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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division(Rein), FMF
(Attn: Field Historian)

Subj: 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-) Command Chronology, August 1966

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) DivO 5750.2A

Encl: (1) Command Chronology, Aug 1966

1. In accordance with the provisions of referneces (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted herewith.
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1st Reconnaissance Battalion

1. Organizational Data:

a. Location: 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-) CHU LAI, Republic of Vietnam
 2nd Platoon, Company "A" - HUE PHU BAI, Republic of Vietnam.

b. Period covered by this report: 1-31 August 1966

c. Name and grade of Commanding Officer, Staff and Chief Subordinates:

(1) Commanding Officer	1-6 Aug 1966 LtCol A. J. SULLIVAN 7-31 Aug 1966 LtCol D. N. McKEON
(2) Executive Officer	Major A. S. HARRIS
(3) Commanding Officer "A" Co	1-16 Aug 1966 1stLt C. E. BRALY 17-31 Aug 1966 Captain E. J. CONNOLLY Captain L. K. NELSON Captain T. U. GERAGHTY
(4) Commanding Officer "B" Co	
(5) Commanding Officer "C" Co	
(6) Commanding Officer "D" Co	1-22 Aug 1966 1stLt P. B. GOODWIN 23-31 Aug 1966 Captain R. A. CARNES Captain C. D. SMALL 2ndLt D. J. COLLINS SSgt G. E. WILLIAMS Major F. RINEY 2ndLt D. C. DIEDTKE 1stLt J. D. STEWART
(7) Commanding Officer H&S Co	
(8) Adjutant/S-1	
(9) S-2 Officer	
(10) S-3 Officer	
(11) Assistant S-3 Officer	
(12) S-4 Officer	

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(13) Supply Officer	2ndLt D. BANKS
(14) Motor Transport Officer	2ndLt J. P. EMMI
(15) Communications Officer	Captain R. S. KAYE
(16) Battalion Sergeant Major	1-23 Aug 1966
	1stSgt R. A. NICHOLSON
	24-31 Aug 1966
	SgtMaj W. C. DAVIS

2. Commander's Narrative Summary of Significant Events:

a. Personnel. Replacement of highly trained and experienced personnel scheduled for rotation during August and September continue to be a major problem. During August 58 personnel, a large percentage of which were non-commissioned officers, have rotated. During September 88 personnel, including thirteen officers are scheduled for rotation. Thus far 96 personnel have been assigned to this Battalion and three periods of Reconnaissance Indoctrination Programs have been conducted. A critical shortage exists in supply and communication personnel.

b. Administration. An on-site disbursing team conducted an audit of personnel records of this Battalion during the reporting period. No significant trends were noticed and a satisfactory with minor discrepancies grade was assigned. Also during the period two Marines were awarded and convicted by Summary Courts-Martial for violation of Articles 121 and 113, UCMJ.

c. Intelligence. During the period, intelligence information disseminate by the 1st Marine Division has been a major factor in the employment of reconnaissance units. By the same token, intelligence gathered by elements of this Battalion is immediately forwarded to Division for action and further dissemination to significant units.

d. Training. As indicated in subparagraph 2 a, three Reconnaissance Indoctrination Programs were conducted for all newly joined personnel. Each program was of ten days duration and included firing all organic weapons; fundamentals of Artillery and Air observation, advanced mapping and patrolling. Upon completion of the program personnel are integrated into a trained reconnaissance team.

3. Miscellaneous.

a. On 6 August 1966, Lieutenant Colonel Donald N. McKEON 051343/0302 USMC relieved Lieutenant Colonel Arthur J. SULLIVAN 045149/0302 USMC as Commanding Officer, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion.

b. On 9 August 1966, General Wallace M. GREENE, Commandant of the Marine Corps, visited the Command and presented four Silver Stars, three Navy

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been requested to support deep reconnaissance efforts. On both occasions the request was denied because of the lack of qualified pilots.

b. The positioning of radio-relay sites proved beneficial to infantry units when direct communication with parent units was not available. Most beneficial results were realized when infantry units established communication with reconnaissance elements.

c. An agreement has been reached with Division Artillery units in respect to calling Artillery missions. Prior to this time this Battalion has provided direct communication support to the artillery unit providing direct support. Under new arrangements the reconnaissance elements will call their fires utilizing the artillery command fire direction net. This new arrangement relieves the Battalion of the requirement of providing both personnel and equipment.

d. CHU LAI Defense Command.

Difficult and unusual communications problems have been experienced by this Battalion in its continued maintenance responsibilities of the CHU LAI Defense Command Sub-Sector Five. As a small unit with limited resources the ability of the Battalion to provide satisfactory support without augmentation has proven difficult at best. Organic assets have been extended to the point where maintenance and control reached the point of diminishing returns. Resources from external sources have been received, to support the expansion effort within the sub-sector, but the burden to provide the personnel and carry the work load in establishing and maintaining both wire and radio communications has proved difficult. It would seem evident that expanded support will be needed to provide continued support to the defense effort.

e. Maintenance.

The recent acquisition of a reliable power source has proven extremely valuable in providing a satisfactory 2nd echelon maintenance program. Only with this resource can the Battalion hope to provide a reliable and acceptable 1st and 2nd echelon maintenance program within the organization.

6. Civil Affairs/Civil Action. This Battalion in conjunction with the 3rd Amphibian Tractor Battalion continues to provide an adequate civil affairs program. Three times a week (Monday, Wednesday, and Friday) the Civil Affairs Officer, doctors and corpsmen coordinate their efforts with the Village Chief of HAI NINH to provide a timely and efficient civil affairs program. In this connection reconnaissance elements have established cordial relations at AN HOA NUI TRON, TIEN HUNG, LAC SON and QUE SON mainly by the judicious use of corpsmen administering to the basic medical needs of local inhabitants.

APPENDICES:

✓A - References

✓B - Patrol Reports

✓C - Daily Summary of Significant Events

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Commendation Medals and three Purple Hearts to members of this command.

c. Brigadier General W. A. STILES, the acting Division Commander presented four Bronze Stars, three Navy Commendation Medals and seven Purple Hearts to members of the Battalion on 26 August 1966.

d. Colonel R. F. THOMPSON, Assistant Chief of Staff G-2, III MAF visited the Battalion on 28 August 1966 and was briefed on the mission and current employment of the Battalion.

4. Operations.

a. The 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-) in general support of the 1st Marine Division maintained its elements deployed outside periphery of the CHU LAI TAOR. Additionally, deep reconnaissance was conducted in the HIEP DUC and TIEN PHUOC area of QUANG TIN Province. Direct Support missions were as follows.

(1) "C" Company(Rein) consisting of 1st and 2nd Platoons of "C" Company; the 3rd Platoon of "A" Company; the 3rd Platoon of "B" Company plus elements of Headquarters and Service Company were in support of Fifth Marines for Operation COLORADO during the period 6-20 August 1966. Eleven platoon sized Observation Posts were employed to accomplish the mission. Sixteen sightings were made totaling 77 VC. No contact was made and five artillery missions were fired resulting in 17 VC KIA. Communications were established with infantry units on this TAC net and sightings were relayed to the infantry via the FSCC for reaction.

(2) The Command Group of "B" Company and the 1st Platoon, "A" Company and the 2nd Platoon of "C" Company were in support of Seventh Marines for Operation JACKSON during the period 26-30 August 1966.

b. General Support Missions.

(1) During the reporting period 47 platoon sized patrols were conducted resulting in 184 sightings totaling 974 VC/VCS. 31 VC were confirmed KIA's, 94 VC KIA probable; 1 VC WIA confirmed; 2 VC WIA probable; and 7 VC captured. 7 USMC were wounded in action during the period.

(2) Appendix B contains the patrol reports for the reporting period.

(3) During the period 18-20 August 1966 "C" Company, less the 3rd Platoon and reinforced by the 3rd Platoon "A" company conducted a Company reconnaissance mission to assess the effect of a B-52 strike and to determine the feasibility of the destruction of the BONG MIEU Gold Mine. Attachments included two Scout Dog Teams, one FAC Team and a squad of engineers. Numerous tunnel and mine shafts were located, however, there was no indication of enemy activity. Annex 1 of Appendix B contains salient information relative to the subject Operation.

(4) Extensive use has been made of ARVN Artillery from QUE SON for deep reconnaissance in the HIEP DUC area.

5. Communications.

a. Twice during the reporting period the use of retransmission aircraft has

REFERENCESUNIT DIARY

H&S Company	161-187
"A" Company	96-118
"B" Company	97-116
"C" Company	101-119
"D" Company	121-147

MESSAGES

1st Mar Div	020845Z	140800Z
	0211441Z	142201Z
	030755Z	150630Z
	030910Z	171547Z
		200612Z
	031420Z	180215Z
	040600Z	180900Z
	040606Z	190410Z
	040840Z	211314Z
	050907Z	221205Z
	060730Z	231330Z
	070330Z	240644Z
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Appendix A
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Appendix B to Enclosure (1) to Commanding Officer 1st Recon Bn

Annex 1✓ (Combat Operations After Action Report COLORADO)
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Annex 3✓ (Frag Order 18-66)
Annex 4✓ (Bn Frag Order 19-66)
Annex 5✓ (Bn Frag Order 20-66)
Annex 6✓ (Bn Frag Order 22-66)
Annex 7✓ (Bn Frag Order 23-66)
Annex 8✓ (Patrol Report of 20 Aug 66-"C" Co)
Annex 9✓ (Patrol Report of 2 Aug 66-3/c)
Annex 10✓ (Patrol Report of 2 Aug 66- 2/D)
Annex 11✓ (Patrol Report of 2 Aug 66-1/C)
Annex 12✓ (Patrol Report of 3 Aug 66-1/A)
Annex 13✓ (Patrol Report of 3 Aug 66-1/B)
Annex 14✓ (Patrol Report of 5 Aug 66-2/B)
Annex 15✓ (Patrol Report of 6 Aug 66-3/D)
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Annex 17✓ (Patrol Report of 6 Aug 66-2/D)
Annex 18✓ (Patrol Report of 6 Aug 66-1/D)
Annex 19✓ (Patrol Report of 7 Aug 66-3/C)
Annex 20✓ (Patrol Report of 8 Aug 66-1/B)
Annex 21✓ (Patrol Report of 9 Aug 66-2/D)
Annex 22✓ (Patrol Report of 10 Aug 66-3/D)
Annex 23✓ (Patrol Report of 13 Aug 66-2/B)
Annex 24✓ (Patrol Report of 13 Aug 66-1/A)
Annex 25✓ (Patrol Report of 16 Aug 66-1/B)
Annex 26✓ (Patrol Report of 17 Aug 66-3/C)
Annex 27✓ (Patrol Report of 17 Aug 66-1/D)
Annex 28✓ (Patrol Report of 20 Aug 66-1/D)
Annex 29✓ (Patrol Report of 21 Aug 66-1/A)
Annex 30✓ (Patrol Report of 22 Aug 66-2/D)
Annex 31✓ (Patrol Report of 24 Aug 66-3/B)
Annex 32✓ (Patrol Report of 25 Aug 66-3/A)
Annex 33✓ (Patrol Report of 26 Aug 66-1/B)
Annex 34✓ (Patrol Report of 26 Aug 66-3/D)
Annex 35✓ (Patrol Report of 28 Aug 66-2/B)
Annex 36✓ (Patrol Report of 28 Aug 66-3/C)
Annex 37✓ (Patrol Report of 28 Aug 66-1/C)
Annex 38✓ (Patrol Report of 28 Aug 66-1st sqd 3/C)
Annex 39✓ (Patrol Report of 29 Aug 66-1/A)
Annex 40✓ (Patrol Report of 30 Aug 66-2/D)

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

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31 Aug 1966

From: Commanding Officer "C" Company, 1st Recon Bn.
To: Commanding Officer 5th Marines
Via: Commanding Officer 1st Recon Bn.

Subj: Combat Operations After Action Report

Ref: (a) 1st Recon Bn Frag Order 19-66 to BnOpOrder 321-66

Encl: (1) Overlay of OP's in support of Operation COLORADO

1. Operation COLORADO
2. 2 Aug-15 Aug 66
3. QUANG TIN Province
4. Command Headquarters Company "C", 1st Recon Bn, Bn-Captain T. J. GERAGHTY
5. Task Organization: Company "C"(-), 1st Recon Bn
 - 3rd Platoon, Company "A", 1st Recon Bn
 - 3rd Platoon, Company "B", 1st Recon Bn
6. Supporting Forces: MAG-36
 - MAG-12
 - 11th Marines
7. Intelligence: See reference (a)
8. Mission: To conduct ground reconnaissance in support of Operation COLORADO
9. Concept of Operation: See Enclosure (1)
10. Execution: Eleven platoon size OP's were employed to accomplish the mission.
11. Results: During the operation 16 sightings were made totaling 77 VC. No contact was made. 5 artillery missions were fired resulting in 17 VC KIA (possible). No USMC casualties or losses.
12. Administrative Matters: No problems encountered
13. Special Equipment or Techniques: No change

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14. Commanders Analysis: Recon operation in support of Operation COLORADO were successful in a number of respects. Their primary function was to establish OP's in support of infantry operations. We established communications with the infantry on their TAC net and relayed our sightings to them and to the FSCC. This method proved to be successful in that we could relay activity to the infantry upon their landing and they could react to this information.

Some problems were encountered. Recon liaison teams with artillery should shackle their new location to FSCC whenever a displacement of artillery is effected. This increases overall control and coordination. Also more communicators are needed on extended problems such as this Operation. It is imperative to maintain communications with patrols at all times, especially at night, and communicators who are fatigued do not lead toward efficiency.

15. Recommendations:

a. That Recon in general support of infantry Operations be continued in the future.

b. That Recon continue to maintain communications with the infantry on their TAC net and this Bn net. Coordination and control are definite results in this procedure.

/s/ T. J. Geraghty
T. J. GERAGHTY

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COMPANY "B"
1st Reconnaissance Battalion
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines
Via: Commanding Officer, 1stReconBn

Subj: Combat Operations After Action Report

Ref: (a) 7th Marines Frag Order 17-66

1. Code Name. Operation Franklin I
2. Dates of Operation. 25-29 July 1966
3. Location. Eastern Binh Son District, QUANG NGAI Province.
4. Control or Command Headquarters. 1st ReconBn (-) and command group located with 7th Marines command group at Bien Son from 251700 to 271500 July 1966.

5. Task Organization.

1st Recon Bn (-)

Company "B", (-) (Rein), 1stReconBn

1st Platoon, Co"B", 1stReconBn

1st Platoon, Co"C", 1stReconBn

Maj..A.S..HARRIS

Capt L.K. NELSON

Lt. J.J. CAMPBELL

CySgt G. C. COFFAM

6. Supporting Forces.

a. Artillery: The 3d Battalion, 11th Marines was in direct support of the 7th Marines for the operation. Recon platoons called a total of 7 fire missions with outstanding coverage and no delays on adjustments.

b. Air: The 1st Marine Air Wing provided helicopters for insertion, extraction and resupply of recon patrols in addition to an effective air strike, utilizing fixed wing and HUEY gunships.

c. Naval Gunfire: Various ships were, at different times, in direct support of the operation. The NGF Spotter with the 1st Platoon of Company "C" called one Naval gunfire mission with good effect on target.

7. Intelligence. See reference (a).

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8. Mission.

a. On approximately D-2, establish OP vicinity BS553882; patrol area as indicated in Annex B (Operation Overlay) to reference (a).

b. At H-1 establish OP at designated location.

c. Be prepared to displace/reestablish OP's on order.

9. Concept of Operation. See reference (a).10. Execution.

a. At 221830H July a platoon was inserted at the PF outpost at An Diem, vicinity BS553883. On 24 July this platoon patrolled in the vicinity of grid squares 5585, 5586 and 5687. During the remainder of their 161 hours on Operation FRANKLIN I, an OP was maintained at An Diem and observation was excellent in all directions.

b. At 260605H, July a platoon was inserted on Hill 128, vicinity BS 688872 to observe into the zone of action of infantry elements engaged in the operation. At 2707150H, as friendly troops moved into their area, this platoon was extracted and reinserted at Nui A Linh, vicinity BS 725853, with the same mission but keeping ahead of friendly elements. This platoon was extracted from Nui A Linh at 271530H.

11. Results. Recon platoons had a total of 13 sightings of 138 VC. One of the artillery fire missions called accounted for 1 VC KIA confirmed. One fire mission was called at 261830H and fired for effect eleven times followed by an air strike. The platoon leader observed excellent coverage of the target area where he had previously observed 37 VC forming to attack the OP. No surveillance could be made at that time because of darkness. Upon extraction from that OP at 270515H, 6 coolie hats and pieces of clothing were observed in the target area but no bodies or weapons.

12. Administration Matters.

a. Helicopters were used for all insertions, extractions, resupply and medical evacuations (there were two non-battle med evacs).

b. Radio communications was solely FM utilizing the AN/PRC 25. No communications difficulties were encountered during the course of the operation.

13. Special Equipment and Technique.

a. A strobe light was used to mark the platoons position in directing an air strike at night.

b. The star gazer was very effective in night observation. Any movement in the open within approximately 2000 meters of the OP (An Diem) could be seen.

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c. The recon command group was co-located with the regimental FSOC. This facilitated action on air, artillery and naval gunfire requests.

14. Commanders Analysis.

a. When recon platoons set up OP's at positions occupied by ARVN, they must have an interpreter as valuable information cannot be obtained. In this particular operation, VC activity in the vicinity of An Diem was light, however, other patrols have proved their value in providing good intelligence. Had there been any appreciable VC activity in the area, first hand information would have been given this recon platoon.

b. Recon units on OP's in relatively open terrain can easily observe friendly as well as enemy activity. If infantry units are aware of the location, call sign and frequency of a recon OP, they can receive valuable information as to possible river crossings, mined/booby trapped areas, fortification of possible concealed enemy locations.

[Signature]
L. K. NELSON

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Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701 6656 IV, 6657 I, II & IV
6756 IV, 6757 IV; AMS L7014 6639 I & II, 6739 IV
(b) BnOp Order 321-66
(c) DivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)

Task Organization:

1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-)

LtCol A. J. SULLIVAN

Company "B"

Capt L. K. NELSON

Company "C"

Capt T. J. GERAGHTY

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) See Current ISUMS
- (2) As briefed by Battalion S-2

b. Attachments and Detachments: None

2. MISSION. 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-) conducts ground reconnaissance observation in assigned area of QUANG TIN/QUANG NGAI Province, RVN. See Annex A (Operation Overlay).

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-) conducts reconnaissance within assigned sector of QUANG TIN/QUANG NGAI Province, RVN. See Annex A (Operation Overlay) for assigned sector for reconnaissance. Additionally, other means of reconnaissance will be employed as available. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed upon:

- (a) Routes of egress and entry.
- (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.

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b. Company "B".

(1) Commencing 021000H-051800H provide a platoon (CROSSING) to establish OP on Hill 437 vicinity BT 227979 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. The primary direction of observation is the northern and southern portion of your assigned area. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone.

(2) Commencing 021800H-061800H provide a platoon (DAMPEN) to establish OP on Hill 319 vicinity BT 312063 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. The primary direction of observation is the northern portion of your assigned area. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone.

c. Company "C".

(1) Commencing 070630H-101800H provide a platoon (ASPARAGUS) to establish OP on Hill 410 vicinity BT 388035 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. The primary direction of observation is the northern portion of your assigned area. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone.

d. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Report all sightings immediately to BAD ACTOR.

(2) SITREP every two hours (unless otherwise directed), and monitor net continuously. With each SITREP submit POSITION REPORT, if "No Change", so state.

(3) Code Names. (See Radio Brevity Code)

(4) All patrol leaders will insure that the following items are accomplished prior to departure:

- (a) Receive intelligence brief from S-2.
- (b) Submit rosters of personnel participating in operation to S-1 and S-3.
- (c) Read Rules of Engagement LAW reference (c).
- (d) Submit H&I and preplanned TP-10's to S-3 if required.
- (e) Plan and coordinate one false insert with each insertion.
- (f) Record of all MIKE designators.
- (g) Report guide.

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

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

(7) Be prepared to exploit with air.

(8) Bury all trash, return all batteries.

(9) LZ will be marked with yellow smoke.

(10) Caution all troops to be alert for AP mines and booby traps. When found give type of mine/booby trap, method of emplacement, siting, method of detonation, whether destroyed or disarmed. LIVES OF UNQUALIFIED PERSONNEL WILL NOT BE ENDANGERED TO DETERMINE ANY OF ABOVE INFORMATION.

(11) When reporting utilize SALUTE format.

(12) Emphasis on EEI's.

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

(14) Scout Sniper teams will be attached for all operations.

(15) PATROL	INSERTION	EXTRACTION	THRUST POINT
CROSSING	021200H	051800H	A-2199 B-2397
DAMPEN	021800H	061800H	A-3105 B-3308
ASPARAGUS	070610H	101800H	A-3705 B-4002
<u>NO FIRE ZONES</u>			

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3009, 3309, 3304, 3004

4005, 3802, 4002, 3805

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. See 1st Recon Pn AdminO 324-66

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) Air panels.

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(6) One Strobe Light Indicator per platoon.

(7) BC Scope as required.

(8) Star Light Scope as required.

5. COMMAND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. See reference (b).

b. Command Post. Command Post positions are as set forth in reference (b).

c. The following communications support provided by Communications Section, H&S Company.

(1) Establish and maintain radio communications on the following nets:

(a) Bn TAC Primary	50.0	M-458
Bn TAC Secondary	45.3	M-423
Bn TAC Alternate	39.4	M-363
Artillery	43.1	M-401

(2) Provide Artillery Liaison personnel as required.

(3) Maintain radio-relay stations as presently established.

d. Authentication and shackles in accordance with reference (b).

e. Reporting Schedule. Deployed elements will report at least every two hours. All situation reports will be accompanied by a position report. Thrust line method will be used whenever possible.

f. AO support for radio-relay provided on request.

g. Resupply of comm-elec items provided on request. 24 hours lead time is desired.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL SULLIVAN

A. S. Harris
A. S. HARRIS

Major, U. S. Marine Corps

Executive Officer

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A - Operation Overlay

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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) See Current ISUMS
- (2) As briefed by Battalion S-2

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) Fifth Marines provides three infantry Battalions as exploitation force.
- (2) MAG-12 provides close air support.
- (3) MAG-36 provides helicopter support.
- (4) 11th Marines provides artillery support.

c. Attachments and Detachments. Company "C"(Rein) OPCON 5th Marines as of 021200H August 1966.

2. MISSION. 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-) conducts reconnaissance within HIEP DUC corridor and SONG LY LY rivers. See Annex A (Operation Overlay) for assigned sector of reconnaissance. Additionally, other means of reconnaissance will be employed as available. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed upon:

(a) Routes of egress and entry.

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(b) Lines of communications.

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- (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.
- b. H&S Company. Commencing 060800H provide a forward command at QUE SON vicinity BT 035347 to command, control and coordinate all reconnaissance efforts in support of Operation COLORADO.
- c. Company "A".
- (1) Commencing 030630H provide a platoon (COURT HOUSE) to establish OP on Hill 953 vicinity AT 970389 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation is south in the ARVN zone of operation. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone. The code name for this mission is SUSAN. On order be prepared to execute mission on Hill 579 vicinity AT 949345.
 - (2) Commencing 1-Hour, provide a platoon (CREDITOR) to establish OP on Hill 150, vicinity AT 875353, and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation is south in objective 2nd Battalion, Fifth Marines objective 1. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone. The code name for this mission is RITA. On order be prepared to execute mission PAM on Hill 441 at AT 981287 and mission SALLY on Hill 403 (NUI GLAI) at BT 044274. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes the No Fire Zones for the above areas.
- d. Company "B".
- (1) Commencing 051200H provide a command group/radio relay at TIEN PHUOC vicinity BT 111142 to coordinate all reconnaissance efforts in the TIEN PHUOC area in support of Operation COLORADO.
 - (2) Commencing on order provide a platoon, (COMBUSTION), to establish OP on Hill 152, vicinity BT 074226, and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation is 1st Battalion, Fifth Marines objective 4. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone. The code name for this mission is DEBBIE. On order be prepared to execute additional missions as required.
- e. Company "C".
- (1) Commencing 030630H provide a Command Group/radio-relay at LAC SON, vicinity BT 021288, to coordinate all reconnaissance efforts in support of Operation COLORADO.

(2) Commencing 041500H-071800H provide a platoon (ASPARAGUS) to establish OP vicinity BT 015273 (ARVN Outpost) and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone. The code name for this mission is KIM. On order be prepared to execute additional missions as required.

