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(b) DivO 5750.2A

Encl: (1) Command Chronology, Sept 1966

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted herewith.
2. Upon removal of enclosure (1), this letter is downgraded to unclassified.

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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 in this report: 1-30 Sep 1966

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

(1) Commanding Officer	LtCol D. N. McKEON
(2) Executive Officer	Major F. RINEY
(3) Commanding Officer "A" Co	Capt E. J. CONNOLLY
(4) Commanding Officer "B" Co	Capt A. K. DIXON
(5) Commanding Officer "C" Co	Capt T. J. GERAGHTY
(6) Commanding Officer "D" Co	Capt R. A. CARNES
(7) Commanding Officer H&S Co	Capt L. K. NELSON
(8) Adjutant/S-1	2ndLt D. J. COLLINS
(9) S-2 Officer	1stLt R. S. ROBERTS Jr
(10) S-3 Officer	Capt G. R. JOHNSTON
(11) Assistant S-3 Officer	Capt P. B. GOODWIN
(12) S-4 Officer	1-19 Sep 1966 1stLt J. D. STEWART 20-30 Sep 1966 2ndLt J. P. EMMI
(13) Supply Officer	1-11 Sep 1966 2ndLt D. BANKS 12-30 Sep 1966 2ndLt J. D. LITTLEJOHN 2ndLt J. P. EMMI
(14) Motor Transport Officer	Capt L. K. NELSON
(15) Communications Officer	SgtMaj W. C. DAVIS
(16) Battalion Sergeant Major	

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2. Commander's Narrative Summary of Significant Events:

a. Personnel. Replacement of highly trained and experienced personnel will continue to be an area of great concern throughout the next month. During September 68 personnel rotated out of the Battalion, including 13 Officers. Thus far 92 personnel have been trained. A critical shortage of supply and communications personnel still exist.

b. Administration. A staff visit by the Division Adjutant on 22 September revealed no major areas of administrative deficiencies. The Battalion Commander held office hours twice this month for violation of Articles 91 and 134.

c. Intelligence. Intelligence information disseminated by the 1st Marine Division has been the major factor in the employment of reconnaissance units. The information provided by special reports, by defectors and captured personnel by aerial photographs, and by the sightings of the Battalion's own patrols is utilized. A determined effort is made to extract the maximum intelligence information from the elements of this Battalion. This data is immediately forwarded to Division for action and further dissemination to significant units.

d. Training. Instruction in Naval Gun Fire Procedures was conducted by the Division Naval Gun Fire Officer. A pre-SCUBA indoctrination course is currently being held to prepare and select candidates for SCUBA Training School in Subic Bay, Philippine Islands.

3. Miscellaneous.

a. On 26 September 1966, Maj General R. G. DAVIS, G-1, USMC visited the Battalion and briefed the Officers and Staff NCO's on the Marine Corps manpower Management Program.

b. Col E. J. RADICS, the Division Inspector, also made his orientation visit to the Battalion on the same date.

4. Operations.

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

(1) "D" Company(-) consisting of the 3rd Plt, Co "D" and the 3rd Plt, Co "B" were in support of the 5th Marines for Operation NAPA, during the period 5 to 15 September 1966. One platoon size observation post was employed for 32 hours, with 11 sightings of 67 Viet Cong. Three artillery fire missions were called resulting in 12 VC KIA (prob) and 2 VC WIA. The patrol found 4 CHICOM grenade booby-traps that were disarmed and turned over to EOD.

(2) "B" Company(Rein), consisting of the 1st and 2nd Plt, Co "D", the 1st Plt, Co "B" and the 2nd Plt, Co "C" were in support of 1st Bn 7th Marines for Operations FRESNO and GOLDEN FLEECE 7-1. A total of 8 platoon size observation posts were employed to accomplish the mission. 59 sightings were made total.

440 VC. 33 fire missions were called resulting in 36 VC KIA's (conf), 81 VC KIA's (prob) and 2 VC WIA's. 11 VC were KIA from small arms fire and 1 VC WIA from small arms fire.

(3) "C" Company(-) consisting of the 2nd Plt, Co "C" was in support of 1st Bn, 5th Marines for Operation Monterey, during the period 29 to 30 September 1966.

b. General Support Missions.

(1) During the reporting period 35 platoon size patrols were conducted resulting in 154 sightings totaling 1032 VC/VCS. 28 VC were confirmed KIA's, 50 VC KIA probable; 3 VC WIA confirmed; 2 VC WIA probable; and 4 VC captured. 4 USMC were wounded in action during the period.

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

(3) During the period 6 to 16 September Company "C" (-)(Rein) conducted ground reconnaissance in the area surrounding the Special Forces Camp at KHAM DUC. In direct support of Company "C" was "H" Battery 3/11 and from MAG-36 two HUE gunships, two H-34's and two CH-46's. A total of four platoon size patrols were employed with one sighting of 2 VC. One contact was made resulting in 1 VC KIA probable and one fire mission was called with negative results.

(4) During the period 12 to 30 September 1966 one platoon conducted ground reconnaissance in support of the Special Forces Camp at MINH LONG. From 12 to 20 September 1966, 3rd Plt, Company "D", from 21 to 26 September 1966, 1st Plt, Company "D" and from 27 to 30 September 1966 the 2nd Plt, Company "D".

5. Communications.

(a) During operations in the vicinity of KHAM DUC a need arose for continuous positive communications. The straight line distance involved was 60 miles with 6000 foot mountains intervening less than 10 miles from KHAM DUC.

(b) High frequency communications utilizing the MRC-83 proved undependable. A MRC-109 utilizing a YAGI antenna from a MRC-62, was set up at KHAM DUC shooting to a MRC-110 with a YAGI antenna at Division Headquarters.

(c) This provided dependable communications during all hours and through inclement weather and proved that high power FM equipment utilizing directional antennas need not be line of sight communications.

6. Civil Affairs/Civic 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, Doctor and Corpsman 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 and provided a corpsman with medical support in the ARVN and PF outposts at MO DUC and AN HOA.

APPENDICES:

A - References

B - Patrol Reports

C - Daily Summary of Significant Events

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REFERENCESUNIT DIARY

H&S Company 180-212
 "A" Company 119-144
 "B" Company 117-137
 "C" Company 120-137
 "D" Company 148-170

MESSAGES

III MAF 070111Z

1st Mar Div	011800Z	100534Z	142355Z
	021800Z	100535Z	150616Z
	031800Z	101210Z	150635Z
	041800Z	101800Z	151240Z
	051455Z	101830Z	151800Z
	051800Z	101831Z	151900Z
	051925Z	110055Z	160555Z
	052255Z	110506Z	161147Z
	052255Z	110505Z	161800Z
	061159Z	111133Z	161815Z
	061245Z	111210Z	171800Z
	061800Z	111600Z	181800Z
	062007Z	111917Z	191800Z
	062335Z	120605Z	201800Z
	070530Z	120606Z	211800Z
	071233Z	121302Z	221800Z
	071800Z	121800Z	231800Z
	071830Z	121821Z	241800Z
	072330Z	181822Z	251800Z
	080510Z	130530Z	261800Z
	081241Z	130531Z	271800Z
	081800Z	131157Z	281800Z
	081930Z	131159Z	290633Z
	081931Z	101427Z	291110Z
	090005Z	131800Z	291734Z
	090006Z	131832Z	291800Z
	090356Z	131834Z	292222Z
	090540Z	140001Z	301800Z
	090620Z	140050Z	
	091345Z	140557Z	
	091710Z	140559Z	
	091711Z	141302Z	
	091800Z	141305Z	
	092252Z	131800Z	
	092253Z	141811Z	
Seventh Mar	101220Z	122238Z	142210Z
	101635Z	130345Z	150630Z
	102230Z	131150Z	151221Z
	111635Z	131605Z	151635Z
	112145Z	132225Z	152240Z
	120500Z	140500Z	160355Z
	121658Z	141601Z	161620Z

