" will establish an observation post at NUI VO (BS 6284) to conduct observation of the surrounding area and employ artillery against targets of opportunity.
3. Time of departure: 311700H May 1966.
4. Time of return: 051700 June 1966.
5. Route: Patrol landed on NUI VO (BS 6284) and remained at that position throughout the entire period of their employment.
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 120 hours with two sightings of 5 VC.
7. Observations: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
311900H	637837	Saw 2 men moving east of position. ARVN representative and Vietnamese interpreter said they were VC and asked that they not be fired on due to close proximity of friendly village. No fire mission called.
031100H	605847	Saw 3 VC in a village. ARVN fired on them destroying a village also.

8. Other Information: None.
9. Results of Encounter with Enemy: None.
10. Condition of Patrol: Good.
11. Conclusions and Recommendations: NUI VO (BS 6284) could be used as a patrol base for future operations.

B.A. Armer
 SSgt ARMER, Patrol Leader
 2nd Plt (-), Co "A"

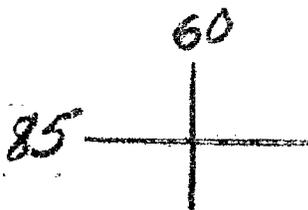
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 Capt M. W. HOWARD
 Debriefer.

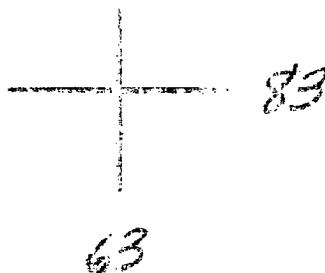
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
061900H JUNE 1966

Frag Order 21-66
Team: 3rd Plt, Co "D" (DELICATESSEN)
Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 20 Enl, 1 USN.
2. Mission: From 021700H to 061700H June 1966, conduct ground reconnaissance of grid squares BS 3399, BS 3499 and BS 3599.
3. Time of Departure: 021700H June 1966.
4. Time of Return: 061730H June 1966.
5. Route: See attached overlay (enclosure (1)).
6. Synopsis: Patrol covered a period of 96¹/₂ hours with 2 sightings of 2 VC resulting in 1 VC KIA confirmed. One fire mission called with results unknown. 1 Rifle and numerous documents, clothing and miscellaneous items were captured.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
031200H	BS 342992	Saw 10 huts, foxholes, 2 man size, also 1 dead deer with head chopped off.
050730H	BS 353989	Saw 12-15 year old boy on hill top. When observed, boy ran off hill and into a trail. Boy left a basket of green leaves on hill. One squad from the patrol followed the boys trail and saw a small village surrounded by punji stakes.
050800H	BS 353988	Entered small village, 3 houses total of 5 buildings with caves around village. Killed one VC in one house who was armed with a big knife. Buildings under heavy canopy. Killed all game, searched each house and burned them. Found food in pans, enough to feed 12-20 people. Found 20 baskets, 3 suit cases, 18 pots, 2 water jugs (2.5 gal capacity), 4 pigs, 7 chickens. Found 1 blanket, clothes, 1 knife, 1 ear of corn.

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050830H 350987 One team moved to stream where they received 4 rds SA fire. Returned fire and returned to village to rejoin rest of patrol.

051500H 361988 Found 1 large house, 1 medium size house, and 2 caves. Caves appeared to have no recent occupation. Large house estimated to billet about 50 people. Destroyed houses. Called fire mission on village and stream at BT 352988.

8. Other Information: Many bomb craters were observed in the area. Several good trails in the area.

9. Results of Encounter with Enemy: 1 VC KIA confirmed.

10. Condition of Patrol. Good.

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None.

R. L. GUTIERREZ

R. L. GUTIERREZ
GySgt USMC
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None.

M. W. HOWARD

M. W. HOWARD
Capt USMC
Debriefer

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Capt. GUTRIERREZ - Patrol Leader
081900H June 1965

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
081030H Jun66

Frag Order 23-66
Team: 1st Plt (-) "D" Co (CAKE WALK)
Debriefed: Sgt J. W. JONES
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 9 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish a radio relay on Hill 707 vicinity (BS 418998) and conduct what observation possible of the area to the West.
3. Time of Departure: 021800H
4. Time of Return: 071800H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 120 hours with no VC sightings.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain) None
8. Other Information: None
9. Encounters with the Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good
11. Recommendations and Conclusions: None

J. W. Jones
Sgt J. W. JONES
1st Plt(-) "D" Co, 1st Recon Bn

12. Additional comments by Debriefed: None

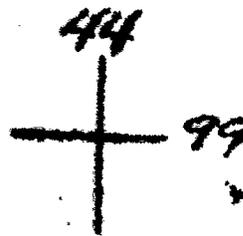
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CEU LAI, RVN
 081400H Jun66

Frag Order 22-66
 Team: 1st Plt; (-) Co "D" (PUNCTUATE RELAY)
 Debriefer: SSGT WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS E701,
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PATROL REPORT

1. 1 Off, 10 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish and maintain an observation post at NUI TRON (BS 5178) Hill 177.
3. Time of Departure: 020900H
4. Time of Return: 080900H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 144 hours with 15 sightings of 63 VC/VCS. 15 fire missions were fired, resulting in 12 VC KIA confirmed 9 VC KIA possible, 3 houses destroyed, and 5 sampans destroyed. At 071805H FF Patrols reported that two companies of NVA soldiers had moved into the area at several locations. 20 rounds of H&I fire were fired each hour throughout the night into the reported locations. FF Patrols at 080800H reported that the H&I fire had inflicted heavy casualties and that the NVA soldiers had withdrawn into the hills.
7. Observations (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
021100H	BS 500780	1 VC moving on path, wearing black PJ's and coolie hat and carrying a pack. VC was killed by SA fire from the OP.
021430H	BS 506768	3 VC moving in treeline, black PJ's, all carried packs. VC fired SA fire into OP. Fire mission fired resulting in 1 VC KIA confirmed.
021450H	BS 503762	12 VC going into house wearing black PJ's and carrying bundles. Fire mission fired, large secondary explosion heard. One house destroyed.
021750H	BS 492783	5 VC digging positions, black PJ's, packs and shovels. Fire mission fired, unable to observe results because of dust and dirt in the target area.

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022010H	BS 515794	Fire mission fired on suspected signal lights in treeline. Excellent coverage on target, lights were not seen again.
022030H	BS 520793	Fire mission fired on suspected signal lights in treeline. Excellent coverage on target, lights were not seen again.
022150H	BS 502772	Fire mission fired on suspected enemy movement and signal lights with excellent coverage.
031200H	BS 500783	2 VC sniping at OP with small arms fire. One round 106 RR and 15 rounds 50 Cal. No fire returned. 1 VC KIA confirmed.
031735H	BS 475760	4 VC digging fortified position, Fire mission called with excellent coverage on target. No VC seen leaving area after rounds landed. 4 VC KIA possible.
031830E	BS 487768	12 VC in village, black PJ's, equipment not observed. Fire mission called, good coverage on target.
031845E	BS 482805	15 VC walking in column, black PJ's, rifles and packs. 3 rounds 106 RR fired. No further movement was observed.
031850H	BS 489748	5 VC digging a trench, black PJ's, 1 rifle observed. Fire mission fire, excellent coverage on target, no VC sighted after end of mission.
032015H	BS 538783	Fire mission fired on suspected AA gun which had fired tracer fire at a low flying jet aircraft. Good coverage on target, no firing observed after completion of fire mission.
032110H	BS 520810	Fire mission fired on suspected signal lights in treeline. Good coverage of target, lights not seen after completion of fire mission.
032115H	BS 495784	PF reported an unknown number of VC to be in a house. 1 round 106 RR fired into house, numerous secondary explosions heard. 1 house destroyed.
032225H	BS 502784	Fire mission fired on suspected signal lights in treeline. Good coverage on target, no lights seen after completion of fire mission.

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040010H	BS 516757	Two sampans moving West on river. 50 Cal. M1 fired at sampans, sinking one, other sampan last seen drifting downstream. 2 sampans destroyed. 4 VC KIA confirmed.
041930H	BS 530770	1 VC firing at CP with SA fire. Fire returned by CP.
050105H	BS 515754	2 Sampans moving West on river. Fire mission fired, no sign of sampan upon completion of fire mission. 2 sampans destroyed.
050930H	BS 550798	Unknown number of VC firing SA fire into OP. 6 rounds 105 RR fired into sniper location, no other fire received.
051045H	BS 518759	2 VC in sampan moving West on river. Sampan loaded with large boxes. Fire mission fired; 1 sampan destroyed, 2 VC KIA confirmed.
051940H	BS 535765	EF reported 2 squads of VC entered house. Fire mission fired. 1 house destroyed.
061900H	BS 525735	3 VC moving in open. Black PJ's, packs, two rifles. Fire mission fired, 3 VC KIA confirmed.
071805H	BS 490756, 498792, 500750, 505805, 487735.	EF Patrol reported that two companies of NVA soldiers with automatic weapons had moved into these locations. 20 rounds of H&I fire per hour were fired throughout the night. EF Patrols reported at 080800H that the H&I fire had inflicted heavy casualties on the NVA and that they had withdrawn into the hills.

8. Other Information: None

9. Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Recommendations and Comments:

a. That NUI TRON (BS 5178) would be an excellent patrol base for future reconnaissance efforts.

b. It was reported to the patrol leader by the PF, who appear to have an excellent source of local intelligence, that the area around NUI TRON is largely pacified. On one occasion, three VC entered the village of XUAN HOA (1) (BS 506805) at 051400H and were attack by the population. It was reported that the village chief informed the VC that if they remained in the village that the Americans on NUI TRON would destroy their village. Only by threatening to burn the village did the VC recover their weapons and left the area. A combination of artillery, the 106 RR and the 50 Cal. machine gun on NUI TRON have caused the VC to withdraw into the hills.

c. The Montagnards: (Company 933) on NUI TRON appear to be a very professional military group and are proud to be associated with the Marine Corps. Likely targets were spotted by Marine personnel and verified by the Montagnards. This method was a very workable solution for observing in a heavily populated area. The language barrier was always present, however, a Marine would spot a likely VC and indicate for the chief to look through the BC scope. The chief or his Sergeants, who were always present, would say "VC yes" or "VC No" whichever the case would be.

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SERGEANT D. C. LEECH

12. Additional comments by Debriefers: None

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SSgt G. E. WILLIAMS

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1st Plt (-) Co "D"

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 CHU LAI, RVN
 102000H Jun66

Frag Oder 1-56
 Team: "B" Co (-)(Rein)(CRANKCASE BRAVO)
 Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM; 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheets 6756 IV & 6757 III

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 3 Off, 32 Enl, 3 USN
2. Mission: Company "B" (-) will conduct ground reconnaissance of grid squares BS 4095, BS 4096, BS 4097, BS 4197, BS 4198, BS 4297, BS 4298, BS 4099 and BS 4398.
3. Time of Departure: 061800H
4. 101730H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 95¹/₂ hours with no VC sightings. 8 buildings were found and destroyed by burning. Numerous rounds of small arms were heard exploding when the three houses at BS 409971 were burned. One new type of trail marker was observed and is shown on enclosure (2).
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATIONS</u>
071745H	BS 397957	Patrol found and destroyed three small sleeping huts, large enough to house 8-10 people. Huts were located near a stream and appeared to have been used within the last week. Also destroyed was a bundle of 100 punji stakes found near the huts.
080615H	BS 407961	Patrol found and destroyed two 15' X 10' houses. Patrol had smelled fish frying at 071830H while in harbour site, and team sent to investigate observed the houses. Patrol moved out at first light to check houses, and found them deserted.
081340H	BS 409971	Patrol found and destroyed one 15' X 10' house and two smaller houses. As they saw a 12 year old boy, who ran toward the area where the houses were found. A large bunker was found under the large houses, but contained only empty baskets and a very small amount of grain. When the houses were burned, numerous secondary explosions were heard, which sounded like small arms rounds going off.

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8. Other Information: On the morning of 10 June at BS 413983 the patrol observed what appeared to be seven montagnards gathering food. There were 2 men, 1 boy, and three women. No weapons or equipment were observed, but the montagnards appeared very wary and had a lookout posted at all times.

9. Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: 7 med-evac; 3 sprained ankles, 1 Centipede bite, 1 broken ankle, 1 broken finger, 1 possible Malaria

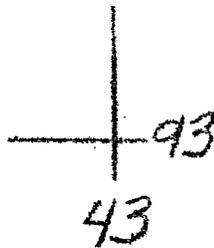
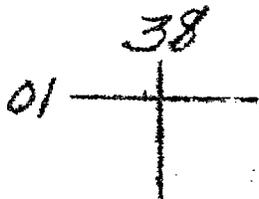
11. Recommendations and Conclusions: The trail network around Hill 661 be checked.

C. A. White
Capt C. A. WHITE
"B" Co (-) (Rein)

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

G. E. Williams
SSgt G. E. WILLIAMS

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 CHU LAI, RVN
 102030H Jun66

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Team: 3rd Plt (-) Co "C" (CAKE WALK)

Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS

Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS 1701,
 Sheet 6757 IIIPATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 7 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish a radio relay on Hill 707 vicinity (BS 418998) and conduct what observation possible of the area to the West.
3. Time of Departure: 081300H
4. Time of Return: 101730H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 52½ hours with no VC sightings.
7. Observations: (Enemy and Terrain) None
8. Other Information: None
9. Encounters with the Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good
11. Recommendations and Comments: None

G. C. Hayes
 Sgt G. C. HAYES
 3rd Plt (-) "C" Co, 1st Recon Bn

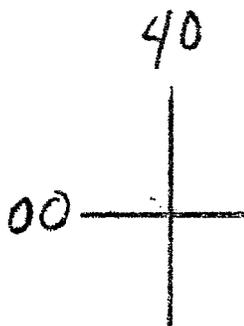
12. Additional Information by Debriefed: None

G. E. Williams
 SSgt G. E. WILLIAMS

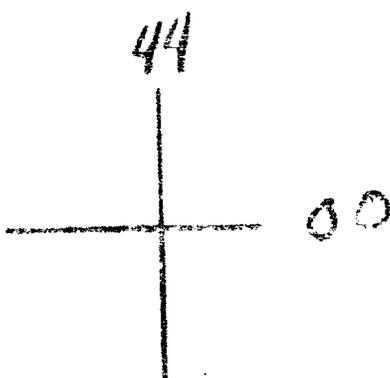
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Sgt G. G. HAYES - Patrol Lt. 1st
102030H June 1966



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 111100H Jun66

Frag Order: 15-66
 Team: 2nd Plt(-) "C" Co (CRANK CASE WHISKEY)
 Debriefer: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS 1701,
 Sheets 6756 III & IV

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 10 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish and maintain an OP at NUI TRON (BS 5178) on Hill 177.
3. Time of Departure: 080900H
4. Time of Return: 110900H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 72 hours with 7 sightings of 42 VC. 9 fire missions were fired resulting in; 4 VC KIA confirmed, 18 VC KIA possible, 3 VC WIA confirmed, and 3 houses destroyed. Two fire missions were fired into areas where the PF patrol reported VC activity.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
081820H	BS 511752	PF patrol received report from a villager that 2 VC platoons were located in a treeline. Fire mission was fired with excellent coverage of target area. Later report by the PF patrol indicated 10 VC KIA possible.
091145H	BS 553766	PF patrol reported a VC platoon at this location. Fire mission was fired with excellent coverage and 1 secondary explosion after completion of mission.
091500H	BS 498795	2 VC seen going into houses. Fire mission fired with good coverage. 1 house destroyed, 2 VC KIA possible.
100900H		Sniper fire received into OP from unknown location. SA fire returned by OP.
101830H	BS 497777	Fire mission fired on area where a suspected VC platoon was located. Upon a completion of mission, 12 VC were seen leaving the area. Another fire mission was fired, resulting in 3 VC KIA confirmed and 3 VC WIA confirmed.

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101905H BS 494780 Fire mission fire on 1 VC wearing black PJ's too dark to observe equipment. 1 VC KIA possible.