(3) Commencing L-Hour on D-Day, provide a platoon (BEAR LAKE) to establish OP on Hill 210, vicinity AT 939212, and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation is north northeast in 2nd Battalion, Fifth Marines objective 2 and 3. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone. The code name for this mission is RITA. On order be prepared to execute mission PAM on Hill 441 at AT 981287 and mission SALLY on Hill 403 (NUI GIAM) at BT 044274. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes the No Fire Zones for the above areas.

e. Company "D". Commencing D-2 provide a platoon (BICKERTON) to establish OP on Hill 482 vicinity AT 877174 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation is north overlooking 2nd Battalion, Fifth Marines objective 1. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone. The code name for this mission is ARLINE. On order be prepared to execute additional missions as required.

g. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Report all sightings immediately to BAD ACTION.
- (2) SITREP every two hours (unless otherwise directed), and monitor net continuously. With each SITREP submit POSITION REPORT, if "No Change", so state.
- (3) Code Names. (See Radio Brevity Code)
- (4) All patrol leaders will insure that the following items are accomplished prior to departure.
 - (a) Receive intelligence brief from S-2.
 - (b) Submit rosters of personnel participating in operation to S-1 and S-3.
 - (c) Read Rules of Engagement IAW reference (c).
 - (d) Submit H&I, preplanned TPQ-10's, artillery and air preparations to S-3 if required.
 - (e) Plan and coordinate one false insert with each insertion.
 - (f) Record of all MIKE designators.

(g) Spot report guide.

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

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

(7) Be prepared to exploit with air.

(8) Bury all trash, return all batteries.

(9) LZ will be marked with yellow smoke.

(10) Caution all troops to be alert for AP mines and booby traps. When found give type of mine/booby trap, method of emplacement, siting, method of detonation, whether destroyed or disarmed. LIVES OF UNQUALIFIED PERSONNEL WILL NOT BE ENDANGERED TO DETERMINE ANY OF ABOVE INFORMATION.

(11) When reporting utilize SALUTE format.

(12) Emphasis on MET's.

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

(14) Scout Sniper teams will be attached for all operations.

(15) <u>PATROL</u>	<u>INSERTION</u>	<u>EXTRACTION</u>	<u>THRUST POINT</u>
COURT HOUSE	030630H	031800H	A-9639 B-9938
BICKERTON	040700H	WD	A-3617 B-8816
ASPARAGUS	041500H	071800H	N/A
COURT HOUSE	050630H	081800H	A-9335 B-9634
CREDITOR	L-Hour	WD	A-8625 B-8925
BEAR LAKE	L-Hour	WD	A-9322 B-9620
CREDITOR	WD	WD	A-9728 B-9929
CREDITOR	WD	WD	A-0628 B-0326
COMBUSTION	WD	WD	A-0722 B-0522
CORK LEG	WD	WD	A-1028 B-1227
BEAR LAKE	WD	WD	A-1226 B-1424

<u>CODE NAME</u>	<u>NO FIRE ZONES</u>
SUSAN	9540, 9940, 9936, 9536
ARLENE	8618, 8918, 8916, 8616
KIM	0028, 0228, 0226, 0026
ANN	9336, 9636, 9633, 9333
RITA	8626, 8926, 8924, 8624
SHARI	9322, 9622, 9620, 9320
PAM	9730, 9930, 9928, 9728
SALLY	0328, 0628, 0626, 0326
DEBBIE	0524, 0724, 0722, 0522
MOLLY	1029, 1229, 1227, 1027
SANDY	1226, 1426, 1424, 1224

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. See 1st Recon Bn AdminO 324-66

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) Air panels
- (6) One Strobe Light Indicator per platoon.
- (7) BC Scope as required.
- (8) Star Light Scope as required.

5. COMMAND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. (1) See reference (b)

(2) Communications Section H&S Company. Provide communication support to Battalion Command Group. Provide artillery and air support liaison teams as directed.

(3) Company "C"(-). Establish and maintain communications relay facilities vicinity LAC SON. Maintain TIR and TAD facilities as required.

(4) Radio Frequency & Call Sign Assignments. See Annex A (Operation Overlay)

(5) Coordinating Instructions.

(a) All units will maintain continuous watch and provide SITREP/POSITION Reports every hour.

(b) Authentication and shackles in accordance with reference (b).

(c) Platoons be prepared to contact infantry units on order.

(d) Artillery requests will be relayed to BAD ACTOR 22B/22C as required on M-401. BEAR LAKE and COMBUSTION contact CONTRIVE DELTA XRAY on 39.3(M-361)

(e) Units requiring liaison with Special Forces in TIEN PHOU area will contact SINGLE SQUAD 12 on 39.3 (M-361).

(f) Visual. Strobe Lights, panels, and smoke will be carried.

(g) Radio-Relay. First M.W provides airborne radio-relay for BICKERTON 041800H-050600H and 051800-060600H

b. Command Posts

1st Reconnaissance Battalion(Command Group Forward) BT 326212

Company "C"(-) BT 021289
on order D-Day displaces to BT 326212

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Task Organizations:

1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-)	LtCol D. N. McKELON
Company "A"	1stLt C. E. BRALY
Company "B"	Capt L. K. NELSON
Company "D"	1stLt P. B. GOODWIN

1. SITUATIONa. Enemy Forces

- (1) See Current INTSUMS
- (2) As briefed by Battalion S-2

b. Attachments and Detachments: None

2. MISSION. 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-) conducts ground reconnaissance observation in assigned area of QUANG TIN/QUANG NGAI Province, RVN. See Annex A (Operation Overlay).

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operation. 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-) conducts reconnaissance within assigned sector of QUANG TIN/QUANG NGAI Province, RVN. See Annex A (Operation Overlay) for assigned sector for reconnaissance. Additionally, other means of reconnaissance will be employed as available. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed upon:

- (a) Routes of egress and entry.
- (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.

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b. Company "A".

(1) Commencing 090600H-121700H provide a platoon (COURT HOUSE) to establish OP on Hill 302 vicinity BT 313104 and maintain surveillance of the LOC's to the north and south of your assigned position. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone.

c. Company "B".

(1) Commencing 090630H-121730H provide a platoon (DAMPEN) to establish OP on Hill 538 vicinity BT 357992 and maintain surveillance of the MY SON valley, area to the north. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone.

d. Company "D".

(1) Commencing 070600H-101800H provide a platoon (COMMOTION) to establish an OP in the most advantageous position of grid squares, 3113, 3114, 3115, 3214, 3215, 3314, 3315. Your insertion will be an in-place relief of CHATSWORTH at BT 316143. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on the areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone.

(2) Commencing 071300H-091700H provide a platoon (BICKERTON) to establish an OP on Hill 607 (BT 007149) and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area in support of Operation COLORADO. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on the areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone.

e. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Report all sightings immediately to BAD ACTOR.
- (2) SITREP every two hours (unless otherwise directed), and monitor net continuously. With each SITREP submit POSITION REPORT, if "No Change", so state.
- (3) Code Names. (See Radio Brevity Code)
- (4) All patrol leaders will insure that the following items are accomplished prior to departure:
 - (a) Receive intelligence brief from S-2
 - (b) Submit rosters of personnel participating in operation to S-1 and S-3.
 - (c) Read Rules of Engagement LAW reference (c).

- (d) Submit H&I and preplanned TPQLO's to S-3 if required.
 - (e) Plan and coordinate one false insert with each insertion.
 - (f) Record of all MIKE designators.
 - (g) Spot report guide.
- (5) Supply caches will be destroyed. Samples (one quart) of rice will be kept and brought in with the patrol for further evaluation. Record DTG, location and circumstances of capture.
- (6) Be prepared to call and adjust artillery fire on targets of opportunity.
- (7) Be prepared to exploit with air.
- (8) Bury all trash, return all batteries.
- (9) LZ will be marked with yellow smoke.
- (10) Caution all troops to be alert for AP mines and booby traps. When found give type of mine/booby trap, method of emplacement, siting, method of detonation, whether destroyed or disarmed. LIVES OF UNQUALIFIED PERSONNEL WILL NOT BE ENDANGERED TO DETERMINE ANY OF ABOVE INFORMATION.
- (11) When reporting utilize SALUTE format.
- (12) Emphasis on EET's.
- (13) Report to S-2 upon extraction for debriefing.
- (14) Scout Sniper teams will be attached for all operations.

(15) <u>PATROL</u>	<u>INSERTION</u>	<u>EXTRACTION</u>	<u>THRUST POINT</u>
COURT HOUSE	090600H	121700H	A - 3012 B - 3409
DAMPEN	090630H	121730H	A - 3702 B - 3599
COMMOTION	070600H	101800H	A - 3413 B - 3116
BICKERTON	071300H	091700H	A - 0015 B - 0213
<u>NO FIRE ZONES</u>			

3009, 3012, 3409, 3412

3598, 3502, 3898, 3802

3113, 3117, 3513, 3517
0013, 0016, 0313, 0316

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. See 1st Recon Bn AdminO 324-66

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) Air panels.
- (6) One Strobe Light Indicator per platoon.
- (7) BC Scope as required.
- (8) Star Light Scope as required.

5. COMMAND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. See reference (b).

b. Command Post. Command Post positions are as set forth in reference (b).

c. The following communications support provided by Communications Section, H&S Company.

(1) Establish and maintain radio communications on the following nets:

(a) Bn TAC Primary	50.0	M-458
Bn TAC Secondary	45.3	M-423
Bn TAC Alternate	39.4	M-363
Artillery	43.1	M-401

(2) Provide Artillery Liaison personnel as required.

(3) Maintain radio-relay stations as presently established.

d. Authentication and shackles in accordance with reference (b).

e. Reporting Schedule. Deployed elements will report at least every two hours. All situation reports will be accompanied by a position report. Thrust line method will be used whenever possible.

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f. AO support for radio-relay provided on request.

g. Resupply of comm-elec items provided on request. 24 hours lead time is desired.

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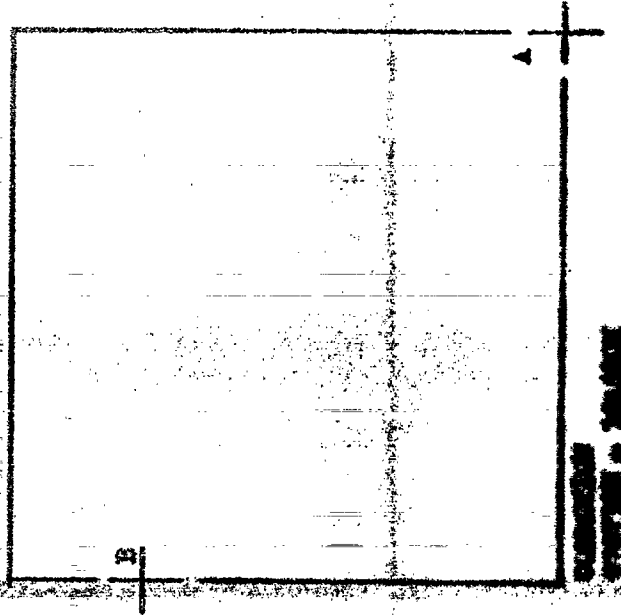
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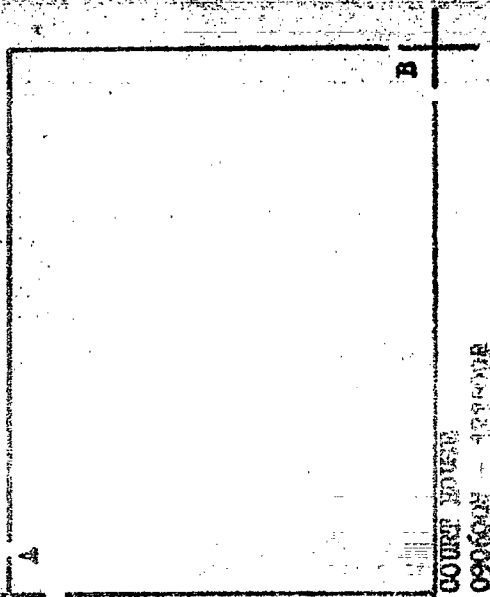
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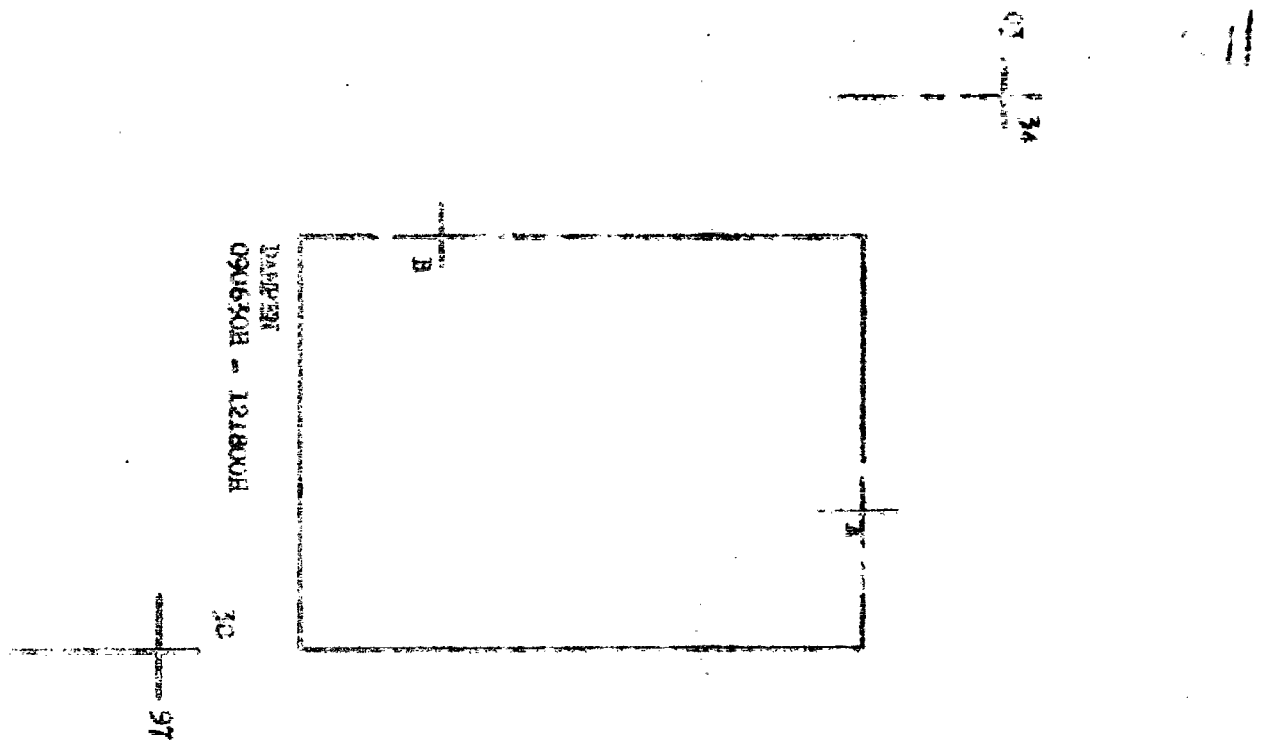
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- (b) BnOpOrder 321-66
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- (d) Div Frag Order 11-66

Task Organization:

Company "C" (Rein)

Capt T. J. GERAGHTY

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) See Current ISUMS
- (2) As briefed by Battalion S-2

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b. Friendly Forces

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- (1) Fifth Marines provides one infantry company as reaction force.
- (2) MAG 12 provides close air support.
- (3) MAG 36 provides helicopter support.
- (4) 11th Marines provides artillery support.

c. Attachments and Detachments

- (1) Company "C" (Rein) OPCON 5th Marines on order.
- (2) FAC team
- (3) Engineer team, 1st Engineer Bn
- (4) One Vietnamese guide
- (5) One Interpreter
- (6) 3 man ISO team
- (7) 2 Scout Dog teams

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2. MISSION. Company "C" (Rein) conducts ground reconnaissance in assigned area of QUANG TIM Province, District of HOU DUC, Republic of Vietnam. See Annex A (Operation Overlay). Additionally, other means of reconnaissance will be employed as available. Emphasis will be placed upon:

- (a) Assessing Arc Light strike damage
- (b) Determining feasibility of destruction of BONG-MIEU gold mine.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation. 1st Reconnaissance Battalion provides one Recon Company reinforced with engineer detachment and other attachments to:

- (1) Assess Arc light strike to determine damage to mine and facilities and extent of enemy casualties.
- (2) Assist Engineer detachment in determining feasibility of destruction of mine complex.

b. Company "C" (Rein). Commencing 180700H establish observation and conduct reconnaissance of the BONG-MIEU gold mine in the vicinity of BT 254036. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes your No Fire Zone.

c. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Report all sightings immediately to BAD ACTOR.
- (2) SITREP every two hours (unless otherwise directed) and monitor net continuously. With each SITREP submit POSITION REPORT, if "No Change", so state.
- (3) Code Names. See Radio Brevity Code.
- (4) Insure that the following items are accomplished prior to departure:
 - (a) Receive intelligence brief from S-2
 - (b) Submit rosters of personnel participating in operation to S-1 and S-3.
 - (c) Read Rules of Engagement IAW reference (c).
 - (d) Submit H&I and preplanned TPQ-10's to S-3 if required.
 - (e) Record of all MIKE designators.
 - (f) report guide.

(5) 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.

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

(7) Be prepared to exploit with air.

(8) Bury all trash, return all batteries.

(9) LZ will be marked with yellow smoke.

(10) Caution all troops to be alert for AP mines, and booby traps. When found give type of mine/booby trap, method of emplacement, siting, method of detonation, whether destroyed or disarmed. Lives of unqualified personnel will not be endangered to determine any of the above information.

(11) When reporting utilize SALUTE format.

(12) Emphasis on EEI's.

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

(14) INSERTION

EXTRACTION

THRUST POINT

180700H

On Order

A - 2403

B - 2603

C - 2506

NO FIRE ZONES

See Annex "A"

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. See 1st Recon Bn AdminO 324-66

b. Special Equipment

(1) One signal mirror per team.

(2) One flashlight per team.

(3) One day/night flare per team.

(4) One CS grenade per team.

(5) Air panels

- (6) One Strobe Light indicator per platoon.
- (7) BS Scope as required.
- (8) Star Light Scope as required.
- (9) Battle lantern
- (10) One M-60 per platoon
- (11) Frag grenades
- (12) Claymores
- (13) 8 gas masks
- (14) LAAW
- (15) Camera
- (16) Engineer equipment as required.

5. COMMAND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

- a. See reference (b).
- b. Command Post: Command Post positions are as set forth in reference (b).
- c. The following communications support provided by Communications Section, H&S Company.
 - (1) Establish and maintain radio communications on the following net:
 - (a) Bn TAC Primary 45.3 M-641
 - (2) Provide artillery liaison personnel as required.
 - (3) Maintain radio-relay stations as presently established.
- d. Company "C" assigned the following additional frequency for Co TAC net: 43.1 M-401
- e. Authentication and shackles in accordance with reference (b).

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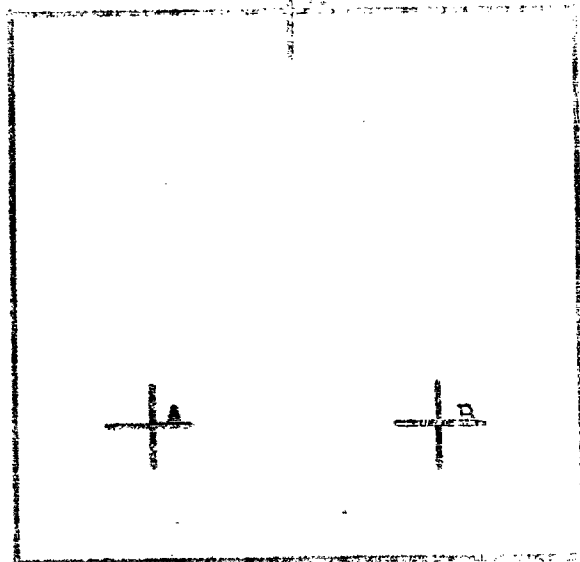
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Task Organization:

1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-)	LtCol D. N. McKEON
Company "A"	1stLt C. E. BRALY
Company "B"	Capt L. K. NELSON
Company "D"	1stLt P. B. GOODWIN

1. SITUATION**a. Enemy Forces**

- (1) See Current ISUMS
- (2) As briefed by Battalion S-2

2. MISSION. 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-) conducts ground reconnaissance/observation in assigned area of QUANG TIN Province, RVN. See Annex A (Operation Overlay).

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation. 1st Reconnaissance Battalion(-) conducts reconnaissance within assigned sector of QUANG TIN Province, Republic of Vietnam. See Annex A (Operation Overlay) for assigned sector for reconnaissance. Additionally, other means of reconnaissance will be employed as available. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on

- (a) Routes of egress and entry.
- (b) Lines of communications.
- (c) LZ's suitable for exploitation forces.
- (d) Verifying the Order of Battle.
- (e) Location of major installations and facilities to include rest areas, command posts, communications facilities, hospitals, training areas and POW camps.

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b. Company "A"

(1) Commencing 190900H - 251700H establish company command post at BT 110141 (TIEN PHOUC) to control and maintain communications with patrols operating in the TIEN PHOUC area.

(2) Commencing 191100H provide a platoon (COURT HOUSE) to establish OP on Hill 488 vicinity BT 135195 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation is north of the assigned area. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes the No Fire Zone. On order be prepared to execute additional missions as required.

c. Company "B"

(1) Commencing 210900H - 241600H provide a platoon (COMBUSTION) to establish OP on Hill 376 vicinity BT 204118 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation is south of the assigned area. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes the No Fire Zone. On order be prepared to execute additional missions as required.

d. Company "D"

(1) Commencing 191600H - 221800H provide a platoon (CHATSWORTH) to establish OP on Hill 679 vicinity BT 071099 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation is east and west of the assigned area. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes the No Fire Zone. On order be prepared to execute additional missions as required.

(2) Commencing 191000H - 221700H provide a platoon (BICKERTON) to establish OP on Hill 607 vicinity BT 010247 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation is southwest of the assigned area. Emphasis throughout the reconnaissance effort will be placed on those areas indicated in the Concept of Operations. Annex A (Operation Overlay) establishes the No Fire Zone. On order be prepared to execute additional missions as required.

e. Coordinating INSTRUCTIONS

(1) Patrols report all sightings immediately to BAD ACTOR ALPHA.

(2) Company "A" Command Group report all patrol sightings immediately to BAD ACTOR.

(3) SITREP every two hours (unless otherwise directed), and monitor net continuously. With each SITREP submit POSITION REPORT. If "No Change", so state.

(4) Code Names. (See Radio Brevity Code)

(5) All patrol leaders will insure that the following items are accomplished prior to departure:

- (a) Receive intelligence brief from S-2
- (b) Submit rosters of personnel participating in operation to S-1 and S-3.
- (c) Read Rules of Engagement IAW reference (c).
- (d) Submit H&I and preplanned TPQ-10's to S-3 if required.
- (e) Plan and coordinate one false insert with each insertion.
- (f) Record of all MIKE designators.
- (g) Spot report guide

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

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

(8) Be prepared to exploit with air.

(9) Bury all trash, return all batteries.

(10) LZ will be marked with yellow smoke.

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

(12) When reporting utilize SALUTE format.

(13) Emphasis on EEI's.

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

(15) <u>PATROL</u>	<u>INSERTION</u>	<u>EXTRACTION</u>	<u>THRUST POINT</u>
COURT HOUSE	191100H	221730H	A-1220 B-1520
COMBUSTION	210300H	241600H	A-1913 B-2212
CHATSWORTH	191600H	221800H	A-0610 B-0909
BICKERTON	191000H	221700H	A-0015 B-0314

NO FIRE ZONES

1221, 1521, 1519, 1219
 1911, 1914, 2214, 2211
 0611, 0911, 0909, 0609
 0016, 0316, 0313, 0013

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. See 1st Recon Bn AdminO 324-66

b. Special Equipment

- (1) One signal mirror per team.
- (2) One flashlight per team.
- (3) One day/night flare per team.
- (4) One CS grenade per team.
- (5) Air panels
- (6) One Strobe Light indicator per platoon.
- (7) BS Scope as required.
- (8) Star Light Scope as required.

5. COMMAND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. See reference (b).

b. Command Post. Command Post positions are as set forth in reference (b), except Company "A" at TIEN PHUOC (BT 110141).

c. The following communications support provided by Communications Section, H&S Company.

(1) Establish and maintain communications on the following net:

(a) Bn TAC 50.0 M-702

(2) Maintain radio-relay stations as presently established

d. Company "A" maintain communications on the following nets:

Company TAC 39.4 M-523

Bn TAC 50.0 M-702

Artillery 39.4 M-523

e. Authentication and shackles in accordance with reference (b).

f. Reporting Schedule. Deployed elements will report at least every two hours. All situation reports will be accompanied by a position report. Thrust line method will be used whenever possible.

g. AO support for radio-relay provided on request.