Appendix A
 to Enclosure (1)

DOCUMENTATION

Appendix B to Enclosure (1) to Commanding Officer 1st Recon Bn

Annex 1	(Combat Operations After Action Report NAPA)
Annex 2	(Combat Operations After Action Report FRESNU)
Annex 3	(Combat Operations After Action Report Golden Fleece 7-1)
Annex 4	(Div Frag Order 16-66)
Annex 5	(Bn Frag Order 25-66)
Annex 6	(Bn Frag Order 26-66)
Annex 7	(Bn Frag Order 27-66)
Annex 8	(Bn Frag Order 28-66)
Annex 9	(Fn Frag Order 29-66)
Annex 10	(Patrol Report of 31 August 66 - 3/A)
Annex 11	(Patrol Report of 1 September 66 - 1/D)
Annex 12	(Patrol Report of 2 September 66 - 3/B)
Annex 13	(Patrol Report of 2 September 66 - 3/B)
Annex 14	(Patrol Report of 2 September 66 - 3/D)
Annex 15	(Patrol Report of 2 September 66 - 2/C)
Annex 16	(Patrol Report of 2 September 66 - 1/C)
Annex 17	(Patrol Report of 3 September 66 - 3/A)
Annex 18	(Patrol Report of 6 September 66 - 2/D)
Annex 19	(Patrol Report of 6 September 66 - 1/B)
Annex 20	(Patrol Report of 7 September 66 - 3/C)
Annex 21	(Patrol Report of 7 September 66 - 1/D)
Annex 22	(Patrol Report of 7 September 66 - 3/D)
Annex 23	(Patrol Report of 8 September 66 - 1/A)
Annex 24	(Patrol Report of 11 September 66 - 3/B)
Annex 25	(Patrol Report of 11 September 66 - 2/B)
Annex 26	(Patrol Report of 11 September 66 - 3/C)
Annex 27	(Patrol Report of 12 September 66 - 1/B)
Annex 28	(Patrol Report of 17 September 66 - 1/D)
Annex 29	(Patrol Report of 18 September 66 - 1/B)
Annex 30	(Patrol Report of 20 September 66 - 2/B)
Annex 31	(Patrol Report of 20 September 66 - 3/D)
Annex 32	(Patrol Report of 21 September 66 - 3/B)
Annex 33	(Patrol Report of 22 September 66 - 3/A)
Annex 34	(Patrol Report of 22 September 66 - 1/C)
Annex 35	(Patrol Report of 22 September 66 - 2/D)
Annex 36	(Patrol Report of 22 September 66 - 1/A)
Annex 37	(Patrol Report of 24 September 66 - 3/A)
Annex 38	(Patrol Report of 26 September 66 - 1/D)
Annex 39	(Patrol Report of 27 September 66 - 2/B)
Annex 40	(Patrol Report of 28 September 66 - 3/D)
Annex 41	(Patrol Report of 29 September 66 - 1/C)
Annex 42	(Patrol Report of 29 September 66 - 1/A)
Annex 43	(Patrol Report of 30 September 66 - 3/B)

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DAILY SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and 1 scty sqd fm 3d Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay 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 at TIEN PHOUC vic BT 110141 and survl of surrounding area.
3. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co was extracted at 011400H after 172 hrs of maintaining radio-relay and survl IAC SON vic BT 022288 and surrounding area.
4. Hq grp, Co "A" cont to maintain radio-relay and control of patrols HAU DOC vic BT 075058 and surrounding area.
5. 3rd Plt Co "A" was inserted at 011615H to conduct prisoner snatch vic BT 027126.
6. 3rd Plt Co "B" minus 1 sqd cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
7. 1st Plt Co "C" was extracted and reinserted at 010630H vic BT 097045 to establish OP and maintain survl of surrounding area.
8. 2nd Plt Co "G" cont to maintain OP vic of BS 314998 and survl of surrounding area.
9. 1st Plt Co "D" was extracted at 011600H after 124 hrs. of maintaining OP and survl of Hill 177 vic BS 516778 and the surrounding area. 6 sightings were made with a total of 44 VC/VCS reported. No FM were called. 2VC KIA (prob) from 50 cal. machinegun fire.
10. 3d Plt Co "D" cont to maintain OP on Hill 257 vic of BT 277067 and survl of surrounding area.

2 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 BS 418998 and survl of surrounding area. 1 scty sqd fm 3d Plt Co "D" was extracted at 020630H after 120 hrs. of providing scty and maintaining OP on Hill 707 and survl of surrounding area. 1 scty sqd 3d Plt Co "C" was inserted at 020630H to provide scty of Hill 707 and survl of surrounding area.
2. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay at TIEN PHOUC vic BT 110141 and survl of surrounding area.
3. Hq grp, Co "A" cont to maintain radio-relay and provide control of patrols vic HOA DOC BT 075058 and surrounding area.
4. 3d Plt Co "A" cont to maintain survl of BT 013127 and if possible capture one VC.

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5. 3d Plt Co "B" minus 1 sqd was extracted at 021400H after 121 hrs. of maintaining OP and survl of AN HOA vic BS 474864 and the surrounding area. 1 sighting was made with a total of 1 VC reported. No FM were called.
6. 1st Plt Co "C" was extracted at 021800H after 83 hrs. of maintaining OP and survl of BT 097045 and the surrounding area.
 - a. 020955 1st Plt Co "C" captured two wood cutters returning from area in which Plt heard automatic small arms fire. Prisoners returned with Plt and were sent to ITT.
7. 2d Plt Co C was extracted at 021900H after 108 hrs of maintaining OP and survl of BS 314988 and the surrounding area.
8. 3rd Plt Co "C" minus 1 sqd was inserted at 021400H to establish OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and maintain survl of surrounding area.
9. 3rd Plt Co "D" was extracted at 021800H after 107 1/2 hrs. of maintaining OP and survl of Hill 257 vic BT 277067 and the surrounding area. 5 sightings were made with a total of 28 VC reported. No FM were called.

3 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and 1 scty sqd fm 3d Plt Co "C" cont to maintain radio-relay 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 at TIEN PHOU vic BT 110141 and survl of surrounding area.
3. Hq grp Co "A" cont to maintain radio-relay and provide control of patrols vic HOA SOC BT 075058 and surrounding area.
4. 3d Plt Co "A" was extracted at 031545H after 47 1/2 hrs. of maintaining OP and survl of BT 013127 and if possible capture 1 VC.
5. 1st Plt Co "B" was inserted at 030700H to establish OP vic of BT 352065 and maintian survl of surrounding area.
6. 3d Plt Co "C" minus 1 sqd cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.

4 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and 1 scty sqd fm 3rd Plt Co "C" cont to maintain radio-relay 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 at TIEN PHOU vic BT 110141 and survl of surrounding area.
3. Hq grp Co "A" cont to maintain radio-relay and provide control of patrols vic HOA SOC BT 075058 and surrounding area.

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4. Hq grp Co "D", 3rd Plt Co "B", 3rd Plt Co "D" OPCON 5th Mar for Oper EL PASO vic TAM KY BT 315225.
5. 1st Plt Co "A" was inserted at 041300H to establish OP vic at 943135 and maintain survl of surrounding area.
6. 1st Plt Co "B" cont to maintain OP on NUI LAC SON vic BT 352065 and survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 041750H 2 VC walking on trail going west vic BT 344074 and BT 345075, blk PJ's and packs. NO FM called.
7. 3rd Plt Co "C" minus 1 sqd cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 040830H SVC walking along trail vic BS 511894, 4 in blk PJ's, 4 in camo packs. FM called, 3 KIA (conf), 2 KIA (prob).
8. 1st Plt Co "D" was inserted at 041000H to establish OP and radio-relay on Hill 607 vic of BT 012144 and maintain survl of surrounding area.
9. 2nd Plt Co "D" was inserted at 041100H to establish OP on Hill 522 vic BT 983013 and maintain survl of surrounding area.

