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1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF (G-3)
Subj: Command Chronology for period 010001H Jan 1968 to
312400H Jan 1968.
Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8
(c) DivO 5750.2B
Encl: ✓ (1) 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein) Command Chronology
Jan 1968

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
010001H Jan 68 TO 312400H Jan 68

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein) Lt. Col. B. C. STINMETZ 1-31Jan68

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company

1stLt. R. D. HARRISON 1-29Jan68

Company "A"

1stLt. L. J. GRASSILLI Jr 29-31Jan68

Company "B"

Capt. J. H. SCHMITT 1-13Jan68

Company "C"

1stLt. E. G. MEINERS 13-31Jan68

Company "D"

Capt. R. F. DRAKE 1-31Jan68

Company "E"

Capt. H. R. METZLER 1-31Jan68

Capt. R. M. STACY 1-31Jan68

Capt J. D. CAHILL 1-31Jan68

ATTACHED UNITS

1st Force Reconnaissance Company

Maj. E. H. WALKER IV 1-31Jan68

2. LOCATION

1-31Jan 68; 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein); Da Nang, RVN. 4-31 Jan 68; 1st Force Reconnaissance Company; Phu Bai, RVN. 14-31 Jan 68; Company "C"; Phu Bai, RVN. 17-31 Jan 68; Company "E"; RLT 26 (Rear) Okinawa, P.I. 23-31 Jan 68; 3rd Plt Company "D": Phu Bai, RVN.

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Maj. D. R. TIMMONS 1-19Jan68

Adjutant/S-1

Maj. J. T. NICHOLS 19-31Jan68

S-2

1stLt. H. E. BURTON 1-31Jan68

S-3

Capt. R. C. KICKLIGHTER 1-31Jan68

S-3A

Maj. D. J. KEATING Jr 1-31Jan68

S-4

Capt. W. R. WARREN 1-31Jan68

Supply Officer

Capt. S. P. MEHL 1-29Jan68

Communications Officer

1stLt. R. D. HARRISON 29-31Jan68

Motor Transport Officer

2dLt. W. R. RAMSEY 1-31Jan68

1stLt. H. C. VOGT 1-31Jan68

1stLt. D. D. DIXON 1-31Jan

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

OFF	USMC	ENL
51		839

OFF	USN	ENL
1		36

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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 January 1968. The results of this activity are documented in Part IV.

PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 01Jan68 During the entire month of Jan 1968, the Battalion continued to support units of the 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF in SCUBA/salvage operations.
- 03Jan68 Representative G. BUSH, Republican from Texas and party visited this command and were given an indoctrination briefing by the Battalion Commander on the conduct of Reconnaissance operations.
- 04Jan68 1st Force Reconnaissance Company chopped OP-Con to Task Force X-Ray.
- 08Jan68 Land Mine Warfare Indoctrination Course commenced at 1st Engineer Battalion for new members of this command.
- 10Jan68 Land Mine Warfare Indoctrination Course terminated.
- 11Jan68 A one day Forward Observers School was conducted by 11th Marine Regiment for new members of this command.
- 14Jan68 Representative W. L. HUNGATE, Democate from Missouri and party visited this command and were given an indoctrination briefing by the Battalion Commander on the conduct of Reconnaissance operations.
- 14Jan68 Company "C" chopped Op-Con to Task Force X-Ray.
- 17Jan68 Company "E" departed Op-Con/Ad-Con to 9th M.A.B. for Reconnaissance training.
- 23Jan68 3rd Platoon, Company "D" chopped Op-Con/Ad-Con to Company "C".
- 31Jan68 Senator F. E. MOSS, Democrat of Utah and party visited this command and were given an indoctrination briefing by the Battalion Commander on the conduct of Reconnaissance operations.

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PART IV
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A. Statistical Data Chart
- B. Operation Orders and Patrol Reports
- C. SITREPS: 01 January - 31 January 1968 FILED SEP

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TOTALS

A. Statistical Data Chart

Patrols	65	35	100
Sightings	287	35	322
VC Sighted	3989	827	4816
Fire Missions	331	38	369
Air Strikes	29	3	32
NFG Missions	0	0	0
VC KIA (Conf)	240	13	253
Weapons Captured	3	0	3
VCC	0	0	0
Detainees	0	0	0
USMC Casualties	18	10	28
DOW	0	1	1
KIA	2	2	4
WIA (EVAC)	8	5	13
WIA (NON-EVAC)	8	2	10
MIA	0	0	0

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PART V
1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
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10 Feb 1968ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

1st Force Reconnaissance Company (Rein)

Maj. E. H. WALKER IV 1-31Jan68

ATTACHED UNITS

Company "C" 1st Recon Bn(Rein)

Capt. H. R. METZLER 1-31Jan68

2. LOCATION

1-5 Jan 1968, 1st Force Reconnaissance Company: DA NANG, RVN
 1-31 Jan 1968, 1st Force Reconnaissance Company (Rein): PHU BAI, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

B-2

B-3

B-4

Supply Officer

Communications Officer

Motor Transport Officer

Capt. W.E. NELSON 1-31Jan68
 Capt F. J. VOGEL 1-31Jan68
 Capt. J.W. PERRINE 1-31Jan68
 1stLt. W.C. CRAVEN 1-31Jan68
 1stLt. W.C. CRAVEN 1-31Jan68
 1stLt. C.N. RILEY 1-31Jan68
 1stLt. W.C. CRAVEN 1-31Jan68

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
1stForReconCo(Rein)	12	151	0	9
Company "C"	5	110	0	0

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The First Force Reconnaissance Company (Rein) conducted normal patroling activities in general support of the 1st Marine Division (Rein), and Task Force X-Ray, FMF, during the month of January 1968. The results of this activity are documented in SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS.

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 01Jan68 During the month of Jan 1968, the Company continued to support 1st Marine Division(Rein) and commenced support of Task Force X-Ray in Reconnaissance operations.
- 02Jan68 1st Force Reconnaissance Company departed DA NANG on Rough Rider Convoy enroute to PHU BAI. Convoy unable to proceed as culverts had been blown.
- 05Jan68 1st Force Reconnaissance Company proceeded by convoy to PHU BAI. Arrived 052000H.
- 06Jan68 1st Force Reconnaissance Company commenced operations in conjunction with 3d Recon Bn.
- 10Jan68 1st Force Reconnaissance Company's first team inserted 100800H.
- 13Jan68 Company "D" 3d Recon Bn departed PHU BAI for QUANG TRI.
- 15Jan68 CG, Task Force X-Ray assumed control of PHU BAI area and the area south of HUE 151200H.
- 16Jan68 Company "C", 1st Reconnaissance Battalion arrived at PHU BAI, RVN.
- 19Jan68 Company "C"'s first recon team inserted.
- 23Jan68 3d Platoon, Company "D", 1st Recon Bn arrived at PHU BAI, RVN.
- 25Jan68 3d Recon Bn terminated operations in PHU BAI TAOR.
- 25Jan68 1st Force Recon Co. (Rein) assumed responsibility for radio relays.
- 26Jan68 Company "A" and H&S Company, 3d Recon Bn departed PHU BAI for Quang Tri.
- 28Jan68 1st Force Recon Co. (Rein) moved from Cantonment 3 to Cantonment 2, PHU BAI, RVN.

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

B. Operation Orders and Patrol Reports

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B:
 #1: Bn OpOrder 707-67 dtd 25 Dec 67
 #2: C-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 6 Jan 68
 #3: Bn OpOrder 708-67 dtd ~~XXXXXX~~ 26 Dec 67
 #4: C-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 2 Jan 68
 #5: Bn OpOrder 709-67 dtd 26 Dec 67
 #6: C-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 5 Jan 68
 #7: Bn OpOrder 710-67 dtd 26 Dec 67
 #8: E-2 Patrol Report dtd 4 Jan 68
 #9: Bn OpOrder 712-67 dtd 27 Dec 67
 #10: F-1 Patrol Report dtd 5 Jan 68
 #11: Bn OpOrder 713-67 dtd 27 Dec 67
 #12: C-3-2 Patrol Report dtd 2 Jan 68
 #13: Bn OpOrder 714-67 dtd 28 Dec 67
 #14: E-3 Patrol Report dtd 12 Jan 68
 #15: Bn OpOrder 715-67 dtd 28 Dec 67
 #16: A-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 5 Jan 68
 #17: Bn OpOrder 716-67 dtd 28 Dec 67
 #18: C-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 4 Jan 68
 #19: Bn OpOrder 717-67 dtd 28 Dec 67
 #20: B-3-2 Patrol Report dtd 4 Jan 68
 #21: Bn OpOrder 718-67 dtd 28 Dec 67
 #22: #4-1 Patrol Report dtd 5 Jan 68
 #23: Bn OpOrder 719-67 dtd 29 Dec 67
 #24: A-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 6 Jan 68
 #25: Bn OpOrder 720-67 dtd 29 Dec 67
 #26: D-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 7 Jan 68
 #27: Bn OpOrder 721-67 dtd 29 Dec 67
 #28: A-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 4 Jan 68
 #29: Bn OpOrder 722-67 dtd 29 Dec 67 W/Ch 1 dtd 5 Jan 68
 #30: A-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 10 Jan 68
 #31: Bn OpOrder 723-67 dtd 29 Dec 67
 #32: D-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 5 Jan 68
 #33: Bn OpOrder 1-68 dtd 31 Dec 67
 #34: B-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 6 Jan 68
 #35: Bn OpOrder 2-68 dtd 1 Jan 69
 #36: D-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 7 Jan 68
 #37: Bn OpOrder 3-68 dtd 1 Jan 68
 #38: A-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 9 Jan 68
 #39: Bn OpOrder 4-68 dtd 1 Jan 68
 #40: D-3-2 Patrol Report dtd 8 Jan 68
 #41: Bn OpOrder 5-68 dtd 2 Jan 68
 #42: B-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 9 Jan 68
 #43: Bn OpOrder 6-68 dtd 2 Jan 68
 #44: C-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 8 Jan 68

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#45: Bn OpOrder 7-68 dtd 2 Jan 68
 #46: E-4-2 Patrol Report dtd 10 Jan 68
 #47: Bn OpOrder 8-68 dtd 2 Jan 68
 #48: D-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 8 Jan 68
 #49: Bn OpOrder 9-68 dtd 4 Jan 68
 #50: B-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 9 Jan 68
 #51: Bn OpOrder 10-68 dtd 4 Jan 68 W/Ch 1 dtd 9 Jan 68
 #52: C-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 6 Jan 68
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 #55: Bn OpOrder 12-68 dtd 4 Jan 68
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 #57: Bn OpOrder 13-68 dtd 5 Jan 68
 #58: C-3-2 Patrol Report dtd
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 #81: Bn OpOrder 25-68 dtd 10 Jan 68
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 #84: A-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 18 Jan 68
 #85: Bn OpOrder 27-68 dtd 11 Jan 68
 #86: B-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 16 Jan 68
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 #88: B-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 16 Jan 68
 #89: Bn OpOrder 29-68 dtd 18 Jan 68 (Ch 1)
 #90: A-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 23 Jan 68
 #91: Bn OpOrder 30-68 dtd 12 Jan 68
 #92: Bn OpOrder 31-68 dtd 13 Jan 68
 #93: A-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 22 Jan 68
 #94: Bn OpOrder 32-68 dtd 13 Jan 68

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 #96: Bn OpOrder 33-68 dtd 13 Jan 68
 #97: B-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 19 Jan 68
 #98: Bn OpOrder 34-68 dtd 14 Jan 68
 #99: A-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 22 Jan 68
 #100: Bn OpOrder 35-68 dtd 14 Jan 68
 #101: A-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 19 Jan 68
 #102: Bn OpOrder 36-68 dtd 15 Jan 68
 #103: A-3-2 Patrol Report dtd 21 Jan 68
 #104: Bn OpOrder 37-68 dtd 16 Jan 68
 #105: D-1 Patrol Report dtd 24 Jan 68
 #106: Bn OpOrder 38-68 dtd 16 Jan 68
 #107: D-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 22 Jan 68
 #108: OpOrder 39-68 dtd 17 Jan 68 W/Ch 1 dtd 21 Jan 68
 #109: B-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 26 Jan 68
 #110: Bn OpOrder 40-68 dtd 17 Jan 68
 #111: D-3-2 Patrol Report dtd 22 Jan 68
 #112: Bn OpOrder 41-68 dtd 17 Jan 68
 #113: D-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 24 Jan 68
 #114: Bn OpOrder 42-68 dtd 17 Jan 68 (Cancelled)
 #115: Bn OpOrder 43-68 dtd 18 Jan 68
 #116: B-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 13 Jan 68
 #117: Bn OpOrder 44-68 dtd 20 Jan 68
 #118: A-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 27 Jan 68
 #119: Bn OpOrder 45-68 dtd 20 Jan 68
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 #125: Bn OpOrder 48-68 dtd 20 Jan 68
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 #127: Bn OpOrder 49-68 dtd 28 Jan 68
 #128: A-3-2 Patrol Report dtd 29 Jan 68
 #129: Bn OpOrder 50-68 dtd 24 Jan 68
 #130: A-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 29 Jan 68
 #131: Bn OpOrder 54-68 dtd 24 Jan 68
 #132: D-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 31 Jan 68

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OPERATION ORDER #707-67

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 DA NANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
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Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6540 I, 6540 II, 6640 III & 6640 I
 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder msg #707-67

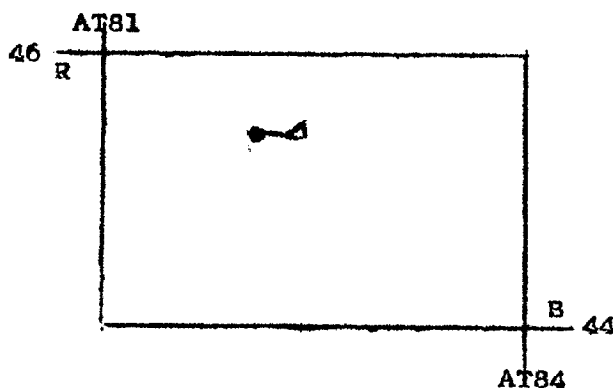
Unit/Call Sign: C-2-2 (MUSK OX) Patrol Leader: SGT BEARUP

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: 1 Engr. with Mine detector equip.
2. Mission. Establish an observation post and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Duc Duc Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 270800H; insert vic AT824452. Extract at 050800H via AT824452. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate 37.90
 Artillery: (a) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (b) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60
 (c) SH ACT "A" 37.65
 (d) HEAD COLD "B" 44.45 Alt. 68.0'

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU

Distribution:

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G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 7thMar	(1)
CO, 3d and 7thMar	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co. "C"	(1)
PtlLdr, C-2-2	(1)



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S-3 CHIEF	
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S-2 CHIEF	

C. J. Keating, Jr.
 D. J. KEATING, Jr.
 By direction

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Operation Order: 707-67
 Patrol: Musk Ox C-2-2
 Beneficiary: Cpl. J.M. STIPANOVICH
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6540I, 6540II, 6640III, 6640 I

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 061000H Jan 68

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 PRC-25, 2 7x50, 1 SNOTTER SCOPE,
1 STARLIGHT SCOPE
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M60, 1 M14, 1 .50 CAL MG, 2 M79, 13 CLAYMORES

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

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 310900H/050500H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 128 HOURS WITH 18 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 262 VC. 8 FM'S WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 30 VC KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

311232H AT823477 5 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. 4 BLK IJ'S, 1 WHITE IJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM, 1 KIA PROB.