BY COMMAND OF LIETENANT COLONEL McKEON

A. S. HARRIS

Major, U. S. Marine Corps

Executive Officer

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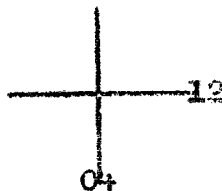
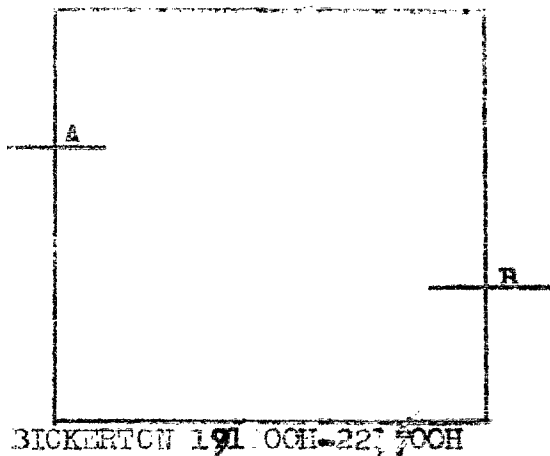
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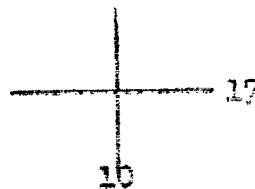
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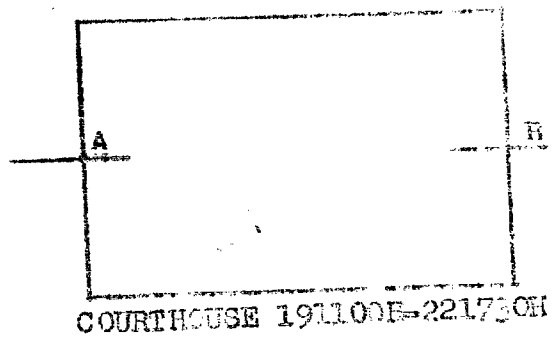
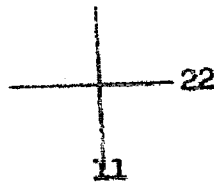
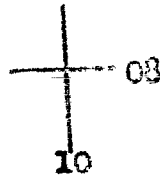
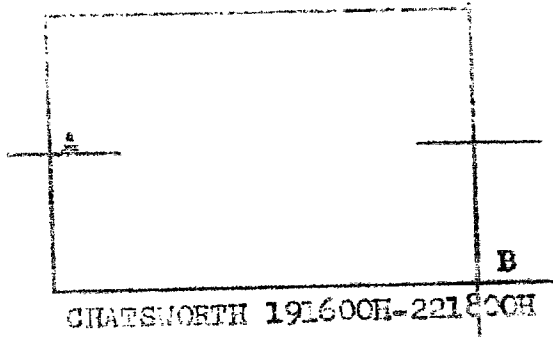


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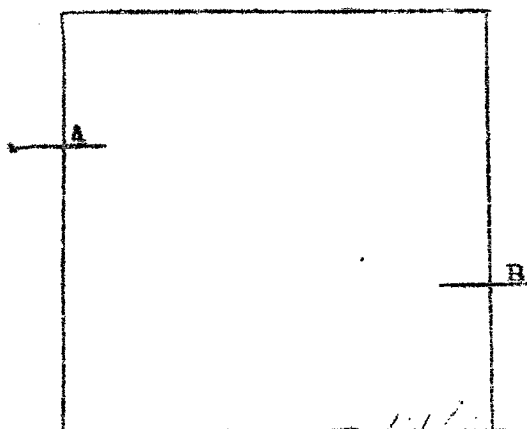
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
201900H August 1966

Bn Frag Order 22-66
Team: Co "C" (Rein)
Debriefing: SSgt WILLIAMS
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014
Sheet 6639 I

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 4 Off, 66 enl, 4 USN, 1 ARVN interpreter,; total includes Det Co "C", 1st Engr Bn, Det 1st Marine Scout Dog Platoon, FAC team, and Det ISO.
2. Mission: Establish observation and conduct reconnaissance of the BONG-MIEU gold mine in the vicinity of BT 254036. Emphasis to be placed on accessing the effects of a ARC LIGHT strike and determining the feasibility of destruction of the BONG MIEU mine.
3. Time of Departure: 180700H August 1966
4. Time of Return: 201630H August 1966
5. Route: 3rd Plt, was inserted at 180815H to secure the LZ. Company Hdqs, 2nd Plt and 1st Plt followed in that order. The insertion was delayed approximately one hour due to heavy haze caused by the ARC LIGHT strike earlier the same morning, insertion was completed by 0840H. The Company split and moved out to the base of Hill 493 (BT 248031) except for a 5 man team to act as radio-relay on Hill 306 (BT 250048). 3rd Plt on the right flank, 1st Plt on the left flank and 2nd Plt in the middle being responsible for point and rear security. The patrol routes followed were in a zig-zag manner in order to gain maximum physical surveillance of bomb craters for accurate evaluation.
6. Observation -Assessment of Arc Light Strike

The target area was well saturated and accurate. We visually observed 55 craters and physically inspected 20 craters. Craters in rocky soil were approximately 6 feet deep and 20 feet wide; wet soil craters were 15-20 feet deep and 50 feet wide; in solid rock, the craters were approximately 12 feet deep and 12 feet wide. The variance in the effects were caused by the terrain where the bomb landed and the fuse on the bomb itself.

In regards to the effect on vegetation from ground zero, 90% clearance of vegetation out to a radius of 50 meters. Average distance between craters was 75-100 meters and some overlapped. One crater caved in part of sluiceway-investigated same and hit dead end. No enemy or civilian casualties observed.

3rd Platoon.

Discovered a four foot wide sluiceway at BT 247036 running east for approximately 1,000 meters. At BT 279036 a bomb had blown open the sluiceway mentioned above. At BT 251035, sluiceway discovered, that appeared to have been blown. At BT 25203 concrete houses without roofs were found. No evidence of any recent activity.

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At BT 252035, 8 test shafts on the south face of Hill 493 were discovered. Penetration distance varied from 15-60 meters and all appeared to have been blown.

1st Platoon

Proceeded northeast from the LZ and observed 16 craters. At BT 256036, 3 houses without roofs were discovered. No evidence of recent activity. Proceeded to base of Hill 493 and joined Company Headquarters and 2nd Platoon.

2nd Platoon

Observed 26 craters while proceeding to the base of Hill 493. "C" Company CP established at BT 250034 in an old house without roof. After a short planning conference at CP, 2nd Platoon proceeded up main sluiceway to the crest of Hill 493. Extremely steep terrain. Discovered three cave openings (BT 259035, BT 249032, BT 248032) but all were blown with dynamite some time ago. Also observed three bomb craters on reverse side of Hill 493. An indigenous guide was brought to our position at 181630H. During a flyover with the Company Commander, he pointed out caves #1-#6. Harboured for night-all quiet. Night defensive fires requested and received.


190802H 3rd Platoon found OP. Reported an outstanding view of valley. Continued patrolling in western area of Hill 493. At 191030H, 2nd Platoon proceeded west approximately 700 meters. Discovered machinery--all old. 1st Platoon continued to provide CP security and patrol local area. At 190945H, engineers discovered hole at 251037 by cool air from small opening. Reconnoitered and discovered 3 passageways. Went outside, reorganized and proceeded in tunnel. Led by scout dog, this patrol consisted of 3 engineers, Bad Actor Charlie 6, 2nd Plt Commander, a corpsman, an ISO man and 2 Marines for security. Opening of mine complex 18" by 40". Patrol penetrated into mine southwest direction approximately 600 meters but discovered extensive branching passageways. Encountered 13 tunnel intersections totaling 60 branches at 3 different levels. Approximately 10% of branches were deadends, majority of which had been blown or caved in. Remainder investigated and led to endless passageways on upper and lower levels. Interior solid rock. Observed three bats and countless stalactites. Passageway sizes range from 6' to 60' high and width from 8' to 100'. Encountered underground spring which we followed to 3 levels. No evidence of any recent inhabitants. Believed to cave #7 due to marking throughout interior (mostly roman numeral VII--also saw IV, V, VI). In addition, numbers from #6^A to #7^A were observed throughout mine along with pegs driven in deck. Cave opening at BT 251037. Estimated distance traveled throughout tunnel complex approximately 5,000 meters.

At 192000H, OP heard noises to west--dispatched dog with handler (OP also had Star-Lite Scope). Dog was alerted number of times and there was definite movement to the west and north. 192300H-192330H quieted down. Possibility that movement could have been animals, 100% security was maintained. At 201030H Bad Actor Charlie 6 and engineers examined 2 more passageways. At same coordinates of main tunnel (BT 251037). Penetrated both. One lead approximately 25 meters to deadend (was blown). The other tunnel led approximately 150-200 meters to deadend. ISO took photos of old engineering equipment found, bomb craters, mine opening, old ruins, etc.

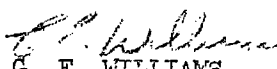
9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None


10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: There is reason to believe shaft runs through Hill 493 to other side. Extremely rough terrain would make it a ideal storage or rest area. Number of places on hill have commanding view of entire surrounding valleys on both sides. Recommend engineer survey team with attachments chart mine and investigate more thoroughly. All patrol leaders report its the first area where there exists absolutely no evidence of any activity. It's too quiet, almost to an eerie stage. In conclusion, the attachments worked out very well. 2 engineers were with each patrol and did outstanding work. They were responsible for spotting the main tunnel complex and evaluating same. The two dog teams assisted in mine exploration and night security. Water is main problem with the dogs, especially in hot weather and rough terrain. The FAC team was not used but could have proved to be a valuable asset if we had been hit. All attachments, including ISO men stood watches and added to the efficiency of the whole operation.


T. J. GERAGHTY
Capt USMC
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None


G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefers


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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
021300H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 17-66
Team: 3rd Platoon, Company "C"(ASPARAGUS)
Debriefing: SSgt WILLIAMS
Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 14 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP on Hill 342 vicinity BT 248102 (NUI YON THON) and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. The primary direction of observation is north, west, and south.
3. Time of Departure: 300630H
4. Time of Return: 021100H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 76½ hours with 2 sightings of 6 VC. At BT 252103 at 020820H 4 VC came into an ambush set by the platoon. Three claymore mines were set off and hand grenades, M-79's, and M-14's were fired at the VC. The VC were seem to be hit but fled from the area leaving an M-1 rifle and Chicom carbine. The platoon searched the area for approximately 100 meters and found heavy blood trails (4 VC KIA possible) a cartridge belt with the following items on it: 4 clips M-1 ammo, 1 pair Ho Chi Minh sandals, 3 ammo pouches, 1 knife w/bayonet scabbard, small amount of comm wire, 5'x 5' peice of plastic, 1 small peice of plastic with writing on it. One of the VC carried a bundle of about 75 punji stakes 1½-2' long, which was also brought in. All of the items have been forwarded to Division G-2 for intelligence screening. The patrol continued to receive SA fire into their position until they were extracted at 021020H. Upon extraction the helicopters received fire from BT 257103, 250105, and 248099.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
020750H	BT 252103	2 VC moving up the hill from the SW, one in camouflaged utilities carrying a rifle, the other in black PJ's with no weapon. Patrol leader feels these VC came from the village at BT 257108.
020820H	BT 252103	4 VC, 2 in camouflaged utilities, 2 in black PJ's come into the platoon ambush site. The VC in camouflage utilities were both carrying rifles and wearing cartridge belts, they also were both approximately 6' tall, while the two VC in black PJ's were much smaller. The ambush took place as described under item #6. (4 possible KIA)

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8. Other Information: On 31 July the patrol heard SA firing from the valley in the vicinity of BT 238118 whenever aircraft would fly over the area. The LZ at BT 247101 is a good LZ and large enough for 1 helicopter.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: 4 VC KIA possible, 1 USMC minor head wound (non med-evac)

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That the VC ambushed were coming to the top of the hill to booby trap and place punji stakes in the LZ. Hill 342 BT 248101 is a poor OP site, with high canopy and very thick vegetation, which limits observation.

R. A. IRVIN
1st Lt USMC
3rd Flt, Co "C"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

G. E. Williams
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SSgt USMC
Debriefers

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

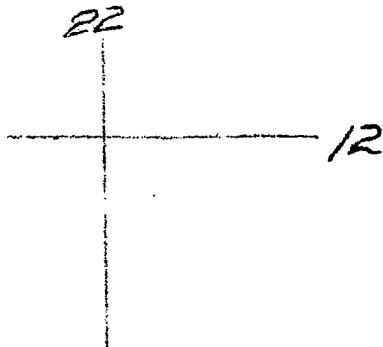
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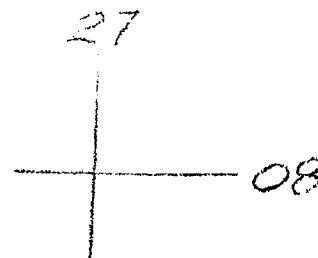
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R. A. IRVIN- Patrol Leader



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
021830H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 17-66
Team: 2nd Plt, Co "D" (BICKERTON)
Debriefing: SSgt WILLIAMS
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 2 Off, 17 Sol, 1 USN
 2. Mission: Establish CP on Hill 437 vicinity BS 227979 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. The primary direction of observation is the northern portion of the assigned area.
 3. Time of Departure: 310630H
 4. Time of Return: 021200H
 5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
 6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 53½ hours with no VC sightings. Footprints which appeared to be 1-2 days old were found along the stream in the vicinity of BS 197973. On the morning of 31 July footprints appeared to be made by persons carrying very heavy loads. Also found in this same area was a camp fire which had been used that morning. Punji stakes 6-12 months old were found planted along the stream bed all pointing south, in the vicinity of BS 220983. Hill 437 contains a number of trails both animal and man made. The canopy is high in this area with thick vegetation and there are many excellent harbour sites.
 7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain): None
 8. Other Information: None
 9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None
 10. Condition of Patrol: Good
- Conclusions and Recommendations: None

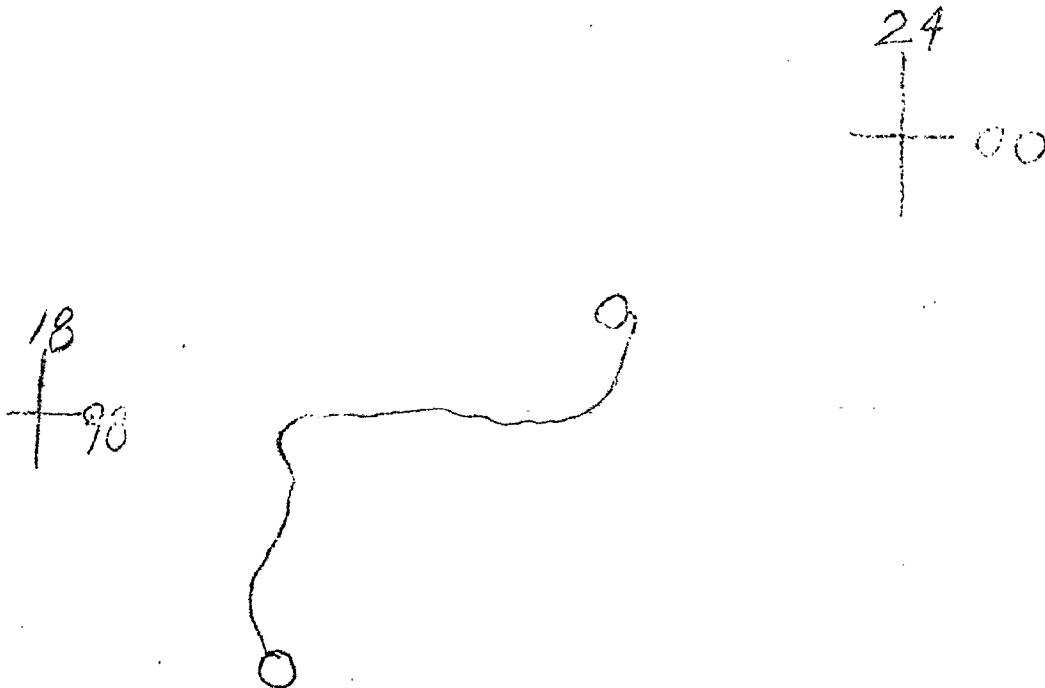
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D. J. ANDERSON
1st Lt USMC
2nd Plt, Co "D"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefing: None

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
 2nd Flt, Co "D" (BICKERTON)
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 D. J. ANDERSON-Patrol Leader



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
021900H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 17-66
Team: 1st Plt, Co "G" (COMKLEB)
Debriefers: SSgt WILLIAMS
Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 OCS, 16 Plt. 1 USM
2. Mission: Establish CP on Hill 319 (NUT HUN GCE) vicinity BT 322063 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. The primary direction of observation is the northern and southern portion of the assigned area.
3. Time of Departure: 301200H
4. Time of Return: 021730H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 77½ hours with 5 sightings of 24 VC/VCS. One fire mission was called resulting in 7 possible VC KIA. Rifle shots and drum signals were heard on three occasions. The terrain on Hill 319 is rugged and the vegetation very thick. It took the platoon 4 hours to move 1700 meters. From 312300H-010600H what sounded like a truck engine starting and stopping was heard from the vicinity of BT 343057.

7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
311150H	BT 328077	4 VC moving south into jungle. Black PJ's, two carrying packs.
311210H	BT 327075	3 VC moving along stream bed, black PJ's, all carrying packs.
3112245H	BT 336073	2 VC moving east on trail, black PJ's, both carrying packs.
311425H	BT 337071	9 VC moving east on trail, black PJ's, all carrying packs. Fire mission called, excellent coverage, 7 VC KIA possible.
311510H	BT 305058	6 VC moving east on trail, black PJ's, one VC carrying a rifle.

8. Other Information: At 311350H one rifle shot followed by signal drums was heard from the vicinity BT 305056. At 011545H one rifle shot, followed by a series of heavy and light drum beats, was heard from BT 2911.

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Hill 319 is a poor OP site because the canopy and underbrush limit visibility. The hill would be easy to defend because of the steepness of the terrain, any movement up the hill would be easy to detect. There is no water available on Hill 319 and water resupply would be difficult.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That the LZ at BT 334054 not be used again. The grass is tall and the LZ would be easy to booby trap or enplace booby traps. That an airstrike be conducted on top of Hill 319 with napalm to clear an area to provide better observation.

C. E. Robinson
C. E. ROBINSON
2nd Lt USMC
1st Plt, Co "B"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

G. E. Williams
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Sgt USMC
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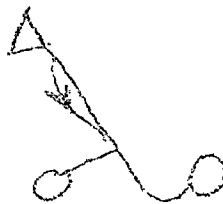
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
031830H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 17-66
Team: 1st Plt, Co "A" (COURT HOUSE)
Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 15 Enl, 1 USN
2. Missions: Establish OP on Hill 953 vicinity AT 970389 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area.
3. Time of Departure: 030630H
4. Time of Return: 031800H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 11½ hours with 7 sightings of 22 VC. Contacts with the VC resulted in 2 VC KIA confirmed and 1 VC KIA probable. The following items were captured and have been forwarded to G-2 for intelligence screening: 1 MAS-36 7.5mm rifle, 1 ChiCom carbine type 53, 1 AK-47 assault rifle type 56, assorted ammo, 1 magazine for AK-47, 1 canteen, 1 grenade (chi-com), 2 papers w/writing on them, assorted clothing, 1 brown leather belt with brass buckle w/star on the buckle, 2 large pieces of plastic, 1 rain hat with writing on it. The AK-47 captured bore 1966 markings.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
030837H	AT 989360	4 VC walking south on trail, maintaining a 100 meter interval. 3 wearing black PJ's, 1 khaki uniform, all were wearing large packs and carrying weapons.
030852H	AT 990361	5 VC walking NE on trail maintaining a 100 meter interval. 4 with packs, two carrying rifles, 1 khaki uniform, 1 grey uniform w/grey cover, 1 black PJ's, two wearing green capes. Fire mission called, but VC had left the area before rounds arrived on target.
031200H	AT 987353	Observed a trenchline then vicinity running SW 100 meters. Trench was in a zig-zag pattern, no activity observed around it.
031300H	AT 990354	5 VC walking east on trail and west from the bushes. All wearing black PJ's, and carrying packs. All carrying large packs.

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031325H Heard drums west of the OP position. They would beat for 30 seconds, drums were heard at 30 minute intervals.

031407H AT 972375 2 VC walked into OP site. Patrol fired upon them killing one and wounding the other. A blood trail was followed for 75 yds. but no body was found. Captured were: 1 AK-47 assault rifle, 1 MAS-36 rifle and a brown leather belt with canteen, knife, and grenade.

031555H AT 972375 While patrol was in the process of moving the OP site, VC were heard moving around the position. One VC was shot and killed and one ChiCom carbine was captured. As the body was being searched more sounds were heard in the bushes and the patrol left the area.

031700H AT 973372 2 VC moving north on trail, black PJ'S, and carbines. Fired upon by the patrol with SA and M-79.

031700H AT 968376 3 VC moving north on trail, black PJ's and carbines. Fired upon by the patrol with SA and M-79.

8. Other Information: As the helicopters came in to extract the patrol they received fire from AT 980376. The pilots reported seeing VC in the area at about this same time.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: 2 VC KIA confirmed, 1 VC KIA probable.

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That the VC whom the patrol came in contact with were from the immediate area. Only one had a cartridge belt with ammo, the others had only their weapon and were carrying ammo in their pockets. This would indicate the VC were operating from a camp in the immediate area.

G. W. Jones
G. W. JONES
1stLt USMC
1st Plt, Co "A"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments By Debriefer: None

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

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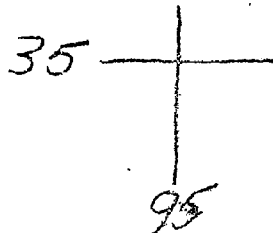
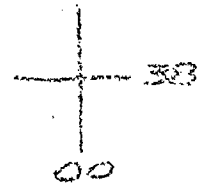
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C. W. JONES--Patrol Leader



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
031900H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 18-66
Team: 1st Plt, Co "B"(CROSSING)
Debriefers: SSgt WILLIAMS
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 15 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP on Hill 437 vicinity BT 227979 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding.
3. Time of Departure: 021200H
4. Time of Return: 031800H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 30 hours with no VC sightings. The only activity observed was 3 farmers working in a rice paddy at 021730H. The OP site was located at BS 227982. Observation was limited by the rain and the thick vegetation.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain): None
8. Other Information: None
9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good
11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None
12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

J. Campbell
J. CAMPBELL
2nd Lt USMC
1st Plt, Co "B"
Patrol Leader

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

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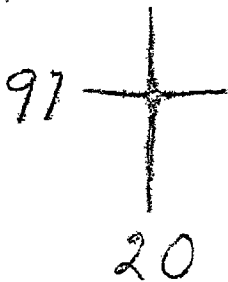
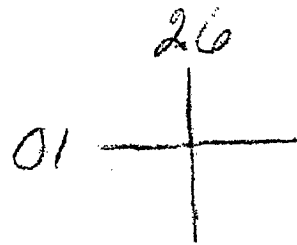
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052130H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 18-66
Team: 2nd Plt, Co "B"(DAMPEN)
Debriefers: 2ndLt LUEDTKE
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 14 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: To establish OP on Hill 319 vicinity DT 312063 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. The primary direction of observation is the northern portion of assigned area.
3. Time of Departure: 021745H
4. Time of Return: 052000H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 80 hours and observed three sightings of 13 VC. Contacts with the VC resulted in 1 VC WIA probable. No friendly casualties were suffered.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
021745H	325054	Observed one VC in foxhole. Helicopter returned fire.
021810H	335057	Inserted. Moved SW and harboured.
021900H	327055	Established OP. Observed very little activity in valley.
030715H	334055	Heard pounding on wood.
031000	Unknown	2 carbine rounds fired at patrol.
031550H	Unknown	Heard drums.
031700H	Unknown	Heard drums.
041430H	303055	2 VCS ran from Huie
041540H	312056	3 VC with 2 rifles crossing a stream into treeline

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041745H 309056 5 VC moving across paddy. Black PJ's, 4 rifles
051110H 327054 Engaged 5 VC in black clothing, approaching
platoon position. No casualties VC or friendly
1 VC WIA probable. 40-50 rounds exchanged.
051845H 334055 Heard pounding.
051950H 336055 Extracted

8. Other Information: Very little activity in cultivated paddies.
9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: 1 VC WIA probable.
10. Condition of Patrol: Good
11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

Robert Walker
R. WALKER
2ndLt USMC
2nd Plt, Co "B"
Patrol Leader.

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

D. C. Luedtke
D. C. LUEDTKE
2ndLt USMC
Debriefers

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
2nd Flt. Co "B" (DAMPEN)
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E. C. WALKER Patrol Leader

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 CHU LAI, RVN
 062015H Aug 1966

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Bn Frag Order 17-66
 Team: 3rd Plt, Co "D" (COMMOTION)
 Debriefers: 2ndLt LUEDTKE
 Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 13 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP on Hill 141 vicinity 474864 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area in conjunction with regional Forces thereat.
3. Time of Departure: 311630H
4. Time of Return: 051730H
5. Route: See attached overlay enclosure (1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 121 hours of observation from the Regional Forces outpost at AN HOA (BS 474864). The Regional Forces Commander reported many targets to Commotion but the patrol did not observe any vc. Fire Missions were called on the reported targets.

7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
312055	2500 meters north of position	Observed fire fight
312115	477852	Agent reported squad of VC. Fire mission called. Unable to observe results.
312105	480920, 480922, 484914	Fire missions called on suspected VC harbouring sites. Reported by ARVN.
312223	448878	Fire mission called on VC squad, reported by ARVN. Cease fire called because AC in area.
011530H	471826	30 VC reported by village chief booby trapping road. Fire mission called unable to observe results.
021055H	474864	Village chief reported 36 VC KIA in past 2 days by infantry action. Also reports 30 VC KIA 3-6 kilometers from our position by allied action.

