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1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein)  
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
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To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF (G-3)  
Subj: Command Chronology for period 010001H Sep 1967 to 302400H Sep 1967

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2  
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8  
(c) DivO 5750.2B

Encl: ✓(1) 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein) Command Chronology, Sep 1967

1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), (b), and (c), enclosure (1) is herewith submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
010001H SEP 67 TO 302400H SEP 67

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PART I  
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein) Lt. Col. B. C. STINEMETZ 1-30Sep67

SUBORDINATE UNITSH&S Company  
Company "A"

2dLt. R. D. HARRISON 1-30Sep67

Capt. E. J. CONNELLY 1-6Sep67

Company "B"

1stLt. J. H. SCHMITT 6-30Sep67

2dLt. F. R. BADGER 1-10Sep67

Company "C"

Capt. W. R. WARREN 10-30Sep67

1stLt. R. C. KICKLIGHTER 1-20Sep67

Company "D"

Capt. A. J. SULLIVAN 20-30Sep67

Capt. J. P. CAHILL 1-30Sep67

ATTACHED UNITS

1st Force Reconnaissance Company

Capt. A. K. DIXON II 1-19Sep67

Capt. D. J. KEATING 19-30Sep67

2. LOCATION

1-30Sep 1967; Company "B", Company "C", Battalion Command Group (Forward), Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Force Reconnaissance Company: DA NANG, RVN. 1-30Sep 1967; Company "A", Company "D", Battalion Command Group (Rear), and elements of Headquarters and Service Company: CHU LAI, RVN.

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Maj. D. R. TIMMONS 1-30Sep67

Adjutant/S-1

2dLt. H. E. BURTON 1-30Sep67

S-2

1stLt. P. R. YOUNG 1-30Sep67

S-3

Maj. C. M. WELZANT 1-30Sep67

S-3A

Capt. E. H. WALKER IV 1-30Sep67

S-4

1stLt. K. M. KING 1-30Sep67

Supply Officer

1stLt. J. D. LITTLEJOHN 1-20Sep67

Communications Officer (Acting)

2dLt. W. R. RAMSEY 20-30Sep67

Motor Transport Officer

2dLt. H. C. VOOT 1-30Sep67

1stLt. D. D. DIXON 1-30Sep67

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC	
OFF	ENL
35	624

USN	
OFF	ENL
1	32

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PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein) conducted normal patrolling, salvage recovery & SCUBA activities in general support of the 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF, during the month of September 1967. The results of this activity are documented in Part IV.

PART III  
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 01Sep67 During the entire month of Sep 1967, the Battalion continued to support units of the 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF, in SCUBA/salvage operations.
- 04Sep67 Elements of the Battalion began Reconnaissance operations in support of Operation Swift.
- 05Sep67 Operation Yazoo terminated.
- 07Sep67 Representative Benjamin BLACKBURN (R-Ga) and party visited this Command and were given an indoctrination briefing by the Battalion CO and the Battalion S-2 on the conduct of Reconnaissance operations.
- 15Sep67 Operation Swift terminated.
- 15Sep67 ADM. U. S. G. SHARP, CINCPAC, and party visited this Command and were given an indoctrination briefing by the Battalion CO on the conduct of Reconnaissance operations.
- 21Sep67 MGEN. S. W. KOSTER, CG Task Force OREGON (Designee), and party visited this command and were given an indoctrination briefing by the Battalion CO on the conduct of Reconnaissance operations.
- 22Sep67 Elements of the Battalion began Reconnaissance operations in support of Operation Shelbyville.
- 30Sep67 LTGEN. J. M. MASTERS, Jr. CMCS, BGEN H. HURST, Director, MOLFDC, and party visited this Command and were given an indoctrination briefing by the Battalion CO on the conduct of Reconnaissance operations.

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## A. Subordinate Staff and Subordinate Monthly Averages

## 1. 1st Force Reconnaissance Company

## a. Staff Officers

Executive Officer

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Supply Officer

Communications Officer

Capt. B. L. RUPP 1-30Sep67

2dlt. R. R. BENOIT 1-30Sep67

CySgt. W. N. WEBB 1-30Sep67

1stlt. C. J. LONG 1-10Sep67

2dlt. W. L. CRAVEN 10-30Sep67

2dlt. H. C. VOGT 1-30Sep67

## b. Average Monthly Strength

	<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>		<u>ENL</u>
10		155

	<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>		<u>ENL</u>
0		6

## B. Statistical Data Chart (DA NANG)

Patrols	54
Sightings	152
VC Sighted	1749
Fire Missions	146
Air Strikes	11
NGF Missions	0
VC KIA (Conf)	93
VC KIA (Prob)	251
Weapons Captured	1
VCC	0

## USMC Casualties (DA NANG)

DOW	6
KIA	0
WIA	2
MIA	3
	1

## Operations:

Yazoo  
Swift  
Shelbyville

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 (b) BnOpO 323-66  
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)  
 (d) 1stMarDivOpO 301-66; Annex "G" (Rules of Engagement)  
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1ST MAR DIV. CAMP PER.

Unit/Call Sign: F-3-1 (HATEFUL) Patrol Leader: LT DRAKE

1. Situation. (a) See current INSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and FIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Happy Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Lazoo.

3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 290700H; insert via. ZC069675. Extract at 011630H; via. ZC079669. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

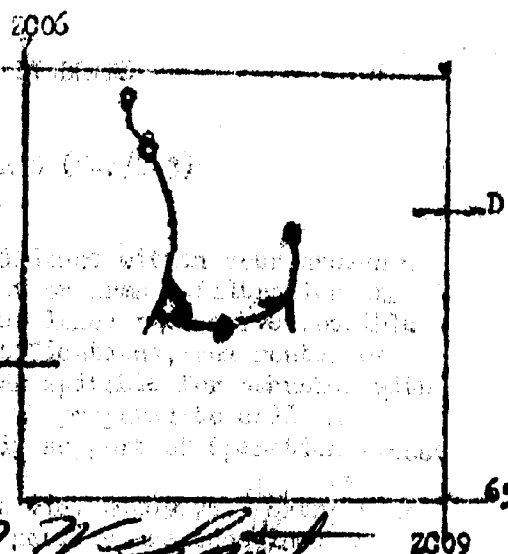
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 24.0; Alternate 35.0  
 Artillery: (a) WHITE SCAP BRAVO 2 39.80

(b) WHITE SCAP BRAVO 1 52.4

(c) AVERAGE "C" 55.9 After 29 Aug 67

Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
 G-3 (2)  
 Div AO (3)  
 Recon FSCC (1)  
 Recon S-3 (4)  
 CO, 1st Force (1)  
 Pltldr, F-3-1 (1)



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OPNAVINST 5500.40

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By direction**CONFIDENTIAL****CONFIDENTIAL**

OPERATION YAZOO  
 OPERATION ORDER:  
 MAPS: F-3-1 HATEFUL  
 DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6540 I

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.  
 DA NANG, RVN  
 DTG 041000H ~~488882~~ 67  
*Sep*

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 7 ENL.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; M-49 SCOPE; 7x50;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: CLAYMORE; M-79; M-14;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION YAZOO.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 291100H/040830H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 144 HRS. WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY ACTIVITY.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: NONE
  - B. TERRAIN: VEGETATION IS VERY THICK IN THE LOW LAND, HILLS ARE VERY STEEP AND MOVEMENT IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT; UP HIGHER THERE ARE LARGE TREES AND THINNER UNDERGROWTH WHICH MAKES MOVEMENT EASIER HIGHER UP MOUNTAIN.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. ZC064675 IN A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF LOW GRASS (NOT RECOMMENDED FOR INSERTS BUT GOOD FOR EXTRACT). EXTRACT LZ VIC. ZC083668 FROM A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE IN A BOMBED OFF AREA. TRAIL (SEE OVERLAY) IS VERY OLD AND HAD NOT SEEN ANY RECENT USE. TWO MARKERS ON TRAIL BUT WERE ROTTING AWAY. OLD VC HARBOR SITE ZC083668, ABOUT COMPANY SIZE.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A CLIMBING ROPE. UNLIKELY THAT VC ARE OPERATING IN THIS AREA. MOUNTAIN IS TOO INACCESSABLE.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

LT. DRAKE  
3rd PLT, 1st FORCE CO.  
PATROL LEADER

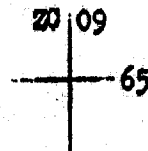
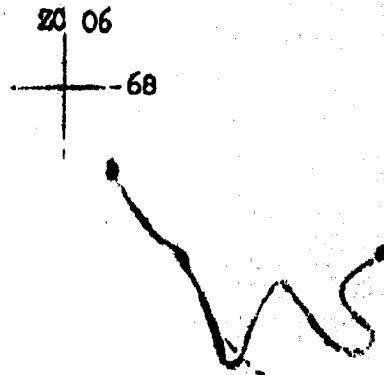
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

DRAKE	091613	VERNON	2217702
GARREN	2140771	LOCKETT	2172026
MALLARD	2175283	MATHIS	2233078
KEARNEY	2205208	MCVOY	2163058

PATROL OVERLAY

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 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)  
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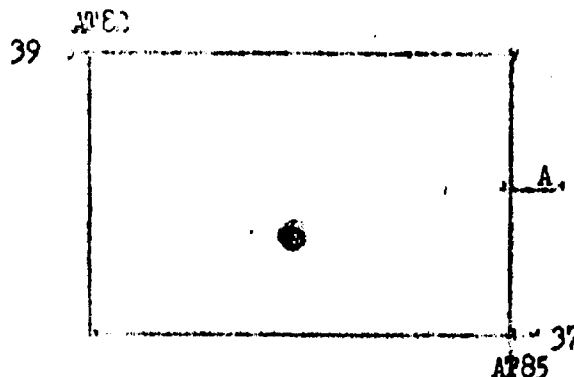
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1ST MAR DIV. CAM PEN

Unit/Call Sign: F-2-2 (POTTERY) Patrol Leader: SSgt. LONG

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (3-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
  2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect VC troop movement or possible arms infiltration in the Nong Son Coal Mine area and routes of access along the Song Thu Bong River. Particular emphasis to be placed on the Western entrance to Antenna Valley; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
  3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 290800H; insert vic. AT837378. Extract at 040830H; vic. AT837378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
  4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
  5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.4; Alternate 39.6  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA PGHO 36.65  
 (b) BIRDNEST SCUP "A" 37.65  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT DELTA
- Distribution: G-2 (1)  
 G-3 (2)  
 Div AO (1)  
 11th Mar (3)  
 Recon FSCC (1)  
 Recon S-3 (4)  
 CO, 1stForce (1)  
 Ptlldr, F-2-2 (1)



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Operation Order: [REDACTED]-67  
 Patrol: F-2-2 Pottery  
 Detrierer: Sgt. E. S. Waters  
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; Sheet 6640 III

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 La Mang, RVN  
 0610001 Sep 67

PATROL REPORT

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## 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 9 EN, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC 25's; 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE, 1 7x50.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: CLAYMORLS.

## 2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS OF THE ASSIGNED NPZ/PTZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE NONG SON COAL MINE AREA AND ROUTES OF APPROX ALONG THE SONG THU BONG RIVER. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON THE WESTERN ENTRANCE TO ANTENNA VALLEY; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

## 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 291300H/060930H.

## 4. ROUTE: N/A; ALL ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED FROM THE PERMANENT OP ON HILL 452, VIC. AT837378.

## 5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 189½ HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF VC.

## 6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: NONE.
- B. TERRAIN: SEE PREVIOUS PATROL REPORTS.

## 7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE.

## 8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

## 9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

## 10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE LANDING PLATFORM AT THIS POSITION IS NOT LARGE ENOUGH FOR A UH-34 HELICOPTER TO LAND SAFELY, RECOMMEND THAT OH-46's ONLY BE USED HERE.

## 11. EFFORTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A.

SSGT. P.E. LONG  
 2nd PLT, 1st FORCE  
 PATROL LEADER

## 12. COMMENTS BY DETRIEFER: NONE.

## 13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LONG, 200309	WILKINS, 2147185	GODFREY, 2200487
CARZ, 2249066	MOOS, 2192362	WILKINHAM, 2212213
ADAMS, 2069701	STANFLEBEAM, 2213501	MARTENS, 09061
DELR, 2325193	SPARKS, 2182747	

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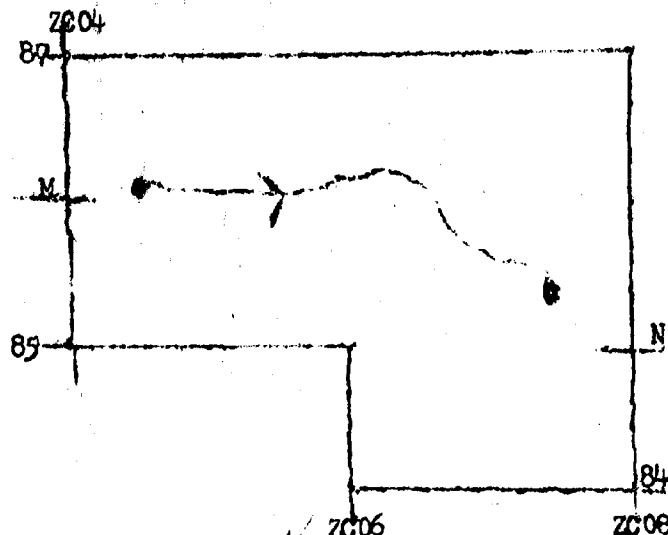
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1ST MAR DIV. CAM PEN.

Unit/Call Sign: C-3-2 (CREWCUT) Patrol Leader: SSgt. MELIN

1. Situation. (a) See current INSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Elephant Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 290730H; insert via. ZC045862. Extract at 011700H; via. ZC073855. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternata 35.0  
 Artillery: (a) WHITE SOAP BRAVO 1 52.4  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY  
 (b) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
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OPERATION ORDER: 4-7  
PATROL: C-3-2 CREWCUT  
BRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; IM-49; 1 7x50; 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; CLAYMORES; M-60;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/TFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN ELEPHANT VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES. STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 291130H/051715H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 174 HRS. ONE CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY WAS MADE, THE RESULTS WERE UNKNOWN.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: 291220H ZC044862 PATROL FOUND HOOCHES IN THEIR LZ WHICH HAD SHOWN SIGNS OF RECENT USE.

301505H ZC061851 2 VC MOVING NW ON TRAIL; CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES; 1 RIFLE. PATROL TOOK VC UNDER FIRE, RESULTS UNKNOWN.

- B. TERRAIN: MOUNTAINOUS, WITH THICK CANOPY AVERAGING 50'-100' IN HEIGHT. MOVEMENT IS HARD; WATER IN RIVER AND IN STREAMS ALONG THE PATROL ROUTE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC044863 IN A FAIR 1 CH-46 ZONE OF 8' GRASS. EXTRACT LZ ZC085851 IN A GOOD 1 CH-34 ZONE OF HIGH GRASS. THERE IS AN OLD TRAIL ALONG THE PATROL ROUTE. IT DID NOT SHOW SIGNS OF RECENT USE. THE ROAD DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE TRAVELED EITHER.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE PLENTY OF INSECT REPELLENT IN THIS AREA BECAUSE OF THE LEECHES; ALSO CLIMBING SPIKES.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

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PATROL LEADER

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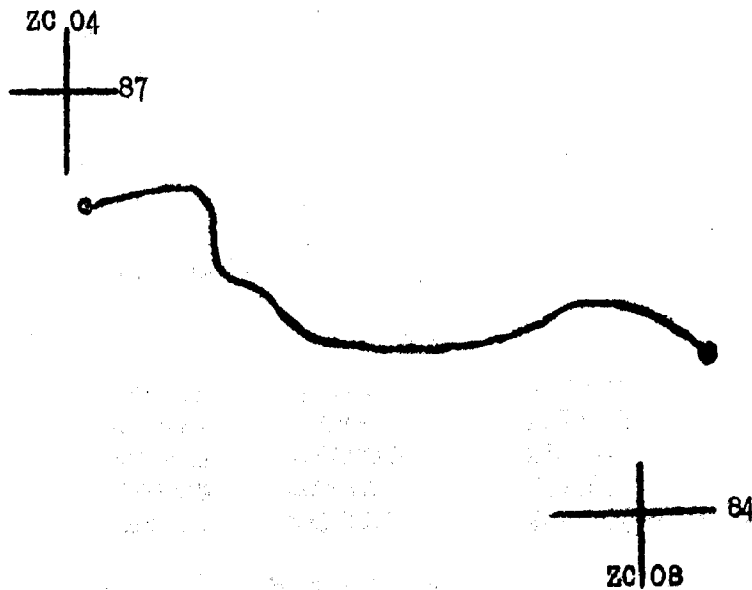
12. COMMENTS BY DETAILER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBER

MELIM	1894914	PARKER	2173035
WHITNEY	2212884	REASON	2172165
GIRVIN	2291446	FERGUSON	2305574
PEDSCHELME	2190747	MORRIS	2305473
CORMIER	BIO2021	SHANKLE	2283238

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Unit/Call Sign: B-3-2 (BUIRUSH) Patrol Leader: SGT KERSTETTER

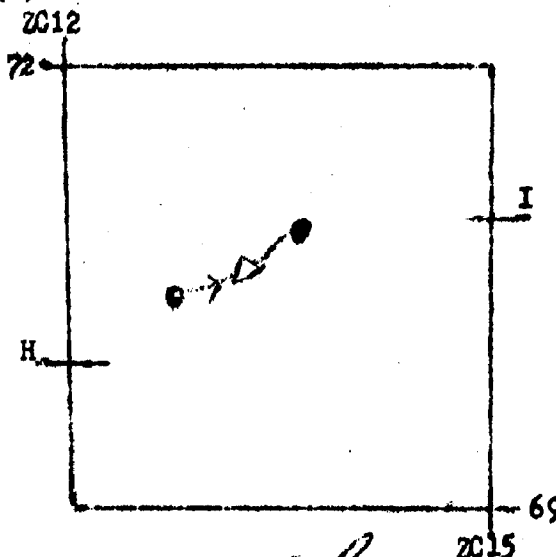
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance with your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Happy Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Yazoo.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 300730H; insert vic. ZC127704. Extract at 021500H; vic. ZC136709. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 35.0; Alternate 34.0  
Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
(b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO I 52.4  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
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OPERATION YAZOO  
 Operation Order: 480-67  
 Patrol: B-3-2 Bulrush  
 Debriefers: Lt. P.R. Young  
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT **5-3**

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 9 EN, 1 USN.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC 25's; 2 7x50's.
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79; 1 M-60 MG.
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FTZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH THE SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION YAZOO.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 301730H/051800H.
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 144½ HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY AND NO FIRE MISSIONS CONDUCTED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: NONE.
  - B. TERRAIN: 30'-50' CANOPY WITH VERY DENSE SECONDARY GROWTH, MAKING MOVEMENT DIFFICULT. WATER IS AVAILABLE IN STREAMS.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT WAS MADE VIC. ZC165648, A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF 12' ELEPHANT GRASS. EXTRACT LZ VIC. ZC160646, A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE CUT BY THE PATROL. AT THESE SAME COORDINATES WERE FOUND ONE OLD HUT, AN OLD RICE CACHE AND SEVERAL FIGHTING HOLES. ONE TRAIL WAS FOUND (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY) WHICH WAS WELL WORN BUT NOT USED RECENTLY. ONE GOOD OP WAS USED BY THE PATROL VIC. ZC160646.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A.

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12. COMMENTS BY DETRIEFER: NONE.

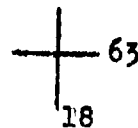
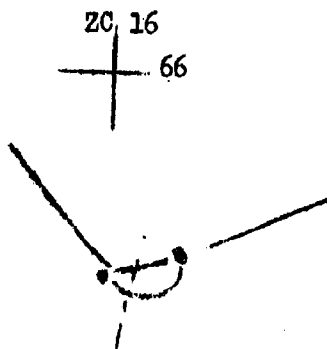
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

KERSTETTER, 2096398  
WITMER, 2174276  
WINKLEMAN, 2174113  
MURDOCK, 2277059  
LEGALLEY, 2318405

NIMMO, 2230619  
LAWSON, 2290853  
MATTSON, 2285872  
DYE, 2277373  
HARDIE, 7760704

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Unit/Call Sign: C-1-1 (CIRCUMSTANCE) Patrol Leader: LT SCHEIBER

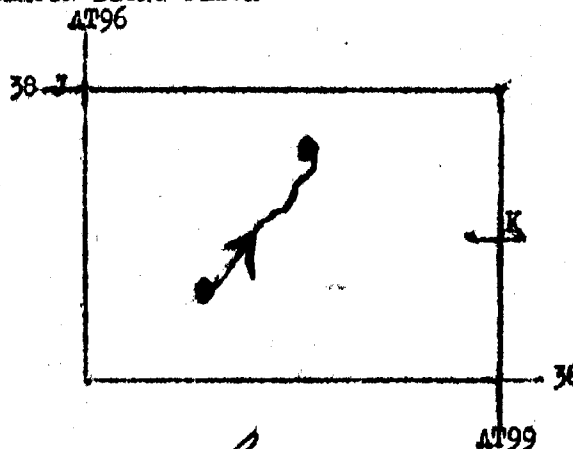
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VU troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Que Son Valley area; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 310730H; insert via. AT968366. Extract at 031500H; via. AT975375. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA 68.65  
(b) CARNIVAL TIME DELTA 68.65  
(c) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY  
(b) BEACON LIGHT DELTA

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1)  
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Recon FSOC (1)  
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OPERATION ORDER: 481-67

PATROL: C-1-1 CIRCUMSTANCE

DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG

MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS

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PATROL REPORT

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## 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 9 ENL.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRO-25'S; 2M-49 SCOPE; 1 7x50; STARLIGHT SCOPE;

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14; M-79; CLAYMORES;

## 2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN QUE SON VALLEY AREA; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

## 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 310745H/051400H

## 4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

## 5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 134 HRS. WITH 15 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 122 VC; 14 FM WERE CALLED RESULTING IN 12 VC KIA CONF. AND 22 VC KIA PROB. THE PATROL WAS PROBED 3 TIMES BY RIFLE AND GRENADE FIRE; FIRE WAS RETURNED, RESULTS UNKNOWN. ONE HALF THE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED AT 1300 THE OTHER HALF AT 1600; THE SECOND HALF TOOK FIRE ON EXTRACTION.

## 6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 311110H AT990353 4 VC MOVING SE ON TRAIL; CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES; PACKS AND RIFLES; FM CALLED, DELAY IN MISSION. VC LEFT AREA.

311215H AT981334 6 VC MOVING S ON TRAIL; KHAKI AND BLK. PJ'S. PACKS. FM CALLED, 4 VC KIA PROB.

311415H AT990353 6 VC MOVING N ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S, GREEN AND GRAY UNIFORMS; PACKS; FM CALLED, 1 VC KIA CONF, 1 VC KIA PROB.

311545H AT988360 15 VC IN FOXHOLES OR FORTIFICATION; GRAY UNIFORMS; PACKS, AND WEAPONS; FM CALLED, 1 VC KIA PROB.

311630H AT972374 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC FIRING NEAR PATROL'S POSITION WITH SMALL ARMS. FM CALLED, SA FIRE CEASED.

311800H AT980353 5 VC MOVING INTO HOOCH; GRAY UNIFORMS; 1 MACHINE GUN, RIFLE. FM CALLED, SECONDARY EXPLOSION OF SA ROUNDS, HOOCH HIT, 3 VC KIA PROB.

011300H AT986358 3 VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL; GRAY AND BLK. PJ'S; PACKS. FM CALLED, 2 HOOCHES HIT, 3 VC KIA PROB.

011700H AT986358 60 VC MOVING N ON TRAIL; GRAY AND GREEN, AND BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. BLACKCOAT CALLED. FM CALLED, INFANTRY CALLED  
RESULTING IN 10 VC KIA CONF. AND 2 DETAINEES.

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012000H AT972376 UNKNOWN NUMBERS OF VC PROBED PATROL WITH 3 ROUNDS. PATROL BOMB A CLAYMORE AND THREW GRENADES. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

020810H AT997355 3 VC MOVING E ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. FM CALLED, 2 VC KIA PROB.

020820H AT990353 1 VC MOVING N ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. FM CALLED, 1 VC KIA PROB.

020900H AT990353 3 VC MOVING S ON TRAIL; BLK PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. FM CALLED, 2 VC KIA PROB.

020930H AT976344 3 VC MOVING N ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES, MACHINE GUN. FM CALLED, RESULTS UNKNOWN.

030615H AT997355 8 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL; KHAKI, BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. FM CALLED, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

041700H AT990353 5 VC MOVING NW ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. FM CALLED, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

051100H AT976375 PATROL WAS PROBED BY GRENADE AND AUTOMATIC FIRE.

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP WITH SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 15' HIGH. RIDGE HAS GRASS AND BUSH WAIST HIGH. MANY LARGE BOULDERS AND POOR DEFENSIVE TERRAIN BECAUSE OF HIGH GROUND TO REAR. NO WATER.

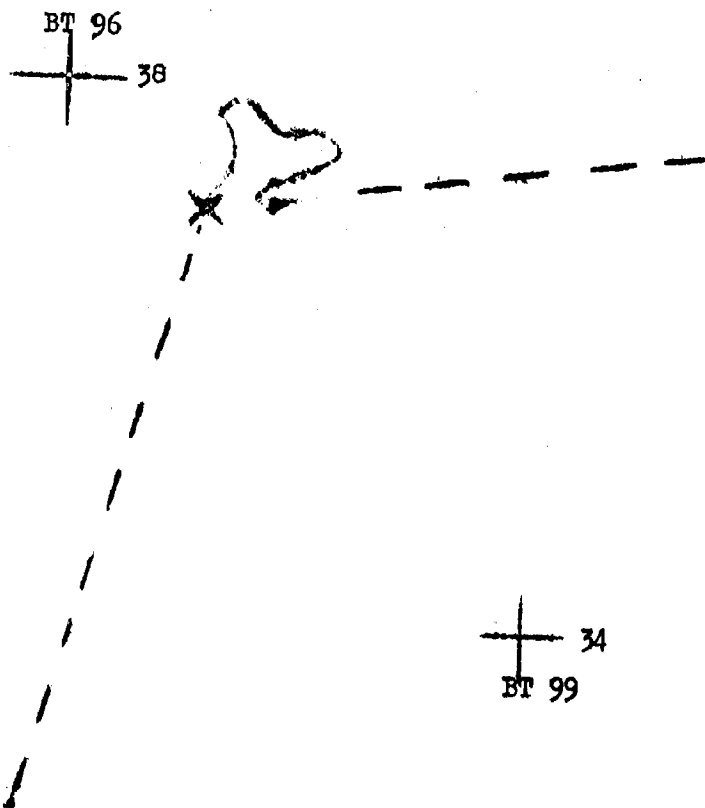
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT972370. 1 CH-46 FAIR ZONE OF BURNED BRUSH. OF SITES ARE NUMEROUS. VERY GOOD ONES.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: POOR
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: LAND ON ANTENNA VALLEY SIDE OF RIDGE LINE. THEN MOVE TO THE OTHER SIDE AND VIEW EAST. TAKE PLENTY OF WATER.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

LT. K. D. SCHREIBER  
1st PLT, CO. C  
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SCHREIBER	0100653	SHUMAN	2281017
RETZOLL	2082515	MACEY	2119142
RUDD	2211409	NARRON	2300545
GUINN	2217797	ARMBRUSTER	2311476
RIGGS	2287838	WOOLARY	2288405

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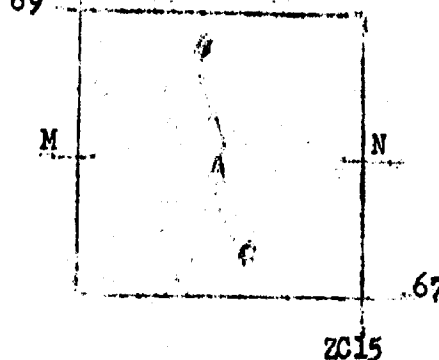
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Unit/Call Sign: F-4-1 (CONSULATE) Patrol Leader: SGT. LIVINGSTON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSEM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachment: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Happy Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity, in support of Operation Yazoo.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 311500H; insert via. ZC138687. Extract at 031500H, via. ZC143673. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
(b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO I 52.4  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1) ZC13  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL. 1 USN,
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 1 7x50; M-49;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; CLAYMORES;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY, IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION YAZOO.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 311530H/051900H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  HOURS WITH ONE ENEMY SIGHTING TALLING ONE VC. NO FM CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: 021800H ZC141688 ONE LONE VC OBSERVING FROM A TREE; BLK. PJ'S; TARGET LOST IN HAZE; NO FIRE MISSION;
  - B. TERRAIN: VALLEY FLOOR IS FLAT AND VEGATION IS THICK AND GROWS UP TO 8' HIGH. MOVEMENT VARIES FROM HARD TO EASY. PLENTY OF WATER IN RIVER.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. ZC147696 3-4 CH-46 ZONE OF HIGH GRASS. EXTRACT CUT BY PATROL ZC138683 IN A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. MANY ZONES ALONG PATROL ROUTE. TRAILS (SEE OVERLAY) ARE FAIRLY FRESH AND WIDE. PUNJI PITS ALONG TRAIL. THERE WERE 3-4 PLATFORMS BUILT IN TREES FOR OP. ZC145694 COMPANY SIZE HARBOR SITE ABOUT 1 MONTH OLD. SMALL HOOCH ZC147697 ALONG TRAIL WAS DESTROYED BY PATROL. THERE WAS A PIT BEHIND THE HOOCH. THERE ARE GOOD AMBUSH SITES ALONG RIVER.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: VC ARE ON RIDGE TO EAST.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

SGT. LIVINGSTON  
 4th PLT, 1st FORCE RECON. CO.  
 PATROL LEADER

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBER:

LIVINGSTON	1914300	JENSEN	1949496
HUFF	2152547	LANSBURG	2171599
GRACE	2147176	LAMAR	2279721
SIMMONS	2239383	JACKSON	4733217

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Unit/Call Sign: (CHALKSTONE) Patrol Leader: SGT LAWTON

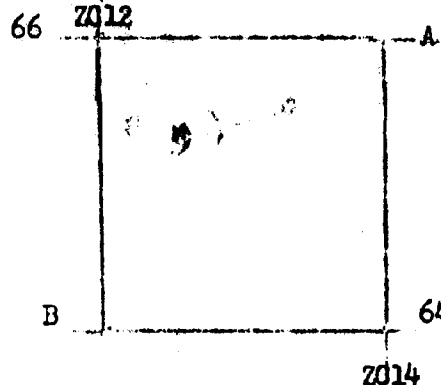
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
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(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Happy Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Yazoo.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 311430H; insert via. ZC122653. Extract at 031430H; via. ZC133654. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
(b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO I 52.4  
(c) AVERAGE "O" 55.9  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1)  
11th Mar (3)  
Recon FSCC (1)  
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OPERATION YAZOO  
 Operation Order: 483-67  
 Patrol: F-4-1 Chalkstone  
 Debriefed: Lt. P.R. Young  
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; Sheet 6540 I

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 7 EN, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 1 7x50; 1 M-49 SCOPE.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79; 1 M-14.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HALPY VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO DETECT ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH THE SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION YAZOO.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 311800H/060800H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 144 HOURS WITH ONE CONTACT WITH ONE VC RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CONDUCTED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

020935H ZC135651 1 VC MOVING NORTH; KHAKIS AND PACK; PATROL TOOK VC UNDER FIRE RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP TERRAIN, WITH CANOPY UP TO 50' HIGH AND ONLY MODERATE UNDERGROWTH; ELEPHANT GRASS IN SOME PLACES UP TO 8' HIGH; WATER IS PLENTIFUL ALL ALONG THE PATROL ROUTE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT WAS MADE IN A VERY POOR ONE CH-46 ZONE CUT BY A PREVIOUS PATROL VIC. ZC137648; HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS. EXTRACT WAS MADE VIC. ZC133655, A VERY GOOD 2xCH-46 ZONE OF LOW GRASS.

AN OF VIC. ZC136647 WAS USED GIVING A GOOD VIEW OF THE VALLEY FLOOR; THE EXTRACT LZ COULD BE USED AS WELL.

ONE OLD TRAIL WAS FOUND (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY) SHOWING NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE. SEVERAL FIGHTING HOLES, ALSO VERY OLD, WERE FOUND VIC. ZC135651, AND ONE OLD HOLE, POSSIBLY A MAN TRAP, VIC. ZC132651.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC KIA PROB.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: CLIMBING SPIKES AND ROPE ARE NECESSARY FOR OBSERVATION IN THIS AREA. COMM. IS GENERALLY GOOD.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A.

SGT. LAWTON  
4th PLT, 1st FORCE  
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LAWTON, 1938835  
HAWRYLAK, 2137762  
WOLFE, 2030387  
SCHIFFBAUR, 2280627

MORRIS, 2174375  
BAHR, 2220044  
ROSHONG, 7964400  
WARE, 2263560

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Unit/Call Sign: B-3-1 (DATELINE) Patrol Leader: GYSOT. AUSTIN

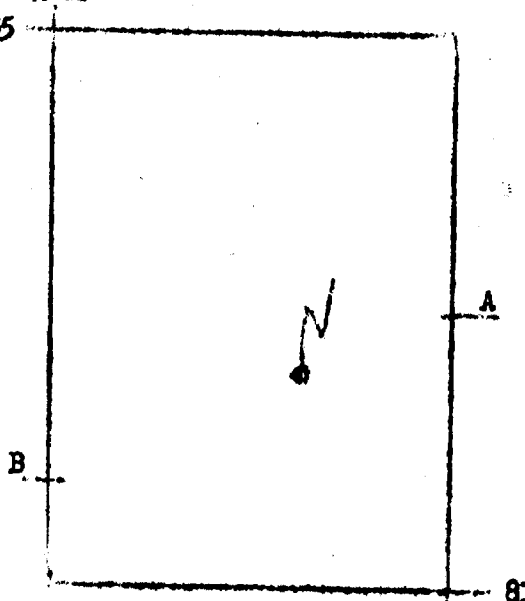
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect VC troop movement and possible arms infiltration through Elephant Valley and the Garden of Eden; provide radio relay from Dong Den and be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 020800H; insert via. AT837828. Extract at 080830H, via. AT837828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
 Artillery: (a) AVERAGE HOTEL 60.85  
 (b) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
 Radio Relay: BEACON LIGHT X-RAY

Distribution: G-2  
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MISSION ORDER: 484-67  
 PATROL: D-3-1 DAY ONE  
 BRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT

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## 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 13 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRG-25'S; BC SCOPE; M-49; 7x50;  
STARLIGHT SCOPE;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; M-60; 2 M-14;

## 2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT AND POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH ELEPHANT VALLEY AND THE GARDEN OF EDEN; PROVIDE RADIO RELAY FROM DONG DEN AND BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

## 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 040800H/111030H

## 4. ROUTE: THIS PATROL WAS ON TOP OF DONG DEN VIC AT838828.

## 5. THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 194½ HRS. WITH 9 SIGHTINGS TALLING 220 VC; 9 FM AND ONE AIR STRIKE WERE CALLED RESULTING IN 10 VC KIA CONF. AND 31 VC KIA PROB.