311515H AT807469 4 VC MOVING NE ON PADDIE DIKE. BLK AND GRAY IJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS.

311630H AT834478 10 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. BLACK IJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE.

011015H AT828470 5 VC STANDING IN A GROUP. GRAY IJ'S; PACKS. VC DISAPPEARED INTO A TREE LINE.

011100H AT825467 4 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. BLK IJ'S; LARGE PACKS. VC MOVED INTO A TREE LINE.

011222H AT818483 5 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. BLK AND GRAY IJ'S; RIFLES. VC MOVED INTO A TREE LINE.

011350H AT815474 13 VC CARRYING PACKS BETWEEN TWO VILLES. BLK AND GRAY IJ'S; 3 RIFLES AND PACKS. VC ENTERED A VILLE.

011500H AT814498 40 VC IN GROUPS OF 5 TO 10, WALKING NE ON A ROAD. BLK AND GRAY IJ'S; PACKS. CALLED 40.

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091825H AT815472 18 VC WALKING WEST ON TRAIL. BLK TJ'S; PACKS. VC MOVED OUT OF SIGHT.

011945H AT815477 55 VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK TJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS.

020745H AT814497 4 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL. BLK TJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT VC MOVED OUT OF THE AREA.

020900H AT806466 2 VC MOVING SW ON TRAIL. BLK TJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREE LINE.

021215H AT817464 7 VC MOVING INTO A VILLAGE. BLK AND GRAY TJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM AND USED .50 CAL MG. 2 VC KIA PROB.

021220H AT813470 5 VC MOVING ACROSS RIVER. BLK TJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM AND USED .50 CAL MG. 3 KIA PROB.

021420H AT820467 2 VC MOVING NE ALONG A PADDY DIKE. BLK AND GRAY TJ'S; PACKS. VC MOVED INTO A VILLAGE.

020600H AT811471 2 VC MOVING INTO A HOOTH. BLK TJ'S AND KHAKIS. PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, 2 VC KIA PROB.

021905H AT810471 63 VC MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. BLK AND GRAY TJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, 20 VC KIA PROB.

041553H AT800485 13 VC MOVING NE ACROSS A RIVER. BLK TJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM, 2 VC KIA PROB.

041748H AT807482 5 VC MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. KHAKIS; LARGE PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: BALD HILL WITH SMALL ROCKS. IN THE CENTER OF THE HILL IS A 2,000 LB. BOMB CRATER.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: WATER IS AVAILABLE AT THE BASE OF THE HILL. INSERT AND EXTRACT ZONE IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF LOW GRASS.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

SGT. R.M. REARUM
MUSK OX C-2-2
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. BEARUE	2134400	LCPL. VALDEZ	2330570
PVT. WILKER	2311095	PFC. JOHNSON	2343326
PFC. SHAFER	2317385	PFC. SEARS	2356691
LCPL. MACKAY	2302729	PFC. G. ROIA	2387587
PFC. GIBSON	2365240	PL. STEINOVICH	2221289
HM3 FEHL	13506451	LCPL. PORTER	2308275
CTL. ARMBRUSTER	2311476	SGT. FISHER	2158306

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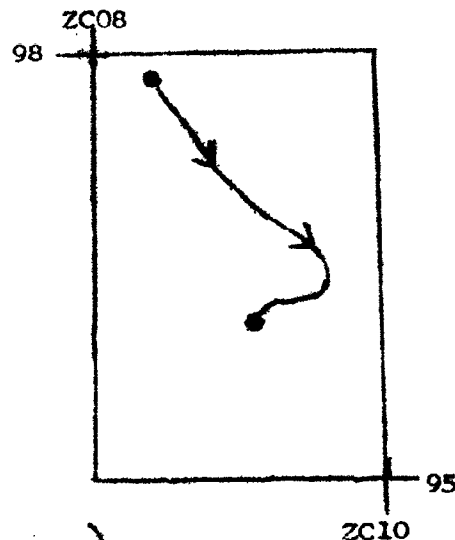
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Unit/Call Sign: C-1-1 (WAR CLOUD) Patrol Leader: SGT HATTON

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 our assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or area infiltration in the Loc Tri Valley to Highway #1 to the city of Phu Loc. Special emphasis is to be placed on locating and plotting HLZ's, trails, fords, and an evaluation of the vegetation and terrain for future patrol emplacement. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 280730H; insert ZC083979. Extract at 310300H via ZC091961. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Com/Electronic. Primary Freq: 32.10; Alternate: 31.60
Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "D" 62.75
(b) PATTY SHELL "L" 35.95
(c) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY X-RAY
(b) PAL JOEY WHISKEY
(c) GOOD LUCK (24-30Dec) (DONG DEN)

Distribution:

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Operation Orders: 105467
Patrol: War Cloud C-1
Debriefers: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
Sheet 65411, 65412

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Da Nang, RVN
021615H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

CO/XO

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 10 EML, 1 USN
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRG-25, 2 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M79, 1 M14, 6 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED REF/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE LOC TRI VALLEY TO HIGHWAY #1 TO THE CITY OF PHU LOC. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND PLOTTING ELZ'S, TRAILS, FORDS, AND AN EVALUATION OF THE VEGETATION AND TERRAIN FOR FUTURE PATROL EMPLACEMENT. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 301530H/021530H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 70 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: HILLY, WITH CANOPY UP TO 30' FEET HIGH. HEAVY UNDER-GROWTH.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE PATROL WAS TRACKED IN VIC, ZC078988, AND WERE EXTRACTED BY CE-53 IN THIS SAME AREA. THERE ARE NO LZ'S IN THIS AREA. THERE IS A POSSIBLE OP VIC. ZC090969.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

LT. T.J. JANCZUK
WAR CLOUD C-1
PATROL LEADER

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2. PATROL MEMBERS:

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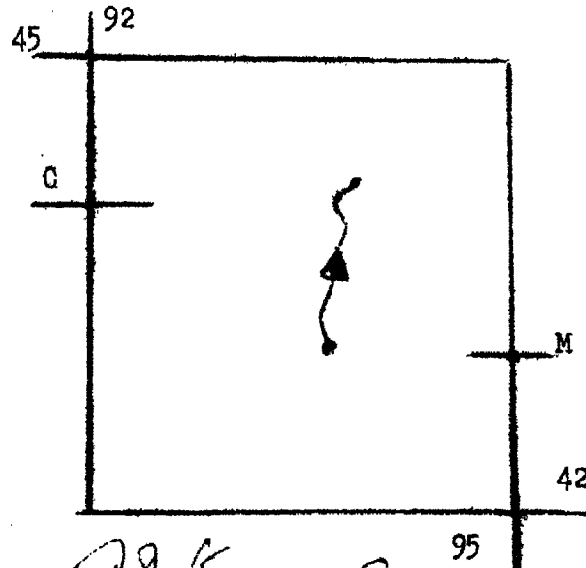
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 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder msg #709-67

Unit/Call Signs: C-3-1 (Pony Boy) Patrol Leader: Lt. C. McBride

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM's
 (b) See current OPSUM's and FIR's
 (c) Attachments: None
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement along the Nui Mac Ma/Nui Da Bea Ridge complex. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 280800H; insert via AT937429. Extract at 310900H via AT938441. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b) and verbal.
5. Comms/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SERVICEMAN "A" 64.60
 (b) HUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (c) HEAD COLD "E" 36.95; Alternate: 68.00
 Radio Relay: (a) P.1 Joey ZULU
 (b) ALA KING (until 28 Dec) on Blankenship
 FIG NEWTON 28 Dec - 2 Jan 68

Distribution: G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
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 Control Ldr (1)



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Operation Order: 67
 Patrol: Pony Boy C-3-1
 Debriefing: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6640IV, 6640III

Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 050800H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 2 OFF, 10 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 M49, 1 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M79, 1 M14, 4 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT ALONG THE NUI MA DA BEA RIDGE COMPLEX. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 310930H/041830H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 105 HOURS WITH 7 SIGHTINGS TALLING 81 VC.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

311540H AT983473 21 VC MOVING NW ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND KHAKIS; RIFLES AND PACKS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS.

010830H AT994464 2 VC MOVING SE ON A TRAIL. 1 BLK PJ'S AND 1 GRAY KHAKI; HEAVY PACKS. NO FM CALLED.

011500H AT957477 9 VC MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. GRAY KHAKIS; PACKS. NO FM CALLED.

020815H AT975462 2 VC MOVING SW ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; LARGE PACKS. CALLED FM, 2 VC KIA PROB.

040750H AT970455 15 VC MOVING SOUTH ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND GRAY KHAKIS; LARGE PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREE LINE.

041000H AT970455 10 VC MOVING SOUTH ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND GRAY KHAKIS; HEAVY PACKS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREE LINE.

041710H AT975462 2 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; HEAVY PACKS. CALLED FM, 2 VC KIA PROB.

B. TERRAIN: LOW SCRUB WITH SOME ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 6' HIGH. MOVEMENT IS EASY, BUT THE AREA IS OPEN.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE

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WHICH WAS DESTROYED BY THE PATROL. THERE IS A GOOD LZ VIC. AT938441.
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A GOOD OF.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

LT. C.P. MCBRIDE
TONY BOY C-3-1
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

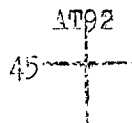
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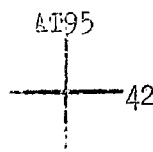
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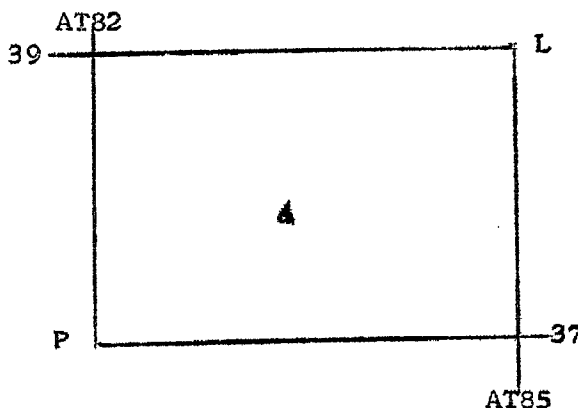
Unit/Call Sign: B-2 (FIG NEWTON) Patrol Leader: LT LITTLE

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 452 (Cua Tan Mountain) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Mong Song Coal Mine area and routes of access along the Thu Song River. Provide a radio relay capability from Blankenship OP. 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 281000H; insert vic AT836378. Extract at 031000H vic AT836378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "E" 44.45 Alt. 68.05
 (b) RUSH ACT "A" 37.64
 (c) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11th Mar (5)
 CO, 2dBn5thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "E" (1)
 PtlLdr, B-2 (1)



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Operation Order: 71
 Patrol: E-2 Fig Newton
 Debriefers: Capt. R.C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS
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Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 041300H January 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 14 ENL.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
 - C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 1 7x50; 1 M-49; 1 BC SCOPE
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE.
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 POSSIBLE TRAFFIC ALONG THE SONG THU BONG RIVER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 291600H/041130H.
4. ROUTE: N/A; ALL ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED VIC. AT837378.
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 140 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.

LT. LITTLE
 2nd PLT, CO. E
 PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT LITTLE
 SGT. CUMMINGS
 CPL. SAFFOLD
 LCPL. COBB
 LCPL. BENTLY
 PFC BAKKEN
 PFC IRBY
 LCPL. HALL

PFC. GRAY
 PFC MCKISSETT
 PFC MCINTYRE
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 LCPL. HEIDLUND
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 (e) BnFragOrder #712-67

Unit/Call Sign: F-1 (THIN MAN) 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/RFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ba Na Mountain Range. Special emphasis to be placed on the routes of access from Ba Na eastward to the Thuy Loan River Valley. Emphasis also 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. Upon effective date of this order, depart your present position and carry out your assigned mission. Extract at 021400H vic At858705.