5 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co and 1 scty sqd fm 3rd Plt Co "C" cont to maintain radio-relay 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 at TIEN PHOUIC vic BT 110141 and survl of surrounding area.
3. Hq grp Co "A" cont to maintain radio-relay and provide control of patrols vic HOA DOC BT 075058 and surrounding area.
4. Hq grp Co "D", 3rd Plt Co "B" 3rd Plt Co "D" OPCON 5th Mar for Oper EL PASO vic TAM KY BT 315225.
5. 1st Plt Co "A" cont to maintain OP on Hill 286 vic of AT 943135 and survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 051700H 5 VC walking W from river to village AT 941111, blk PJ's, 1 tropical. Carrying 5 large packs on shoulders.
6. 1st Plt Co "B" cont to maintain OP on NUI LAO SON vic of BT 352065 and survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 050915H 1 VC coming out of house moving southeast vic BT 343075, blk PJ's, camo covers, rucksack and rifle. No FM.
 - b. 051055H 3 VC moving northwest vic BT 346073, blk PJ's, white covers, 1 in blue jacket. 2 packs, cartridge belts. No FM.

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c. 051100H 3 VC moving into house vic BT 347076, Blk PJ's trousers, blk, red, and blue shirts, packs. No FM.

d. 051101H 5 VC moving fm house to house vic BT 349077 and BT 352078, Blk shorts and tops, white hats, 3 packs. No FM, unable to get clearance.

e. 051130 1 VC coming across rice paddie vic BT 349077, blk PJ's, pack. No FM.

f. 051145H 2 VC moving into woods vic BT 345074, blk PJ's, white hats, 2 rifles. No FM.

7. 3rd Plt Co "C" minus 1 sqd cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864, and survl of surrounding area. Arty spt 155 guns.

a. 050912H 5 VC crossing river in sam pan vic BS 490886, blk PJ's. FM called, 4 KIA's (prob).

b. 051120H Village chief rpts 2 MC fixing sam pan vic BS 490886, blk PJ's. FM called, 2 VC KIA (prob), 1 secondary explosion, 1 house destroyed, 1 boat damaged.

8. 1st Plt Co "D" cont to maintain OP and radio-relay on Hill 607 vic of BT 012144 and survl of surrounding area.

9. 2nd Plt Co "D" cont to maintain OP on Hill 522 vic of AT 983013 and survl of surrounding area.

a. 051245 3 VC moving south along river vic AS 976985, blk PJ's, no equip.

6 September 1966

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

a. 061055H 5 VC possibly more trying to breach wire vic BS 418998, blk PJ's, green hats, rifles and packs.

b. 061130H 15-20 VC attempting to take pos vic BS 418998, blk PJ's, green hats, rifles and packs. Taken under fire, 2 VC KIA. There were 4 FM called but sqd was unable to observe results. Air strikes were run between 061200H and 061530H resulting in 3 VC KIA's (conf) and 2 friendly WIA's. Friendly WIA's were not serious. Total VC KIA's confirmed were 5. Reaction sqd fm "C" 1/5 was landed at 061830H to help provide scty during the night.

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

3. Hq grp, Co "A" cont to maintain radio-relay and provide control of patrols vic HOA DOC BT 075058 and surrounding area.

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4. Cmd grp, Co "D", 3rd Plt Co "B", 3rd Plt Co "D" OPCON 5th Mar for OPER EL PASO vic TAM KY BT 315225.

5. Cmd grp, 1st Plt and 2nd Plt Co "C" were airlifted to KHAM DUC VIC ZC 005078 to establish patrol base and carry out patrolling operations.

6. 1st Plt Co "A" cont to maintain OP on Hill 286 vic of at 943135 and survl of surrounding area.

7. 1st Plt Co "B" was extracted at 061630H after 81 1/2 hrs. of maintaining OP and survl NUI LAO SON vic BT 352065 and the surrounding area. 11 sightings were made for a total of 31 VC reported. No FM were called, unable to obtain clearance due to friendlies in area.

a. 060750H 4 VC walking N BT 342075, 3 blk PJ's, 1 wearing shorts, carrying 4 rucksacks, 1 BAR, 3 rifles (type unk). No FM.

b. 060755H 3 VC, 1 coming out of house, 2 going into house, BT 347072, 1 blue uniform, 1 gray uniform, 1 blk PJ's carrying 1 rifle (type UNK). No FM.

c. 060810H 4 VC coming out going to rice paddy BT 351078, 1 camo jacket, 1 blue uniform, 1 gray uniform, 1 blk PJ's, carrying 1 BAR, 2 packs. No FM.

d. 060950H 3 VC moving northeast vic BT 347076, blk PJ's and shorts. Appear to have mortar tubes strapped to their backs. No FM.

8. 1st Plt Co "D" cont to maintain OP and radio-relay on Hill 607 vic of BT 012144 and survl of surrounding area.

9. 2nd Plt Co "D" was extracted at 061500H after 56 $\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. of maintaining OP and survl of BT 983013 and the surrounding area.

10. 3rd Plt Co "C" minus 1 sqd cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.

a. 060800H 6 VC crossing river BS 491886, blk PJ's. FM called, excellent effect, 1 KIA (conf), 5 KIA (prob), 1 secondary explosion.

b. 061050H 7 VC crossing river by foot vic BS 423881, blk PJ's, coolie hats, equip unk. No FM.

c. 061125H 9 VC moving into tree line vic BS 423881, blk PJ's, coolie hats, equip unk. FM called, 1 VC KIA (conf), 1 VC KIA (prob).

d. 061230H 8 VC on trail vic BS 493843, blk PJ's, 1 rifle, 7 carrying supplies. FM called, 1 VC KIA (conf), 4 VC KIA (prob).

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7 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998 and survl of surrounding area. 1 scty sqd 3rd Plt Co "C" was extracted at 070630H after 120 hrs. of providing scty and maintaining OP on Hill 707 and survl of surrounding area. 2 sightings were made with a total of 15-20 VC reported. 4 FM called but unable to observe results. 1 air/HUEY strike was called resulting in 5 VC KBA (conf). 3rd Plt, Co "B" was inserted at 070630H to maintain survl of surrounding areas.

a. 071200H 5 VC moving NW on trail in spaced column, 1 point and 1 rear guard vic BS 441021, blk PJ's, coolie hats, 1 rifle.

b. 071230H 10-12 VC moving along trail vic BS 441019, blk PJ's, coolie hats, no equip observed.

c. 071240H 5 VCS stationary position well spaced vic BS 454020, blk PJ's, coolie hats, no equip observed.

d. 071615H 15 VCS moving east on trail vic BS 411031, blk PJ's, coolie hats, no equip observed.

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

3. Hq grp Co "A" was extracted at 071700H after 196 hrs. of maintaining radio-relay and providing control of patrols vic HOA DOC BT 075058 and surrounding area.

4. Hq grp Co "D", 3rd plt Co "D" was extracted at 071800H upon termination Oper NAPA OPCON chopped to 1st Recon Bn.

5. Hq grp, 1st Plt and 2nd Plt Co "C" were airlifted to KHAM DUC vic ZC 005078 at 071230H to establish patrol base and carry out patrolling operations.