101930H BS 500764 2 VC standing in front of a house. Black PJ's too dark to observe equipment. Fire mission fired, 1 house destroyed, 2 VC KIA possible.

110645E BS 502753 20 VC in village. Fire mission fired with excellent coverage. 1 house destroyed, 1 VC KIA possible.

110730H BS 502753 5 VC picking up gear in area of previous fire mission. Another fire mission fired resulting in 1 VC confirmed, and 2 VC KIA possible.

8. Other Information: There was very little boat traffic observed on the river. According to the Montangard Chief, the way they determine a VC from a VN is; a VN will swing both arms while walking, but a VC will only swing one arm, keeping the other arm stiff as if carrying a weapon.

9. Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Recommendations and Conclusions:

(a) That some type of medical care be provided for the people of NUI TRON. If possible a doctor could be flown in one day a week to hold sick call.

(b) That a platoon sized recon patrol be run from NUI TRON into BA GIL and South to the river.

R. W. Richmond
SSgt R. W. RICHMOND

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

G. L. Williams
SSgt G. L. WILLIAMS

PATROL ROUTE O/GRABY
2nd Pl: (*), Co 204, 1st B, 1st Bn
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 112030H June 1966

Frag Order 66-66 (Operation APACHE)
 Team: 2nd Plt, Co "D" (COMBINE)
 Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS 1701,
 Sheets 6757 III & IV, 6657 I & II

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 17 Enl, 2 USN, 1 USN NGF Off.
2. Mission: Land vicinity BT 316153 and establish observation to the south and west of Hill 107 (BT 312157).
3. Time of Departure: 061700H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 111930H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overaly (enclosure (1)).
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 122½ hours with 7 sightings of 38 VC/VCS. 2 fire missions and one NGF mission called with no known VC casualties resulting. 10 rounds SA fire was received into the OP at 080025H, with no USMC casualties.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
061825H	BT 317147	15 VC moving north away from village. Wore khaki tops and black shorts, and all carried weapons. Fire mission called, first round was way off target causing the VC to leave the area. Fire mission cancelled.
070810H	BT 315169	1 VC moving into village. Wore khaki shirt and black shorts and carried a rifle.
071130H	BT 312151	2 VC moving along trail, wore khaki tops, black bottoms. Both carried rifles, and cartridge belts, one carried a pack. One VC had a helmet tied to his cartridge belt. VC were fired upon by patrol from a distance of 600 meters, causing VC to flee into a hedge row.
071830H	BT 318150	4 VC moving north along trail, wore khaki shorts, black shirts, carried 1 BAR and 3 rifles. Patrol took VC under fire and broke contact.
071830H	BT 312142	5 VC moving on trail, khaki tops, black bottoms, rifles and cartridge belts. NGF mission called, good coverage of target area, unable to observe

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- 08025H BT 312153 Received 10 rounds of fire into OP position. Fire was not returned.
- 081750H BT 313144 8 VC moving west, khaki tops, black bottoms. All VC carried rifles, 2 VC carried what looked like rucksacks with brush for camouflage. Fire mission called, poor coverage on target, VC moved out of area.
- 091245H BT 310149 3 VCS running east. Two wore black PJ's and coolie hats, other wore white top and blue bottoms. No equipment observed. VCS ran when marine units began moving into the area.

8. Other Information: At Q72015 signal lights were observed and a bell was heard from the village of TRUONG GIU BT 305145. Bell was also heard on the nights of 8 and 10 June.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None.

10. Condition of Patrol: 3 heat casualties, med-evac on 7 June 1966.

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That recon units not be requested to move during the heat of the day. Movement should be only in early morning or late evening.

D. J. Anderson
D. J. ANDERSON
1stLt USMC
2nd Plt, Co "D"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None.

G. E. Williams
G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefer

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 121930H Jun66

Frag Order: 66-66 (OPERATION APACHE)
 Team: 1st Plt "A" Co (AVERAGE)
 Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheets 6657 I & II, 6757 III & IV

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 18 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Land vicinity BT 285122 and establish observation of areas surrounding Hill 130 (BT 281120)
3. Time of Departure: 081730H
4. Time of Return: 121700H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours with 20 sightings of 111 VC. 6 Fire missions and 1 Air Strike were called, resulting in 1 VC KIA confirmed, 1 VC WIA confirmed, 3 VC KIA possible, and 10 houses destroyed. Several of the VC sighted were wearing blue uniforms, and on two occasions in the vicinity of BT 277124, a VC in a blue uniform was observed who was much taller than the other VC sighted. This man always carried a rifle and nothing else, although both times the VC with him were carrying packs.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
091120H	BT 270120	3 VC moving North on trail. Black PJ's, all carried packs and rifles.
091218H	BT 278123	4 VC moving into village. Three in black PJ's and coolie hats, one wearing blue shirt. One rifle and one pack observed.
091307H	BT 274124	4 VC moving North on trail into village. Two wearing blue shirts and blue shorts, others in black shirts and shorts. Three carried rifles, all had vines tied to their backs for camouflage.
091315H	BT 275124	4 VC walking North on trail into village. Wore grey uniforms and white sun helmets. Two rifles and two packs observed, all had vines for camouflage. Fire mission called on the village and 20 VC all with weapons were observed leaving the area. 3 possible KIA, 1 confirmed WIA, 2 houses destroyed.

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091510H	BT 274124	2 VC moving North West on trail. Wore black PJ's and carried rifles.
091605H	BT 276124	3 VC moving North on trail into village. Black PJ's, 2 rifles and 2 packs. Fire mission called, mission not completed because of helicopters flying in the area.
091654H	BT 275122	5 VC walking toward village. Mixed black and blue clothing. Four rifles, 5 packs, all had vines for camouflage.
091700H	BT 275122	2 VC walking into village. Black PJ's, 2 rifles and 1 pack. Joined with 5 other VC and moved out of the village.
091815H	BT 275122	15 VC moved into village. Mixed uniforms 11 carrying rifles. Fire mission called, VC left area, 3 houses destroyed.
100720H	BT 272122	2 VC walking North into village. Black PJ's, white hats, rifles and cartridge belts.
100823H	BT 270120	3 VC walking North on trail. All wore black PJ's, one wearing blue helmet, one wearing camouflaged poncho. Three packs and one cartridge belt observed.
101016H	BT 274113	6 VC in bushes near village. Black PJ's vine camouflage, one rifle.
101435H	BT 266122	13 VC moving in column toward sweeping USMC unit. Khaki uniforms, distance too great to observe equipment.
101830H	BT 273114	10 VC going into village. Wore black and green PJ's, 2 in blue uniforms, 5 packs, 3 rifles and 1 pistol. Fire mission called, 1 VC KIA confirmed, 2 houses destroyed.
110716H	BT 273122	4 VC walking North on trail, wore black PJ's and carried 1 rifle.
110745H	BT 277123	2 VC moving into village. Wore black PJ's 1 rifle, 2 cartridge belts. Fire mission called, good coverage on target. Air Strike called to destroy village, good coverage, 3 houses destroyed.
111532H	BT 274114	2 VC moving West into village. Black PJ's, one rifle, 2 cartridge belts, and one automatic weapon.

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111545H BT 273110 2 VC walking SE on trail. Black PJ's, 2 packs and 1 rifle.

111821H BT 275121 2 VC walking S on trail. One wearing black PJ's, other in black bottoms and blue top. Both carried rifles.

111808H BT 277124 Patrol observed 3 VC carrying body out of village.

120630H BT 277124 3 VC walking toward village. Black PJ's and white hats, carried 1 rifle, 3 packs, and 3 cartridge bolts. Fire mission called, good coverage on target.

8. Other Information: Hill 130 (BT 281120) in an excellent site for a CP, good concealment and good observation of the area. At BT 282117 two MG emplacements and a large bunker were found. These positions had been dug within the last month, but did not appear to have been used recently.

9. Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Recommendations and Conclusions: This area would be ideal for ambush or prisoner snatch operations.

G. W. Jones
2ndLT G. W. JONES

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

G. E. Williams
SSgt G. E. WILLIAMS

MAPS OF THE AREA
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 142130H Jun66

Bn Frag Order 3-66
 Team: 4th Plt, 1st Force Recon Co (HATEFUL)
 Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheet 6657 III & IV

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 12 Enl.
2. Missions: From 140200 to 151700H utilizing a para-drop entry, establish surveillance to North and West from Hill 555 (at 945161)
3. Time of Departure: 132400H
4. Time of Return: 142030H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1). This patrol left the Battalion area at 132400H and moved by vehicle to the CHU LAI Airfield. The patrol boarded an Army CV-2 and left the airfield at 140135H. The para-drop was made at 140205H, with members of the patrol landing within a 150 yard area. The patrol hid the chutes, assembled, and started moving toward their objective at 140230H.
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 20½ hours with 7 sightings of 44 VC. Entry of this patrol was by parachute at 0200 in the morning and the VC did not know that they were in the area. However, at 141830H a dog and two woodcutters found one of their chutes. The two men left the area with the chute and at 141935H, these 2 men plus 7 VC with weapons were observed moving into the area where the chutes were hidden. Extraction was requested and the patrol returned to the Battalion area at 142030H.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
141030H	AT 927178	2 VC resting beside trail, appeared to be drying their equipment. Wore khaki uniform and carried packs and rifles.
141035H	AT 948185	11 VC walking South, wearing black PJ's and white sun helmets, all with weapons. The movement of this 11 VC was very tactical with flank security and fire team rushes across open areas. The fourth man from the rear of the column was dressed in a brownish green uniform and appeared to be an advisor, as he seemed to be pointing out things the VC were doing wrong.

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141045H	AT 927178	4 VC walking West, mixed black and Khaki clothing. Wearing cartridge belts and carrying small arms.
141500H	AT 946185	4 VC walking West along river bank. Two in black PJ's, one in blue PJ's, one in utility type uniform. All carried rifles.
141535E	AT 929179	11 VC walking East on trail. Black PJ's and sun helmets. Had cartridge belts and small arms.
141830H	AT 937178	2 workmen walking along the trail. Their dog found one of the hidden chutes and they left the area taking the chute with them.
141915E	AT 930175	9 VC moving East along river. Black PJ's all carried rifles. The two men who found the chute as 141830H were with the group and appeared to be guiding them. VC appeared to be searching area.

8. Other Information: a possible harbour site is located at AT 933179.

9. Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrols: Good, except for one man with a sprained ankle.

11. Recommendations and Conclusions: (1) If the Marine Corps is going to pursue this jump capability, a steerable parachute should be adopted.

(2) That the Marine Corps consider the HALO (High Altitude Low Opening) parachute capability for inserting pathfinder and Recon Teams.

[Signature]
 A. T. PAUL
 1st Lt USMC
 Patrol leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

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 G. E. WILLIAMS
 SSGT USMC
 Debriefers

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 151600H Jun66

Bn Frag Order 3-66
 Team: Recon Task Force "B" (CAKEWALK)
 Debriefor: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 4 Enl, 1 US ARMY, 15 ARVN
2. Mission: From 141730H until further ordered establish observation from Hill 621 vicinity AT 944336. Primary direction of observation will be East to West.
3. Time of Departure: 141700H
4. Time of Return: 151530H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 23½ hours with 2 sightings of 3 VC. The patrol received a report from the ARVN, with them, that the village at AT 959326 was VC controlled and contained an unknown number of VC. At 151350 at AT 949313 the patrol received 20 rounds of SA fire into their position. Two VC were observed moving toward their position, fire was returned and VC left the area. The ARVN attached to the patrol proved unsatisfactory. Their night movement was poor, and their was a lack of communication between the ARVN and USMC personnel.

7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
142000H	AT 958324	Observed three large fires, could not determine the cause or what was burning
150835H	AT 959326	Received report from the ARVN with the patrol, that the village in this area was VC controlled by an unknown number of VC.
150930H-151100H	AT 966324	Observed automatic fire being fired at an OH airplane flying in the area.
151350H	AT 949313	Received 20 rounds SA fire into OP position. 2 VC in black PJ's, with weapons were observed moving toward OP. Fire was returned and VC left area.

8. Other Information: None

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9. Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Recommendations and Conclusions: None

T. J. Vallario
T. J. VALLARIO
Sgt USMC

12. Additional Information by Debriefers: None

M. W. Howard
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 151930H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 3-66
 Team: Recon Task Force "A", 3rd Plt(-) 1st Force Recon Co (Chesterwhite)
 Debriefor: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheets 6658III

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 US. Officer, 4 USMC, 13 ARVN
2. Mission: From 141730H until further ordered establish observation from Hill 350 vicinity AT 958359. Primary direction of observation will be East and West.
3. Time of Departure: 141710H
4. Time of Return: 151740H
5. Route: See attached overlay (enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 24 hours with 5 sightings of 24 VC/VCS. Two caves were observed at AT 977358 which appeared to be well used and were only a short distance from the road. Five VC were observed hiding their weapons in a rice paddy when helo's flew over the area, then picking them up and moving out of the area, once the helos were gone.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
150808H	AT 985353	4 VCS moving east, black PJ's, no equipment observed.
151055H	AT 982353	5 VCS moving west, black PJ's and coolie hats. All were carrying heavy baskets.
151100H	AT 970334	5 VC moving west from village. Wore mixed clothing and coolie hats, all carried weapons. When helos flew over the area, the VC ran into a rice paddy, hid their weapons and assumed a working position. As soon as the helos left the area, the VC picked up their weapons and moved east.
151410H	AT 945365	7 VCS moving east on trail. Black PJ's and coolie hats, no equipment observed.
151421H	AT 970334	3 VC moving west on road. Wore black PJ's all carried rifles.

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8. Other Information: Very little civilian activity was observed in the rice paddies.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations; Due to lack of planning time, coordination was poor between the helicopters and the Recon team being inserted. Sufficient time should be allowed to establish coordination where it is needed. Patrol was unable to establish radio contact with helicopter gunships flying in their area. Patrols should have the frequency of the helos in order to establish their position and to adjust the gunships fire on targets in the area. The ARVN used in this operation were not prepared or trained to operate with USMC Reconnaissance units. If ARVN are to be used, they should be used in small groups with at least a 2 to 1 ratio of USMC personnel.

William S. Spies
W. S. SPIES
Capt U. S. ARMY
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None.

G. E. Williams
G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefer

1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 161600H JUNE 1966

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 Bn Frag Order 3-66
 Team: 1st Plt, "C" Co. (Carnival Time)
 Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
 Sheets 6557I

Patrol Report

1. Size and Composition: 16 Enl, 2 USN
2. Mission: From 131800H to 171700H establish observation from vicinity Hill 488 (BT 131203) with primary direction of observation north and west.
3. Time of Departure: 131730H
4. Time of Return: 161030H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure (1))
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 65 hours with 10 sightings of 49 VC. At 160130H the patrol was attacked by a NVN Battalion of 300-400 men. The patrol had received a report of an enemy battalion in the area at 151930H and had assumed 100% alert. At 160130H the OP was hit from three sides with heavy SA fire and grenades, the patrol pulled back into a tight perimeter and beat off the first attack. At this time Arty was requested in an attempt to box in the position, the Arty arrived but landed way off to the west of the position. Flare ships were requested and arrived on station between 0200 - 0215 and provided light until daylight. Heavy casualties were sustained by the patrol in the initial attack and a Med-Evac was requested, Med-Evac helo arrived but could not land because of heavy enemy fire. Under the cover of darkness the enemy got within 20 ft of the patrol and threw grenades into the position, and also moved up machine guns into four locations. When the flare ship arrived, on station, fixed wing and helo gunships also arrived. The enemy appeared frightened by the planes and their attack subsided for a short period. The patrol continued to receive automatic and SA fire throughout the night as they were running out of ammo they started to fire only at targets they could see. By the light of the flares they were able to see the hats of the enemy as they moved toward their position and were able to pick them off. Many of the enemy dead found the next morning were shot through the head. A USMC reaction force was helo-lifted in at daylight, finally arriving at the patrol's position at 160800H. At this time one automatic weapon still had the patrol pinned down, and air strikes were called in an attempt to knock it out. At this time the patrol was evacuated except for three men who gathered enemy weapons and equipment for intelligence screening. As they moved around the area they found an enemy gun position, with a 6'-7' tunnel leading back into the hill. This position and tunnel had been dug during the night. As the enemy tried to take the position they were yelling obscenities in english and whistles were heard. The enemy had at least 4 .50 Cal. MG's, 60 mm mortars, LMG's and other SA. They were well equipped and well trained. On their assault of the position they moved in fire team rushes. Once flares started to light up the area movement ceased and resumed only after the flares were dying. USMC casualties were 5 KIA, 1 DOW, and 12 WIA. There were 39 enemy bodies around

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the position and evidence that many more had been dragged off. The weapons and equipment the patrol brought in included: 5 AK 47 Assault rifles, CHICOM type 56, 1 IMF Model RPD, CHICOM type 56, 2 CHICOM Cargines, 1 60mm Mortar sight, 15 bayonets, 1 Cartridge belt, 1 Canteen, 1 leather belt with a star on the buckle, 5 magazines for the AK 47 Assault rifle, assorted ammo, documents and assorted rank and unit insignia. In addition to the foregoing the reaction force picked up additional weapons and equipment, which were forwarded to G-2. The support provided by the flareship, fixed wing aircraft, and helicopter gunships was outstanding, and saved the patrol from being overrun. The planes were making runs within 75 meters of the position and were right on target each time under extremely difficult light conditions.