Coordinating Instructions

- (1) If pre-plotted fires are desired along your route inform PAL JOEY 3 prior to departure.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
 (b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) SPOON BILL 63.70
 (d) SCREEN TEST "G" 67.05

- Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ROMBO
 (b) DUBLIN CITY (BA NA)
 (c) PAL JOEY X-RAY

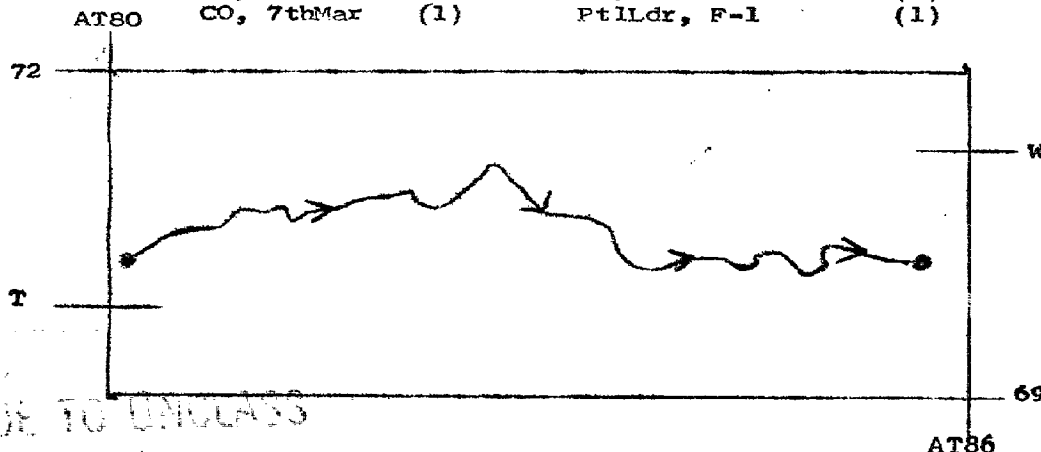
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Operation Order: 712-67
Patrol F-1 Thin Man
Debriefed: Sgt. E.S. Waters
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS
L7014 Sheet 6640 IV

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
Da Nang, RVN
051330H January 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 17 EN, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 2 7x50's.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14; 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 THE VICINITY OF BA NA MOUNTAIN. PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE RADIO RELAY (PAL JOEY ROMEO) AND BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 290800H/051300H.

4. ROUTE: N/A; INSERT AND EXTRACT WERE MADE VIC. ZC207702.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 160 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.

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

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. WILLIAMSON
SGT. LAWTON
SGT. HOLTON
CPL. BELINSKI
LCPL. RABENOLD
LCPL. SCHMIDT
LCPL. LEWIS
LCPL. MERVIN
LCPL. MILLER

PFC EDWARDS
PFC STAFFER
PFC CHILSON
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PFC CAMPBELL
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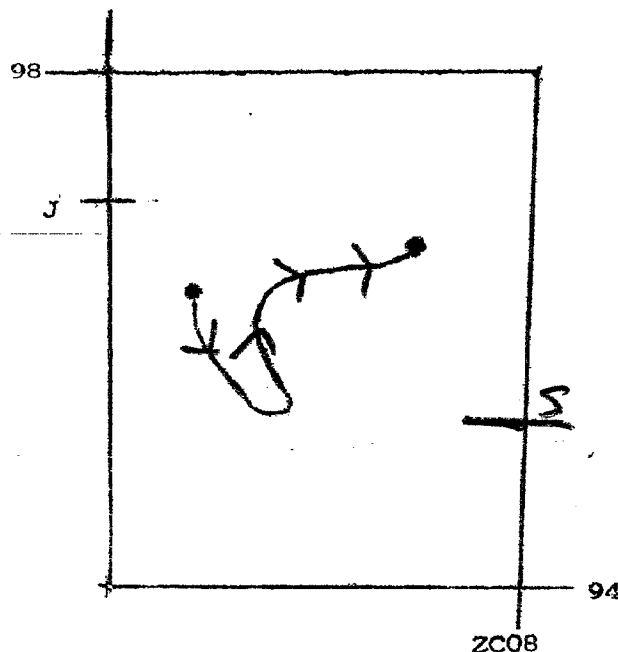
Unit/Call Sign: C-3-2 (PEARL CHEST) Patrol Leader: SGT SLEEPER

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 along the Bach Ma Road to Highway #1 to the city of Phu Loc. Special emphasis is to be placed on locating and plotting HLZ's, trails, fords, and an evaluation of the vegetation and terrain for future patrol emplacement. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 290730H; insert ZC056963. Extract at 010830H vic ZC071968. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: ~~34.00~~ ^{32.1} Alternate: ~~35.00~~ ^{31.6}
 Artillery: (a) PATTY SHELL "L" ^{35.95}
- Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY UNIFORM
 (b) PAL JOEY WHISKEY - 32.1 31.6
 (c) NAILBRUSH DELTA

Distribution:

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G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 5thMar	(1)
CO, 1stBn5thMar	(1)
Recon FSOC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co. "C"	(1)
PtILdr, C-3-2	(1)

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 By direction

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Operation Order: 7
Patrol: C-3-2 Pearl Chest
Debriefing: Capt. R.C. Kicklighter
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS
L8014; Sheet 6541 II

Reconnaissance Bn.
Da Nang, RVN
021630H January 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL, 1 USN.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's; 1 7x50.
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79; 1 M-14; 3 CLAYMORES.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION ALONG THE BACH MA ROAD TO ROUTE #1 AND THE TOWN OF PHU LOC. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND PLOTTING SUITABLE HLZ's, TRAILS, AND FORDS, AND TO EVALUATE TERRAIN AND VEGETATION FOR FUTURE PATROL EMPLACEMENT. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 300900H/021500H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 78 HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS OF AN ESTIMATED 50 VC. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

020930H ZC083968 OBSERVED AN ESTIMATED 40 VC WITH BLK PJ'S AND VERY HEAVY PACKS.

020935H ZC073967 OBSERVED 10 VC; BLK PJ'S AND VERY HEAVY PACKS.

B. TERRAIN: VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH THROUGHOUT THE AREA AND VERY LITTLE REAL CANOPY. THERE ARE SUITABLE AMBUSH SITES ALL OVER THE AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT WAS ACCOMPLISHED ON FOOT AFTER BEING TRUCKED UP THE BACH MA ROAD FROM THE CP OF 1/5 TO VIC. ZC078988. EXTRACT WAS ACCOMPLISHED THE SAME WAY.

THE PATROL FOUND TRAILS IN THE AREA TO BE AS MAPPED; THERE ARE ADDITIONAL TRAILS LEADING FROM THE VALLEY UP THE FINGERS TOWARD THE WEST. THE PATROL FOUND NO SUITABLE OP'S IN THE AREA.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND THAT INFANTRY CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN THIS VALLEY AND IN THE SURROUNDING HILLS.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF REPORTING ARMS: N/A.

SGT. J.A. SLEEPER
3rd PLT, CO. C
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. SLEEPER
SGT. WHITNEY
LCPL. JUIX
LCPL. MORRIS
CPL. WOLFF
PFC THURMAN
HN BERGMAN

PFC HEFFLEY
PFC DENNIS
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PFC GOOF
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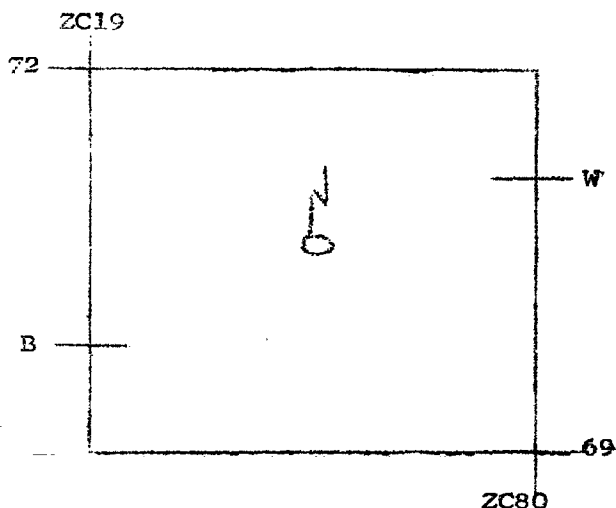
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 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #714-67

Unit/Call Sign: B-3 (DUBLIN CITY) Patrol Leader: LT WARE

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 through Leech Valley and Happy Valley. Provide security for the radio relay team (PAL JOEY ROMEO) at Ba Na. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 290900H; insert via ZC205704. Extract at 070800H via ZC205704. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (L).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
 (b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) SPOON BILL 63.70
 Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ROMEO
 (b) PAL JOEY X-RAY
 (c) FIG NEWTON (28-03) (BLANKENSHIP)
 (d) PADDLE BOAT (03-09 Jan) (BLANKENSHIP)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
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 Recon FSOC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "E" (1)
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Operation Order: 714-67

Patrol: Dublin City E-3

Debriefing: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER

Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS E7014;

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Da Nang, RVN

121100H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 24 ENL
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COM/ AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 3 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M60

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH LETCH VALLEY AND HAPPY VALLEY. PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (PAL JOEY ROMEO) AT BA NA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 050930H/121030H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 169 HOURS WITH 1 CONTACT WITH 25 VC. 1 FM WAS CALLED, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

072300H ZC205704 25 VC PROBING PATROL'S POSITION. PACKS, RIFLES, AND GRENADES. PATROL RECEIVED 8 GRENADES, AND 7 CLAYMORES WERE TURNED AROUND. PATROL RETURNED GRENADES AND SMALL ARMS FIRE. 1 FM WAS CALLED. ACTION RESULTED IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ VIC. ZC205704.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RUN PATROL'S OF THE HILL. BLOW AWAY THE FOUNDATIONS TO THE "SE".

LT. B. WARE
DUBLIN CITY E-3
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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13. PATROL MEME

LT. WARE	0103872	LCPL. MARTINEZ	2304953
SSGT. RASH	1904575	LCPL. TIBBETTS	2343122
SGT. DAVIS	2046237	PFC. STALEY	2365023
CPL. SANDERS	2131404	CPL. BUSEA	2303849
PFC. MEADE	2341475	LCPL. MARQUEZ	2297525
PFC. MERCER	2338541	PFC. ETSITTY	2184713
PFC. ORZEL	2354607	LCPL. PALMQUIST	2231687
LCPL. PARKER	2344619	PFC. BRIDENSTONE	2354174
LCPL. FLETCHER	2329720	PFC. MITCHELL	2335832
PFC. ATKINSON	2356112	PFC. BLACKFORD	2386061
CPL. PEIRCY	2188253	PFC. MORRIS	2340137
PFC. EMANUELSON	2337136		

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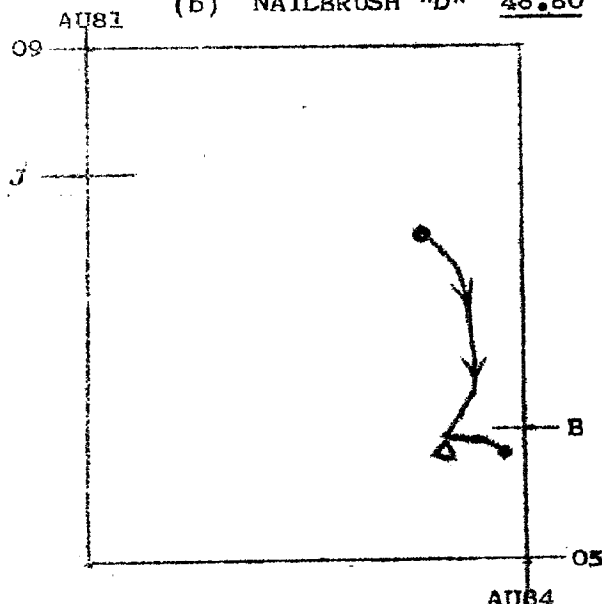
Unit/Call Sign: A-2-2 (COWPOKE) Patrol Leader: SGT BALLIET

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Nui Tron Mountain (Hill 282) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Loè Tu Valley in the northeastern portion of Phu Loc District, Thua Thien Province. Special emphasis to be placed on movement around the villages in the valley and on the South China Sea beach entrances to the east. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air and Coastal "Swift Boat" .50 cal MG and 81mm mortar fire on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 300900H; insert vic AU832076. Extract at 030900H vic AU839059. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
 Artillery: PATTY SHELL "L" 35.95
 Coastal Surveillance Craft (PCF):
 (a) NEWSBOY "I" 37.50

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY UNIFORM
 (b) NAILBRUSH "D" 48.80

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 5thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBn5thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "A" (1)
 PtlLdr, A-2-2 (1)
 Coastal Div. 12 (1)



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Operation Order: 7

Patrol: A-2-2 Cowpoke

Detachment: Capt. R.C. Kicklighter

Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS

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071600H January 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FIM-43; 1 Y-50; 1 M-49.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79; 1 M-14; 9 SLAYFORES.

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON ROUTE 232, AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS OF THE ASSIGNED REF/PTZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE LOC THU VALLEY, IN THE NORTHWESTERN PORTION OF PHU LOC DISTRICT, THUA THIEN PROVINCE. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 011400H/001430H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 120 HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTINGS 450 VC SUSPECTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

020910H 01014050 OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 400 VC SUSPECTS APPARENTLY UNLOADING GEAR FROM A 30 FOOT BOAT WRECKED ON THE BEACH. COASTAL DEFENSE BOAT ON STATION DELIVERED FIRE ON THE WRECKED CRAFT AT A LATER TIME.

TERRAIN: NO CANOPY; SOME SECONDARY GROWTH RISES UP TO 30', BUT THE AREA IS COVERED FOR THE MOST PART WITH SHORT BLANKET GRASS. MOVEMENT IS EAST.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT VIC. AUG35052, AND EXTRACT VIC. AUG34060, BOTH WERE GOOD ONE BIRD ZONES OF GRASS ABOUT A FOOT HIGH. THERE IS AN EXCELLENT OF FOR THE AREA TO THE NW AT THE SAME COORDINATES. OTHER GOOD LANDING ZONES ARE PREVALENT IN THIS AREA ALSO.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: VERY LITTLE ACTIVITY WAS OBSERVED IN THE VALLEY TO THE NORTH.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS REPORTING A-MS: N/A.