6. 1st Plt Co "A" was extracted at 071800H after 77 hrs. of maintaining OP and survl of AT 935132 and the surrounding area. 4 sightings were made with a total of 31 VC reported. No FM were called. Outside arty fan.

a. 070900H 7 VC walking on trail vic AT 936135, mixed blk, blue, and khaki uniforms, coolie hats, 7 packs, 7 rifles. Outside arty fan.

b. 071345H 12 VC walking W on trail vic AT 927135, blk PJ's, coolie hats, 12 packs, 2 rifles. Outside arty fan.

c. 071350H 7 VC walking S on trail vic AT 924137, blk Pj's, packs and rifles. Outside arty fan.

7. 1 sqd 3rd Plt Co "C" continues to maintain OP at AN HOA VIC BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.

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- a. 070645H 11 VC walking in column on trail vic BS 503893, blk PJ's, equip unk. FM called with good effect, 2 VC KIA (conf), 1 VC KIA (prob).
- b. 070830H 5 VC carrying dead bodies out of paddy vic BS 503893, blk PJ's, equip unk. FM called could not observe due heavy underbrush.
- 8. 1st Plt Co "D" was extracted at 071800H after 80hrs. of maintaining OP and survl of BT 012144 and the surrounding area.

8 September 1966

- 1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998 and survl of surrounding area. 3rd Plt Co "B" was extracted at 080630H after 24 hrs. of providing scy and maintaining OP on Hill 707 and survl of surrounding area. 4 sightings were made with a total of 35 VCS reported. No FM. 1 sqd, 3rd Plt Co "C" was inserted at 080630H to maintain survl of surrounding area.
- 2. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co was extracted at 081000H after 354 $\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. of maintaining radio-relay at TIEN PHOUUC vic BT 110141 and survl of surrounding area.
- 3. Hq grp Co "B", 3rd Plt Co "A" OPCON 7th Mar for Oper FRESNO.
- 4. 3rd Plt Co "B" was inserted 081600H to conduct ground recon/obser within the TO CHANH valley vic BT 373010.
- 5. Co "C" (-), cont to operate patrol base and carry out patrolling operations KHAM DUC vic ZC 005078.
- 6. 3rd Plt Co "C" minus 1 sqd cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.

9 September 1966

- 1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 sqd 3rd Plt Co "C" cont to provide scy and maintain survl of surrounding area.
- 2. Hq grp Co "B", 3rd Plt Co "A", 2nd Plt Co "D" OPCON 7th Mar for OPER FRESNO.
- 3. 1st Plt Co "B" was inserted at 090630H to conduct ground recon/obser TRUNG TIN valley vic BT 359075.
- 4. 2nd Plt Co "B" was inserted at 090700H to establish OP vic of BS 452816 and maintain survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 091256H 2 VC, 1 VC running across dike northerly dir toward vill. 2nd VC running w fm village vic BS 453828, blk PJ's, w/hat, 1 w out/hat, carrying 2 packs. No FM called.

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b. 091305H 1 VCS moving towards house vic BS 453828, blk PJ's, coolie hat, carrying large baskets on back. No FM called.

c. 091330H 1 VCS left bush area in front of house, ran across dike in W direction vic BS 459828, blk PJ's. No FM called.

d. 091415H 5 VC practicing team tactics in open vic BS 476797, blk PJ's. FM called.

e. 091735H 1 VC moving north towards house vic BT 465836, blk PJ's and pack.

5. 3rd Plt Co "B" cont to maintain OP vic of BS 367994 and survl of surrounding area.

6. Co "C" (-) cont to operate patrol base and carry out patrolling operations KHAM DUC vic ZC 005078.

7. 1 sqd 3rd Plt Co "C" cont to maintain OP vic AN HOA BT 474864 and survl of surrounding area.

10 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 sqd 3rd Plt Co C cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.

2. HQ grp Co "B", 3rd Plt Co "A", 2nd Plt Co "D" OPCON 7th Mar for Oper FRESNO.

3. 1st Plt Co "B" cont to conduct ground recon/obser TRUNG TIN valley vic BT 357075.

4. 2nd Plt Co "B" cont to maintain OP vic of BS 452816 and survl of surrounding area.

a. 101046 1 VC walking on trail going W vic BS 444798, blk PJ's, 1 rucksack.

b. 101615H 1 VC heading south vic BS 464832, blk PJ's, rifle and pack.

c. 101800H 5 VCS running NE on dike vic BS 467836, blk PJ's, 1 green shorts no hat, no equip observed.

5. 3rd Plt Co "B" cont to maintain OP vic of BS 367994 and survl of surrounding area.

6. Co "C" (-) cont to operate patrol base and carry out patrolling operations KHAM DUC vic 005078.

a. 101745H VC traffic grps up to 10 moving NW to S these last 24 Hrs. H&I fires set vic ZC 963013, ZC 962008, ZB 957999.

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7. 1 sqd 3rd Plt Co "C" cont to maintain OP vic of AN HOA BT 474864 and survl of surrounding area.

a. 101550H taken under fire by undetermined number VC in tree line vic BT 352061. Huey gunships took VC under fire. No casualties could be observed.

11 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 sqd 3rd Plt Co "C" was extracted at 110630H after 72 hrs. of providing scy and maintain survl of surrounding area.

1. Plt (-) Co "C" 1/7 cont to provide scy and maintain survl of surrounding area.

2. Hq grp Co "B", 2nd Plt Co "D", 3rd Plt Co "A" opcon 7th Mar for oper FRESNO.

3. 1 sqd 1st Plt Co "A" was inserted at 111300H to establish OP vic of AN HOA BT 474864 and maintain survl of surrounding area.

4. 1st Plt Co "B" cont to conduct grd recon/obser TRUNG TIN valley vic BT 357075.

5. 2nd Plt Co "B" was extracted at 111500H after $55\frac{1}{2}$ hrs of maintaining OP and survl of BS 452816 and the surrounding area. 10 sightings were made with a total of 28 VC reported. No fire missions were called.

a. 110740H 9 VCS moving W along trail, 5 were in close column with the 6th VCS moving to left rear of column. 7th and 8th and 9th VCS were staggered to the rear vic BS 463873, Blk PJ's, 2 with coolie hats. No FM called.

b. 110830H 2 VC walking SE on trail vic BT 462837, 1 Blk PJ's, 1 khaki shirt, Blk PJ's trousers, carrying 1 pack and 1 rifle. No FM called.

6. 3rd Plt Co "B" was extracted at 111600H after 72 hrs. of maintaining OP and survl of BS 367994 and the surrounding area.

7. Co "C" (-) cont to operate patrol base and carrying out patrolling Oper. KHAM DUC vic ZC 005078.

8. 1sqd 3rd Plt Co "C" was extracted at 111300H after $78\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. of maintaining OP vic BT 474864 and survl of surrounding area. 3 sightings were made of a total of 6 VC. 1 fire mission was called resulting in 2 VC KIA (conf) and 1 VC KIA (prob). 1 air strike called. Results unk.

12 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 Plt (-) Co "C" 1/7 cont to provide scy and maintain survl of surrounding area.

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2. Hq grp Co "B", 3rd Plt Co "A", 1st Plt Co "D", 2nd Plt Co "D" opcon 7th Mar for Oper FRESNO.
3. 1 sqd 1st Plt Co "A" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BT 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
4. 1st Plt Co "B" was extracted at 121640H after 106 hours of conducting ground recon/obser of TRUNG TIN valley vic BT 357075.
5. Co "C" (-) cont to operate patrol base and carrying out patrolling oper KHAM DUC vic ZC 005078.