7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
140715H	BT 120222	16 VC moving on trail, mixed black PJ's and camouflaged utilities. All carried packs and rifles. Fire mission requested, cancelled after one round was fired. Patrol told not to fire any fire mission.
141235H	BT 112218	3 VC moving west on trail, at wide interval. Wearing green and camouflaged utilities, carried packs and small arms.
141614H	BT 112218	8 VC going east on trail. Wore dark green utilities, carried packs and rifles.
141715H	BT 104212	1 VC moving East on trail. Green camouflage utilities, pack and rifle.
141728H	BT 113218	2 VC moving east on trail wore Khaki uniforms, both carried rifles.
150937H	BT 112218	3 VC moving west on trail. Black PJ's, two in camouflaged utilities. All carried rifles and packs.
151215H	BT 103209	5 VC moved into a house. Wore black PJ's, 2 wore camouflaged utilities, all carried rifles. Fire mission called with good coverage on target. 1 small secondary explosion heard. 5 VC KIA probable.
151930H	BT 093213	2 VC moved NE along trail. Wore black PJ's, carried one rifle and one pack.
152654H	BT 124216	3 VC walking east on trail. Black PJ's, packs and rifles. Fire mission called, results unknown.

8. Other Information: None

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9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: 39 VC KIA confirmed, 5 VC KIA probable.

10. Condition of Patrol: 5 KIA, 1 DOW, 11 MIA

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

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SSgt USMC
1st Plt, Co "G"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

G. E. Williams
G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefer

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PATROL REPORT OVERLAY
1st Lt, 2nd Co, 1st Regt, 1st
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 162100H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 3-66
 Team: 1st Plt, Co NEW (CANTILEVER)
 Detrifer: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Maps: VLSMALL, L:50,500, AMS L701,
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 14 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: From 141830H to 181700H establish surveillance from vicinity Hill 479 (BT 135246) with primary observation to the west and North. Particular emphasis will be placed on determining enemy activity.
3. Time of Departure: 141900H
4. Time of Return: 161800H
5. Route: See attached overlay (enclosure (1)).
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 47 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours with 6 sightings of 29 VC. There was very little activity noted in the rice paddies in the area. Two fire missions were called, resulting in 1 VC KIA, confirmed, and one large secondary explosion. 14 tunnels with 3-4' openings were observed near a road in the vicinity of BT 123227. The packs that were carried by the VC observed, appeared to be large rucksacks. On the night of 14 June, 30-40 torches were observed moving in the valley below the OP and toward the OP position. This possibly indicates that the VC were unfamiliar with the area and needed the light to find their way.
7. Observations: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATIONS</u>
150930H	BT 112215	8 VC moving into village. Wore black PJ's, 2 packs, all carried rifles. Fire mission called, 1 VC KIA confirmed. Large secondary explosion observed by another patrol which also reported the artillery fire collapsed a large tunnel network.
151805H	BT 129227	2 VC building a fire, black PJ's, 2 packs and 1 rifle.
151920H	BT 125227	4 VC moving west on road, black PJ's, packs and rifles.
160611H	BT 139227	5 VC running East on road, black PJ's, 2 wearing coolie hats, all carried carbines.

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CHU LAI, RVN
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
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J. D. BONE - Patrol leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
162130H JUNE 1966

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Bn Frag Order 3-66
Team: 3rd Plt "C" Co. (BURGANDY)
Debriefed: ESgt WILLIAMS
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMSL701,
Sheets 6657I

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 15 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: On order, be prepared to establish observation from vicinity Hill 330 (BT 11276) with primary direction of observation north and south.
3. Time Of Departure: 141915H
4. Time Of Return: 161930H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 48 hours with 6 sightings of 13 VC. Small arms fire was fired into the OP at 150915H, from the vicinity of BT 072736. The area was covered with booby traps and punji stakes. Two mines, 1 US and 1 VC homemade mine were found on the trail in the vicinity of BT 113279. Mines were disarmed and brought back by the patrol and have been forwarded to EOD. Many of the foxholes on Hill 330 were found to have false bottoms with punji stakes underneath.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
150730H - 0860H	BT 099292	1 VC in Khaki uniform walking south through rice paddy area. Man would stop and talk to the workers in the paddies who would quit working and move west rapidly. When all the civilians had left the area, this man went in a southerly direction
150915H	BT 072736	2 short bursts of automatic fire and several rounds of small arms fire, received into the OP from these coordinates.
151000H	BT 098292	2 women observed carrying a large bundle into a cave. Women came out later without the bundle and moved out of the area.
151005H	BT 101279	4 VC walking north through the rice paddies. Mixed black and Khaki shorts, 3 rifles.

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151235H BT 092281 2 VC walking south, wearing camouflaged utilities, carrying rifles and packs.

151633H BT 092281 2 VC going into a house, wore black PJ's, carried 2 rifles and 1 pack.

161130H BT 102278 3 VC walking south on trail. Black PJ's, shorts, and 1 rifle.

8. Other Information: At BT 113278 a VC harbour site was found. Area was 30'X30' but had not been used recently. On 15 June at BT 113279 and BT 111275, one US and one VC mine were found. These mines were right on the trail, well concealed. Just off the trail were clusters of punji stakes, so if you stepped off the trail to miss the mine, you would step on the punji stakes. On hill 330 several of the foxholes were found to have false bottoms with punji stakes underneath. There were no civilians working in the rice paddies on the morning of 16 June.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: 1 man with minor punji stake wound in the leg, no Med-Evac required.

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: There is very little cover on Hill 330. Area is mostly covered with short grass and small trees.

R. A. Irvin
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1stLt USMC
3rd Plt Co "C"
Patrol Leader

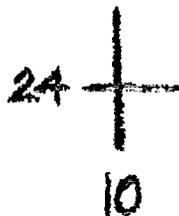
12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

G. E. Williams
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SSgt USMC
Debriefer

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Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS 1701
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R. A. IRVIN-Patrol leader



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 162000H 3-66

Bn Frag Order 3-66
 Team: 2nd Plt "D" Co(CASTILLIAN)
 Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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DAILY REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 23 Enl, 2 USN
2. Mission: Establish surveillance from vicinity Hill 210(BT 057406) with primary direction of observation North and West.
3. Time of Departure: 151830H
4. Time of Return: 161830H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 24 hours with 4 sightings of 22 VC. Three fire missions were fired, resulting in 5 VC KIA possible and 7 houses destroyed. At 152200H at BT 057406, the patrol was taken under fire by one automatic weapon and 10 semi-automatic weapons. VC apparently did not know where the patrol was located and were attempting to draw fire, to determine their location. Artillery was called and M-79 rounds were fired, and the firing ceased.

7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
152200H	BT 057406	Patrol was fired upon by one automatic weapon and 10 semi-automatic weapons. Before the firing started, whistles were heard and the VC were screaming and shouting. M-79 fire was returned and artillery was called in and the firing ceased.
160305H	BT 045413	3 VC moving on trail, black and green PJ's, green and brown hats. Carried one rifle and one pack.
160915H	BT 046414	7 VC moved into a house, green PJ's, and black PJ's, all carried rifles, and packs. Fire mission called with excellent coverage, five houses destroyed.

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161010H

BT 064405

5 VC moving into a house, black
RJ's, all carried rifles. Fire
mission called, with good coverage
on target, 2 houses destroyed.

161309H

BT 055400

7 VC moving NW on trail. Mixed khaki,
blue, and black uniforms. Three
carried rifles, other four carried
large bundles.

8. Other Information: The people in the rice paddies continued to
work throughout the day. Normally activity ceases from around 1100-1500.

9. Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: 1 man injured, his knee on getting out of
helicopter. Med-evac called, med-evac helo received small arms fire
while making the med-evac.

11. Recommendations and Conclusions: None

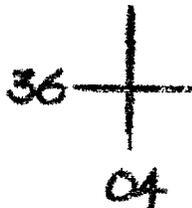
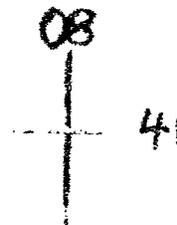
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1stLt USMC

12. Additional comments by Debriefer: None

G. E. Williams
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SSgt USMC
Debriefer

PATROL BUFFER OVERLAY
2nd Plt, Co "D", 1st Recon Bn
CHU LAI, RVN
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS LY01
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Lt ANDERSON - Patrol Leader
162000H June 1966

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Enclosure 1

1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, VN
 181830H Jun 66

S-3 C.C.

Am Frag Order 22-66
 Team: 1st Platoon "D" Co (CRANKCASE WHISKEY)
 Debriefers: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS 1701,
 Sheet 6657 I

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 13 ML, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish and maintain an observation post at NUI TRON (BS 5179) Hill 177
3. Time of Departure: 110900H
4. Time of Return: 181000H
5. Route: See overlay attached (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 168 hours with 13 sightings of 63 VC/VCS. The patrol arrived in the landing zone at 110930H and remained there for the entire period. This patrol accounted for 13 VC KIA confirmed, and 4 VC KIA possible.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
111430H	BS 487809	Saw 2 VC working in rice paddy, dressed in black PJ's. Equipment unknown.
111600H	BS 497743	Saw 6 VC digging in on river bank, dressed in black PJ's. VC had shovels. Fire mission called, 1 boat destroyed, 1 secondary explosion, 3 VC KIA confirmed.
111830H	BS 499745	Saw 2 VC working on bunker, dressed in black PJ's. Fire mission called, 1 VC KIA confirmed, 1 VC KIA possible.
121200H	BS 4955750	Saw 6 VC going into house dressed in black PJ's. Equipment unknown. Called Air Strike 4 VC KIA confirmed, 2 VC KIA possible, destroyed 2 houses and a sampan.
121630H	BS 495759	Saw 5 VC going through debris of previous Air Strike. Dressed in black PJ's. VC had sacks, baskets, 106ER's, fired 6 rounds, VC dispersed.

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121030H BS 481813 Saw 15-20 VCS carrying supplies into the mountains. Dressed in black PJ's. VCS carried baskets.

131825H BS 489748 Saw 2 VC in and around house. Dressed in black PJ's. Called fire mission, resulting in 2 VC KIA possible.

131855H BS 498742 Saw 2 VC digging in on river bank, black PJ's, had shovels. Fire mission resulting in 1 VC KIA possible.

141825H BS 525758 Saw 3 VC in two boats moving West on river, black PJ's, white hats, boats were filled with supplies.

141845H BS 515754 Saw 1 VC in one boat moving westward on river, black PJ's. Boat filled with supplies. 50 Cal MG fired, boat returned fire. Saw secondary explosion where boat pulled near the bank, boat sunk. VC casualties unknown.

141855H BS 475773 Saw 1 VC landing supplies, 5 VC un- known. Fire mission, 2 boats sunk. 1 VC KIA confirmed.

141915H BS 475774 Saw 10 VC near house, black PJ's with baskets. Fire mission, 2 VC KIA confirmed.

141935H BS 546754 Saw 2 VC walking in open, black PJ's with baskets. Fire mission, VC dispersed.

141945H BS 533768 Saw 1 anti-aircraft shooting at aircraft (Birdog). AO planned to call artillery on AA position.

6. Other Information: None
9. Encounters with the Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good
11. Recommendations and Comments: None

J. W. Jones
 J. W. JONES
 Sgt USMC
 Patrol leader

12. Additional Comments by the Debriefer: None

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
191330H June 1966

Oral Order 3
Team: 3rd Plt, 1st Squad Co "D" (DELICASSTEN)
Debriefer: Capt HOWARD
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
Sheet 6757 III

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 9 Enl, 1 USM
2. Mission: Establish a radio relay on Hill 707 vicinity (BS 418998) and conduct what observation possible of the area to the West.
3. Time of Departure: 131700H
4. Time of Return: 181700H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 120 hours with no VC/VCS sightings.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
132000H	404998	Saw a steady light on in this area, appeared to be a lantern. Light was noticed in an area where there is no villages.
172000H	404998	Same light on again as mentioned above.

8. Other Information: On the night of the 142200H and 162200H patrol thought they heard movement in the area, sounded like people moving. No further contact.

9. Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Conditions of Patrol: Good

11. Recommendations and Comments: None

M. D. Perringer
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Sgt USMC
Patrol leader

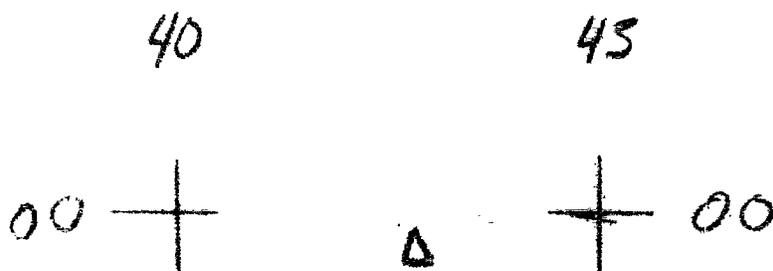
12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

M. W. Howard
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Capt USMC
Debriefer

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ORAL ORDER 116

2nd Platoon, 1st Squadron
3rd Air-Land Sqdn, Co. D
CHU LAM, NVN
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS 1701
Sheet 6757 III
Patrol leader: Sgt BERRINGER



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI RVN
 191400H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 3-66
 Team: 2nd Plt Co "A" (Rein with) 1st Squad,
 2nd Plt Co "B" (COVETOUS)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
 Sheets: 6658 III

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 26 USMC, 2 USN
2. Mission: On order be prepared to establish observation from vicinity Hill 330 (BT 111276) with primary direction of observation North and South.
3. Time of Departure: 161845H
4. Time of Return: 171830H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 24½ hours with 9 sightings of 39 VC and 24 sightings of 243 VCS. The patrol landed at there objective (Hill 330) at 161930H and remained in that position until extraction. It is a noteworthy to mention that very few women and children were observed in the area under observation. The patrols activities resulted in 14 VC KIA confirmed, 11 VC KIA possible, 1VC WIA confirmed.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
161915H	BT 110260	Sighted a suspected bunker. Helicopters checked out area and reported a cave at location.
161930H	BT 107272 BT 110260	Saw trenches, fighting holes
162230H	BT 111276	Patrols position was probed during night and early morning. Patrol threw 7 grenades at areas of suspected VC movement. There was a lot of noise, dog barking in the area.
170730H	AT 096287	Saw 3 VC moving SouthWest on the trail. VC were dressed in black PJ's and mixed uniforms. Had 3 rifles. Fire mission called, excellent coverage.

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170700H-171200H (observed from grid squares 0933 to 1433 0930 to 1330) Saw 150 VN working in rice paddies in valley North of our position. Very little activity after Air Strike which was 1,000 meters North of Hill 330, Air Strike at 171000H.

170830H BT 102293 Saw 40-50 Vietnamese people walking on trail in a Southwest direction into a village. Some VN carried baskets, unable to determine if VN had weapons. Could not determine if VN were male or female.