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021100H	1200 meters from my position	80 VC reported by village chief to be entrenched SE of Hill 167.
021115H	466831	Fire mission called on 30 VC entrenched ARVN report. Good coverage.
021705H	437877	ARVN reports tunneled VC rest area in village at this coordinates.
021710H	435845	ARVN reported 20'-30' VC bunker complex with radio transmitter at this location.
021900H	509832	300 hard core VC encamped. Camouflaged utilities and well armed. Reported by ARVN. 7 KIA's reported by ARVN.
022330H	444872	30 VC eating chow, rifles and grenades. Fire mission called. Agent reports 3 KIA's.
030345H	473852	ARVN reported 50 VC armed A/W and 1 mortar. Air strike requested.
040905	511879, 529898	ARVN reports 1 Bn fully equipped resting in deep tunnel between TEACH AN DONG (1) and NGOC TRI (2). Air strike held on 511879. KUCENIKE reported "shook them up but no real damage".
041050H	515875	ARVN reports 1 uniformed Bn encamped at TEACH AN DONG (1). They are to join previous mentioned Bn.

8. Other Information: None

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: The civilian population is willing to give information to friendly forces contingent upon continuous occupation of strategic outposts in that area.

/s/ G. A. Murray
G. A. MURRAY
2ndLt USMC
3rd Plt, Co "D"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debreifer: None

D. G. LUED
2ndLt USMC
Debreifer

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

3rd Plt, Co "D" (COMMOTION)

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G. A. MURRAY-Patrol Leader

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CHU LAI, RVN
062300H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 17-66
Team: 1st Plt, Co "A" (COURT HOUSE)
Debriefers: 2ndLt LUEDTKE
Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 14 Enl, 1 USN, 5 RVN
2. Mission: To establish OP on Hill 579 (949345) and maintain surveillance of surrounding area.
3. Time of Departure: 050630H
4. Time of Return: 052000H
5. Route: See attached overlay (enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 14½ hours with 4 sightings of VC. Contacts with the enemy resulted in 1 VC KIA (probable). The patrol captured one Chicom carbine type 53 and recieved heavy small arms and automatic fire from surrounding ridgelines. No friendly casualties.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
050630H	945345	Insertion
051150H	988341	1 VC walking SE on trail, black clothing, 1 large pack
051210	985342	1 VC walking SE on trail, black clothing, 1 pack.
051220	989333	1 VC walking E on trail, grey uniform 1 rifle.
051245	949345	1 VC walked into OP. WIA-captured rifle, black clothing. Sent patrol - heard an estimated 5 VC.
051300	SE of Position	Heard drums.
051410	952348	Huie's (KLONDIKE) arrived- reported VC at LZ and 10 VC near position. Conducted strike and fixed wing conducted strike.

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051730 945345 20-25 rounds SA and AW at OP. No casualties.

052000 945345 Extraction, 34's recieved fire from 944343.

8. Other Information: Helicopters received fire during extraction of the platoon.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: 1 VC KIA (probable)

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That the VC were operating from a nearby base in the immediate area.

G. W. Jones

G. W. JONES
1stLt USMC
1st Plt, Co "A"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

D. C. Luedike

D. C. LUEDIKE
2ndLt USMC
Debriefer

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

1st Plt, Co "A" (COURT HOUSE)

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G. W. JONES-Patrol Leader

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CHU LmI, RVN
062000H Aug 1966

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Bn Frag Order 19-66
Team: 2nd Flt, Co "D" (BICKERTON)
Debriefed: 2ndLt LUEDTKE
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701-
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 2 Off, 21 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP on Hill 482 vicinity 877174 and maintain surveillance of surrounding area.
3. Time of Departure: 040715H
4. Time of Return: 061750H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 68 3/4 hours of deep reconnaissance and sighted 22 VC and 6 elephants. The OP was established at AT 878181. Of significance was the observation of a B-52 strike at 060545H. The strike was slightly to the east of the planned zone and the majority of the bombs hit on high ground causing little damage to the nearby center of population.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
040715H	867173	Insertion.
041000H	878181	Established OP. Numerous elephant trails.
041145H	869199	1 VC moving NE stopped at house, 1 rifle, cartridge belt, black PJ's.
041200H	867200	Observed numerous fighting holes near river called AO.
050810H	897197	18 VC, 12 moving north with large packs; 6 moving south, mixed clothing (black & khaki), 3 rifles.
050815H	897197	6 elephants, 2 VCS no supplies. Black PJ's, no equipment. AO called but not in area.
051025H	897197	1 VC moving north on trail. Black PJ's, one pack. Could not observe weapon.

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060530H See Overlay ARC Light strike - 3 aircraft. Strike was farther to the east than scheduled. Unable to observe area until after 0930 due to ground fog. Observed strike damage most of which hit on high ground. No activity.

061600H OP Weather closed in.

061830H 879181 Extraction.

8. Other Information: Heavy ground fog covers the area beginning at 1615 and is burnt off at approximately 0930. Insertions, extractions and observation is extremely limited during that time.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None

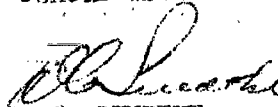
10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

/s/ D. J. Anderson

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

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: Concur with statement contained in paragraph 8.


D. C. LUEDTKE
2ndLt USMC
Debriefers

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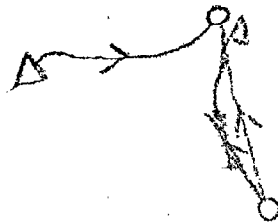
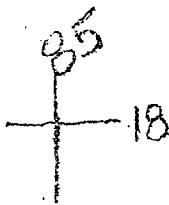
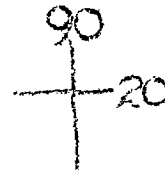
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D. J. ANDERSON-Patrol Leader



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
062000H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 17-66
Team: 1st Plt, Co "D" (CHATSWORTH)
Debriefed: 2ndLt LUEDTKE
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 14 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: To conduct an area Reconnaissance in grid squares 3211 to 3014.
3. Time of Departure: 040630H
4. Time of Return: 070830H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 78 hours and made 9 sightings of 29 VC. A chicom grenade booby trap attached to a mine was detonated resulting in 8 USMC WIA (3 evacuated). The terrain is covered generally with underbrush 3-4 feet in height and a good OP in the area could not be found. The platoon received fire from villages located at 313145 and 316138. The area was under cultivation and considerable civilian activity, was noted in the rice paddies.

7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
040630H	339113	Insertation
041200H	332117	OP
041315H	328110	2 VC moving south, black PJ's, 2 packs.
041350H	325114	1 VC walking NE, black PJ's, automatic weapon and magazine pouch.
041528	326110	2 VC walking east, 2 packs, 2 rifles.
	327119	Observed air strike.
051200H	330124	Moved to 2nd OP. Detonated a Chicom grenade 3 WIA med-evaced. Trip type device, vine was connected to grenade. Used claymore mines to clear LZ. Continued mission. OP observed 6-8 VC came out of houses (327119) when booby trap was detonated. Called air strike on houses.

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051710H	314147	6 VC moving NE on trail, grey utilities, 6 rifles.
051845H	307144	6 VC moving East, 4 rifles, grey utilities.
060715	305144	8 VC moving west. Black PJ's, 5 rifles. Appeared to go to nearby village.
060735H	305144	2 VC moving west. Black PJ's, 1 rifle.
060853H	306145	1 VC going in village, pack and rifle, black PJ's.
061625H	313137	1 VC w/carbine cradled in arm talked with women and both looked at patrol's position.
061900H	315144	Harboured for the night.
070830H	315144	Extracted. 7-8 rounds fired at helicopters from nearby villages. No casualties.

8. Other Information: None

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: 8 WIA, 3 medically evacuated
from detonated Chicom grenade.

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

C. D. Madden
C. D. MADDEN
1stLt USMC
1st Plt, Co "D"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: That artillery be utilized to
destroy the villages indicated in paragraph 6.

D. C. Luedtke
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2ndLt USMC
Debriefers

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1st Plt, Co "D" (CHATS WORTH)

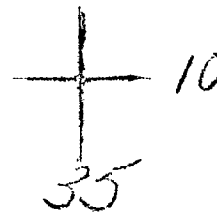
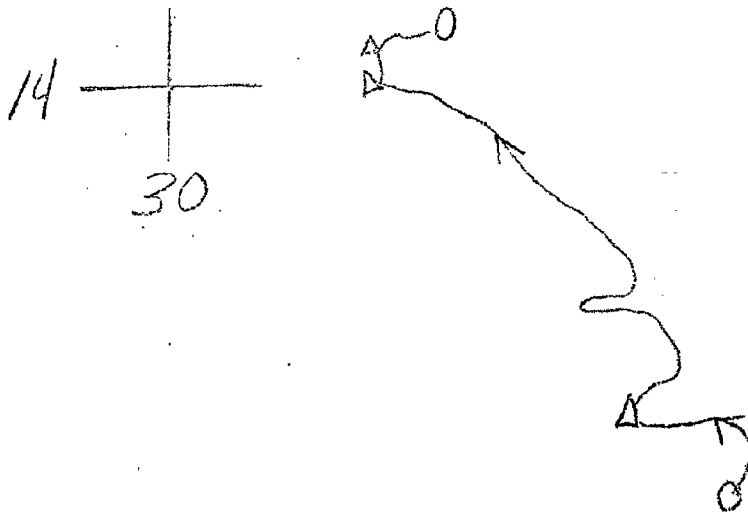
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C. D. MADDEN-Patrol Leader



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
072000H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 18-66
Team: 3rd Plt, Co "C"(ASPARAGUS)
Debriefed: 2ndLt LURDTKE
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 16 Enl, 1 USN, 1 Enl USMC (interpreter), 5 ARVN from 2nd ARVN Div.
2. Mission: To establish an OP and radio-relay at VIET AN (BT 014274) and to maintain surveillance of the surrounding area.
3. Time of Departure: 041500H
4. Time of Return: 071800H
5. Route: None
6. Synopsis: ASPARAGUS spotted 10 VC at BT 985281 and called a fire mission which resulted in one small secondary explosion. All other VC activity was reported to the patrol by villagers and agents from VIET AN. cordial relations were established with the ARVN.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
051640H	BT 012252	Camp Commander reported VC company at this area.
051933	002268 998265	Camp Commander report VC company (split)
	007260	VC Company
	995243 983239	5th Bn, 7th Regiment
	060262 060257 044250 022250	1 VC Bn split at those locations
061000	012252	Trip flare detonated. ARVN concerned. Determined no VC.
061620	045244 060262	1 VC Battalion

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061928H 045265

Villager reported many VC covered with mud moving east from Marines.

070907H 985281

10 VC sighted by patrol, black PJ's. Could not determine equipment. Fire mission called and resulted in good coverage. 1 small secondary explosion (possible grenades). 10 VC KIA (Prob).

071800H 014274

Extraction

8. Other Information: The Platoon Leader reported the Camp Commander to be very competent and placed a great deal of merit on his reports of enemy activity.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrols: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

R. A. Irvin
R. A. IRVIN
1stLt USMC
1st Plt, Co "A"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

D. C. Lumbert
D. C. LUMBERT
2ndLt USMC
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1st Flt, Co "A" (ASPARAGUS)

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R. A. IRVIN-Patrol Leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
081930H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 19-66
Team: 1st Plt, Co "B"(CROSSING)
Debriefing: SSgt WILLIAMS
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 16 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish an OP on Hill 150 (BT 311018) and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation will be LOC's in the Hill 150 area.
3. Time of Departure: 050630H
4. Time of Return: 081800H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours with 3 sightings of 3 VC. This patrol landed and was extracted from the LZ at BT 281009. At 051030H at BT 286001 the patrol found a hamlet complex containing 6 huts. A search of the area revealed many punji stakes, some up to 3' in length, assorted documents, knives, and a crossbow. The huts appeared to have been used recently and there were pigs and chickens around the area. At 080930H at BT 288019 the patrol killed 1 VC who walked into their OP and captured the following items: 1 Thompson Sub-machine Gun, 2 SMG magazines w/ammo, 3 ChiCom grenades, 23 rounds 30 Cal ammo, 1 ammo pouch. These items have been forwarded to G-2 for intelligence screening.
7. Observation(Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
051000H	BT 287001	1 VC moving west on trail, brown T-shirt unable to observe equipment. Patrol called for the VC to halt. The VC stopped, then ran into the brush. The patrol fired M-14's at the VC but a search of the area was negative.
051050H	BT 287001	1 VC moving west on trail, green uniform, belt suspenders, carried a carbine at sling arms. Fired on by patrol with negative results.
080930H	BT 288019	1 VC walked into OP position, black PJ's, Thompson Sub-machine gun, 2 SMG magazines, 3 grenades, 23 rounds of M-1 ammo. VC was killed by OP security element. (1 VC KIA confirmed)

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081500H BT 282009

Found 2 small huts with caves inside the houses, appeared to be for protection from bombs and artillery fire. L-shaped fighting holes were found in the immediate area. Huts did not appear to have been occupied for at least 3 weeks.

8. other Informations: The trail from BT 268008 to 282009 is covered with numerous punji traps, punji stakes, and maylayan whip traps, which appeared to be 3-6 months old. The vegation in the area is very thick and the canopy is from 80'-120' high throughout the area.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: 1 VC KIA confirmed.

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: Trails in the area are good well used trails and would be ideal places for ambush sites. This area is not suitable for OP's because of the thick vegetation and high canopy.

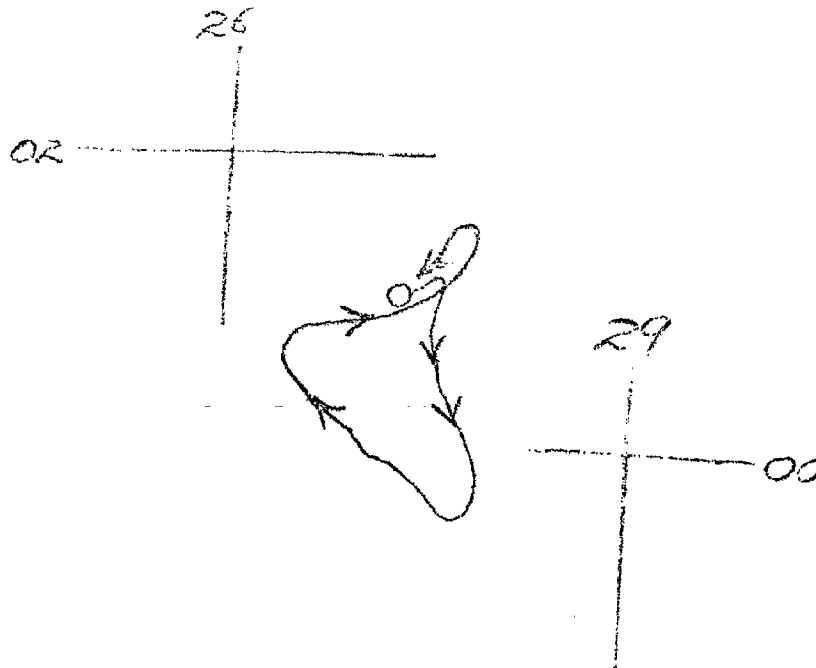
J. J. Campbell
J. J. CAMPBELL
1stLt USMC
1st Plt, Co "B"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

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

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
1st Plt, Co "B" (CROSSING)
CHU LAI, RVN
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J. J. CAMPBELL-Patrol Leader



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
091800H August 1966

Bn Frag Order 20-66
Team: 2nd Plt, Co "D"
Debriefers: SSgt WILLIAMS
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 2 Off, 18 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP on Hill 607 (BT 007149) and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area in support of Operation COLORADO.
3. Time of Departure: 071500H August 1966
4. Time of Return: 091530H August 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 48 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours with 7 sightings of 81 VC. 3 fire missions were called, resulting in 30 VC KIA probable. Black Coat conducted 9 airstrikes on a cave and tunnel complex at AT 994169, and Klondike conducted an airstrike on 36 VC at BT 019165. 5 TPG-10's were run in the area; 1 on the night of 7 August and 4 on the night of 8 August.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
071630H	BT 014118	4 VC moving west across stream bed. Black PJ's and rifles.
071815H	AT 997117	5 VC moving south along stream, black PJ's, packs no weapons observed.
081040H	BT 019165	36 VC moving southeast down stream bed. Black PJ's with helmets, rifles, and rucksacks. Also carried a large bundle. Fire mission called cancelled after two rounds. Klondike in the area directed a fixed wing airstrike with excellent coverage. (15 KIA probable)
081245H	BT 013158	21 VC moving northwest along a cart trail. Black PJ's, with helmets, rucksacks and rifles. Each VC carried a large bundle and was camouflaged with brush. Last man in the column was carrying a man dressed in khakis on his back. Fire mission called, four fire for effects. (15 KIA probable).

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081440H BT 001165 6 VC moving west along a cart trail. Black PJ's, rucksacks, with helmets, rifles, with brush on their backs for camouflage. Fire mission called, one fire for effect, good coverage of target.

091100H BT 003150 OP received sniper fire from this location.

091105H BT 004145 OP received small arms and automatic weapon fire. Fire returned by patrol with M-14, M-79 and M-60. Sniper fire ceased.

091400H BT 004127 6 VC in a wooded area in middle of rice paddies. One wearing khakis others in black PJ's. One rifle observed, and also a MG similar to our M-60.

091400H BT 005126 3 VC moving north down stream bed. Black PJ's, brush for camouflage, all carried rifles.

8. Other Information: Low clouds in the area limit observation from 0300-0900 each morning. The top of hill 607 is a dangerous OP site. It is hard to defend with good avenues of approach for the attackers.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: 30 VC KIA probable

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That an infantry unit be inserted into the area to sweep and check out the cave and tunnel complex uncovered by airstrikes at the vicinity of AT 994169.

D. T. Stevens
D. T. STEVENS
2nd Lt 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
101830Z August 1966

In Frag Order 20-66
Team: 3rd Plt, Co "D"
Debriefing: SSgt WILLIAMS
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 18 Enl. 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish an OP in the most advantageous position of grid squares BT 3113, 3114, 3115, 3214, 3215, 3314 and 3315.
3. Time of Departure: 070800H August 1966
4. Time of Return: 101700H August 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 81 hours with 2 sightings of 2 VC. Four fire missions were called resulting in 2 houses destroyed and 3 damaged in the village at BT 313145. After the patrol had moved from their OP at BT 319151 at 082115H the position was fired on from two directions with small arms automatic weapons from an estimated 20 VC.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
071500H	BT 313145	Artillery fire called on a village where previous patrol had observed much VC activity.
072115H	BT 313145	Loud talking heard from village. One round of artillery called and no more talking heard.
081730H	BT 313145	Called fire mission on village where previous patrol had reported much VC activity. 2 huts destroyed, 3 damaged.
082115H	BT 319151	An estimated 20 VC fired into the patrol's old OP site with small arms and at least 2 automatic weapons. Fire mission called with good coverage of target area.
091400H	BT 315112	1 VC moved down trail and into the village. Black PJ's, coolie hat, rifle, and cartridge belt.
100900H	BT 328161	1 VC observing OP from a distance of 75 meters. Black PJ's, rifle and cartridge belt. VC fled into brush when observed, 2 rounds M-14 and 1 round M-79 fired at VC.

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8. Other Information: As the patrol was moving to their OP site in the vicinity of BT 319151, they observed two freshly cut sticks laying across the trail forming an X. No booby traps or mines were observed but the patrol immediately moved off the trail. From 091200H-1400H many VN were observed moving into the village at BT 323174. These people all carried heavy loads, and as the VN do not normally move during the heat of the day this was considered very unusual.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That this area not be used for OP's. There is little cover and water re-supply is very difficult. The brush is very thick and about 4-5' tall making movement difficult and noisy. From previous patrols in this area it is known to be mined and booby trapped.

G. Murray
G. MURRAY
2nd Lt USMC
3rd Flt, Co "D"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

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

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

3rd Plt, Co "D"

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G. A. MURRAY-Patrol Leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
131830H August 1966

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Team: 2nd Plt, Co "B" (DAMPEN)
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 13 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP on Hill 538 vicinity BS 357992 and maintain surveillance of the MY SON valley area to the north.
3. Time of Departure: 101730H August 1966
4. Time of Return: 131600H August 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Enclosure 1)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 70½ hours with 1 sighting of 1 VCS. The patrol landed at BS 375986 and established an OP at BS 374986. In the vicinity of the OP an old VC harbour site, grave, and what appeared to be the start of a bunker were found, all 3-6 months old. Trails in the area are not being used and most are very narrow 6'-12' wide.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
111255H	BS 369989	1 VCS walking through a slash and burn area, black PJ's, no weapon or equipment observed. Later investigation of area revealed a fence around the area with punji stakes along the north side of the fence.
130930H	BS 357003	As the patrol was moving along a trail they found two pieces of plastic which the VC use for ground covers, and freshly broken branches along the trail, which appeared to have been broken that morning.

8. Other Information: None
9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good; 1 man Med-Evac 101730H with sprained ankle

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11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That the east side of Hill 609 be checked out again in the near future.

R. G. Walker
R. G. WALKER
2ndLt USMC
2nd Plt, Co "B"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

G. E. Williams
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SSgt USMC
Debriefers

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

2nd Plt, Co "B" (DAMPEN)

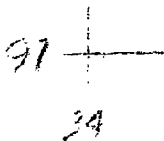
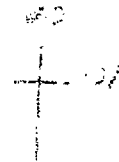
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R. C. WALKER-Patrol Leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAM, RVN
131800H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 20-66
Team: 1st Plt, Co "A"
Debriefed: SSgt WILLIAMS
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 15 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish an OP on Hill 302 vicinity BT 313109 and maintain surveillance of the LOC's to the north and south.
3. Time of Departure: 101800H
4. Time of Return: 131400H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab A)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 68 hours with 12 sightings of 32 VC. Four fire missions were called resulting in 1 VC WIA confirmed and three houses destroyed. Along the trail from BT 302118 to BT 309112 five fighting holes were found. The holes were 5' deep and 75 yards apart, and appeared to be 3-4 weeks old. At BT 304117 a large harbour site was found. The site would hold 15-20 people but had not been used for more than a month.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
101830H	BT 294125	Observed 1 VC run NW from the LZ in black PJ's, no weapon or equipment was observed.
111055H	BT 274114	1 VC moving S on trail, black PJ's, white coolie hat with vines for camouflage, rifle and pack.
111155H	BT 289098	2 VC moving S on trail, black PJ's, pith helmets, both with packs, one rifle.
111255H	BT 309125	3 VC moved into village and went into a hut, black PJ's, all carrying packs, 2 with rifles. Fire mission called, good coverage of area.
111350H	BT 309125	2 VC moved into village and into a hut. One wearing black PJ's other in white top and blue bottoms, both carried rifles. Fire mission called, three houses destroyed.

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111630H BT 304126 3 VC walking through a rice paddy, black PJ's, all carried rifles.

111825H BT 303129 1 VC wearing black shorts, dark grey overcoat, white cover, cartridge belt and rifle talking to a VN who was herding water buffalo.

121435H BT 317120 2 VC moving NW along rice paddy dike. One wearing black PJ's, other wearing white bottoms and a green top, two rifles, one pack.

121442H BT 318118 4 VC, 2 walking SE, 2 walking NW. 3 wearing black PJ's, and coolie hats, other wearing a khaki uniform and a grey pith helmet, four rifles and 1 pack.

130645H BT 314123 7 VC walking NW, 2 in black PJ's, others in khaki tops and black bottoms. All carried rifles and cartridge belts, 1 pack observed. Fire mission called with poor coverage of target area.

130840H BT 315121 3 VC (2 male 1 female) walking NE on trail, 1 in khaki uniform, 1 in black PJ's and 1 white top with black bottoms; 3 packs, 2 rifles. Fire mission called, 1 VC WIA confirmed.

131215H BT 313122 1 VC walking NW on trail, black PJ's, pack and rifle.

8. Other Information: The area around BT 305129 appears to be a market place as large numbers of people would gather there, then leave carrying heavy loads. Good LZ's are located at BT 311112 and BT 313109. The top of Hill 302 is an excellent QP site. Rain fell each day from 1600-1800 limiting visibility to 30'-50'.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: Water resupply in the area is very difficult, and in periods of dry weather would hinder patrol activities.