13 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 Plt (-) Co "C" 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area. 1 sqd 1st Plt Co "A" inserted at 131000H to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
2. Hq grp Co "B", 3rd Plt Co "A", 2nd Plt Co "D" opcon 7th Mar for Oper FRESNO.
3. 1 sqd 1st Plt Co "A" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
4. Co "C" hq grp and 2nd Plt Co "C" was extracted at 131300H after 168½ hrs. of operating patrol base and carrying out patrolling oper KHAM DUC vic ZC 005078. 1st Plt Co "C" cont to operate patrol base and carry out patrolling OPER KHAM DUC vic ZC 005078.
5. 3rd Plt Co "D" and 1 sqd (rein) 1/7 was inserted at 131300H to establish patrol base and carry out patrolling oper vic BS 529521.

14 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 Plt (-) Co "C" 1/7, 1sqd 1st Plt Co "A" cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
2. Hq grp Co "B", 3rd Plt Co "A", 2nd Plt Co "D" Opcon 7th Mar for Oper FRESNO.
3. 1 sqd 1st Plt Co "A" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
4. 1st Plt Co "C" cont to operate patrol base and carry out patrolling oper KHAM DUC vic ZC 005078.
5. 3rd Plt Co "D", 1 sqd (rein) 1/7 cont to maintain patrol base and carry out patrolling Oper vic BS 529521.

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15 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 Plt (-) Co "C" 1/7, 1sqd 1st Plt Co "A" cont to provide scy and maintain survl of the surrounding area.
2. Hq grp Co "B", 2nd Plt Co "D" released 151528H from OPcon 7th Mar for Oper FRESNO.
3. 1sqd 1st Plt Co "A" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
4. 1st Plt Co "C" cont to oper patrol base and carry out patrolling oper. KHAM DUC vic ZC 005078.
5. 1st Plt Co "D" was inserted at 150900H to conduct ground recon/obser vic BS 3983.
6. 3rd Plt Co "D", 1sqd (rein) 1/7 cont to maintain patrol base and carry out patrol oper vic BS 529521.

16 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 Plt (-) Co "G" 2/5, 1 sqd 1st Plt Co "A" cont to provide scy and maintain survl of surrounding area.
2. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S CO-NGF spot tm inserted 151500H vic BS 635586.
3. 3rd Plt Co "A" was inserted at 160630H to establish OP vic BT 295082 and maintain survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 161335H received fire in LZ vic BT 300080. No FM called.
 - b. 161615H 1 VC in tree line vic BT 299072. Khaki and white helmet. rifle. No fm called.
 - c. 161700H 1 VC firing at intervals all day fm vic 300080. Uniform unk, carbine. Hueys strafed - results unk. No fm called.
4. 1 sqd 3rd Plt Co "B" was inserted at 161300H to establish OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and maintain survl of surrounding area.
1 sqd 1st Plt Co "A" was extracted at 161300H after 120 hrs. of maintaining OP and survl of BS 474864 - AN HOA and the surrounding area.
5. 1st Plt Co "G" was extracted at 161430H after 194 hrs of operating patrol base and carrying out patrolling oper KHAM DUC vic ZC 005078.
6. 3rd Plt Co "D", 1sqd(rein)1/7 cont to maintain patrol base vic BS 529521.
7. 1st Plt Co "D" cont to conduct ground recon/obser of BS 3983 and surr area.

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17 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 sqd (rein)Co "G" 2/5 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area. 1 sqd 1st Plt Co "A" was extracted at 171300H after 96 hrs. of providing scty and maintaining survl of surrounding area.
2. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co - NGF spot tm cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 635586 and survl of surrounding area.
3. 3rd Plt Co "A" cont to maintain OP vic BT 295082 and survl of surrounding area.
4. 1st Plt Co "B" was inserted at 170630H to establish OP on Hill 171 vic BT 289168 and maintain survl of surrounding area.
5. 2nd Plt Co "B" was inserted at 170700H to establishment OP on Hill 300 vic BS 442813 and maintain survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 171645H 8 VC walking up to rendevouz on Hill vic BS 454790 and 456784. Blk PJ's, rifles, packs, cart. belts. FM called. VC dispersed. Neg Casualties.
 - b. 171740H 1 VC moving east vic BS 452784 carrying pack, wearing Blk PJ's with no cover.
 - c. 171800H 12VC, 2 riding bikes southerly direction, 4 walking south along trail, 6 others walking south along trail, vic BS 445798. 4 Blk PJ's no covers, 1 green camouflage shirt, 4 extremely large men in khaki; 2 of which are riding bikes. All carrying packs. FM called, but target moved out of area before clearance obtained.
 - d. 171815H 19VC heading south on trail vic BS 455793, 4 khaki, 15 Blk PJ's, all wearing Packs and cartridge belts, no rifles. FM called. Unable to observe results due to reduced visibility.
 - e. 171824H 3 VC heading south on trail vic BS 455793. Green shirts, Blk PJ's bottoms. All carrying packs. 1 was white, approximately 6 ft. tall.
6. 1 sqd 3rd Plt Co "B" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
7. 2nd Plt Co "C" was inserted at 170900H to establish OP on Hill 333 vic BS 718467 and maintain survl of surrounding area. Opcon 7th Mar Oper GOLDEN FLEECE 7-1
8. 1st Plt Co "D" was extracted at 171600H after 41 hrs of conducting gnd recon/ obser of BS 3983 and the surrounding area.
9. 3rd Plt Co "D", 1sqd (rein) 1/7 cont to maintain patrol base and carry out patrolling oper vic BS 529521 and survl of surrounding area.

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18 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 41898. 1 sqd (rein) Co "G" 2/5 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
2. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co-NGF Spt tm cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area, vic BS 635586, OPCON 7th Mar for Oper GOLDEN FLEECE 1/7.
3. 3rd Plt Co "A" was extracted at 181530H after 57 hrs. of maintaining OP and survl of BT 295082 and the surrounding area.
4. Co "B" Cmd Grp cont OPCON 7th Mar Oper GOLDEN FLEECE 1/7 vic BS 728538.
5. 1st Plt Co "B" was extracted at 181700H after 34½ hrs of maintaining OP and survl of BT 289168 and the surrounding area.
6. 2nd Plt Co "B" cont to maintain OP on Hill 300 vic of BS 442813 and survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 180630H 6 VC moving W on trail vic BS 448798, blk PJ's. Carrying 6 packs. FM called, 2 KIA's prob.
 - b. 180740H 3 VC moving W on trail vic BS 434798, grey uniforms. Carrying 1 rifle (type unk), 2 pack. No FM called.
 - c. 181240H 3 VC moving S on trail, BS 455786, wearing Blk PJ's, carrying 3 packs.
 - d. 181345H 3 VC walking S on trail (20 to 30 meters interval) vic BS 451797, wearing Blk PJ's, white hats. Carrying 2 packs.
 - e. 181545H 2 VC moving SE vic BS 432787, wearing Blk PJ's. Carrying 2 Packs.
 - f. 181515H 2 VC movint NE vic BS 453827, wearing Blk PJ's. and white tops. Carrying 1 rifle.
 - g. 181600H 1 VC moving E vic BS 446798, wearing Blk PJ's and carrying 1 pack. When AO flew over he hid in brush. No FM called, couldn't observe.
 - h. 181620H 11 VC moving E vic BS 445797 wearing Blk PJ's and green jungle fatigues, 1 helmet. Carrying packs, rifles, and cart. belts. FM in progress.
 - i. 181630H vic BS 448784 3 VC moving south wearing Blk PJ's, carrying 1 large pole (held on shoulders) carrying cart. belts and packs.
 - j. 181640H 4 VC beating up farmers vic BS 456829, wearing Blk PJ's, 1 blue shirt. Carrying 2 rifles.

k. 181825H 17 VC in close column, moving E on trail vic BS 435799. Wearing 7 khakies, 10 Blk PJ's, carrying no visible arms. FM in progress.