171045H BT 097291 Saw 6 VC running into a house. 3 VC had khaki uniforms, 3 VC were dressed in black PJ's. One VC carried a rifle. Fire mission called, excellent coverage. 7 VC KIA confirmed by body count.

171150H BT 112305 Saw 8 VN working in rice paddy dressed in black PJ's and mixed clothing. Equipment unknown.

171155H BT 128276 Saw 2 VN moving South, both of them were dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.

171159H BT 123275 Saw 1 VN male moving South East on trail dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.

171203H BT 133283 Saw 2 VN moving South East on trail, dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.

171208H BT 127276 Saw 1 VN male moving East dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hat. Equipment unk.

171208H BT 127276 Saw 1 VN male moving East dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hat. Equipment unk.

171210H BT 127276 Saw 1 VN male moving West on trail dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hat. Equipment unknown.

171233H BT 148287 Saw 2 people moving East on trail, dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.

171227H BT 132273 Saw 1 VN male moving East to village. Dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hat. Equipment unknown.

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171230H	BT 097291	Saw 7 VC moving equipment. Dressed in black PJ's, equipment included 1 wooden cart, and an unknown number of rifles. Fire mission; 4 KIA confirmed, 1 WIA confirmed, saw 1 VC limping away from target. Disposition of 2 VC unknown, 1 water buffalo killed.
171240H	BT 135284	Saw 2 VN males moving southeast on trail and 1 man moving North on trail. Dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.
171242H	BT 135284	Saw 1 VN male moving East on trail, dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hat. Equipment unknown.
171242H	BT 135284	1 VN male moving East on trail dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.
171244H	BT 136289	Saw 1 VN male standing in rice paddy, dressed in black PJ's. Equipment unknown.
171252H	BT 144285	Saw 1 VN male moving North East in rice paddy, dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.
171220H	BT 090294	Saw 1 VN moving North East on trail, dressed in black PJ's. No equipment (10 minutes late)
171230H	097277	1 VN male returned coming South on same trail leading 1 VN male who was carrying 2 baskets. Men did not appear to be friends, 1 man seemed to be directing the other man. Man moved into the jungle. One man walked with long stride, not like a peasant.
171235H	093278 to 097277	1 VN male ran from area prior to the arrival of the 2 men described above.
171257H	148289	Saw 3 VN males moving North East in rice paddy, dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.
171300H	BT 150291	Saw 2 VN males moving South East on trail, 1 moving North West on trail, dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.
171302H	BT 132272	Saw 1 man moving South on trail dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.

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171307H	BT 129274	Saw 1 VN male moving East along river, dressed in black PJ's, and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.
171315H	BT 146288	Saw 2 people moving North East in rice paddy, dressed in black PJ's and white coolie hats. Equipment unknown.
171300H	BT 095278	Saw 4 VC standing in the shade looking at Hill 330 (on position). Dressed in black PJ's, mixed with shivie shirts. Equipment, 2 rifles appeared to be young men. Fire mission, 1 KIA confirmed, 3 KIA possible after fire mission patrol heard rifle shots. Another fire mission called in the same area, no shots heard after second fire mission.
171345H	BT 093297	Saw 5 VC, 1 female with a rifle. One VC dressed in khaki and beret. Equipment 2 packs, 3 rifles. Fire mission, results unknown.
171424H	BT 127275	Saw 1 VC move East on trail, dressed in dark green utilities. Equipment, 1 pack. No fire mission called, man moved away to fast.
171605H	BT 093293	Saw 5 VC at houses, dressed in black PJ's. Equipment unknown. Fire mission called 5 KIA possible, good coverage of target.
171405H	BT 093297	Saw 5 VC gathering bodies of the above mentioned 5 VC. Called fire mission 2 KIA confirmed.
171630H	BT 122267	Saw 3 VC in house, 1 VC dressed in green utilities, 1 dressed in black PJ's with white coolie hat. Equipment, 1 pack and 2 baskets. Fire mission, excellent coverage, 3 KIA possible.

8. Other Information: There are many foxholes near Hill 330.

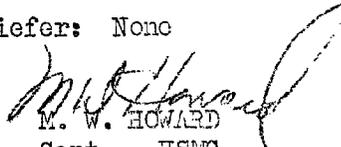
9. Results of Encounters with enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: It is recommended that when a unit is inserted into this area that they go heavily armed. There is very little cover with elephant grass no more than 3-4 feet high and not much that.

Sgt B.R. (Armer)
 SSgt ARMER
 USMC Patrol leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None



M. W. HOWARD
Capt USMC
Debriefer

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 200800H Jun66

Bn Frag Order 5-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 1st Plt Co "B"(CANTILEVER)
 Debriefers: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheets 6657 III & IV

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 16 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish a moving observation post from AT 905155 to AT 875174, Hill 670.
3. Time of Departure: 181800H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 191530H June 1966
5. Route: See overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 21½ hours with 5 sightings of 23 VC/VCS and 20-40 elephants. Patrol landed in landing zone at 181830H at AT 910155. Upon arrival patrol noticed large trails, large piles of dung.
7. Observations (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
190830H AT 904155		Established OP this position and observed to the North West. Patrol heard small arms firing, 2 rounds per minute for a period of 3 hours. Sounded like someone was conducting target practice firing seemed to come from grid squares AT 8919, and AT 8918.
190930H AT 907175		Saw 2 VC moving North on trail, black PJ's, no hats, 1 pack, 1 rifle.
191000H AT 916177		Saw 7 VC moving South East, black PJ's, 7 rucksacks, 3 rifles, 1 possible BAR.
191120H AT 904155		Saw 3 VC move into our position. Patrol fired 20-25 rounds at VC. Patrol thought VC probed their position. VC were 25 feet from patrol. VC had 3 rifles, M-1's and M-14's. VC dressed in black PJ's. Contact broken, patrol could not find any VC bodies etc, results of encounter with VC unknown. Patrol had fixed wing aircraft and 2 HU1E over there position.

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191200H AT 915177 Saw 2 VC moving North West on trail, black PJ's, 2 rifles.

191200H AT 910150 2 HUE and fixed wing aircraft on station. Patrol told A/C to fire on ridge lines near there position. A pilot reported 20-40 elephants on trail below our position. No report on number of elephants killed.

191230H AT 9117
191330H Grid Squares Bird-Dog had crusader aircraft strafe village of PHU NHOA, 1, 2, 3. HUE's controlled A/C who strafed bombed napalm the villages.

191230H AT 910155 Saw 5-9 VC behind our position, and heard movement in the brush, called air strike. Could not determine results of air strike.

191500H AT 905156 HUE's were fired on when patrol was executing there extraction. Patrol fired into area where they thought hostile fire was coming from.

191000H AT 925200 Saw a large building seemed to be in good condition. No activity noticed.

8. Other Information: Noticed very little civilian activity.

9. Encounter with Enemies: Details in paragraph 7.

10. Condition of patrol: Good

11. Recommendations and Comments: VC seem to be moving supplies North and South along the SONG TRANH River using elephants etc. Trails run from AT 9217 South along the SONG TRANH River.

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Lt J. D. BONE:
USMC Patrol Leader

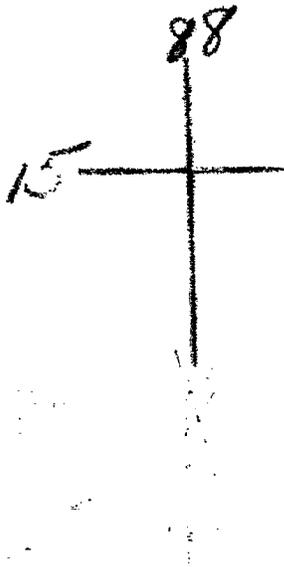
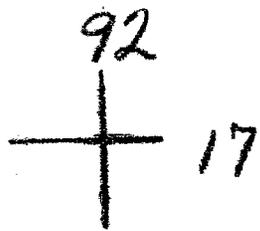
12. Additional Comments by the Debriefer: None

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Capt USMC
Debriefer

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GEU LAI, RVN
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Lt. J. D. BONE - Patrol Leader
201100H June 1966



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 201330H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 5-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 2nd Platoon Co "C" (CHESTERWHITE)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheet 6657 I

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 7 Enl,
2. Mission: Establish observation post at BT 233187, Hill 110.
3. Time of Departure: 180715H
4. Time of Return: 201130H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 52½ hours with 2 sightings of 35 VC resulting in 16 VC KIA confirmed, 5 VC KIA probable and 20 VC WIA probable and a number of houses destroyed. The patrol arrived in the landing zone and were greeted by US Army advisors. The observation post received sniper fire the entire time the patrol was on the OP. ARVN troops located at Hill 110 gave several reports on the location of VC forces, and fire missions were called on these targets. The ARVN personnel were very pleased with the capabilities of Naval Gunfire.
7. Observations (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
181550H	BT 220203	A number of VC suspected in village. Called fire mission on village, excellent coverage.
181555H	BT 216176	Called fire mission on several houses, good coverage.
181600H	BT 206188	Numerous houses in tree line. ARVN Lt at our position asked for a fire mission. Fire mission called, CC22 arranged for NGF. Good coverage of target, 40 rounds on target.
181605H	BT 213183	ARVN at our OP reported that the VC used a house at this position at night. VC used a loud speaker and would yell at friendly troops. Fire mission, good coverage on target.

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190900H BT 233187 ARVN patrols returned from patrolling areas where previous fire missions had been called on the 18th. They confirmed that there were 3 VC KIA confirmed, 5 VC KIA probable and 3-4 houses destroyed and an unknown number of wounded. Fire missions were fired from 155's. From the target which received Naval Gunfire. There were 8 VC KIA confirmed an unknown number wounded and many houses destroyed. ARVN Lt. was very happy with NGF, 1st time he had used it.

190900H BT 213183 ARVN Lt. reported an estimated 25 VC in valley. Fire mission called. Village was greater in length than width. The 1st rounds impacted on one end of the village with excellent results. Patrol requested an "add" 300 to cover the rest of the area. After the 1st fire mission, patrol observed 30 VC running away from the village, they also had weapons. Patrol did not receive another firemission on this target.

191204H BT 210175 NGF used on village complex, saw 5 VC KIA confirmed, estimated 20 VC WIA probable, 2 water buffalo dead. After fire mission there were many cow workers in the fields. ARVN Lt said there were a few people working and that they were friendly, vicinity of grid squares BT 2117 to BT 2119.

192130H BT 1716
(Grid square) Saw what appeared to be a search light type of light going on and off. The density of the light got stronger each time it came on. The light was located between 260 to 280 degrees, magnetic from our position, about 7,000 to 9,000 meters from our position. Intensity of light varied and would light up an area for at least 50 meters. ARVN said they didn't think it was a vehicle.

8. Other Information: None

9. Encounters with the Enemy: Received sniper fire on and off during the period of there stay at OP.

10. Conditions of Patrol: Good

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11. Recommendations and Conclusions: None

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SSgt USMC
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefee: None

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 200845H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 5-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 2nd Plt, Co "A"(Rein) with 2nd squad Co "C"(COVERTOUS)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheet 6658 III

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 26 Enl, 2 USN
2. Mission: On order be prepared to establish observation from vicinity Hill 330 (BT 111276) with primary direction of observation North and South.
3. Time of Departure: 180800H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 191800H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 34 hours with 5 sightings of 19 VC/VCS. The patrol landed at their objective (BT 111276) at 180840H and remained in that area until extraction. After landing in landing zone the patrol did not observe any unusual activity. After 181600H no civilians, animals or activity was noticed in the village. The patrol accounted for 2 VC KIA confirmed, 3 VC KIA probable, and 2 VC WIA confirmed. A total of 83 civilians were sighted in grid squares BT 1227, BT 1228, BT 1327 and BT 1328.

7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
180900H	BT 092278	Saw 3 VC in village, black PJ's, 3 rifles, fire mission called. Excellent coverage on target resulting in 2 VC KIA confirmed, 1 VC WIA confirmed
180925H	BT 102299	Saw 1 VC, moving Northwest on trail, grey PJ's, 1 rifle. No fire mission, VC moved out of sight.
181026H	Grid Square BT 0930	Observed general vicinity 1,500 meters from our position, Northwest.
181155H	BT 145285	Saw 7 VC moving West in rice paddy, black PJ's 4 rifles. Fire mission, excellent coverage of target.
181610H	BT 127277	Saw 7 VC, moved into village from West, 4 dressed in black PJ's, white hats, 1 rifle, 1 pack. Fire mission, excellent coverage, 3 VC KIA probable, 1 VC WIA confirmed.

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181630H BT 119257 Observed 1 VC who left a spider trap and moved into the brush, white shirt, black shorts.

190600H BT 119257 Saw a grass hut built over the site where the spider trap was located. Fire mission, target destroyed.

182300H BT 111276 Notified by CG-22 that 800 VC were sighted 4000 to 5000 meters North to Northwest of our position at BT 1232. Fire mission called by Popular Forces at another location, observed fire mission, could not estimate damage.

191215H BT 112313 One helicopter dropped red smoke at this position. Two choppers received 10 rounds small arms fire, could not locate the exact position where fire came from.

191559H BT 111276 Received resupply and also received sniper fire from our West, South and Southeast. Fire seemed to be directed at helicopters, although fire received at our position.

191500H BT 103263 Air strike called on area, good coverage.
191530H BT 123275 Observed villages in area, no people, no activity.
BT 127271 Patrol requested extraction.

191745H BT 111276 Prior to extraction other A/C on station. Helicopters arrived for extraction and during extraction received small arms fire from South and Southwest. Could not determine if any A/W fire.

8. Other Information: None

9. Encounters with Enemy: None other than listed in paragraph 7.

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Recommendations and Conclusions: Hill 330 is not easily defended so if a patrol stop there for any length of time a force of 30-40 personnel is needed. Enemy can get close to position before you know it. Hill is flat on top, brush no more than 6 feet high, generally 3 feet high. When there is no activity in the villages the (Hill 330) should be evacuated.

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Patrol Leader

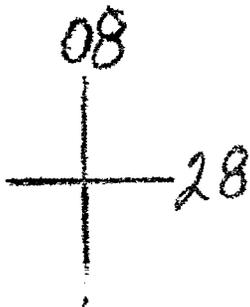
12. Additional Information by Debriefer: None

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Capt USMC
Debriefer

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2nd Plt. Co "A" (SQUAD) with
2nd Squad Co "A" (GOVERNOR)
CHU LAI, RVN
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS 1701
Sheets 6157 III
SSgt B. R. ABNER - Patrol Leader
201100H June 1966



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CEF LAI, RVN
 201330H JUNE 1966

Oral Order:
 Team: 1st Plt, "D" Co. (CRANKCASE WHISKEY)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 11 Enl. 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish and maintain an observation post at NUI TRON (BS 5179 Hill 177).
3. Time Of Departure: 180900H
4. Time of Return: 200830H
5. Route: Remained BS 5179 Hill 177
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered period of 4 1/2 hours with 3 sightings of 44 VC/VCS resulting in 9 VC KIA confirmed.
7. Observations: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
181230H	BS 561761	Popular Forces reported 3 VC in Villages, uniforms or equipment unknown. Fire mission, good coverage, could not determine VC casualties.
191615H	BS 496743	Popular Forces reported a suspected VC position, uniform, equipment unknown. No activity in area. Fire mission, good coverage, position destroyed. VC casualties unknown.
192150H	BS 497796	Patrol received S/A fire. Could not determine location of VC. Fire mission, good coverage, sniper fire ceased.
192325H	BS 494785	Popular Forces reported a VC squad on road. Equipment, uniform unknown. Fire mission, good coverage, unable to determine VC casualties.

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191650H BS 564756 Saw 4 VC standing by a sampan, black PJ's, had hand tools. Fire mission, good coverage. When smoke cleared, could not see any VC or determine number of VC casualties.

191745H BS 509744 Saw 10 VC getting off sampan at a small dock. Black PJ's equipment unknown. Fire mission, excellent coverage. 7 VC KIA confirmed.