SGT. BALLIET
2nd PLT, CO. A
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. BALLIET
SGT. SOEGIA
SP4. PORRYS
PFC BARRON
PFC BISCOE

LCPL. TRACY
LCPL. DAVIS
PFC VANSILE
LCPL. URBANIK
LCPL. LESTER

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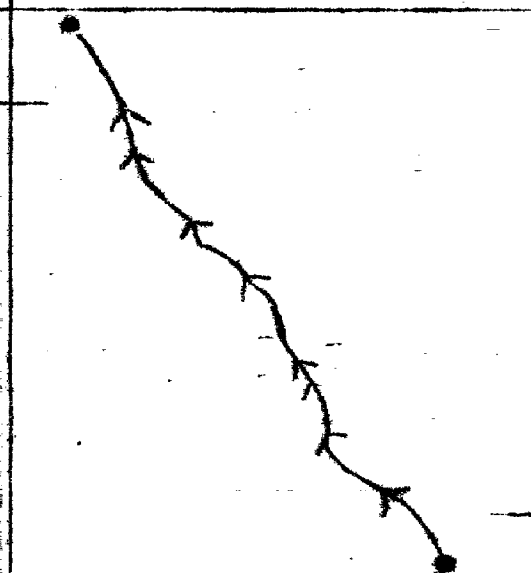
Unit/Call Sign: B-3-1 (LUCKY LARK) Patrol Leader: LT. BARTA

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: 1 Scout Dog Team
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Charlie Ridge area and the area northwest of Charlie Ridge. Particular emphasis on surveillance of trail routes leading out of Happy Valley across Charlie Ridge. Emphasis to be placed on possible LZ's along your route that are susceptible to clearing by Fixed Wing ordnance. 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 900830G; insert vic ZC205591. Extract at 030800H vic ZC168648. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (b) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (c) SPOON BILL 63.70
 (d) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60
 (e) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45
 Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ROMEO
 (b) PAL JOEY ZULU

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBn7thMar (1)
 Recon FSOC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 PtlLdr, B-3-1 (1)

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Operation Order: -67
Patrol: Lucky Lark C-3-1
Debriefer: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
Sheet 6640II, 6540IV

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Da Nang, RVN
040930H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

CO/XO

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 9 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 1 SCOUT DOG
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRE-25,
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M79, 1 M14, 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE AREA AND THE AREA NORTHWEST OF CHARLIE RIDGE. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE OF TRAIL ROUTES LEADING OUT OF HAPY VALLEY ACROSS CHARLIE RIDGE. EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON POSSIBLE LZ'S ALONG YOUR ROUTE THAT ARE SUSCEPTIBLE TO CLEARING BY FIXED WING ORDNANCE. 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. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 311100H/041830H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHEL OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ HOURS WITH ONE CONTACT WITH APPROX 20 VC.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

311400H ZC 202596 20 VC FIRING AT PATROL. BLUE SHIRTS, WHITE SHORTS, AND BLK FJ'S; RICE BAGS AND RIFLES. PATROL RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: CANOPY UP TO 100' HIGH. MEDIUM UNDERGROWTH WITH LARGE BOULDERS IN THE AREA. WATER AS INDICATED ON THE MAP. MOVEMENT WAS FAIRLY EASY.

7. OTHER INFO: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF LOW GROUND UP TO 3' HIGH VIC. ZC205591. THE ENTIRE AREA SHOWS SIGNS OF RECENT VC ACTIVITY.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: 4 USMC NBC

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HILL #7052 WOULD MAKE A GOOD COMPANY SIZE PATROL BASE.

LTJ. J.J. BARTA
LUCKY LARK C-3-1
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

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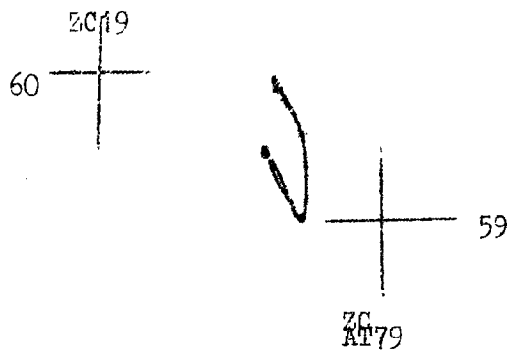
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12. COMMENTS BY D. REFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. BARTA	0101732	LCPL. HERNANDEZ	2315441
LCPL. BRUCH	2313624	PTC. WASHBURN	2375241
PTC. GILLEN	2215441	LCPL. TRENT	2318429
PTC. GONZALEZ	2320925	LCPL. BEAMAN	2262846
PTC. GROSS	2335023	LCPL. BARBEAU	2181836
PTC. HARGRAVE	2324377	HM JAEGER	B604904

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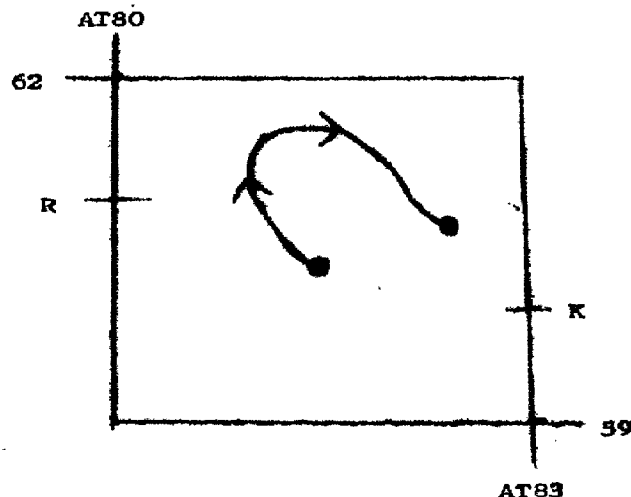
Unit/Call Sign: B-3-2 (ICE BOUND) Patrol Leader: SGT KERSTETTER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Charlie Ridge area. 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 300800H; insert vic AT813603. Extract at 020800H vic AT824608. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (b) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (c) SPOON BILL 63.70
 (d) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60
 (e) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ROMEO
 (b) PAL JOEY ZULU

Distribution:

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 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 PltLdr, B-3-2 (1)



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Operation Order: 7007
 Patrol: B-3-2 Icebound
 Briefing: Captain R.C. Kicklighter
 Date: Vietnam 1850,000; AMS 1/7014
 Sheet 6540 IV

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 Da Nang, RVN
 042000H January 68

PATROL REPORT

CO/XO

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. 1 OFF, 10ENL, 7 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRG-25's.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79; 1 M-14; 4 GLENNES.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. 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: 311000H/041900H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 103 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF VC. THE TEAM OBSERVED INDICATIONS OF PAST VC ACTIVITY THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: NONE.
- B. TERRAIN: VERY MOUNTAINOUS; CANOY 60-100' HIGH WITH THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 30' AND CONSISTING OF BRUSH AND BAMBOO. MOVEMENT IS DIFFICULT.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. AT812600. A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE IN SECONDARY BRUSH 5'-6' TALL. EXTRACT LZ VIC. AB327604, A ZONE OF 4' GRASS SUITABLE FOR ABOUT 4 CH-46's. THERE ARE MANY OTHER ZONES IN THE SAME AREA.

AT VIC. AB215605, THE PATROL FOUND ONE RICE STORAGE HUT, EMPTY, AND UNUSED FOR SOME TIME. AT THE SAME COORDINATES, WAS A SMALL CAMP CONSISTING OF 5 HOOTCHES AND A SYSTEM OF TUNNELS. ONE OF THE STRUCTURES APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN A CLASSROOM AT ONE TIME. THE COMPLEX HAD NOT BEEN OCCUPIED IN AT LEAST A YEAR.

NO FRESH SIGNS OF VC WERE FOUND IN THE AREA COVERED BY THE PATROL.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A.

CPL. J.A. MATTSON
3rd PLT. CO. B
PATROL LEADER

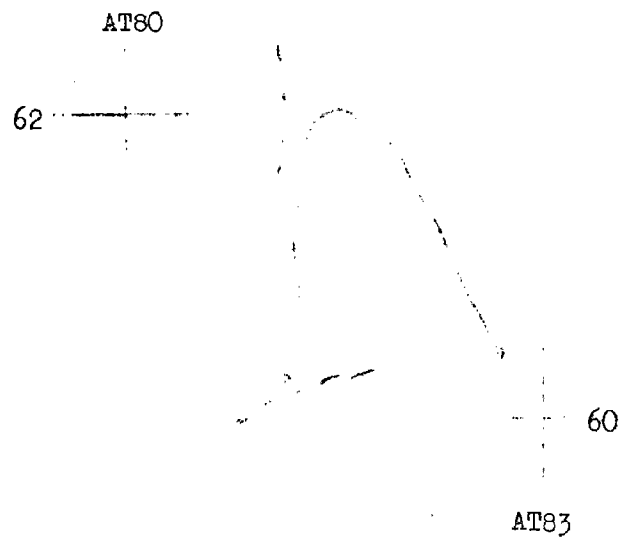
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL. MATTSON.
LT. MOLYNEAUX
LCPL. DYE
LCPL. EVERHART
PFC OILER
PFC CAMPENELLO

PFC MORRIS
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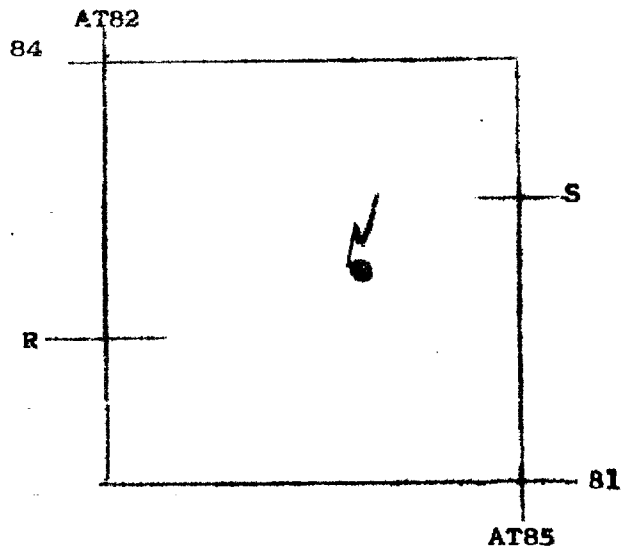
Unit/Call Sign: B-4-1 (MAY FLY) Patrol Leader: LT SCHADL

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 868 and 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 the radio relay team (PAL JOEY X-RAY) on Dong Den Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 301000H; insert vic AT837828. Extract at 051000H vic AT837828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq; 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "H" 60.85
 (b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
 (d) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY X-RAY

Distribution:

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Operation Order: 718-67
Patrol: May Fly E-4-1
Debriefers: Cpl. J.M. STIPANOVICH
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS 17014;
Sheet 6641III

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Da Nang, RVN
051000H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 13 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M14, 1 M79, 6 CLAYMORES
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRG-25, 1 7x50, 1 M49
- D. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 868 AND 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 THE RADIO RELAY (PAL JOEY X-RAY) ON DONG DEN MOUNTAIN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 301000H/051000H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 144 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR FH'S.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: N/A

OTHER INFORMATION: N/A

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

LT. SCHADL
MAY FLY E-4-1
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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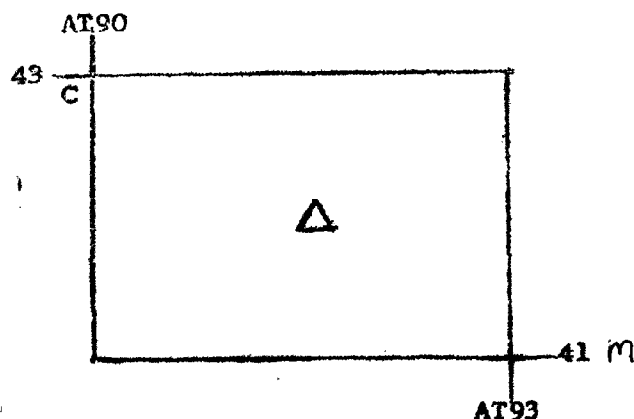
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Unit/Call Sign: A-3 (TEXAS PETE) Patrol Leader: Lt McCLARY

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NZ/PZ 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 310900H; insert via AT912418. Extract at 040800H via AT912418. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate 32.10
 Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60
 (b) RUCH ACT "A" 37.65
 (c) HEAD COLD "E" 44.45
 Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY 20LU
 (b) ALA KING (22-28 DEC)
 (BLANKENSHIP OP)
 (c) FIG NEWTON (28-03) (BLANKENSHIP OP)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 5thMar (1)
 CO, 238thMar (1)
 CO, Co. "A" (1)
 PtlLdr, A-3 (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)



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Operation Order: 719-67
 Patrol: Texas Pete A-3-1
 Refer: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6640I, 6640IV

Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 061500H Jan 60

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 45 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRC-25, 1 BC SCOPE, 1M43,
1 STARLIGHT SCOPE, 2 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 .50 CAL MG, 1 M41, 1 M79, 10 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS 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. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 020830H/061500H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 102 1/2 HOURS WITH 11 SIGHTINGS TOTTALLING 130 VC. 8 FM'S AND 1 AIR STRIKE WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 13 VC KIA CONF. AND 27 VC KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

031820H AT905300 5 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, BUT CANCELED IT.

040840H AT934373 3 VC MOVING "SW" TO "NE" ALONG A STREAM BED. BLK PJ'S; PACKS AND RIFLES.

050915H AT934373 58 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK AND GREEN PJ'S, KHAKIS; PACKS, RIFLES, 5 ROCKETS. CALLED FM AND AN AIR STRIKE, RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA CONF. AND 15 VC KIA PROB.

050935H AT934368 5 VC MOVING "NE" ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND GRAY KHAKIS; PACKS. VC WERE CARRYING A BODY. FM CALLED, 3 VC KIA PROB.

051100H AT927372 15 VC MOVING "NE" IN A STREAM BED. BLK PJ'S, MIXED GREEN AND GRAY KHAKIS; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, 3 VC KIA CONF. AND 6 VC KIA PROB.

051300H AT927372 8 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, 3 VC KIA PROB. 3 OF THE VC WERE CARRYING BODIES.