1. Five FM accounted for 6 KIA's prob and 1 FM accounted for 1 WIA prob. 5 sightings were observed and no missions called.
7. 1 sqd, ed Plt Co "B" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
8. 2nd Plt Co "C" cont to maintain OP on Hill 333 vic of BS 718467 and survl of surrounding area.
9. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515. 1 sqd (rein) 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
10. 3rd Plt Co "D" was reinserted at 180630H to carry out gnd recon/obser at vic BS 560517.

19 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 sqd (rein) Co "G" 2/5 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
2. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co-NGF Spot tm cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 635586. Opcn 7th Mar for Oper GOLDEN FLEECE 1/7
3. Co "B" Cmd Grp cont OPCON 7th MAR OPER GOLDEN FLEECE 1/7 vic BS 728538.
4. 2nd Plt Co "B" cont to maintain OP on Hill 300 vic of BS 442813 and survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 190750H 2 VC walking on road vic BS 455777, Blk PJ's, 1 blue shirt. No equip observed. No FM called.
 - b. 191015H 1 Canberra Jet Bomber crashed vic BS 455874 and immediately burst into flames. Wing mate flew cover until 1 HU1E and 1 H-34 arrived. Helo's landed and appeared to check crash. Following their extraction aircraft proceeded to bomb wrecked aircraft.
 - c. 191035H 1 VC sitting in paddy vic BS 821456, blue shirt, blk PJ shorts, straw hat. Carrying 1 rifle (type unk). No FM called.
 - d. 191423H 3 VC walking E on trail vic BS 449798, blk PJ's, 1 rifle (type unk), 1 cartridge belt. FM called, 1 VC KIA (conf), 3 houses destroyed, 3 houses partly destroyed.
 - e. 191555H 3 VC moving E, 1 grey uniform, 1 green utilities, 1 blk PJ's. Carrying 3 packs. No FM called.
 - f. 191840H 2 VC moving NW vic BS 452828, blk PJ's. Carrying 1 rifle (type unk). No FM called.
 - g. 191815H 1 VC moving E on trail vic BS 452797, green utilities. Carrying 1 pack. No FM called.

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h. 191840H 25 VC walking E on trail vic BS 456792, uniform varied, carrying 5 rifles (type unk), 14 packs, 5 long bundles of wheat, one VC carrying one large heavy object on back. He seemed to be stooping under weight of object. FM called, 18 rds fired, unable to get body count because of diminishing light, very good coverage of target.

5. 1 Sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "B" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
6. 2nd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP on Hill 333 vic of BS 718467 and survl of surrounding area. OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.
7. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515. 1 Sqd (Rein) 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
8. 3rd Plt, Co "D" cont to carry out ground recon/obs at vic BS 560517.
 - a. 191730H 2 VC moving W on trail vic BS 589546, blk PJ's, coolie hats. Carrying 2 rifles (type unk). No FM called.
 - b. 191900H 6 VC moving E on trail vic BS 589646, blk PJ's. Carrying 1 rifle (type unk). 3 were children, all with heavy loads. No FM called.
 - c. 191905H 2 VC moving E on trail vic BS 589546, blk PJ's. Carrying 2 packs, seemed to be very heavy. No FM called.

20 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 Sqd (Rein), Co "G" 2/5 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
2. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co-NGF Spot tm cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 635586. OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.
3. Co "B" Cmd Grp OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1 vic BS 728538.
4. 2nd Plt, Co "B" was extracted at 201630H after 82 hrs of maintaining OP and survl of BS 443813 and the surrounding area. 26 sightings were made with a total of 151 VC reported. 10 fire missions were called resulting in 7 VC KIA(conf), 6 VC KIA (prob).
 - a. 201505H 3 VC building bunker vic BS 466836, blk PJ's. Wearing cartridge belts. Plt fired small arms, 1 KIA (conf), 1 WIA (prob).
 - b. 201605H 16 VC lining perimeter of LZ vic BS 457815 plt surprised VC in the LZ and killed 2 (conf) with small arms fire, with 2 KIA (prob). HUEY's and H-34's were on station at the time. HUEY's made several passes on the VC. The H-34's then landed and extracted the patrol.
5. 1 Sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "B" cont to maintain OP on AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
6. 1st Plt, Co "C" was inserted at 200730H to establish OP on Hill 538 vic of BS 556992 and maintain survl of surrounding area.

7. 2nd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP on Hill 333 vic of BS 718467 and survl of surrounding area.

8. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515. 1 Sqd (Rein) 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.

9. 1st Plt, Co "D" was inserted at 201130H vic BS 551563 to establish patrols to carry out ground reconnaissance/observation of surrounding area.

10. 2nd Plt, Co "D" was inserted at 200630H to establish OP on Hill 218 vic of BT 239143 and maintain survl of surrounding area.

a. 200950H 16 VC walking W on road vic BT 238119, 9 blk PJ's, 7 green utilities, 7 rifles, 2 packs, 1 bicycle.

b. 201043H 1 VC sniper fired 2 rds with no effect vic BT 242145, uniform unk, 1 rifle.

11. 3rd Plt, Co "D" was extracted at 201130H after 166½ hrs of maintaining a patrol base at BS 535515 and carrying out patrolling operations. 5 sightings were made with a total of 16 VC reported.

21 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 Sqd (Rein), Co "G" 2/5 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.

2. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co-NGF Spot tm cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 635586. OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.

3. Co "B" Cmd Grp OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1 vic BS 728538.

4. 1 Sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "B" was extracted at 211300H after 96 hrs of maintaining OP and survl of AN HOA vic BS 474864 and surrounding area.

5. 1st Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP on Hill 538 vic of BS 356992 and survl of surrounding area.

6. 2nd Plt, Co "C" was extracted at 210800H after 72½ hrs of maintaining OP and survl of BS 718467 and surrounding area.

7. 1 Sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "C" was inserted at 211300H to establish OP AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and maintain survl of surrounding area.

8. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515. 1 Sqd (Rein) 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.

9. 1st Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain patrol base vic of BS 535515 and carry out ground recon/observation of surrounding area vic BS 555563.

10. 2nd Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain OP on Hill 218 vic of BT 239143 and survl of surrounding area.

a. 210610H 4 VCS moving on road, S, vic BT 229111, blk PJ's, coolie hats, packs. No wpns observed.

b. 211118H 2 snipers vic BT 236140 and BT 242142, uniform unknown, 2 rifles. KLONDIKE contacted for two runs. Results unobserved.

c. 211820H 4 VC sniping on old OP site, vic BT 242142, 3 blk PJ's, 1 grey utilities. 4 rifles. FM called, 4 KIA (prob).

22 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 Sqd (Rein), Co "G" 2/5 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
2. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co-MGF Spot tm cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 635586. OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.
3. Co "B" Cmd Grp OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1 vic BS 728538.
4. 1st Plt, Co "A" was inserted at 220630H to establish OP vic of BS 386805 and maintain survl of surrounding area. 1st Plt, Co "A" was extracted at 220915H after 2 hrs 45 mins of maintaining survl of surrounding area vic BS 386805.
 - a. Received SA and AW fire enroute from LZ to OP from approx 20-30 VC. Fire returned in 3 separate fire fights. FM's were called and lifted when HUEY's covered targets. 5 VC KIA (conf), 8 VC KIA (prob), 1 VC KBA. Fixed wing aircraft strafed and rocketed area after extraction at 220915H.
5. 1st Plt, Co "B" was inserted at 220730H to establish OP vic of BS 716471 and maintain survl of surrounding area. OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.
6. 1st Plt, Co "C" was extracted at 221600H after 562 hrs of maintaining OP and survl of BS 356992 and the surrounding area.
7. 1 Sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic BS 74864 and survl of surrounding area.
8. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515, 1 Sqd (Rein), 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
9. 1st Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain patrol base vic BS 535515 and carry out grid recon/obser of surrounding area.
10. 2nd Plt, Co "D" was extracted at 221530H after 57 hrs of maintaining OP and survl of BT 239143 and the surrounding area. 7 sightings were made with a total of 31 VC reported. 2 FM were called resulting in 4 VC KIA (prob). 1 air strike was called resulting in unk results.
 - a. 221050H 1 VC standing on road by bridge vic BT 24923, blk PJ's, white shirt, carrying 1 rifle (type unk) and has 1 bicycle. VC seemed to be checking foot traffic on road. 2 women dumped baskets on side of road. No FM called, will observe VC longer.
 - b. 221130H 3 VC snipers, sniping vic BT 242142, 3 rifles. FM called, good effect on target, could not observe due to contour of terrain.