G. W. Jones
G. W. JONES
1st Lt USMC
1st Plt, Co "A"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

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

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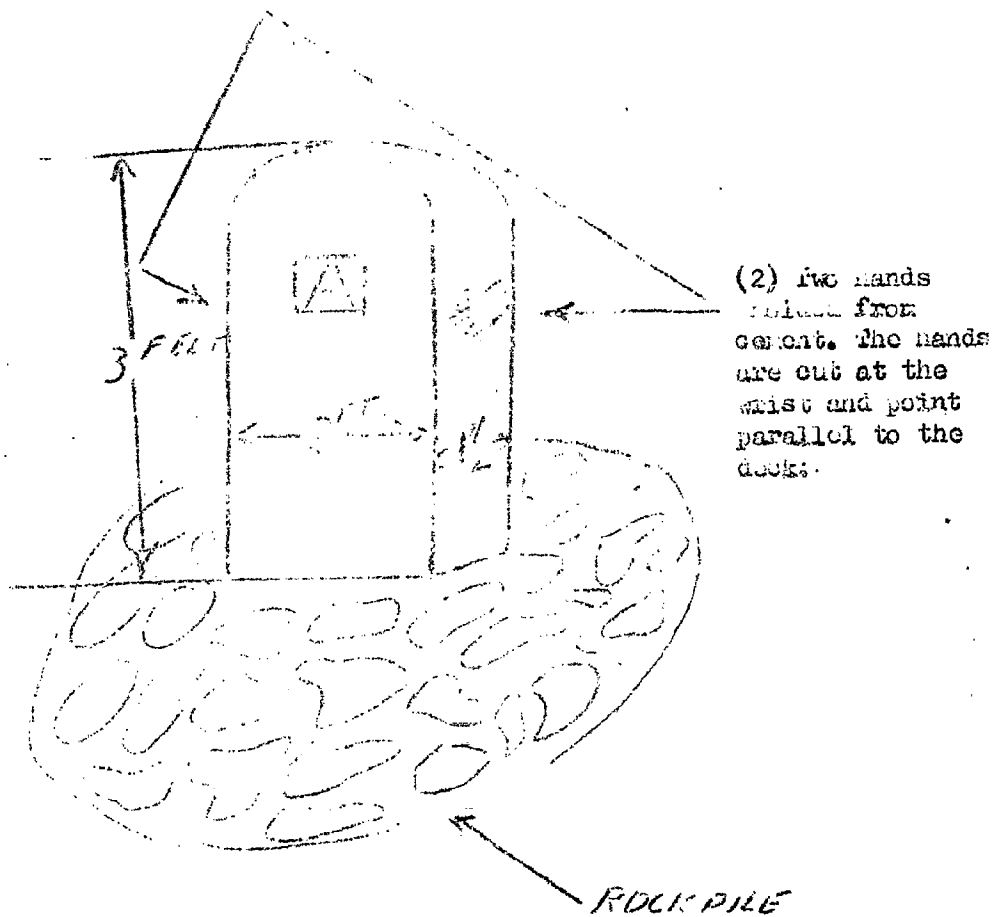
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161830H Aug 1966

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PATROL REPORT

1. 1 Off, 21 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP on Hill 303 (NUI MOP) vicinity BT 255104 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding.
3. Time of Departure: 131430H
4. Time of Return: 161500H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 72½ hours with 1 sighting of 4 VC. The patrol was inserted at BT 251103 and extracted at BT 256107. The extraction LZ is large enough for eight helicopters to land at one time. The hilltops in the area provide excellent OP sites with a commanding view of the surrounding area.

7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
141210H	BT 252122	4 VC moving NE along road, grey uniforms, grey pith helmets, rucksacks, and rifles. Fire mission was not called as the VC moved out of the area.

8. Other Information: The valley appeared to be very prosperous. The VN in the area moved very quickly and both the houses and rice paddies were well kept. The road running through the area appeared to be in good shape with the exception of the bridges which were only footbridges. However fording sites were available at each bridge.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

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11. Conclusions and Recommendations: Anyone going into this area should be very careful of booby traps and ambushes. The area is covered with thick brush approximately 5' high making movement very difficult. However there are good wide trails leading down from the hills and into the valleys.

J. J. Campbell
J. J. CAMPBELL
2nd Lt USMC
1st Plt, Co "B"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments By Debriefer: None

G. E. Williams
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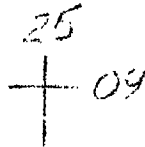
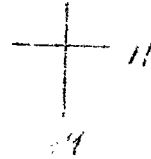
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J. J. CAMPBELL-Patrol Leader



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
171800H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 21-66
Team: 3rd Plt, Co "C"
Debriefing: SSgt WILLIAMS
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PATROL REPORT

1. 1 Off, 17 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish an OP on Hill 371 (NUI GANH SOA) vicinity BT 357047 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding with primary direction of observation to the northeast.
3. Time of Departure: 131500H
4. Time of Return: 171230H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 93½ hours with no VC sightings. The patrol landed at BT 355038 and established an OP at BT 361042. Normal civilian activity was observed each day. Aircraft fly over the area frequently but do not disturb the civilian activity.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain): None
8. Other Information: None
9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good
11. Conclusions and Recommendations: It is doubtful that the VC are presently using this area.

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

12. Additional Comments by Debriefing: None

G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefing

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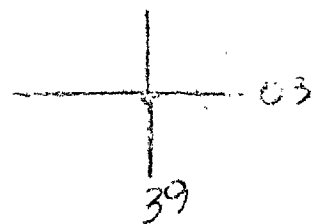
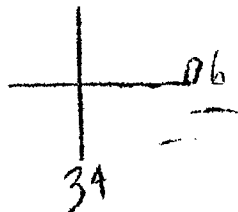
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R. A. IRVIN-Patrol Leader



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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
171630H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order
Team: 1st Plt, Co "D"
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PATROL REPORT

1. 1 Off, 18 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP on Hill 306 vicinity BT 251047 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. The primary direction is west overlooking the BONG MIEU and south towards the NUI KEM mountains vicinity BT 252035.
3. Time of Departure: 131600H
4. Time of Return: 171100H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 91 hours with no VC sightings. The trails in the area were overgrown and had not been used for some time. The area around NUI KEM appeared deserted overgrown with foliage, and houses in the area were shot up. The BONG MIEU valley had well cultivated rice paddies with the rice 15"-18" high. Normal civilian activity was observed in this area each day.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain): None
8. Other Information: Hill 493 is very steep with thick vegetation making movement slow. The LZ at BT 262048 will hold 5 helicopters at one time.
9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good
11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None
12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

C. D. Madden
C. D. MADDEN
1stLt USMC
1st Plt, Co "D"
Patrol Leader

G. E. Williams
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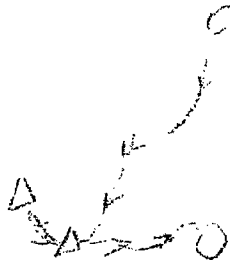
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
202030H Aug 1966

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Team: 1st Plt, Co "D"
Debriefing: SSgt WILLIAMS
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PATROL REPORT

1. 1 Off, 20 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish an OP on Hill 679 vicinity BF 071099 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation is east and west of the assigned area.
3. Time of Departure: 191600H
4. Time of Return: 201930H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 27½ hours with no VC sightings until 201730H when their position was attacked by 50-75 VC. At this time the platoon requested extraction and called for artillery and air support. Artillery support was prompt and right on target and continued until HUE's arrived on station at which time they took over with strafing and rocket runs on the VC advancing toward the top of the hill. Upon extraction of the patrol a fixed wing airstrike was conducted. The action resulted in 11 VC KIA confirmed and 1 VC KBA confirmed. Artillery and air support was outstanding and prevented the OP from being overrun.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
201415H	BF 064100	Heard 4 rounds of SA fire from these coordinates.
201730H	BF 071099	At this time the patrol had a 10 man OP at BF 077099 and a 4 man OP at BF 068100, with the patrol headquarters located between these OP's. 14 VC were seen around the OP at BF 077099 and were taken under fire as the OP moved back to link up with the rest of the patrol. At the same time the patrol leader called in his other OP and established a defensive position at BF 071099. The VC continued to advance toward the position and an artillery mission was called 75 meters from the patrol's position. HUE's arrived on station and conducted strafing and rocket runs on the VC. After the patrol was extracted at 201915H a fixed wing airstrike was conducted in the area.

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The VC wore mixed khaki uniforms and black PJ's, some with brush camouflage. At least 3 automatic weapons were heard, along with 1 60mm mortar, other VC observed were carrying Chicom carbines and 1 BAR was observed.

8. Other Information: The VC seemed determined to over run the position and continued to advance even while airstrikes were being conducted. The attack was well coordinated with VC coming up the hill from three directions.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: 11 VC KIA (confirmed), 1 VC KBA (confirmed) 2 USMC WIA (minor wounds-non med-evac)

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That the VC were moving into position to attack the CP when they came into the security which the 10 man CP had in front of their position. Their apparent plan was to ring the CP, set up their 60mm mortars and attack under the cover of darkness.

C. D. Madden
C. D. MADDEN

1stLt USMC

1st Plt, Co "D"

Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

G. E. Williams
G. E. WILLIAMS

SSgt USMC

Debriefer

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

1st Plt. Co "D"

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G. D. MADDEN-Patrol Leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
211800H August 1966

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Team: 1st Plt, Co "A"
Debriefers: SSgt WILLIAMS
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, MS 17014
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 15 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish an OP on Hill 488 vicinity BT 135195 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area.
3. Time of Departure: 191100H August 1966
4. Time of Return: 211430H August 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab 'a')
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 51 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours with 8 sightings of 31 VC. Three fire missions were called resulting in 2 VC KIA (probable) and one house partly destroyed. Two airstrikes were conducted by KIONDER resulting in 3 VC KBA (confirmed), 1 VC KBA (probable), and two houses destroyed. Very little civilian activity was observed in the area.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
191325H	BT 107215	4 VC moving west on trail, black PJ's. First man carried a rifle, others carried baskets on poles over their shoulders. Possible supply column.
191345H	BT 115185	10 VC moving west along a creek. Black PJ's, brown pith helmets, white coolie hats, all with rifles and packs. Fire mission requested but not fired because of friendly troops in area.
191510H	BT 106215	3 VC moving west on trail, 1 wearing grey uniform, 2 wearing blue uniforms, all with rifle and packs.
191625H	BT 122223	1 VC walking NW on trail, blue uniform, white coolie hat, pack and rifle.
201200H		Observed 4 columns of white smoke 1000 meters apart west up the valley. Probably signal smoke, as they all started at one time.

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201300H BT 133216

8 VC walking east on trail, 6 wearing black PJ's, 2 wearing khaki uniforms, 7 rifles, 6 packs. Patrol contacted KLONDIKE for air strike resulting in 3 KBA (confirmed). 2 VC went into a house, fire mission called with good coverage, house partly destroyed. 2 VC KIA (probable).

201330H BT 125327

1 VC walking north on trail, khaki uniform, white pith helmet, rifle and pack.

201545H BT 133216

3 VC (2 male, 1 female) walking east on trail, black PJ's, white pith helmets. Woman carried basket, men carried packs and rifles. Fire mission called, VC went into cave. KLONDIKE ran airstrike in area, 2 houses destroyed, 1 KBA (probable).

201625H BT 149184

3 VC moving SW in rice paddy, 2 in black PJ's, 1 in grey uniform. 2 with rifles, 1 carrying 81mm mortar tube.

8. Other Information: No one has been on Hill 488 since 19 July when this platoon had OP's there. The grass is getting high and will be 5'-6' tall after the rainy season.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: Hill 488 would be an excellent site for an infantry company combat patrol base. The hill provides excellent observation of the area, and employment of 106 RR's on the hill could stop daylight movement in the valleys.

G. W. Jones
G. W. JONES

1st Lt, USMC

1st Plt, Co "A"

Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

W. J. Williams
W. J. WILLIAMS

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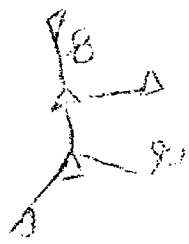
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CHU LAI, RVN
221830H August 1966

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Team: 2nd Plt, Co "D"
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 18 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish an OP on Hill 607 vicinity BT 010147 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area.
3. Time of Departure: 191015H August 1966
4. Time of Return: 221600H August 1966
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 78 hours with 5 sightings of 22 VC. Three fire missions were fired resulting in 1 VC KIA (probable). This platoon had been in this hill on 9 August and saw no evidence of enemy activity in the area since that time.
7. Observation (Enemy and terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
191437H	BT 008115	6 VC moving southeast on trail, mixed black PJ's and khaki clothing. All carrying packs and rifles.
191515H	AT 985115	6 VC moving southeast on trail, black PJ's, all wearing cartridge belts, no weapons could be observed.
191655H	BT 007117	2 VC moving south on trail, black PJ's, packs, and rifles. Fire mission was requested, but not fired because of aircraft in the area.
191800H	AT 997128	1 VC moving in and around a house, black PJ's and rifle. Fire mission called with good coverage of target area.
201900H	BT 003123	Signal fire and signal drums observed this location. Fire mission called, good coverage of target area.

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211220H BT 009124

7 VC moving NE across rice paddy.
Black P's, rifles and packs. Fire
mission called, excellent coverage of
target. 1 VC KIA (probable).

8. Other Information: There was little civilian activity noted
in the area. Observation of the valley was limited by ground fog
from 1900-0830 each day.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

D. T. STEVENS
2nd Lt USMC
2nd Plt, Co "D"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: None

G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefer

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

2nd Plt, Co "D"

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D. T. STEVENS-Patrol Leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
241800H August 1966

En Frag Order 23-66
Team: 3rd Plt, Co "B"
Debriefer: SSgt WILLIAMS
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 17 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: 21-22 Aug establish an OP on Hill 376 vicinity BT 206128 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. 23-24 Aug establish an OP on Hill 352 vicinity BT 075226 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding areas.
3. Time of Departure: 210900H 230800H
4. Time of Return: 221630H 241630H
5. Route: See attached overlays (Tab a & b)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 64 hours with 10 sightings of 44 VC. Four fire missions were called and one airstrike was conducted by KLONDIKE with no known casualties. Most of the available LZ's in the area of Hill 376 contain anti-helo stakes 6'-8' high.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
221130H	BT 214122	Established OP. Observed trenchline at BT 208134 running NW-SE 200 yards. Trench was 18" wide, 3' deep, with fighting holes. Trench was overgrown and had not been used for a long period of time.
211545H	BT 231135	1 VC moving NE into brush, black PJ's, and pack.
211550H	BT 223127	Large column of white smoke for 1 minute, then from BT 250117 another large column of white smoke for 1 minute. (signal fires)
211620H	BT 204127	2 VC entered a house in the village, black PJ's and rifles. VC came out 15 minutes later without their weapons.
211655H	BT 214118	4 VC sitting around a water hole, black PJ's, 2 weapons observed. Fire mission called, VC left area before rounds could be adjusted.

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212200H BT 211125 While in barbour site at this location heard what sounded like two sticks being beat together.

220700H BT 209123 Established OP this location.

221030H BT 209123 Security element of OP exchanged fire with 5 VC in khaki uniforms moving toward OP. VC immediately broke contact, no friendly or enemy casualties. At the same time 15 more VC were observed moving toward the OP. Upon hearing the SA fire they fired in the general direction of the OP and left the area. The patrol moved to a defensive position at BT 209127 and had KLONDIKE check the area, and also called a fire mission on their old OP site.

221220H BT 203123 2 VC moving north across a clearing, khaki uniforms and rifles. Fire mission called with good coverage.

221435H BT 210133 Heard 6-8 male voices approximately 100 meters from position.

221630H BT 209123 Helicopters drew fire while extracting the patrol. MG fire returned by helicopters.

230800H BT 054229 Inserted this location and established OP's at BT 055227 and 054229.

230815H BT 045224 5 VC moving across a clearing, black PJ's, and rifles. KLONDIKE conducted rocket and MG runs in the area.

231035H BT 074249 1 VC moving on trail, black PJ's and rifle.

231415H BT 045238 3 VC came out of a house in the village, black PJ's, coolie hats, one with a rifle, one with pack, other carried nothing.

231415H BT 045238 Heard 4 rounds SA fire from these coordinates.

240910H BT 076239 1 VC moving NW, black PJ's, packs, and rifle.

241515H BT 053211 PSYWAR airplane flying over area fired upon by SA. Fire mission called with good coverage of target area.

8. Other Information: LZ at BT 209132 large enough for one helicopter, LZ at BT 054229 large enough for 4 helicopters.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

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11. Conclusions and Recommendations: Patrols going into the area of Hill 376 should carry sufficient water. Water resupply is difficult in this area because of the many villages and heavy population.

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A. C. STOWE
SSgt USMC
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

G. E. Williams

G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefers

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

3rd Plt, Co "B"

CHU LAI, RVN

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SSgt STONE-Patrol Leader

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

3rd Plt, Co "B"

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SSgt STOWE Patrol Leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
251930H Aug 1966

In Frag Order 24-66
Team: 3rd Plt, Co "A"
Debriefed: SSGT WILLIAMS
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 14 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish an OP on Hill 445 vicinity AT 979250 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding.
3. Time of Departure: 250900H
4. Time of Return: 251830H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 9 1/2 hours with 26 sightings of 116 VC/VCS. One fire mission was called resulting in 3 VC KIA confirmed, and 6 VC KIA probable. At 1645H this patrol fired on 39 VC moving toward their position resulting in 6 VC KIA confirmed and 6 VC KIA probable, there were no friendly casualties. The patrol observed 60 VCS carrying heavy loads moving east from the bridge at AT 973269 between 1045-1600. The bridge seemed to be some type of check point, as each person would stop there for a few minutes and talk with two men, one wearing black PJ's, the other wearing khaki. 20 people were seen entering a hut at AT 972269 between 1045-1600, but none were seen to come out, possibly a tunnel complex under the house.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
251045H-1600H	AT 973269	Observed 60 VCS in groups of 2-3 moving east on the road, heavily loaded with packs and bundles. Each group would stop at the bridge, talk with two men, one in black PJ's and the other in khaki, then move east, maintaining a 10-20 meter interval.
251155H	AT 980218	1 VC moving South on trail, black PJ's and pack.
251600H	AT 973269	9 VC on bridge, one in khaki, others in black PJ's and coolie hats, carrying packs and rifles. Fire mission called with excellent coverage of target. (3 VC KIA confirmed, 6 VC KIA probable)
251610H	AT 966237	3 VC moving SE on trail, black PJ's and packs.

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- 251607H AT 974269 2 VCS on bikes moving east at a fast rate of speed. Black PJ's, no equipment was observed.
- 251610H AT 973273 2 VCS running west across a rice paddy fleeing from the arty fire. Black PJ's, no equipment observed.
- 251645H AT 978250 Patrol observed 4 VC in black PJ's with rifles moving toward the OP. An immediate ambush was set up and resulted in 4 VC KIA confirmed. At approximately the same time 30 VC in mixed black PJ's and grey uniforms were observed approaching the OP from another direction. This group had five VN children in front of them. The patrol opened fire with M-79 and M-14 fire resulting in 2 VC KIA confirmed and 6 VC KIA probable.
- 251700H AT 975250 After the action above the patrol moved to a defensive position and waited for extraction. While waiting for the helicopters to arrive they sprayed the area every few minutes with M-60, M-14, M-79, and hand grenades.
8. Other Information: The patrol landed at AT 984248 and established OP's at AT 978252 and AT 979248.
9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: 9 VC KIA confirmed, 12 VC KIA probable.
10. Condition of Patrol: Good
11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That the road through the area is a main supply route and the whole area is a VC stronghold. The people continued to move through the heat of the day and appeared well disciplined as the small groups maintained a good interval.

E. M. ST CLAIR

2nd Lt USMC

Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefee: Even though Operation COLORADO took place in this area less than three weeks ago with little or light contact, it appears that the VC have moved back into the area and are operating freely. The number of VN carrying supplies would indicate a highly developed logistical system.

G. E. WILLIAMS

SSgt USMC

Debriefee

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

3rd Plt, Co "A"

CHU LAI, RVN

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E. M. ST CLAIR-Patrol Leader

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CHU LAI, RVN
251530H August 1966

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Team: 1st Plt, Co "B"
Debriefing: SSgt WILLIAMS
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Cpl, 10 Pfc, 3 USMC
2. Mission: Establish an OP on Hill 302 vicinity BT 313109 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area.
3. Time of Departure: 220630H
4. Time of Return: 251515H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 81 hours with no VC sightings. The patrol landed at BT 310112 and was extracted at BT 313110. OP's were established at BT 310112 and BT 311108, with both providing excellent observation of the area. Normal civilian activity was observed throughout the patrol.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain): None
8. Other Information: None
9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None
10. Condition of Patrol: Good
11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

J. J. Campbell
J. J. CAMPBELL
2ndLt USMC
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefing: None

G. E. Williams
G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefing

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

1st Btl, Co "B"

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En Frag Order 24-66
Team: 3rd Plt, Co "D"
Debriefers: SSgt WILLIAMS
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1. Size and Composition: 1 CFF, 20 Hbl, 1 USN

2. Mission: Establish an OP ca Hill 396 vicinity BT 238086 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. The primary direction of observation in southeast and southwest.

3. Time of Departure: 210630H August 1956

4. Time of Return: 261900E August 1966

5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)

6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 60¹/₂ hours with 10 sightings of 55 VC/VCS. Three fire missions were called resulting in one secondary explosion. The majority of the activity observed by the patrol took place in the vicinity of a house and wooded area at BT 249081. Two F4YWAR planes flying over Hill 396 received fire from both sides of the hill at 241000, and as the helicopters were coming in to extract the patrol they received sniper fire from the same vicinity.

7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
241220H	BT 249081	11 VC in groups of 1 - 2 moved into a house from a wooded area. Mixed uniforms of black PJ's and khaki, two carried weapons.
241850H	BT 249081	20 VC moved into a house from a wooded area over a 30 minute period. Mixed uniforms of black PJ's and khaki, all carried weapons. Fire mission called, good coverage of target, one secondary explosion observed, thought to be 60 caliber ammo.
242000H	BT 249081	Observed several lights moving in the area of previous fire mission. Thought to be VC checking damage from artillery.
251700H	BT 249081	8 VC moved into woods behind a house. All wearing black PJ's, two with weapons.
260815H	BT 249081	4 VC wearing black PJ's and carrying rifles moved into woodline. Fire mission called, while adjustments were being made, 5 more VC in black PJ's, 3 with weapons moved into the area. Fire mission was finally cancelled after the

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on the target.

261330H	BT 236057	2 VC moving west on trail, black PJ's, one rifle, on pack.
261335H	BT 237076	1 VC moving west on trail, black PJ's and rifle.
261400H	BT 230076	2 VC moving NE across rice paddy, black PJ's and packs, no weapons observed.
261403H	BT 234075	1 VC wearing green uniform and carrying a pack and rifle moved out of village then returned.
261427H	BT 236075	1 VC moving west on trail, black PJ's, and rifle.

8. Other Information: Ground fog limits observation of the valleys until 0600 each morning. There are no good CP sites in the area, because of the 40' canopy and thick vegetation.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That patrols carry ropes to aid in climbing trees to attain a suitable CP position. That this area not be used in the immediate future. HLT's are limited in the area and the thick vine and brush vegetation make it an ideal place to booby trap.

G. MURRAY
2nd Lt USMC
3rd Flt, Co 1st
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Detrierer: None

G. E. WILKINS
SSgt USMC
Detrierer

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

3rd Platoon, Company "D"

CHU BAN, RVN

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
281930H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 24-66
Team: 2nd Plt, Co "B"
Debriefing: SSgt WILLIAMS
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 16 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish an OP on Hill 167 vicinity BS 443787 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area.
3. Time of Departure: 241230H
4. Time of Return: 281730H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 181 hours with no VC sightings. Upon insertion of the patrol the helicopters drew AV and BA fire from the vicinity of GS 4376. Hill 167 is a poor OP site, the area is covered by elephant grass and brush interlaced with vines 14' high. Movement is very difficult with 100 meters per hour maximum.

7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
241545H-1625H	BS 443766	Heard VN voices and noises as though a search was being made of the area.
241730H	BS 443791	Established OP. OP provided good observation of the assigned area, however the trees in the area are small and sparse in foliage, making establishment of an OP platform difficult.
261155H	BS 443798	Had KLOMINE in the area check village at these coordinate. Reported a freshly built bunker, but no enemy activity.

8. Other Information: Normal civilian activity was observed in the area throughout the patrol. The patrol landed at BS 443787 and was extracted from BS 444791, both 1 helicopter landing zones.

9. Results of Encounters with the Enemy: None

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10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That Hill 167 not be used as an OP site. The thick brush makes movement difficult and although it provides alot of concealment, there is very little cover. That GS 4376 be checked out, as the fire at the helicopters was extremely heavy from this vicinity.