## 6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: 041615H AT854856 12 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; GREEN UTILITIES AND CAMOUFLAGE; RIFLES AND PACKS; FM CALLED AND DEADLOCK 40 FIRED INTO VC.  
5 VC KIA PROB.

041805H AT854855 12 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; GREEN UTILITIES; 4 PACKS,  
6 RIFLES; FM CALLED 4 VC KIA PROB.

061400H AT858861 25 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; GREEN UTILITIES; RIFLES  
AND PACKS; FM CALLED 3 VC KIA CONF, 7 VC KIA PROB.

061500H AT854858 11 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; UTILITIES; RIFLES, PACKS  
AND ONE ROCKET. FM CALLED 1 VC KIA CONF.

061820H AT854857 6 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; UTILITIES; RIFLES AND PACKS;  
FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

070715H AT855857 19 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; GREEN UTILITIES; HEAVY PACK  
RIFLES, 3 CYLINDRICAL OBJECTS RESEMBLING ROCKETS. FM CALLED, INFANTRY  
SEARCHED THE AREA AND FOUND 2 PACKS WITH RICE, SALT, PANCHOS, 2 HAMMOCKS;  
1 CART. BELT AND AMMO. POUCHES, CANTEEN CUP, MESS KIT, RUCK SACKS, BLOOD  
AND GUTS WERE ALSO FOUND.

081910H AT875864 40 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; DARK UNIFORMS; PACKS AND  
RIFLES. FM CALLED UNKNOWN RESULTS.



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101951H AT855858 44 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; GREEN UTILITIES AND BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. FM CALLED, 5 VC KIA CONF, 11 VC KIA PROB.

101915H AT855858 51 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; GREEN UTILITIES AND BLK. PJ'S, LARGE PACKS, RIFLES. FM CALLED, 1 VC CONF, 4 VC KIA PROB.

B. TERRAIN: SEE PREVIOUS PATRO REPORT.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: .50 CAL. AND 81mm MORTAR BE PLACED ON DONG DEN. BUILD AN OP TOWER FOR BETTER OBSERVATION OF ELEPHANT VALLEY. KEEP A BC SCOPE UP THERE PERMANENTLY.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: AVERAGE HOTEL--EXCELLENT  
BIRDNEST SOUND--POOR AIR---GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: SEE COMMENTS BY PATROL LEADER.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

AUSTIN, C.E.	618450	HENDERSON, F.R.	2283176
WINTER, F.M.	2265313	HERNANDEZ, J.L.	2315441
BROWN, S.H.	2211015	BRUCH, S.W.	2313624
COTTERMAN, K.E.	2269364	SOECHTIG, K.A.	2267480
SPARK, P.H.	2265996	DEMESHKO, H.C.	2311674
BINGHAM, R.L.	2184486	MARTIN, J.P.	2280784
MARTIN, J.A.	2325332	GILLIS, W.L.	B503135

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Unit/Call Sign: C-1-2 (DREADFUL) Patrol Leader: SGT. HATTON

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1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
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(c) Attachments: NONE

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2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Que Son Valley area. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access in Base Area 116; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 010800H; insert via. BT011444. Extract at 041400H, via. BT013425. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

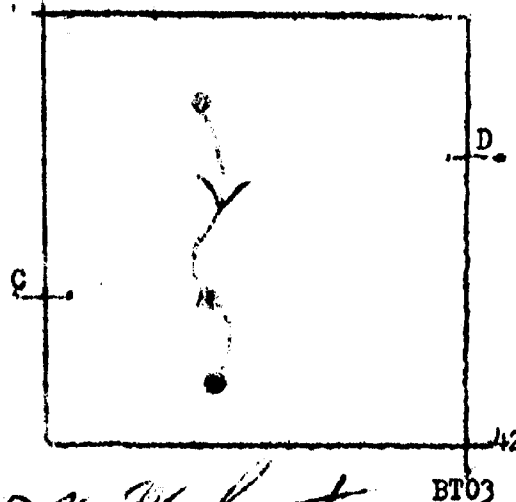
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA 68.65  
 (b) CARNIVAL TIME DELTA 68.65  
 (c) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY  
 (b) BEACON LIGHT DELTA

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1)  
11th Mar (3)  
Recon FSCC (1)  
Recon S-3 (4)  
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Pltldr, C-1-2 (1)

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Unit/Call Sign: F-2-1 (HONG KONG) Patrol Leader: CPL. NOVOTNY

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1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
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 (c) Attachments: NONE

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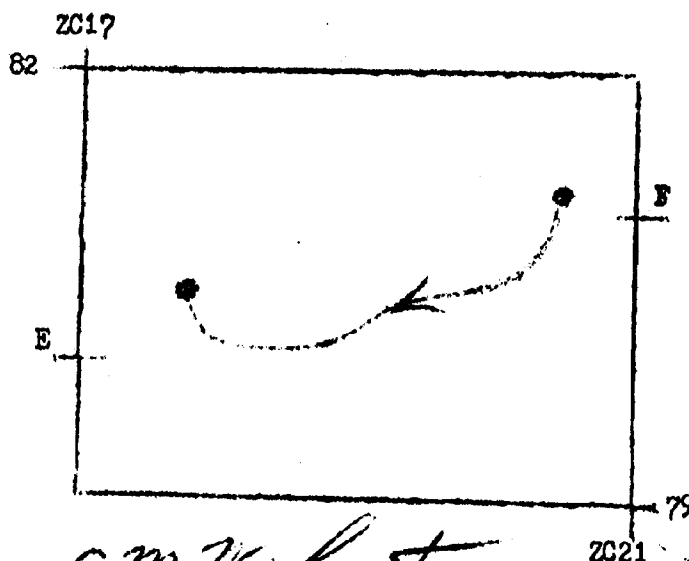
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2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Elephant Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 010700H; insert via. ZC203811. Extract at 041530H, via. ZC177805. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
 Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
 (b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO I 52.4  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY  
 (b) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
 G-3 (2)  
 Div AO (1)  
 11th Mar (3)  
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 Recon S-3 (4)  
 CO, 1stForce (1)  
 Ptlldr, F-2-1 (1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 486-67  
 PATROL: F-2-1 HONG KONG  
 DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6641 III

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 DTG 051800H SFT67

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT: **5-3**

- A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 1 7x50;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14; M-79;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN OUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN ELEPHANT VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 010715H/051600H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 105 HRS. ONE CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. RESULTING IN 2 FRIENDLY WIA; NO FM WERE CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: 051100H ZC181805 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC PROBED PATROL'S POSITION WITH GRENADE AND RIFLE FIRE. FIRE RETURNED 1 USMC WIA (MINOR) 1 USN WIA (SERIOUS).

- B. TERRAIN: STEEP AND ROUGH, FINGERS ARE NARROW. VEGETATION THICK GROWING UP TO 30' SMALL AND LARGE TREES. MOVEMENT IS EASY ON TRAILS. WATER IN STREAMS ON MAP.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC189821 VEGETATION UP TO 8' HIGH. FAIR 1 CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ ZC181206 IN HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS--POOR ZONE. PUNJI PITS ON ZONE THAT WERE 5' DEEP. ON ALL THE TRAILS PATROL FOUND THERE WERE PUNJI PITS AND MALAYIAN WHIPS, THESE TRAPS VARIED IN AGE FROM VERY OLD TO FRESH. THERE WERE TRAILS ON ALL THE FINGERS. MOST TRAILS WERE 3' WIDE. PATROL FOUND A BASE CAMP VIC. ZC187812, CONSISTING OF 2 VERY LARGE HOOCHES, 5-6 MONTHS OLD AND ABOUT PLT. SIZE. PUNJI PITS IN THE AREA AND 1 LARGE PIT 10' DEEP X 5' IN DIAMETER.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 USN WIA (SERIOUS) 1 USMC (MINOR).

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

CPL. NOVOTNY  
2nd PLT, 1st FORCE RECON. CO.  
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

NOVOTNY	2265052	GAINES	2315707
LAEDTKE	2201046	MICKIE	1398662
GARNETT	2130717	BONDS	2327136
ZINGKON	2304518	CHINSON	2245039

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Unit/Call Sign: F-1-2 (COUNTERSIGN) Patrol Leader: SGT WOODCOCK

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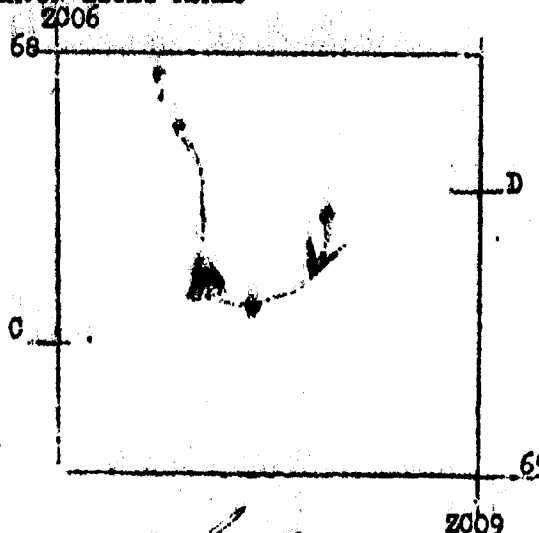
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1. Situation. (a) See current INSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Happy Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Yazoo.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 011400H; insert via. 20079669. Extract at 041500H; via. 20069675. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
Artillery: (a) AVERAGE "O" 55.9  
(b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO 2 39.80  
(c) WHITE SOAP BRAVO 1 52.4  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1)  
11th Mar (3)  
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OPERATION ORDER: 487-57  
 REF: 1-1-2 COUNTRYSIDE  
 DEPARTMENT: 1st P. B. NG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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## PATROL REPORT

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## 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 1 USN. 7 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 1RT-10; 1 7x50; 1M-49;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; CLAYMORES;

## 2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/EFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION YAZOO.

## 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 040800H/070930H

## 4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

## 5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 7 1/2 HRS. WITH 3 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING ABOUT 25 VC. THE PATROL MADE CONTACT 3 TIMES, CALLED IN ONE AIRSTRIKE AND ARTY, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. THE RESULTS OF THE CONTACTS ARE: 2 VC KIA CONF. 3 VC KIA PROB. 2 USMC KIA. THE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED UNDER FIRE.

## 6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: 051735H ZC085657 VC RICE CACHE WITH ABOUT 500 LBS. OF RICE IN IT. RICE DESTROYED.

061140H ZC081657 8 TO 10 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S AND KHAKI; RIFLES, CARBINE, B.A.R. AND LIGHT MACHINE GUN. PATROL SET UP AMBUSH BUT WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY VC FROM ANOTHER DIRECTION. ARTY CALLED AND PATROL MOVED OUT OF AREA.

061810H ZC085657 3 VC AMBUSHED PATROL, PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND VC BROKE CONTACT. NO CASUALTIES.

070800H ZC086658 10-15 VC HIT PATROL WITH HEAVY SA FIRE. PATROL RETURNED FIRE. 2 USMC KIA. 4 VC KIA CONF. 1 VC KIA PROB.

- B. TERRAIN: HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS AND BAMBOO ON THE RIDGES. CANOPY UP TO 75 METERS HIGH. MOVEMENT IS DIFFICULT AND THERE IS PLENTY OF WATER IN AREA.

## 7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC082668 GOOD 1 CH-34. EXTRACT LZ ZC084658 NOT RECOMMENDED FOR USE. MANY WELL USED TRAILS IN THE AREA. MANY NEWLY MADE HARBOR SITES UP TO COMPANY SIZE. ROCKS IN THE STREAM BED ARE PAINTED WHITE, PROBABLY FOR NIGHT GUIDING. MANY FISH TRAPS IN THE AREA. ENTIRE AREA HAS BEEN USED BEFORE AND IS BEING OPENED UP AGAIN FOR USE BY THE VC. MANY OLD BOOBY TRAPS ON TRAILS--GRANADES. MANY TRAIL MARKERS ZC079659 BUNKER LARGE ENOUGH TO HOLD 6 MEN, ABOUT 2 MONTHS OLD-GOOD BOMB SHELTER.

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ON SPATIAL RECON. COON AND WHEAT AND TOPILOCA VIC. ZC093651. AREA WAS  
RECONSTRUCTED.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 4 VC KIA CONF. 1 VC PROB. 2 USMC KIA.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: FAIR
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: ARC-LIGHT GRID SQUARES INDICATED ON OVERLAY.  
INSERT UP TO HIGH AND WATCH YOURSELF ON THE LOW GROUND. ARC-LIGHTS, TPQ-10,  
H&I.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: POOR AIR WAS FAIR

SSGT. WOODCOCK  
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PATROL LEADER

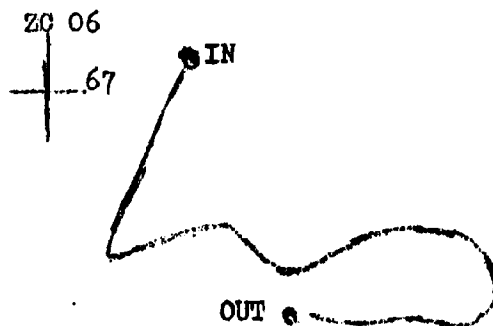
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: RECOMMEND ARC-LIGHT ZC093662, ZC093652, ZC070662,  
ZC070652.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

MAYNARD	2154713	PALMER	2280668
WHELCHER (KIA)	2311053	LEWIS	7963380
WOODCOCK	1998567	HOLTON	2110918
GILMORE (KIA)	2210599	RUFF	083659
JOHNSON	2332601		

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Unit/Call Sign: F-5-1 (KILLER KANE) Patrol Leader: LT FINLAYSON

1. Situation. (a) See current INSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quang Duc Duc area. Particular emphasis to be placed on the trail networks East, South East of your patrol route that transverse the Khe Gio tributary; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 020730H; insert via. ZC198473. Extract at 051500H; via. ZC206482. Coordinating instructions contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 36.4; Alternate 37.2; Alternate 32.5  
 Artillery: (a) CORKLEG "K" 37.35  
 (b) BIRDNESS SOUP "A" 37.65  
 (c) STANLEY LOOKER 44.8  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT DELTA  
 (b) POTTERY  
 (c) STANLEY LOOKER

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
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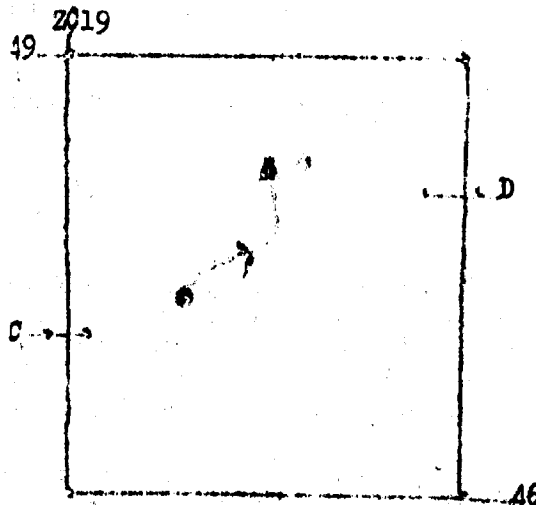
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OPERATION ORDER: 488-67  
 PATROL: F-5-1 KILLERKANE  
 DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6540 I  
 6640 IV

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 7 ENL.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 1 8x30; M-49; STARLIGHT;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; M-60;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUANG DUC DUC AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON THE TRAIL NETWORKS EAST, SOUTH EAST OF YOUR PATROL ROUTE THAT TRANSVERSE THE KHE GIO TRIBUTARY; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 061100H/090900H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 94 HRS. WITH 3 SIGHTINGS. TWO FM WERE CALLED RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA PROB. ONE MINE WAS FOUND BY PATROL.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: 070925H ZC206486 SEVERAL LOUD VOICES IN STREAM BED. FM CALLED, VOICES CEASED.  
 071130H ZC203487 6 VC MOVING NW ON TRAIL AND FIRING SIGNAL SHOTS; KHAKI; PACKS AND RIFLES. FM CALLED, 3 VC KIA PROB.  
 071830H ZC204484 MINE FOUND BY PATROL LEFT IN PLACE. FUZE LOT NUMBER; BOMB FRAG: BLU3/B LOT-LOP---104\*\*28 11-63.  
 090100H ZC203483 2 VC MOVING NEAR PATROLS POSITION, THEN MOVED AWAY.
  - B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP WITH THICK VEGETATION, WITH TRAILS RUNNING THRU AREA. TRAILS ON MAP ARE THERE. MOVEMENT IS DIFFICULT. WATER IN PLACES ARE INDICATED ON THE MAP.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC200475 FAIR 1 CH-46 ZONE OF HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS. EXTRACT LZ ZC203483 VERY GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF LOW GRASS. OP VIC. ZC203483 GOOD ZC204484 GOOD BOTH ARE DEFENDABLE BUT HAVE NO SHADE. GOOD HARBOI SITE ZC204481. TRAILS (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY). VIC. ZC204486 THE VALLEY IS PROBABLY A VC BASE CAMP. (PATROL DETERMINED THIS BY THE ACTIVITY THAT WENT ON AND THEY TOOK FIRE FROM THERE EXTRACTION.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND TPQ-10 AND H&I VIC. ZC204486.  
ALSO, HAVE INFANTRY CHECK IT.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: VERY GOOD

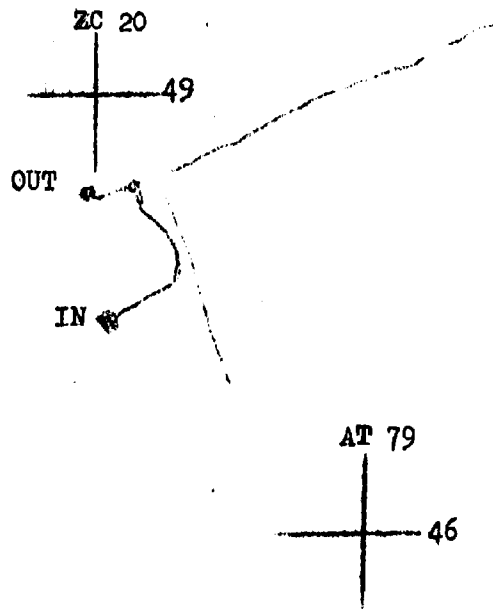
LT. FINLAYSON  
5th PLT, 1st FORCE RECON CO.  
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: TPQ-10 ZC204486.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

FINLAYSON	092862	MCGLOTHLIN	2231848
FUGH	2147226	LANDIS	2206114
GARNER	2259966	POWELL	2252435
WILLIAMS	2278103	ELLIS	2310116
		CONNER	9186342

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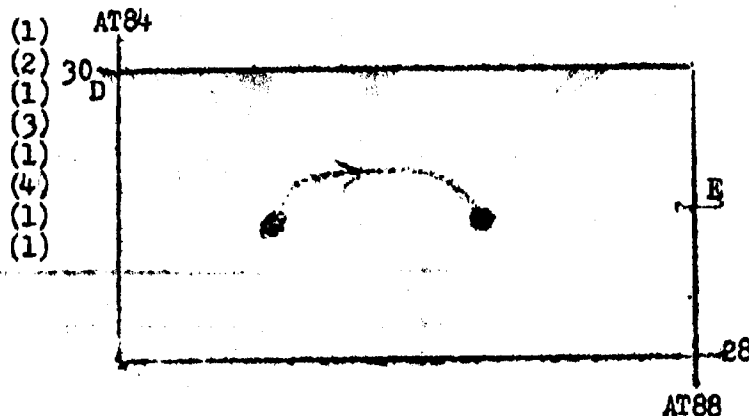
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Unit/Call Sign: C-2-1 (COVENTRY) Patrol Leader: SGT. STRAETER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance missions within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Hiep Duo Valley area; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 030830H; insert vic. AT851290. Extract at 061400H, vic. AT863290. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 36.4; Alternate 37.9  
Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
(b) CARNIVAL TIME DELTA 68.65  
Radio Relay: (a) POTTERY/DOGMA  
(b) BEACON LIGHT DELTA  
(c) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY

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Distribution: G-2  
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Unit/Call Sign: F-1-1 (DOGMA) Patrol Leader: LT. WILLIAMSON

1. Situation: (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect VC troop movement or possible arms infiltration in the Nong Son Coal Mine area and routes of access along the Song Thu Bong River. Particular emphasis to be placed on the Western entrance to Antenna Valley; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 040800H; insert via. AT837378. Extract at 100830H, via. AT837378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

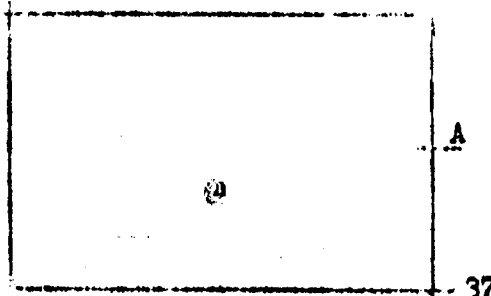
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 35.4; Alternate 39.6  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA ECHO 36.65 (c) AVERAGE "W" 68.55  
 (b) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
 Radio Relay: BEACON LIGHT DELTA

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
 G-3 (2)  
 Div AO (1)  
 11th Mar (3)  
 Recon FSCC (1)  
 Recon S-3 (4)  
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 ATTACH: F-1-1 DOGMA  
 DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6541 II

1st RECONNAISSANCE BN.  
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## PATROL REPORT

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## 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 11 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 292 ANTENNA; 7x50; BC SCOT
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; M-60; SNIPER RIFLE;

## 2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FPZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE NONG SON COAL MINE AREA AND ROUTES OF ACCESS ALONG THE SONG THU BONG RIVER. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON THE WESTERN ENTRANCE TO ANTENNA VALLEY; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

## 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 060805H/121205H

## 4. ROUTE: ALL ACTIVITY WAS CONDUCTED ON TOP OF HILL 452 VIC. AT837378.

## 5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 148 HRS. WITH 3 SIGHTINGS TOTALLY 14 LIGHTS; 2 FM WERE CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

## 6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 071935H AT799323 4 LIGHTS MOVING E ON FINGER; NO FM.

071955H AT921351 8 LIGHTS MOVING N ON TRAIL; FM CALLED, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS.

102030H AT883383 2 LIGHTS MOVING N ON TRAIL; FM CALLED, LIGHTS WENT OUT.

B. TERRAIN: SEE PREVIOUS PATROL REPORT.

## 7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

## 8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

## 9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

## 10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE UP WOOD FOR THE BUNKERS AND A PISS TUBE, AND RAT POISON.

## 11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: PAIR

## 12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

LT. WILLIAMSON  
 1st PLT, 1st FORCE. RECON. CO.  
 PATROL LEADER

## 13. PATROL MEMBERS:

WILLIAMSON	095501	RADENOLD	2279756	HERNANDEZ	2169614
CLIFFORD	2160290	LEWIS	2274484	MALUMPHY	2229551
UNKEL	2178167	ARTHURS	2553696	HOPKINS	2212196
PISTORINO	2282996	OWENS	2130769	ALDRICH	2109047

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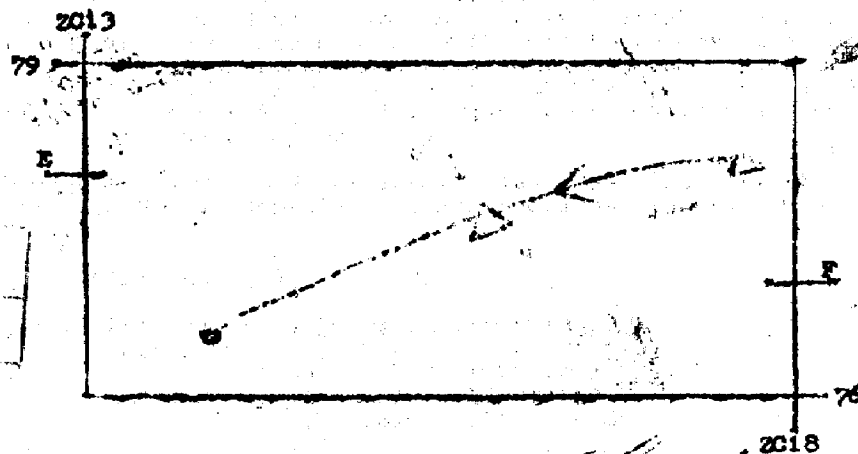
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Unit/Call Sign: G-2-2 (CABARET) Patrol Leader: SSOT. NEWTON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Happy Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 030700H; insert vic. ZD196762. Extract at 061500H, vic. ZC139765. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 24.0; Alternate 35.0  
Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
(b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO I 52.4  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY  
(b) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
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Div AO (1)  
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Unit/Call Sign: F-3-2 (CLASSMATE) Patrol Leader: SSgt. FRYMAN

- Situation:** (a) See current INTTEL.  
 (b) See current OESUMS and FIRS (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
- Mission:** Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NVA/TZ to detect any evidence for the MIA member of Clubcar. Emphasis also to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
- Execution:** Depart 3/2 FINCH 080600H; insert via. 3/16/67. Extract at 211600H, via. 2/16/68. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (f).
- Admin/Logistics:** Reference (b), and verosil.
- Com/Electronics:** Primary Freq. 35.0; Alternate 34.0  
 Artillery: (a) BUNHONG 34.4  
 (b) WHITE SOLE 34.4  
 Radio Relay: (a) BUNHONG LIGHT BOMB  
 (b) BUNHONG LIGHT X-RAY

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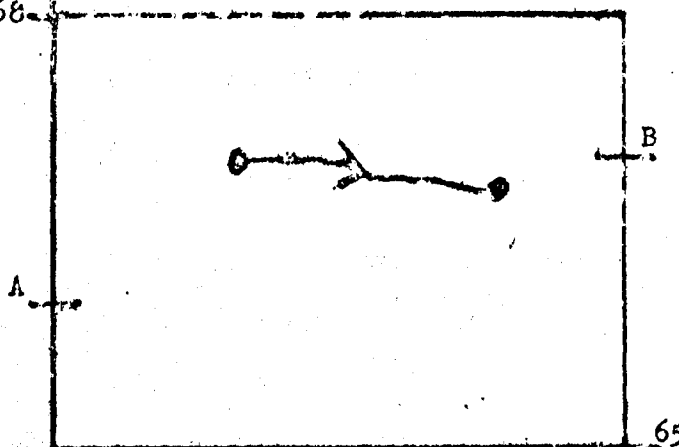
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Unit/Call Sign: F-3-2 (CLASSMATE) Patrol Leader: SSGT. FRYMAN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Happy Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 030730H; insert via. ZC151728. Extract at 061530H, via. ZC162723. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
 Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
 (b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO I 52.4  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY  
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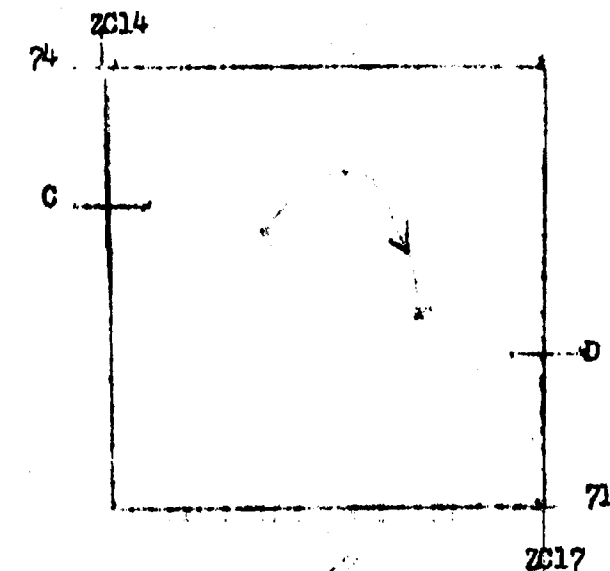
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CONTROL: 192-67  
 PATROL: P-5-2 CLASSMATE  
 DESIGNEE: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL. 1 USN.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 7x50; 6x30; RT-10;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; CLAYMORES; C-4;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT ANY EVIDENCE FOR THE MEMBER OF CLUBCAR. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATION, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 081430H/110830H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 66 HRS. WITH NEGATIVE ENEMY SIGHTINGS. ON THE 1st ATTEMPT AT INSERTING, THE TEAM WAS SHOT OUT OF THE ZONE. NO FM WAS CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: NONE
  - B. TERRAIN: VERY MOUNTAINOUS, WITH HEAVY SECONDARY GROWTH ON LOWER PARTS OF THE HILLS AND MOVEMENT IS VERY SLOW. HIGHER UP THE CANOPY IS TALLER AND MOVEMENT IS EASIER. MOUNTAINS ARE VERY STEEP. STREAMS HAVE WATER IN THEM--THE ONE ON THE MAP IS VERY LARGE. SWAMPY IN THE LOWLANDS.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC161668 GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF LOW BRUSH. 3 MEN WERE ON THE GROUND AND AS THE CH-34 TOOK OFF, IT DREW FIRE FROM NW OF THE ZONE. BIRD CAME BACK AND EXTRACTED THE 3 MEN. INSERT LZ ZC187661 IN A HUGE BOMB CRATER A GOOD CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ ZC191660 VERY GOOD CH-46 ZONE OF BURNED OFF GRASS. NO OTHER GRASS ZONES ALONG THE PATROL ROUTE. THERE WERE NO TRAILS ALONG PATROL ROUTE. THERE WERE NO OBSERVATION POSTS ALONG ROUTE. THE AREA DOES NOT LEND ITSELF TO OBSERVATION.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: AREA IS NOT BEING USED BY VC. COMM. VERY POOR.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: POOR

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 1st FORCE RECON CO.  
 PATROL LEADER

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

FRYMAN	1356690	HACKER	2184510
DIAZ	2079419	NOLTE	2107985
RICHARDSON	2211306	GOLDBAUM	2241858
MERRITHEW	B6101580	CORBETT	2179090

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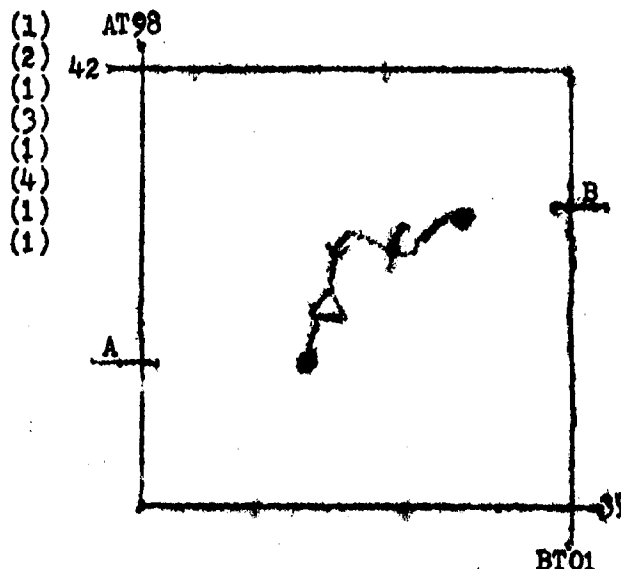
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Unit/Call Sign: C-3-1 (EYELET) Patrol Leader: LT. McBRIDE

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect VC movement or possible arms infiltration in the Quan Que Son Valley area; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 040730H; insert via. BT003409. Extract at 071500H, via. AT993401. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA 68.65  
 (b) CARNIVAL TIME DELTA 68.65  
 (c) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65

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DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 7 ENL. 1 USN.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 7x50'S; M-49;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-60; M-79; CLAYMORES; M-14;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT VC MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN QUE SON VALLEY AREA; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 081700H/121000H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 89 HRS. WITH 16 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 39 VC, 15 FM WERE CALLED RESULTING IN 6 VC KIA PROB. AND 2 VC KIA CONF. THE PATROL WAS RELIEVED IN PLACE BY THE PATROL "DREADFUL" THEY TOOK FIRE ON EXTRACTION.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: 090900H BT009380 3 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; KHAKI; 3 PACKS; FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.
  - 091015H BT007389 5 VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS; FM CALLED; 1 VC KIA PROB.
  - 091115H BT017389 1 VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS; FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.
  - 091215H BT023383 2 VC MOVING N ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; 2 PACKS; FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.
  - 091435H BT007389 3 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS; FM CALLED, 1 VC KIA PROB.
  - 091530H BT004390 3 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; 2 RIFLES, 1 PACKS; FM CALLED, 1 VC KIA PROB.
  - 100745H BT010385 2 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL; KHAKI, RIFLE, AND PACK; FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.
  - 100915H BT025395 4 VC MOVING E ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS; FM CALLED, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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111115H BT002374 2 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL; KHAKI; PACKS; FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

111150H BT003382 2 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; LARGE PACKS; FM CALLED; 1 VC KIA PROB.

111226H BT034397 3 VC MOVING E ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; HEAVY PACKS; FM CALLED, 1 VC KIA PROB.

111410H BT009381 1 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL, KHAKI; PACK AND RIFLE; FM CALLED, RESULTS UNKNOWN.

111530H BT010385 3 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL KHAKI; PACKS; FM CALLED, 2 VC KIA CONF, 1 VC KIA PROB.

111815H BT052395 2 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL, BLK. PJ'S, 1 RIFLE, PACK. NO FM.

120930H BT004409 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC FIRING AT THE EXTRACTION HELIOS. WITH CARBINES. GUNSHIPS MADE STRAFING RUN WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: VERY HILLY AND STEEP. LOW SHRUB ON HIGH GROUND WITH MANY LARGE BOULDERS. VEG. HIGHER ON LOW GROUND. WATER IN THE STREAM INDICATED ON MAP.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ BT009419 VERY LARGE (4-CH-46) ON BALD GROUND EXCELLENT LZ. EXTRACT LZ BT004409 VERY GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF LOW SHRUBS. ANOTHER LZ BT002415. THERE WERE NO SIGNS OF RECENT VC ACTIVITY. OP VIC. BT002418, BT004419, BOTH ARE GOOD LZ. THERE ARE MANY GOOD DEFENDABLE POSITION ALONG THE ROUTE. MAP IS NOT ACCURATE IN THIS AREA.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 USMC WIA

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: STAY OFF THE HILL VIC. BT004409.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD UNABLE TO ESTABLISH COMM. WITH BIRDNEST SOUP ALPHA.