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051515H AT936367 6 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. GRAY KHAKIS;
LARGE PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, 3 VC KIA PROB.

051625H AT927372 2 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND
GRAY KHAKIS; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, BUT CANCELLED RT.

051900H AT927372 22 VC MOVING "SW" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; LARGE PACKS
AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS.

061150H AT927372 4 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; PACKS
AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, 4 VC KIA PROB.

061340H AT927372 2 VC MOVING "SW" ON STREAM BED. BLK PJ'S;
LARGE PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS
DUE TO VEGETATION.

3. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP. SCATTERED TREES UP TO 50' HIGH.

7. OTHER INFO: INSERT AND EXTRACT ZONE IS A GOOD 100Mx45 ZONE. VIO.
05001418. FOUND 3 BOOBY TRAPS (105 ROUN, 1 M16, AND 1 M26) IN THE LZ.
ALL WERE BLOWN IN PLACE. THERE WAS A BOOBY TRAPPED M26 IN THE CP AREA
WHICH WAS BLOWN IN PLACE.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE AT LEAST 15 PEOPLE AND GET
A HEAVY TEAM IN THE LZ.

LT. MCCLARY
TEXAS PETE 4-3-7
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. MCCLARY	04021X	LCPL. HUNTER	2357742
SGT. YOUNG	2156546	PFC. RAGSDALE	2359539
CPL. MUNOZ	2248437	PFC. HUNTER	2315312
LCPL. SNEE	2289232	PFC. JENNINGS	2264226
LCPL. COVINGTON	2260934	PFC. CAXOLA	2349337
LCPL. HOOVER	2178366	HN DALY	2113318
LCPL. HART	2289848	PFC. BURY	2355534
LCPL. DAVIS	2311903	PFC. DABROW	2352474
		PFC. ALVIRA	2352235

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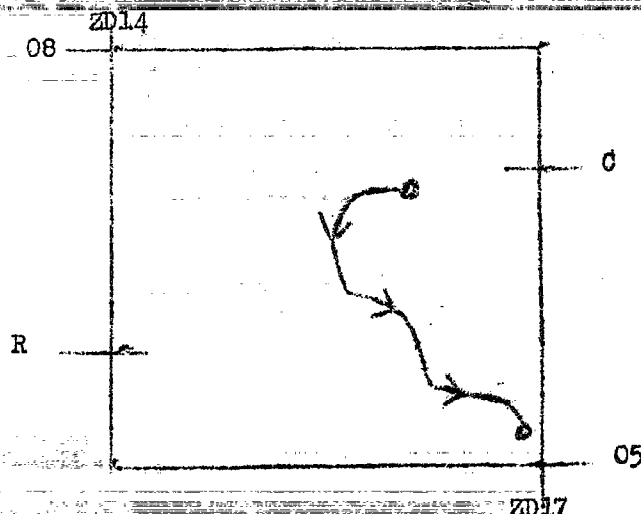
Unit/Call Sign: D-1 (GOLD LEMON) Patrol Leader: LT GREITZ

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 Bu Li River Valley in the north central sector of Phu Loc District. Special emphasis to be placed on the Loc Thuy Mountain Range area and on the South China Sea beach entrance to the northeast. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 310800H; insert via ZD161069. Extract at 030800H via 169052. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
 Artillery: (a) PATTY SHELL "L" 35.95
 Coastal Surveillance Craft (PCF) (a) NEWSBOY "I" 37.50

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY UNIFORM
 (b) NAILBRUSH "D" 48.80

Distribution:

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 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 5thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBn5thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "D" (1)
 PtlLdr, D-1 (1)



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Operation Order: 720-67
 Patrol: Gold Lemon D-1-1
 Debriefers: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6541II, 6541III, 6641III, 6641IV

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 Da Nang, RVN
 071630H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

Admin Chief

Unit Diary

SRB

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 10 ENL, 1 USN
 B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 1 7x50
 D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M14, 1 M79, 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE BU LU RIVER IN THE NORTH CENTRAL SECTOR OF THE THU LOC DISTRICT. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON THE LOC THUY MOUNTAIN RANGE AREA AND ON THE SOUTH CHINA SEA BEACH ENTRANCE TO THE NORTHEAST. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 040900H/071700H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 80 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS AND NO FM'S.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH 20' HIGH. BROKEN CANOPY UP TO 30' HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ IS A GOOD MULTI-BIRD ZONE IN RICE PADDIES VIC. ZD161069. EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD MULTI-BIRD ZONE IN RICE PADDIES VIC. ZD176052. THEY ARE GOOD LZ'S VIC. ZD152062 AND ZD157055. THE PATROL FOUND A LIVE, UNFIRED 60MM MORTAR VIC. ZD153057.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: 1 NBC MED-EVAC

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: USE LZ'S CLOSER TO COVER.

LT. CRIETZ
 GOLD LEMON D-1-1
 PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

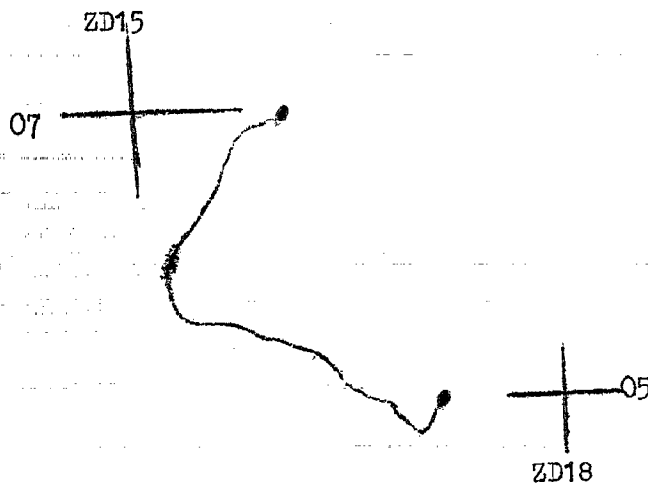
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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. CREITZ 0100152
SGT. HORNER 2078076
SGT. FUPHI 1486973
CPL. GILLIHAN 2095617
LCPL. TATE 2233589
LCPL. KOERNER 2238944

PFC. RUSH 2374782
PFC. ROGERS 2376686
PVT. DESCHAIINE 2368761
PVT. SAVILLE 2284608
HM3 HARDIE 7760704
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PATROL OVERLAY

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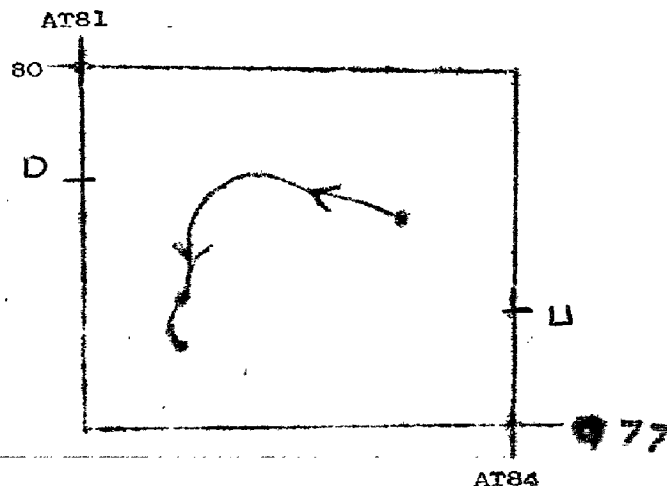
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Unit/Call Sign: A-1-2 (BAR KEEP) Patrol Leader: SGT ULSTAD

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/PFZ to detect possible VC troop movement and arms infiltration in the Lower Hoa Son Mountain Range and also in the Hoa Ninh Valley to your east. Particular emphasis 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 310830H; insert AT833787. Extract at 030830H vic AT816778. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "H" 81.94
 (b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) LATTY SHELL "M" 41.45
 (d) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
 Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY X-RAY
 (b) PAL JOEY ROMEO
 (c) MAY FLY (30-05) (DONG DEN)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
G-3 (2)
DAO AO (1)
CO, 11thMar (5)
CO, 7thMar (1)
CO, 2d3n7thMar (1)
Recon FSCC (1)
Recon S-3 (4)
CO, Co: "A" (1)
PtlLdr, A-1-2 (1)



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Operation Order: 72007
Patrol: A-1-2 Barkeep
Debriefed: Capt. R.C. Kicklighter
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS 17014
Sheets 6641 III, 6541 II

Reconnaissance Bn.
Da Nang, RVN
04 1630H January 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRO-25's; 1 7x50; 1 M-49.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14; 1 M-79; 6 GLANMORS.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN THE ASSIGNED NFZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT AND ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE LOWER HOA SON MOUNTAIN RANGE, AND ALSO IN THE HOA NINH VALLEY TO THE EAST. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS 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: 021030H/041600H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 32 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF VC. THE EXTRACT AIRCRAFT RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN LOCATION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: NONE.
- B. TERRAIN: CANOPY VARIES FROM 30' TO 100' WITH THICK SECONDARY GROWTH AVERAGING ABOUT 8' HIGH. MOVEMENT IS FAIRLY DIFFICULT. THERE IS A LARGE AMOUNT OF WATER THROUGHOUT THE AREA. VERY RUGGED TERRAIN.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ VIC. AT829788, A PAIR 1xCH-46 ZONE OF ELEPHANT GRASS ABOUT 8' IN HEIGHT. EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT815797, A ZONE SIMILAR TO THE FIRST.

TRAILS IN THE AREA ARE OLD AND OVERGROWN, AND AREA UP TO 6' WIDE. THE PATROL FOUND SEVERAL OLD HARBOUR SITES WHICH HAD BEEN USED AT LEAST 3 MONTHS PREVIOUS, SQUAD-SIZED, AND LITTERED WITH C-RATIONS AND OTHER TRASH.

THE PATROL USED ONE OF VIC. AT815787, WHICH WAS VERY POOR, AND NOT A SUITABLE DEFENSIVE POSITION FOR A TEAM OF THIS SIZE.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A.

SGT. ULSTAD
1st PLT, CO. A
PATROL LEADER

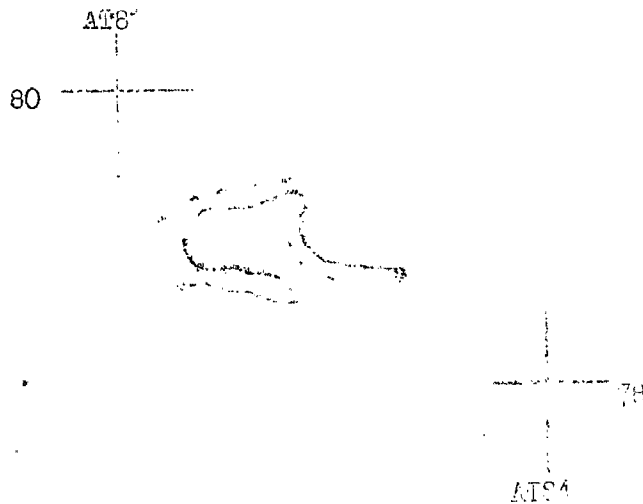
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL LEADERS:

SGT. ULSTAD
LCPL. MINA
LCPL. BRASCO
LCPL. BLACKBURN
LCPL. STEVENSON

PFC DENEY
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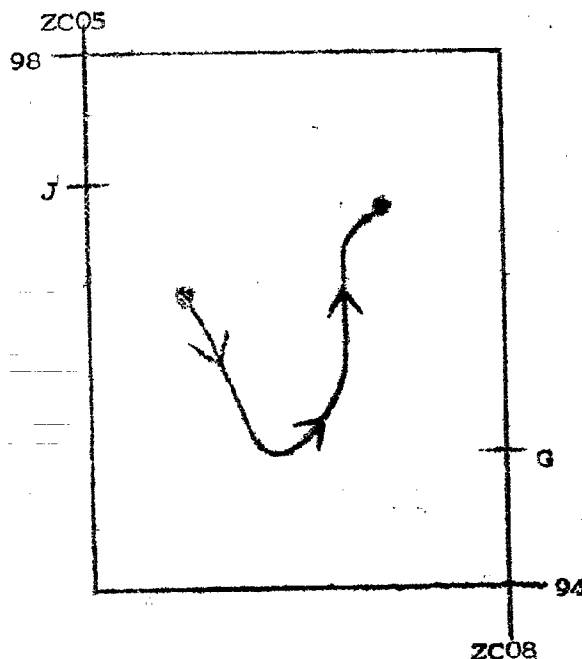
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Unit/Call Sign: A-1-1 (AIR HOSE) Patrol Leader: Lt GLASSER

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 along the Bach Ma Road to Highway #1 to the city of Phu Loc. Special emphasis is to be placed on locating and plotting HLZ's, trails, fords, and an evaluation of the vegetation and terrain for future patrol emplacement. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 060830H; insert via ZC056963. Extract 090830H via ZC071968. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 82.10 Alternate: 81.60
Artillery: (a) HRAO COLD "D" 82.71
(b) PATTY SHELL "LX" 85.95
Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY WHISKY
(b) PAL JOEY UNIFORM 84.00
(c) ICE BOUND (06-12 JAN) (DONG DEN)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
G-3 (2)
Div AD (1)
CC, 11thMar (5)
CC, 5thMar (1)
CC, 1stBn5thMar (1)
Recon PBCC (1)
Recon G-3 (4)
CC, CC, "A" (1)
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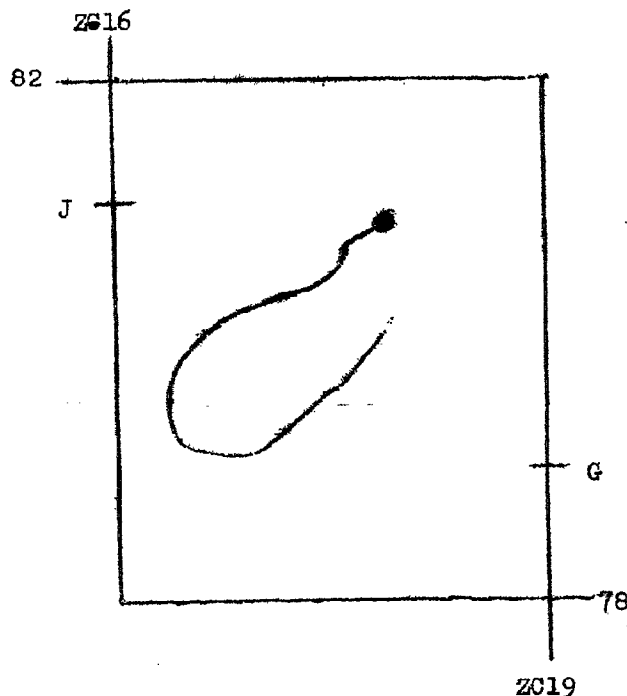
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Unit/Call Sign: A-1-1 (AIE HOSE) Patrol Leader: Lt GLASSER

1. Situation. (a) Use current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and FIR'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 routes. Special emphasis is to be placed on locating and plotting HLZ's, trails, fords, and an evaluation of vegetation and terrain for future patrol emplacement. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 311000H; insert ZC179801. Extract at 031000H via ZC179809. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00 Alternate 35.00
 Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "B" 35.00
 (b) HUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) SLOON BILL 63.70
 Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY X-RAY
 (b) PAL JOEY ROMEO

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 7thMar	(1)
CO, 2dBn7thMar	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, "A"	(1)
PtLLdr A-1-1	(1)



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 D. J. KEATING Jr.