191805H BS 565754 Saw 50 VC crossing river, 15 in sampan, 15 on river bank. Black PJ's, equipment unknown. Fire mission, 2 VC KIA confirmed.

- 8. Other Information: None
- 9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None
- 10. Condition of Patrols: Good
- 11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None
- 12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

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 1st Sgt USMC
 Patrol Leader

U. W. HOWARD
 Capt USMC
 Debriefer

1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 210730H Jun66

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Bn Frag Order 5-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 1st Platoon Co "A" (COMBINE)
 Debriefer: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 15 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Observe North from Hill 601(AT 895333).
3. Time of Departure: 191800H
4. Time of Return: 201830H
5. Route: See attached overlay(Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: The patrol covered a period of 24 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours with 1 sighting of 5 VC. The patrol captured 2 VC and 2 VCS who were turned over to ITT at 201800H during the patrol's extraction. The patrol landed at 191835H at AT 908332 and harboured at AT 910332 for the night. A report from ITT received at 202100H revealed that the VCS reported that there was a VC hospital with 5 beds, located at AT 911364. One doctor and four corpsmen work in the hospital. There are 30 North Vietnamese housed in 5 houses at AT 914368 with 6 VC per house. The prisoners reported that at grid square AT 9136 there is a lot of activity. A later report received from ITT at 202150H revealed that at 1700 daily there are 15 men at AT 821371, 13 of which are NV who are located at the East side of the river. Rice is taken across the river by boat.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
200230H	AT 910332	Patrol heard drums beating and voices every half hour on the hour till dawn. Could not determine the exact position, estimated there position to be due West of our position.
200845H	AT 910335	Took two captives who were walking West on the trail. Both captives appeared to be between 50-60 years of age, dressed in black PJ's, white hats. Carried two machetes. Held captives, had no ID cards, paper or identification media.
200910H	AT 910335	Took two more captives, 1 young 23-24, one old 50-60 years of age, walking West on trail. Black PJ tops, blue trousers.

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Carried 2 machetes, 1 straight razor, 2 roll of blue cloth 2' by 10', 1 small bag of rice, 1 bottle of liquid, could have been of an alcoholic nature, one long piece of metal with a barb in the end of it.

201450H AT 912352

Saw 5 VC walking west, stopped and pointed to our position, talked then moved off in the brush. Three were dressed in black shirts, 1 in white, one in brown shirt. Had 2 rifles. Patrol fired M-79, M-14 and AR-15 at VC. Patrol believes they hit one VC with an M-79 round resulting in one VC KIA probable.

201515H AT 010335

Sent 4 man patrol from our position to check out area where 5 VC were. Our OP received 10 rounds A/W and S/A fire from southwest of our position. Patrol returned to OP immediately.

201800H AT 910335

While patrol was being extracted they received A/W fire. Fire directed at helicopters above as well as those on the ground.

201800H AT 905332

A crew chief of one of the helicopters told the patrol radio operator that he thought the VC were on the same radio net. The crew chief also stated that the helicopters spotted 30 VC at LT 905332.

8. Other Information: From the top of Hill 601 you must move closer to the valley to get better observation; recommend grid coordinates AT 904346.

9. Encounters with the Enemy: None details in paragraph 7.

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Recommendation and Conclusions: None

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1st Plt Co "A"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

W. G. Kowalski
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Capt USMC
Debriefer

1st Lt. ROY (M. B.)
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CHU LAI, NVN
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 210830H Jun 66

Bn Frag Order 5-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 2nd Plt, Co "B"(CAKEWALK)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 21 Enl, 2 USN
2. Mission: Patrol through hamlets PHU HOA 1, 2 and HOI SON; and look for any wounded or grave sites of VC who were engaged in the fight with SSgt HOWARDS platoon (CARNIVAL TIME) on 16 June 1966. At 200645 the patrol received a message from CRANKCASE 6, who directed the patrol to move to Hill 288. At 201130H CC6 directed the patrol to move to coordinates BT 074186 ASAP. Remnants of the VC who participated in fight with CARNIVAL TIME were supposedly there.
3. Time of Departure: 181600H
4. Time of Return: 201815H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 33½ hours. No sightings and no VC/VCS were seen during the patrol. The patrol departed TIEN PHOUC by truck at 190830H and moved to BT 135159 where they debarked and commenced foot patrol. There were 4 CDIG personnel and 1 Vietnamese interpreter who accompanied the patrol. The patrol moved along the trail network through the hamlets. The hamlets are under control of CEIG platoons and Popular Force platoons. Patrol covered a distance of approximately 8,000meters. At 191220 at BT 116174 ran into a PF platoon who's platoon commander said that his 2 platoons of PF, and CDIG's had patrolled North to HOI SON, NW to Hill 488, Southeast to the stream junction at BT 144185, west up stream and through the pass between hills 310 and 163 and downstream to PHU THON 2 and into our position. They encountered 2 VC during this time. On the 18th they captured 2 VC and killed 1 VC who had been engaged in the fight with 1st Plt "C" on 16 June (CARNIVAL TIME). Prisoner turned over to US Army and flown to QUANG NGAI. On the 19th they had seen 2 blood trails between Hills 163 and 310, saw no VC.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATIONS</u>
201515H	BT 066216	Saw smoke signals that were approximately 4,000 meters apart. There was a series of 4 signals in view CDIG personnel said this is a signal for the VC to mass and gather for an attack.

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201615H BT 084164 Saw a new smoke signal, white column.
201620H BT 065205 Another new smoke signal. Signals appeared to be in a line south along the SONG KHANG river.

8. Other Information: VN personnel who were in the villages seemed friendly and did not run as Marines approached, they smiled, talked friendly, offered the patrol fruit, water, and offered there home to one USMC who was sick from the heat. The hamlets are heavily mined, and punji stakes are everywhere.

9. Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Had 2 heat casualties. At 191100 requested Medi-Evac for 2 men, as a result of heat, Med -Evac arrived at 191500H. At 201030H requested Medi-Evac for 1 man, Med -Evac at 201130H.

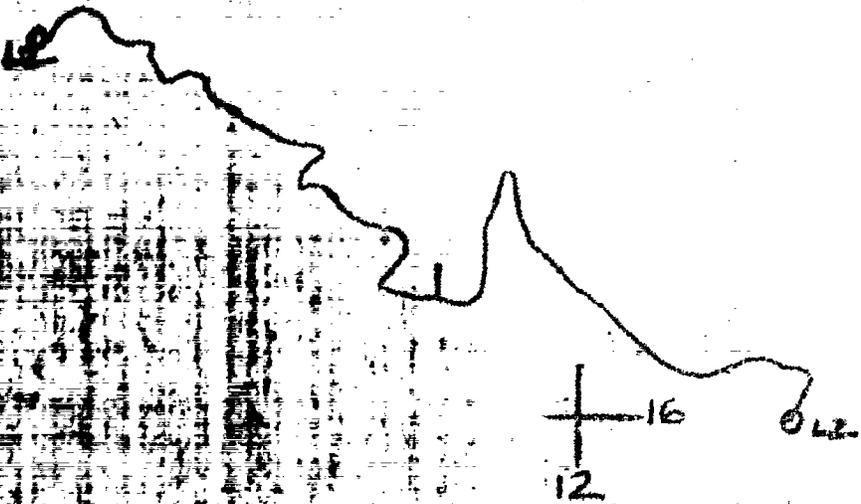
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2nd Lt USMC
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Information by Debriefer: None

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Capt USMC
Debriefer

PATROL ROUTE C
2nd Platoon, Co "B" (CAMELBACK)
CHU LAI, RVN
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS MGL,
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Lt WALKER - Patrol leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 221600H JUNE 1966

Bn Frag Order 5-66

Team: 4th Platoon, 1st Force Recon Co/2nd Recon Co(*) 2nd ARVN DIV (HATEFUL)

Debriefers: Capt HOWARD

Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701

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PATROL REPORT

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1. Size and Composition: 1 USMC Off, 12 USMC Enl, 1 USA Off, 8 Enl ARVN
2. Mission: Establish a combined force, in the vicinity of AT 972373 and establish surveillance of that area with primary direction of observation to the south and south east, conduct patrolling as directed.
3. Time of Departure: 180610H June 66
4. Time of Return: 221515H June 66
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 105 hours with 31 sightings of 127 VC/VCS resulting in 21 VC KIA confirmed, 14 VC KIA probable. The patrol was inserted at 180645H at AT 969368. One 4 man team was inserted at AT 974364. The patrols joined up 3 hours later. The patrol captured 2 VCS who were turned over to ITF upon extraction.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
180850H	AT 959360	Saw 1 hexagon shaped bunker, no activity. Air strike called, bunker destroyed.
180900H	AT 959360	Saw 3 VC, had rifles. No fire mission due to ground fog.
180930H	AT 950365	Saw 4 VC, 1 rifle, others carried baskets.
180940H	AT 927368	Saw 7 VC, weapons unknown. Requested AO to check out area.
181000H	AT 971374	Two woodcutters VCS walked into our position then ran away when they saw us.
181000H	AT 989361	Saw 5 VC, black PJ's, all carried rifles.
181045H	AT 989361	Saw 4 VC all had rifles.
181300H	AT 959360	Air strikes on bunker, completely destroyed.

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181330H	AT 970387	Saw 7 cows on top of hill, also 1 man VCS with them. We thought cows belonged to VC. Requested AO to check out area. Rockets fired, no figures on number of cows hit if any.
181405H	AT 993366	Saw 4 VC with rifles. Fire mission, good effect on target. VC dispersed. sed.
181605H	AT 993367	Saw 6 VC standing in road. Equipment unknown. Fire mission, 1 home destroyed VC dispersed.
181700H	AT 996367	Saw 4 VC, equipment unknown. Air strike took place in area, VC ran away.
18171CH	AT 935367	Saw 6 VC, with weapons.
181715H	A ^P 935367	Saw 17 VC in 2 groups, 5 moving east, 12 moving west. All had weapons.
190905H	AT 997366	Saw 4 VC by a house. Fire mission, good effect on target. One house burning.
190950H	AT 999315	Saw 2 VC in foxholes. Fire mission, direct hit. 2 VC KIA probable.
191125H	BT 024345	Saw 15 VC moving into a village from the southwest. All had weapons. Fire mission, 2 houses destroyed. Estimate 8 VC KIA confirmed.
191240H	AT 996367	Saw 3 VC, 2 had rifles. Fire mission, 3 houses destroyed, 3 VC KIA probable. Numerous secondary explosions including small arms ammunition.
191320H	AT 989358	Saw 6 VC, packs, no weapons. Fire mission arrived 15-30 minutes later, ineffective on target.
191550H	AT 988354	Saw 5 VC, weapons. Fire mission, house destroyed.
191445H	AT 993332	Saw 6 VC, 3 had weapons. Fire mission, no effect on target, out of effective range.
191520H	AT 990354	Saw 4 VC, rifles. VC dispersed before fire mission called.
191600H	AT 990354	Saw 4 VC, equipment unknown. Fire mission, VC dispersed.
192100H	(Grid squares 8339, 8439 853)	Saw big flood lights in this area.

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200855H	BT 015349	Saw 2 VC who ran off while requesting fire mission.
191745H	AT 993368	Saw 6 VC standing around a house. Fire mission 1 house destroyed, VC dispersed.
191840H	AT 993365	Saw 4 VC, 2 weapons. Fire mission, 2 VC KIA probable, house destroyed.
200710H	BT 026397	Saw 4 VC, 3 weapons, fire mission, good effect on target. Unable to observe results.
201245H	AT 971380	Heard 10 rounds S/A fire at our old position used the day before. Fire mission, no further harassment from south to north.
201535H	AT 984314	Agents from QJE SAN reported that patrol killed 12 VC with a fire mission. This mission was called at 201010 when we fired at 10 VC, house destroyed, 12 VC KIA confirmed.
210700H	AT 992377	Saw 2 VC with rifles.
211010H	AT 993392	Saw 30 water buffalo and 3 VC watching them, black PJs, hats, 1 rifle. Fire mission, VC dispersed, 10 dead water buffalo.
210755H	BT 021392	5 VC, equipment unknown. Fire mission cancelled.
210830H	BT 031397	Saw 5 VC, fire mission 2,000 meters off target.
211010H	BT 014387	Saw 6 VC, rifles and packs. Fire mission, excellent effect on target. 1 VC KIA confirmed, 7 VC KIA probable, 2 houses destroyed. AO later confirmed mission.
211030H	BT 031397	Saw 2 VC equipment unknown. Fire mission, good effect on target. VC dispersed.
211055H	BT 013381	Saw 6 VC. Called fire mission and VC started running towards river. AO reported fire mission had excellent effect on target. Caves were also observed in this area.
221140H	AT 993382	Encountered two women and one man on trail. Women were carrying foodstuffs consisting of pineapples, coconuts, melons, tea leaves, and tobacco which they dropped and ran. Man was carrying carbine. All fled. No shots fired. Foodstuffs destroyed.
221335H	AT 993382	Set in an ambush and caught a woman and a boy who walked into our ambush and were captured. 2 VCS had 6 gallons of fish oil. They were moving away from a populated area into the jungle. Turned over to IIF, two VCS.

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8. Other Information: The artillery support we received from QUE SON was excellent. We had no fire mission at night except H and I fire which we received from QUE SON.

Patrol had a problem in that they could not establish communications with the helicopters prior to extraction.

On the morning of the 20th and the afternoon of the 21st the VC jammed our radio nets.

One PRC radio battery lasted for the entire patrol.

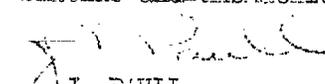
9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

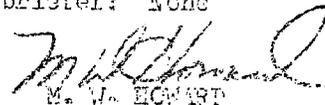
11. Conclusions and Recommendations: Trust points of all patrols should be known by other patrols.

Recon Bn should try to change to another frequency as there are many stations on the net.

Messages requiring the use of shackle shafts should be kept to a minimum as it is difficult to shackle and unshackle at night.


J. PAULL
1st Lt USMC
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

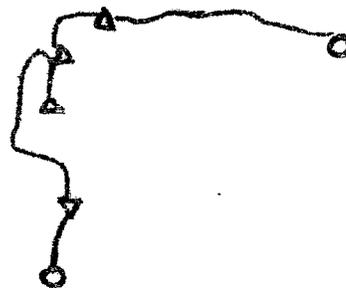

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Capt USMC
Debriefer

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CHU LAI, RVN
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Lt J. T. PAULL - Patrol Leader
23 June 1966

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 220800H Jun66

Bn Frag Order 5-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 3rd Platoon, 1st Force Recon Co., 1 USA Advisor,
 9 ARVN, Recon Co, 2nd ARVN Division.
 Debriefer: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 18 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Conduct ground reconnaissance and observation from grid squares, BT 0041 and BT 0044, maintaining observation primarily to the east.
3. Time of Departure: 181830H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 211915H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 72½ hours with 4 sightings of 18 VC and 1 sighting of 1 VCS. Patrol inserted at 181915H at BT 008432 which is located generally North and East of the original LZ. Moved from landing zone to a harbour site at BT 012443 and stayed there that night. Next day patrol set up their observation post so as to be able to observe East and Northeast into the valley and observed little activity. Early morning observation of the area indicated little activity in the valley and very few people. Spent the second night in the same location maintaining our OP and picking it up the following morning at 0600.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
201400H	AT 999441	Saw signal fires, we requested gunships in the area and received 2 HU1H gunships to run a check of this area. During their flight they were taken under fire by A/W. Estimate 6-10 VC moving Southwest in the general valley area. HU1H gunships opened up on them with rocket fire and M-60's and pursued them by fire. VC had packs, automatic weapons and they were not wearing covers. We believe there is a well used trail complex that runs from BT 009474 south to AT 991430, bends to the east and moves out into the valley complex. The following day we made another sighting in the exit of this trail area. Believe trails heavily used. The 1st night one of the troops thought he heard sounds of metal on metal in this general vicinity.

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201530H BT 012433 CC-6 sent us a message requesting us to move to a new location. We had prior to this message sent in a request that we maintain observation in this vicinity for 24 hours. There is good observation of the trail exits going into the valley from here.