LT. MCBRIDE  
3rd PLT, CO.C  
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

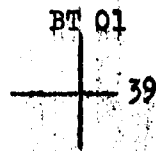
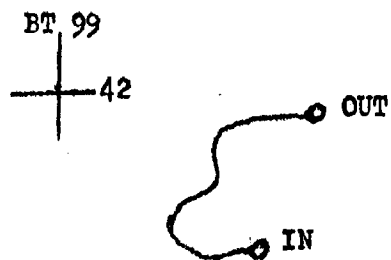
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JOHNSON, R.E. 8509089  
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(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)

(d) 1stMarDivOpO 301-66, Annex "Q" (Rules of Engagement)

(e) BnFragOrder Msg # 494-67

Time Zone: Hotel

Task Organization: 2d Team, 5th Plt, 1st Force Recon Co. (CLUBCAR) Patrol

Leader: OYSGT. WEBB

1. Situation.a. Enemy Forces

(1) See current INTSUM'S

(2) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)

b. Friendly Forces(1) Artillery(a) 3rd 155 Gun Btry & Btry "B", 8thBn, 4th Arty provide  
artillery support.

(b) H&amp;I Fires 0330 to 0350

(2) 459th TGS provides one C7A aircraft for parachute insertion

(3) MAC-16 provides helicopter support

(4) MAC-11 provides close air support

(5) 1/7 provides a ready alert reaction force

c. Attachments and Detachments: NONE

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- a. Conduct a clandestine reconnaissance and surveillance mission within your assigned AFE/RTZ to detect troop movement or possible arms infiltration through Happy Valley and Tam Niong River Valley.
- b. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept of Operation. Annex A (Operation Overlay). One team, 1st Force Reconnaissance Company is inserted by parachute in central Happy Valley and conducts route reconnaissance Northeast into the Tam Niong River Valley to observe enemy movement and possible rocket launching site facilities in the area of operation.
- b. At 050400H Sep 1967 conduct parachute entry from C7A aircraft into DZ vicinity ZC145664.
- c. After parachute insert, assemble bury parachutes and conduct reconnaissance into the Tam Niong River Valley.
- d. On D+3 be prepared for helicopter extraction vicinity ZC1667.
- e. Coordinating Instructions
  - (1) The patrol leader's check-off list will be utilized to ensure the successful planning and coordination of operations.
  - (2) Supporting arms will be employed in accordance with the guidance set forth in reference (d).
  - (3) Ambushes will be employed in accordance with the guidance set forth in reference (d).
  - (4) Rules of Engagement as set forth in reference (d) will apply and be observed.
  - (5) All enemy sightings will be reported immediately and communications maintained until shut-down is authorized.

- 4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. Administrative and logistical procedures as set forth in reference (b), apply.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

- a. The team will carry two AN/PRC-25 radios with a sufficient resupply of batteries.
- b. One radio will be utilized on the Battalion Tactical Net and the second radio will be on the supporting artillery net.

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c. The following frequencies will be utilized.

(1) Battalion Tactical Net

(a) Primary Frequency 35.0

(b) Alternate Frequency 34.0

(2) Artillery Net

(a) Birdnest Soup Charlie 52.4

(b) White Soap Bravo I 52.4

(3) Air-Ground Frequency. (RT-10A) 250.7

d. Radio Relay. Beacon Light Romeo (Ba Na)

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Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps  
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A- Operation Overlay

B- Parachute Operations Schedule 5-68

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ANNEX B (Parachute Operations Schedule) to BnOpO 494-67

COMPANY BULLETIN 1500

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Authorized Personnel

Subj: Parachute Operations Schedule: 5 - 68

Ref: (a) DivO P3000.2C  
(b) CoO 3000.2B

Encl: (1) Roster of Parachutists

1. Purpose. To publish the schedule and personnel assignments for parachute operations to be conducted on 5 Sep 1967.

2. Conduct. All participating personnel will be governed by the provisions of references (a) and (b).

3. Operational Data

a. Drop Zone	Happy Valley
b. DZ Elevation	4700 feet
c. Clearance/NOTAM	G-3, 1st MAW will publish
d. Drop Altitude	5400 feet
e. Type of aircraft	Caribou
f. Drop Speed	90 knots 7% flaps
g. Airfield	DaNang
h. Air/Ground Frequency	N/A
i. Type Jump	N/CE/T
j. Helicopter Emergency Evac.	S-3

4. Participating Personnel

a. Drop Zone Commander	N/A
b. Drop Zone Hospitalman	N/A
c. Pre-flight Rigger	GySgt D. G. GABERT
d. Equipment MCO	GySgt D. G. GABERT
e. Radioman	N/A
f. Drop Zone Rigger	N/A
g. Parachutists	See Enclosure (1)

5. Administrative

a. Briefing Time/Place	1500 4 Sep 1967 (Briefing room)
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b. Muster	0300
c. Suit up	0315
d. Station Time	0415
e. Est. Jump Time	0445-0500

Jumpmaster  
Asst. Jumpmaster

CySgt W. N. WEBB  
SSgt T. J. VALLARIO

6. Self-cancellation. 30 Sep 1967

*A. K. Dixon II*  
A. K. DIXON II

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2 Aug 1967JUMP MANIFEST

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>SFR. NO.</u>
WEBB, W. B.	GySgt	1113658
VALLARIO, T. J.	SSgt	1904614
WOO, D. M.	Sgt	2057558
MCNEMAR, H. D.	Sgt	2090196
HAGER, J. W.	Sgt	2118203
LAPORTE, M. L.	HM2 (USN)	6845414
OWENS, C. N.	Cpl	2172789
GARCIA, R. J.	Cpl	2241577
SLOWICK, J. W.	LCpl	2279768

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A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL. 1 USN.  
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE  
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'8; 1 RT-10; 7x50;  
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: STROBE LIGHTS; M3A1; MG w/SILENCER; M-79;

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL WAS REPEATEDLY CUT OUT BY AN OVERLOAD OF TRAFFIC ON THEIR NET. ALL PERSONNEL CARRY RT-20, PEN-LIGHT FLARES, 100 FEET OF ROPE FOR FUTURE DROPS. TERRAIN DOES NOT LEND ITSELF TO PARACHUTING. ALSO CROSS WINDS WERE VERY STRONG AND DISPURSED MEN IN THE AIR. GET THE ACTUAL ELEVATION OF THE DROP ZONE. USE A PARACHUTE EQUIPMENT BAG TO CARRY THE GEAR IN.

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11. THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THE DEBRIEFING:

GYSGT. WHITE  
3RD INF. REG. FORCE. RECON.  
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

WEBB	1113658 (MED.)	LAPORTE	6845414	(MIA)
VALMARTO	1904614	OWENS	2172789	
WOO	2057558	GARCIA	2241577	(MEN EVAC)
MONTMAR	2090196 (MED.)	SLOWICK	2279768	
HAGER	2118203 (MED.)			

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Unit/Call Sign: B-2-2 (CRABTREE) Patrol Leader: LT. BADGER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and FIR'S (B-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE

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2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the vicinity of Charlie Ridge. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 090800H; insert via. AT813600. Extract at 191500H, via. AT835616. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b) and verbals.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 35.0; Alternate 34.0 & 36.4  
Artillery: (a) CORKLE KILLO 32.15  
(b) AVERAGE INDIA 36.15  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO  
(b) BEACON LIGHT DELTA

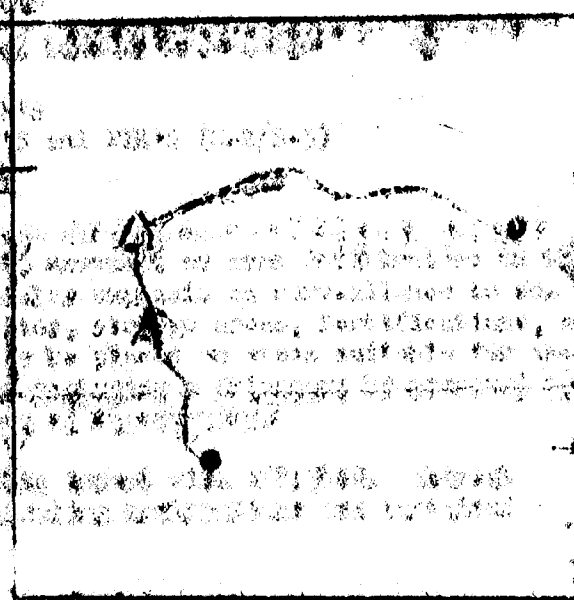
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 PATROL: B-2-2 CRABTREE  
 DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
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 L7014; SHEET 6640 IV

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 7 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25'S; 2 7x50'S;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-60 MG; 1M-79; 1M-14; 5 CLAYMORES;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE VIC. OF CHARLIE RIDGE. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER, BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 090730H/131830H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 107 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTING OF VC; EVIDENCE WAS FOUND INDICATING SIGNIFICANT ENEMY ACTIVITY IN PAST MONTHS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: GENERALLY, THE MAP IS CORRECT, WITH REGARD TO BOTH TERRAIN FEATURES AND VEGETATION; GRASSY AREAS CONSIST OF MIXED BRUSH AND ELEPHANT GRASS 4'-6' HIGH. CANOPY VARIES FROM 60'-100' IN HEIGHT, AND SECONDARY GROWTH VARIED FROM THIN ON THE RIDGELINES TO VERY THICK ON THE SLOPES. MOVEMENT IS ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT ON THE SOUTHERN SLOPES WHERE THERE IS A LARGE AMOUNT OF DEADFALL. WATER CAN BE FOUND IN ALL STREAMS INDICATED ON THE MAP AND IN MOST OTHER RAVINES.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. AT842604, A GOOD 2xUH-34 ZONE OF LOW BRUSH. EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT812599, A GOOD 2xUH-34 ZONE OF 5' BRUSH AND ELEPHANT GRASS. AT VIC. AT831616, THE PATROL FOUND ELEPHANT DROPPINGS SEVERAL MONTHS OLD. AT VIC. AT831616, IS AN OLD INFANTRY POSITION OF ESTIMATED PLATOON SIZE; FIGHTING HOLES AND LARGE AMOUNTS OF TRASH; ALSO FOUND 1 UNUSED YELLOW SMOKE GRENADE. AT VIC. AT822613 PATROL FOUND AN OLD VC CAMP DESTROYED BY INFANTRY; 6 HOOTCHES ABOUT 10'x10', 1 LARGE STRUCTURE POSSIBLY USED AS MESSHALL OR WORKSHOP, FIGHTING HOLES, BUNKERS AND TRENCHES. CAMP PLACED ON TWO SIDES OF STREAM. AT VIC. AT813819 PATROL FOUND 2 RICE HOUSES, ONE OF WHICH WAS ABOUT 50' FROM A 2000 LB. BOMB CRATER; BOTH STRUCTURES ABOUT 5'x5'x15' AND IN GOOD REPAIR, BUT EMPTY AT VIC. AT812617, PATROL FOUND BAMBOO PICKETT FENCE/BANNISTER UP THE NORTH FACE OF HILL 1078. A WELL DEFINED TRAIL CROSSES THE TOP OF THE HILL E-W WITH MANY PUNJI STAKES 3-4 DAYS OLD. AT VIC. AT806607 PATROL FOUND A VC CAMP OF 12 HOOTCHES, ONE OF WHICH WAS ABOUT 15'x40' AND APPEARED TO BE A BARRACKS OR HOSPITAL. CAMP

WAS IN GOOD SHAPE BUT PROBABLY HASN'T BEEN USED BY A LARGE FORCE FOR A FEW MONTHS. TEAM HEARD A NOISE OF SOMEONE MOVING QUICKLY TO THE NORTH AS THEY ENTERED THE CAMP. THE TRAIL THROUGH THIS AREA IS WELL WORN, BUT IS PROBABLY USED NOW ONLY BY RUNNERS OR OCCASIONAL SMALL GROUPS OF VC. AT VIC. AT812604, PATROL FOUND AN OLD VC CAMP OF 4 HOOTCHES AND SEVERAL BUNKERS AND TUNNELS, UNUSED FOR AT LEAST A MONTH. PATROL BURNED ONE HOOTCH AND LEFT THE OTHERS INTACT. THE PATROL EXPERIENCED A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF RADIO JAMMING (CW AND MUSIC) WHICH WAS NOT VERY EFFECTIVE, BELIEVED TO ORIGINATE FROM A PRC-10 OR PRC-25 NEARBY.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: 1 NON-BATTLE MEDIVAC AS A RESULT OF A PRIOR INJURY; OTHERWISE GOOD.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE IS NO LARGE SCALE MOVEMENT IN THIS AREA AT THE PRESENT TIME. IT IS BELIEVED THAT ENEMY ACTIVITY HAS SHIFTED TO THE NORTH AND WEST OF HILL 1078.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

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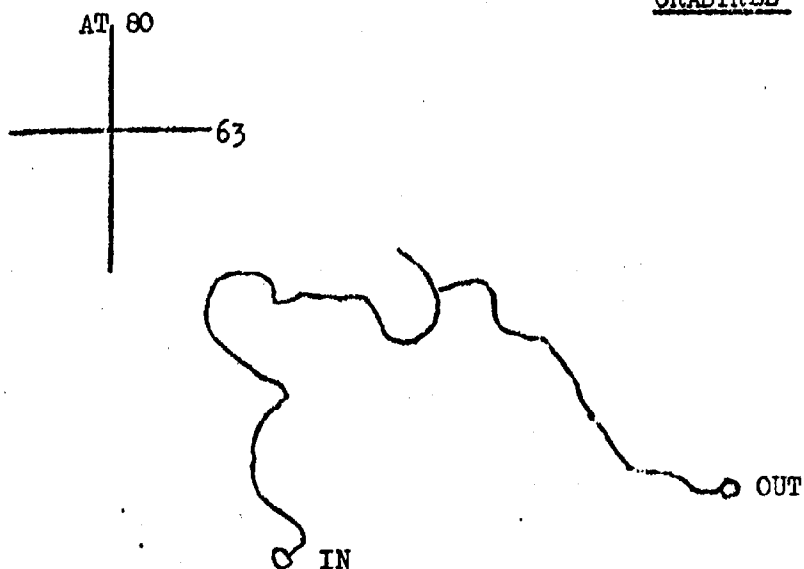
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

BADGER, P.R.	0100025	HIGHUM, W.H.	7897559
ANDREWS, P.G.	1670200	JOHNSON, R.	2320157
BARRIERO, M.	2169268	WATERS, E.S.	2148594
BOWERS, F.P.	2258893		
ALLEN, M.	2094075		

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Unit/Call Sign: C-2 (COVENTRY) Patrol Leader: SSGT. NEWTON

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1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
 (c) Attachments: NONE

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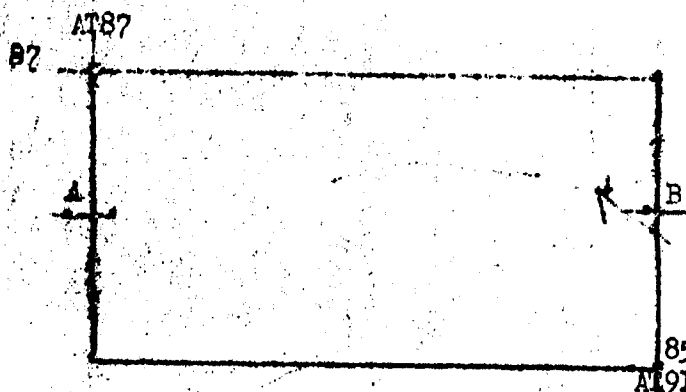
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2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FWZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Elephant Valley. Particular emphasis to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 080700H; insert via. AT9284. Extract at 111500H, via. AT867849. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

4. Admin/Logistics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
 Artillery: (a) AVERAGE HOTEL 60.85  
 (b) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY  
 (b) CASTILIAN "F" 2/1 60.35

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
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 11th Mar (3)  
 Recon FSCC (1)  
 Recon S-3 (4)  
 CO, Co. "C" (1)  
 Pltldr, C-2 (1)  
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OP. BATTION ORDER: 496-67  
 PATROL: C-2-1 COVENTRY  
 DEPARTURE: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6641 III

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 18 ENL. 1 USN.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: PHOTOGRAPHER FROM 1st MAR. DIV.
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 3 PRC-25'S; 3 7x50'S;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; CLAYMORES;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FEZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT AREAS INFILTRATION IN ELEPHANT VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 080615H/120800H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 98 HOURS WITH NO ENEMY SIGHTING. NO FM WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: NONE
  - B. TERRAIN: HILLS LEAVE THICK VEG. UP TO 10' HIGH. VEGETATION VARIES ALONG ENTIRE ROUTE--MOVEMENT IS FROM DIFFICULT TO EASY. NO WATER IN THE HIGH GROUND.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT924847 BY TRUCKS. PATROL WALKED INTO THEIR NFZ AND STARTED THEIR MISSION. EXTRACT VIC. AT865855 BY LVT, THEN ON BY TANKS TO TRUCKS. FOUND VC MARKER AT903864 IT WAS A DIAMOND STANDING ON TRAIL USED FOR DIRECTION. VEG. GOES UP TO 20' HIGH. MOVEMENT ON RIDGE TOP IS NOT HARD. THERE ARE TRAILS ALONG PATROL ROUTE (SEE OVERLAY) VIC. AT897863 IS A VERY WELL USED TRAIL RUNNING N-S. PATROL HEARD VOICES IN THIS AREA. 105 HOW. ROUND BOOBY TRAP VIC. AT897863, LEFT IN PLACE. VIC. AT885860 ON DOWN THE PATROL ROUTE, THERE WERE MANY CLEARD OFF PLACES WHICH COULD BE H ARBOR SITES. CANOPY ON WEST SIDE OF RIDGE UP TO 80 FEET. ELEPHANT GRASS DOWN IN THE VALLEY. LANDING ZONE VIC. AT900865 A GOOD CH-46 ZONE. VIEW OF THE VALLEY TO THE NORTH IS POOR.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: COORDINATION WITH THE INFANTRY SHOULD BE DONE IN ADVANCE TO ELIMINATE ANY PROBLEMS.

1. DEBRIEFING: SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

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2nd PLT, CO. C  
PATROL LEADER

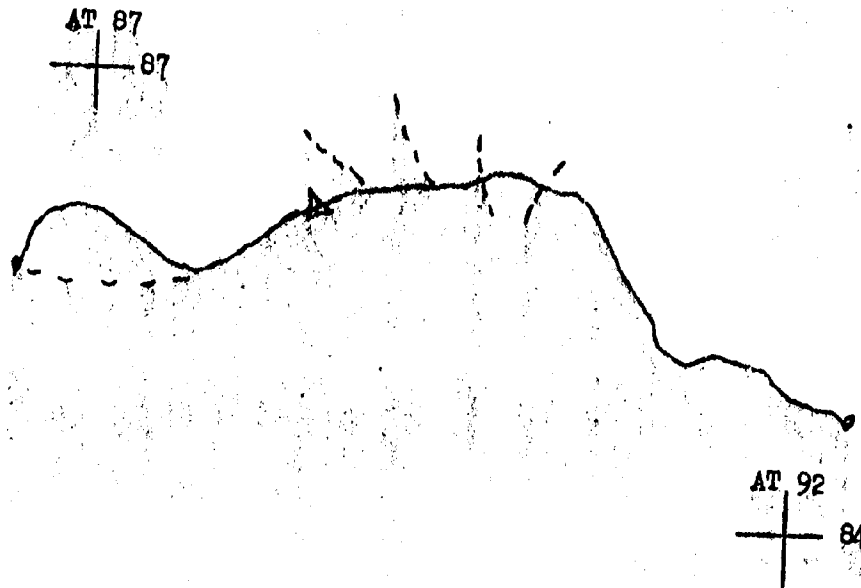
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

NEWTON, F.C.	1626779	STRAETER, D.R.	1366270
BEARUP, R.M.	2134400	DAVIS, S.L.	2128858
CANFIELD, G.S.	2169646	KMETYK, J.P.	2306039
HENDERSON, J.D.	2295974	SMITH, W.A.	2185450
VASQUEZ, D.	2297228	RAY, M.G.	2150805
PORTER, D.R.	2308275	LOPEZ, L.	2291266
MCCLELLAN, R.F.	2303489	PASSOLO, G.	2283235
CROWLEY, A.W.	2289944	HOFFMAN, L.L.	2164259
AKER, C.E.	2205355	PRICE, L.	2283691
FEHL, R.J.	B506451		

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(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)  
(d) 1stMarDivOpO 301-66: Annex "C" (Rules of Engagement)  
(e) BnFragOrder Msg 497-67

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Unit/Call Sign: B-1 (CHARGE SHEET) Partol Leader: LT BARRIER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FrZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart 2/7 CP. 090800H; insert vic. AT829791. Extract at 131500H, vic. AT8380. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (h).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 24.0; Alternate 35.0  
Artillery: (a) BLDNNT SOUP "C" 52.4  
(b) AVERAGE HOTEL 60.85  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY  
(b) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1)  
11th Mar (3)  
Recon FSCC (1)  
Recon S-3 (4)  
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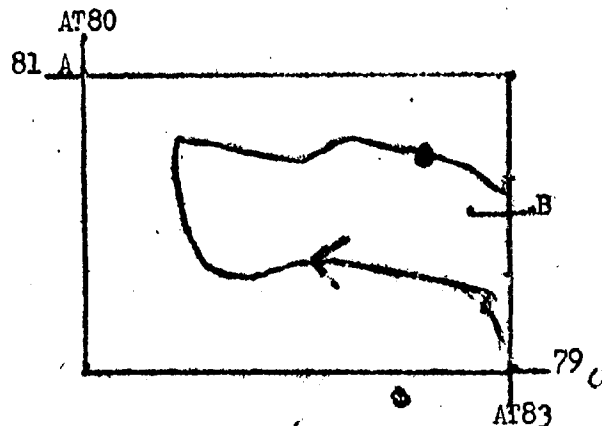
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OPERATION ORDER 197-67  
 PATROL: B-1-1 CHARGESHEET  
 DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6641 III

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 14 ENL. 1 USN.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: ONE INFANTRY SQUAD ACCOMPANIED PATROL PART OF THE WAY.
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 7x50; M-49;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; CLAYMORES; C-4;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 091030H/131030H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HRS. WITH ONE SIGHTING TOTAL- KANG 4 VC'S. NO FM WAS CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: 091000H AT848779 4 VC HIDING IN HOLES; BLK. PJ'S; INFANTRY FLUSHED THEM OUT. VC RAN AWAY.
  - B. TERRAIN: PLENTY OF WATER ALONG ROUTE. TERRAIN VARIES FROM PADDIES TO LOW HILLS WITH MANY CROSS COMPARTMENTS, TO HIGH MOUNTAINOUS TERRAIN. CANOPY 100' AT MAXIMUM. SECONDARY GROWTH MODERATE TO THICK. MOVEMENT WAS VERY DIFFICULT IN THE MOUNTAINS.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: TEAM WAS TRUCKED FROM H/2/7 TO AT850779 AND BEGIN WALKING FROM THERE. THE PATROL WALKED BACK TO H/2/7 AND WAS TRUCKED BACK TO THE BATTALION. WELL USED TRAIL (SEE OVERLAY) ABOUT 3 FEET WIDE, HAD APPARENTLY BEEN THE ROUTE USED BY THE VC TO BRING ROCKETS TO FIRING PITS. THERE WERE NO OTHER TRAILS ALONG THE PATROL ROUTE. THE AREA DOES NOT LEND ITSELF TO ESTABLISHING OP'S. THERE WERE LANDING ZONES VIC. AT822801, AT833796--BOTH WERE GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONES. MANY GOOD HARBOR SITES ALONG ROUTE.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXHAUSTED
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE ARE NO VC IN THIS AREA. LEECHES AND MOSQUITOES ARE BAD.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

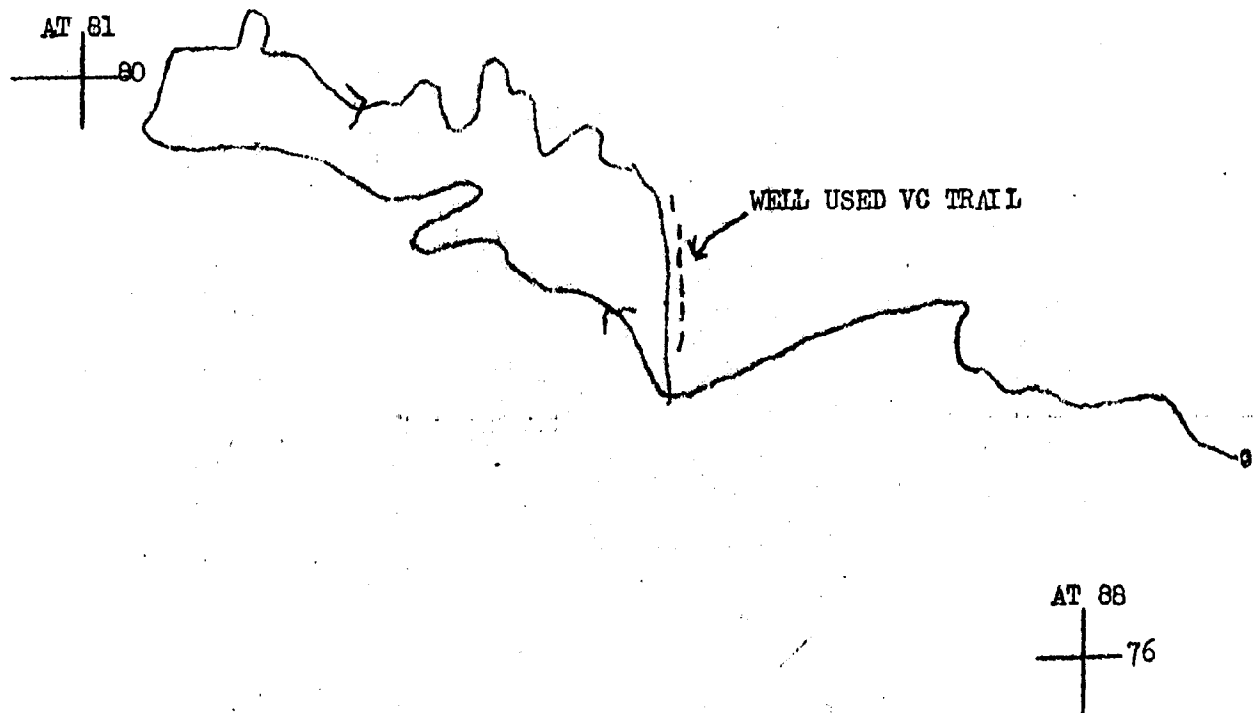
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1st FLT, CO. B  
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

BARRIER, W.H.	095841	CRUMP, J.E.	2305571
BROWNING, J.W.	1933316	DONSBACH, R.W.	2295765
RYAN, S.	2249520	THOMPSON, K.C.	2304218
WOLFE, M.R.	2158413	RICHEY, R.W.	2326104
PATTON, G.P.	2200910	ONETO, H.S. JR.	2278170
CESARIO, D.J.	2250954	HIBBLE, R.L.	2271311
JONES, J.J.	2147920	HUTCHENS, R.L.	2314937
SIMMONS, F.C. III	2278941	COMPTON, J.M.	B504195

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(c) 1stMarDivOP3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)  
(d) 1stMarDivOpO 301-66; Annex "D" (Rules of Engagement)  
(e) BnFragOrder Msg #498-57

Unit/Call Sign: B-2-1 (DUTCH OVEN), Patrol Leader: SSgt LIPNIEKI

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PTR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NPZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Que Son Valley area; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Swift.
3. Execution. Depart IZ FINCH 090700H; insert via. AT929344. Extract at 131500H, via. AT933338. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 37.9; Alternate 39.6  
Artillery: (a) ARVN DELTA 68.65  
(b) BUDWEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY  
(b) BEACON LIGHT DELTA

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1)  
11th Mar (3)  
Recon FSCC (1)  
Recon S-3 (4)  
CO, Co. "B" (1)  
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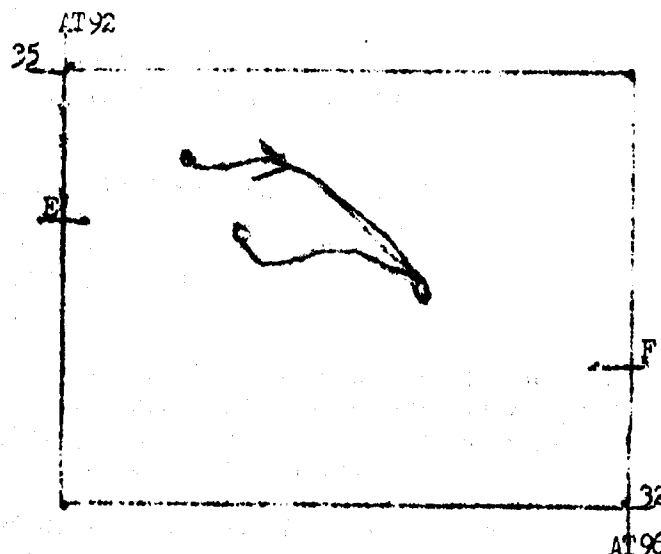
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OPERATION SWIFT:  
 OPERATION CODE: 498-67  
 PATROL: B-2-1 DUTCH OVEN  
 REFERRED: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6640 III

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; M-49; 2 7x50;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-60; M-14;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/EFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN QUE SON VALLEY AREA; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SWIFT.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 090800H/131730H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 10 1/2 HRS. WITH 5 SIGHTINGS. FOR A TOTAL OF 48 VC; 3 FM WERE CALLED AND THE PATROL TOOK THE VC UNDER FIRE ON TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS; THE RESULTS WERE 14 VC KIA PROB. AND 1 VC KIA CONF. THE PATROL TOOK HEAVY SA FIRE ON EXTRACTION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 101030H AT943336 2 VC ON TRAIL, BLK. PJ'S, BUSH HATS, 2 RIFLES; PATROL TOOK VC UNDER FIRE, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB. AS DETERMINED BY THE AMOUNT OF BLOOD ON THE TRAIL.

121325H AT875315 32 VC MOVING N ON TRAIL; BLK. AND GREEN UTILITIES; PACKS, RIFLES; BLACKCOAT CALLED FM, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

121610H AT969325 10 VC MOVING SE ON TRAIL; GRAY PJ'S; PACKS, RIFLES, 1 STRETCHER; FM CALLED, 10 VC KIA PROB.

121730H AT964325 3 VC ON TRAIL BLK. PJ'S, PACKS AND RIFLES; FM CALLED, 3 VC KIA PROB.

130940H AT953373 1 VC NEAR PATROL; BLK. PJ'S, PACK; PATROL TRIED TO TAKE VC PRISONER, VC RAN, PATROL KILLED HIM.

AT9633 MANY VC FIRED AT PATROL WHILE THEY WERE BEING EXTRACTED. UH-1E GUNSHIP RAN THE VILLAGE, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: STEEP MOUNTAINOUS, SECONDARY UNDERGROWTH MOMEMENT WAS FAIRLY EASY. VERY HARD IN SOME PLACES. THERE WAS SOME WATER IN THE LOW LANDS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT IZ AT929340 IN A POOR CH-46 ZONE-A BOMB CRATER. EXTRACT IZ AT950333, IN A FAIR CH-34 ZONE. THERE IS A WELL USED TRAIL ON TOP OF RIDGE. VIC. AT948330-3-4 FRESH FIGHTING HOLES.

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AT 92 HILL 621 THERE WERE FIGHTING HOLES AND MANY FRESH SCARPS. THE  
 HILLS WERE VERY FRESH. AFTER THE PATROL RECOVERED A PAT AND  
 HILL 621, THE VC STARTED FOLLOWING THE PATROL. PATROL WAS ABLE TO  
 FIGHT THE VC AND CONTINUE THEIR MISSION. THERE WAS A SMALL, CULTIVATED GARDEN  
 NEAR HILL 12. THERE WERE SEVERAL GARDENS AND MANY WATER BUFFALO IN THE AREA.  
 A VC PROPAGANDA LEAFLET WAS FOUND ON HILL 621.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC KIA CONF. 1 VC KIA PROB.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: ARTY EXCELLENT

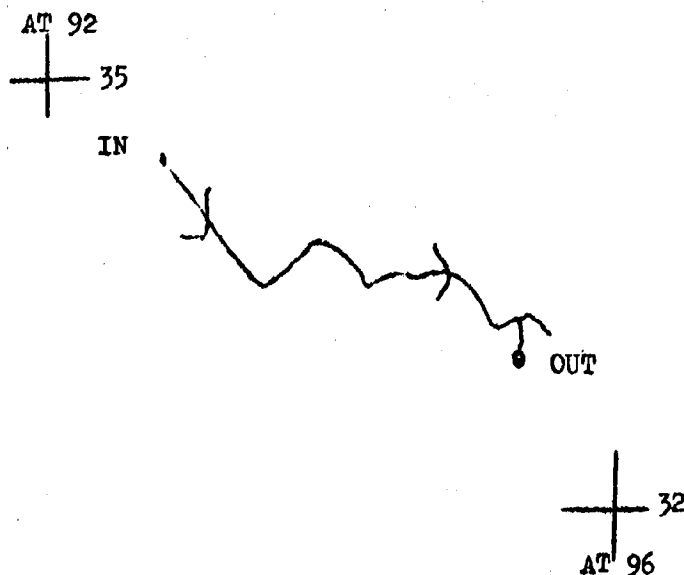
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 2nd PLT, CO. B  
 PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: CONTINUE OBSERVING THIS AREA BUT STAY OFF THIS PORTION  
 OF THE RIDGE LINE.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LIPNICKEY, T.J.	1867856	JONES, W.G.	2280401
TRIANA, R.	2243982	HOLMBECK, E.V.	2297364
JOHNSON, E.S.	5247645	WOODIER, W.H.	2276537
EARP, B.F.	2098723	KITZKE, R.F.	2286388
NELSON, D.M.	2267456		

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 (d) 1st Mar Div Op 301-66; Annex "G" (Rules of Engagement)  
 (e) BrEngOrder Msg #499-67

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Unit/Call Sign: F-3-1 (HATEFUL) Patrol Leader: LT DRAKE

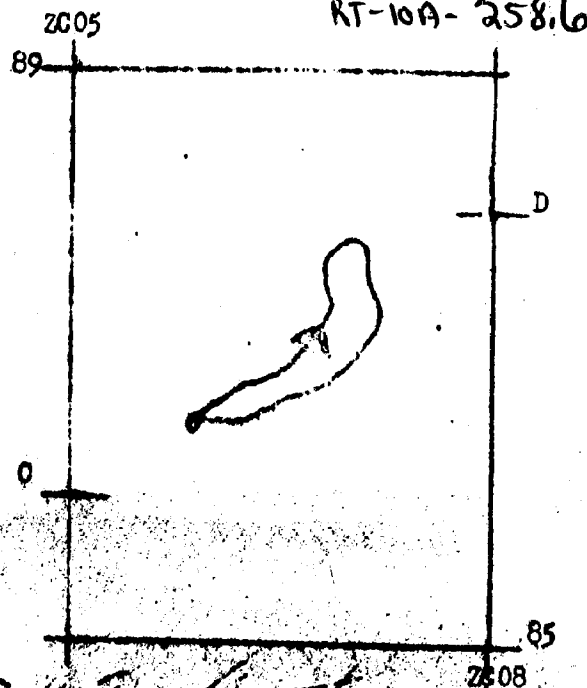
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Elephant Valley. Particular emphasis to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 100700H; insert via. ZC0586. Extract at 141500H, via. ZC0586. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
 Artillery: (a) WHITE SOAP BRAVO 1 52.4  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY  
 (b) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
 G-3 (2)  
 Div AO (1)  
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 Patrol: F-7-1. Hater  
 Deliverer: Lt. P.R. Young  
 Map: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; Sheet 6541 III

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 Da Nang, RVN  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT: 2 OFF, 6 EN.
  - A. COMPOSITION: 2 OFF, 6 EN.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 1 RT-10; 2 7x50's; 1 M-49.
  - D. 1 ANTI-INTRUSION DEVICE; 1 M-79; 1 SHOTGUN; 1 CAMERA; 4 CLAYMORES.
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN ELEPHANT VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH THE SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 100800H/150830H.
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 120 HOURS WITH ON CONTACT WITH 6 VC WHICH RESULTED IN 3 VC KIA CONF.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY:
 

131730 ZC068868 PATROL SPOTTED 6 VC BUILDING HARBOUR SITE; RAINCOATS AND SHELTER HALVES; PATROL TOOK ENEMY UNDER FIRE RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA CONF.
  - B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP, WITH HIGH CANOPY AND MODERATELY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH ON THE RIDGES, AND VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH ON THE SLOPES. WATER IS AVAILABLE IN STREAMS SHOWN ON THE MAP.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. ZC057864, A GOOD 1xGH -46 ZONE OF 6' GRASS AND SCHRUB. EXTRACT LZ VIC. ZC063864, A 1xGH-46 ZONE ON THE ROAD. NO SUITABLE OP'S WERE FOUND IN THE AREA, AND THE ROUTE WHICH THE PATROL TOOK TO THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN WAS THE ONLY ONE AVAILABLE. ONE WELL USED TRAIL WAS FOUND (SEE OVERLAY); IT WAS ABOUT 8' WIDE AND HAD FRESH ELEPHANT DROPPINGS ON IT.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 3 VC KIA CONF.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND THAT PATROLS IN THIS AREA CONCENTRATE ON THE RIVER BEDS AS THERE AREA APPARENTLY NO VC IN THE HIGH GROUND. ALSO RECOMMEND A CLIMBING ROPE TO NEGOTIATE THE DIFFICULT TERRAIN.