Operation Order: 722-67

Patrol: Air Hose

Debriefing: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter

Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS 17014

Sheets 6541 I & 6541 II

Reconnaissance Bn.

Dr. Nang, RVN

101300H Jan 68

CO 'A'

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 9 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMMAND AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 7x50's, M-49, 2 IRC-25's
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-60, M-14, M-79

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED MPZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION ALONG THE BACH MA ROAD TO HIGHWAY # 1 TO THE CITY OF PHU LOC. SPECIAL EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND PLOTTING HLZ'S, TRAILS, FORDS, AND AN EVALUATION OF THE VEGETATION AND TERRAIN FOR FUTURE EMPLACEMENT. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 061030H/101030H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HOURS WITH 1 SIGHTING TOTALING 50 VC. 1 FIRE MISSION WITH AN AO WAS CALLED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

061030H ZC072956 50 VC, 30 METERS SOUTHEAST OF PATROL'S POSITION, MOVING NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST. BLK PJ'S & GRAY KHEKIS, PACKS & RIFLES, & LIGHT PITH HELMETS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO ADJUST DUE TO WEATHER REQUESTED AO. AO UNABLE TO BE CALLED DUE TO WEATHER.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ ZC056963 IS A SMALL 1 CH-46 LZ. EXTRACT LZ WAS THE 1/5 CP. FOR TRAILS SEE OVERLAY. OTHER LZ CLEARED BY FIXED WING ARE AT ZC070975 & ZC068963.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: CLOSE COORDINATION WITH FRIENDLY PATROLS.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE

Lt GLASSAR
1st PLT CO A
PATROL LEADER

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

Lt GLASSAR
SGT CAIDULIS
CPL BERTIN
LCPL JACKSON
LCPL EVANS

LCPL JOHNSON
PFC CASTELLANOS
PFC DOSS
HM3 GILLIS
LCPL IUCKETT
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OPERATION ORDER #723-67

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291525H DEC 67

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(b) BnO 103000.4
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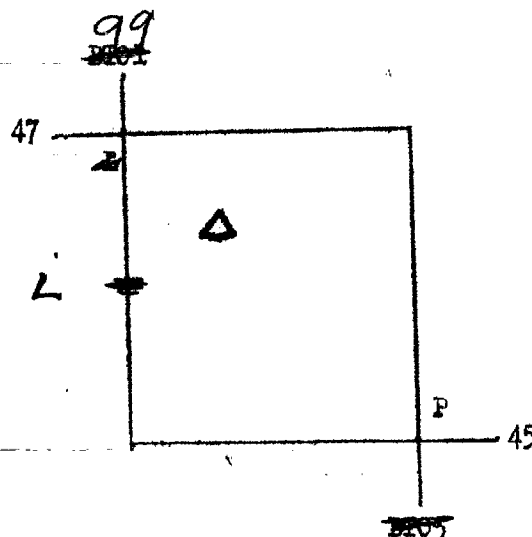
Unit/Call Sign: D-3-1 (QUIZMASTER) Patrol Leader: Lt HELLS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OJ SUM'S and IIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 425 (Hui-Hon-Coo) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through the Duy Xuyen Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 301300H; insert via AT998465. Extract at 031300H via AT998465. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40 Alternate 37.90
Artillery: (a) SERVICE MLN "A" 64.60
(b) MUSH ACT "B" 39.65
(c) HELD COLD "E" 44.45; Alt. 68.05

Radio Relay: (a) P.L. JOEY ZULU
(b) FIG NEWTON (29-03 Dec-Jan)
(BLANKENSHIL Qi)

Distribution:

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G-3	(2)
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CO, 5thMar	(1)
CO, 2dBr5thMar	(1)
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CS, Co. "D"	(1)
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Operation Order: 123-67
 Patrol: Quizmaster D-3-1
 Deliverer: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6540IV, 6641III

Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 050830H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

CO/XO

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 10 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRC-25, 2 7x50, 1 M49, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M60, 1 M79, 1 M41, 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL #425 AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/EFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH THE DUY XUYEN VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 310830H/041900H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 106½ HOURS WITH 7 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 153 VC. 5 FM'S AND 1 AIR STRIKE WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 4 VC KIA CONF. AND 22 VC KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

311455H AT988478 7 VC MOVING SW TO NW ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; 3 RIFLES AND 4 PACKS. CALLED, FM, BUT WERE UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS.

311530H AT989478 8 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; 5 RIFLES AND 6 PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT WERE UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS.

311700H AT993479 15 VC MOVING INTO A VILLAGE. BLK PJ'S, GRAY KHAKIS, CAMMY UNIFORMS; 10 RIFLES AND 13 PACKS. CALLED, 2 VC KIA CONF.

040830H AT998478 5 VC MOVING SW ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND GRAY KHAKIS. PACKS AND BUSHES FOR CAMOUFLAGE. NO FM CALLED.

041455H AT970458 20 VC MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S, GRAY KHAKIS, BLUE RAIN COATS; 20 PACKS, WEB GEAR, 12 RIFLES. NO FM DUE TO THE TRUCE.

011805H AT9746 TO AT9950 APPROX 90 VC CARRYING GEAR BACK AND FORTH ON A TRAIL. CALLED FIXED WING, RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA CONF. AND 20 VC KIA PROB. VC WERE WEARING PACKS AND HELMETS, AND CARRYING RIFLES.

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031710H 0905476 8 VC MOVING NE ON A TRAIL BLK FJ'S AND
BLUE RAINCOATS; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM; 2-VC KIA FROB.

3. TERRAIN: BRUSH UP TO 4' HIGH. NO CANOPY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF
LOW BRUSH VIC. AT997465.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: COULD USE A .50 CAL MG IN THIS
AREA.

LT. PHELPS
SERGEANT D-3-1
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. PHELPS	095663	LCPL. WOODING	2235327
CPL. DUNCAN	2237647	PFC. LAY	2369510
LCPL. ORTEGA	2238338	PFC. MALLOY	2291560
LCPL. RIZZO	2279838	PFC. MCKENNETT	2360333
CPL. RININGER	2288525	PFC. ELLIS	2335910
HN MORTENSON	B805406	PFC. BELL	2354197

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OPERATION ORDER #1-68

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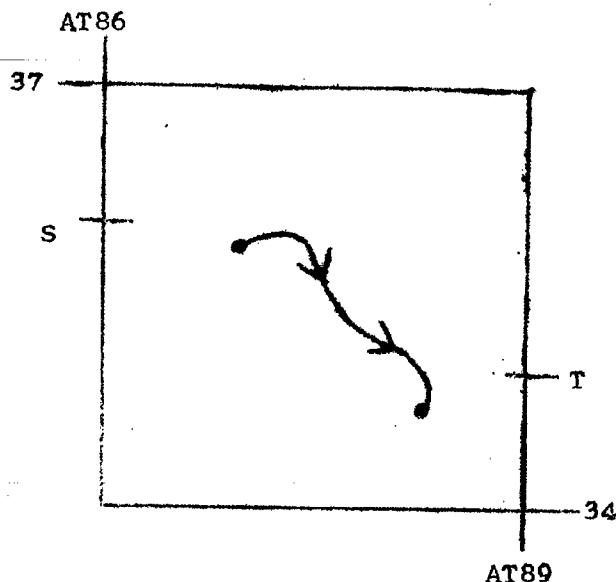
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Unit/Call Sign: B-2-1 (GRIM REAPER) Patrol Leader: SGT THOMAS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance of Antenna Valley and the high ground to the southwest for enemy movement and arms infiltration. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 020800H; insert vic AT869359. Extract at 060900H vic AT883347. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate 37.90
 Artillery: (a) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (b) SERVICE MAN "A" 56.50
 (c) HRAD COLD "E" 68.05 (MAX RANGE)
 (d) DEMOLISH 5-9 62.50
 Radio Relay (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) FIG NEWTON (29 DEC-03 JAN)
 (BLANKENSHIP OP)
 (c) PADDLE BOAT (04-10 JAN)
 (BLANKENSHIP OP)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div. AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 5thMar (1)
 CO, 2dBn5thMar (1)
 Recon FSOC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 Co. "B" (1)
 Plt B-2-1 (1)



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Operation Order: 1-68
 Patrol: Galt Reaper B-2-1
 Subpatrol: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Report: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet: 6640 III

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 061630H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

CO/XO

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 DET, 8 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRO-27, 1 7x50, 1 M49
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M79, 1 M60, 1 M16, 1 M14, 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OF ANTENNA VALLEY AND THE HIGH GROUND TO THE SOUTHWEST FOR ENEMY MOVEMENT AND ARMS INFILTRATION. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 020930H/061500H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 10 1/2 HOURS WITH 22 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 542 VC. 16 FM'S WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA CONF. AND 39 VC KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

021015H AT873355 2 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. LAK PJ'S;
 1 PACK. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO HEAVY BRUSH.

021620H AT887358 5 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S;
 5 PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT CANCELED IT.

021800H AT887353 ESTIMATED 300 VC MOVING "NE" IN A TACTICAL COLUMN WITH THEIR RIFLES AT FORT ARMS. BLK PJ'S; RIFLES, CTG BELTS, PACKS, HELMETS, AND A CART. CALLED FM, 30 VC KIA PROB.

030845H AT882358 7 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S WITH COOLIE HATS; RIFLES AND PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO FOG.

033000H AT892358 4 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S;
 CTG BELTS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS.

034000H AT887357 6 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S;
 RIFLES AND CTG BELTS. CALLED FM, 3 VC KIA PROB.

034520H AT887357 7 VC MOVING "NW" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S;
 RIFLES AND CTG BELTS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO FOG.

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031635H AT886357 5 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S;
RIFLES AND CTG BELTS. CALLED FM, 1 VC KIA CONF.

040145H AT886357 3 VC MOVING "NW" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND
RIFLES, PACKS, AND HELMETS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE TO OBSERVE
RESULTS DUE TO CANOY.

041040H AT886357 2 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S;
RIFLES, PACKS, AND HELMETS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS
DUE TO CANOY.

041225H AT886355 2 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; PACKS.
CALLED FM, 2 VC KIA PROB.

041325H AT886355 4 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK AND GRAY
PJ'S CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES; PACKS AND RIFLES. NO FM DUE TO
CHECK FIRE.

041330H AT886355 5 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK AND GRAY
PJ'S CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES; PACKS AND RIFLES. NO FM DUE TO CHECK
FIRE.

041415H AT886355 6 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. KHAKIS CAMOUFLAGED
WITH LEAVES; NO FM DUE TO CHECK FIRE.

041425H AT886355 5 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND
KHAKIS; RIFLES. NO FM DUE TO CHECK FIRE.

041450H AT886355 8 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S
CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES; RIFLES, PACKS, AND CTG BELTS.
NO FM DUE TO CHECK FIRE.

041500H AT886355 7 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND
KHAKIS; RIFLES AND CTG BELTS. NO FM.

041855H AT886357 8 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S;
RIFLES, PACKS, HELMETS, AND HELMETS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE
RESULTS DUE TO TREE CANOY.

050700H AT886355 7 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S;
RIFLES, CTG BELTS, AND PACKS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE
RESULTS DUE TO CANOY. VC WERE RAISING GUNS AS IF THEY WERE ON LIBERTY.

051100H AT886355 5 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; RIFLES,
CTG BELTS, HELMETS, AND PACKS. CALLED FM, 1 VC KIA PROB.

051400H AT886355 7 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND
KHAKIS CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES; RIFLES, PACKS, HELMETS, AND
CTG BELTS. CALLED FM, 2 VC KIA PROB.

051840H AT886355 5 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. CAMOUFLAGE KHAKIS;
MORTAR, PACKS, RIFLES, CTG BELTS, AND HELMETS. CALLED FM,
REQUESTIVE CLEARANCE.

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B. TERRAIN: [REDACTED] NDARY CONSISTS OF ELEPHANT GRASS AND SCRUB BRUSH UP TO 8' HIGH. NO CANOPY. THERE IS WATER IN THE DRAWS.