R. G. WALKER
2nd Lt USMC
Patrol leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefee: None

G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefee

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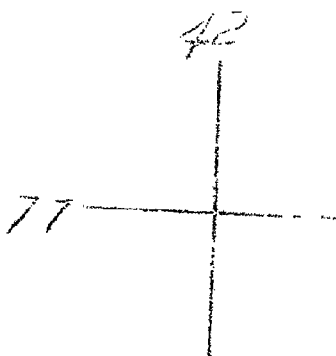
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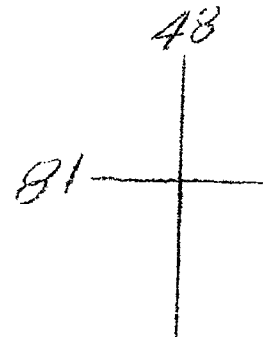
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
 GFC L&T, RVN
 281400H August 1966

Bn Frag Order 24-66
 Team: 3rd Plt, Co "C"
 Debriefer: 1stLt R. S. ROBERTS
 Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
 Sheet 6756

PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 11 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP at regional forces camp of AN HOA Hill 141 vicinity coordinates 474864 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area.
3. Time of Departure: 221200H
4. Time of Return: 281345H
5. Route: None
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 145½ hours with 9 sightings of 55 VC. Four artillery fire missions were called resulting in 4 VC KIA confirmed, 10 VC KIA probable. This patrol also received 4 agent reports through the ARVN personnel at the camp, concerning the suspected location of large groups of VC. On this basis, 3 firemissions were called, resulting in (by ARVN count) 126 VC KIA and 90 VC WIA. 4 VC and 6 VCS were apprehended and turned over to this patrol; they were sent to ITT for questioning.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
221826H	B3 445874	Agents report VC Co; unit and equipment unknown; firemission with good coverage; agents later (231600, gave result as 5 VC KIA.
231745H	BS 515885 508864	Agents report NVA Bn wearing green uniforms and having 57 RR's and 81mm's. Bn CO's name NGUYEN TIEH HUNG, a south VN who lived in area for 12 years before going north. Bn came from west through the mountains on the north side of the SONG TRA DONG river. Fire mission, devastating effect on area, 5 large and 2 small secondary explosions; agents later (241800) 110 VC KIA and 90 WIA.
231905H	BS 515885	10 VC in groups of 2 and 3 carrying heavy unidentified loads; appeared to carry long barrelled weapons black PJ's. Fire mission, good coverage, 1 KIA confirmed, 9 KIA probable.

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240930H	BS 515878	3 VC, black PJ's and coolie hats, carrying long tube; no fire mission as observation lost.
241837H	BS 446875	Agents reported unknown size VC cooking 3 stolen cows, equipment unknown. Fire mission with good coverage; 1 KIA confirmed.
250740H	BS 458857	2 VN moving NE with 4 heavy baskets of unknown content moved into village 457859.
250924H	BS 443867	Unknown number VC firing at camp. Fire mission with good coverage; ARVN later reported 10 VC KIA confirmed as a result of mission.
251908H	BS 474864	ARVN returned from sweep and turned over to patrol 6 VCS.
252015H	BS 474856	Camp strafed by automatic fire; fire-mission called with good coverage but undertermined results.
270900H	BS 518867	Agents report VC company of 90 men; automatic weapons; infantry informed.
271005H	BS 497862	6 VC in blk PJ's hiding in brush; 2 rifles; possible cave; infantry informed.
271100H	BS 479839	2VC walking SSE in blk PJ's; one carrying BAR; infantry informed.
271140H	BS 447854	3 VC, one in green utilities, 2 in blk PJ's, fired on by HU-1E; 1 confirmed KIA, 2 probable KIA's.
280200H	BS 454882	6 VC moving NW near river; 2 camouflaged utilities & 4 blk PJ's; had packs & one 57 RR; infantry informed.
280900H	BS 474868	4 VC male prisoners turned over to this patrol; prisoners tagged & sent to CIT, .
281030H	BS 452880	16 VC moving south along river; 4 in green utilities 2 brown, 10 blk PJ's; 7 packs, one mortar tube or 57 RR; fire mission-good coverage; 2 VC KIA (CONF) one in green and one in brown

8. Other Information: 2/LT HUNG is the new camp commander at AN HOA.

9. Results of Encounters with the enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: That grid squares 4988, 5088, 5188, 4387, 4487, and 4684 are active with VC and have caves interspersed throughout. That when one of these areas are hit, the VC move to one of the other areas, and that 4684 is the primary refuge. That infiltration is probably coming from the NW through the mountains along the [redacted].

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

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

RS. Roberts

R. S. ROBERTS
1stLt USMC
Debriefers

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

3rd Plt, Co "C"

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E. A. IRVIN-Patrol Leader

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
281400H Aug 1966

Bn Frag Order 24-66
Team: 1st Plt, Co "C"
Debriefing: Lt R. S. ROBERTS
Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L701
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 7 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP on Hill 177 (NUI TRON) vicinity coordinates BS 516778 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area. The primary direction of observation is north and northwest of your assigned area.
3. Time of Departure: 241200H
4. Time of Return: 281300H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 97 hrs. with 6 sightings of 66 VC. One fire mission was called with unobserved results; the remaining sightings were outside the artillery fan. The chief at NUI TRON reported to this patrol the suspected locations of VC companies and possible harbour sites. Because of the distance from their OP however, this patrol could observe no activity in these areas.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
241300H	BS 470772	Numerous people moving west along main road (Bwy 58); unable to determine equipment or any details due to distance from OP. River traffic light.
250800H	BS 463798 BS 435768 BS 452783	Village chief reports VC companies are located vicinity these coordinates; patrol could observe no activity in these areas
	BS 413792	Chief reports VC Bn headquarters vicinity these coordinates.
251100H	BS 493758	Observed air strike of unknown origin.
251445H	BS 452747	40 VC in column moving south along trail; moved into woodline coordinates 459740; blk PJ's and rifles; no fire mission - outside artillery fan.

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251730H BS 476794 5 VC moving rapidly south through treeline; black PJ's undetermined equipment; outside artillery fan.

260800H SONG TRA KHUC Sharp increase in small boat river traffic, heading downstream in easterly direction; distance too great for detailed observation.

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260830H BS 546752 Planes spraying foliage received small arms fire.

261000H BS 441758 Chief reports suspected VC harbour sites; could not observe, outside artillery fan.
BS 444762

- BS 448753 Reports position of VC courier platoon

270915 BS 524713 6 VC on trail, blk PJ's, rifles and packs; entered house coordinates 519718. Outside artillery fan.

271545H BS 486808 5 VC moving south on trail, blk PJ's, rifles; fire mission - 8 rds in good coverage but unobserved results.

280925H BS 521815 5 VC moving south on trail, blk PJ's, rifles.

8. Other Information: 106 is not effective on this outpost; 4 .2 motars would be better to cover areas outside artillery fan.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: A people to people program be initiated with these montagnards, with the emphasis on medical aid. All future patrols take their own water.

R. D. Harrison
R. D. HARRISON
2ndLt USMC
1st Plt, Co "C"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefer: Note overlay for main trail which is not shown on present maps. The VC were moving, perhaps intentionally, just outside our present artillery fan.

R. S. Roberts
R. S. ROBERTS
1stLt USMC
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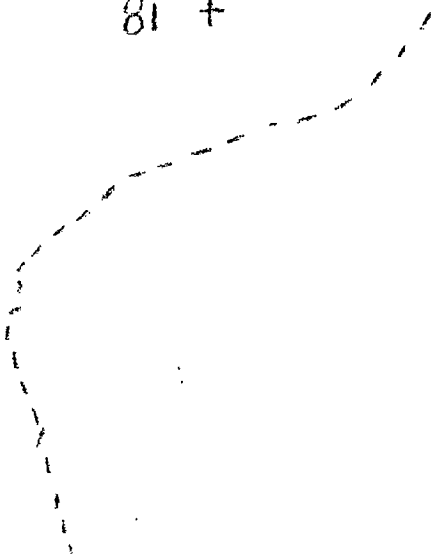
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C. E. HARRISON-Patrol Leader



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CHU LAC, RVN

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Team: 1st Sqd 3rd Plt, Co "C"

Debriefers: 1st Lt R. S. ROBERTS

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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 9 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: To provide security for radio relay on Hill 707 vicinity coordinates 418998, and to establish OP with surveillance in all directions.
3. Time of Departure: 221300H
4. Time of Return: 281400H
5. Route: None
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 145 hours with 2 sightings of 37 VC. 3 artillery fire missions were called resulting in 4 VC KIA confirmed and 2 VC KIA probable.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
221530H	BS 422992	Observed signal smoke about 1000 meters away. Fire mission called with undetermined results.
232155H	BT 433008	7 moving lights, appeared to be lanterns, converging on open area. Fire mission called, lights were extinguished.
261530H	BT 442014	30 VC moving west, 10k PJ's, 7 packs, 12 rifles. Fire mission called, good coverage; 4 KIA's confirmed, 2 KIA's probable.

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

R. A. Winkelman
 R. A. WINKELMAN
 Sgt USMC
 Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

R. S. Roberts
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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
291600H August 1966

Support of Operation JACKSON
Team: 1st Plt, Co "A"
Debriefing: SSgt WILLIAMS
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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 1 Off, 16 Enl, 1 USN
 2. Mission: Establish an OP on Hill 300 vicinity BS 453815 and observe north and east in support of Operation JACKSON.
 3. Time of Departure: 280900H
 4. Time of Return: 291500H
 5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)
 6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 30 hours with no sightings. At 291430H while enroute to the LZ, the point man stepped on a booby trap, injuring his right foot and leg. It was apparently a small booby trap as no other members of the patrol were injured.
 7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)
- | <u>TIME</u> | <u>COORDINATES</u> | <u>OBSERVATION</u> |
|-------------|--------------------|--|
| 280930H | BS 455815 | Landed in LZ and moved out to establish OP. LZ was very good and large enough for 5 helicopters to land at once. |
| 281300H | BS 454818 | Established OP. Very good OP site, providing excellent observation of the assigned area. |
8. Other Information: Hill 300 provides a good OP site and is easy to defend.
 9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None
 10. Condition of Patrol: 1 man wounded by booby trap.
 11. Conclusions and Recommendations: If other patrols are going into this area they should be extremely careful of the LZ. Since it is a good LZ and has been used by Marines, the VC will probably booby trap it.

G. W. JONES
1st Lt USMC

12. Additional Comments by Debriefers: None

G. E. WILLIAMS
SSgt USMC
Debriefing

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PATROL ROUTE [REDACTED]

1st Plt, Co "A"

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion
CHU LAI, RVN
302045H Aug 1966

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Team: 2nd Plt, Co "D"

Debriefed: 1stLt R. S. ROBERTS

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PATROL REPORT

1. Size and Composition: 2 Off, 16 Enl, 1 USN
2. Mission: Establish OP on Hill 279 vicinity BT 119040 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. The primary direction of observation is south and north.
3. Time of Departure: 280715H
4. Time of Return: 302015H
5. Route: See attached overlay (Tab a)
6. Synopsis: This patrol covered a period of 61 hours with a total of 30 sightings of 144 VC. These sightings consisted of groups of VC as large as 13 and as small as 2; the primary direction of their movement was west through the valley. Two houses at BT 118019 and BT 118022, also appeared to be the center of much activity, possible storage or assembly areas. All the sightings of this patrol were outside the artillery fan. Three airstrikes were called into this area but with undetermined results.
7. Observation (Enemy and Terrain)

<u>TIME</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>OBSERVATION</u>
290930H	BT 107024	4 VC moving through paddy, blk PJ's, no hats; unobserved equipment. Out of artillery fan.
291005H	BT 107024	8 VC moving west on trail, blk PJ's, coolie hats, 8 rifles, 8 packs, 3 baskets, 1 drum. Out of artillery range.
291045H-1100H	BT 099029	Air strike by HULE's; results not observed.
291210H	BT 116025	13 VC moving south through paddy into woodline, 9 blk PJ's and coolie hats, 4 khaki utilities; undetermined equipment. Out of artillery range.
291240H	BT 112025	4 VC running south on trail, blk PJ's and 1 coolie hat, 4 packs. Out of artillery range.

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291308H	BT 112025	5 VC moving west into tree line, blk PJ's and coolie hats, carrying extremely heavy loads in baskets. Out of artillery range.
291404H	BT 112025	4 VC moving west on trail, blk PJ's, 4 rifles 4 packs. Out of artillery range.
291412H	BT 105026	3 VC moving west on trail, blk PJ's, 2 rifles, 3 packs, 1 large bundle. Out of artillery range.
291540H	BT 096025	5 VC moving west on trail, blk PJ's, 2 packs, 2 heavy baskets. Out of artillery range.
291600H	BT 096025	1 VC running west on trail, blk PJ's; equipment unobserved.
291610E-1700H	BT 113025	Airstrike, excellent coverage of target but exact results unobserved.
291708H	BT 103023	3 VC moving east on trail riding bicycles, blk PJ's 3 packs, 1 rifle. Out of artillery range.
291712H	BT 103023	4 VC moving east on trail, blk PJ's, 1 bicycle, 1 rifle, 2 heavy bundles; took cover on approach of OE.
291720E	BT 108024	5 VC moving east on trail, 4 blk PJ's, 1 khaki utilities, 5 packs, 4 rifles, 1 81mm mortar tube. Out of artillery range.
291730H	BT 113024	11 VC observing the area of previous airstrike, 6 blk PJ's, 3 khaki utilities, 5 rifles, 7 packs, Out of artillery range.
291730H	BT 114029	3 VC moving south on trail, 2 blk PJ's, 1 khaki utilities, 3 rifles, 3 packs. Out of artillery range.
291750H	BT 113024	2 VC moving south on trail, 2 blk PJ's, 1 khaki, 1 pack, 1 mortar tube. Out of artillery range.
291800H	BT 117023	4 VC moving east on trail, 2 blk PJ's, 2 khaki, 4 packs, 1 mortar tube. Out of artillery range.
291810H	BT 105025	2 VC moving south on trail through paddy, blk PJ's 1 pack, 1 heavy bundle.
291812H	BT 116023	13 VC (10 male, 2 female, 1 child) moving west on trail, blk PJ's and coolie hats, 10 packs. Out of artillery range.
291817H	BT 105025	3 VC moving west on trail, blk PJ's, 2 rifles, 3 packs. Out of artillery range.
291821H	BT 113023	4 VC moving west on trail junction, blk PJ's, 2 rifles, 2 packs. Out of artillery range.

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291821H	BT 109025	2 VC moving north out of woodline, 1 blk PJ's, 1 gray uniform; equipment unobserved.
291900H	BT 105025	4 VC moving east on trail, blk PJ's, 4 packs. Out of artillery range.
291903H	BT 119022	6 VC moving west on trail, 5 blk PJ's, 1 khaki, 6 packs, 2 rifles. Out of artillery range.
291905H	BT 119022	9 VC moving west on trail, blk PJ's, white coolie hats, 9 packs. Out of artillery range.
291910H	BT 119022	6 VC moving west on trail, blk PJ's, 6 packs, one mortar tube. Out of artillery range.
291915H	BT 103023	3 VC moving east on trail, blk PJ's, 6 packs. Out of artillery range.
291920H	BT 119022	6 VC moving west on trail, blk PJ's, 6 packs. Out of artillery range.
301440H	BT 107025	2 VC moving west on trail, 2 blk PJ's, 2 khaki, 1 rifle, 1 cartridge belt. Out of artillery range.
301615H	BT 118041	1 VC moving from NE to SW within 25 meters of patrol blk PJ's. Chicom submachine gun.

8. Other Information: 2 houses vicinity of BT 118019 and BT 118022 appeared the center of much activity, possible storage or assembly areas. During the period between 1130-1300 the VC move very leisurely, whereas during other daylight hours they move quickly, almost running. At the first sound of aircraft the VC disappear into the brush. The helicopters participating in extraction of this patrol received 3 rounds small arms from vicinity BT 121057.

9. Results of Encounters with Enemy: None

10. Condition of Patrol: Good

11. Conclusions and Recommendations: None

D. T. STEVENS
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2nd Plt, Co "D"
Patrol Leader

12. Additional Comments by Debrisfer: Trail 279 is an outstanding trail for direct observation south into the valley. The only difficulty is the absence of suitable LZ's in the area. From the findings of this patrol it is evident that most VC movement in the valley is to the west, in small groups.

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

2nd Plt, Co "D"

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DAILY SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company and a reinforced security squad from Company "F", 2/7 continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.
2. 1st Platoon, Company "G" continues to maintain OP and surveillance of BT 323062 and the surrounding area.
3. 3rd Platoon, Company "G" continues to maintain OP and surveillance of BT 252103 and the surrounding area.
4. 2nd Platoon, Company "D" continues to maintain OP on Hill 437, vicinity BS 227979 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding, with primary observation to the north.
5. 3rd Platoon, Company "D" was inserted at 311630 to establish OP and surveillance of BS 474864 and the surrounding area.

2 August 1966.

1. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company and a reinforced security squad from Company "F", 2/7 continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.
2. 1st Platoon, Company "B" was inserted at 021200H to establish OP on Hill 437 vicinity BS 227979 and maintain surveillance of surrounding area.
3. 2nd Platoon, Company "B" was inserted at 021730H to establish OP on Hill 319 vicinity BT 322063 and maintain surveillance of the surrounding area.
4. 1st Platoon, Company "G" was extracted at 021715H after 78 hours of surveillance with a total of 5 sightings for 21 VC.
5. 3rd Platoon, Company "G" was extracted at 021015H after 76 1/2 hours of OP and surveillance with a total of 2 sightings for 6 VC, 1 ambush with 4 KIA probable.
 - a. 020830H ASPARAGUS ambushed 4 VC moving toward their position BT 252103. Two wore camouflaged utilities, two wore PJ's. Equipment: 2 rifles, 2 cartridges, belts, punji stakes. Four (4) probable enemy KIA's. One friendly WIA.
6. 2nd Platoon, Company "D" was extracted at 021200H after 54 hours of surveillance with no sightings.
 - a. At 020852H Sky Raiders secured attack. No friendly casualties.
7. 3rd Platoon, Company "I" continues to conduct primary mission.

a. 021100H village chief reported 80 VC at base of Hill 167 BS 468854. Artillery requested with AO observing. (Information forwarded to FSOC for action).

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b. 021155H village chief reports 36 VC KIA in past two days by infantry action. Also report of 50 VC KIA south of position. All casualties were result of infantry or artillery actions.

c. 021705H ARVN reported a VC tunnel/rest area in village BT 487877. Requested air strike, forwarded to F300.

d. 021710H ARVN reported 20-30 foot VC bunker complex with radio transmitter on reverse slope of BS 435845. Air strike requested, forwarded to FSCG.

e. 021900H ARVN reported 300 Hard Corps VC in camouflage uniforms encamping BS 590882. Well armed. Fire mission called, results unknown at present.

3 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay team from E&S Company and a reinforced security squad from Company "F", 2/7 continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.

2. 1st Platoon, Company "A" was inserted 030630H to establish OP and surveillance of AT 981376 and the surrounding area. Extracted at 031730H after 11 hours of OP and surveillance.

a. 020837H 4 VC walking south on trail AT 989360, 3 in black PJ's, 1 in khakis, carrying 4 large packs, 4 rifles.

b. 030852H 5 VC walking north on trail AT 990361, 1 in khaki uniform, 1 grey uniform, 1 in black PJ's, 2 had green capes over shoulders. Carrying 4 large packs, 2 rifles.

c. 031200H observe trench line running south west AT 987353. No VC activity in area.

d. 031300H 5 VC moving west on trail AT 999350 in black PJ's, carrying 5 packs.

e. 031407H 2 VC moved into OP. 1 VC KIA, 1 VC KIA probable. 2 weapons captured. No friendly casualties.

f. 031555H 1 VC moving around OP carrying 1 rifle and 1 belt with star same as the ones on Hill 438, VC shot and killed. KLCNDLAE fired rocket at 1 large group of VC to the north vicinity AT 990376.

g. 031645H 5 VC moved around OP carrying 2 rifles, taken under fire, 1 KIA confirmed, 3 KIA probable.

3. 1st Platoon, Company "B" was extracted 031815H after 30 1/2 hours of maintaining OP and surveillance of Hill 437, BS 227979. Had no sightings.

4 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay team from E&S Company and a reinforced security squad from Company "F" 2/7 continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.

2. 2nd Platoon Company "B" (DAMPEN) continues to maintain OP on Hill 319 (BT 322063) and surveillance of the surrounding area.

a. 041430H 2 VCS moved across rice paddy BT 303055 wearing black PJ's. Couldn't observe equipment.

b. 041500H 3 VC moved across stream, headed north BT 312056 wearing black PJ's, carrying 2 rifles.

c. 041745H 5 VC moved from rice paddy into tree line BT 309056 wearing black PJ's and carrying 4 rifles.

3. Company "C" Headquarters(-) (BAD ACTOR CHARLIE) continues to maintain OP and radio-relay at LAC SON (BT 019292).

4. 3rd Platoon, Company "C" (ASPARAGUS) was inserted 041500H at VIET AN (BT 015273) to establish OP and surveillance of that area.

5. 1st Platoon, Company "D" (CHATSWORTH) was inserted 040630H to establish OP and surveillance on Hill 679 (BT 071099) and the surrounding area.

a. 041315H 2 VC moving south on trail BT 328110 in black PJ's carrying 2 packs.

b. 041350H 1 VC moving NE on trail BT 325114 in black PJ's and camouflage cover carrying 1 thompson sub-machine gun and 1 ammo pouch.

c. 041528H 2 VC moving east on trail BT 326110 in black PJ's carrying 2 packs, 2 rifles.

6. 2nd Platoon, Company "D" (BICKERTON) was inserted 040730H to establish OP in vicinity Hill 482 AT 875175 and surveillance of the surrounding area, primarily to the northeast.

a. 041145H 1 VC moving northeast AT 869199 in black PJ's carrying 1 rifle, 1 cartridge belt.

b. 041355H BICKERTON reported finding numerous fighting holes along river AT 867200. No activity in this area.

7. 3rd Platoon, Company "D" (COMMOTION) continues to maintain OP and surveillance of BS 474864 and the surrounding area.

5 August 1966

1. Detachment, H&S Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion Forward, Company "B" Headquarters (BAD ACTOR BRAVO), 3rd Platoon, Company "B" (COMBUSTION), Company "C" Headquarters (BAD ACTOR CHARLIE), 1st Platoon, Company "C" (CORK LEG), 2nd Platoon, Company "C" (BEAR LAKE) and 3rd Platoon, Company "A" (CREDITOR) OPCON 5th Marines for support of Operation COLORADO.

2. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company (BAD ACTOR WHISKEY) and a reinforced security squad from Company "F" 2/5 (FOXTROT 3A) continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 (BS 418998) and the surrounding areas.

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3. 1st Platoon, Company "A" (COURT HOUSE) was inserted at 050630H to establish OP and surveillance on Hill 579 AT 949344 and the surrounding area. Extracted at 051915H after 12 3/4 hours.

a. 051150H 1 VC moving south E on trail, AT 985341, wearing black PJ's, carrying 1 pack.

b. 051210H 1 VC moving southeast on trail, AT 985324, wearing black PJ's, carrying 1 pack.

c. 051245H 1 VC walked into OP. COURT HOUSE opened fire, 1 VC KIA but couldn't recover. 1 rifle captured, CHICOM Type 53.

4. 1st Platoon, Company "B" (CROSSING) was inserted 050645H to establish OP and surveillance of (BT 305005) and the surrounding area.

a. 051120H located village (6 huts). No activity, searched village finding numerous punji stakes, cross bows, knives. Encountered 1 VC with rifle (carbine) in light green uniform. VC escaped. Punji stakes all along trail.

5. 2nd Platoon, Company "B" (DAMPEN) was extracted at 051945H after 80 hours of OP and surveillance from Hill 319 (BT 322063).

a. 051110H 4 VC in black PJ's, walked into OP carrying 4 rifles, type unknown, exchanged fire, no casualties.

6. 3rd Platoon, Company "C" (ASPARAGUS) continues to maintain OP and surveillance of VIET AN (BT 015273) and the surrounding area.

a. 051610H ARVN reports 1 VC Company harboured BT 012252. Equipment and uniforms unknown. Fire mission called, good coverage on target.

b. 051925H Agent reported that VC are forming for defense against expected Marine offensive. 1 VC Company split, coordinates BT 042268 and BT 998265, 1 VC Company concealed BT 007269, 5th Bn of the 7th Reg split coordinates BT 995243 and BT 983239. Unknown Bn split BT 060262 and BT 060257, BT 044250 and BT 022250

7. 1st Platoon, Company "D" (CHATSWORTH) continues to maintain OP and surveillance on Hill 679 BT 335116 and the surrounding area.

a. 051315H CHATSWORTH reported 3 WIA as a result of VC booby trap.

b. 051700H 6 VC moving northeast on trail, BT 314147, in grey utilities, carrying 6 rifles (type unknown).

8. 2nd Platoon, Company "D" (BICKERTON) continues to maintain OP and surveillance on Hill 482 AT 875175 and the surrounding area.

a. 050810H 12 VC moving north with supplies. 6 VC moving south, BT 897197, in mixed PJ's, and khakies, carrying packs and rifles (type unknown).

b. 050815H 6 elephants guided by 2 VCS, moving north, BT 897197, 2 VCS in black PJ's. Couldn't observe equipment.

c. 050819H 3 VCS moving north with supplies, BT 897197, wearing black PJ's, carrying large bundles on shoulders.

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d. 051025H 1 VC moving north on trail, BT 897197, in black PJ's carrying 1 pack.

9. 3rd Platoon, Company "D" (COMMOTION) was extracted 051730H after 97 hours of maintaining OP and surveillance of BS 474864 and the surrounding area. Artillery support was by 105 HOW. No sightings reported during this reporting period.