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10. COMPLETENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: AIR WAS FAIR

LT. R. DRAKE

3rd PMT, 1st FORCE

PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

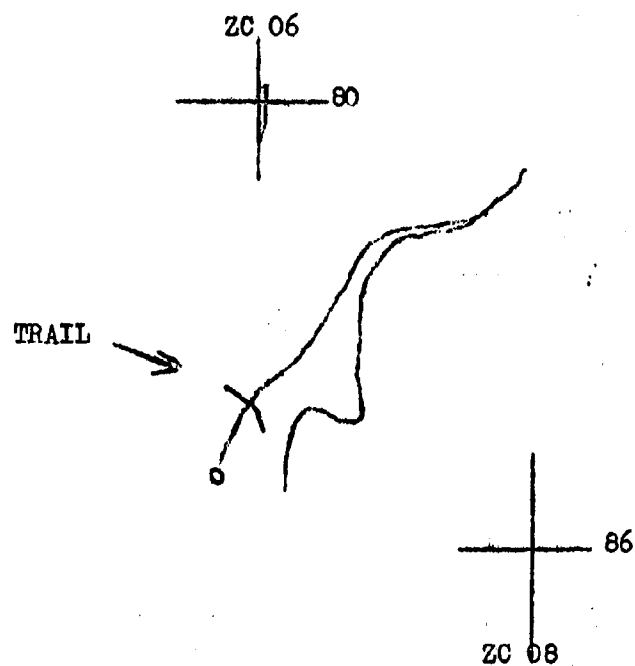
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

DRAKE, 091613  
GARREN, 2140771  
MALLARD, 2175283  
KEARNEY, 2205208

LOCKETT, 2172026  
MC EVOY, 2163058  
VERNON, 2217702  
KEATING, 075776

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Unit/Call Sign: F-4-2 (CHALKSTONE) Patrol Leader: LT TAUSSTIG

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR's  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect VC troop movement or possible arms infiltration in the Nong Son Coal Mine area and routes of access along the Song Thu Bong River. Particular emphasis to be placed on the Western entrance to Antenna Valley; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 120800H; insert vic. AT837378. Extract at 180830H; vic. AT837378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 36.4; Alternate 32.6  
 Artillery: (a) APNICA FREQ 36.05  
 (b) BIRDSEY SCUP "A" 32.65  
 (c) AVERAGE "W" 68.55  
 Radio Relay: BEACON LIGHT DELTA

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
 G-3 (2)  
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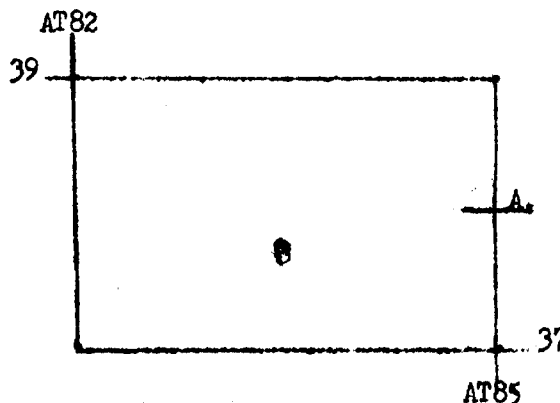
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OPERATION ORDER: 500-67  
 PATROL: F-4-2 CHALK  
 DELIVERER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL. 1 OFF.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 7x50; 6x30; BC SCOPE; STAR-LITE SCOPE;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: SNIPER RIFLE; M-79; M-60MG; CS GAS CANNISTER;

2. MISSION: ~~CONDUCT~~ RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE NONG SON COAL MINE AREA AND ROUTES OF ACCESS ALONG THE SONG THU BONG RIVER. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON THE WESTERN ENTRANCE TO ANTENNA VALLEY; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 121000H/181030H

4. ROUTE: ALL ACTIVITY WAS CONDUCTED ON TOP OF HILL 452 VIC. AT837378.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 144 HRS. WITH 3 SIGHTINGS, TOTALLING 21 VC. 3 FM WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 132120H AT900403 10 LIGHTS MOVING THROUGH THE HILLS; FM CALLED, LIGHTS WENT OUT.

141305H AT825330 8 VC IN TREE LINE; BLK. PJ'S; 1 RIFLE; FM CALLED, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS.

141440H AT825330 3 VC WALKING ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; 2 PACKS; CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE STARLITE SCOPE WAS VERY GOOD AND IT IS STRONG ENOUGH TO PICK UP MOVING LIGHTS AT GREAT DISTANCES (6000-7000 METERS).

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: OUTSTANDING

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: A .50 CAL. MG SHOULD BE TAKEN BY FUTURE PATROLS.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS:

LT. TAUSSIG  
 4th PLT, 1st FORCE  
 PATROL LEADER



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12. COMMENTS BY [REDACTED] BRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

TAUSSIG	092912
LAWTON	1938835
HAWRYLAK	2137762
WOLFE	2030387
LINN	2137391
SCHLEIBAUER	2200627
BAHR	2220044
LAMAR	2279721
WARE	2263560
MC CARTHY	2188229
MOORE	2090046
MORRIS	2174375

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(e) BnFragOrder Mz #501-67

Unit/Call Sign: (BUIRUSH) Patrol Leader: SGT ~~KRSTTER~~ **WITMER**

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within you assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through Elephant Valley and the Garden of Eden; provide security for radio relay from Dong Den and be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 100900H; insert vic. AT837828. Extract at 160330H, vic. AT837828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
Artillery: (a) AVERAGE HOE HQ 60.85  
(b) HIGHEST SCUP "C" 52.4  
Radio Relay: (a) BECON LIGHT X-RAY

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1)  
11th Mar (3)  
Recon FSCC (1)  
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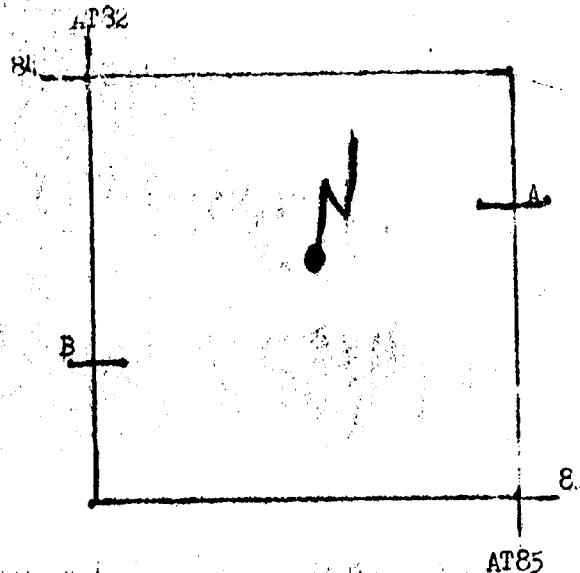
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OPERATION ORDER: 507-67  
 PATROL: B-3-2 BUI  
 DEBRIEFER: 1LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6641 III

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL. 1 OFF. 2 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: BC SCOPE; M-49; STARLIGHT SCOPE; 3 7x50;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 LAWS; M-79; M-60 MG; .50 CAL. MG;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH ELEPHANT VALLEY AND THE GARDEN OF EDEN; PROVIDE SECURITY FOR RADIO RELAY FROM DONG DEN AND BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 111600H/170730H

4. ROUTE: ~~ACT. ACTIVITY~~ TOOK PLACE ON TOP OF DONG DEN VIC. AT8382.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 135 HRS. WITH 2 SIGHTINGS, TOTALING 40 VC. 2 FM WERE CALLED AND THE PATROL TOOK THE VC UNDER FIRE ON ONE OCCASSION, THE RESULTS ARE UNKNOWN.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 141930H AT855860 10 VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; 2 RIFLES; FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

151650H AT865860 30 VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S AND KHAKI; RIFLES AND PACKS; FM CALLED, PATROL FIRED ON VC WITH .50 CAL. MG, UNK. RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: SEE PREVIOUS PATROL REPORTS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: KEEP A .50 CALL UP ON DONG DEN BECAUSE IT COVERS THE VALLEY.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

SGT, J.F. WITMER  
 3rd PLT, CO, B  
 PATROL LEADER

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

WITMER, J.F.	2174276	NIMMO, A.L.	2230619	STROESSNER, 2201408
LEGALLEY, D.J.	2318405	HARDIE, L.O.	7760704	COCHRAN, R.D. 6922537
MATTSON, J.A.	2285872	AVERY, D.W.	2211448	WINKELMAN, 2174276
LAWSON, M.L.	2290653	KING, E.O.	2101390	STANLEY, 094354
MURDOCK, M.G.	2277059	BOUCHER, J.L.	2254176	

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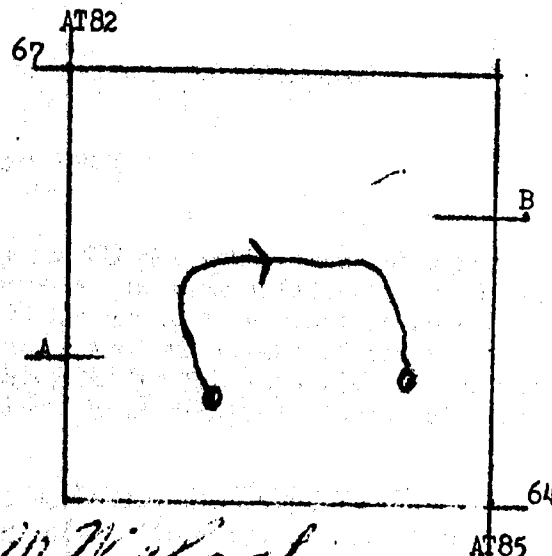
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Unit/Call Sign: C-1-1 (CIRCUMSTANCE) Patrol Leader: LT SCHREIBER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Khe Sanh Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 100800H; insert via. AT831647. Extract at 141400H, via. AT844648. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 35.0; Alternate 34.0  
Artillery: (a) CORKLEG "K" 32.15  
(b) AVERAGE INDIA 36.15  
(c) WHITE SOAP BRAVO 2 39.80  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO  
(b) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1)  
11th Mar (3)  
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OPERATION GROUP: 502-67  
 PATROL: C-1-1 CIRCUMSTANCE  
 DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 8 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 2-7x50; M-49;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14; M-79;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN LEECH VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 100930H/150900H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 129 HRS. WITH 1 SIGHTING FOR A TOTAL OF 2 VC. NO FM WERE CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 111230H AT839658 2 VC MOVING DOWN TRAIL TOWARD PATROL; CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES; RIFLES; PATROL OPEN SA FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: PLENTY OF WATER AS INDICATED ON MAP. VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH IN THE LOW GROUND, HIGH CANOPY ON HIGH GROUND UP TO (100'-150') SECONDARY GROWTH IS THICK EVERYWHERE. MOUNTAINS ARE VERY STEEP IN PLACES, MANY LARGE BOULDERS ALONG THE ENTIRE ROUTE. MOVEMENT IS VERY HARD.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT833647 GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF BARE GROUND. EXTRACT LZ AT845647 SEVERAL CH-46 ZONE OF ELEPHANT GRASS AND LOW SHRUBS. THERE ARE NO HLZ ON THE HIGH GROUND. THERE WERE NO SUITABLE OBSERVATION POSTS ALONG THE PATROLS ROUTE. THERE IS A VERY WELL-USED, MAIN TRAIL RUNNING ALONG THE TOP OF THE RIDGELINE (SEE OVERLAY) WITH FOX HOLES ALONG THE TRAIL. ALL SIGNS WERE VERY FRESH AND THE TRAIL IS BEING CONSTANTLY USED. PATROL FOUND MANY DISKS ALONG THE TRAIL THAT APPEAR TO BE PADDINGS FOR MORTAR RDS.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: SEND A STRONG PLATOON UP TO THE TRAIL AND CAPTURE PRISONER OR SET AN AMBUSH.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

LT. K.D. SCHREIBER  
1st PLT, CO. C  
PATROL LEADER

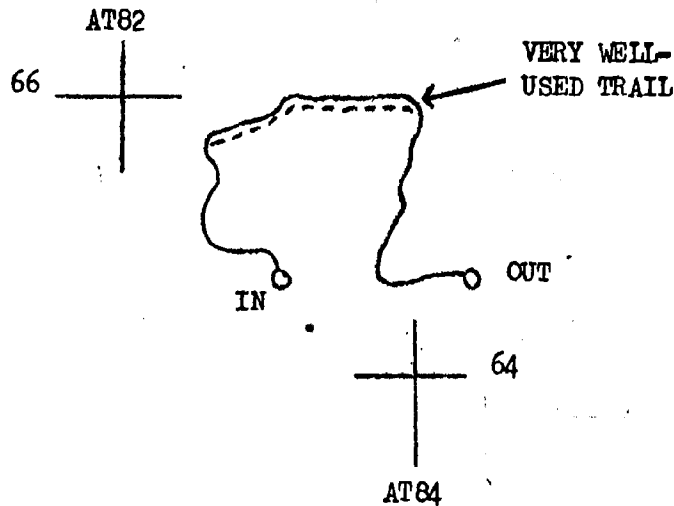
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SCHREIBER, K.D.	0100653	ARMBRUSTER, H.U.	2311476
RUDD, R.C.	2211409	DIGIOIA, S.	2347764
GUINN, K.E.	2217797	WOOLARY, J.C.	2288405
RIGGS, M.J.	2287838	VILLANUEVA, G.	3540532
SHUMAN, L.B.	2281017	KURFMAN, W.W.	2250278

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Unit/Call Sign: C-1-2 (DREADFUL) Patrol Leader: SGT HATTON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Que Son Valley area; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity. In support of Operation Swift.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 111300H; insert vic. PT002409. Extract at 151300H, vic. RT993401. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA 68.65  
 (b) CARNIVAL TIME DELTA 68.65  
 (c) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT WHISKY.

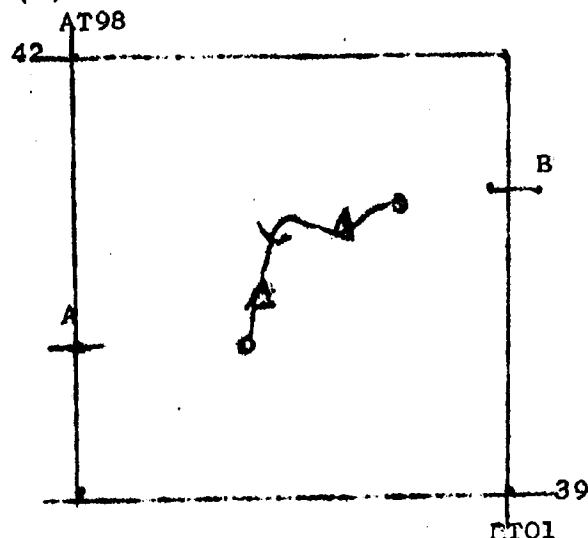
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OPERATION SWIFT  
 OPERATION ORDER: 67  
 PATROL: C-1-2 DREADFUL  
 DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT

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## 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; M-49; 7x50;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; CLAYMORES;

## 2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN QUE SON VALLEY AREA; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY. IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SWIFT.

## 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 120905H/160930H

## 4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

## 5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96½ HRS. WITH 20 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 159 VC; 16 FM AND 3 AIRSTRIKES WERE CALLED RESULTING IN 17 VC KIA PROB. AND 4 VC KIA CONF. 1 USMC WIA (MINOR) WHO WAS MEDEVACED. THE PATROL RELIEVED "EYELET" IN PLACE AND TOOK HEAVY AUTOMATIC FIRE DURING THE INSERT. THE PATROL MADE CONTACT WITH THE VC 5 TIMES.

## 6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 120930H UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC SHOOTING AT THE PATROL WITH SA. UN-IE GUNSHIPS STRAPED VC AND ARTY WAS CALLED ON VC. UNKNOWN RESULTS.

121400H BT005398 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC SNIPING AT PATROL W/SA. FM CALLED, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

121440H AT999408 18-25 VC FIRING AT PATROLS POSITION; BLK. PJ'S, KHAKI; AUTO AND SEMI AUTO SA FIRE. PATROL RETURNED FIRE RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA PROB. FIXED WING AND UH-IE GUNSHIPS WERE CALLED IN. THE VC POSITIONS WERE STRAPED, NAPALMED AND ROCKETED. EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET, RESULTS UNKNOWN.

131510H BT003415 10-15 VC SHOOTING AT PATROL AND FIXED WING WITH AUTO AND SEMIAUTO SA. FIXED WING CALLED IN; RESULTING IN 7 VC KIA PROB.

141034H BT019391 4 VC MOVING E ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S AND KHAKI; 2 PACKS, 4 RIFLES; FM CALLED, 2 HOOCHES DESTROYED, 4 VC KIA PROB.

141140H BT029398 4 VC MOVING IN ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S AND KHAKI; 3 RIFLES AND 2 BICYCLES. FM CALLED, RESULTS UNKNOWN.

141200H BT029398 4 VC MOVING IN ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; 4 RIFLES AND 2 BIKES; FM CALLED, RESULTS UNKNOWN.



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141210H BTO49 12 VC MOVING NE AND E; BLK. PJ'S; FM CALLED, RESULTS UNKNOWN.

141250H BTO19391 3 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; 2 PACKS, 1 RIFLE. FM CALLED, 3 VC KIA PROB.

141325H BTO19391 5 VC MOVING EAST; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS; FM CALLED, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

141435H BTO19391 8 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES; FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

141530H BTO03374 TO BTO19391. 22 VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL; BLK. AND GRAY PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

141545H BTO32399 3 VC MOVING E ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES; FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

151000H BTO08382 12 VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL; BLK. AND GRAY PJ'S; LARGE PACKS; FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

151105H BTO33398 TO BTO20391 23 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; SHOULDER BOARDS; LARGE BASKETS; BICYCLE; NO FM CALLED.

151150H BTO19391 3 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; 2 PACKS; FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

151215H BTO10382 4 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; KHAKI AND GRAY UNIFORMS; LARGE PACKS; FM CALLED, 3 VC KIA PROB.

151235H BTO17389 9 VC MOVING SE ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; SHOULDER BOARDS AND BASKETS.

151550H BTO19391 5 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; KHAKI, BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. FM CALLED, 2 VC KIA CONF.

151615H BTO24396 12 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. FM CALLED, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP MOUNTAINS. VEGETATION FROM 3' TO 12' AND IT IS NOT THICK. MOVEMENT IS FAIRLY EASY. STREAM BTO01411 HAS WATER IN IT. MANY LARGE BOULDERS IN THE AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT999409 GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF OPEN TERRAIN. ZONE IS VERY EXPOSED TO FIRE FROM SEVERAL DIRECTIONS. EXTRACT LZ VIC. BTO11433 GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF LOW BRUSH. THERE ARE MANY LZ ALONG PATROL ROUTE. VERY GOOD LZ VIC. BTO03431 OP VIC. BTO11433.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 USMC WIA (MINOR) 2 VC KIA PROB.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: DO NOT FLIP-FLAP IN THIS AREA. HILL TOP VIC. BTO11433 SHOULD BE MADE INTO A PERMANENT OP.

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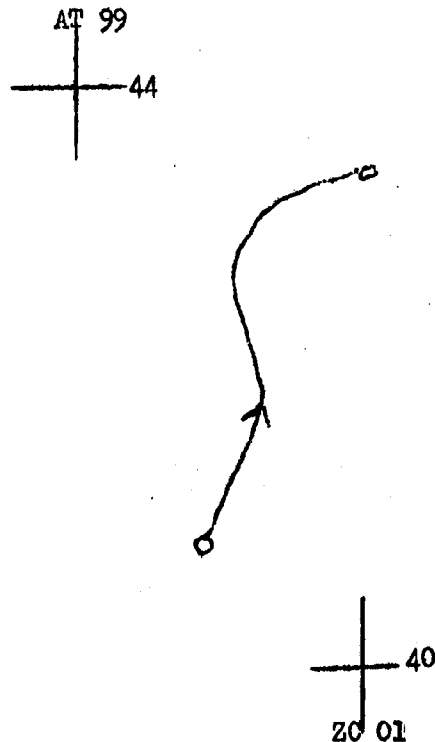
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: ARTY. VERY GOOD; AIR OUTSTANDING;  
AO'S DID EXCELLENT JOB OF COVERING.
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:
- SGT. HATTON  
1st PLT, CO, C  
PATROL LEADER

HATTON, C.W.	1658596
LAMPKIN, M.R.	2105381
CISNEROS, D.	2269655
SIROIN, L.D.	2220646
BALANGUE, B.R.	1807566

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(b) LrCpO 325-66  
(c) 1stM-1DivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)  
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Unit/Call Sign: C-3-2 (CREWCUT) Patrol Leader: SSGT MELIM

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect any evidence for the MIA member of CLUBCAR. **Emphasis** also to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 111400H; insert via. ZC15. Extract at 151400H, as designated. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 35.0; Alternate 34.0  
Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
(b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO I 52.4  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO  
(b) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY

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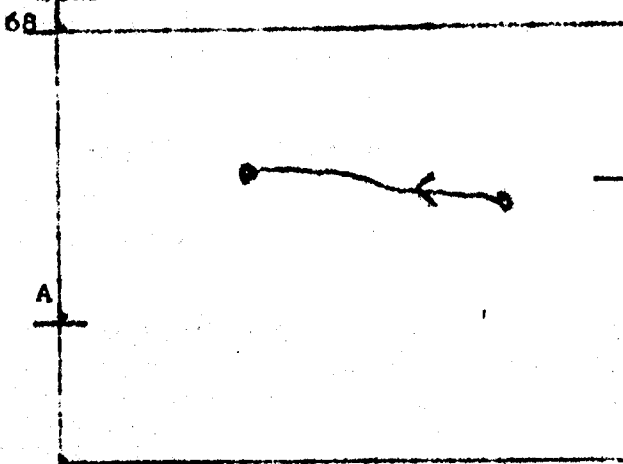
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Operation Order: 67 504  
 Patrol: C-32 Circuit  
 Commander: Lt. P.R. Young  
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 9 EN, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 2 7x50's.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79; CLAYMORES.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/EFZ TO DETECT ANY EVIDENCE OF THE MIA MEMBER OF GIUECAR. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, FORTIFICATIONS, STORAGE AREAS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 121030H/171500H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 122½ HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF VC ACTIVITY OR OF ANY EVIDENCE OF THE MIA; NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: NONE.
- B. TERRAIN: VERY MOUNTAINOUS AND STEEP; NO TRAILS; PLENTY OF WATER; THICK SECONDARY UNDERGROWTH WITH CANOPY UP TO 60' IN PLACES; MANY LARGE BOULDERS ALONG THE PATROL ROUTE; MOVEMENT IS DIFFICULT, BUT THERE ARE MANY GOOD HARBOUR SITES.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. ZC192662, A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF BURNED OFF GRASS; EXTRACT LZ VIC. ZC172663, A GOOD 1xUH-34 ZONE OF 10' ELEPHANT GRASS.

DURING THE SEARCH FOR THE MIA (HM2 LAPORTE), THE PATROL FOUND A HELMET BELONGING TO GYSGT. WEBB VIC. ZC169664. THIS HELMET WAS LOST BY GYSGT. WEBB WHEN HE PARACHUTED INTO THE AREA; HIS PARACHUTE WAS ALSO FOUND BY THE PATROL; THE VC HAD NOT BEEN IN THE AREA WHERE THE CHUTE WAS FOUND; THE AREA THE CHUTE WAS IN HAD HIGH CANOPY, 50'-60'.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: BELIEVE THAT THE BEST WAY TO INSERT NEAR THE PARACHUTE WOULD BE TO RAPPELL IN; PATROLS CAN AFFORD TO GO LIGHTLY ON WATER (5 CANTEENS IS PLENTY).

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A.

SSGT. P.R. MELIM  
 3rd PIA, CO. 9  
 PATROL LEADER

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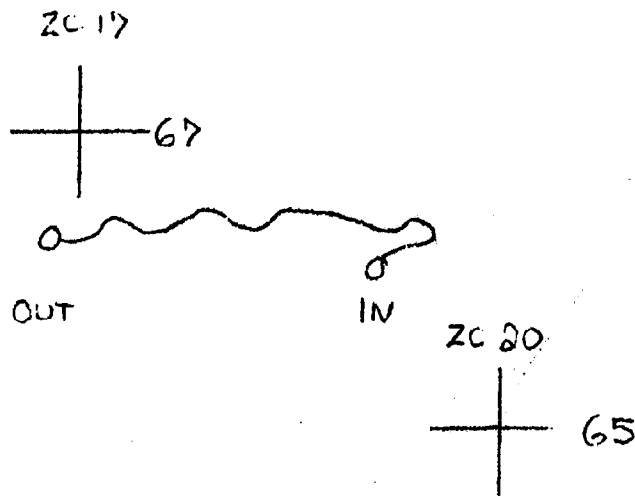
12. COMMENTS BY DE [REDACTED] TER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

MELIM, 1894914  
SLEEPER, 2249559  
GIRVIN, 2291466  
MORRIS, 2305473  
PODSCHELNE, 2190747

SCHANKE, 2283238  
CORNIER, B102021  
REASON, 2172165  
SMOLEN, 2197156  
SIMPKINS, 2283945

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Unit/Call Sign: F-5-2 (BRISBANE) Patrol Leader: SGT HAUXHURST

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct a battle damage assessment in the area south of the entrance to Happy Valley. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NPZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications and routes of access; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 120700H; insert vic. AT798653. Extract at 160900H, vic. ZC201643. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 35.0; Alternate 34.0  
Artillery: (a) AVERAGE INDIA 36.15  
(b) CORNLEG KILO 27.15  
(c) WHITE SOAP BRAVO 2 39.80  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO  
(b) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY  
ZC30

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1)  
11th Mar (3)  
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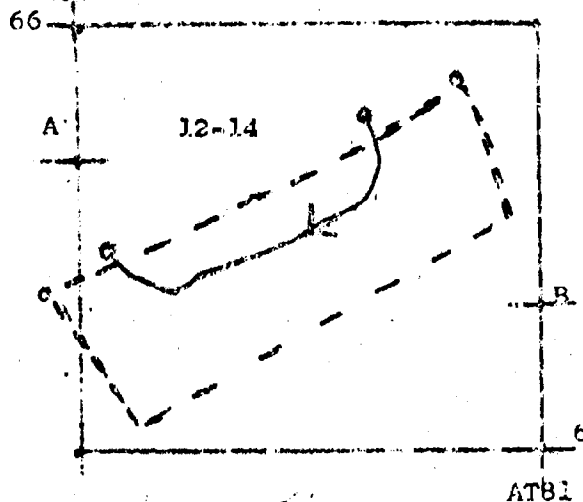
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PATROL: M-5-E BRISBANE  
DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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DTG 171620H SEPT. 67

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 8x30;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: CLAYMORES; M-14; M-79;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT A BOMB ASSESSMENT IN THE AREA SOUTH OF THE ENTRANCE TO HAPPY VALLEY. CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/EFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION, PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 120745H/171530H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 12 HRS. WITH 1 SIGHTING OF 2 VC. ONE FM WAS CALLED, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: 160925H ZC202644 2 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL; KHAKIS, PACKS AND RIFLES; CALLED FM WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
  - B. TERRAIN: VERY LITTLE COVER ALONG ROUTE, MOSTLY ELEPHANT. TERRAIN IS ROLLING. MOVEMENT IS EASY. WATER IN STREAMS AS INDICATED ON THE MAP.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT798654 GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE IN KNEE-HIGH GRASS. EXTRACT LZ ZC206645 GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE IN 5' GRASS, THERE ARE SEVERAL LZ'S ALONG PATROL ROUTE. THERE WERE NO PROMINENT TRAILS ALONG ROUTE. OF VIC. ZC209643---GOOD OP OVERLOOKING THE RIDGELINE TO THE WEST.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: FUTURE PATROLS SHOULD WORK ON THE GROUND HIGHER UP THE RIDGE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

SGT. J. HAUXHIRST  
5th PLT, 1st FORCE.  
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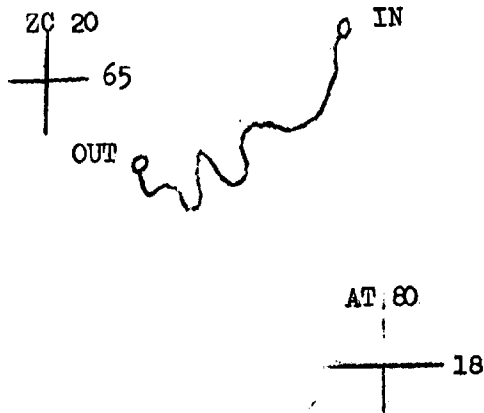
DECLASSIFIED BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

HAUXHIRST	2137259	DOBSON	2266432
KELLY	2147377	ADAMS	2276040
POWELL	2251435	GLOR	2259423
GARDNER	2277801	SLOWICK	2276768

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Unit/Call Sign: F-4-1 (CONSULATE) Patrol Leader: SGT. JENSON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NPZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Que Son Valley area in support of operation Swift; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 140700H; insert vic. AT951357. Extract at 181400H, vic. AT963358. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and Verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA 68.65  
(b) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT WHISKY  
(b) BEACON LIGHT DELTA

Distribution: G-2

G-3

Div AO

11th Mar

Recon FSCC

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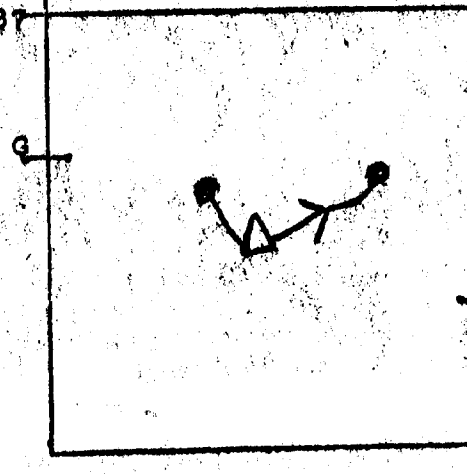
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 PATROL: F-4-1 COMBATE  
 DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT

## 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRO-25'S; 7x50; 12x SCOPE;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; CLAYMORES; M-14;

## 2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/EFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN QUE SON VALLEY AREA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SWIFT; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

## 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 151000H/160900H

## 4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

## 5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 71 HRS. WITH 5 SIGHTINGS, TOTALING 28 VC. 5 FM WERE CALLED, WITH 7 VC KIA CONF. AND 6 VC KIA. PROB.

## 6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 151330H AT936365 7 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL; FM CALLED, COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS.

171250H AT977349 3 VC MOVING NE IN TREELINE; BLK. PJ'S, ~~BLACK~~ SHIRTS; 2 RIFLES AND 1 PACK; CALLED FM, 1 VC KIA CONF. 2 VC KIA PROB.

171330H AT978334 7 VC MOVING W ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S AND ~~BLACK~~ 2 RIFLES AND 3 PACKS; CALLED FM, RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA CONF. 2 VC KIA PROB.

171350H AT968348 3 VC MOVING W ALONG TREELINE; BLK. PJ'S; 1 RIFLE AND 1 PACK; CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COVERAGE, RESULTS 1 VC KIA CONF. AND 2 VC KIA PROB.

171500H AT973344 8 VC, 6 IN TREELINE, 2 ON TRAIL MOVING E; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND 2 RIFLES; CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COVERAGE, RESULTS 3 VC KIA CONF.

B. TERRAIN: NO WATER ON ROUTE. MOUNTAIN TOP IS ROLLING, MOVEMENT FAIRLY EASY. VEG. 3-10 FEET HIGH. MANY TRAILS IN THE AREA.

## 7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT944345-FAIR 1 CH-46 ZONE OF 4' GRASS; EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT952355, A GOOD 1xGN-46 ZONE CUT BY THE PATROL.

THE PATROL USED OP'S VIC. AT944347 (POOR), VIC. AT948347 (FAIR), AND VIC. AT953354, AN EXCELLENT OP OF 5' GRASS WITH LARGE ROCKS. THERE ARE MANY TRAILS RUNNING FROM HILL 579 TO HILL 400 (SEE OVERLAY).

THE PATROL FOUND ONE HOMEMEDE AP MINE VIC. AT946346 (MINE WAS 4"x4"x6"); PATROL REMOVED TRIP WIRE, BUT LEFT MINE IN PLACE.

THE TRAIL THROUGH THIS AREA IS A GOOD SITE FOR AN AMBUSH.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD, EXCEPT FOR THREE MEN WITH NON-BATTLE INJURIES, ONE WITH CUT LEG, ONE WITH INFECTED HEEL, AND ONE WITH WASP STINGS.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE INSERT LZ WAS AN EXCELLENT ONE FOR ENTERING THIS AREA.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT.