7. OTHER INFO: INSERT LZ IS A GOOD 4xCH-46 ZONE OF ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 6' HIGH VIC. AT876354. EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF SCRUB BRUSH UP TO 2' HIGH. VIC. AT883346. GOOD LZ'S ARE AVAILABLE ALL ALONG THE RIDGE. THERE IS AN OUTSTANDING OF VIC. AT898367. THERE APPEARED TO BE SAND BAG BUNKERS VIC. AT898367. SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY FOR TRAILS.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

SGT. S.E. THOMAS
GRAM REAPER B-2-1
PATROL LEADER

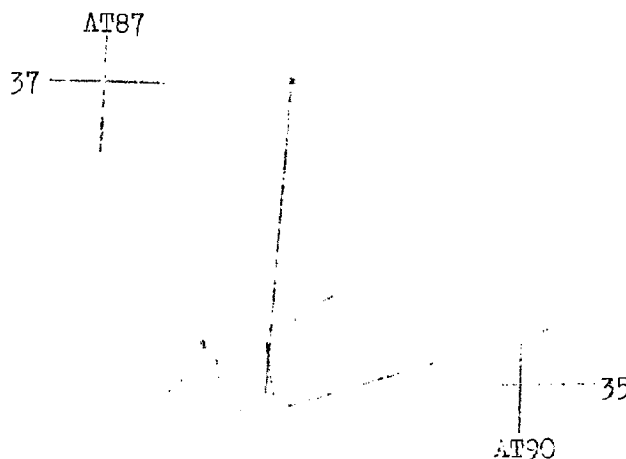
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. THOMAS	2149845	PFC. LOWERY	2318531
CPL. EARP	2098723	PFC. MAJEWSKI	2359547
PFC. BOMBARDI	2380481	HM3 ELLIS	B700871
LCPL. WOODIER	2276530	LT. GRASSIELLI	096817
LCPL. PAUL	230614		
PFC. EAGAN	237598		

PATROL OVERLAY



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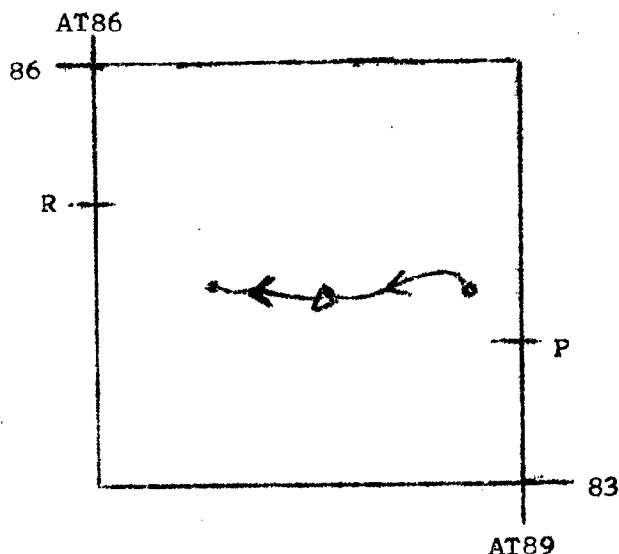
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 (e) EnFragOrder #2-68

Unit/Call Sign: D-2-1 (RUMMAGE) Patrol Leader: Lt PRILLAMAN

1. Situation. (a) See current INISUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/PFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Cu De River Valley between Truong Dinh and Hoa Loc. Particular Emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortification and routes of access. Be prepared to call arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 030800H; insert vic AT888844. Extract at 060800H vic AT869844. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "H" 60.85
 (b) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45
 (c) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (d) SERVICE MAN "R" 56.50
 (e) SPOON BILL 63.70
 Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY X-RAY
 (b) MAY FLY

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11th Mar (5)
 CO, 7th Mar (1)
 CO, 2dBrn7thMar (1)
 Recon FSOC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co: "D" (1)
 PtlLdr, D-2-1 (1)



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Operation Order: 2-68
 Patrol: Rummage D-2-1
 Debriefing: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014
 Sheets 6641 III

Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 071800H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 3 OFF, 8 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 7x50's, M-49
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79, M-14, 7 Claymores.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CU DE REVER VALLEY BETWEEN TRUONG DINH AND HOA LOC. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE TOCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATION AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY. COMM WAS GOOD.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 041630H/071700H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 72½ HOURS WITH NO SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS AND NO FIRE MISSIONS CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN:

VEGETATION- SECONDARY GROWTH IS THICK UP TO 7 FEET. SOME OPEN AREA ON THE RIDGE LINE. CANOPY WAS SPARSE UP TO 10-15 FEET HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT887842 IS A GOOD MULTIPLE CH-46 LZ. WAS GROWN OVER RICE PADDY, NOT TOO BOGGY. EXTRACT LZ AT873844 IS A GOOD 1 CH-46 LZ. SMALL SCRUB BRUSH 2 FEET HIGH ON TOP OF A HILL. OTHER LZ AT880945 IS A GOOD 1 CH-46 LZ. OP'S AT AT885844 IS GOOD OP IN THE DIRECTIONS OF NW & SOME SE. POSITION IS DEFENDABLE.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: VERY LITTLE WATER IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

2d PRILLAMAN
2d PVT, CO D
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

2dLT PRILLAMAN
2dLT KELLY
1st LT KINGHAM
CPL BURNS
LCPL BROWN
LCPL JOHNSON

LCPL McFERRIN
PFC SANDERS
PFC SWANK
PFC BURGESS
PFC DAY
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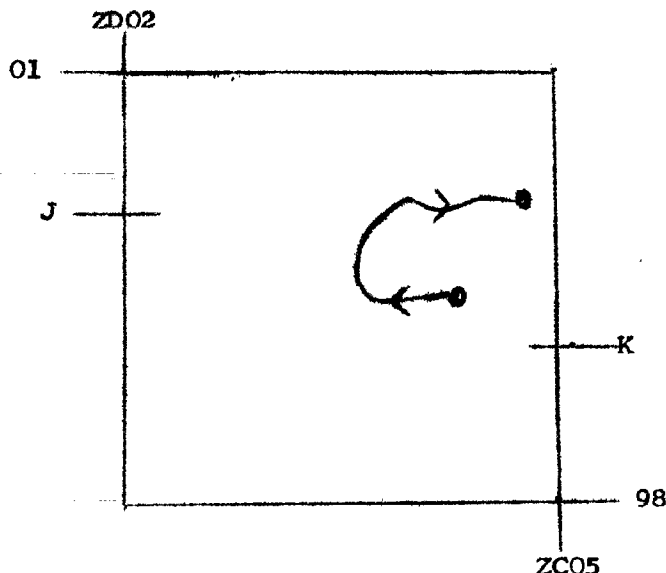
Unit/Call Sign: A-2-1 (BURLAP) Patrol Leader: LT. KELLEY

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 Loc Tri Valley to Highway #1 to the city of Phu Loc. Special emphasis is to be placed on locating and plotting HLZ's, trails, fords, and an evaluation of the vegetation and terrain for future patrol emplacement. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 030900H; insert vic ZC043994. Extract at 060900H vic ZD048001. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 32.10; Alternate: 31.60
 Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "D" 62.75
 (b) PATTY SHELL "L" 35.95

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY WHISKEY
 PAL JOEY UNIFORM

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 5thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBn5thMar (1)
 Recon FSOC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "A" (1)
 PtlLdr, A-2-1 (1)



D. J. KEATING, Jr.

Operation Order: [REDACTED]
 Patrol: Burlap A-2-1
 Debriefers: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6541I; 6541II

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 Da Nang, RVN
 091330H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 12 ENL, 1 USN
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 1 7x50, 1 M49
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M79, 1 M14, 1 M60, 6 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT AND ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE LOC TRI VALLEY TO HIGH WAY #1 TO THE CITY OF PHU LOC. SPECIAL EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND PLOTTING ELZ'S, TRAILS, FORDS, AND AN EVALUATION OF THE VEGETATION AND TERRAIN FOR FUTURE PATROL EMPLACEMENT. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 061030H/091030H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 72 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 8' HIGH. THE CANOPY RUNS UP TO 20' HIGH. ALL STREAMS WERE FULL.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A GOOD 2xCH-46 ZONE OF 2' HIGH GRASS. VIC. ZDO52003. EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD MULTI-BIRD ZONE IN A RICE PADDY VIC. ZCO59997. TRAILS: (1) 3' WIDE AND WELL USED. (2) 4' WIDE AND WELL USED. (3) 1 1/2' DUE AND NOT WELL USED. THERE IS A GOOD 2 BIRD LZ OF LOW GRASS VIC. ZDO55003.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PUT THE TEAMS IN FURTHER WEST.

LT. KELLY
 BURLAP A-2-1
 PATROL LEADER

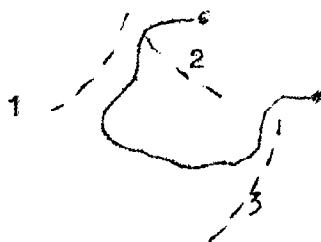
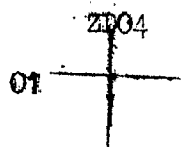
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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PATROL OVERLAY



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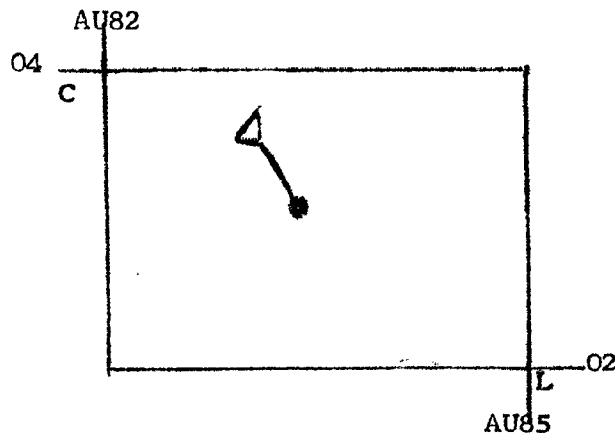
Unit/Call Sign: D-3-2 (STONE PIT) Patrol Leader: SSGT LEED

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. Special emphasis to be placed on movement around the villages in the valley to your west and southwest and also along Route #1 to your south. Be prepared to call and adjust artv/air and Coastal Swift Boat .50 cal and 81mm mortar fire on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 031000H; insert vic AU833031. Extract at 061000H vic AU833031. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
Artillery: (a) PATTY SHELL "L" 35.95
Coastal Surveillance Craft (PCF): NEWSBOY "I"
37.50

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY UNIFORM
NAILBRUSH "D" 48.8

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
G-3 (2)
Div AO (1)
CO, 11thMar (5)
CO, 5thMar (1)
CO, 1stBn5thMar (1)
Recon FSCC (1)
Recon S-3 (4)
CO, Co. "D" (1)
PtlLdr, D-3-1 (1)



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Operation Order: 4-68
Patrol: Stone Pit D-3-2
Debrief: Cpl. J.M. STIPANOVICH
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS 17014;
Sheet 6541I, 6541II, 6641III, 6641IV

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
Da Nang, RVN
081330H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 10 COMBAT, 1 USN
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRG-25, 1 7x50, 1 M49
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M14, 1 M79, 1 M12, 4 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON MOVEMENT AROUND THE VILLAGES IN THE VALLEY TO YOUR WEST AND SOUTHWEST AND ALSO ALONG ROUTE #1 TO YOUR SOUTH. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR AND COASTAL SWIFT BOAT .50 CAL MG AND 81MM MORTAR FIRE ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 051400H/081200H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 70 HOURS WITH 1 SIGHTING OF 6 VC. 1 FM WAS CALLED, RESULTING IN THE DISPERSION OF THE VC.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

071030H AUBC4050 6 VC MOVING "SW" ON A TRAIL. BLK FJ'S AND RIFLES. CALLED FM AND THE VC DISPERSED.
 - B. TERRAIN: MODERATELY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH CONSISTING OF BRUSH AND ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 8' HIGH. SCATTERED CANOPY UP TO 12' HIGH.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF KNEE HIGH BRUSH VIC. AUB34033. THE OP SITE IS GOOD DEFENSE POSITION WITH EXCELLENT OBSERVATION TO THE WEST.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

SSGT. LEEDS
STONE PIT D-3-2
PATROL LEADER

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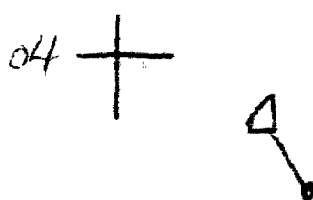
12. COMMENTS BY DESRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

Ssgt. LEEDS	Pfc. SHAW
Lt. LITTLE	Pfc. WILLIAMS
Lt. AMES	Pfc. SALDANA
Lt. STOW	Pfc. THIBEAULT
Pfc. SANDERS	Pfc. VAN DERMOLEN
	HM3 HESTING

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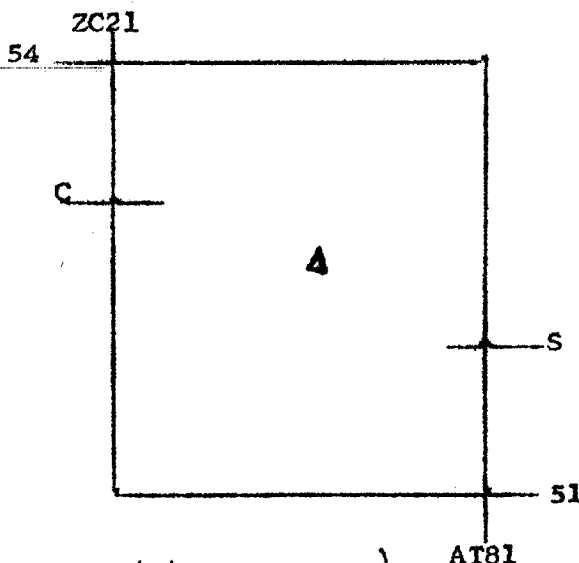
Unit/Call Sign: B-1-1 (BLF SKIN) Patrol Leader: SGT SITAS

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 move- or arms infiltration in the Quan Duc Duc Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 040800H; insert vic AT797528. Extract at 080300H vic AT797528. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (b) HEAD COLD "E" 68.05
 (c) PATTY SHELL "X" 37.15
 (d) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (e) SERVICE MAN "A" 56.50

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) PADDLE BOAT (BLANKENSHIP OP)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 3dBn7thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 PtlLdr, B-1-1 (1)



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Operation Order: 0008
 Petrol: ELF Skin
 Debriefed: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS LTC14;
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 Da Nang, RVN
 091350H Jan66

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 EML
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 2 7x50, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M79, 1 M14, 1 M60, 6 CLAYMORES

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

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 051630H/090945H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 103 HOURS WITH 1 SIGHTING OF 3 VC. 1 FM WAS CALLED, WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

071645H AT825514 3 VC MOVING WEST ACROSS A PADDIE. BLK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS; 3 RIFLES. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO FOG.