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23 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 Sqd (Rein) Co "G" 2/5 cont to provide scy and maintain survl of surrounding area.
2. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co-NGF Spot tm cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 535586. OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.
3. Co "B" Cmd Grp OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1 vic BS 728538.
4. 1st Plt, Co "B" cont to maintain OP vic of BS 718471 and survl of surrounding area. OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.
5. 1 Sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
6. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515. 1 Sqd (rein) 1/7 cont to provide scy and maintain survl of surrounding area.
7. 1st Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain patrol base vic BS 535515 and carry out grd recon/obser of surrounding area.

24 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 Sqd (Rein), Co "G" 2/5 cont to provide scy and maintain survl of surrounding area.
2. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co-NGF Spot tm cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 635586. OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.
3. Co "A" Cmd Grp cont to maintain radio-relay TIEN PHOU vic BT 108142.
4. 3rd Plt, Co "A" was inserted at 240630H vic of BS 414805 to set up ambush and attempt to capture a prisoner. At 241630H vic BS 407794, 200 plus VC were observed from very close range moving east on trail in groups of 10-20. Uniforms were a mixed variety of khaki, green and grey utilities. Equipment included metal helmets, bush hats, heavy packs and cartridge belts. All were extensively camouflaged with brush and twigs including camouflaged capes. Weapons included carbines, machine guns, mortars, CHICOM sub machine guns, grease gun type weapons, French 9mm sub machine gun M-1940, numerous grenades. FM called and Plt withdrew to LZ. FM lifted when HUEI's and fixed wing aircraft arrived. Extraction was covered by HUEI's and after extraction, area was strafed and bombed extensively by fixed wing aircraft. No fire was exchanged by Plt with VC. Arty and air strike results were unobserved by Plt. Plt was extracted at 241845H.
5. Co "B" Cmd Grp OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1 vic BS 728538.
6. 1st Plt, Co "B" was extracted at 241300H after 161/2 hrs of maintaining OP and survl of BS 718471 and the surrounding area. Released fm OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.
7. 3rd Plt (-) Co "C" was inserted at 240700H on Hill 707 vic of BS 418998 to prepare for the permanent extraction of radio-relay.

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8. 1 Sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.

9. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515. 1 Sqd (Rein), 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.

10. 1st Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain patrol base vic BS 535515 and carry out grd recon/obser of surrounding area.

25 September 1966

1. Two man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co was extracted at 251100H after maintaining radio-relay on Hill 707 vic BS 418998. 1 Sqd (Rein), Co "G" 2/5 was extracted at 251100H after 216 hrs of providing scty and maintaining survl of surrounding area.

2. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co-NGF Spot tm cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 635586. OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.

3. Co "A" Cmd Grp cont to maintain radio-relay and Cmd Grp at TIRN PHOUIC vic BT 106142.

4. 1st Plt, Co "A" was inserted at 250730H to conduct grd recon/obser at vic BT 235139.

5. Co "B" Cmd Grp cont OPCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1 vic BS 728538.

6. 2nd Plt, Co "B" was inserted at 250930H to establish OP on Hill 302 vic of BT 315110 and maintain survl of surrounding area.

a. 251113H numerous booby traps and punji pits discovered in center of former CP. 2nd Plt conducted search of their area for other booby traps. Upon extraction will disarm and destroy booby traps to prevent compromise.

b. 251245H 1 VC moving N on trail vic BT 319118, blk PJ's, coolie hats. Carrying 1 rifle (type unk). No FM called.

c. 251535H 8 VC moving E along trail at approx 5 to 10 min intervals vic BT 316125, khakies, blk PJ's, camouflage shirt, and rolled up trousers. Carrying 4 packs, 1 ruck sack, and 1 VC carrying object 1 1/2 ft long.

7. 3rd Plt(-), Co "C" was extracted at 251100H after 30 hrs of preparing for the permanent extraction of radio-relay and survl of BS 418998 and the surrounding areas.

8. 1 Sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl. of surrounding area.

9. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515. 1 Sqd (Rein), 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.

10. 1st Plt, Co "D" was inserted at 250715H to establish OP vic of BT 521466 and maintain survl of surrounding area.

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1. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co-NGF Spot tm cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 635536. ORCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.
2. Co "A" Cmd Grp cont to maintain radio-relay and Cmd Grp at TIEN PHOUUC vic BT 108142.
3. 1st Plt, Co "A" cont to conduct grd recon/obser vic BT 235139.
4. Co "B" Cmd Grp cont ORCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1 vic BS 728538.
5. 2nd Plt, Co "B" cont to maintain OP on Hill 302 vic of BT 313110 and survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 251435H 1 VC moving NW on trail, vic BT 315125, blk PJ's, Carrying 1 pack, unk object in right hand.
6. 1 Sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
7. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515. 1 Sqd (Rein), 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
8. 1st Plt, Co "D" was extracted at 261500H after 150½ hrs of maintaining OP and survl of BS 521466 and surrounding area.
9. 3rd Plt, Co "D" was inserted at 260630H to establish OP on Hill 417 vic of BS 496716 and maintain survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 261505H 2 VC moving S on trail vic BS 487732, blk PJ's and covers. Carrying packs. No FM called.

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1. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 635536. ORCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1.
2. Co "A" Cmd Grp cont to maintain radio-relay and Cmd Grp at TIEN PHOUUC vic BT 108142.
3. 1st Plt, Co "A" cont to conduct grd recon/obser vic BT 235139.
 - a. 271505H 2 VC walking into woods vic BT 189135, green PJ's, 2 packs. No FM called.
 - b. 271405H 7 VC walking SW on trail vic BT 679142, blk PJ's white pith helmets, 4 rifles, 7 packs. Marched out of sight before FM could be called.
 - c. 271440H 7 VC walking S on trail vic BT 191138, 3 blk, 2 blue, 1 white PJ's, 1 khaki, 7 rifles, 6 packs, 1 cartridge belt. FM called, did not obser any KIA.

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d. 4 VC walking S on trail vic BT 191138, 2 blk PJ's, 1 white PJ's, 1 khaki. VC seen at 271540H carrying 4 rifles (type unk), 2 packs. FM called, however could not observe casualties due to terrain. Good coverage of target.

e. 271645H 2 VC walking SW on trail vic BT 193157, blk PJ's, white hats. Carrying 2 large packs. No FM called, target moved out of sight.

f. 271710H 1 VC walking S on trail vic BT 191138, blk PJ's, coolie hat. Carrying 1 pack. No FM called.

g. 271800H 7 VC walking west on trail vic BS 190137 5 blk PJ's, 2 blue PJ's, 5 white hats, 4 packs, 1 rifle. Dispersed in bush before FM could be called.

h. 271805H 4 VC walking on trail vic BS 190138, blk PA's, 4 packs, 4 rifles. FM called, unable to obser results.