SGT. JENSEN  
4th PLT, 1st FORCE  
PATROL LEADER

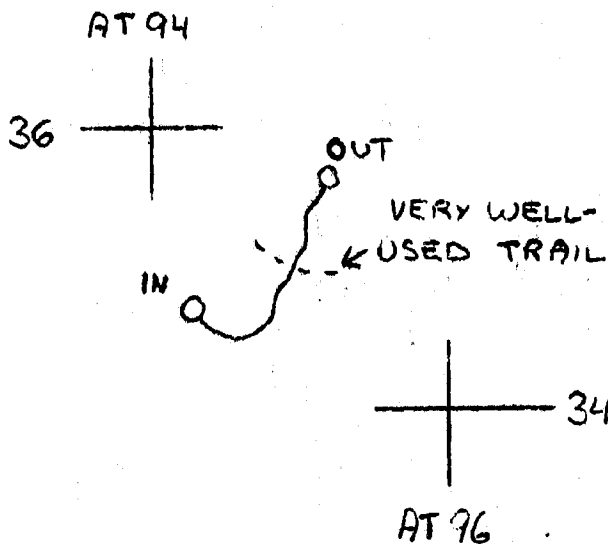
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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

JENSEN, 1949496  
HUFF, 2152547  
OWENS, 2172789  
LANSBURG, 2171599

OWENS, 2130769  
SIMMONS, 2239883  
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Unit/Call Sign: F-2-1 (HONG KONG) Patrol Leader: SGT. NOVOTNY

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/PFZ to detect possible VC troop movement in the Hiep Duc Valley Area in support of Operation Swift. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 140800H; insert vic. AT886283. Extract at 181500H, vic. AT903289. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 37.9; Alternate 39.6  
Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA/CARNIVAL TIME DELTA 68.65  
(b) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY  
(b) BEACON LIGHT DELTA  
(c) CHALKSTONE

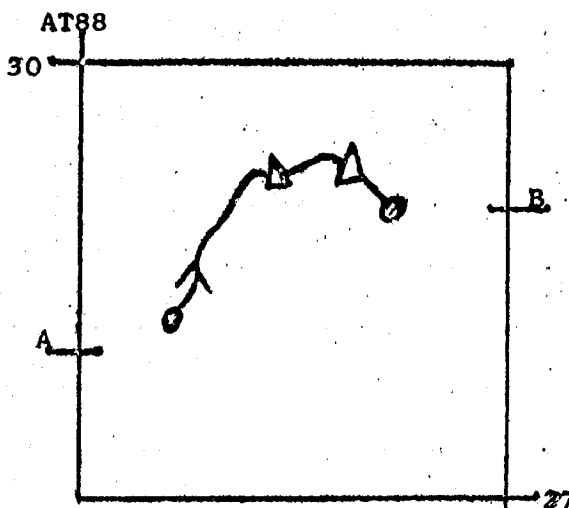
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 DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 7x50;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14; M-79;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT IN THE HEIP DUC VALLEY AREA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SWIFT. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 161100H/161200H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 1 HR. IN WHICH PATROL WAS SHOT OUT ON INSERTION BY SA FIRE.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: UNKNOWN
  - B. TERRAIN: STEEP FINGERS WITH TREES UP TO 20' HIGH.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT854273 GOOD UH-34 ZONE ON A NARROW FINGER WITH LOW BRUSHES. ALL ACTIVITY TOOK PLACE AT THIS VIC.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE INSERT BIRD HAD BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE THE 2nd BIRD INTO THE ZONE; IT DID NOT HAVE A PATROL MEMBER WITH A RADIO IN IT. WHEN THE LEAD BIRD INSERTED THE PATROL LEADER, THE LEAD TEAM ALMOST SHOT THOSE MEN WHO WERE ON THE GROUND BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T KNOW THEY HAD BEEN INSERTED. THE AIRCRAFT SCHEDULED TO GO IN FIRST MUST DO SO AND MUST HAVE A RADIO AMONG THE PERSONNEL ABOARD.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: AIR EXCELLENT.

SGT. NOVOTNEY  
 2nd PLT, 1st FORCE  
 PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

NOVOTNEY	2265052	HENSLEY	2295677	WHITE	2239362
GAINBY	2315707	BONDS	2327136	DEGREY	2320041
KLEVEN	2278448	ADAMS	2269702		

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Unit/Call Sign: F-2-2-(POTTERY) Patrol Leader: SSGT. LONG

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Elephant Valley; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 131230H; insert vic. AT811872. Extract at 174500H, vic. AT823871. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
Artillery: (a) BIRDBEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
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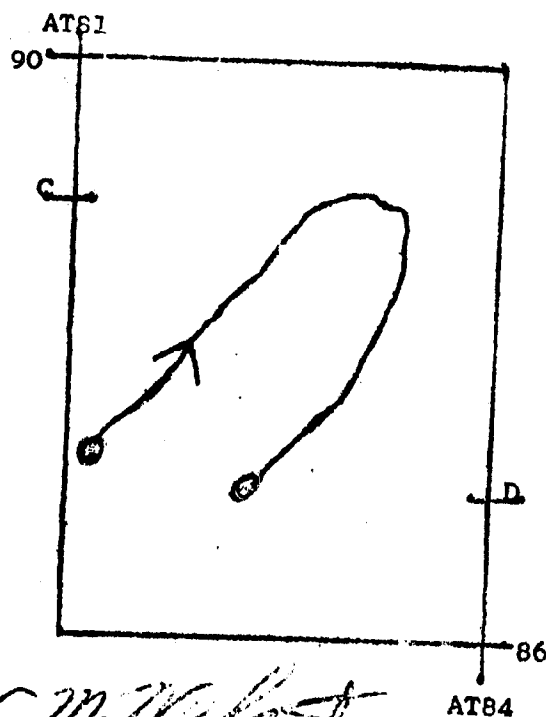
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 7 EN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 2 7x50's.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION IN ELEPHANT VALLEY; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 131600H/171530H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF VC.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE.

B. TERRAIN: VERY THICK, HEAVY VEGETATION AND VERY STEEP SLOPES; MOVEMENT IS DIFFICULT. WATER IS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. AT816862, A GOOD ZONE IN 10' ELEPHANT GRASS LARGE ENOUGH FOR MANY AIRCRAFT; EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT827864, A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE. OTHER ZONES ARE AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE VALLEY FLOOR.

THERE ARE TRAILS THROUGHOUT THE AREA; ONE WELL USED TRAIL, ABOUT 3' WIDE, WAS FOUND VIC. AT813872. THERE IS A GOOD OP VIC. AT815877, FROM WHICH THE VALLEY TO THE SOUTH CAN BE OBSERVED.

THE PATROL FOUND ONE TUNNEL, PROBABLY USED AS A BOMB SHELTER, VIC. AT828867.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A.

SSGT. P.E. LONG  
2nd PLT, 1st FORCE  
PATROL LEADER

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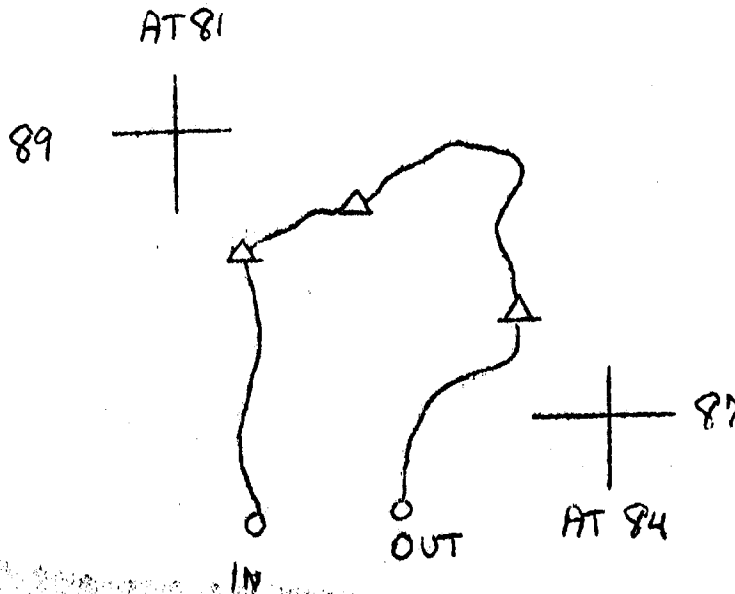
12. COMMENTS BY [REDACTED] REFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LONG, 2005909  
WOO, 2057558  
WILKINS, 2147185  
GRUZ, 2249686

STUFFLEBEAN, 2218507  
DERR, 2325793  
WILLINGHAM, 2398822

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 Detachment: Lt. P.R. Young  
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 5 ENLISTED.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 1 STARLITE SCOPE; 1 6x30.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 SNIPER RIFLE; 1 M-79.

2. MISSION: TO ESTABLISH AN OP VIC. AT966746 AND OBSERVE THE AREA, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON CAPTURING A WOULD-BE ASSASSIN AND LOOKING FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A TRANSMITTER OR SIMILAR ITEM.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 150500H/171830H.

4. ROUTE: N/L.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 57½ HOURS WITH NO ENEMY SIGHTINGS, NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: NONE.
- B. TERRAIN: LOOK SOUTH FROM CAMP REASONER.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: PATROL WAS TRUCKED IN AND OUT TO AND FROM THE RECON O.P. THERE WERE SEVERAL WOODCUTTERS IN THE HILLS VIC. AT962746, AT965745, AT964744, AT963746, AT968745--EACH MORNING THEY WOULD CUT THEIR WOOD AND LEAVE THE AREA, MOST OF THE WOODCUTTERS WERE WOMEN.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: FOR FUTURE PATROLS IN THIS AREA, PUT THE MEN IN THE PERMANENT OP AND LET THEM OBSERVE FROM THERE DURING THE DAY.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

SGT. BOWSER  
 1st FORCE RECON. CO.  
 PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

BOWSER	2157601	ZINCHON	2304318	MOGLOTHLIN	2231848
MOOS	2192362	CHILSON	2245039		

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Unit/Call Sign: F-5-1 (KILLER KANE) Patrol Leader: LT FINLAYSON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Antenna Valley area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 150800H; insert vic. AT894408. Extract at 191400H, vic. AT905413. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 37.9; Alternate 39.6  
Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
(b) ARNICA ECHO 36.65  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT DELTA  
(b) CHALKSTONE  
(c) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY

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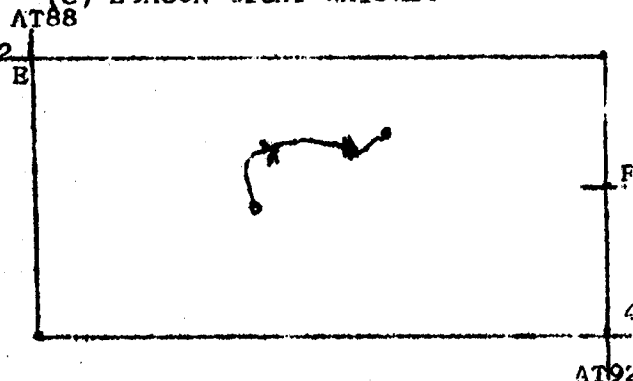
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AFTER 30 DAYS  
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OPERATION ORDER: 509-67  
 PATROL: F-5-1 KILLER KANE  
 DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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1st RECONNAISSANCE BN.  
 DA NANG, RVN  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 6 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25'S; 1 8x30;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-79; 2 CLAYMORES;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/TFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE ANTENNA VALLEY AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 160900H/200900H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HOURS WITH 3 SIGHTINGS REPRESENTING AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. TWO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 160900H AT897396 INSERT AIRCRAFT TOOK FIRE FROM VILLE TO SOUTH OF PATROL'S INSERT LZ.

161830H AT903413 PATROL OBSERVED 1 M-16 AP MINE SET ON EAST OF TOP OF HILL; MINE WAS DESTROYED BY A GRENADE AND, UPON DETONATION PATROL HEARD VOICES AND CHEERING COMING FROM VILLE VIC. ATC97396.

182115H AT902413 PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT 10 METERS WEST OF THEIR POSITION; USED GRENADES AND MOVEMENT INCREASED THEN STOPPED; SANDAL FOOTPRINTS FOUND NEAR CALYMORE MINE ON FOLLOWING MORNING.

191515H AT908368 PATROL OBSERVED AIR FORCE AO TAKE SA FIRE FROM VILLE, APPROX. 40 RDS. FROM 3-4 AUTOMATIC WEAPONS; FIRE MISSION CALLED WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE; RESULTS UNKNOWN.

181930H AT895397 3 LIGHTS MOVING WEST; FM CALLED AND LIGHTS WENT OUT.

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP WITH MEDIUM SECONDARY GROWTH; NO WATER NEAR TOP OF HILL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. AT893407, A GOOD 2xCH-46 ZONE OF THIN, 2' GRASS; EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT907414, A GOOD 1x CH-46 ZONE OF THICK BRUSH 2'-6' HIGH.

THE ONLY ACTIVITY OBSERVED DURING THE DAYTIME IN ANTENNA VALLEY WAS A FEW CHILDREN TENDING WATER BUFFALO, ALTHOUGH MANY HOOTCHES APPEAR WELL KEPT. A LARGE AREA OF THE VALLEY IS CULTIVATED WITH RICE PADDIES AND WHAT APPEAR TO BE VEGETABLE GARDENS.

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8. NUMBER OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND THAT THIS VALLEY BE SWEEPED BY INFANTRY AND THAT AO'S MAKE RECONNAISSANCE OF THIS AREA MORE OFTEN, ESPECIALLY GRID SQUARES AT9036 AND AT9136.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: ARTY. GOOD

LT. A.R. FINLAYSON  
5th PLT, 1st FORCE  
PATROL LEADER

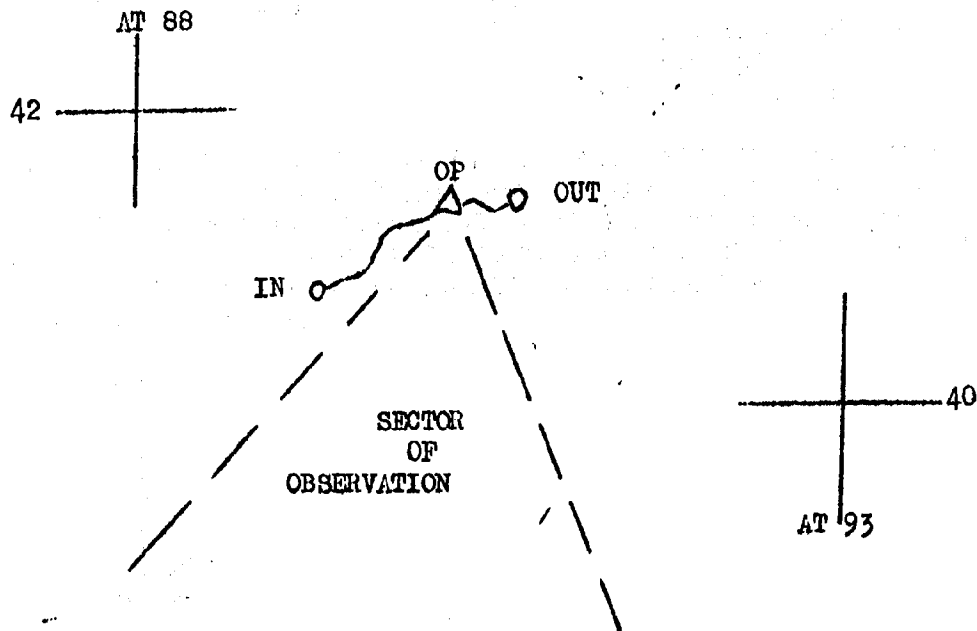
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: DURING THE LAST RICE HARVEST, IN MAY, THIS SAME RECON. PLATOON OBSERVED AN ESTIMATED 1000 YOUNG MEN HARVESTING RICE IN ANTIEN VALLEY. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THESE SAME CONDITIONS WILL REOCCUR DURING THE OCTOBER HARVEST AND THAT MOST OF THE RICE WILL WIND UP IN VC HANDS. RECOMMEND THAT STEPS BE TAKEN TO HINDER OR PREVENT THE VC FROM HARVESTING AND TRANSPORTING CROPS IN THIS AREA.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

FINLAYSON	092862
HAGER	2118203
LANDIS	2206114
GARNER	2259966
WILLIAMS	2278103
CONNER	9186342
MINTER	2200052
ELLIS	2310116

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Unit/Call Sign: F-1-2 (COUNTERSIGN) Patrol Leader: SGT HOLTON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance with your assigned NPZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 150700H; insert vic. AT825756. Extract at 191500H, vic. AT812780. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
(b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO 1 52.4  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY  
(b) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1)  
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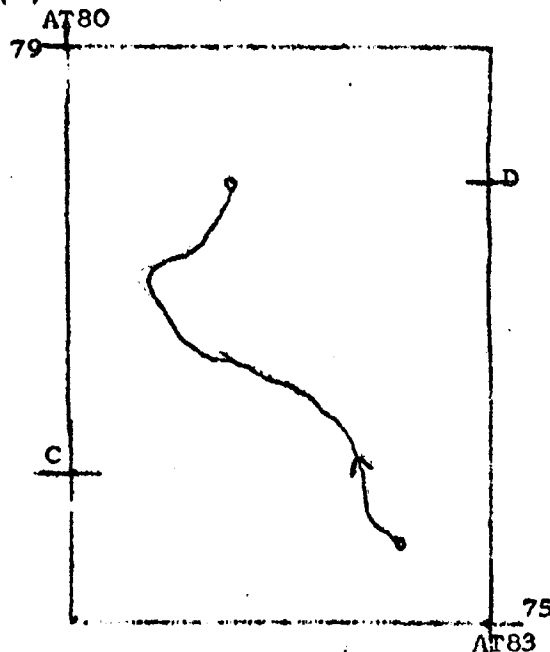
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OPERATION ORDER: 510-67  
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 DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 1 7x50;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-79; 2 CLAYMORES;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITH YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/EFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 160730H/201000H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 98½ HOURS WITH NO SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY OR INDICATIONS OF SIGNIFICANT VC ACTIVITY IN THE AREA. PATROL SUSTAINED 3 NONE BATTLE CASUALTIES.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: STEEP, WITH CANOPY AVERAGING 40'-60'; SECONDARY GROWTH IS FAIRLY THIN ON THE RIDGE WHERE THE PATROL WAS INSERTED, BECOMING THICKER TO THE NORTH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. AT823753, A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF 4' GRASS; EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT817777, A 1 CH-46 ZONE OUT FROM 25' SECONDARY BRUSH.

PATROL FOUND AND FOLLOWED OLD TRAIL, 3'-4' WIDE AND WELL WORN, BUT SHOWING NO RECENT USE. ALSO DISCOVERED WAS AN OLD ROAD, UNUSED AND PARTIALLY OVERGROWN. (SEE OVERLAY)

NO SIGNS OF VC TRAFFIC OTHER THAN A FEW OLD ANIMAL PITS WERE FOUND IN THE AREA COVERED BY THE PATROL.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: 3 NON BATTLE INJURIES (MEDEVAC); OTHERWISE GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

SGT. F.P. JOHNSON  
1st PLT, 1st FORCE.  
ASSISTANT PATROL LEADER

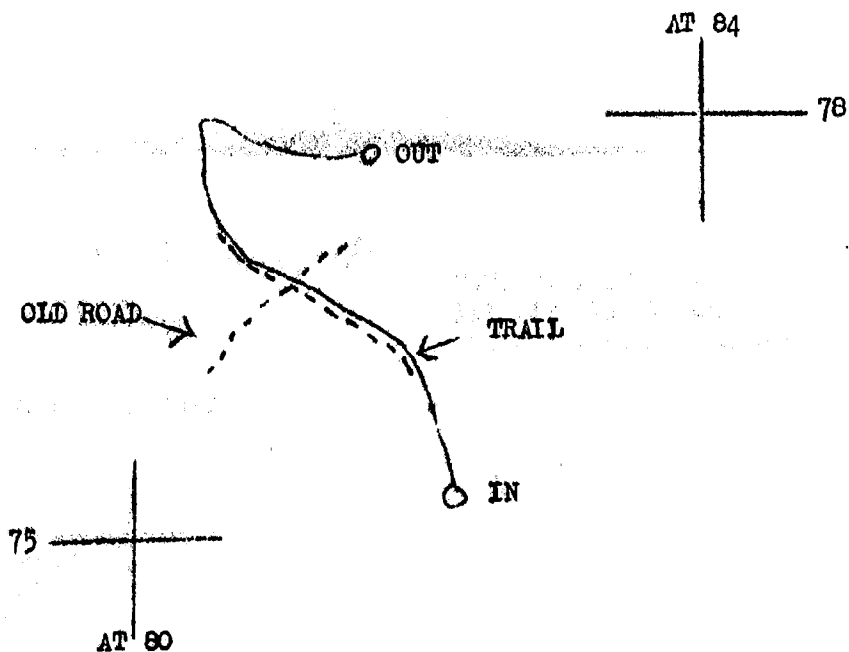
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

JOHNSON	2096869
UNKEL	2178167
SCHMIDT	2260056
JOHNSON	2332601

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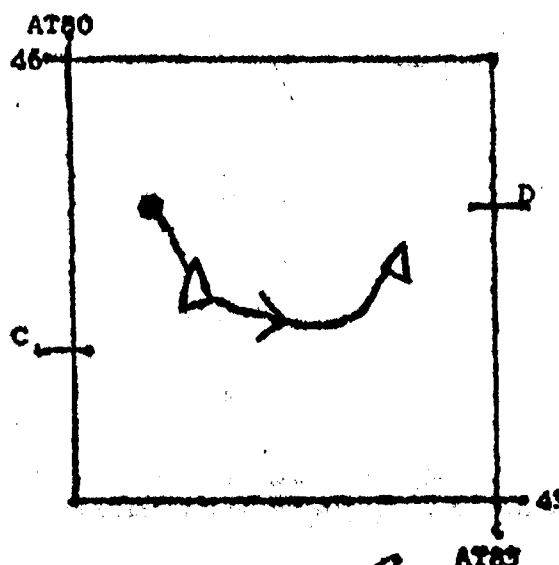
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Unit/Call Sign: B-3-1 (DATELINE) Patrol Leader: GYSGT. AUSTIN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Duc Duc Valley area; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 160800H; insert vic. AT805450. Extract at 201500H, vic. AT823445. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 36.4; Alternate 37.9  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA ECHO 36.65  
 (b) BIRDBEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT DELTA  
 (b) CHALKSTONE

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
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 Debriefers: Sgt. E.S. Waters  
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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 10 EN, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25's; 2 7x50's; 1 M-49 SCOPE.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60 MG; 1 M-79; 1 M-14; 1 SHOTGUN; 4 CLAYMORES.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE DUC DUC VALLEY AREA; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 171530H/210830H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 89 HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS FOR A TOTAL OF 89 VC; 1 FIRE MISSION WAS CONDUCTED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

201345H AT805457 4 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST ON TRAIL; KHAKI SHORTS AND BLACK SHIRTS; PACKS AND RIFLES; CALLED FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

201530H AT805457 4 VC; 2 MEN AND 2 YOUNG WOMEN, MOVING SOUTHWEST ON TRAIL; MEN IN KHAKI SHORTS AND BLACK SHIRTS, WATER RIFLES; GIRLS IN BLACK OR NAVY BLUE SKIRTS AND GREY BLOUSES; PATROL SAW OTHER GIRLS IN THE SAME UNIFORM AT OTHER TIMES, BUT NO VC WITH WEAPONS.

B. TERRAIN: LOW, ROLLING HILLS WITH VERY THICK BRUSH AND ELEPHANT GRASS AVERAGING CHEST TO HEAD HIGH; MOVEMENT IS SLOW AND DIFFICULT.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. AT792455. A VERY GOOD LZ ON A KNOLL ALMOST INTO THE PADDIES; THERE IS ROOM FOR 5-6 CH-46's IN CHEST HIGH BRUSH, AND NUMEROUS SIMILAR KNOLLS IN THE AREA. EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT811448, A PREVIOUSLY-USED 1xCH-46 ZONE ON A HILLTOP; THE SAME POSITION ALSO SERVED AS AN OP.

RUNNING GENERALLY EAST TO WEST THROUGH GRID SQUARE AT8045, THE PATROL FOUND A PAIR OF TRENCHES PARALLELING EACH OTHER A FEW FEET APART. EACH TRENCH IS ABOUT 5' DEEP AND 5'-6' WIDE, AND ALTHOUGH THE TRENCHES THEMSELVES ARE FAIRLY OLD, THERE ARE FRESHLY DUG CAVES ABOUT EVERY 20 METERS ALONG THE EDGES. THE PATROL FOLLOWED THE TRENCHES FOR ABOUT 300 METERS AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT THEY EXTEND ACROSS THE WHOLE GRID SQUARE AND PERHAPS FARTHER. IT IS ALSO BELIEVED THAT THEY ARE USED MAINLY AS TRAILS, AS THE BOTTOMS ARE FLAT AND WELL WORN BY FOOT TRAFFIC, AND HIDDEN FROM AERIAL OBSERVATION.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: ONE MAN SICK; OTHERWISE GOOD.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING.

GYSGT. C.E. AUSTIN  
3rd PLT, CO. B  
PATROL LEADER

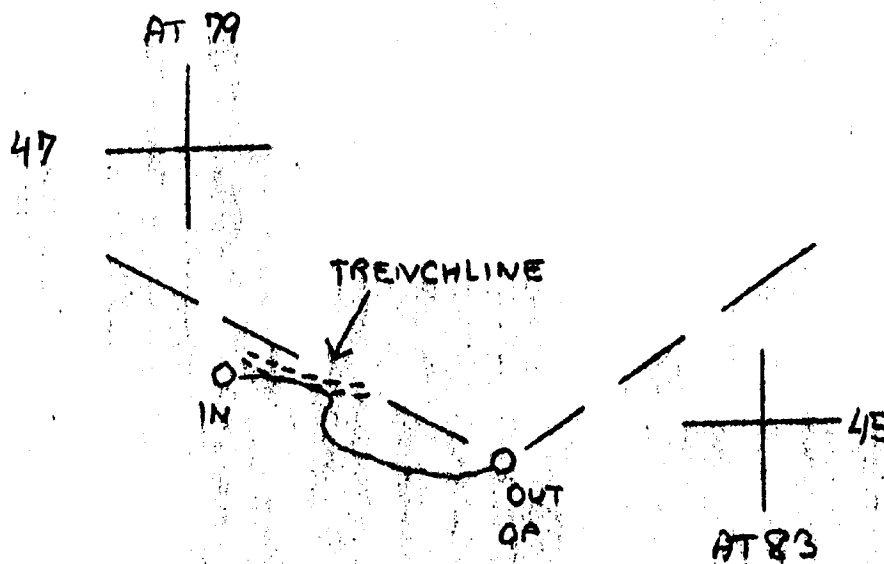
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

AUSTIN, 618450  
WIMER, 2265313  
SPARKS, 2265996  
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HENDERSON, 2283176  
HERNANDEZ, 2315441

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Unit/Call Sign: F-3-2 (CLASSMATE) Patrol Leader: SSGT. FRYMAN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect VC troop movement or possible arms infiltration in the Quan Que Son Valley area in support of Operation Swift; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 160700H; insert via. BT011433. Extract at 201430H, via. BT025448. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA 68.65  
 (b) CARNIVAL TIME DELTA 68.65  
 (c) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
 Radio Relay: BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY  
BEACON LIGHT DELTA

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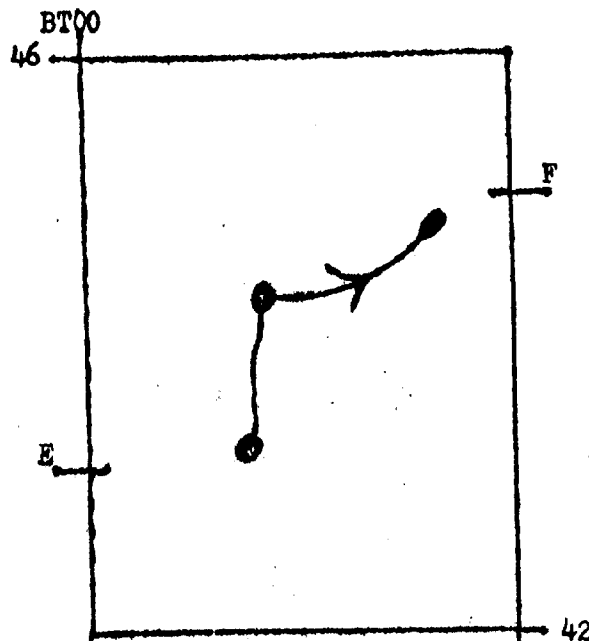
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OPERATION ORDER: 512-67  
PATROL: F-3-2 CLASSMATE  
DEBRIEFER: BSGT, E.S. WATERS  
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 6 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRQ-25'S; 1 7x50; 1 6x30;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-79; 2 CLAYMORES;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN QUE SON VALLEY AREA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SWIFT; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 161000H/200830H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 94½ HRS. WITH 3 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 9 VC. 3 FM WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 170915H BT029407 4 VC MOVING SE ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS; FM CALLED; UNKNOWN RESULTS.

171000H BT025410 3 VC RUNNING SE ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS; FM CALLED; UNKNOWN RESULTS.

171320H BT026407 2 VC RUNNING SE ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS; FM CALLED; UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: STEEP, WITH MODERATELY THICK SECONDARY BRUSH AVERAGING 6'-8' IN HEIGHT; NO WATER WAS FOUND IN THE AREA COVERED BY THE PATROL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT 12 VCS, BT011452 A GOOD 1x CH-46 ZONE OF BRUSH FROM 2-8 FEET IN HEIGHT; A GOOD OP WAS FOUND AT THE SAME COORDINATES (SEE OVERLAY). EXTRACT 12 VCS BT012445, A GOOD 1x CH-46 ZONE BUT FROM 6' BRUSH. IN ALL THREE SIGHTINGS . . . THE VC RAN TOWARD A HOOTH.

8. VIG, BT027409 SEEKING SHELTER; HOOTH PROBABLY CONTAINS A BUNKER BENEATH.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: OPTICAL EQUIPMENT MORE POWERFUL THAN 7x50'S IS NECESSARY HERE. BELIEVE ALSO THAT THE AREA OF THE EXTRACT 12 HAS BEEN OVERUSED AND THAT THERE IS A DANGER OF MINES.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

SSGT. FRYMAN  
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PATROL LEADER

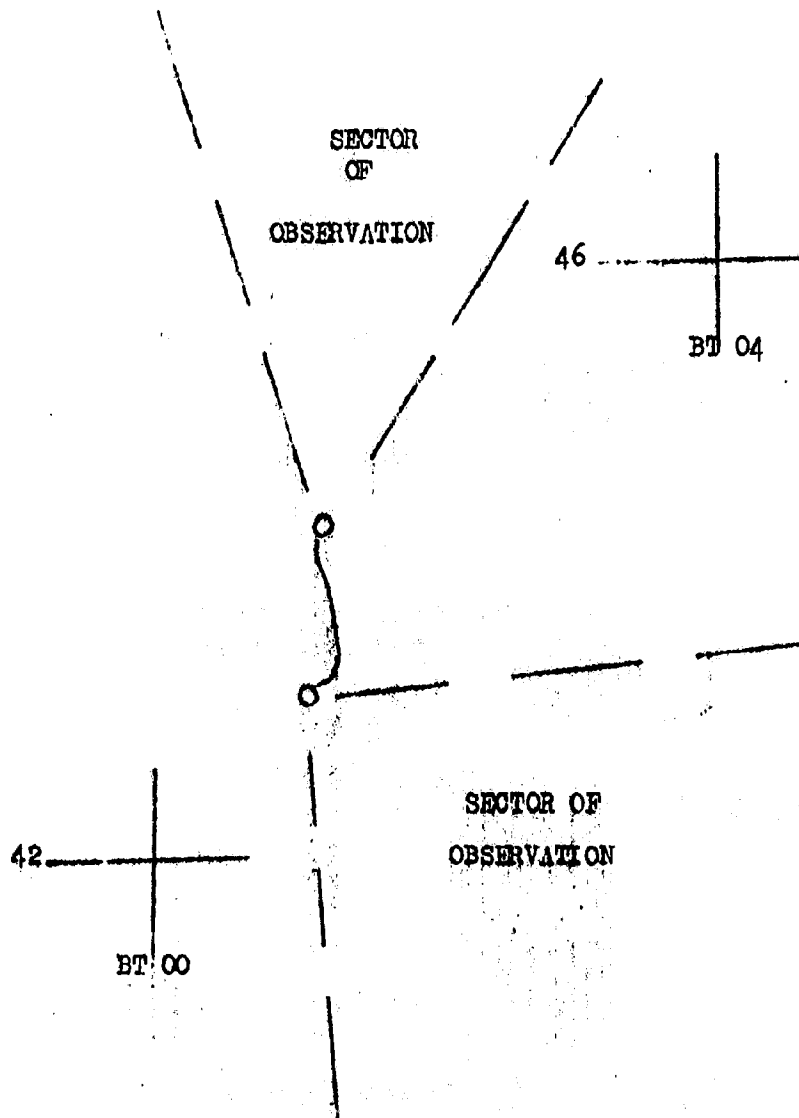
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

FRYMAN	1356690	ALSCHEBACH	2235724
DIAZ	<del>2070120</del>	<del>FRYMAN</del>	2184510
RICHARDSON	2211306		
NOLTE	2107985		

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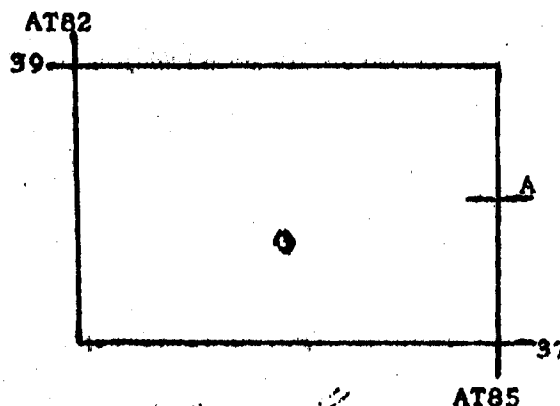
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Unit/Call Sign: C-3-1 (BYBLET) Patrol Leader: LT. McBRIDE

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect VC troop movement or possible arms infiltration in the Nong Son Coal Mine area and routes of access along the Song Thu Bong River. Particular emphasis to be placed on the Western entrance to Antenna Valley; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 180800H, insert vic, AT837378. Extract at 240830H, vic, AT837378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 36.4; Alternate 39.6  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA ECHO 36.65  
 (b) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
 (c) AVERAGE "W" 68.55  
 Radio Relay: BEACON LIGHT DELTA

Distribution: G -2 (1)  
 G-3 (2)  
 Div AO (1)  
 11th Mar (3)  
 Recon FSOC (1)  
 Recon S-3 (4)  
 CO, Co. "C" (1)  
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OPERATION ORDER: 513-67  
 PATPOL: C-3-1 EYELET  
 DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6640 III

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 1M-49 SCOPE; 1 STARLITE SCOPE;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 SNIPER RIFLE; 1M-14;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE NONG SON COAL MINE AREA AND ROUTES OF ACCESS ALONG THE SONG THU DONG RIVER. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON THE WESTERN ENTRANCE TO ANTENNA VALLEY; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 180830H/241830H

4. ROUTE: N/A; ALL ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED FROM THE PERMANENT OF VIC. AT837378.

5. THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 154 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF VC.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

LT. C.P. McBRIDE  
 3rd PLT, CO. C  
 PATROL LEADER

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

McBRIDE, C.P.	0100473	BYRNE, J.E.	207 5475
BUTLER, W.T.	1518243	MURRAY, M.M.	2136517
REYEMBARK, R.A.	2308276	MATTHEWS, D.C.	2264959
LEONARD, M.O.	2304937	HAYES, H.W.	2135328
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Unit/Call Sign: B-2-1 (DUTCH OVEN) Patrol Leader: SSGT. LIPNICKI

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through Elephant Valley and the Garden of Eden; provide security for radio relay from Dong Den and be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 170800H; insert vic. AT837828. Extract at 230830H, vic. AT837828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
Artillery: (a) AVERAGE HOTEL 60.85  
(b) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
Radio Relay: BEACON LIGHT X-RAY

Distribution: G-2

G-3

Div AO

11th Mar

Recon FSCC

Recon S-3

CO, Co. "B"

Ptl Ldr, B-2-1

20th 7th Mar

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OPERATION ORDER: 5/14/67  
 PATROL: B-2-1 DUTCH  
 DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
 MAB: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6640 III

1st RECONNAISSANCE BN.  
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 DTG 23 1800H SEP. 67

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRG-25'S; 2 7x50'S; IM-49 SCOPE;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: IM-79; IM-60 MG; 1 SNIPER RIFLE;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED MZ/REZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH ELEPHANT VALLEY AND THE GARDEN OF EDEN; PROVIDE SECURITY FOR RADIO RELAY FROM DONG DEN AND BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 170830H/231230H

4. ROUTE: N/A; ALL ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED FROM THE PERMANENT OP ON DONG DEN VIC. AT 837027.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 156 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: NONE
- B. TERRAIN: SEE PREVIOUS PATROL REPORTS

7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

SSGT. T.J. LIPNICKY  
 2nd FLT, CO.B  
 PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LIPNICKY	1867856	HOLMBEEK	2297364
TRIANA	2243982	WOODIER	2276520
NELSON	2267456	KITZKE	2286388
BOLIN	2187940	BELL	2191203
HAUSAUER	2288984	SMOGER	2078703
JONES	2280401	RICHY	2326104

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(d) 1stMarDivOpO 301-66; Annex "G" (Rules of Engagement)  
(e) BnFragOrder Msg # 515-67

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Unit/Call Sign: C-2-2 (CABARET) Patrol Leader: SSGT. NEWTON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Elephant Valley. Particular emphasis to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on ambush sites with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 180700H; insert vic. ZC117843. Extract at 221430H, vic. ZC125840. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
Artillery: (a) WHITE SOAP BRAVO I 52.4  
(b) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY  
(b) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO

Distribution: G-2 (1) ZC10  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1) 85  
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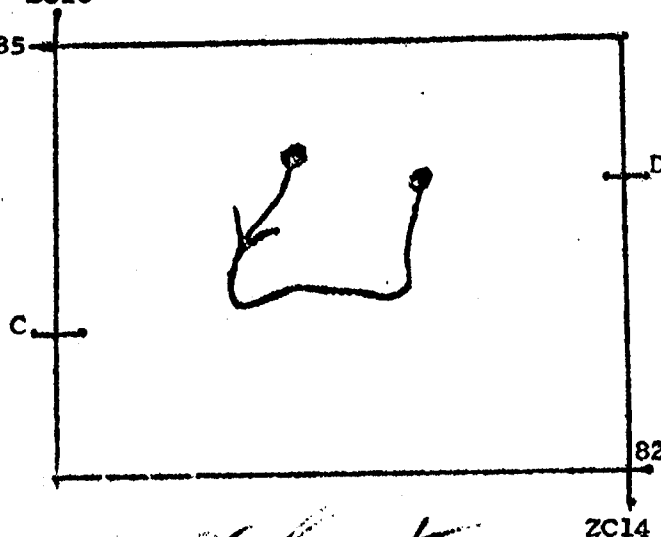
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Operation Order: 515-67  
 Patrol: C-2-1 Cabaret  
 Debriefers: Sgt. E.S. Waters  
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; Sheet 6541 II

1st Reconnaissance Bn.  
 Da Nang, RVN  
 221203H Sep67

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 7 EN, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 1 7x50's.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79; 2 CLAYMORES.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN ELEPHANT VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AMBUSH SITES WITH THE SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 180815H/221145H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 101 HOURS WITH NO SIGHTINGS OF VC OR EVIDENCE OF RECENT VC ACTIVITY IN THE AREA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE.