201628H BT 012433 Security to rear of our position observed 3 VC who were observing our location, 2 wore black PJ's, 1 wore khaki shorts with a black top. All carried rifles, could not tell if they had automatic weapons. One in khaki stood on the rock and pointed out our position while the other 2 waited in the brush. There location was in the vicinity of our old OP, night harbour site. Requested air over our position and received it 45 minutes to 1 hour later. Two HUE gunships and 2 F-4 A/C were over our position. Gunships opened up with M-60's then dropped red smoke to mark the position and F-4's covered it with excellent coverage, blasting all round the area.

211130H BT 029399 We saw 1 VC moving along rice paddy, toward the main trail dressed in black PJ bottom, no top, no hat. Attention was called to him when the OE was in the area and we requested he check the area. When OE flew over VC took cover, he carried 1 rifle.

211235H BT 042386 Saw signal fire, 1 VCS standing in this vicinity, could not observe a weapon on him. Fire mission called. Excellent coverage on target. Fire put out.

211500H BT 018411 Told CC6 we were moving down to a stream because our ARVN troops were out of water and utilizing the US troops water.

211615H BT 018411 We moved down from side of the hill toward our extraction LZ. We saw 4 VC moving on the trail, they did not observe us, we held our position until they moved out, notified CC that there were VC in the area of our LZ.

211715H We were moving toward extraction LZ. We had to move to a new site which was closer to our position and hacked out an LZ. We were extracted shortly thereafter.

201730H BT 019409 In moving to extraction LZ we came upon an abandoned VC harbour site. It was quite a complex, we found cooking dishes, that had not been used for quite awhile, empty canteens and clothing. There are also caves and

underground entrances. In this area there was thatched roofing and tables with dishes on it.

8. Other Information: None

9. Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Recommendations and Conclusions: There is a trail complex in the valley at (BT 999411), a total of 14 VC were spotted in this area, and noise was heard from this area. It could be a good area to run air strikes and TPQ-10's in. Additional comments about use of combined Force (ARVN-USMC) are available on debrief tape.

S. J. Best
S. J. BEST
Lt USMC
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

M. M. Howard
M. M. HOWARD
Capt USMC
Debriefer

FILE

1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 22220H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 3-66 to Bn Op Order 321-66
 Team: 2nd Platoon Company "D"(CASTILLIAN)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 18 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP from Hill 403 BT 045273 with primary observation to the south and west.
3. Time of Departure: 181400H
4. Time of Return: 221900H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 105 hours with 3 sightings of 8 VC, resulting in 2 VC KIA confirmed. Patrol moved to LAC SON BT 023288 at 201830H. Patrol moved from LAC SON at 202000H in a southeast direction to Hill 403 BT 033278. Arrived at Hill 403 at 210730H
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
210930H	BT 045276	Found 3 weapons, 3 cartridge belts, sighted no VC in the area.
210930H	BT 044273	Heard 2 VC talking. No VC sighted.
210950H	BT 048271	Saw 3 VC moving east on trail, 1 dressed in green, 1 in black PJ's. Carried small arms. Took VC under fire, VC dispersed and moved southwest. Unable to determine casualties.
211715H	BT 036264	Saw 1 VC moving north into wood line, black PJ's, 1 rifle.
211715H	BT 045274	Received 3 rounds sniper fire from east our position.
211740H	BT 055270	Saw 4 VC, took under fire, VC returned A/W fire and moved off in a southwest direction. One in black PJ's, other 3 dress unobserved. VC had one automatic weapon.

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211950H

BT 055270

Saw 2 VC again, who were KIA confirmed.
The two VC were part of the 4 VC mentioned
above. Black PJs.

8. Other Information: At Hill 403 there are cave complexes. A cement bunker is located on the southeast side of Hill 403. There are many A/W positions on Hill 403, fields of fire appear to be poor. Some of the area looked like it had been occupied about 2 - 3 weeks ago.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

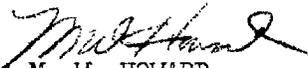
11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

D. J. ANDERSON

1stLt USMC

Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None


M. W. HOWARD

Capt USMC

Debriefer

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 222200H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 5-66 to Bn Op Order 321-66
 Team: 1st Platoon Company "B" (CANTLEBER)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 16 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish observation in grid squares AT 9208, AT 9209, AT 9309 and AT 9308.
3. Time of Departure: 201800H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 221815H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 48½ hours with 5 sightings of 21 VC, resulting in 6 VC KIA confirmed. The patrol landed in the landing zone without prior recon of the area. The entire area is thick jungle and there are several map corrections that should be made. The LZ was located at AT 920071 and was in a montegard clearing. There was a lot of punji stakes in the area. Stakes 6' to 10' high were abundant throughout the area and could not be seen from the helicopters. The area looked like it had been worked extensively. Patrol saw many traps etc. Patrol used the stream beds and trails for movement.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
211740H	AT 923092	Moving north from these coordinates saw a large trails from a junction at the base of Hill 312. Could not tell if elephants had used the trail although elephants could use it. Saw 2 VC here, they had 20 pounds of rice in a blanket roll type rice bag carried on their shoulder. They were moving north on trail. Patrol fired M-79 and had a misfire. VC hid behind a tree. Fired 2nd M-79 round, not sure of the result. The VC then continued up the trail and dropped their gear. It appeared that 50-100 men had recently used the trail. Trail 18" to 8' wide, canopy 50 to 100 feet high. Elephants could come down the trail. This trail ran to Hill 312. There was also a

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211800H AT 923086 Moved to ridge line.

211930H AT 923086 Heard drums 500 to 1,000 meters from our position, a fast boat was followed by a slow boat. Heard them in the morning. At 2300H, HUIE's strafed ridge vicinity Hill 312, drums stopped.

220700H AT 923086 Heard drums again further to the north. One squad sent to OP from ridge line. Patrol crawled up in a tree which was 50' high to obtain better observation.

220927H AT 929085 Saw 2 VC move down river in a boat, coolie hats, breach cloth, carried food supplies.

221027H AT 929087 Saw 10 VC moving downstream in boat, black PJ's, 10 packs and 8 rifles.

221225H AT 932087 Saw 4 VC moving down river, black PJ's; tops and shorts, 2 packs, 4 rifles. KLONDIKE strafed the area, VC moved into the brush. 4 VC KIA confirmed.

221235H AT 936091 Observed a secondary explosion, WP

221515H AT 923086 Saw 3 VC on trail below us. They came from the northwest. Exchanged fire with VC, 2 VC KIA confirmed. 10 minutes later A-4's hit the area with fire.

221745H AT 929087 Moved in .Z and waited 1½ hours for extraction helicopters.

8. Other Information: This area is poor for establishing OP's, patrolling is the most suitable way to employ recon in this area. Map corrections are needed in grid squares AT 9208, 9309, 9310, 9210, 9309, 9408 and 9409. This area is primarily jungle throughout.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: See paragraph 5.

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: Conduct recon in strategy in this area and work the trails north and south. Believe VC do not use rivers for resupply, they stick to the thick jungle where the canopy offers excellent cover from air observation.

J. D. Bone
 J. D. BONE
 1stLt USMC
 Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

1st Plt Co "B"

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Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 22220H June 1966

Br Frag Order 5-66 to Bn Op Order 321-66
 Team: Headquarters Company "C" (CRANKCASE COMPANY)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Maps: VIETNAM: 1:50,000, AMS L701
 Sheet 6657 II

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 5 Enl.
2. Mission: Establish a radio relay at HAU DUC ET 076049 and establish observation primarily to the north and west.
3. Time of Departure: 190655E June 1966
4. Time of Return: 221930H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 36 hours with 1 sighting of 5 VC. This patrol was established with a Popular Forces unit. One VC was KIA by rifle fire by a Popular Forces soldier.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
200910E	BT 060070	Saw 5 VC moving south, black BT's, 2 rifles. Popular Forces fired on VC resulting in 1 VC KIA confirmed.

8. Other Information: The evening Lt BONES' patrol had contact (21st) there were a number of kites flying in the village of HAU DUC. There was a number of drums beating the nights of 20th and 21st in HAU DUC also.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

T. J. GREGG
 T. J. GREGG
 Capt USMC
 Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefed: None

M. W. HOWARD
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 Capt USMC

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 230800H Jun66

Bn Frag Order 5-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 2nd Plt Co "A"(COVETOUS)
 Debriefer: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheet 6657 I

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 24 Enl. 2 UGN
2. Mission: Establish OP at HEM 330 (BT 111276) and observe the valley to the North and South.
3. Time of Departure: 200700L
4. Time of Return: 221845H
5. Route: See attached overlay(Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 35 3/4 hours with 9 sightings of 24 VC/V38, resulting in 5 VC KIA confirmed, 7 VC KIA probable, 1 VC WIA. When landing patrol noticed 30-40 people mostly women and children working in the fields. At 202200H our position on the west, southwest, and south were probed. The VC threw rocks into our positions trying to locate our automatic weapons. We threw grenades on several occasions and our fire discipline was excellent. At one time we heard noises like meeting. There was no activity to our east, we checked the area out in case it was a decoy. We called artillery all around our position. We heard movement again and called for Flakship and gunships who strafed the area. 1 of the VC took off in a southeast direction. Called artillery again and upon completion the area was all secure.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
200840H	BT 085293	Saw 1 VC, he moved into a house, black bottoms, green top, 1 rifle. Fire mission called; out of range.
200912H	BT 118259	Saw 1 VC in spider hole, tan clothing, equipment unknown. Fire mission, could never get right on target.
201030H	BT 103290	Saw 5 VC moved along trail to village, black P's, 1 rifle observed. Fire mission on target, 4 VC KIA(probable). Village destroyed.

201420H BT 109296 Saw 2 VC in village, black PJ's, 1 rifle, fire mission. 1 VC KIA confirmed, 1 VC WIA confirmed, 5 VC KIA probable.

201422H BT 117273 Heard a small explosion to the South of our position, white smoke, could not observe the area. Could have been a booby trap.

201424H BT 127273 Saw 1 VC with rifle,

201430H BT 119271 Saw 3 VC, 1 rifle, no fire mission called.

201600H Southwest saw of coworker spider traps which were not camouflaged.

210530H BT 103291 Saw 5 VC who moved into a house, black PJ's fire mission, 4 VC KIA confirmed, hamlet destroyed.

211000H Saw little activity in valley north and south.

211400H BT 109296 saw 2 VC in village, black PJ's, 1 rifle, no fire mission, another priority mission.

220400H No activity in valley. Many fire missions in the area.

221830H On extraction we were fired on again from south and southwest. Gunships strafed. Fresh tank patrol ops in no fire, coming out patrol receives fire.

221850H BT 132273 Saw 1 VC clearing our position, appeared to have binoculars.

8. Other Information:

Defensive fires were excellent.

9. Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Recommendations and Conclusions: A patrol should not stay on this CP longer than 1 day and 1 night. There are a lot of punji stakes and booby traps. There are a lot of villages on the base of the hill. You need to take a BC scope to observe properly.

B. R. ARMER
 SSgt USMC
 Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefee: None

E. W. HOWARD
 Capt USMC

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
2nd Plt, Co "A" (COVERTUS)
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 231500H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 5-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 1st Platoon, Co "A"/ 1st squad 2nd pvt Co "B"(COMBINE)
 Debriefers: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 21 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Conduct ground reconnaissance along ridge line from Hill 253 (BT 182205) to Hill 438 (BT 192203)
3. Time of Departure: 211800H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 221800H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 24 hours with 2 sightings of 4 VC. The patrol landed in harbour site at BT 182205.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
212330H	BT 182205	Asked for illumination every one and a half hours. Received 3 rounds sniper fire from South of our position. Saw blinking lights out in the rice paddy.
220745H	BT 191222	Saw 2 VC walking West on trail, black PJ's, VC carried heavy bundles. Fire mission called, negative answer.
221130H	BT 182205	Had 2 Med-evac. As helicopter took off we received 10 rounds automatic weapons fire from South of our position and 1 round northwest of our position.
211145H	BT 164233	Saw 2 trucks similar to USMC 6 X 6, were empty parked under trees, no activity.
211715H	BT 183205	Saw 2 VC wearing camouflaged tops, green jackets, black shorts. Had 2 automatic weapons, CHICOM. Fire mission, VC dispersed and unable to observe results.

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8. Other Information: Artillery was off target quite abit, one time as much as 2,000 meters.

9. Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Recommendations and Conclusions: It took too long to receive fire mission. Mainly due to the heavy volume of traffic on the net.

H. G. Jones
G. V. [unclear]
1st Lt USMC
1st Pat Co "A"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefor: None

M. W. Howard
M. W. HOWARD
Capt USMC
Debriefor

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
1st Plt Co "A" / 1st Squad, 2nd Plt Co "A"
CHU LAI, RVN
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Lt JONES - Patrol Leader
25 June 1966

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FILE

1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 230800H Jun66

Bn Frag Order 5-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 2nd Plt Co "A"(COVETOUS)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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PATROL REPORT

RREAT

1. Size and Composition: 24 Enl, 2 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP at HMM 350 (BT 111276) and observe the valley to the North and South.
3. Time of Departure: 200700Z
4. Time of Return: 221345Z
5. Route: See attached covering (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 55 3/4 hours with 9 sightings of 24 VC/VIS, resulting in 5 VC KIA confirmed, 7 VC KIA probable, 1 VC KIA. When landing patrol noticed 30-40 people mostly women and children working in the fields. At 202200H our position on the west, southwest, and south were probed. The VC threw rocks into our positions trying to locate our automatic weapons. We threw grenades on several occasions and our fire discipline was excellent. At one time we heard noises like mourning. There was no activity to our east, we checked the area out in case it was a decoy. We called artillery all around our position. We heard movement again and called for fire support and gunship who strafed the area. Two of the VC took off in a southeast direction. Called artillery again and upon completion the area was all cleared.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
200840H	BT 085293	Saw 1 VC, he moved into a house, black bottoms, green top, 1 rifle. Fire mission called; out of range.
200912H	BT 118259	Saw 1 VC in spider hole, tan clothing, equipment unknown. Fire mission, could never get right on target.
201030H	BT 103290	Saw 5 VC moved along trail to village, black BPs, 1 rifle observed. Fire mission on target; 4 VC KIA (probable). Village destroyed.

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201420H BT 109296 Saw 2 VC in village, black PJ's, 1 rifle, fire mission. 1 VC KIA confirmed, 1 VC KIA confirmed, 3 VC KIA probable.

201422H BT 117273 Heard a small explosion to the South of our position, white smoke, could not observe the area. Could have been a booby trap.

201424H BT 127271 Saw 1 VC with rifle.

201430H BT 118271 Saw 3 VC, 1 rifle, no fire mission called.

201600H Southwest of OP Saw several spider traps which were not camouflaged.

210530H BT 103291 Saw 5 VC who moved into a house, black PJ's fire mission, 4 VC KIA confirmed. hamlet destroyed.

211000H Saw VC activity in valley north and south.

211400H BT 109296 Saw 2 VC in village, black PJ's, 1 rifle, no fire mission, another priority mission.

220800H No activity in valley. Many fire missions in the area.

221800H An extraction was fired on again from south and southwest. Dumbbells strafed. Down wind patrol gas in no line, coming out patrol receives fire.

223300H BT 132273 Saw 1 VC observing our position, appeared to have binoculars.

8. Other Information: Patrol's fire were excellent.

- 9. Interactions with the Enemy: None
- 10. Condition of Patrol: Good

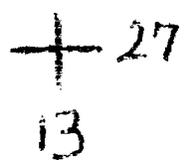
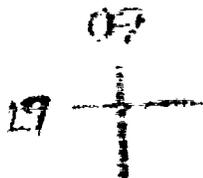
11. Recommendations and Conclusions: A patrol should not stay on site OP longer than 1 day and 1 night. There are a lot of booby traps and booby traps. There are a lot of villages on the base of the hill. You need to take a BC scope to observe properly.