4. Co "B" Cmd Grp released fm OFCON 7th Mar Oper Golden Fleece 7-1 vic BS 728538 at 271700H.

5. 2nd Plt, Co "B" was extracted at 271700H after 55½ hrs of maintaining OP and survl of BT 313110 and the surrounding area. 7 sightings were made with a total of 22 VC reported.

a. 270840H 1 VC moving SW on trail vic BT 319117, blk PJ's, white shirt, carrying 1 BAR. No FM called.

b. 270945H 3 VC moving along trail in step, vic BT 315121, blk PJ's, 1 blue uniform, 1 green uniform. 1 man carrying pole with six packs, 1 man carrying pack, and 1 man carrying bag of rice.

c. 271100H 6 VC walking NE on trail vic BT 325128, 1 in blk PJ's, 5 in white. Carrying 6 packs, and cartridge belts. No FM called.

d. 271120H 2 VC walking N on trail vic BT 315102, blk PJ's. Carrying 2 M-1 rifles. No FM called.

6. 1 Sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.

7. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515. 1 Sqd (Rein) 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.

8. 2nd Plt, Co "D" was inserted at 271500H to conduct grd recon/obser.

9. 3rd Plt, Co "D" cont to maintain OP on Hill 417 vic BS 496716 and survl os surrounding area.

a. 270730H 2 VC moving S on trail vic BS 481711, blk PJ's and khakies. Carrying 1 rifle (type unk) and 1 cartridge belt. No FM called.

b. 270920H 11 VC moving SE across stream, vic BS 489712, blk PJ's, camouflage uniforms. Carrying 5 rifles (type unk), 1 cartridge belt. First 5 VC

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came from house at coord BS 579719 moving SE. Hid when plane flew over, remaining 6 also ran from house, joined them after plane flew over, all 11 VC moved out on the double. No FM called.

c. 271040H 1 VC moving NE from trail near woodline to hut vic BS 483710, blk FJ's, soft covers. Carrying 1 rifle (type unk). No FM called.

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1. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 635586.
2. Co "A" Cmd Grp cont to maintain radio-relay and Cmd Grp at TIEN PHOUIC vic BT 108142.
3. 1st Plt, Co "A" cont to conduct grd recon/obser vic BT 235139.
4. 3rd Plt, Co "B" was inserted at 200630H to conduct grd recon/obser vic BT 333054.
 - a. 281315H 9 VCS crossing river in column 5 to 10 paces interval vic BT 295073, dark clothing, coolie hats. No Equip could be observed. No FM called.
5. 2nd Plt, Co "C" OFCON 5th Mar 281700H for Oper MONTEREY.
6. 1 Sqd, 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP at AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 281745H 5 VC crossing river vic BS 504885, blk FJ's. Carrying 5 rifles (type unk) and packs. FM called, excellent coverage, 3 KIA (prob).
7. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515. 1 Sqd (Rein), 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
8. 2nd Plt, Co "D" cont to conduct grd recon/obser vic BS 535515.
9. 3rd Plt, Co "D" was extracted at 281530H after 27 hrs of maintaining OP and survl of BS 496716 and the surrounding area. 4 sightings were made with a total of 16 VC reported.

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1. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 635586.
2. Co "A" Cmd Grp cont to ma intain radio-relay and Cmd Grp at TIEN PHOUUC vic BT 108142.
3. 1st Plt, Co "A" was extracted at 291645H after 105 3/4 hrs of conducting grd recon/obser vic BT 235139. Neg sightings dur pd.
4. 1st Plt, Co "B" was inserted at 291800H to conduct ground recon/obser vic of BT 391052.
5. 3rd Plt, Co "B" cont to conduct grd recon/obser of BT 333054 and survl of surrounding area.
 - a. 291730H 2 VCS moving W on trail vic BT 305056, 1 blk PJ's, 1 lighter colored clothes, no covers. No equip obser. No FM called.
6. 1st Plt, Co "C" was inserted at 290630H to conduct grd recon/obser vic BT 192091. 1st Plt, Co "C" was extracted at 291300H.
 - a. Insert LZ 192091 last H elo received sniper fire.
 - b. 290730H 195087 OP site heard drums, bells to N-S-W. Received sniper fire from east 5-6 VC, 75-100 meters from position.
 - c. 291130H 198092 Shelter leanto type size of CP tent. Trench along sides and across back. Pole in front had wires on it, possible antenna. 1 VC KIA in front of shelter. Started receiving sniper fire from east, 20 VC, 1 auto wpn from S and W. Moved to extract LZ 203087. Helos received carbine fire on extraction.
7. 2nd Plt, Co "C" OPCON 5th Mar 281700H for Oper MONTEREY.
8. 1 sqd 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP AN HQA vic BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.
9. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay wic BS 535515. 1 sqd (Rein) 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.
10. 2nd Plt, Co "D" was reinserted at 290900H vic BS 519561 to conduct grd recon/obser.

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1. Three man radio-relay tm fm H&S Co cont to maintain radio-relay and survl of surrounding area vic BS 635586.

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- a. 301230H 7 VC running E on trail vic BS 650573, blk PJ's. Ran into wooded area. No FM called.
- b. 301232H 2 VC in boat on river vic BS 650575, blk PJ's and white hats. Paddled very rapidly across river. Had large bundles in boat. No FM called.
- c. 300915H 1 VC Plt, 3 small boats spotted on river vic BS 662578. Air strike called, results 3 VC KIA (confr), 4 boats destroyed, 2 of which sank, 4 houses destroyed.
- d. 301517H 4 VC walking W on trail vic BS 660575, blk PJ's, 3 white coolie hats, rifles.

2. Co "A" Cmd Grp cont to maintain radio-relay and Cmd Grp at TIEN PHOUC vic BT 108142.

3. 3rd Plt, Co "A" was inserted at 300630H to conduct grd recon/obser vic BT 066226.

- a. 301300H 1 VC moving W on trail vic BT 052216, shorts and white helmet. 1 rifle (type unk). No FM called.
- b. 301515H 2 VC moving E on trail vic BT 064212, blk PJ's white helmets, packs. No FM called.
- c. 301515H 3 VC in tree line vic BT 061219, blk PJ's, helmets, rifles. FM called, neg results.
- d. 301705H 4 VC walking E on trail vic BT 073212, mixed blk and gray uniforms, white helmets, packs and rifles. FM called, 1 KIA (prob).

4. 1st Plt Co "B" cont to conduct grd recon/obser vic BT 391052.

- a. 301330H 50 VC digging in hillside vic BT 405076 blk PJ's, khakis, white helmets, rifles, FM called.
- b. 301340H 3 VC on hillside, appear to be OP vic BT 405086, 1 khaki 2 blk PJ's, rifles.
- c. 301350H 4 VC moving toward possible OP vic BT 402084, blk PJ's white helmets, rifles.
- d. 301435H FM completed. Of total amount seen observed only four fleeing area. These four were obviously wounded.

5. 3rd Plt Co "B" was extracted at 301530H after 57 hrs of conducting grd recon/obser vic BT 333054. 3 sightings were made with a total of 12 VC/VCS.

- a. 301050H 1 VC moved E into village vic BT 307055, dark clothing, rifle.

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6. 2nd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP on Hill 302 vic of BT 313109 and survl of surrounding area.

a. 301350H 28 to 30 VC observed in the vic of BT 332120. Mixed white blk and camo uniforms, packs, rifles and building materials. FM called, good coverage of target. Unable to observe results.

7. 1 sqd 3rd Plt, Co "C" cont to maintain OP AN HOA vic of BS 474864 and survl of surrounding area.

8. 2nd Plt, Co "D" cont to conduct grd recon/obser vic BS 519561.

9. 4 man radio-relay tm fm Co "D" cont to maintain radio-relay vic BS 535515
1 sqd (Rein) 1/7 cont to provide scty and maintain survl of surrounding area.