B. TERRAIN: FROM THE ROAD UP THE SLOPE FOR THE FIRST 100m THE TERRAIN IS VERY STEEP WITH THICK BRUSH AND GRASS 10' HIGH; 80%-100% CANOPY FROM THEN ON WITH ONLY MODERATE SECONDARY GROWTH; WATER IS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ VIC. ZC117843, A FAIRLY GOOD 1xUH-34 ZONE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE ROAD; SOMEWHAT SWAMPY WITH 10' ELEPHANT GRASS. THE ROAD IS OVERGROWN HERE AND SHOWS NO SIGNS OF USE.

AT VIC. ZC113833, THE PATROL FOUND ONE OLD HOOTCH 20'x25'x15' HIGH; CONTAINED LARGE SLEEPING PLATFORM AND PROBABLY WAS USED AS A REST AREA AT ONE TIME. NEARBY IS A 3'x6' BUNKER BUILT OF LOGS AND EARTH.

THERE ARE SEVERAL TRAILS IN THE AREA, NONE OF WHICH APPEARS TO HAVE RECENTLY USED (SEE OVERLAY).

A LOT OF WOOD CUTTING WAS DONE IN THIS AREA AT ONE TIME, AS EVIDENCED BY THE NUMBER OF STUMPS; THE PATROL ALSO FOUND A GREAT DEAL OF FINISHED LUMBER LAYING ABOUT ON THE GROUND, WHICH HAD BEEN THERE FOR AT LEAST A YEAR.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

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9. CONDITION OF PATROL: FAIR.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND THAT FUTURE PATROLS IN THIS AREA WORK MORE TO THE SOUTHWEST, AND ALSO THAT INSERTION ON THE ROAD BE AVOIDED IF POSSIBLE, AS THE STEEP SLOPES ARE DIFFICULT TO CLIMB IN WET WEATHER.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A.

SSGT. F.S. NEWTON.  
2nd PLT, CO. C  
PATROL LEADER

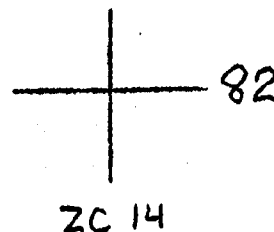
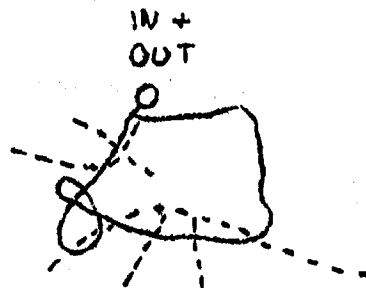
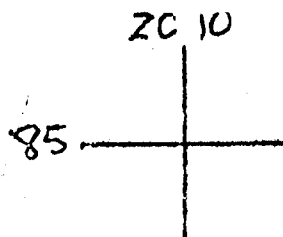
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

NEWTON, 1626779  
FISHER, 2158306  
CANFIELD, 2169646  
VASQUEZ, 2297228

PORTER, 2303489  
M. CLELLEN, 2308275  
CROWLEY, 2289944  
FEHL, B506451

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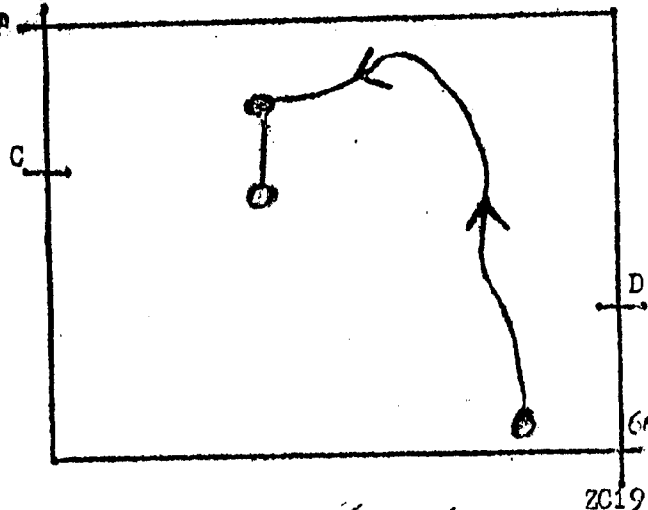
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Unit/Call Sign: C-2-1 (COVENTRY) Patrol Leader: SGT. STRAETER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect any evidence for the MIA member of CLUBCAR. Emphasis also to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 170800H; insert via. ZC183661. Extract at 211400H, via. ZC165678. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 35.0; Alternate 34.0  
Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "C" 52.4  
(b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO I 52.4  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO  
(b) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY

Distribution: G-2  
G-3.  
Div AO  
11th Mar  
Recon FSCC  
Recon S-3  
CO, Co. "C"  
Ptlldr, C-2-1

(1) ZC15  
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PATROL: C-2-1 COVENTRY  
DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL. 1 USN.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 2 7x50'S;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79; 1 CLAYMORES;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT ANY EVIDENCE FOR THE MIAMEMBER OF CLUBCAR. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 171500H/211300H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 94 HOURS WITH NO EVIDENCE OF THE MIA AND NO INDICATIONS OF VC ACTIVITY IN THE AREA.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: NONE
  - B. TERRAIN: CANOPY UP TO 150' HIGH; THICK SECONDARY GROWTH AND STEEP GROUND FROM THE INSERT LZ TO THE TOP OF THE RIDGE; VEGETATION THINS OUT MAKING MOVEMENT EASIER FROM THEN ON; PLENTY OF WATER AVAILABLE.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IN A ONE UH-34 ZONE VIC. ZC185661; POOR DUE TO A LOT OF STUMPS WHICH KEPT THE AIRCRAFT FROM SETTING DOWN. EXTRACT LZ VIC. ZC179683 IN A FAIR 1x UH-34 ZONE; SLOPING WITH GRASS AND A FEW TREES HERE AND THERE. THE PATROL COULD FIND NO SIGNS WHICH INDICATED VC ACTIVITY IN THE AREA FOR AT LEAST A YEAR. ALL TRAILS ARE GROWN OVER.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND THAT PATROLS CONDUCTING SEARCHES OF THIS TYPE WORK IN A SMALLER AREA, SUCH AS A GRID SQUARE, AND, OPERATING FROM A CENTRAL POSITION, SEND OUT SMALLER PATROLS TO COVER THE AREA THOROUGHLY.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

SGT. D.R. STRAETER  
2nd PI/T, CO. C  
PATROL LEADER

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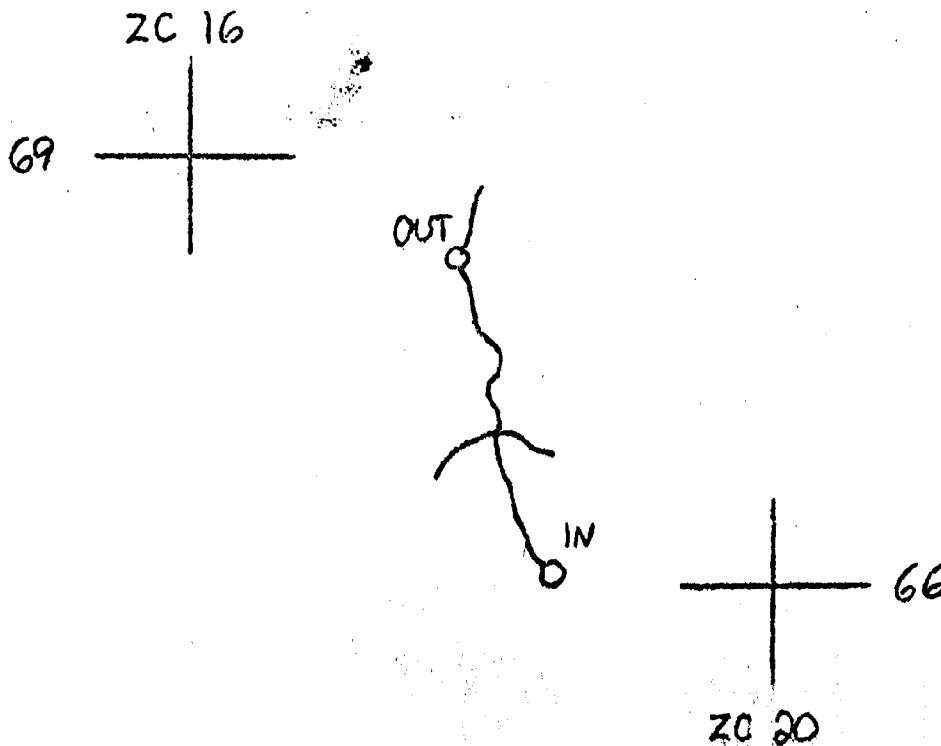
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

STRAETER, D.R.	1366270	ROLLO, D.G.	2250179
DAVIS, S.L.	2128858	TRAVIS, M.	2156102
LOPEZ, L.	2291266	JOHNSON, R.E.	B509098
PASSOLO, G.	2283235	VENTURA, A.Q.	2320215
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Unit/Call Sign: B-1 (CHARGE SHEET) Patrol Leader: SGT WITMER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Mortar/Leech Valley areas. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on areas suitable for ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 190700H; insert vic. AT857655. Extract at 231430H, vic. AT839675. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.0; Alternate 34.0  
Artillery: (a) AVERAGE INDIA 36.15  
(b) CORKLEG KILO 37.15  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO  
(b) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY

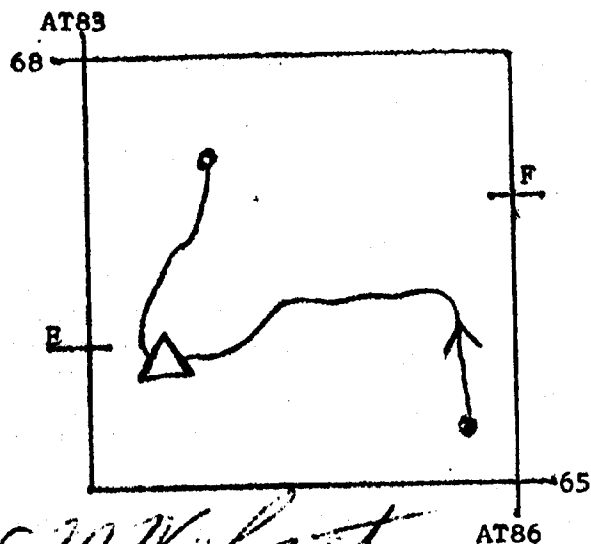
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OPERATION ORDER: 51  
 PATROL: B-1-1 CHARGE  
 DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6640 IV

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 2 7x50'S; 1M-49 SCOPE;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: NONE

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN MORTAR/LEACH VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSHES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 170700H/231715H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 11 1/2 HOURS WITH 2 CONTACTS WITH AN ESTIMATED 33 VC; RESULTS OF CONTACT WERE 1 VC KIA CONF, 1 VC KIA PROB, AND 1 WEAPON CAPTURES.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 201000H AT856664 APPROXIMATELY 8 VC HOLDING UP IN HARBOUR SITE; KHAKI UNIFORMS, PACKS AND RIFLES; PATROL INITIATED CONTACT RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

201215H AT851663 APPROX. 25 VC. MOVING EAST ON TRAIL; KHAKI UNIFORMS, PACKS AND RIFLES; POINT MAN OF PATROL MET POINT MAN OF VC COLUMN; 1 VC KIA CONF, AND 1 CAPTURES WEAPON CHICOM TYPE 56 ASSAULT RIFLE SER. #

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP, WITH CANOPY AVERAGING 60'-80'; SECONDARY GROWTH VERY THICK ON THE E SIDES OF THE RIDGE, BUT THINNER ON TOP. THERE ARE NUMEROUS STREAMS ON THE SLOPES. THE RIDGELINE, ESPECIALLY ON THE TOP AROUND HILL 310, IS COVERED WITH VERY LARGE BOULDERS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IN 4' KUNI GRASS VIC. AT857655; ON THE VALLEY FLOOR WITH ROOM FOR MANY AIRCRAFT. EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT839673; 12' ELEPHANT GRASS ALSO ON THE FLOOR OF THE VALLEY. AT VIC. AT851655, THE PATROL FOUND A DISCARDED RUSS. BAYONET, JUNGLE KIT AND 1M-26 GRENADE. AT VIC. AT854665, THERE IS AN OLD THATCHED HUT ON STILTS; HUT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN UNUSED FOR A LONG TIME. AT VIC. AT855665, THERE IS A DUD 250 LB. BOMB; PATROL WAS UNABLE TO DESTROY THE BOMB DUE TO THE ENEMY SITUATION. ALSO, AN UNKNOWN TYPE OF US M10 WAS FOUND VIC. AT838666 AND LEFT IN PLACE FOR THE SAME REASON. THE TOP OF HILL 310 VIC. AT863665 IS A LARGE VC HARBOUR SITE; TRAILS CUT THROUGH THE AREA. MUCH OF THE UNDER BRUSH HAS BEEN CUT AWAY TO FORM FIELDS OF FIRE, AND THERE ARE ABOUT 20 BUNKERS FORMED BY THE MANY LARGE ROCKS. THE SITE WOULD HOLD AN ESTIMATED VC COMPANY, AND HAD BEEN OCCUPIED WITHIN 24-48 HOURS BEFORE.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC KIA 1 VC KIA PROB. 1 CAPTURED WEAPON.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION: THIS IS A BAD AREA FOR AN 11 MAN PATROL BECAUSE OF THE DANGER OF AMBUSH AMONG THE ROCKS. IT IS, HOWEVER, A GOOD AREA FOR A LARGER PATROL TO SET UP THEIR OWN AMBUSHES. ALTHOUGH MANY H&I FIRES HAVE BEEN PUT INTO THIS AREA, THERE HAS BEEN NO EFFECT ON THE ROCK BUNKERS ON HILL 310.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

CPL. J.J. JONES  
1st PLT, CO. B  
PATROL LEADER

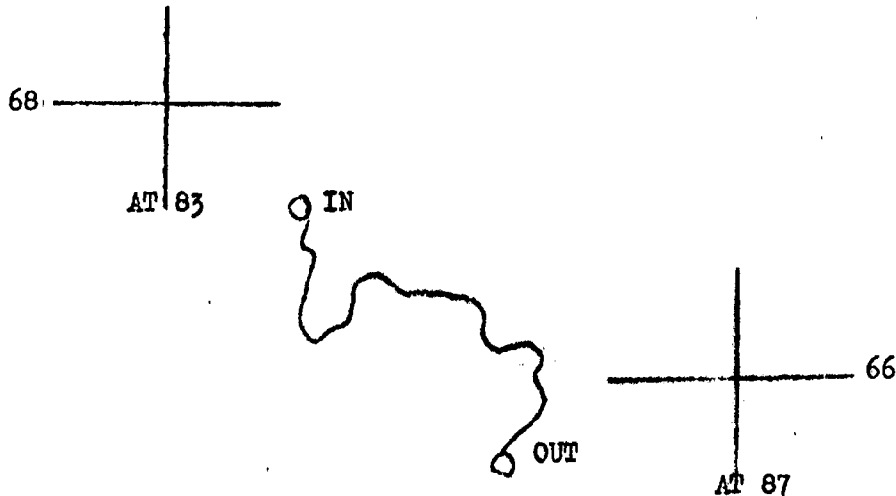
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

JONES, J.J.	2147920	ONETO, H.S.	2278170
WOLFE, M.R.	2158413	THOMPSON, K.C.	2304218
RYAN, S.	2249520	DONSBACH, R.W.	2295765
PATTON, G.P.	2200910	COGHE, R.D.	6922537
SIMMONS, F.C.	2269923	WITMER, J.F.	2174276
GRAY, R.L.	2269923		

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

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(b) RnC P0300.4  
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)  
(d) 1stMarDivOpO 301-66; Annex "G" (Rules of Engagement)  
(e) BrFragOrder Msg 518-67

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Unit/Call Sign: F-1-1 (DOGMA) Patrol Leader: LT WILLIAMSON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Antenna and Quan Que Son Valley areas; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ PINCH 190800; insert vic. AT957378. Extract at 231435H, vic. AT972372. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA 68.65  
(b) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY  
(b) BEACON LIGHT DELTA

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
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11th Mar (3)  
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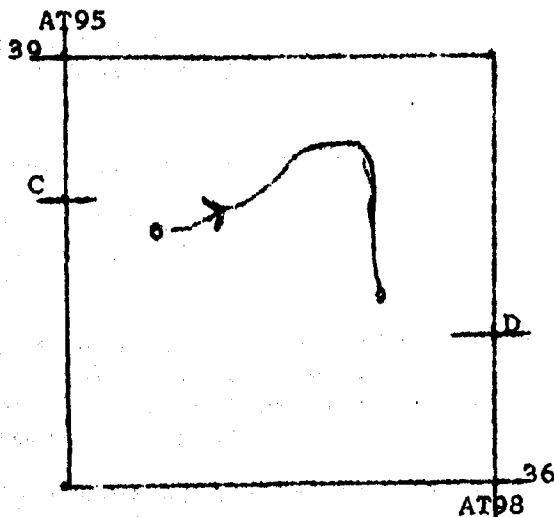
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OPERATION ORDER: 51  
 PATROL: F-1-1 DOGMA  
 DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6640 IV

1st RECONNAISSANCE BN.  
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PATROL REPORT

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## 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 6 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 1M-49 SCOPE; 1 6x30;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-79; 2 CLAYMORES;

## 2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE ANTENNA AND QUAN QUE SON VALLEY AREAS; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

## 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 200605H/231805H

## 4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

## 5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 82 HOURS WITH 7 SIGHTINGS FOR A TOTAL OF 35 VC; 7 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CONDUCTED WHICH RESULTED IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

## 6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 201430H AT947378 PATROL SPOTTED SMOKE FROM 3 CAMPFIRE; FIRE MISSION CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

211015H AT973356 7 VC MOVING SE; BLK. PJ'S AND GREY UNIFORMS; 3 PACKS AND 2 RIFLES; FIRE MISSION CALLED WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

211035H AT954364 5 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL; 1 GREY UNIFORM AND 4 BLACK PJ'S; CALLED FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

230835H AT979349 4 VC MOVING NORTHWEST ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S AND 3 PACKS; CALLED FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

230905H AT973346 3 VC MOVING WEST; BLK. PJ'S, COOLIE HATS AND PACKS; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

231015H AT979344 8 VC RUNNING SOUTH; BLK. AND GREY PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

231205H AT972355 8 VC MOVING WEST; BLK. PJ'S AND 2 LARGE PACKS; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: STEEP, WITH SCRUB GROWTH 3'-10' ON THE RIDGES AND FINGERS AND 20' GROWTH IN THE DRAWS.

## 7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. AT957378, A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE IN 2' SCRUB; HAS BEEN USED BEFORE. EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT979368, A POOR 1xUH-34 ZONE ON A FINGER; SCRUB ONLY 3'-4' HIGH, BUT ZONE IS VERY SMALL.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

LT. T. WILLIAMSON  
1st PLT, 1st FORCE  
PATROL LEADER

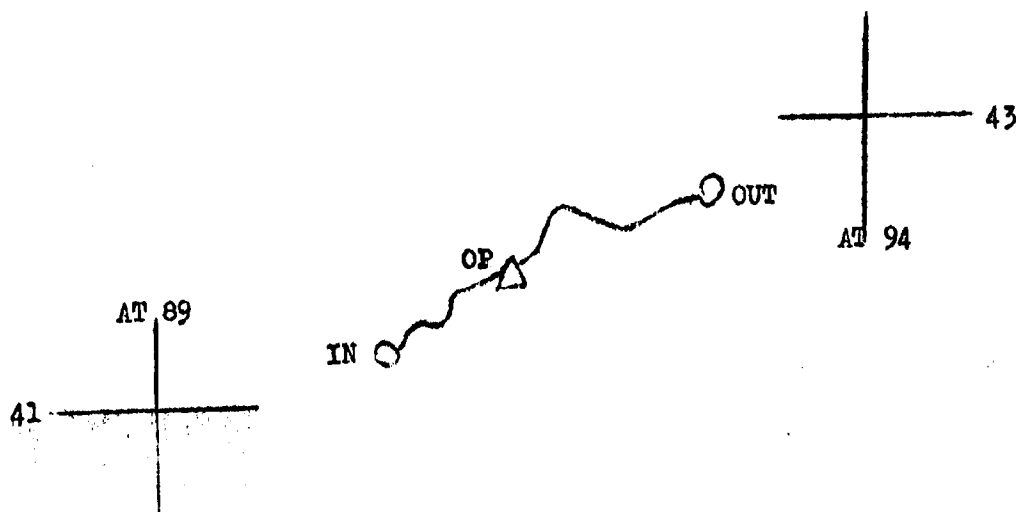
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

WILLIAMSON 095501	ARTHURS 2553696
CLIFFORD 2160290	ING 2315902
PISTORINO 2282996	CHILSON 2245039
LEWIS 2279756	

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(b) BnG P03000.4  
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)  
(d) 1stMarDivOpO 301-66; Annex "G" (Rules of Engagement)  
(e) BnFragOrder Msg # 519-67

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Unit/Call Sign: C-1-1 (CIRCUMSTANCES) Patrol Leader: SGT. RUDD

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Duc Duc Valley area; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Executions. Depart LZ FINCH 210700H; insert vic. 2C204515. Extract at 251430H, vic. AT791515. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 36.4; Alternate 37.9  
Artillery: (a) ARNICA ECHO 36.65  
(b) BIRDBEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
(c) STANLEY LOOKER 44.8  
(d) CRYLET KILO 37.15  
Radio Relay: (a) BRACON LIGHT DELTA  
(b) BYELET  
(c) STANLEY LOOKER 44.8

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
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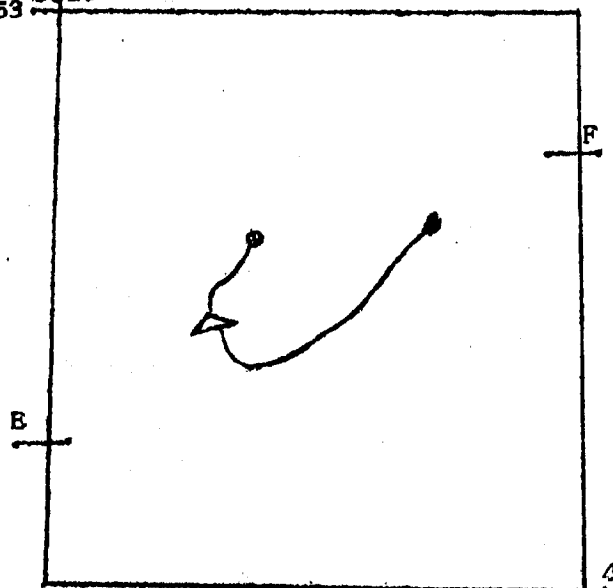
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OPERATION ORDER: 527-87  
 PATROL: C-1-1 CIRCUMSTANCE  
 DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 17014; SHEET 6540 I  
 6640 IV

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 1M-49 SCOPE; 1 7x50'S;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-60; 1M-79; 1M-14; 4 CLAYMORES;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN DUC DUC VALLEY AREA; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 210900H/251130H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 108 HOURS WITH 20 SIGHTINGS FOR A TOTAL OF 238 VC. 19 FIRE MISSIONS AND 4 AIRSTRIKES WERE CALLED RESULTING IN 7 VC KIA CONF, 53 VC KIA PROB, SEVERAL SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS AND A LARGE NUMBER OF STRUCTURES DESTROYED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 220805H AT817503 14 VC MOVING INTO TREELINE IN GROUPS OF 4-5; 8 PACKS AND 6 LOADS CARRIED OVER THE SHOULDER; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 6 VC KIA PROB.

220940H AT803475 6 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL; KHAKIS; 5 PACKS AND 1 LOAD OVER THE SHOULDER; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA CONF. AND 2 VC KIA PROB.

221045H AT814508 20 VC MOVING INTO TREELINE; BLK. PJ'S AND KHAKIS; PACKS AND SHOULDER LOADS; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA CONF, 10 VC KIA PROB, AND 2 STRUCTURES DESTROYED.

221045H AT819494 32 VC MOVING INTO TREELINE; BLK. PJ'S AND KHAKIS; PACKS AND SHOULDER LOADS; 2 AIRSTRIKES CONDUCTED RESULTING IN 15 VC KIA PROB, 2 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, AND THE DESTRUCTION OF 16 BUILDINGS AND 4 BUNKERS.

221200H AT819414 10 VC MOVING FROM AREA OF PREVIOUS AIR STRIKE INTO TREELINE; BLK. PJ'S AND KHAKIS; PACKS AND SHOULDER LOADS; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA PROB. AND 1 STRUCTURE DESTROYED.

221205H AT819508 15 VC MOVING INTO TREELINE; BLK. PJ'S AND KHAKIS; PACKS AND SHOULDER LOADS; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA PROB. AND 1 STRUCTURE DESTROYED; AO CALLED ON STATION AND CONDUCTED FM AND AIRSTRIKE RESULTING IN 6 VC KIA PROB.

221520H AT817502 10 VC MOVING SOUTHEAST; BLK. AND GREY PJ'S, PACKS AND SHOULDER LOADS; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 4 VC KIA PROB.

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230715H AT815 15 VC WALK SOUTH ON TRAIL AT 10 MIN INTERVAL; KHAKIS, BLK. AND LARGE PACKS; CALLED FM WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

230835H AT824468 14 VC MOVING SOUTHEAST; LARGE PACKS AND SHOULDER LOADS; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA PROB, 2 STRUCTURES DESTROYED AND 1 LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

231100H AT807448 10 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S AND LARGE PACKS; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB. AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

231245H AT203508 ESTIMATED 6 VC FIRING AT PATROL; 5-6 ROUNDS FROM HEAVY CALIBER RIFLES; PATROL DISPLACED TO ANOTHER POSITION.

231225H AT815485 17 VC MOVING NORTHEAST; GREY UNIFORMS AND LARGE PACKS; CALLED FM WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

231005H AT798487 3 VC MOVING NORTHEAST; KHAKIS, BLK. PJ'S AND LARGE PACKS; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

241010H AT817503 3 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL; KHAKIS AND PACKS; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

241040H AT798487 4 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL; KHAKIS AND LARGE PACKS CAMOUFLAGED WITH BRUSH AND LEAVES; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

241140H AT807478 10 VC MOVING NORTHEAST; BLK. PJ'S AND PACKS; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 5 VC KIA PROB.

241215H AT800482 4 VC MOVING INTO HOOTCH; BLK. PJ'S AND PACKS; CALLED FM WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

241300H AT819486 6 VC IN AND AROUND HOOTCH; 3 KHAKIS, 3 BLK. PJ'S, AND PACKS; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA PROB.

241500H AT790487 38 VC ENTERING VALLEY AND MOVING NORTH AND SOUTH IN GRID SQUARE AT8048; MIXED KHAKIS AND PJ'S AND PACKS; CALLED FM AND AIRSTRIKE RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA CONF, SEVERAL STRUCTURES AND SMALL FORTIFICATIONS DESTROYED.

250825H AT805493 1 VC WALKING NE ON TRAIL; KHAKIS AND LARGE PACK; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: MOUNTAINOUS WITH THICK BRUSH AND ELEPHANT GRASS AVERAGING 6' HIGH; WATER IS LOCATED WHERE SHOWN ON THE MAP.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT IZ VIC. ZC194525, A GOOD ZONE OF BRUSH AND ELEPHANT GRASS FOR 2 CH-46'S OR 3 UH-34'S. EXTRACT IZ A 1xUH-34 ZONE IN SCRUB GROWTH 2'-3' HIGH VIC. ZC206514; THIS WHOLE RIDGELINE IS SUITABLE FOR LANDING HELICOPTERS. VIC. ZC199523 IS ALSO A 1xUH-34 ZONE.

THE PATROL CROSSED 2 WELL USED TRAILS (SEE OVERLAY) WHICH WERE SCATTERED WITH WRAPPINGS FROM THE INDIGENOUS RATIONS USED BY CIDG PERSONNEL. NO SIGNS OF ENEMY WERE ENCOUNTERED IN THE ARE COVERED BY THE PATROL.

OP'S VIC. ZC202509 AND ZC211513; BOTH WERE EXCELLENT FOR OBSERVATION AND DEFENSE. APPROXIMATELY 95% OF THE ENEMY SIGHTED WERE IN KHAKI UNIFORMS AND EITHER BUSH HATS OR PITH HELEMETS. NO OBSERVATION OF WEAPONS COULD BE MADE DUE TO THE DISTANCE.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE



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9. CONCLUSION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: BOTH AIR AND ARTY. OUTSTANDING; ARNICA ECHO AND CORKLEG Kilo PROVIDED THE FINEST SUPPORT EVER SEEN BY THIS PATROL LEADER.