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 Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefee: None

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
2nd Plt, "A" (OCVETOUS)
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23 June 1966



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 241900H Jun66

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 Bn Frag Order 5-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 2nd Plt "D" Co (C. STILLIAN)
 Debriefer: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 20 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Observe the areas of grid squares 2113, 2112, to the South and West. Call artillery fire on possible VC storage areas at BT 188110 BT 198104, BT 195109, and BT 183077.
3. Time of Departure: 230700H
4. Time of Return: 241600H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 33 hours with 22 sightings of 120 VC. 93 VC were observed with weapons, 42 with packs, 12 wearing cartridge belts and 22 carrying grenades. Three VC were observed with binoculars, one pair of which looked like 7X50. Among the weapons observed were AK 47 assault rifles, CHICOM cargines, and CHICOM submachine guns type 36. Some of the VC women observed were carrying packs which looked similiar to the medical bags carrying by Navy Corpsman. Other packs observed were similiar to USMC rucksacks. After an Airstrike on the village at BT 203127, three burned out houses were observed with 10'-12' high rock and concrete walls 1' thick. Houses had been covered with bamboo and looked like normal Vietnamese houses, until the airstrike which burned the bamboo and left the walls standing. On two occassions VC were observed carrying their wounded on stretchers.

7. Observations (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
230845H	BT 215134	3 VC moving SE on trail, wearing camouflaged tops and black bottoms. Carried packs and wore cartridge belts.
230910H	BT 215134	2 VC carrying one wounded VC on a stretcher, moving NE. All wore black PJ's and no weapons were observed.
230924H	BT 215134	4 VC carrying 2 wounded VC on stretchers moving NE on trail, wore grey tops, black bottoms and carried one pack. No weapons observed.

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230925H	BT 215134	2 VC moving SE on trail. Black PJ's, rifles and packs.
230925H	BT 215134	2 VC, 1 male, 1 female moving SE on trail. Man in green uniform, woman in black PJ's, Man carried rifle, woman carried a pack, which appeared to be similiar to the bag carried by Navy Corpsmen.
230940H	BT 215134	3 VC moving SE on trail. Black PJ's, rifles, and packs.
230950H	BT 215134	2 VC moving NE on trail, black PJ's, rifles and packs.
231000H	BT 215134	2 VC moving NE on trail, black PJ's, rifles and packs.
231035H	BT 215134	3 VC moving north on trail. Wearing grey tops, black bottoms, all carried rifles and cartridge belts.
231230H	BT 215134	2 VC men, 1 VC female, moving north on trail. Black PJ's, men carried packs, woman carried a rifle.
231245H	BT 214136	4 VC moving SW on trail toward the patrol position. Black PJ's and rifles. A squad was sent out ot locate the VC but searched the area with negative results.
231500H	BT 211131	Heard one or more persons beating on pans for approximately 5 minutes.
231525H	BT 194131	3 VC moved into village and went into a house. Black PJ's, all carried rifles.
231555H	BT 215134	2 VC moving NW on trail, black PJ's, rifles and packs.
231705H	BT 191135	17 VC heading SW. Wore brown ponchos, all carried rifles.
240650H	BT 233133	6 VC moving east on trail into woodline. Black PJ's, 6 rifles, 2 packs.
240635H	BT 253120	25 VC moving SE in cloum. Black PJ's, 15 rifles, and 10 packs. Fire mission requested, out of range for artillery.
240825H	BT 203127	4 VC moving north into village, with a guide leading them. VC wore mixed uniforms, carried rifles, 1 pack, all carried grenades. Guide wore black PJ's and cartridge belts.

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240910H	BT 203127	7 VC, 5 moving south, 2 moving north into village. Some wore black PJ's, others wearing khaki shirts and blue shorts. Two carried AK-47 assault rifles, five carried carbines, all carried packs and grenades.
240955H	BT 203127	11 VC moved out of village in a NE direction. Wearing mixed uniforms, 6 carrying automatic weapons, 4 with carbines, 1 carrying semi-automatic weapon. 2 VC carried binoculars, all carried grenades, and they appeared to be carrying extra ammo.
241100H	BT 203127	Air strike on village produced 2 small secondary explosions, and one large secondary explosion resulting in a column of smoke 60' high.
241205H	BT 203127	7 VC moving south out of village after the Air strike, all carried rifles. 20 civilians were observed at this time moving back into the village.
241220H	BT 203125	4 VC, 2 male, 2 female, moving south along trail. Three in black PJ's, one in blue shorts. 2 rifles, 4 packs, and 4 cartridge belts.
241240H	BT 203125	1 VC moved north into village, then south out of the village, and joined the 4 VC observed at 2412220H VC wore blue shorts, and carried a rifle and cartridge belt.
241445H	BT 207125	3-6 rounds of sniper fire received into the CP position.

- 8. Other Information: None
- 9. Encounters with the Enemy: None
- 10. Condition of Patrol: Good.
- 11. Recommendations and Conclusions: None

D. J. Anderson
D. J. ANDERSON
1stLt USMC
Patrol Leader

12; Additional Comments by debriefer: None

G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefer

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

2nd Flt "D" Co

OHU LAL, RVN

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 272000H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 6-66 to Bn Op Order 321-66
 Team: 1st Plt "B" Co (AVERAGE)
 Debriefers: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheet 6657. II & III

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 16 Enl, 1 UMI
2. Mission: Establish surveillance from Hill 482 vicinity AT 876175, with primary direction of observation North and East.
3. Time of Departure: 261800H
4. Time of Return: 271800H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 24 hours with no VC/VCS sightings. Along the ridgeline from Hill 482 East and Southeast to HILL 670, elephant trails, elephant dung, and an area where elephants had apparently bedded down were found. There was very little civilian activity noted. In grid squares AT 8722 four sampans were launched on the river, moved down the river for 100 meters and then back on the river bank. Hill 492 in an excellent OP site with good fields of observation to the North and East.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain) None
8. Other Information: None
9. Encounters with the Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good
11. Recommendations and Conclusions: Adequate air support is not being provided for deep patrols. Where patrols are out of artillery range they must rely wholly on air support. Unless gunships are displaced forward, their fuel capacity does not allow them enough time on station.
12. Additional comments by debriefer: None

J. D. Bone
 Lt. D. BONE
 1st Lt USMC
 Patrol Leader

G. E. Williams
 G. E. WILLIAMS
 SSgt USMC
 Debriefers

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J. D. BONE - Patrol Leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 271900H JUNE 1966

Bn Frag Order 6-66 to Bn Op Order 321-66
 Team: 4th Platoon, 1st Force Recon Co (HATEFUL)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
 Sheets 6639I

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 12 Enl. 3 USN
2. Mission: Commencing 250630H establish surveillance in the vicinity of Hill 303 at BT 257104 with primary direction of observation to the north and south.
3. Time of Departure: 250630H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 271630H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 58 hours with 6 sightings of 17 VC/VCS. AT 260730H there appeared to be another insertion near our position as helicopters flew near our position. One helicopter spotted us and threw a red smoke streamer near our position. On the second pass the helicopter pilot apparently recognized us as friendly.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
250930H	BT 254093	Saw 2 VC cutting grass dressed in black PJ's hats, both had rifles. No fire mission as the VC were out of range.
25145H	BT 259096	Saw 3 VC walking into a house. One dressed in black uniform and the other two dressed in grey khaki uniforms. All 3 had rifles. Fire mission, excellent effect on target, 1 house destroyed. Secondary explosion observed.
251235H	BT 286082	Saw 3 VC walking west, dressed in black PJ's, one dressed in khaki's. One VC had a pack, 3 VC had rifles.
251330H	BT 269111	Requested AO to check out area where aircraft had received sniper fire. Patrol heard sniper fire. Patrol heard sniper fire from this area as an aircraft flew over.

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251845H BT 275088 Noticed a signal fire and another signal fire further to the south. Requested an air strike.

261830H BT 257095 Saw 2 VC, 1 dressed in black PJ's, 1 in black shorts, 1 VC had a rifle.

270700H BT 269080 Saw 3 VC dressed in grey khaki uniforms, 3 rifles. No fire mission as VC were only in view for a short time.

270730H BT 259081 Saw 4 VC, 4 rifles, walking east.

8. Other Information: Noticed many people working in the field south of Hill 303 in the valley. When aircraft flew over they continued to work.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

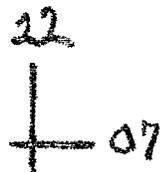
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J. PAULL
1stLt USMC
4th Plt, 1stForReconCo
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

M. W. Howard
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Capt USMC
Debriefer

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
4th Plt, 1st Para Recon Co
CHU LAI, RV
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J. PAULL - Patrol Leader



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 271500H June 1966

S-3 C.C.

Bn Frag Order 6-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 2nd Plt, Company "C" (CAKEWALK)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 15 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Commencing 260630H establish surveillance from Hill 607 vicinity BT 013145 with primary direction of observation to the North and South.
3. Time of Departure: 260630H
4. Time of Return: 271345H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 31½ hours, with 12 sightings of 28 VC/VCS. One artillery fire mission was called and three air strikes were flown in support of this patrol. The patrol landed at BT 012147 and moved to their OP at BT 013145 at 260715H.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
260930H	BT 017161	Saw 3 VC crossing a stream, dressed in green utilities, packs and 1 small caliber rifle.
261010H	BT 017161	Saw 2 VC moving from South to North. Green utility uniforms, rifles and packs.
261105H	BT 018167	Saw 2 VC moving South along a stream bed. One VC in utilities, 1 VC in black PJ's and 1 VC had a rifle.
261215H	BT 017225	Saw 3 signal fires, white smoke, appeared to be controlled; similar to indian smoke signals. Never saw any flame.
261330H	BT 018167	Air strike on stream junction where patrol observed VC earlier. Destruction unknown, good coverage of target.
261530H	BT 018167	Saw 3 VC move into the area. All had small caliber rifles. VC dressed in green utilities. Some of the green utilities may have been the camouflaged type. VC appeared to be looking for something. They walked along the bank of the stream, in the middle of the stream and along the trail searching for something. One VC walked into a cave which was later destroyed by air.

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261535H	BT 018167	Saw 2 VC who arrived from the north, dressed in green utilities, packs and rifles. A few minutes later the VC left the area and proceeded north. Note: the VC left their packs and uniforms at this location.
261545H	BT 018167	Saw 2 VC in the same area, one had a weapon. They started to inspect the damage caused by the earlier air strike. They were cutting brush and camouflaging themselves.
261600H	BT 018167	Requested an air strike, artillery from TIEN PHOUC provided support. Results poor, coverage poor.
261645H	BT 038169	Saw 2 VC with binoculars. They were watching our position. Our OP was compromised at this time.
270730H	BT 018167	Saw 2 VC checking the area, appeared to be looking for something, black PJ's, no weapons or packs.
270825H	BT 019157	Saw 3 VC with packs and rifles moving to the north. The VC moved tactically throughout the area, dressed in green utilities.
270845H	BT 030152	Saw a small shelter, no movement.
271035H	BT 015143	Saw 2 VC who walked within 300 meters of our position. Dressed in green utilities and one VC had a rifle. VC appeared to be snipers. Patrol fired seven rounds M-79, 2 rifle grenades. No further contact.
271045H	BT 018167	Fixed wing arrived on station and bombed the area. Outstanding coverage.
271145H	BT 018167	Air strike conducted, outstanding coverage.
271235H	BT 018167	Saw 2 VC with black PJ's, packs and rifles. The VC looked the area over and then moved out.

8. Other Information: AT 261630H on our radio we heard whistling, and laughing sounds. We thought it was the VC who were interfering. The ARVN procedure is different from that we experienced. AT 261910H we began to register concentrations around our OP. Patrol experienced difficulty accomplishing this procedure initially.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: Believe this area is a storage site, base camp or rest area.

H. R. S. Roberts

Lt ROBERTS
1st Lt USMC
2nd Plt Co "C"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefee: None

M. W. Howard

M. W. HOWARD
Capt USMC
Debriefee

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY ---
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Lt. ROBERTS - Patrol Leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
272115H June 1966

In Frag Order 6-66 to InOp Order 321-66
Team: 3rd Plt Co "D" (DELLIAPRESSIN)
Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS 1701,
Sheet 6639 IV

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 19 Enl, 2 USN
2. Mission: Establish radio relay Hill 707 and conduct a reconnaissance patrol as directed from Hill 707.
3. Time of Departure: 181700H
4. Time of Return: 271800H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: Patrol covered a period of 217 hours with no sightings of VC/VCS. The radio relay is located at Hill 707 for the entire period. At 231800H another ten men were sent to 707 to reinforce that position and conduct patrols in the area as directed. On the 24th patrol was conducted as depicted in the overlay.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
182100H	BT 415995	Saw a fire southeast of Hill 707. Fire mission no further fires.
192100H	BT 422018	Saw more fires northeast of Hill 707. Saw movement in the area. People carried lights and torches throughout the area.
220145H	BT 418998	Patrol heard noises, sounded like someone crawling in the brush up the trail. Heard S/A fire near our position. Set off 1 claymore mine and threw 1 grenade. One trip flare was set off south of our position.
250700H	BT 418998 BT 431984	11 man patrol reconed the area. Saw big trails along the ridgeline. No trouble moving on the trails.

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8. Other Information: None

9. Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

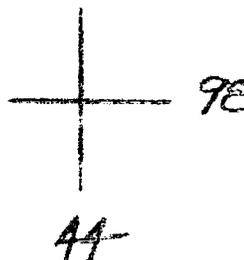
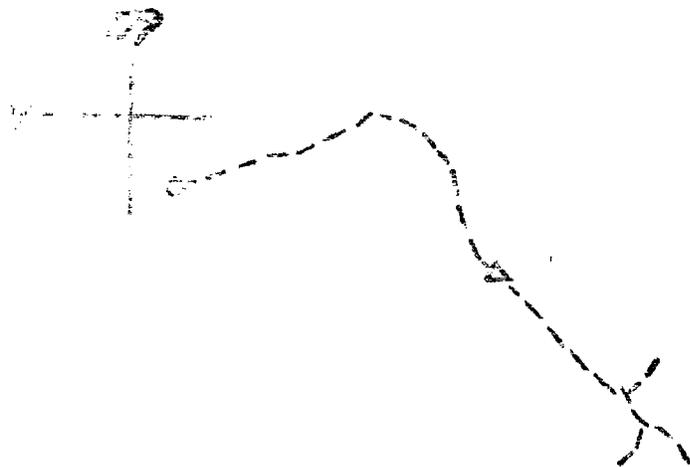
11. Recommendations and Conclusions: None. Position could be fortified adequately with one reinforced rifle squad.

R. L. Gutierrez
R. L. GUTIERREZ
C/Sgt USMC
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

M. W. Howard
M. W. HOWARD
Capt USMC
Debriefers

PATROL ROUTE CYNHAY
3rd Plt "D" Co
CHU LAI, RVN
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS I
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R. L. GUTIERREZ-Patrol Leader



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 272100H June 1966

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Bn Frag Order 6-66 to Bn OpOrder 321-66
 Team: 1st Plt Co "A" (BURGANDY)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000 AMS 7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 14 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Commencing 250630H establish surveillance from Hill 218 vicinity BT 237142 with primary direction of observation to the north and east.
3. Time of Departure: 250630H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 271600H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 57½ hours with 11 sightings of 17 VC/VCS. The patrol landed at BT 241141 and moved to Hill 218 by 250730H.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
250845H	BT 262160	Saw 2 VC walking west on trail, dressed in black PJ's, 2 packs.
251015H	BT 242152	Saw 1 VC walking west on trail. VC dressed in grey uniform, 1 rifle, 1 pack.
251030H	BT 249145	Saw 2 VC walking east into the brush. VC dressed in black PJ's, white hats, VC had 2 rifles.
251110H	BT 245153	Saw 1 VC walking north on paddy dike. VC dressed in black top, khaki bottoms, 1 rifle.
251140H	BT 255185	Saw 1 VC walking south on paddy dike. VC dressed in black PJ's, 1 rifle, 1 pack.
251148H	BT 253153	Saw 1 VC walking southeast on trail dressed in black PJ's, 1 rifle, 1 pack.

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251330H BT 244160 Saw 1 VC waling south on trail in a light blue uniform, 1 rifle, 1 pack. Fire mission called, VC dispersed.