6 August 1966

1. Detachment, H&S Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion Forward, Company "B" Headquarters (BAD ACTOR BRAVO), 3rd Platoon, Company "AB" (COMBUSTION), Company "C" Headquarters (BAD ACTOR CHARLIE), 1st Platoon, Company "C" (GORK LEG), 2nd Platoon, Company "C" (BEAR LAKE) and 3rd Platoon, Company "A" (CREDITOR) OPCON 5th Marines for support of Operation COLORADO.

2. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company (BAD ACTOR WHISKEY) and a reinforced security squad from Company "F" 2/7 (FOXTROT 3A) continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 (BS 418998) and the surrounding areas. Artillery support 105 HOW. No sightings reported during this reporting period.

3. 1st Platoon, Company "B" (CROSSING) was inserted 050645H to establish OP and surveillance of BT 302005 and the surrounding area.

4. 3rd Platoon, Company "C" (ASPARAGUS) continues to maintain OP and surveillance at VIENT AN BT 015273 and the surrounding area.

a. 060100H a trip flare was triggered south of ASPARAGUS position BT 015273. Air was alerted due to agent report of enemy units comprised of 2 companies and 2 Battalions south of their position.

b. 060216H ARVN at ASPARAGUS' position determined area all clear.

c. 060300H ASPARAGUS reported observing VC signal lights from 060200H to 060300H south of their No Fire Zone.

5. 1st Platoon, Company "D" (CHATSWORTH) continues to maintain OP and surveillance on Hill 679 BT 335116 and the surrounding area.

a. 060700H 6 VC moving west on trail BT 306144 in grey uniforms carrying 4 rifles (type unknown).

b. 060715H 8 VC moving west on trail BT 305144 in black PJ's carrying 5 rifles (type unknown).

c. 060725H 6 VCS moving northwest on ridge line BT 306137 in black PJ's. Couldn't observe equipment.

d. 060735H 2 VC moving west BT 305144 in black PJ's carrying 1 rifle (type unknown).

e. 060853H 1 VC moved into village BT 306145 in black PJ's carrying 1 pack and 1 rifle (type unknown).

f. 061625H 1 VC moving northwest BT 313137 in black PJ's carrying 1 carbine.

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6. 2nd Platoon, Company "D" (BICKERTON) was extracted 061815H after 58½ hours of maintaining OP and surveillance on Hill 482 (AT 880190) and the surrounding area.

7 August 1966

1. Detachment, H&S Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion Forward, Company "B" Headquarters (BAD ACTOR BRAVO), 3rd Platoon, Company "B" (COMBUSTION), Company "C" Headquarters (BAD ACTOR CHARLIE), 1st Platoon, Company "C" (CORK LEG), 2nd Platoon, Company "C" (BEAR LAKE) and 3rd Platoon, Company "A" (CREDITOR) OPCON 5th Marines for support of Operation COLORADO.

2. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company (BAD ACTOR WHISKEY) and a reinforced security squad from Company "F" 2/5 (FOXTROT 3A) continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 (BS 418998) and the surrounding areas.

3. 1st Platoon, Company "B" (CROSSING) continues to maintain OP and surveillance of (BT 286018) and the surrounding area.

a. 071350H CROSSING reported numerous booby traps (Malayan whip type) and punju stake pits located vicinity BT 279010.

4. 3rd Platoon, Company "C" (ASPARAGUS) was extracted 071750H after 75 hours of maintaining OP and surveillance of VIET AN BT 015277 and the surrounding area.

a. 070907H 10 VC BT 985281 in black PJ's. Couldn't observe equipment. Fire mission called, good coverage, 1 small secondary explosion (possible grenades).

5. 1st Platoon, Company "D" (CHATSWORTH) was extracted 070815H after 74 hours of maintaining OP and surveillance on Hill 679 BT 335116 and the surrounding area.

a. 070800H 2 snipers BT 315143 using carbines, fired 7 or 8 rounds at helicopters upon extraction.

b. CHATSWORTH reported in debriefing, enemy activity in villages located at BT 313145 and BT 316138. Recommend COMMOTION conduct artillery mission.

c. CHATSWORTH reported in debriefing "tomato can" type booby traps located at BT 33123.

6. 2nd Platoon, Company "D" (BICKERTON) was inserted 071500H to establish OP and surveillance of BT 008146 and the surrounding area.

a. 071630H 4 VC moving southwest on trail BT 014118 in black PJ's carrying small arms (type unknown). Momentary sighting.

b. 071815H 5 VC moving northeast AT 997197 black PJ's carrying large packs. Communication problem, couldn't reach guns.

7. 3rd Platoon, Company "D" (COMMOTION) was inserted 070730H to establish OP and surveillance of BT 319153 and the surrounding area.

a. 071305H COMMOTION fired on village BT 313145, reported by CHATSWORTH as having enemy activity.

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1. Detachment, H&S Company, 1st Reconnaissance Battalion Forward, Company "B" Headquarters, 3rd Platoon, Company "B", Company "B" Headquarters, 1st Platoon, Company "C", 2nd Platoon, Company "C" and 3rd Platoon, Company "A" OFCON 5th Marines for support of Operation COLORADO.
2. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company and a reinforced security squad from Company "F" 2/5 continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding areas.
3. 1st Platoon, Company "B" was extracted 081810H after 83 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours of maintaining OP and surveillance of BT 286018 and the surrounding areas.
 - a. 080845H platoon reported 1 VC KIA by them. VC was wearing black PJ's and carrying a thompson sub-machine gun and grenades, coordinates BT 286017. No friendly casualties.
4. 2nd Platoon, Company "D" continues to maintain OP and surveillance of BT 0021 and the surrounding areas.
 - a. 081040H 36 VC observed in black PJ's carrying large bundles up stream BT 019165 with packs and rifles. Air strike called, excellent coverage on target, unable to observe KIA or WIA but VC did not leave target area.
 - b. 081245H 21 VC moving west BT 009161 in black PJ's and camouflaged helmets, carrying packs and rifles (type mostly carbines). Fire mission called. excellent coverage. No movement in area.
 - c. 081415H 6 VC moving northwest on trail AT 996168, 4 in black PJ's, 2 in khaki carrying packs and helmets. Fire mission called, good coverage, but couldn't observe KIA's or WIA due to thick under brush.
 - d. 081715H platoon reported having called 2 air strikes, first on BT 019165 and northwest along trail where he observed VC movement. Second at AT 995168 where a large cave complex was uncovered. Third and fourth air strikes and bombing runs on that area uncovered lower cave networks which still remain intact.
5. 3rd Platoon, Company "D" continues to maintain OP and surveillance of BT 319153 and the surrounding areas.
6. Reference SITREP #132 paragraph (5) c, 1st Platoon, Company "D" reported in debriefing finding booby trap constructed of JHICOM grenades using vines for trip wire, attached to tree well off the trail BT 333125. Booby trap left intact.

9 August 1966

1. Company "B" Headquarters, 3rd Platoon, Company "B", Company "C" Headquarters, 1st Platoon, Company "C", 2nd Platoon, Company "C" and 3rd Platoon, Company "A" OFCON 5th Marines for support of Operation COLORADO.
2. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company and a reinforced security squad from Company "F" 2/7 continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.

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3. 2nd Platoon, Company "D" was extracted 091600H after 48½ hours of maintaining OP and surveillance of BT 008146 and the surrounding area.

a. 091100H received 5 rounds sniper fire from BT 003150. VC used carbine, no friendly casualties.

b. 091105H received automatic weapons fire from BT 012145. Patrol returned fire, no casualties.

c. 091400H 6 VC BT 012145 observing position, in black PJ's and khakis with weapons, some automatic, types unknown. Exchanged small arms fire, no casualties. Fire mission not called because artillery was engaged in another mission.

d. 091400H 3 VC in black PJ's with baskets on backs, carrying rifles (type unknown), moving north BT 005126.

4. 3rd Platoon, Company "D" continues to maintain OP and surveillance of BT 321161 and the surrounding area.

a. 090920H 1 VC moving northwest on trail BT 323166 in black PJ's carrying 1 rifle (possible CHICOM type carbine model 53) and cartridge belt.

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1. Company "B" Headquarters, 3rd Platoon, Company "B", Company "C" Headquarters 1st Platoon, Company "C", 2nd Platoon, Company "C" and 3rd Platoon, Company "A" OPCON 5th Marines for support of Operation COLORADO.

2. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company and a reinforced security squad from Company "F" 2/7 continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.

3. 1st Platoon, Company "A" was inserted 101715H to establish OP and surveillance of Hill 302 vicinity BT 313109, and the surrounding area.

a. 101830H 1 VCS observed running northeast vic BT 293123 in blk PJ's. No equip observed.

b. 101909H Platoon presently located BT 296125.

4. 2nd Plt, Co "B" was inserted 101800H to establish OP and survl of Hill 538 vic BS 357992 and the surrounding area.

a. 101830H 1 man fractured his ankle upon entry. Med-Evac required and accomplished.

5. 3rd Platoon, Co "D" was extracted 101700H after 83 hours of maintaining OP and survl of BT 329161 and the surrounding area.

a. 100900H 1 VC in black PJ's carrying a rifle (type unk) was seen observing patrol. Patrol fired 2 M-14 rounds and 1 M-79 round. VC escaped through bushes uninjured.

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1. Company "B" Headquarters, 3rd Platoon, Company "B", Company "C" Headquarters 1st Platoon, Company "C", 2nd Platoon, Company "C" and 3rd Platoon, Company "A" OPCON 5th Marines for support of Operation COLORADO.

2. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company and a reinforced security squad from Company "F" 2/7 continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.

3. 1st Platoon, Company "A" continues to maintain OP and surveillance of Hill 302 vic BT 313109 and the surrounding area.

a. 111055H 1 VC moving south on trail BT 289098 in black PJ's carrying 1 rifle (type unk), 1 pack.

b. 111155H 2 VC walking S on trail BT 289098 in blk PJ's with white pith helmets, carrying 1 rifle (type unk), 2 packs.

c. 111350H 3 VC standing outside hut BT 309125. 1 in blk PJ's the other in white top and blue bottoms, carrying 2 rifles. Fire mission called, 3 huts destroyed. Unable to determine casualties at this time.

d. 111630H 3 VC standing in vicinity BT 304126 in blk PJ's carrying 3 rifles (type unk). Fire mission not called due to weather.

e. 111825H 1 VC herding cattle BT 303129 in grey raincoat, green shorts, black top carrying 1 rifle, 1 cartridge belt, 1 canteen.

4. 2nd Platoon, Company "B" continues to maintain OP and surveillance of Hill 538 vicinity BS 357992 and the surrounding area.

a. 111255H 1 VCS in burned out area vic BS 373991 blk PJ's equip unk.

12 August 1966

1. 3rd Platoon, Co "B", Co "C" Hqds, 1st Plt, Co "C", 2nd Plt, Co "C" and 3rd Plt, Co "A" OPCON 5th Marines for support of Operation COLORADO.

a. Co "B" Hqds was extracted 121200H after 192 hrs in support of Oper COLORADO.

2. Two man radio-relay team fm H&S Co and a reinforced scty sqd from Co "F" 2/7 continues to maintain radio-relay and survl of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.

3. 1st Plt, Co "A" cont to maintain OP and survl of Hill 302 vic BT 313109 and the surrounding area.

a. 121442H 4 VC 2 moving NE 2 moving NW, BT 318118, 1 in khaki and white pith helmet, 3 in black PJ's carrying 1 pack 4 rifles (type unk).

b. 121445H 2 VC moving NW n trail BT 317120, carrying 1 pack, 2 rifles (type unk).

4. 2nd Plt, Co "B" cont to maintain OP and survl of Hill 538 vic BS 357992 and the surrounding area.

13 August 1966

1. 3rd Plt, Co "R", Co "C" Hqds, 1st Plt, Co "C", 2nd Plt, Co "C" and 3rd Plt, Co "A" OPCON 5th Mar for support of Oper COLORADO.
2. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and a rein sety sqd fm Co "F" 2/7 cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.
3. 1st Plt, Co "A" was extracted after 69 hrs of maintaining OP and survl of Hill 302 vic BT 313109 and the surrounding area.
 - a. 130645H 7 VC moving NW BT 314123, 2 in blk PJ's, 5 in khaki tops, blk trousers carrying 7 rifles (type unk), cartridge belts, 1 pack. FM called but rounds were too slow getting on target. VC got away.
 - b. 130840H 3 VC moving NE BT 315121, 1 in khaki, 1 in black PJ's, 1 in blk shorts, white top, carrying 3 packs, 2 rifles (type unk).
 - c. 131215H 1 VC walking NW on trail BT 313122 in blk PJ's carrying 1 pack, 1 rifle (type unk).
 - d. 131220H 4 VC went into hut BT 311095, in blk PJ's carrying 3 packs, 2 rifles (type unk). FM called, 1st round landed in hut, hut exploded into flame resulting in 2 secondary explosions, 4 KIA's (conf).
4. 1st Plt, Co "B" was inserted to establish OP and survl vic BT 255104 and surrounding area.
5. 2nd Plt, Co "B" was extracted 131530H after 70 hours of OP and survl of Hill 538 vic BS 357992 and the surrounding area.
6. 3rd Plt, Co "C" was inserted 131445H to establish OP and survl of BT 357047 and the surrounding area.
7. 1st Plt, Co "D" was inserted 131530H to establish OP and survl vic BT 25104 and the surrounding area.

14 August 1966

1. 3rd Plt, Co "B", Co "D" Hqds, 1st Plt, Co "C", 2nd Plt, Co "C" and 3rd Plt, Co "A" OPCON 5th Mar for support of Oper COLORADO.
2. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and a rein sety sqd fm Co "F" 2/7 cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.
 - a. 141340H 4 VC in blk PJ's sitting in brush BT 424007. Fired. into vill. Equip unobserved. Moved out of sight before FM could be called.
 - b. 141930H 3 VC walking NE in valley BT 424007, blk shorts, co-olie hats w/ green jackets. Carrying 2 packs and 1 rifle (type unk). FM called, good cover, unable to observe casualties due to darkness setting in.
3. 1st Plt, Co "B" cont to maintain OP and survl vic BT 255104 and the surrounding area.
 - a. 141210H 4 VC moving NE on road BT 252122, in grey khaki, carrying rucksack and what appeared to be rifles, distance too great to make positive identification.

ication. Moved out of sight before FM could be called.

4. 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP and survl vic BT 357047 and the surrounding area.
5. 1st Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain OP and survl vic BT 251047 and the surrounding area.

15 August 1966

1. 3rd Plt, Co "B", Co "C" Hqds, 1st Plt, Co "C", 2nd Plt, Co "C" and 3rd Plt, Co "A" released 151530H fm OICON 5th Mar upon completion of Oper COLORADO.

2. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and a rein scty sqd fm Co "F" 2/7 cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.

a. 151400H rein scty sqd sustained three battle casualties (one USMC LOW, one USN Med-evac, one USMC non-med-evac) from fragmentation grenade. Incident occurred approx 400 meters beyond perimeter vic BT 419943. Marine on patrol reached for grenade on ground which exploded immediately. Search was conducted of area and two fragmentation grenades were found and disarmed. Grenades were used by other friendly units in this area to provide perimeter security.

3. 1st Plt, Co "B" cont to maintain OP and survl vic BT 255104 and the surrounding area.

4. 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP and survl vic BT 357047 and the surrounding area.

5. 1st Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain OP and survl vic BT 251047 and the surrounding area.

16 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and a rein scty sqd fm Co "F" 2/7 cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.

2. 1st Plt, Co "B" was extracted 161500H after 71 hrs of OP and survl of vic BT 255104 and the surrounding area.

3. 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP and survl vic BT 357047 and the surrounding area.

4. 1st Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain OP and survl vic BT 251047 and the surrounding area.

17 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and a rein scty sqd fm Co "F" 2/7 cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.

2. 3rd Plt, Co "A", 1st Plt, Co "C", 2nd Plt, Co "C", Co "D" Hqds OICON 5th Mar for support of Oper JEFFERSON.

3. Co "C"(Rein) was inserted at 180800H to establish observation and to conduct ground reconnaissance of BONG MIEU gold mine vic BT 354036 and surrounding area.

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19 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and a rein scty sqd fm Co "F" 2/7 cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.
2. 3rd Plt, Co "A", 1st Plt, Co "C", 2nd Plt, Co "C", Co "D" Hdqs OBUON 5th Mar, for support of Oper JEFFERSON.
3. Co "A" Hdqs cont to maintain Co CP at BT 110141 TIEN PHOUC.
4. 1st Plt, Co "A" cont to maintain CP and survl vic BT 135195 and surrounding area.
 - a. 191320H 4 VC moving W on trail BT 107215, blk PJ's, carrying 1 rifle, 6 baskets. No FM called, friendlies in area.
 - b. 191515H 3 VC moving W on trail BT 103212, 1 gray, 2 blue uniforms, carrying 3 rifles, 3 packs. Called fire mission, good cover, no casualties observed.
 - c. 191625H 1 VC moving NW on trail BT 122223. Blue uniform, white hat, carrying 1 rifle, 1 pack.
5. Co "C" (Rein) cont to maintain observation and conducting ground recon of BONG MIEU gold mine vic BT 354036 and surrounding area.
 - a. 191657H opening of mine complex 18 inches by 40 inches. Penetration into mine southeasterly direction approximately 600 meters with extensive branching passageways. Uncovered 13 tunnels intersections totaling 60 branches investigated. Approximately 10% were deadend or caveins. Remainder investigated and lead to incess passageways or upper or lower levels onto solid rock passageways. Sizes range from 6 feet high to 60 feet high, width 8 feet to 100 feet. Encountered underground spring which we followed to 3 levels. No evidence of any recent inhabitance. I have rock samples from mine complex. Believed to be cave no. 7, due to markings throughout interior. Cave opening at BT 251037. Estimated distance travel through complex approx 5,000 meters.
 - b. Discovered 191734H 2 mines at BT 255034. Mine No. 1 entrance of mine 4 feet high, 5 feet wide, went straight back about 3 meters appeared to have been blown solid rock mine. Mine No. 2, entrance of mine 6 feet high, 9 feet wide. Went in about 2 meters and hit vertical shaft. No bottom could be observed of shaft. Appeared to have been blown.
 - c. 191745H at BT 252034 discovered 8 shafts. Entrance averages 3 feet by 3 feet. Penetrated each shaft till deadend. Penetration varied from 15 to 60 meters. Appear to be test shafts. In same area 3 ruins of houses discovered, miscellaneous machinery pieces. No evidence of recent inhabitance.
6. 1st Plt, Co "D" was inserted 191600H to establish OP on Hill 679 vic BT 071099 and surrounding area.
7. 2nd Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain OP and survl vic BT 010147 and the surrounding area.
 - a. 191434H 6 VC moving E BT 008115, blk PJ's, mixed hats. Carrying 6 rifles and 6 packs. No FM called.

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b. 191512H 6 VC moving SE AT 985115 blk PJ's. Wearing blk PJ's. Wearing cartridge belts. No FM called due to out of range of 105 HOW.

c. 191630H 2 VC moving S on trail BT 007117, blk PJ's, rifle and packs. Results of FM unk because of inability to adjust due to aircraft in area.

d. 191715H, 1 VC in wooded area AT 997128, blk PJ's, rifle and cartridge belt. FM called yielded poor effect on target area due to extreme range.

20 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and a rein sety sqd fm Co "F" 2/7 cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.

2. 1st Plt, Co "B", 3rd Plt, Co "C", Co "D" Hdqs, 3rd Plt, Co "D" OICON 5th Mar for support of Oper JEFFERSON.

3. Co "A" Hdqs cont to maintain Co CP at BT 110141 TIEN PHOUC.

4. 1st Plt, Co "A" cont to maintain OP and survl vic BT 135195 and surrounding area.

a. 201300H 8 VC walking E on trail BT 133216, blk PJ's, 2 khaki. Carrying 7 rifles, 6 packs. HUEY's ran mission, 3 VC KIA's, 2 VC were still running in target area. FM called, good coverage on target, 2 houses partially destroyed, could not observe any VC left in target area.

b. 206125H 3 VC moving SW across rice paddies, BT 149184, 2 blk PJ's, 1 gray PJ's. Carrying 1 60mm mortar. No FM called. VC went out of sight.

c. 201545H 4 VC walking E on trail BT 133216, blk PJ's, white coolie hats. Carrying 2 rifles and 2 packs. FM called, good cover, no casualties observed.

d. 201530H 1 VC moving W on trail BT 125217. Khaki's with white pith helmet. Carrying 1 rifle, 1 pack. No FM called.

5. Co "C"(Rein) was extracted 201600H after 33½ hrs of maintaining observation and conducting ground recon of BONG MIEU gold mine vic BT 354036, and surrounding area.

a. 201030H examined 2 passageways at same coordinates of main tunnel. 1 tunnel was approx 25 meters long, (was blown). The other tunnel was penetrated approx 200 meters (dead end).

6. 1st Plt, Co "D" was extracted at 201930H after 27½ hrs of OP on Hill 679 vic BT 071099 and surrounding area.

a. 2 OP's set up, 1 about 100 meters from top of Hill 679 to west and 1 about the same distance from hilltop to the E. At approx 1400H 4 rds were fired in the IZ used by the plt the previous day BT 064100. At 201730H rear security of OP on the W fired on three VC moving to his position BT 070099, VC returned fire. Rear security then threw two grenades and opened up with automatic fire. 1 grenade proved to be a dud, 9 VC KIA.

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b. 201730H Platoon at BT 071099 called artillery on BT 072099. Fire mission gave excellent coverage. 2 VC KIA. HULE's arrived began strafing enemy areas.

c. 201830H began receiving automatic fire from BT 070099.

d. Extracted at 201930H.

7. 2nd Platoon, Company "D" continues to maintain OP and surveillance vicinity BT 010147 and the surrounding area.

a. 201630H 2 VC moving south on trail BT 007117, black PJ's, carrying 2 rifles and 2 packs. Fire mission called, unable to adjust due to friendly aircraft in area.

b. 202015H reports drums and fire signals BT 003123. Fire mission called no more drums or fires.

21 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company and a reinforced security squad from Company "F" 2/7 continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and the surrounding area.

2. Company "A" Headquarters continues to maintain Company Command Post at BT 110141 TIEN PHOUC.

3. 1st Platoon, Company "A" was extracted at 211530H after 52½ hours of maintaining OP and surveillance of BT 135195 and the surrounding area. There were 7 sightings of 24 VC. There were a total of 3 fire missions called and a total of 2 houses partially destroyed. HULE's ran 1 mission, 3 VC KIA's confirmed.

4. 3rd Platoon, Company "B" was inserted at 210900H to establish OP on Hill 376 vicinity BT 204118 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. 3rd Platoon, Company "B" continues to maintain OP and surveillance of BT 204118 and the surrounding area. The following sightings were made during this report period.

a. 211545H 1 VC moving northeast into bush BT 231135, black PJ's. Carrying pack. No fire mission called.

b. 211605H Observed smoke approximately one minute durations BT 223127. Observed smoke approximately same duration and volume BT 250117. Appeared to be signals.

c. 211620H 2 VC entered house BT 200127, black PJ's. Carrying 2 rifles. No fire mission called.

d. 211655H 4 VC at BT 214118, black PJ's. Carrying 4 rifles (type unknown) No fire mission was called.

5. 2nd Platoon, Company "D" continues to maintain OP and surveillance of BT 010147 and the surrounding area. The following sightings were made during this report period.

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 a. 211220H 7 VC moving northeast in rice paddy BT 009124, black PJ's. Carrying 7 rifles and 7 packs. Fire mission called, good effect on target, 1 VC WIA confirmed.

22 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and surrounding area. One squad, Company "C", 1st Recon Bn assumes responsibility for security from rein squad, Company "F" 2/7.

2. Company "A" Headquarters continues to maintain Company Command Post at BT 110141 TIEN PHOUC.

3. 1st Platoon, Company "B" was inserted at 220630H at 315110 to establish OP on Hill 302 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. No sightings reported this reporting period.

4. 3rd Platoon, Company "B" was extracted at 221545H after 30 3/4 hours of maintaining OP and surveillance of BT 204118 and the surrounding area. 3rd Platoon was landed at TIEN PHOUC BT 110141 for reinsertion on 230800H. There were 4 sightings of 42 VC/VCS. There were 2 fire missions called with negligible results due to inability to observe. The following sightings were made during this reporting period.

a. 221035H 15 VC fired on 3rd Platoon's position vicinity of BT 211125. Black PJ's and rifles. No fire mission called due to the nearness to own position.

b. 221040H 5 VC moving along trail vicinity of BT 208125. Khaki uniforms and rifles. No fire mission called. Momentary sighting.

c. 221220H 2 VC moving north on ridge vicinity of BT 205123, black PJ's and rifles. Fire mission called, good coverage of target, unable to observe casualties.

d. 221440H 20 VC on ledge vicinity of BT 208124. Armed with rifles. Fire mission called, good coverage of target, unable to observe casualties.

5. 3rd Platoon, Company "C" minus one squad, was inserted at AN HOA BS 474864 and maintain surveillance of surrounding area. No sightings reported during this reporting period.