SGT. R.C. RUDD  
1st PLT, CO.C  
PATROL LEADER

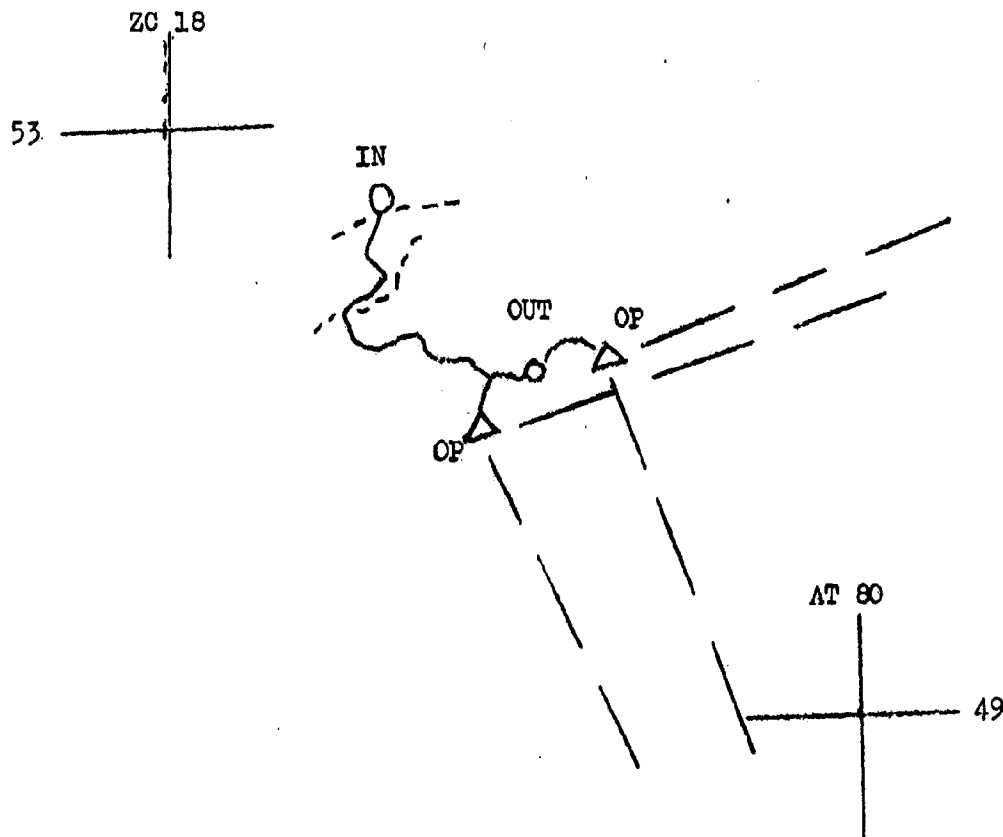
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

RUDD, R.C.	2211409	DIGIOA, S.	2317764
GUINN, K.E.	2217797	WOOLARY, J.C.	2288405
RIGGS, M.J.	2287838	VILLANUVES, G.	3540532
SHUMAN, L.B.	2281017	NARRON, J.A.	2300545
ARMBRUSTER, H.U.	2311476		

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 (d) 1stMarDivOpO 301-66; Annex "G" (Rules of Engagement)  
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Unit/Call Sign: B-2-2 (CRABTREE) Patrol Leader: LT BADGER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Antenna Valley area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 200730H; insert vic. AT906413. Extract at 241430H; vic. AT928427. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 37.9; Alternate 39.6  
 Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
 (b) ARNICA ECHO 36.65  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT DELTA  
 (b) EYELET  
 (c) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY

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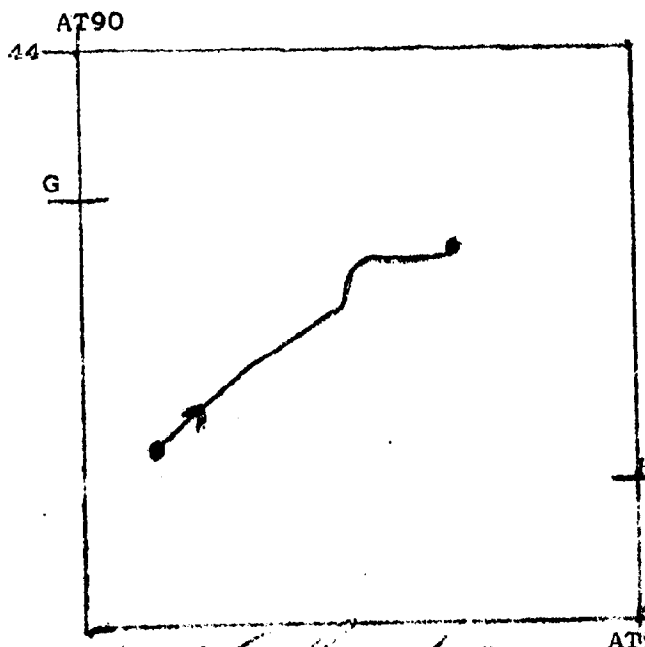
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OPERATION ORDER: 57-6-7  
 PATROL: B-2-2 CRAB  
 DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6640 III

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 7 ENL, 1 USN.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRO-25'S; IM-49 SCOPE; 2 7x50'S;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 4 CLAYMORES; IM-79; IM-14;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FW TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE ANTENNA VALLEY AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 200745H/241230H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 108 HOURS WITH NO CONFIRMED ENEMY SIGHTINGS, ALTHOUGH IT WAS OBSERVED THAT THE RICE HARVEST HAD BEGUN IN ANTENNA VALLEY.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: NONE
  - B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP, WITH SPARSE CANOPY AND THICK SECONDARY GROWTH 8'-12' HIGH, THERE ARE A FEW MOUNTAIN SPRINGS RUNNING NEAR THE TOP OF THE RIDGE, BUT THEY PROVIDED ONLY A MINIMUM AMOUNT OF WATER.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. AT906413. A 1 UH-34 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT929426, A TIGHT ZONE FOR 3 UH-34'S, ALL TRAILS FOUND ON THE RIDGELINE WERE OLD AND UNUSED FOR A LONG TIME. THE FINGER INDICATED ON THE MAP VIC. AT920416 DOES NOT EXIST; THERE IS ACTUALLY A SHEER DROP THERE WHICH CANNOT BE TRAVERSED. AT 211145H AND AGAIN AT 211545H, THE PATROL HEARD SIGNAL DRUMS COMING FROM THE VALLEY. AT VIC. AT905342, THE PATROL FOUND A DETONATING DEVICE FOR A CLAYMORE MINE, A CANTEEN, AND 40 RDS. OF U.S. CAL. .30 AMMO. DURING THIS PATROL, ABOUT 6-7 GROUPS OF 12-15 MEN EACH WERE OBSERVED HARVESTING RICE IN THE VALLEY. THEY WORKED QUICKLY AND SYSTEMATICALLY, MOVING TO A NEW PADDY AS SOON AS ONE WAS COMPLETED. THE ENTIRE VALLEY IS CULTIVATED, AND AT THE TIME THE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED, AN ESTIMATED ONE FIFTH TO ONE QUARTER OF THE HARVEST WAS COMPLETE. NEARLY ALL OF THE PEOPLE WORKING IN THE PADDIES WERE MEN WHO APPEARED TO BE OF MILITARY AGE.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: VERY GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND THE PATROLS APPROACH HILL 675 DIRECTLY FROM THE EAST INSTEAD OF THE SOUTHEAST, AS THE WAY IS EASIER.

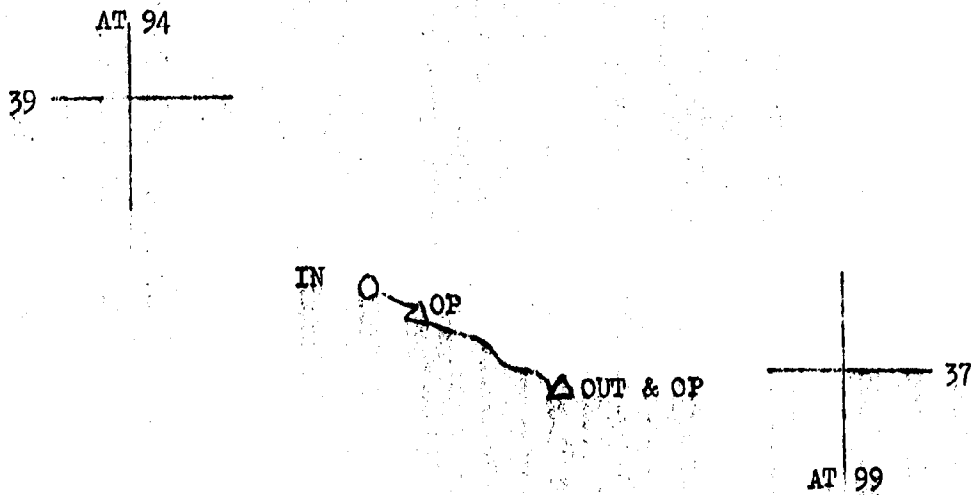
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

LT. P.R. BADGER  
2nd PLT, CO. B  
PATROL LEADER

12. PATROL MEMBERS:

BADGER, P.R.	0100025	COWELL, D.E.	2295178
ANDREWS, P.G.	1670200	JOHNSON, R.	2320156
SMITH, M.A.	2168419	HIGHUM, W.H.	7897559
BARRIERIO, M.	2169268	STONE, E.E.	2137611
BOWERS, F.P.	2258893		

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Unit/Call Sign: F-3-1 (HATEFUL) Patrol Leader: LT DRAKE

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect VC troop movement or possible arms infiltration in the Quan Que Son Valley area; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Shelby.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 200330H; insert vic. BT013443. Extract at 241330H; vic. BT035455. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA 68.65  
 (b) CARNIVAL TIME DELTA 68.65  
 (c) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
 Radio Relay: BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY  
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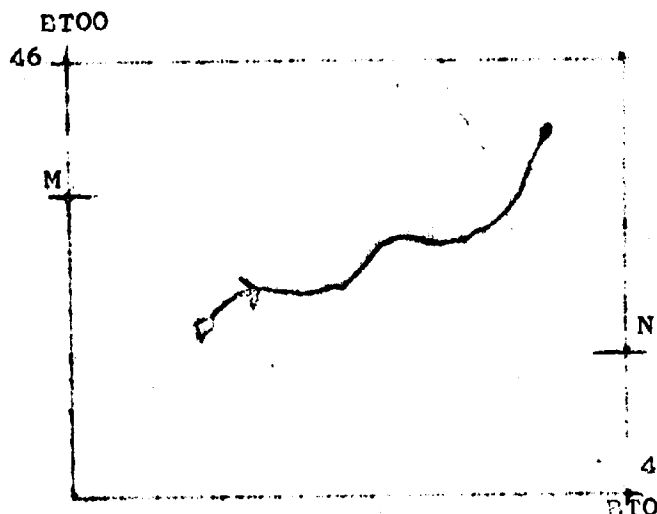
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OPERATION ORDER: 521-67  
PATROL: F-3-1 HATEFUL  
DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
L7014; SHEET 6640 III & IV

1st RECONNAISSANCE BN.  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 7 ENL. 1 USN.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 1 7x50; 1M-49 SCOPE;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-79; 1 SHOT GUN;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN AUE SON VALLEY AREA; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SHELBYVILLE.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 200830H/241830H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 114 HOURS WITH 7 SIGHTINGS FOR A TOTAL OF 21 VC; 7 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CONDUCTED RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA CONF, AND 6 VC KIA PROB.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: 201705H BTO44423 3 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL; BLK. AND GREY PJ'S, PACKS AND RIFLES; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA PROB.
  - 210915H BTO46434 3 VC MOVING SW ACROSS PADDY; BLK. PJ'S WITH ONE KHAKE SHIRT; 2 PACKS AND 2 RIFLES; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA PROB.
  - 211410H BTO39425 PATROL CALLED FM ON 1 BUNKER USED AS ARTY. SHELTER; 1 BUNKER PARTIALLY DESTROYED.
  - 211515H BTO18424 2 VC, FIRED 2 SA ROUNDS; BLK. PJ'S AND RIFLES; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA CONF. AND 1 VC KIA PROB.
  - 211800H BTO48443 3 VC MOVING DOWN STREAM BED; BLK. PJ'S, PACKS AND RIFLES; NO FM BECAUSE OF AIRCRAFT IN AREA.
  - 221630H BTO47444 6 VC MOVING NW ON TRAIL INTO HIGH GROUND; 2 GREY KHAKIS AND 4 BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES AND 1 LONG OBJECT WRAPPED IN A RUG AND SUSPENDED FROM A POLE CARRIED BY 2 VC; PATROL CALLED FM WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
  - 231740H BTO43425 1 VC MOVING SW ACROSS PADDY; BLK. PJ'S, PACK AND RIFLE; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.
  - 241045H BTO57438 3 VC CONVERGING ON CREEK; BLK. PJ'S AND PACKS; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

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B. TERRAIN: GENERALLY LOW BRUSH AND ROCKS; UNDERBRUSH 20' HIGH AT MOST IN LOW AREAS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ BT018443 IN A 1xCH-46 ZONE OF LOW BRUSH. EXTRACT LZ BT029449 IN A 1xCH-46 ZONE OF LOW BRUSH.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: DUE TO THE OPEN TERRAIN A PATROL THIS SIZE SHOULD GO TO DIG IN AND BE PREPARED TO DEFEND THE OP.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

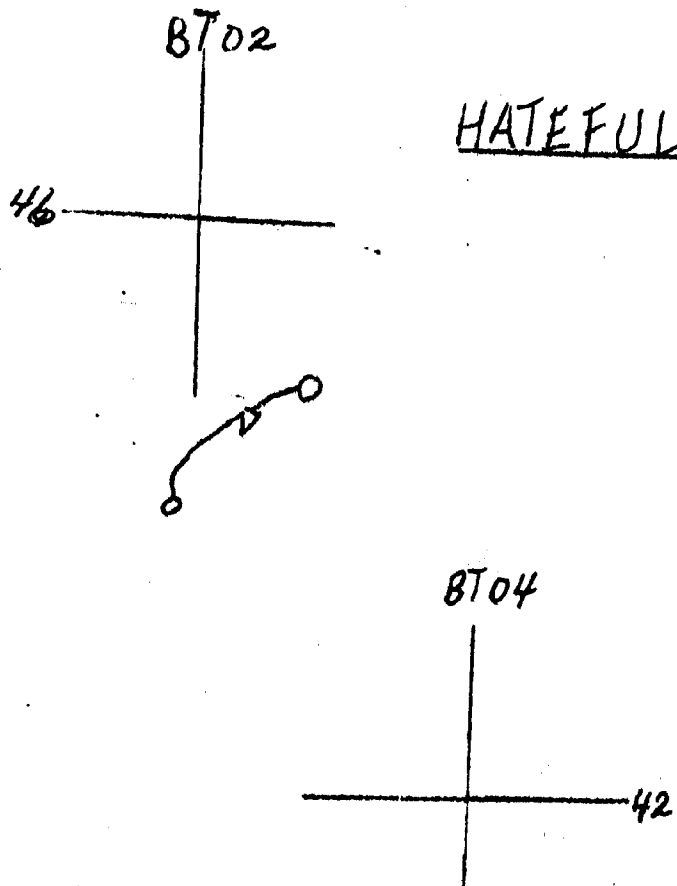
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3rd PLT, 1st FORCE  
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

DRAKE	091613	MATHIS	2233073
GARREN	2140771	MERRITHEW	3810158
MALLARD	2175283	MOOS	2192362
KEARNEY	2205208	WHITE	2239362
LOCKETT	2172026		

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Unit/Call Sign: F-2 (HONG KONG) Patrol Leader: SSGT. LONG

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Duy Xuyen Valley area in support of Operation Shelby; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 210800H; insert vic. BT016464. Extract at 251330H, vic. BT016464. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
Artillery: (a) CORKLEG 35.95  
(b) ARNICA DELTA 68.65  
(c) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT CHARLIE  
(b) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY  
(c) BEACON LIGHT DELTA

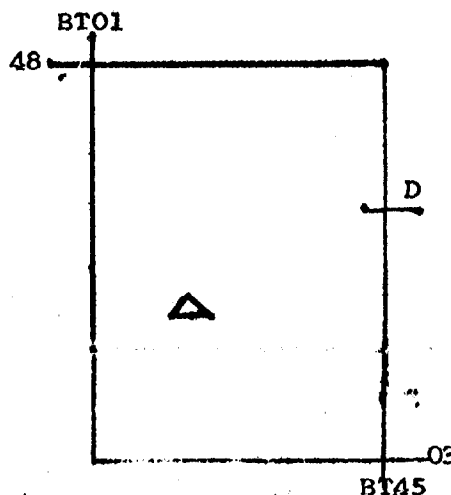
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 OPERATION ORDER: 522  
 PATROL: F-2 HONG KONG  
 DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; SHEET 6640 IV

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 12 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 3 7x50'S; 1 BC SCOPE; 1 STAR-LITE SCOPE;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-79; 4 CLAYMORES;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN DUY KUYEN VALLEY AREA IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SHELBY VILLE; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 211115H/251030H

4. ROUTE: N/A; PATROL CONDUCTED ALL ACTIVITIES ON AND AROUND THE TOP OF HILL 484 VIC. BTO16464.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HOURS WITH 1 SIGHTINGS OF 7 VC AND 3 INCIDENTS OF SNIPER FIRE. ONE FM AND ONE AIRSTRIKE WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: BTO17648 ON 3 OCCASIONS, 212030H, 212105H, AND 220630H, THE PATROL RECEIVED A FEW ROUNDS OF SNIPER FIRE FROM A SMALL FINGER TO THE NORTH-EAST; PATROL RETURNED FIRE IN EACH CASE, AND CONDUCTED FM AND AIRSTRIKE, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. PATROL LEFT M-26 GRENADE BOOBY TRAPPED WITH A TRIP WIRE UPON LEAVING AREA (VIC. BTO18468).

231400H BTO26447 7 VC MOVING ALONG TRAIL; PATROL CALLED FM; ABORTED BECAUSE OF FRIENDLIES IN THE AREA.

B. TERRAIN: A HILL TOP, WITH SCRUB GROWTH AVERAGING 3'-4' HIGH AND BECOMING THICKER DOWN THE SLOPES.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ VIC. BTO16464, A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF 2'-3' BRUSH. THE SAME HILL IS AN EXCELLENT OP WITH 360° OBSERVATION (BEST TO NORTH), BUT REQUIRES AT LEAST 20 MEN TO DEFEND IT PROPERLY.

3 BOOBY TRAPS WERE FOUND NEAR THE TOP OF THE HILL, A WP BOMB, A 60mm MORTAR ROUND AND A U.S. Z-10 MINE BOOBY TRAPPED WITH A CHICOM GRENADE. ALL 3 APPEARED TO BE ABOUT A WEEK OLD AND WERE DESTROYED WITH C-4.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: VERY GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND AT LEAST 20 MEN TO DEFEND THIS C.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

SSGT. P.E. LONG  
2nd PLT, 1st FORCE  
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LONG	2005909	GAINES	2315707
WOO	2057558	BONDS	2327136
WILKINS	2147185	ADAMS	2229701
CRUZ	2249686	HENSLEY	2295677
NOVOTNY	2265052	KEATING	075776
DERR	2325793	LEONARD	2099039
KLEVEN	2278448		

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Unit/Call Sign: C-3-2, C-1-2 (CREWCUT) Patrol Leader: SSGT MELIM

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/RFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Duy Xuyen Valley areas in support of Operation Shelby; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 220730H; insert vic. BT001465. Extract at 261330H; vic. AT998459. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b) and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. <sup>76.4</sup>~~39.6~~ Alternate <sup>37.9</sup>~~37.9~~  
Artillery: (a) ~~CORAL~~ 35.95  
(b) ARNICA DELTA 68.65 (c) BIRDNEST SOUTH  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT CHARLIE "A" 37.65  
(b) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY  
(c) BEACON LIGHT DELTA

Distribution: G-2 (1)  
G-3 (2)  
Div AO (1)  
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Recon FSCC (1)  
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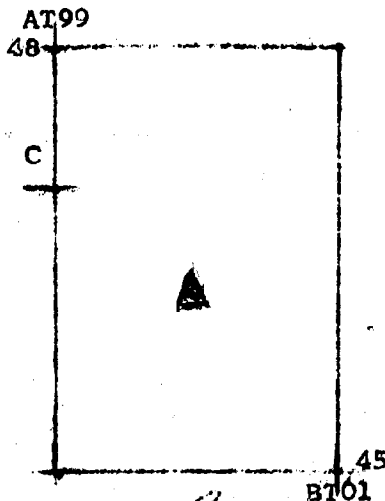
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Operation Shelbyville  
Operation Order: 523-67  
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Debriefed: Sgt. E.S. Waters  
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS  
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DaNang, RVN  
261400H Sep 67

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 15 EN, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 2 7x50's; 2 M-49 SCOPES.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M-79; 1 M-60; 2 M-14; 5 CLAYMORES.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/TFZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN DUY XUYEN VALLEY AREA IN SUPP RT OF OPERATION SHELBYVILLE; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 221800H/271030H.

4. ROUTE: N/A; ALL ACTIVITIES WERE CONDUCTED ON AND AROUND THE TOP OF HILL 425, VIC. AT998462.

5. THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 112 $\frac{1}{2}$  HOURS WITH 20 SIGHTINGS FOR A TOTAL OF ABOUT 400 VC; 19 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED WHICH RESULTED IN 1 VC KIA CONF, AND 12 VC KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

221125H BTO14488 1 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL; BLK PJ'S AND COOLIE HAT; RIFLE AND CARTRIDGE BELT; NO FM AS ARTY ON CHECK FIRE.

230945H BTO10486 1 VC IN HUT; GREY PJ'S AND RIFLE; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

231015H DT003483 1 VC IN HUT; GREY PJ'S AND RIFLE; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

231730H AT9848-AT9849 175-200 VC MOVING NORTH WEST ON TRAIL; MIXED UNIFORMS, PACKS, RIFLES, CARTRIDGE BELTS, AND LOADS OF WHAT APPEARED TO BE RICE. PATROL SATURED AREA WITH ARTY, BUT COULD MAKE NO ASSESSMENT OF CASUALTIES DUE TO DARKNESS.

241130H AT984495 4 VC MOVING NORTH ON RAIL; KHAKIS, BLK PJ'S AND 2 CAMOUFLAGED PACKS; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

241425H AT993502 8 VC MOVING NORTH EAST ON TRAIL; BLK PJ'S, PACKS, AND RIFLES; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 8 VC KIA PROB.

250935H AT984487 8 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL; BLK PJ'S; 4 PACKS AND 1 RIFLE; CALLED FM WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

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251130H AT984496 6 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL; BLK PJ'S AND PACKS; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

251200H AT984475 5 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL; BLK PJ'S AND RIFLE CALLED FM RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA CONF.

251700H AT984475 4 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL; BLK PJ'S, PACKS, AND 1 RIFLE; CALLED FM RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

251815H AT982469 11 VC MOVING NORTHEAST DN TRAIL; MIXED UNIFORMS, 6 PACKS, AND 7 RIFLES; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

251850H AT988478 15 VC MOVING THROUGH VILLE; MIXED UNIFORMS; 10 RIFLES AND 8 PACKS; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

260755H AT985480 2 VC IN VILLE; BLK PJ'S AND GREEN UTILITIES; RIFLE CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

261245H AT957508 12 VC MOVING NORTHWEST INTO VILLE; BLK PJ'S, PACKS AND RIFLES; NO FM DUE TO CHECK FIRE.

261145H AT991477 12 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL INTO VILLE; MIXED UNIFORMS, PACKS AND RIFLES; NO FM DUE TO CHECK FIRE.

261225H AT988502 11 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL; MIXED UNIFORMS, PACKS AND RIFLES; NO FM DUE TO CHECK FIRE.

261300H AT985477 2 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL; BLK PJ'S, RIFLES AND CARTRIDGE BELTS; PACKS AND PITH HELMETS; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

261330H AT985477 6 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL INTO VILLE; BLK PJ'S, RIFLES AND CARTRIDGE BELTS; NO FM DUE TO CHECK FIRE.

261800H AT954523 15 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL; MIXED UNIFORMS, PACKS AND RIFLES; UNABLE TO CALL FM DUE TO FRIENDLIES IN AREA.

261810H AT957512 8 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL; MIXED UNIFORMS, PACKS AND RIFLES; UNABLE TO CALL ARTY DUE TO FRIENDLIES IN AREA.

270800H AT956517 15 TO 20 VC IN VILLAGE; MIXED UNIFORMS, PACKS AND RIFLES; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: LOW BRUSH AVERAGING 4'-5' HIGH; OBSERVATION IS EXCELLENT AND THE HILLTOP IS STEEP ON ALL SIDES EXCEPT FOR THE SOUTHEAST, MAKING IT A GOOD DEFENSIVE POSITION FOR A TEAM OF THIS SIZE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT VIC. AT998462, A GOOD 1xUH-34 ZONE OF CHEST HIGH BRUSH.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT ABOUT 20% OF THE VC SIGHTED WERE ARMED, THE REST CARRYING BUNDLES OF WHAT WAS PROBABLY RICE. THE LARGE GROUP OF 175-200 COLLECTED AT A VILLE VIC. AT990477 BEFORE MOVING AS A GROUP TO THE NORTH. THE SOUNDING OF A GONG WAS APPARENTLY THE SIGNAL FOR THEM TO GATHER; THE MAJORITY OF THEM MOVED INTO THE VILLE FROM THE SOUTHWEST AND THE EAST.

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8. REPORTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING.

SSGT. P.R. MELIM  
3rd PLT, CO. C  
PATROL LEADER.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

MELIM,	1894914
GIRVIN,	2291466
MORRIS,	2305473
PODSCHELNE,	2190737
JUDY,	2304365
LANGEVIN,	2290354
FERGUSON,	2305574
PARKER,	2173035
HATTON,	1658596
LAMPKIN,	2105381
CISNEROS,	2269655
NANCE,	2156833
KURFMAN,	2250278
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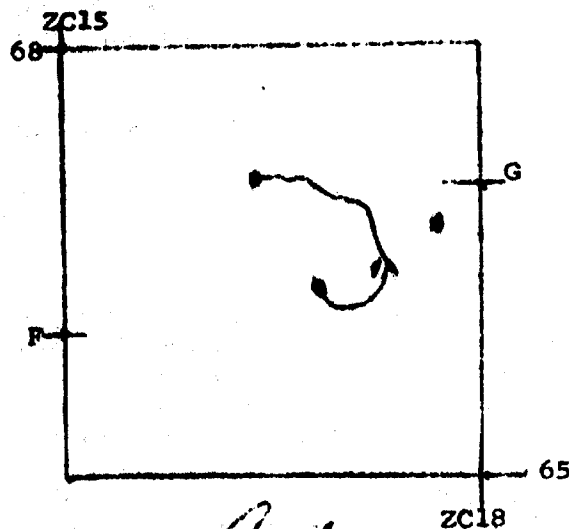
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Unit/Call Sign: F-3-2 (CLASSMATE) Patrol Leader: SGT. FRYMAN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/PFZ to detect any evidence for the MIA member of CLURCAR. Emphasis also to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 230730H; insert vic. ZC16866Z. Extract at 271330H; vic. ZC163670. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 35.0; Alternate 34.0  
 Artillery: (a) BIRDNET SOAP "C" 52.4  
 (b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO I 52.4  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROYAL  
 (b) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 6x50; 6x30; 7x50;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 CLAY MORES;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT ANY EVIDENCE FOR THE MIA MEMBER OF CLUBCAR. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240830H/281025H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 106 HRS. WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY ACTIVITY. UPON EXTRACTION PATROL TOOK AUTO. AND SA FIRE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: MOVEMENT VARIES FROM EASY TO VERY DIFFICULT. VEGETATION IS LOW ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 100' CANOPY. TERRAIN IS VERY MOUNTAINOUS. THERE ARE SEVERAL STREAMS ALONG THE PATROLS ROUTE WITH PLENTY OF WATER.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC166665 IN AN EXCELLENT ZONE FOR 3 CH-46'S; WITH VERY LOW GRASS. EXTRACT LZ ZC164671 POOR CH-46 ZONE OF ~~CH-46~~ HIGH GRASS. THERE WERE NO OTHER ZONES ALONG PATROLS ROUTE. THERE WERE NO GOOD OP'S ALONG PATROL ROUTE. PATROL TOOK HEAVY FIRE DURING EXTRACTION. FIRE CAME FROM VIC. ZC163671, AUTO. AND SA FIRE. ONE HELICOPTER WAS HIT AND FORCED DOWN, BUT WAS ABLE TO TAKE OFF AGAIN. FIXED WING RAN TARGET.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD; ONE MAN WAS MED-EVACED DUE TO INJURIES SUSTAINED IN A FALL.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION: TAKE PLENTY OF INSECT REPELLANT.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS:

CPL. RICHARDSON  
 3rd PLT, 1st FORCE  
 PATROL LEADER



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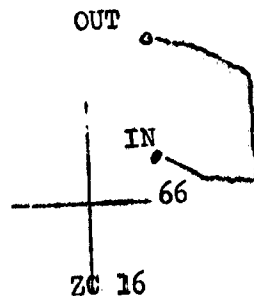
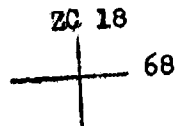
10. PATROL MEMBERS:

RICHARDSON 2211306  
HACKER 2184510  
NOLTE 2109583  
SENTRY 2109583

MCCORMACK 2182229  
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Unit/Call Sign: B-3-1 (DATELINE) Patrol Leader: GYSGT. AUSTIN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect VC troop movement or possible arms infiltration in the Nong Son Coal Mine area and routes of access along the Son Thu Bong River. Particular emphasis to be placed on the Western entrance to Antenna Valley; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 240800H; insert vic. AT837378. Extract at 300830H, vic. AT837378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 36.4; Alternate 39.6  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA ECHO 36.65  
 (b) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
 (c) AVERAGE "W" 68.55  
 Radio Relay: BEACON LIGHT DELTA

Distribution: G-2

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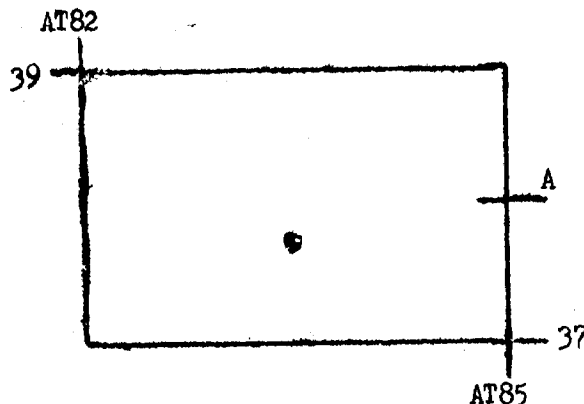
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 Patrol: L-3-1 Dateline  
 Debriefer: Lt. P.R. Young  
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS  
 L7014; Sheet 6640 III

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 11 EN.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 2 7x50's; 1 M-49 SCOPE; 1 STARLITE SCOPE; 1 BC SCOPE.
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60 MG; 1 .50 CAL. MG; 1 M-79; 1 SNIPER RIFLE; 1 M-14.
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE NONG SON COAL MINE AREA AND ROUTES OF ACCESS ALONG THE SONG THU DON RIVER. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON THE WESTERN ENTRANCE TO ANTENNA VALLEY; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 241500H/301200H.
4. ROUTE: N/A; ALL ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED FROM THE PERMANENT OP ON HILL 452 VIC. AT837378.
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 141 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY AND NO FIRE MISSIONS CONDUCTED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: NONE.
  - B. TERRAIN: N/A.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A.
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:
 

AUSTIN, 618450 WIMER. 2265313 HENDERSON. 0008486

GYSGT. C.E. ANSTIN  
 3rd PLT, CO. B  
 PATROL LEADER

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(d) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)  
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Unit/Call Sign: B-3-2 (BULRUSH) Patrol Leader: SGT. KERSTETTER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations in your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Elephant Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on possible ambush sites with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 240730H; insert vic. ZC085851. Extract at 281430H, vic. ZC099849. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 34.0; Alternate 35.0  
Artillery: WHITE SOAP BRAVO I 52.4  
Radio Relay: BEACON LIGHT X-RAY

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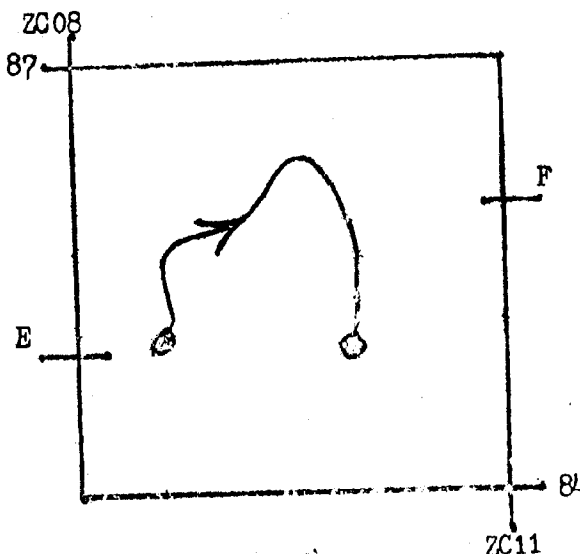
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 Debriefor: Sgt. E.S. Waters  
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 9 EN, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 2 7x50's.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79; 1 M-60; 1 M-14; 3 CLAYMORES.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH ELEPHANT VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON POSSIBLE AMBUSH SITES WITH THE SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 241030H/281800H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF VC OR EVIDENCE OF VC ACTIVITY IN THE AREA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: NONE.
- B. TERRAIN: DENSE BRUSH WITH STEEP BANKS ALONG THE ROAD; UP ON THE SLOPES THE CANOPY AVERAGES 75'-150' IN HEIGHT WITH THICK SECONDARY GROWTH. NO OP'S ARE AVAILABLE FROM WHERE THE ROAD CAN BE OBSERVED. ALL STREAMS INDICATED ON THE MAP ARE RUNNING.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT WAS MADE ON THE ROAD VIC. ZC085851, A VERY POOR 1xUH-34 ZONE WHICH COULD PROBABLY BE USED FOR EXTRACT. EXTRACT LZ VIC. ZC128841, A GOOD 3xUH-34 ZONE OF HIP-HIGH GRASS.

THE PATROL FOUND NO SIGNS OF RECENT VC ACTIVITY IN THE AREA. ALL TRAILS APPEAR TO BE USED BY ANIMALS ONLY. FRESH ELEPHANT DROPPINGS WERE FOUND THROUGHOUT THE FLOOR OF THE VALLEY.

3 UNSUCCESSFUL EXTRACT ATTEMPTS WERE MADE VIC. ZC103846, ZC118841, ZC125838.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A.