251530H Took 4 rounds sniper fire from south of our position on 243134. Received no more fire.

251600H BT 246165 Saw at least 6 people on HILL 94 2,500 meters from our position. Later identified as an ARVN patrol.

260700H BT 234163 Saw red and white flag flying from a pagoda. Found out it was a Buddhist flag.

260800H Grid squares BT 2814, BT 2315 Saw 5 smoke signals in the valley in a line running from east to west. Signals 2,000 meters apart.

260915H BT 231129 Saw 1 VC moving southeast on trail in the valley to the rear of our position. VC had 1 rifle, 1 pack. Sent a 5 man patrol out from our OP. Patrol returned at 261800H. Found psychological war leaflets in the area, they were torn up.

260957 H BT 231129 Saw 2 VC moving southeast on trail, black tops, grey bottoms. VC had 2 rifles, 2 packs.

261130H BT 232132 Saw 2 VC moving east, black PJ's, white tops, 2 had rifles. Fire mission, 4 houses destroyed 1 house burning. Could not observe any casualties.

261145H BT 238150 Saw 3 VC observing our position. Received one round sniper fire.

8. Other Information: The 5 man patrol found a cigaret wrapper and a small piece of paper with some writing on it at BT 235148. Patrol burned 3 shacks during the patrol.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: Hill 281, BT 239142 is an excellent OP. It is easy to defend during daylight. Water can be obtained at BT 234144. There is a good LZ at BT 241144. LZ will take two helicopters.

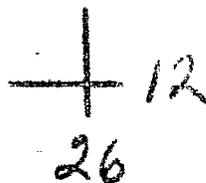
A. W. Jones
G. W. JONES
1stLt USMC
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

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1st Reconnaissance Bn
 CHU LAI, RVN
 272200H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 6-66 to Bn OpOrder 321-66
 Team: Company "B" Headquarters (CRANKCASE BRAVO)
 Debriefers: Capt HOWARD
 Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
 Sheets 6639 II, 6657 III

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 4 USMC Enl, 1 USN, 1 USA Advisor
9 ARVN Enl.
2. Mission: Establish Company Headquarters at HAU DUC vicinity BR 073062 and act as radio relay.
3. Time of Departure: 251700H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 271700H June 1966
5. Route: See overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 48 hours. Patrol landed at 251740H at HAU DUC. By 251815H communications was established. No sightings were made by this patrol and the ARVN were not utilized for patrolling as this was not the mission of the patrol. On the 26th the patrol leader discussed VC movements in the area with the District Chief. The District Chief reported that he had movement to his east 5-8 miles. The patrol made the following comments.
 - (1) The HAU DUC area (campsite) seemed to be very friendly to U. S. MARINES.
 - (2) This would be a good place to use civic action, primarily medical assistance.
 - (3) Troop morale seemed high.
 - (4) District Chief seems to be abreast of the situation in this area.
 - (5) It is recommended that frequent liaison be effected on a continuing basis with HAU DUC.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain) None
8. Other Information: None
9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good

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11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

Craig A. White
Craig A. WHITE
Capt USMC
CO Co "B"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

M. W. Howard
M. W. HOWARD
Capt USMC
Debriefer

PATROL ROUTE DISPLAY
Company "B" Headquarters
CHU LAI, RVN
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
Sheets 6639 II, 6657 III
Craig A. WHITE-Patrol Leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI,
 281330H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 6-66 to BnOp Order 321-66
 Team: 3rd Plt Co "A" (GROSSTIDE)
 Debriefed: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701,
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 17 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish surveillance from Hill 396 vicinity BT 238085 with primary direction of observation to the West and South.
3. Time of Departure: 260645H
4. Time of Return: 281845H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 60 $\frac{1}{4}$ hours with 4 sightings of 23 VC/VCS, resulting in 5 VC KIA probable. Patrol arrived in the landing zone at 260720 at BT 245084 and moved to Hill 396 arriving there at 261245H.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
261300H-261630H	Hill 396	Saw 4 people South of our position moving West on trail.
261610H-261640H	Hill 396	Saw 4 VCS moving on trail from North to South. VCS went into a village and were out of sight. Looked like all were men. VCS maintained a 10-50 foot interval. VCS carried bags and a few packs. A gunship flew over the area and the VCS moved off the trail, but did not take cover.
270755H	BT 214076	Saw a panel truck with 10 people in it. All wore mixed clothing. Equipment unknown. Truck came from West to East. Called Fire mission, rounds about 100 meter off and bus left immediately in the direction it had originally come from.
271250H	BT 218076	Saw 5 VC walking in a rice paddy dressed in black PJ's, carried 2 rifles. Fire mission, 2 rounds on target. 5 VC KIA probable.

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281115H

BT 214076

Truck arrived in same area previously mentioned. Equipment unknown if any. Fire mission, truck moved out of area again. Moved to LZ.

281300H-281630H

BT 229075

Arrived LZ, upon extraction the last helicopter to leave the LZ received sniper fire from southeast of our position. Following this fixed wing aircraft ran an airstrike in the area.

8. Other Information: Most of the suitable LZ's are close to villages. There are not as many houses in the area as is indicated on the map. The OP at Hill 396 is flat on top, trees are about 8" in diameter. The OP would be easy to defend, all sides leading up to the OP are very steep, there is low canopy in the area and the vines are very thick.

9. Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrols: Good

11. Recommendations and Conclusions: If this OP is to be used again it would be advantageous to clear a LZ near Hill 396.

B. R. Armer

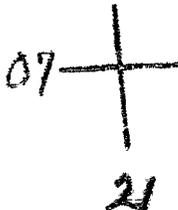
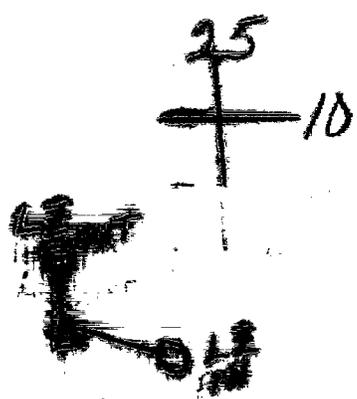
B. R. ARMER
SSgt USMC
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Information by Debriefer: None

M. W. Howard

M. W. HOWARD
Capt - USMC
Debriefer

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S. H. ARNER-Patrol Leader



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 292000H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 6-66 to Bn OpOrder 321-66.
 Team: 3rd Plt "C" Co (BOOKCOVER)
 Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
 Sheet 6757 III

PATROL REPORT

1. Size: 1 Off, 16 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Patrol grid squares 3410, 3411, 3311, and 3312.
3. Time of Departure: 251810H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 291845H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 96 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours with no VC/VCS sightings. When the patrol was inserted, the helicopters received fire from the vicinity of BT 337105. While moving through thick elephant grass in the vicinity of BT 335136, the patrol heard what sounded like people following them. An artillery mission was called into the suspected location, and the patrol moved away from the area.
7. Observation: None.
8. Other Information: At BT 342092 a bamboo frame with a thatched roof was found. This hut was just off a well marked and well used trail and is a possible VC harbour site.
9. Encounters with the Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good
11. Recommendations and Conclusions: Trails in the area are well marked and appear to be well used, however the only people sighted in the area were farmers working in the fields.

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12. Additional Comments by Debriefed:

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
1st Plt, Co "C"
CHU LAI, RVN
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000 AKA 1701
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 302100H June 1966

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Bn Frag Order 6-66 to Bn OpOrder 321-66
 Team: 3rd Plt-1st Force Recon Co (COMBINE)
 Debriefor: Capt HOWARD
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014
 Sheet 6639 I

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 13 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish an OP at BT 238088 with primary direction of observation to the west and south.
3. Time of Departure: 281840H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 302040H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 50 hours with 17 sightings of 76 VC/VCS. At 281910H patrol was inserted at BT 236102 and moved to a night harbour site at BT 233098 under cover of darkness. On the 29th an OP was established at BT 238088 where the patrol remained until extractio
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
291210H	BT 232089	Saw 1 VC moving west on a well marked trail, 1 rifle, VC dressed in black PJ's.
291230H	BT 235096	Saw 3 VC moving west on trail, 3 carbines black PJ's.
291300H	BT 232088	Saw 3 VC moving west on trail. Packs, no weapons observed.
291302H	BT 238095	Saw 2 VC moving west on trail 2 rifles, packs. Patrol could only observe for a few minutes.
291450H	BT 238095	Saw 5 VC moving west on trail, rifles.
300745H	BT 237096	Saw 1 VC moving northwest on trail. Packs and rifles. VC talked to other people who were sitting in a red and white bus. There were other people in the bus. green uniforms.
300752H	BT 238095	Saw 1 VC moving northwest on bicycle, black PJ's.

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300758H	B T 238096	Saw 3 VC, all went into a hut at the bend of the trail.
300804H	BT 238096	Saw 6 VC cross rice paddy and move into same hut as mentioned above, they were moving in a formation. 3 wore black PJ's, 1 khaki, 3 in mixed uniforms, rifles web gear, packs. Fire mission, after several unsatisfactory adjustments patrol leader cancelled the fire mission. Patrol had difficulty. Patrol changed frequencies and relayed through CCY. From the time the initial Fire Mission was called until the first rounds impacted, 20 minutes had elapsed.
300805H	BT 238095	Saw 2 VC crossing rice paddies into the village, 1 large rifle, black PJ's.
300810H	BT 233097	Saw 6 VC crossing paddies northeast of the main trail. Black PJ's, 3 rifles, 1 pack.
301105H	BT 238095	Saw 2 VC moving northwest on trail, black PJ's, 1 dressed in khaki, 2 rifles, 2 packs.
301115H	BT 238095	Saw 15 VC moving in a fast column, mixed uniforms, all had rifles and packs.
301150H	BT 238095	Saw 4 VC moving west on trail, 1 khaki uniform, 4 rifles, 3 packs, one was a U.S. rucksack. Air was on station at this time.
301205H	BT 238095	Saw 10 VC moving south along paddies, all had rifles and packs. An AO and air was requested but had a higher priority with BURGUNDY.
301255H	BT 236092	Saw 6 VC sitting in a wooden cart under a tree, khaki uniforms, 2 carbines, and cartridge belts. Looked like 3 mortar tubes in cart, unable to identify exactly.
301334H	BT 236096	Saw 3 VC moving west, 3 carbines, 2 dressed in black PJ's, 1 in khaki uniform.

8. Other Information;; Helicopters received some sniper fire in the extraction LZ at DT 233088 and there the gunships straffed the area. Patrol heard drums both nights they were out. Patrol sighted a smoke signal when they went into their insertion LZ. Smoke came from grid square BT 2310.

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9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: One man tore some ligaments in his leg while moving to the extraction LZ, otherwise patrol was in good condition.

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

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12. Additional Comments by Debriefers:

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 CHU LAI, RVN
 301000H June 1966

Bn Frag Order 6-66 to Bn OpOrder 321466
 Team: 1st Plt, "D"Co (COVETOUS)
 Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
 Sheet 6757, 6657II

PATROL REPORT

1. Size: 1 Off, 10 Enl, 1 USN, 1 ARVN Interpreter
2. Mission: Establish a patrol base in the KY TRA area vicinity BT 318089, with the primary mission of gathering intelligence information from local agents concerning all activities in the surrounding area.
3. Time of Departure: 230800H June 1966
4. Time of Return: 300930H June 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 169 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours with 1 sighting of 1 VC. The patrol spent the majority of their time in the ARVN outpost of KY TRA and gained little information, other than the fact that there is no VC activity within a thousand meter circle surrounding the outpost. However the area outside the circle is VC controlled. On 27 June a patrol was made into the village of DCNG DANG (1) BT 293104. Upon entering the village two shots were heard which were apparently warning shots. The people were questioned by the interpreter, but appeared very frightened and would give no information about the VC.
7. Observation: (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
271000H	BT 293104	1 VC dressed in blue PJ's, and carrying a rifle observed running from the village. Fired upon by the patrol, last seen moving SE.

8. Other Information: Old punji traps and punji pits were found along the road in the vicinity of BT 302101.
9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: Patrol leader feels there are VC in the area, and that a rifle company could establish a patrol base, and sweep and clear the villages.

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12. Additional Comments by Debriefee: None

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
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 010830H Jul66

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 Bn Frag Order 7-66 (Operation OAKLAND)
 Team: 2nd Plt "D" Co (CASTILLIAN)
 Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS
 Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L70L,
 Sheets 6756 II & III, 6755 I & IV

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 20 Enl, 1 USG
2. Mission: Establish an OP in the vicinity BS 635588, and observe to the SE, E, NE, and SW of the SONG VE River.
3. Time of Departure: 291100H Jun66
4. Time of Return: 010700H Jul66
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1). This patrol landed and established their OP at an ARVN outpost at BS 635588.
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 44 hours with 9 sightings of 33 VC/VCS. Eight fire missions were called, resulting in 2 VC KIA possible, and 5 VC WIA possible. On 29 June there was no activity in the rice paddies. However on 30 June, 500 people were working in the area until around 0900, where they moved rapidly NE in the vicinity of BS 665590 and BS 663587. The patrol leader states that there are caves along the trail running along the river in the vicinity of BS 644573. This trail is heavily used by the VC, and is probably one of their main lines of communications, as they continued using the trail, despite the fact that numerous fire missions were called in this area.
7. Observations (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
291509H	BS 655574	4 VC moving East on trail. 3 wearing black PJ's, 1 in blue PJ's. One pack observed. Fire mission called, excellent coverage on target, no movement observed after fire mission.
291650H	BS 673567	4 VCS moving South on trail, wearing mixed clothing. Could not observe equipment, and VCS moved into a village.
291755H	BS 623562	3 VC moving North across rice paddy into village. Black PJ's, coolie hats, and all carried rifles. Fire mission called, later cancelled when VC moved out of view.

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291835H	BS 640572	2 VC moving West along trail. One wearing grey PJ's, other black PJ's. Both carried packs.
291855H	BS 627556	5 VC moving into village. All wearing black PJ's, and carrying packs and rifles. Fire mission called, outstanding coverage of target area, VC last seen moving into woodline.
291950H	BS 670589	Large fire observed for approximately 20 minutes, Fire started from an unknown source, and no activity was observed around the fire.
292000H	BS 6152 6254	5 small fires were observed moving in this area. Fire mission requested, but fires were out of range of NFW and artillery.
292045H	BS 687589	1 light observed moving East across river. Fire mission called with excellent coverage of target. Light was not seen again.
300650H	BS 630566	2 VC moving East on trail, mixed clothing of black, green and khaki. Both VC carried rifles.
300720H	BS 647574	2 VC moving East on trail, mixed clothing of black, green and khaki. Both carried rifles. Fire mission called, excellent coverage of target area.
301520H	BS 654575	2 VC moving East on trail into village. One in black PJ's, other wearing green PJ's. One rifle and one pack observed. Fire mission called, but VC moved out of area before rounds arrived.
301650H	BS 643574	1 boat containing 2 VCS went into cave in the river bank. Boat appeared to be full of baskets. Fire mission called, with excellent coverage of target area.
301800H	BS 653574	5 VC moving East on trail, black PJ's, three rifles. Fire mission called with excellent coverage of target. 5 VC WIA possible.
301815H	BS 646574	2 VC moving East on trail, black PJ's, 2 rifles, 1 pack. Fire mission called, good coverage of target area. 2 VC KIA possible.
302130H	BS 686591	1 boat with lights moving across river. Fire mission called, good coverage of target area, light not seen again.
302230H	BS 688594	Lights observed moving on both sides of the river. Illumination fired into area, but nothing could be observed.

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8. **Other Information:** ARVN outpost leader told the patrol leader that the village of AN CHU (2) BS 665586, and AN CHU (3) BS 650580 are VC controlled. Also that the VC move SW down the trail and through the pass at BS 625585, and into the village at BS 623552. They stay the night in the village and move out the next day.

9. **Encounters with the Enemy:** None

10. **Condition of Patrol:** Good

11. **Recommendations and Conclusions:** None

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12. **Additional Comments by Debriefers:** None

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
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CHU LAI, RVN
Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
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