6. 2nd Platoon, Company "D" was extracted at 221700H after 78 1/2 hours of maintaining OP and surveillance of BT 010147 and surrounding area. There were 6 sightings of 24 VC/VCS. There were 4 fire missions called with 1 VC WIA. No sightings reported during the period prior to extraction.

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 23 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company and 1 security squad from 3rd Platoon, Company "C" continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and surrounding area.

2. Company "A" Headquarters continues to maintain Company Command Post at BT 110141 TIEN PHOUC.

3. 1st Platoon, Company "B" continues to maintain OP on Hill 302 vicinity of BT 315110 and surveillance of surrounding area.

4. 3rd Platoon, Company "B" was inserted at 230800H to establish OP vicinity of BT 055227 and maintain surveillance of surrounding area. The following sightings were made during this reporting period.

a. 230815H 5 VC moving along base of hill vicinity of BT 045224, black PJ's and weapons. Escorting HULE's made a pass. Results unknown.

b. 231035H 1 VC moving on trail vicinity BT 074249, black PJ's and rifles. No fire mission called.

c. 231415H 3 VC observed moving in and out of house at BT 045238, black PJ's, coolie hats, 1 pack and 1 rifle. No fire mission called as target moved out of field of vision.

5. 3rd Platoon, Company "C" minus one squad, continues to maintain OP at AN HOA vicinity of BT 474864 and surveillance of surrounding area. The following sightings were made during this reporting period.

a. 231635H Agent reports 1 VC Bn THACH AN in wooded area vicinity of BT 515885, green uniforms, mortars and recoilless rifles. Fire mission called with good coverage of target, observed secondary explosions, 5 large and 2 small.

b. 231905H 10 VCS moving in small groups vicinity of BT 515885, carrying unidentifiable loads. Appeared to be wearing black PJ's. Fire mission called, 1 VC KIA confirmed, 9 VC KIA probable.

6. 3rd Platoon, Company "D" was inserted at 230700H to establish OP on Hill 396 vicinity of BT 238086 and maintain surveillance of surrounding area. No sightings reported this reporting period.

24 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company and one security squad from 3rd Platoon, Company "C" continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and surrounding area.

2. Company "A" Headquarters was extracted at 241630H after 129½ hours of maintaining Company Command Post at BT 110141 TIEN PHOUC.

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3. 1st Platoon, Company "B" continues to maintain OP on Hill 302 vicinity of BT 315110 and surveillance of surrounding area.

4. 2nd Platoon, Company "B" was inserted at 241200H to establish OP on Hill 167 vicinity BS 443787 and maintain surveillance of the area surrounding. The following sightings were made during this reporting period.

a. 241300H Unknown number of VC firing at helicopters, BT 450760. Equipment, at least 2 machine guns (cal unknown), and several rifles (type unknown).

b. 241645H Unknown number of VC moving through brush, searching, BS 442788.

5. 3rd Platoon, Company "B" was extracted at 241630H after 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours of maintaining OP and surveillance of BT 055227 and the surrounding area. Total of four sightings during this mission of 16 VC were seen, and a total of 2 fire missions were called. HULE's ran 1 mission, results unknown. The following sightings were made.

a. 241015H 7 VC moving SW, in column, BT 052236 green cut off trousers, and shirts, carrying 2 rifles (type unknown), 5 packs. Fire mission called, results unknown.

b. 241515H Sniper fired 2 shots at psych-warfare plane BT 053211.

6. 1st Platoon, Company "C" was inserted at 240630H to establish OP on Hill 177 vicinity BS 516778 and the surrounding area.

7. 3rd Platoon, Company "C" minus one squad, continues to maintain OP at AN HUA vicinity of BT 474864 and surveillance of surrounding area. The following sighting was made during this reporting period.

a. 241837H Unknown number of VC cooking at harbour site, BS 446875. Fire mission called, good coverage, 1 confirmed VC KIA.

8. 3rd Platoon, Company "D" continues to maintain OP on Hill 396 vicinity of BT 238086 and surveillance of surrounding area. The following sightings were reported this reporting period.

a. 241220H 3 VC moving southeast BT 251079, black PJ's carrying 2 rifles (type unknown) and 1 sack each. No fire mission called due to VC moved out of field vision and inside woods.

b. 241615H 1 VC moved out of bush and went into large house BT 249083, black PJ's. Carrying 1 pack, 1 rifle (type unknown).

c. 241710H 1 VC moving from woods area SW on trail BT 249082, black PJ's. Appeared to be carrying 1 81mm mortar. No fire mission called, will call artillery on woods tomorrow.

d. 241900H 20 VC harboured in wooded area BT 249080, mixed PJ's. Carrying 6 rifles (type unknown), 1 mortar (type unknown). Called fire mission, good coverage unable to estimate damage due to darkness.

25 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company and one security squad from 3rd Platoon, Company "C" continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and surrounding area.
2. Three man radio-relay team from H&S Company was inserted 250900H at LAC SON vicinity BT 022288 to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of the surrounding area.
3. 3rd Platoon, Company "A" was inserted at 250900H to establish OP on Hill 445 vicinity AT 979250 and maintain surveillance of surrounding area. 3rd Platoon was extracted at 251830H after 9½ hours of maintaining OP and surveillance of AT 979250 and surrounding area. There were 6 sightings for a total of 48 VC. There was 1 fire mission called with 3 KIA's confirmed and 6 KIA's probable. The following sightings were reported this reporting period.
 - a. 251105H 1 VC heading east on road vicinity AT 974272. Black PJ's white hat. Bicycle and packs. No fire mission called.
 - b. 251155H 1 VC walking in southerly direction vicinity AT 980218. Black PJ's and pack. No fire mission called.
 - c. 251315H VCS moving east on road in groups of two and three vicinity of AT 973269. Black PJ's, coolie hats. Bicycles, packs and bundles. This activity occurred between 251130H and 251300H.
 - d. 251500H VC carrying bundles and packs appear to be picking up loads near bridge. Then they move east and are stopped at the bridge vicinity AT 973269 by one VC who appears to be checking them. All traffic moving east of the bridge are carrying loads, traffic moving west are not.
 - e. 251530H 9 VC sighted in open near bridge vicinity AT 973269, 8 in black PJ's and 1 in gray. They had packs, rifles, and bicycles. Fire mission called with good coverage of target. 3 VC KIA's confirmed, and 6 KIA's probable.
 - f. 251610H 4 VC approaching position from south vicinity AT 900291. Platoon took VC under fire. 4 VC KIA confirmed.
 - g. 251630H 20 VC proceeded by 5-10 children moving toward OP position vicinity AT 978250, black PJ's and rifles. OP personnel fired M-79, group scattered and patrol fired small arms at targets. 2 VC KIA confirmed, 6 VC KIA probable.
4. 1st Platoon, Company "B" was extracted at 1530H after 88½ hours of maintaining OP and surveillance of BT 315110 and surrounding area. There were no sightings during the period covering this mission.
5. 2nd Platoon, Company "B" continues to maintain OP on Hill 162 vicinity BS 483787 and surveillance of surrounding area.

6. 1st Platoon, Company "C" continues to maintain OP on Hill 177 vicinity BS 516778 and surveillance of surrounding area. The following sightings were made during this reporting period.

a. 251445H 40 VCS moving south vicinity BS 452747. Black PJ's. Fire mission called but cancelled when target moved out of the field of observation.

b. 251725H 5 VC located in trees vicinity BS 476794, black PJ's. Fire mission called, good coverage, but unable to observe casualties due to tree.

7. 3rd Platoon, Company "C" minus one squad continues to maintain OP at ANHQA vicinity BT 474864 and surveillance of surrounding area. The following sightings were made during this reporting period.

a. 251930H unknown number VC fired on this position from vicinity BT 474857. Automatic and small arms. Fire mission called, good coverage of target. Unable to observe casualties due to reduced visibility.

8. 3rd Platoon, Company "D" continues to maintain OP on Hill 396 vicinity BT 238086 and surveillance of surrounding area. The following sightings were made during this reporting period.

a. 251035H 1 VC moving southwest across rice paddies toward stream vicinity BT 226090. Khaki uniform and rifle. No fire mission called.

b. 251300H 8 VC moving northwest vicinity BT 252079. Black PJ's, 2 had packs on. 6 remained in wooded area vicinity BT 249083 and 2 on trail to northeast.

26 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay team from H&S Company and one security squad from 3rd Platoon, Company "C" continues to maintain radio-relay and surveillance of Hill 707 BS 418998 and surrounding area. The following sighting was reported during this period.

a. 261235H 30 VC moving west along rice paddies BS 442014, black PJ's and white coolie hats, carrying 7 packs and 12 rifles. Fire mission was called excellent coverage of target. 4 VC KIA'S confirmed, 2 VC KIA's probable.

2. Three man radio-relay team from H&S Company continues to maintain radio-relay at LAC SON vicinity BT 022288 and surveillance of the surrounding area.

3. 2nd Platoon, Company "B" continues to maintain OP on Hill 162 vicinity BS 516778 and surveillance of surrounding area. The following sightings were reported during this period.

a. 261145H 5 VCS men sighted running east along trail vicinity of BS 441080, black PJ's with white hats. Moved from field of vision into tree line. No fire mission called due to inability to determine whether VC or not.

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b. 261700H 23 VCS sighted entering village vicinity of BS 439799, black PJ's, white hats and all carrying heavy loads. No fire mission called.

4. 1st Platoon, Company "C" continues to maintain OP on Hill 177 (NUI TRON) vicinity BS 516778 and surveillance of surrounding area.

5. 3rd Platoon, Company "C" minus one squad, continues to maintain OP at AN HOA vicinity BT 474864 and surveillance of surrounding area.

6. 3rd Platoon, Company "D" was extracted at 261900H after 55 hours of maintaining OP on Hill 396 vicinity of BT 238086 and surveillance of surrounding area. There were 6 sightings for a total of 24 VC. 2 fire missions were called. The following sightings reported during this period.

a. 260835H 4 VC in wood line BT 248083, black PJ's carrying 4 rifles and packs. Fire mission called, good coverage, unable to determine damage.

b. 261330H 2 VC sighted moving west on trail vicinity of BT 236057. black PJ's, 1 rifle and 1 pack. No fire mission called.

c. 261335H 1 VC sighted moving west vicinity BT 237076, black PJ's, 1 rifle. No fire mission called.

d. 261400H 2 VC moving northeast across rice paddies vicinity BT 230076 black PJ's and pack. No fire mission called.

e. 261403H 1 VC moving east out of village vicinity of BT 234075 then returned to village, green utilities, pack and rifle. No fire mission called.

f. 261427H 1 VC moving west vicinity BT 236075, black PJ's and rifle. No fire mission called.

27 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and 1 sqd fm 3d Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of Hill 707 BS 418998 and surrounding area.

2. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co was inserted 241630H at TIEN PHOU BT 110141 tm cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of TIEN PHOU and surrounding area.

3. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay at JAC SON vic BT 022288 and survl of surrounding area.

4. Hq Grp Co "B", 1st Plt, Co "A", 2nd Plt, Co "C" OPCON 270600H 7th Marines for Oper JACKSON vic BINH SON BS 603913.

5. 2nd Plt, Co "B" cont to maintain OP on Hill 162 vic of BS 447791 and survl of surrounding area.

6. 1st Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP on Hill 177 vic of BS 516778 and survl of surrounding area.

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a. 270910H 6 VC moving NW and entered house vic BS 519718. Carrying 6 packs, 6 rifles (type unk). No FM called. Out of range.

b. 271540 5 VC moving S on trail, BS 486808, blk PJ's. FM called, chased VC into village vic BS 485810. Fired for effect 8 rds, unable to see results because of trees. No further activity seen.

7. 3rd Plt, Co "C" minus one sqd cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.

a. 271100H Sniper fire at AO plane, vic BS 446844. Rifle fire.

b. 271110H 2 VC walking S, SE on trail, blk PJ's shorts. Carrying 1 BAR. Infantry in area were advised.

c. 271140H HULE making attack run on 3 VC, vic BS 447854, blk PJ's and coolie hats, 1 green utilities. 1 VC KIA confirmed, 2 VC KIA probable.

28 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of Hill 707 BS 418998 and surrounding area. 1 scty sqd fm 3d Plt, Co "C" was extracted at 281400H after 145 hrs of maintaining secty and survl of Hill 707 BS 418998 and surrounding area. 2 sightings were made with a total of 35 VC reported. 2 FM were called resulting in 4 VC KIA (prob). 1 scty sqd 3d Plt, Co "B" was inserted at 281400H to maintain survl and secty of Hill 707 BS 418998 and surrounding area.

2. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of TIEN PHOUC vic BT 110141 and surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.

3. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay at LAC SON vic BT 022288 and survl of surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.

4. Hq Grp Co "B", 1st Plt, Co "A", 2nd Plt, Co "C" OPCON 7th Marines for Op JACKSON vic BINH SON BS 603913.

5. 2nd Plt, Co "B" was extracted at 281700H after 101 hrs of maintaining OP and survl of Hill 162 vic BS 443791 and the surrounding area. 4 sightings were made for a total of 28 VC reported. No FM were called. Neg sightings dur pd.

6. 1 sqd 3d Plt, Co "B" was inserted at 281300H to establish OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and maintain survl of surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.

7. 1st Plt, Co "C" was extracted at 281200H after 96 hrs of maintaining OP and survl of Hill 177 vic BS 515778 and the surrounding area. 4 sightings were made for a total of 56 VC reported. 3 FM were called with neg results. Neg sightings dur pd.

8. 3rd Plt, Co "C" was extracted at 281300H after 144 hrs of maintaining OP and survl of AN HOA vic BS 474864 and the surrounding area. 7 sightings were made for a total of 42 VC reported. 4 FM were called resulting in 4 VC KIA (conf), 9 VC KIA (prob). 1 HULE strike was called resulting in 1 VC KBA (conf), 2 VC KBA (prob).

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a. 280800H 6 VC near vic. BS 454882, camo, and blk PJ's. Carrying unknown no. packs, and had 1 57 RR. Infantry in area were informed.

b. 280900H ARVN captured 4 VC seeking refuge in friendly vill vic BS 453857 white & blk PJ's and weapons. ARVN's did not state what type or how many. Turned prisoners over to 3d Plt, Co "C" for trans to ITT.

c. 281030H 16 VC moving west vic BS 452880, 4 in green, 2 in khaki uniforms and 10 blk PJ's. 3 packs and appeared to be carrying 57 RR. FM called with good coverage of target. 2 KIA (conf).

9. 1st Plt, Co "D" was inserted at 281200H to establish OP on Hill 177 vic BS 516778 and maintain survl of surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.

10. 2nd Plt, Co "D" was inserted at 280700H to establish OP on Hill 279 vic BT 119040 and maintain survl of surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.

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1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and 1 sety sqd fm 3d Plt, Co "B" cont to maintain OP on Hill 707 BS 418998 and survl of surrounding area.

2. Two man radio-relay fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of TIEN PHOUC vic BT 110141 and surrounding area.

3. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of LAC SON vic BT 022288 and surrounding area.

4. Hq Grp Co "B", 1st Plt Co "A", 2nd Plt, Co "C" released fm OFCON 7th Marines for Oper JACKSON vic BINH SON BS 603913, at 291650H.

5. 1 sqd, 3d Plt, Co "B" continues to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.

6. 1st Plt, Co "D" continues to maintain OP on Hill 177 vic of BS 516778 and survl of surrounding area.

a. 291215H 4 VC riding bicycles direction southwest vic BS 525764. Blk PJ's, 1 carried rifle. Brought under fire by .50 cal. 1 KIA prob.

b. 291440H 17 VCS crossing river in boats vic BS 565756, blk PJ's, unk equip. No FM called, ARVN in area.

7. 2nd Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain OP on Hill 279 vic of BT 119041 and survl of surrounding area.

a. 290930H 4 VCS sighted working in rice paddy vic BT 107024, blk PJ's no belts or weapons. No FM called, unable to ascertain if VC or not.

b. 291005H 8 VC in grps of 3, 2, 1, & 2 moving west on trail vic BT 107024 blk PJ's, coolie hats. Rifles, packs, baskets, and a drum. No FM called out of range.

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 c. 291240H 4 VCS running south on trail through rice paddies vic BT 112025, blk PJ's, 1 with white hat. 1 VC carrying pack. Out of arty range.

d. 291308H 3 VCS moving west into tree line vic BT 112025. Blk PJ's and white hats. No Equip. Out of arty range.

e. 291400H 3 VC, one leaving house and moving east, two moved into woodline heading south in vic BT 112025, blk PJ's, 1 with white hat. 1 carried rifle, cartridge belt and pack, 2 packs only. Out of arty range.

f. 291404H 4 VC moving west on trail then south into tree line vic of BT 112025, blk PJ's, all carried packs and rifles. Out of arty range.

g. 291412H 3 VC moving west on trail vic BT 105026. Blk PJ's, 2 rifles, 3 packs. Man without rifle carried large bundle. Out of arty range.

h. 291515H heavy traffic moving west in GS BT 1002, 1102. Seemed to be crossing valley on trail running north and south at coord BT 113027 to BT 113027 then cont west on trail running east to west in same GS.

i. 291708H 3 VC moving east on trail vic BT 103023, blk PJ's, 3 bikes with packs or bundles, one rifle. Moving into area of air strike.

j. 291712H 4 VC moving east on trail vic BT 103023, blk PJ's, 1 bike, 1 with pole and two bundles, 1 rifle. No FM, out of range.

k. 291720H 5 VC moving east on trail vic BT 108024, 4 in blk PJ's, 1 in khaki, 5 packs, 4 rifles, 1 mortar tube. No FM, out of range.

l. 291730H 3 VC moving south on trail vic BT 114029, 2 in blk PJ's, 1 in khaki, 3 rifles, 3 packs. No FM, out of range.

m. 291730H 11 VC observing and moving towards area of air strike vic BT 119024. 6 in blk PJ's, 3 in khaki, 7 packs, 5 rifles. No FM, out of range.

n. 291750H 2 VC moving south on trail vic BT 113024 mixed khaki and blk PJ's, 1 pack, 1 mortar tube. No FM, out of range.

o. 291800H 4 VC moving east on trail vic BT 117023, 2 in blk PJ's, 2 khaki, 4 packs, 1 mortar tube. No FM, out of range.

p. 291810H moving south on trail through paddies, vic BT 105025, blk PJ's with helmets, 1 pack, 1 pole with bundles. No FM, out of range.

q. 291812H 13 VCS, 10 men, 2 women, 1 child; moving west on trail vic BT 116023, blk PJ's, coolie hats, 10 packs. No FM, out of range.

r. 291817H 3 VC moving west on trail vic BT 105025, blk PJ's, 2 rifles, 3 packs. No FM, out of range.

s. 291821H 4 VC, 2 moving west on trail; 2 moving north vic trail junct BT 113023, blk PJ's, 2 moving west with rifles and packs. 2 moving north with no equip. No FM, out of range.

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t. 291821H 2 VCS moving out of woodline vic BT 109025, blk PJ's, 1 with grey shirt, no equip observed. No FM, out of range.

u. 291832H 1 VCS moving east in woods vic BT 116028, blk PJ's, no equip observed. No FM, out of range.

v. 291837H 2 VC next to river with water buffalo vic BT 116023, blk PJ's and 1 rifle. No FM, out of range.

w. 291839H 4 VC moving west towards house vic BT 116023, blk PJ's, 4 packs. No FM, out of range.

x. 291843H 4 VC moving in and out of house and in rice paddies vic BT 116023, 3 blk PJ's, 1 khaki, 2 packs, 2 rifles. No FM, out of range.

y. 291848H 6 VC walking towards house in impact area vic BT 116023, 5 blk PJ's, 1 khaki, 6 packs. No FM, out of range.

z. 291855H 2 VC moving west on trail vic BT 119021, blk PJ's, 1 rifle, 1 pack. No FM, out of range.

aa. 291857H 4 VC moving east on trail vic BT 105025, blk PJ's, 4 packs. No FM, out of range.

bb. 291903H 6 VC moving west on trail vic BT 119022, 1 khaki, 5 blk PJ's, 6 packs, 2 with helmets. No FM, out of range.

cc. 291905H 9 VC moving west on trail vic BT 119022, blk PJ's and coolie hats, 9 packs. No FM, out of range.

dd. 291910H 6 VC moving west on trail vic BT 119022, blk PJ's and 6 packs, 1 mortar tube. No FM, out of range.

ee. 291915H 3 VCS moving east on trail vic BT 103023, blk PJ's. Unable to obs equip due to twilight. No FM, out of range.

ff. 291920H 6 VC moving west on trail vic BT 119022, blk PJ's, 6 packs. No FM, out of range.

gg. Between 291005H and 291930H 2nd Flt, Co "B" had 32 sightings for a total of 140 VC/VCS. 2 air strikes were called. 1st had good coverage of target but unable to observe any casualties. 2nd hit approximately 150 to 200 meters southeast of desired area. Neg casualties observed.

30 August 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and 1 setp sqd fm 3d Flt, Co "B" cont to maintain OP on Hill 707 vic BS 418996 and survl of surrounding area.

2. Two man radio-relay fm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of TIEN PHOUIC vic BT 110141 and surrounding area.

3. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of LAC SON vic BT 022288 and surrounding area.

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4. Hq Grp, Co "A" inserted at 301300H at HAU DUC vic BT 075078 to establish control and survl of surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.
5. 3d Flt, Co "B" minus 1 sqd continues to maintain OP at AN HOA vic BT 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
- a. 300900H 1 VC moving southwest vic BS 474840 blk PJ's, pack, rifle, similar to BAR. No FM called.
6. 2d, Flt, Co "C2" was inserted at 300700H to establish OP on Hill 274 vic of BS 328988 and maintain survl of surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.
7. 1st Flt, Co "D" continues to maintain OP on Hill 177 vic of BS 516778 and survl of surrounding area.
- a. 300800H 2 VCS walking east vic BS 483805 blk PJ's, no equip. No FM called, unable to ascertain if VC.
- b. 300910H 10 VCS wading across river vic BS 564755, blk PJ's, unk contents in bag. No FM called, unable to ascertain if VC.
- c. 300920H 2 VC in boat vic BS 520757, blk PJ's, unk equip, boat sunk by .50 cal. 1 VC KIA confirmed.
- d. 301225H 9 VCS walking east on trail vic BS 446014, 8 blk PJ's, white hats, 1 in greens, no equip observed, due to distance. No FM momentary sighting.
8. 2d Flt, Co "D" was extracted at 301930H after 82 hours of maintaining OP and survl of BT 118027 and the surrounding area. 33 sightings were made with a total of 144 VC reported. No FM were called. All targets were out of range. 2 air strikes were called with no visible result.
- a. 301440H 2 VC moving west on trail vic BT 106025, 1 blk PJ's, 1 blk trousers, khaki shirt, 1 cartridge belt. No FM, out of range.
9. 3d Flt, Co "D" was inserted at 300630H to establish OP on Hill 257 vic of BT 277067 and maintain survl of surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.

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1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and 1 scdy sqd fm 3d Flt, Co "B" cont to maintain OP on Hill 707 vic BS 418998 and survl of surrounding area.
2. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of TIEN PHOUIC vic BT 110141 and surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.
3. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of LAC SON vic BT 022288 and surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.
4. Hq Grp Co "A" cont to maintain radio-relay and control of patrols HAU DUC vic BT 075058 and surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.
5. 3d Flt, Co "A" was inserted at 310700H to capture a prisoner vic of BT 02006 and were extracted at 311635H upon accomplishment of their mission.

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a. 311600H 3d Plt, Co "A" captured one VC vic BT 020082, wearing blk PJ's and white helmet, carrying pack w/ammo, rice, and papers. Prisoner was sent to ITT.

6. 3d Plt, Co "B" minus 1 sqd cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.

a. 310850H 4 VCS in clearing vic BS 435002. 2 blk PJ's. No equip observer. No FM, Unable to ascertain if VC or not.

b. 311745H 2 VC moving southeast vic BT 491859. Blk PJ's tops, 1 in blk shorts, 1 in blue shorts. Coolie hats. 1 rifle & pouch. No FM momentary sighting.

7. 1st Plt, Co "C" was inserted at 310700H to establish OP on Hill 488 vic of BT 097998 and maintain survl of surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.

8. 2d Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP vic of BS 314988 and survl of surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.

9. 1st Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain OP on Hill 177 vic of BS 516778 and survl of surrounding area. Neg sightings dur pd.

10. 3d Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain OP on Hill 257 vic of BT 277067 and survl of surrounding area.

a. 310800H 25 VC practicing small unit tactics vic BT 288081. Mixed covers. 2 rifles. Hid when choppers flew over. Secured 0925H. FM inappropriate at time. Might compromise Recon mission.

b. 311240H 1 VC moving south on trail vic BT 294071. Soft hat, possible utilities. Rifle and pack. No FM.

c. 311530H 7 VC moving north on trail vic BT 288074. Blk PJ's, coolie hats. 5 rifles. No FM, momentary sighting.

d. 311730H 1 VC going into house vic BT 282084. Blk PJ's coolie hats. 1 rifle. No FM.

e. 311730H 4 VC moving south from trail vic BT 285085. Blk PJ's, packs. No FM, momentary sighting.

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