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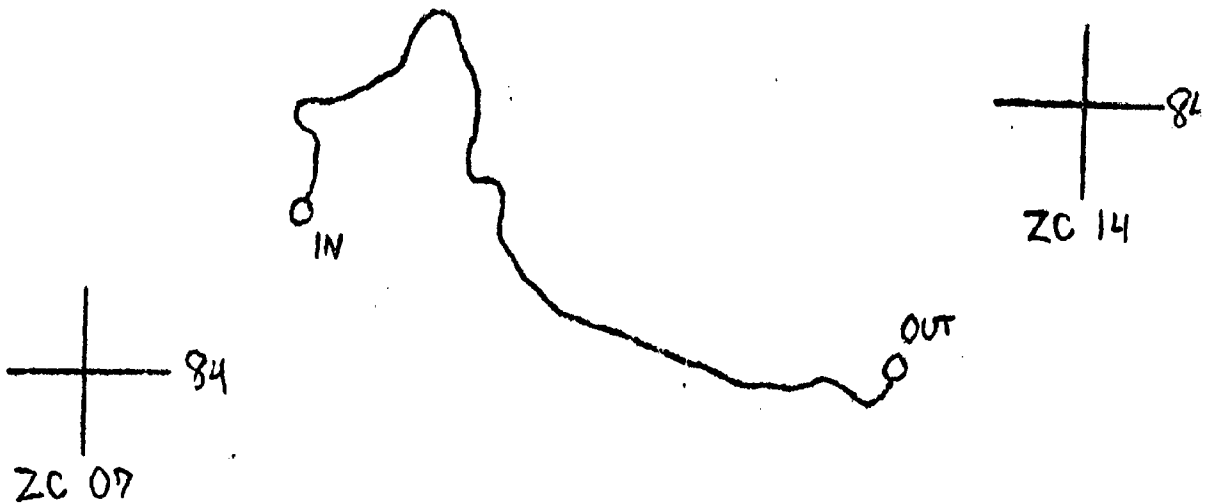
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3rd PLT, CO. B  
PATROL LEADER.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS: KERSTETTER, 2096398  
SITAS, 2109251  
LEQUIN, 2160286  
NIMMO, 2230619  
LAWSON, 2290053  
LEGALLEY, 2318405  
MORGAN, 2302051  
ALLEN, 2094075  
MATTSON, 2285872  
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Unit/Call Sign: F-5-1 (KULDER KANE) Patrol Leader: LT. FINLAYSON

1. Situation. (a) The current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct a Bomb Damage Assessment within the quadrangular limits of the Arc 100 strike area within your assigned NFZ/PFZ; be prepared to call and direct air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart 12 FINCH 230730H; insert via. YC838614. Extract at 231300H, via. YC858614. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (a).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 35.0; Alternate 34.0  
Artillery: Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol outside arty fan  
Radio Relay: (a) Radio Relay Airborne  
(b) Field Clerk  
(c) Beacon Light Romeo

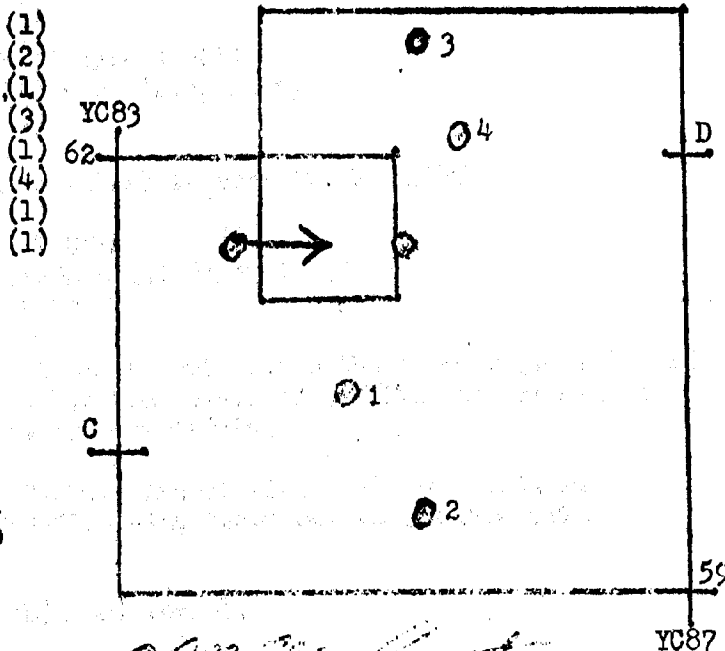
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PATROL: B-5-1 KILLER KANE  
DEBRIEFER: SGT. E.S. WATERS  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 5 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 1 CAMERA WITH TELEPHOTO LENS;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-79;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT WITHIN THE GUANDRANGULAR LIMITS OF THE ARC LITE STRIKE AREA WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/TFZ; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 230730H/231200H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 4½ HOURS WITH NO SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY. A HEAVILY-USED TRAIL NET WORK AND VC REST AREA WAS FOUND.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 230745H YC839614 UPON INSERT, PATROL RECEIVED 8-10 ROUNDS OF SEMI-AUTOMATIC FIRE FROM SOMEWHERE IN GRID SQUARE YC8461. AS PATROL STARTED ON MISSION, 2 ROUNDS OF CARBINE PROBING FIRE WERE RECEIVED FROM VIC. YC837618 AND YC837612.

B. TERRAIN: VERY THICK BAMBOO AND ELEPHANT GRASS BROKEN BY A FEW AREAS OF GRASS ONLY ANKLE-HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. YC839614 IN A LARGE BOMB CRATER SUITABLE FOR 2 CH-46'S. EXTRACT LZ VIC. YC850618 IN A LARGE, OPEN AREA UNDER CULTIVATION. AT VIC. YC839614 PATROL OBSERVED 2 LARGE POOL OF BLOOD ABOUT 2½ FEET ACROSS; APPEARED TO BE MORE BLOOD IN EACH POOL THAN ONE MAN WOULD LOOSE; POSSIBLY SOME LARGE ANIMAL. THERE ARE 5 TRAIL ENTERING THE AREA FROM DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS (SEE OVERLAY); ALL ARE VERY WELL USED AND HAVE HAD THE BRUSH TRIMMED BACK. MANY SANDIAL FOOTPRINTS WERE OBSERVED, ALL HEADED EAST. IN SOME SPOTS, THE TRAILS HAVE A SINGLE RUT IN THE CENTER, AS THOUGH A ONE-WHEELED CART. WERE USED REGULARLY. AT VIC. YC841615 IS A HASTY TYPE HARBOUR SITE LARGE ENOUGH FOR AN ESTIMATED COMPANY; CONTAINS EVIDENCE OF FIRES AND CUTTING OF BRUSH. THE SITE WAS LAST USED 1-2 WEEKS AGO. AT VIC. YC850615 IS A FORTIFIED AREA ON A LOW HILL WHICH DOES NOT SHOW UP ON THE MAP, AND MEASURES 150-200 METERS ACROSS. THE PATROL COVERED ABOUT HALF OF THE AREA AND OBSERVED 20 BUNKERS, 30 FIGHTING HOLES, 2 TUNNELS AND ABOUT 50 METERS OF COVERED TRENCH, MOST OF WHICH WAS QUITE NEW. ALSO IN THE AREA WERE 12-15 FAIRLY FRESH FIRES AND ABOUT A THOUSAND CORNCORS SCATTERED ON THE GROUND. THE AREA WILL HOLD AN ESTIMATED 200-300 VC. THE LAST OCCUPANTS APPARANTLY LEFT 24-48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE PATROL'S ENTERING THE AREA, AND WERE NOT AFFECTED BY THE STRIKE, WHICH CAUSED ONLY SLIGHT DAMAGE TO THE WESTERN PORTION. ONE SMALL POOL OF DRIED BLOOD WAS FOUND NEAR ONE OF THE BOMB CRATERS.



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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

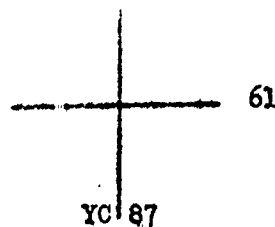
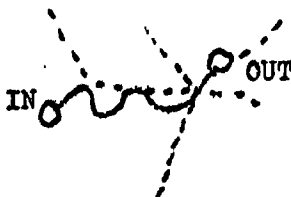
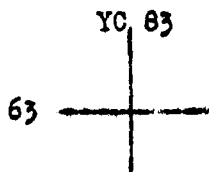
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THIS AREA IS HEAVILY USED AND APPEARS TO BE A REST AREA FOR TROOPS HEADED EAST. RECOMMEND THAT THIS PATROL BE FOLLOWED BY OTHERS FOR CLOSE OBSERVATION OF ENEMY INFILTRATION. THERE IS A HILL VIC. YC850614 FROM WHICH TRAFFIC ON THE TRAILS CAN BE OBSERVED.

LT. A.R. FINLAYSON  
5th PLT, 1st FORCE  
PATROL LEADER

**13. PATROL MEMBERS:**

FINLAYSON	092862	GARNER	2259956
HAGER	2118203	WILLIAMS	2278103
POWELL	2252435	CONNOR	9186342
SLOWICK	2279768	GLOR	2259423

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Unit/Call Sign: F-4-2 (CHALSTONE) Patrol Leader: LT. TAUSSIG

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within your assigned NFZ/PFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Antenna Valley area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 240800H; insert vic. AT928427. Extract at 281330H, vic. AT933397. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Attachments. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 37.9; Alternate 39.5  
Artillery: (a) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
(b) ARNICA ECHO 36.65  
Radio Relays: (a) BEACON LIGHT DELTA  
(b) DATELINE  
(c) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY

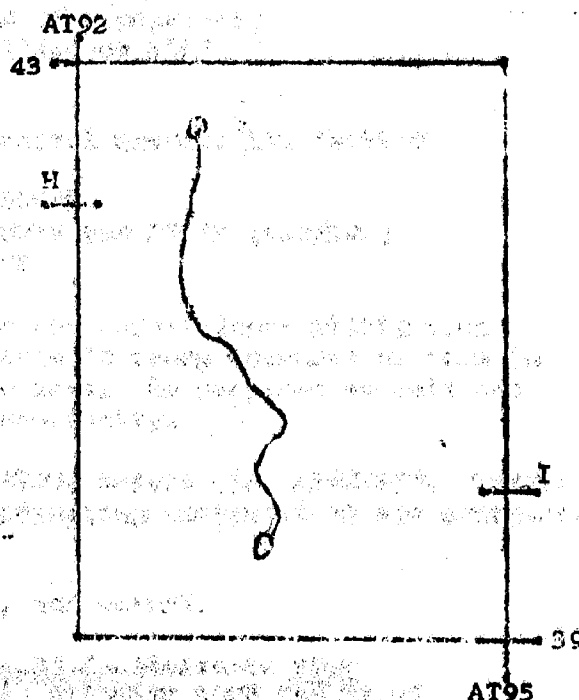
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Patrol: F-4-2 Chalkstone  
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Da Nang, RVN  
281300H Sep67

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 6 EN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PR8-25's; 1 M-49 SCOPE; 1 6x30.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79; 2 CLAYMORES.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE ANTENNA VALLEY AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 241100H/281400H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 99 HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS FOR A TOTAL OF 4 VC; TWO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

270930H AT918405 SPOTTED 1 VC IN TREELINE WHO WAS THEN JOINED BY TWO OTHERS; BLK PJ'S AND 1 RIFLE OBSERVED; CALLED FM WITH OUTSTANDING COVERAGE, RESULTS UNOBSERVED.

271050H AT918403 1 VC MOVING INTO HOOTCH; BLK PJ'S AND RIFLE; CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: SECONDARY UNDERGROWTH OF MIXED GRASS, SCRUB AND VINES; ABOUT 10' HIGH AND VERY, VERY THICK. WATER IS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE AREA, AND PARTS OF THE PATROL ROUTE WERE SOMEWHAT MARSHY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. AT927427, A FLAT MARSHY AREA COVERED WITH KNEE HIGH GRASS AND SUITABLE FOR ABOUT 4 UH-34's. EXTRACT LZ VIC, AT921405, A LARGE OPEN AREA ON THE VALLEY FLOOR; NO OTHER LZ's COULD BE FOUND NEAR THIS END OF THE PATROL ROUTE. OP'S WERE LOCATED VIC. AT926407 AND AT928403; BOTH WERE ONLY FAIR.

THERE IS A GOOD DEAL OF ACTIVITY IN THE VALLEY AT THIS TIME; MOST ALL OF THE WORK HERE IS BEING DONE BY MEN; VERY FEW WOMEN OR CHILDREN WERE OBSERVED.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: BELIEVE THAT THE BEST POSITION FROM WHICH TO OBSERVE ANTENNA VALLEY IS HILL 675 VIC. AT915419. FOR ANY FUTURE PATROL INTO THIS AREA, A GOOD OVERFLIGHT IS A MUST, AS OP'S ARE VERY HARD TO FIND.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD.

LT. TAUSSIG  
4th PLT, 1st FORCE  
PATROL LEADER.

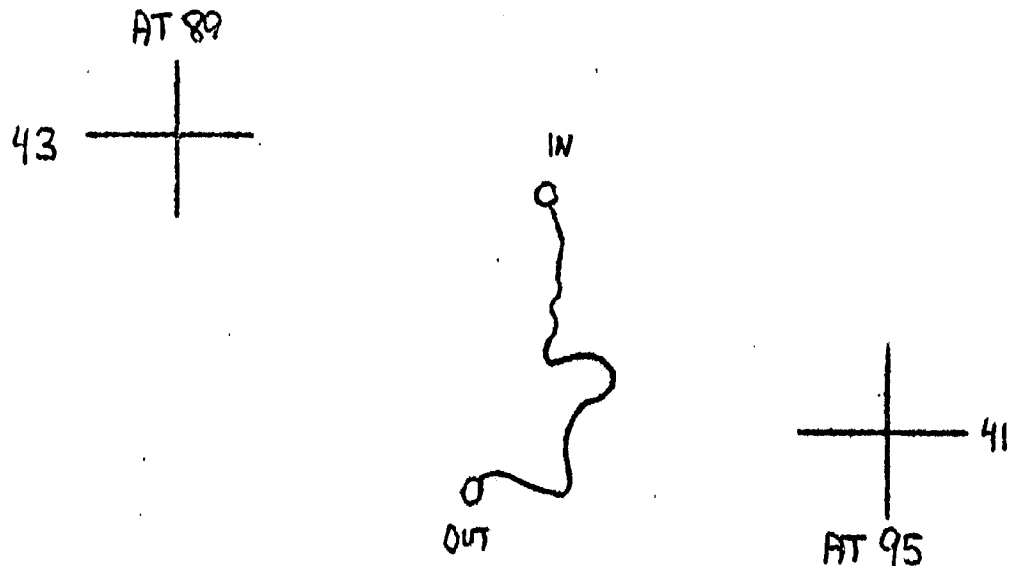
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

TAUSSIG, 092912  
HARYIAK, 2137762  
LINN, 2137391  
MORRIS, 2174375

WARE, 2263560  
HUFF, 2152547  
WARD, 2309511

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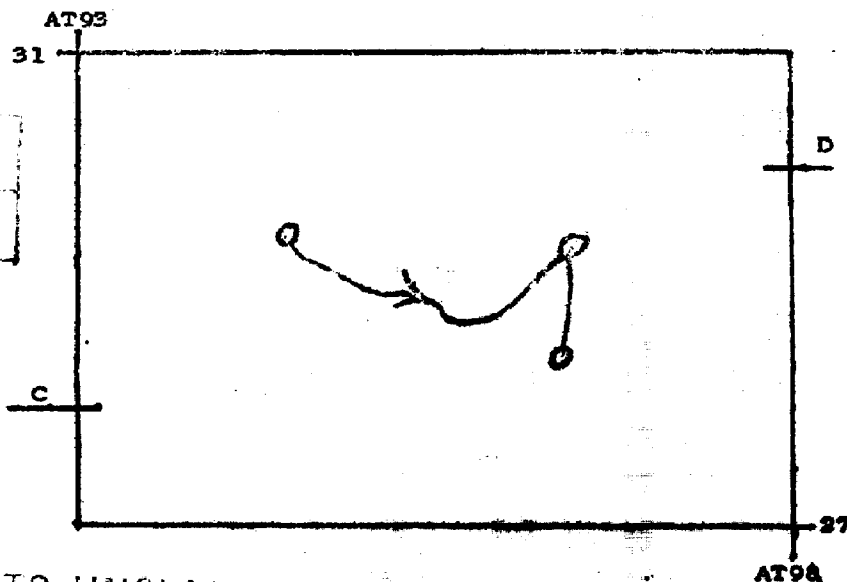
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Unit/Call Sign: F-5-1 (KILLER KANE) Patrol Leader: LT. FINLAYSON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and FIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Hiep Duc/Quan Que Son Valley areas. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 250830H; insert vic. AT944295. Extract at 291430H, vic. AT964284. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA 68.65  
 (b) CARNIVAL TIME DELTA 68.65  
 (c) ARNICA WHISKY X-RAY 68.65  
 (d) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT WHISKY  
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 6 ENL.  
 B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE  
 C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 8x30;  
 D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79; 2 CLAYMORES;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE HIEP DUC/QUAN QUE SON VALLEY AREAS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 250800H/290945H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 105 HRS. WITH 3 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 24 VC. 2 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 251120H AT948288 17 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL; KHAKI, BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND 6 RIFLES. FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

251510H AT948288 7 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL; KHAKI AND CAMOUFLAGE HELMETS; 5 RIFLES AND PACKS. NO FM CALLED.

270745H AT963286 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC TALKING AND FIRING AN AK-47. FM CALLED, UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP TERRAIN. VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 10 FEET HIGH---CANOPY UP TO 20 FEET IN AREAS. MOVEMENT OFF THE TRAILS IS IS EXTREMELY SLOW. WATER VIC. AT947287-APPEARS TO BE A PERENNIAL STREAM.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT946284 IN A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE (ABANDONED RICE PADDY; THERE ARE TWO ABANDONED CAVES ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE ZONE. EXTRACT VIC. AT966283 VERY GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF LOW SCRUB GROWTH. TRAIL VIC. AT965284 BRANCHES HERE HAS FRESH FIGHTING HOLES DUG EVERY 20 METERS ALONG IT. ON EXTRACT LZ THERE WAS A RECENTLY DUG 150 CAL. FIGHTING HOLE WITH AMMO. BUNKER. TRAIL FROM AT948288 TO SOUTHEAST UP RIDGELINE THEN EAST ALONG RIDGELINE. GOOD, WELL-USED TRAIL WITH HARBOR SITES BATTALION SIZE HARBOR SITES AT950285. TOP OF HILL VIC. AT957286 HAS MUCH WATER BUFFALO AND HUMAN DUNG AND C-RATION CANS. THE TRAIL RUNNING UP TOWARD HILL 381 IS VERY WELL USED AND HAS HOLES DUG TO DEFEND IT FROM ANYONE COMING UP FROM THE S-E. THE TRAIL RUNNING FROM AN LONG (2) TO AN SON (1) SHOULD BE AMBUSHED---GOOD PLACE TO SNATCH PRISONER, ALSO. THERE IS A POSSIBLE LZ VIC. AT950285; NEEDS WORK. THE VC ON THE TRAIL WERE RELAXED AND HAD NOTICED THAT THE PATROL WAS IN THE AREA.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: DO NOT ATTEMPT TO FOLLOW THIS PATROL ROUTE--TOO DIFFICULT. TRAIL SHOULD BE AMBUSHED. COMM. POOR.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: VERY GOOD

LT. FINLAYSON  
1st FORCE RECON COL  
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

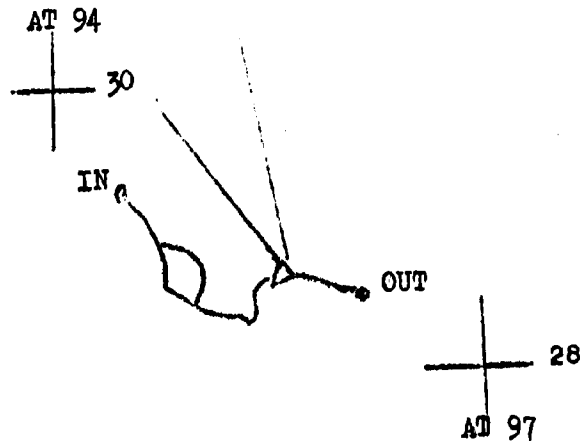
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

FINLAYSON, A. 092862  
HAGER, J.W. 2118203  
POWELL, D.A. 2252435  
SLOWICK, J.W. 2279768

GARNER, R.G. 2259966  
WILLIAMS, C.N. 2278103  
GLOR, J.P. 2259423

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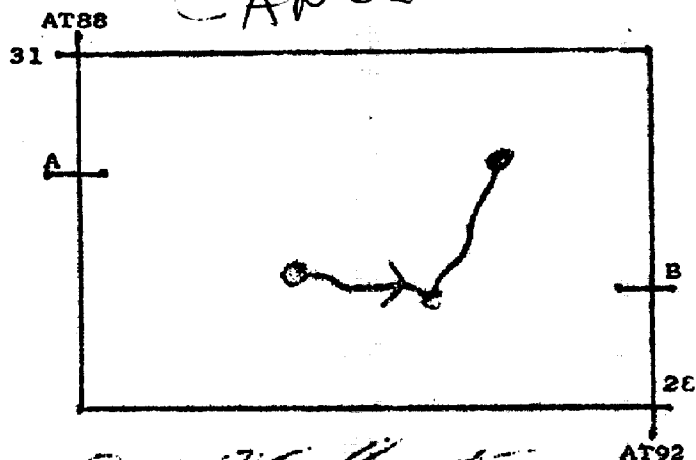
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Unit/Call Sign: F-4-1 (CONSULATE) Patrol Leader: SGT. JENSEN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to Detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Hiep Duc Valley area; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 250730H; insert vic. AT893292. Extract at 291330H, vic. AT909303. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
 Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA/CARNIVAL TIME DELTA  
68.65  
 (b) BIRDBEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT WHISKEY  
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 (c) DATLINE

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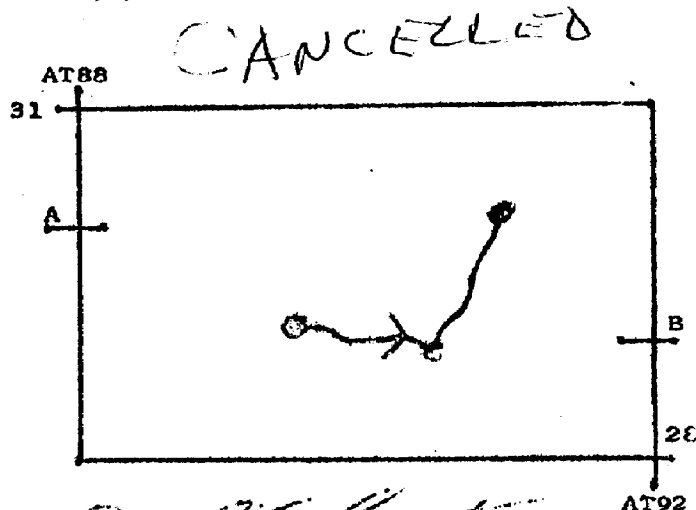
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Unit/Call Sign: F-4-1 (CONSULATE) Patrol Leader: SGT. JENSEN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to Detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Hiep Duc Valley area; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 250730H; insert vic. AT895292. Extract at 291330H, vic. AT909303. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 39.6; Alternate 37.9  
Artillery: (a) ARNICA DELTA/CARNIVAL TIME DELTA  
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Unit/Call Sign: C-2-1 (COVENTRY) Patrol Leader: SGT. STRAETER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration vicinity Happy Valley. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on possible ambush sites with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 260730H; insert vic. ZC068677. Extract at 301330H, vic. ZC092665. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 35.0; Alternate 34.0  
 Artillery: (a) WHITE SOAP BRAVO 2 39.8  
 (b) WHITE SOAP BRAVO 1 52.4  
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ROMEO  
 (b) BEACON LIGHT X-RAY  
 Survival Radio UHF 250.7

Distribution: G-2 (1) ZC06  
 G-3 (2) 68  
 Div AO (1)  
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 Recon FSCC (1)  
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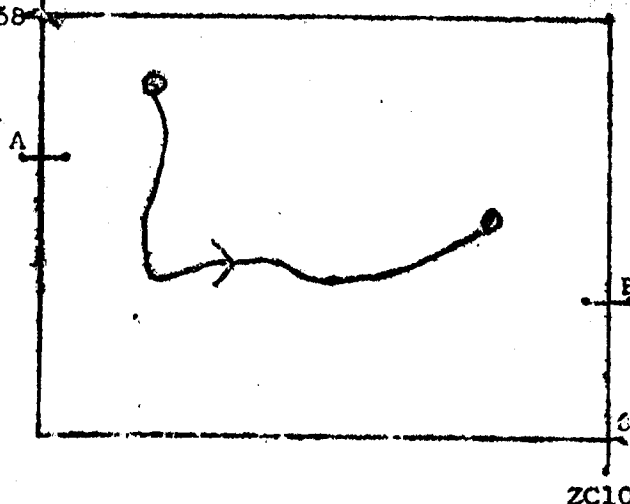
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Patrol: C-2-1 Coventry  
 Debrief: Sgt. E.S. Waters  
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS  
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 Da Nang, RVN  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 8 EN,
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 1 7x50; 1 M-49; 1 RT-1
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE VICINITY OF HAPPY VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON POSSIBLE AMBUSH SITES WITH THE SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 260730H/301030H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 99 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY, AND NO INDICATIONS OF SIGNIFICANT VC ACTIVITY IN THE AREA RECENTLY.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE.

B. TERRAIN: THICK SECONDARY GROWTH OF BRUSH, VINES, AND BAMBOO IN THE LOW GROUND; THINS OUT CONSIDERABLY ON THE HIGHER GROUND WHERE THERE IS CANOPY OF 100'-125'. THERE ARE NUMEROUS CLEARED AREAS WHERE THE GROUND HAS BEEN OR IS BEING CULTIVATED.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. ZC065676, A GOOD 1xUH-34 ZONE IN A CLEARED AREA. EXTRACT LZ VIC. ZC087666, A GOOD 1xUH-34 ZONE WITH SOME SORT OF GRAIN GROWING IN IT. THERE IS ANOTHER POSSIBLE LZ VIC. ZC077658. GENERALLY, THE AREA DOES NOT SHOW MANY SIGNS OF ACTIVITY; TRAILS APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN WELL WORN AT ONE TIME, BUT NOW ARE BEGINNING TO GROW OVER AND CARRY ONLY OCCASIONAL TRAFFIC. TRAIL MARKERS AND NUMEROUS ANTI-TRAPS ARE ALL QUITE OLD. THE ONLY FRESH INDICATION WAS FOUND VIC. ZC067-674, WHERE THERE IS A FRESHLY CUT TRAIL AROUND THE CIRCUMFERENCE OF A CULTIVATED AREA.

AT 231000H THE PATROL HEARD VOICES AND CHOPPING SOUNDS COMING FROM ABOUT 300 METERS SOUTHEAST OF THEIR POSITION VIC. ZC081661; ESTIMATED 3 PERSONS.

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8. REPORTS OF HOSTILITIES WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND THAT FUTURE PATROLS INVESTIGATE THE AREA TO THE SOUTH OF THE STREAM WHICH RUNS THROUGH GRID SQUARES ZC0665 AND ZC0765.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A.

SGT. D.R. STRAETER  
2nd PLT, CO. C  
PATROL LEADER.

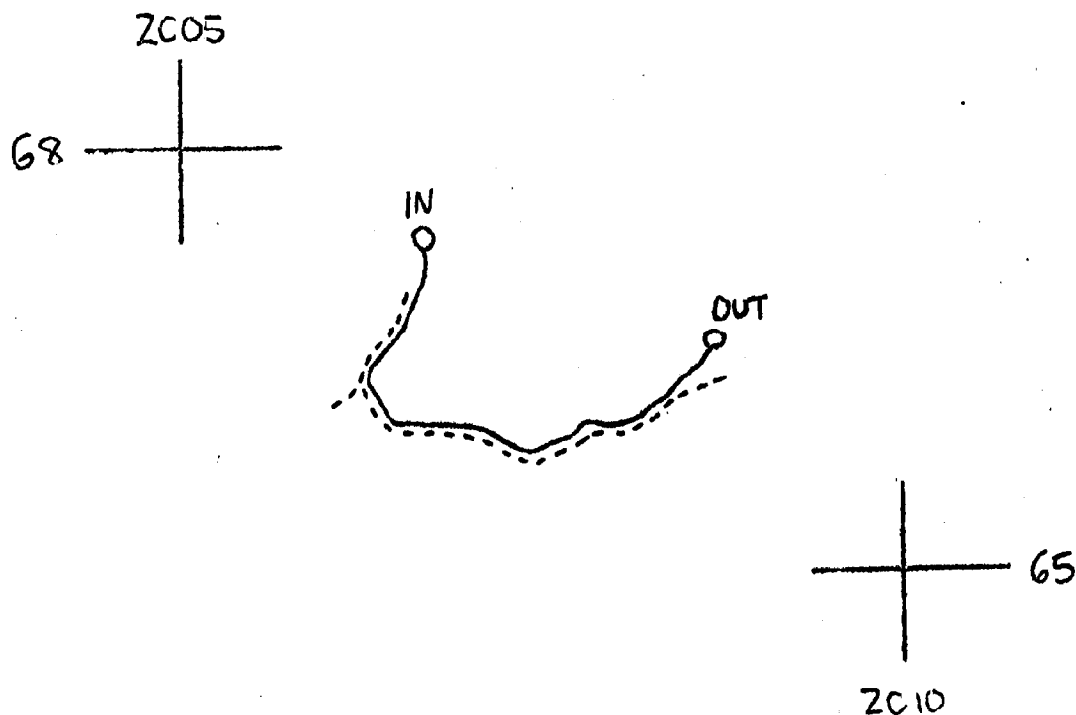
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

STRAETER, 1366270  
DAVIS, 2128858  
LOPEZ, 2291266  
PASSOLO, 2283235

HOFFMAN, 2164259  
PRICE, 2283691  
TRAVIS, 2156102  
RAY, 2150805

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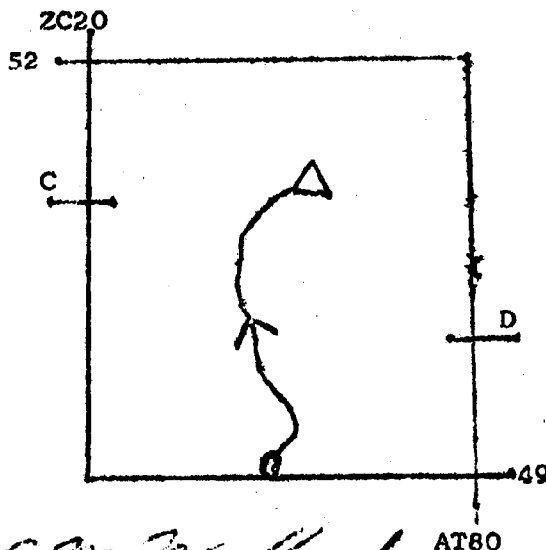
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Unit/Call Sign: F-1-2 (COUNTERSIGN) Patrol Leader: SGT. JOHNSON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)  
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Duc Duc Valley area; be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 260830H; insert vic. ZC213492. Extract at 301430H, vic. AT791515. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 36.4; Alternate 37.9  
Artillery: (a) CORKLEG WIL0 37.15  
(b) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 37.65  
(c) ARNICA RCHO 36.65  
(d) STANLEY LOOKER 44.8  
Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT DELTA  
(b) DATBLINE  
(c) STANLEY LOOKER

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 PATROL: P-1-2 COUNTERSIGN  
 DEBRIEFER: LT. P.R. YOUNG  
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS  
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL.
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 10x50; M-49 SCOPE;
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN DUC DUC VALLEY AREA; BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 261045H/301345H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 99 HRS. WITH 6 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 84 VC. 6 FM WERE CALLED RESULTING IN 7 VC KIA CONF. AND 49 VC KIA PROB.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: 261315H AT813498 4 VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES; FM CALLED, 2 VC KIA CONF.
  - 261400H AT826497 3 VC MOVING N; BLK. PJ'S; RIFLES; FM CALLED, 3 VC KIA PROB.
  - 261600H AT822481 40-50 VC MOVING NE; BLK. PJ'S AND KHAKI; RIFLES, HEAVY PACKS AND CART. BELTS. FM CALLED, 30 VC KIA PROB.
  - 281950H AT782504 15 VC SOUTH OF PATROLS POSITION LOOKING FOR PATROL. FM CALLED, 10 VC KIA PROB.
  - 291106H AT792504 2 VC MOVING E ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. FM CALLED, ONE VC KIA CONF.
  - 291145H AT804513 10 VC IN BUSHES; BLK. PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS; 4 PACKS, 2 RIFLES. FM CALLED, 4 VC KIA CONF., 6 VC KIA PROB.
  - B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS THROUGHOUT. VEGETATION IS THIN ON TOP OF RIDGE BUT VERY THICK IN RAVINES. MOVEMENT IS FAIRLY EASY. THERE IS PLENTY OF WATER ALONG PATROL ROUTE.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC213497 LOW HILL WITH BURNED OFF GRASS; GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ FROM A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE CLEARED BY PATROL. CENTER LZ AT788504 GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. SEVERAL OTHER ZONES ALONG TOP OF RIDGE. MANY GOOD GR'S ALONG ENTIRE ROUTE. TRAIL VIC. AT793503 IS WELL USED

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IS A WELL-USED TRAIL ALONG TOP OF MAIN RIDGE-VALLEY. ALSO, MANY  
SMALL TRAILS IN THE AREA.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: OUTSTANDING AREA FOR OP'S.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

SGT. F.P. JOHNSON  
1st PLT, 1st FORCE  
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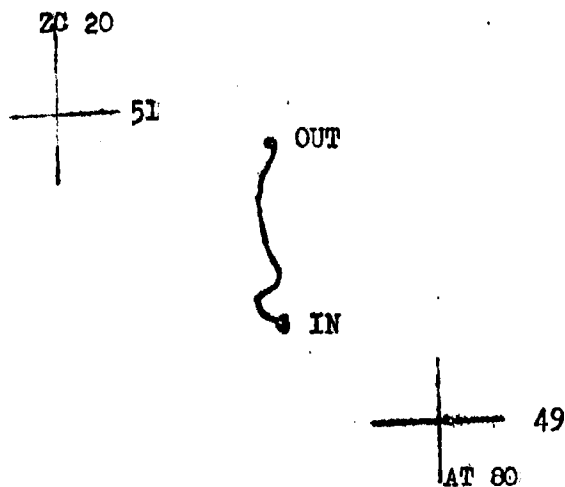
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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENLISTED.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 1 M-49; 1 6x30.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NPZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR POSSIBLE ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AREAS SUITABLE FOR AMBUSH WITH A SECONDARY MISSION A CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 300930H/300945H.

4. ROUTE: N/A.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL WAS INSERTED IN RESPONSE TO AN INFRA-RED EMISSION AND COVERED A PERIOD OF 15 MINUTES. THEY WERE SURROUNDED BY AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC UPON INSERTION AND EXTRACTED UNDER HEAVY FIRE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: 300930H ZC104694 PATROL RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME OF SEMI AND FULL AUTOMATIC SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC IN INSERT ZONE; VC IN BLACK PJ'S AND 25-100 METERS FROM PATROL'S POSITION. UH-1E GUNSHIPS DELIVERED SUPPRESSIVE FIRE AND FIXED WING AIRCRAFT CONDUCTED AIRSTRIKE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. PATROL EXTRACTED UNDER HEAVY FIRE AT 300945H.

- B. TERRAIN: THE ZONE IS FLAT, WITH WATER IN A STREAM NEARBY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. ZC104694; A VERY GOOD 1xUH-34 ZONE COVERED WITH LOW GRASS; THERE WERE ANTI-HELO STAKES IN PART OF THE ZONE. THE TRAIL ON THE MAP APPEARS TO BE WELL USED.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE ZONE SHOULD HAVE AN EXTENSIVE PREP BY FIXED WING BEFORE THE TEAM IS INSERTED.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: AIR WAS EXCELLENT.

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

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