B. TERRAIN: THE SLOPES ARE STEEP. VEGETATION CONSISTS OF VERY SPARSE SCRUB BRUSH UP TO 1' HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT IN A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE IN A BARE AREA VIC. AT791525. THE OP VIC. AT792524 IS OUTSTANDING. THERE IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF SCRUB BRUSH UP TO 1' HIGH.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE 2 M60's

SGT. C.A. SITAS
 ELF SKIN B-1-1
 PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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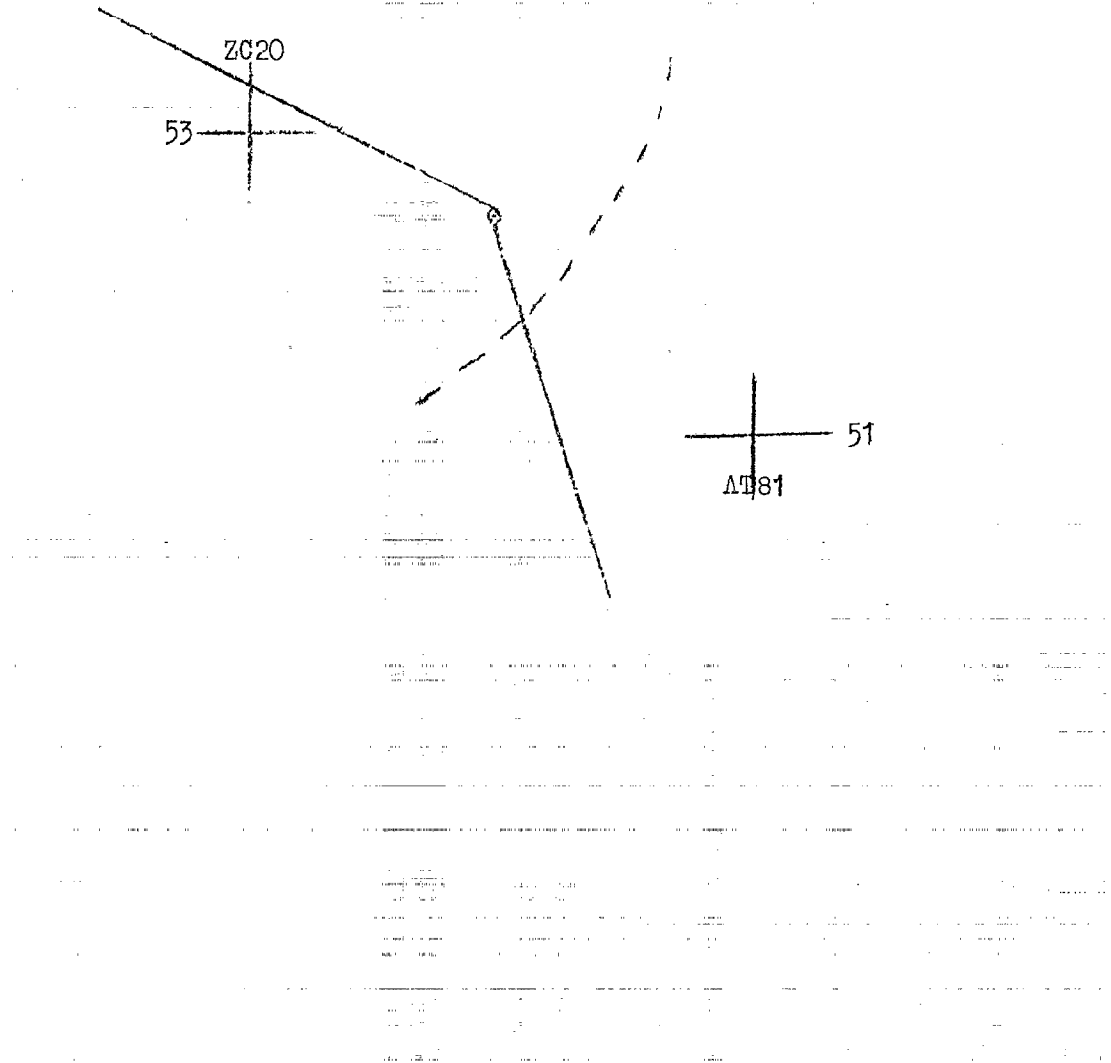
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13. PATROL MEMBERS

SGT. SITAS 2109251
CPL. MORGAN 2302051
PFC. HILL 2324368
LCPL. WILLIAMS 2268827
LCPL. BRUGGER 2332630
LCPL. CHAPMAN 2231155

PFC. PILZINGER 2316765
LCPL. VANCE 2305523
PVT. HOUSE 2338829
PFC. RYAN 2346154
PFC. EVERIST 2356621

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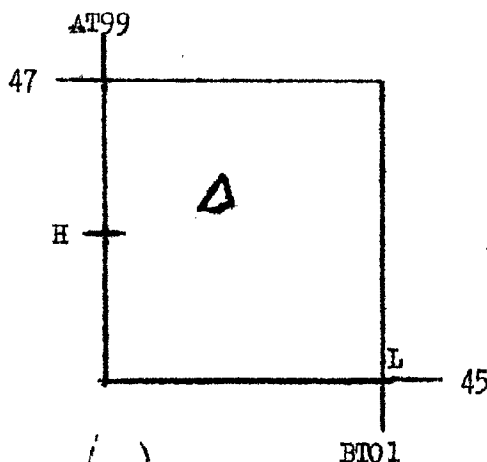
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Unit/Call Sign: C-2-1 (PANAMA HAT) Patrol Leader: Lt LANGDON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
 2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 425 (Hui-Hon-Coc) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through the Day Xuyen Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 040830H; insert via AT998465. EXTRACT at 080830H via AT998465. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60
 (b) RUSH ACT "B" 39.65
 (c) HEAD COLD "E" 44.45 Alt. 68.05
- Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) PADDLE BOAT (04-10 JAN) (BLANKENSHIP OF)

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11th Mar	(5)
CO, 5th Mar	(1)
CO, 2d Bn 5th Mar	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co. "C"	(1)
PtLdr, C-2-1	(1)



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Operation Order: 6-68
 Patrol: Panama Hat C-2-1
 Debriefers: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6540IV, 6641III

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 Da Nang, RVN
 081400H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 13 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 2 7x50, 1 M49,
1 STARLITE SCOPE
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M14, 1 M79, 2 M60, 8 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 425 AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH THE DUY XUYEN VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 040730H/081000H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 90½ HOURS WITH 14 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 156 VC. 9 FM'S AND 1 AIR STRIKE WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 7 VC KIA CONF. AND 32 VC KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

041850H AT980465 21 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; PACKS, RIFLES, AND 1 MG. VC SEEMED TO BE HOLDING A PRISONER. CALLED FM, 1 VC KIA CONF. AND 2 VC KIA PROB.

042052H AT998478 5 LIGHTS MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL, CALLED FM, LIGHTS WENT OUT.

050425H AT998458 4 VC MOVING AROUND PATROL'S POSITION. 1 RED LIGHT. CALLED ILLUMINATION, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

051030H BT004474 11 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS; PACKS AND 1 RIFLE. CALLED FM, COULD OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREE LINE.

051115H AT997480 14 VC MOVING ALONG A RIVER BANK. BLK PJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM AFTER VC MOVED INTO A HUT, HUT DESTROYED, 11 VC KIA PROB.

051535H AT999481 2 VC MOVING INTO A HUT (ONE FEMALE). BLK PJ'S; 1 RIFLE(M14). CALLED FM, 2 VC KIA PROB.

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051830H 09470 9 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. GRAY KHAKIS WITH BOOTS AND HELMETS; PACKS, RIFLES, CTG BELTS, MORTARS, AND ANTI-TANK ROCKETS. COULD NOT GET FM CLEARED.

052100H AT998462 4 VC MOVING DOWN RIDGELINE. RIFLES. FIRED M-79, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

052235H AT998462 7 VC MOVING ALONG RIDGE. RIFLES AND GRENADES. PATROL THREW GRENADES, BLEW ONE CLAYMORE, AND FIRED SMALL ARMS. CALLED FM. RECEIVED 1 INCOMING GRENADE. 1 VC KIA PROB.

060820H AT998464 2 VC MOVING AROUND LZ. PATROL BLEW CLAYMORE, 1 VC KIA CONF. AND 1 VC KIA PROB.

061015H AT983477 10 VC CARRYING GEAR BETWEEN TREE LINE AND HUTS. BLK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, 1 VC KIA CONF. AND 9 VC KIA PROB. THERE WAS A VERY LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

061820H AT985434 42 VC MOVING "NE" ALONG TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND GRAY UNIFORMS; RIFLES, PACKS, AND WEB GEAR, CALLED FM AND AIR STRIKE, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREE LINE.

070935H BT000478 5 VC MOVING INTO A TREE LINE. BLK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS; PACKS. CALLED FM, 1 VC KIA CONF. AND 3 VC KIA PROB.

071500H BT006484 7 VC DIGGING A TRENCH. BLK PJ'S AND HELMETS; SHOVELS. CALLED FM, 3 VC KIA PROB.

071910H AT982470 18 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. GRAY UNIFORMS, COOLIE HATS, AND HELMETS; PACKS, RIFLES, AND WEB GEAR. CALLED FM, 3 VC KIA CONF.

B. TERRAIN: LOW SCRUB BRUSH 2-3' HIGH. NO CANOPY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A GOOD 1xGE-46 ZONE OF LOW SCRUB BRUSH VIC. AT999464. THE SAME ZONE WAS USED FOR EXTRACT.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A .50 CAL MG IF POSSIBLE.

LT. H.W. LANGDON
PANAMA HAT C-2-1
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. LANGDON	0102068	LCPL VENTURA	2320215
PFC. MERRELL	2317423	PFC. SWEENEY	2322976
PFC. WESTERGARD	2376475	CPL. PRICE	2283691
LCPL. DAVIS	2128858	PFC. ARMSTEAD	2347561
LCPL. LELAND	2295660	PFC. EICHER	2315511
PFC. BALDWIN	2245195	PFC. SLACK	2348801
HM3 TOWNSEND	7946831	CPL. SPYRES	2162230
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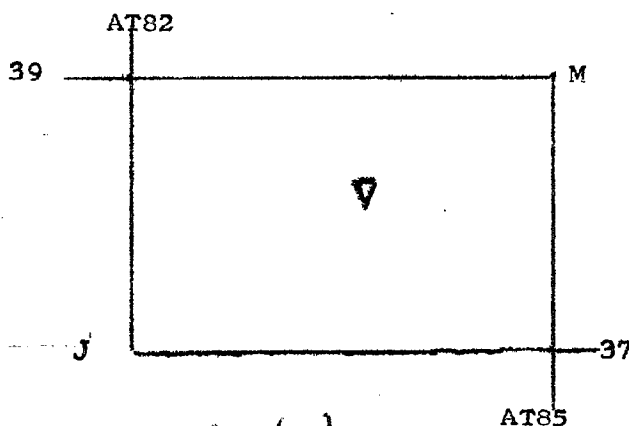
Unit/Call Sign: E-49 (PADDLE BOAT); Patrol Leader: SSGT MARROQUIN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTCUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 452 (Cua Tan Mountain) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/RFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Hong Song Coal Mine area and routes of access along the Thu River. Provide a radio relay capability from Blankenship OP. 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 LE FINCH 041000H; insert vic AT836378. Extract at 101000H vic AT836378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "B" 68.05
(b) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
(c) SERVICE MAN "A" 56.50

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 5thMar	(1)
CO, 2dBn5thMar	(1)
Recon FSOC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, 80.73"	(1)
PtlLdr, E-4	(1)



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 Patrol: Paddle Boat
 Debriefer: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS 17014
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 Da Nang, RVN
 101100H Jan 68

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 17 ENL, 1 USN
 B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 2 7x50's, M-49
 D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: REM 700 SNIPER RIFLE, M-14

CO _____ Admin Chief _____
 SMO mlc Unit Diary _____
 SSGT ECN SRB _____
 Ind. Concerned _____ FILE _____

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 452 (CUL TAN MOUNTAIN) AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT IN THE NONG SONG COAL MINE AREA AND ROUTES OF ACCESS ALONG THE THU RIVER. PROVIDE A RADIO RELAY CAPABILITY FROM BLANKENSHIP OF 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: 041000H/101000H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 168 HOURS WITH 3 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 3 LIGHTS. 3 FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN LIGHTS BEING EXTINGUISHED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

042010H AT865393 1 LIGHT MOVING WEST. NO UNIFORMS OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED, PATROL FIRED 2 ROUNDS AND LIGHT WENT OUT.

070315H AT892363 1 LIGHT MOVING NORTH. NO UNIFORMS OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED, CALLED FM, CANCELLED FM DUE TO FOG AND NEGATIVE OBSERVATION.

070330H AT954366 1 STATIONARY LIGHT. NO UNIFORMS OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED. CALLED FM, FIRED 2 ROUNDS AND COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO FOG. CALLED END OF MISSION.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

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SSGT MARROQUIN
1st DET. CO. E
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT MARROQUIN
SGT CLARK
CPL MORRIS
CPL TETTER
LCPL NICHOLAS
PFC GERALD
PFC LAND
PFC LIGUZINSKI
PFC LUTHER

PFC TOLLIVER
PVT DIETZ
PVT GORMAN
PFC REILLY
PFC PETROVICH
CPL SMALLWOOD
LCPL HENDRY
PFC PRYOR
HN TESH

14. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

15. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT MARROQUIN
SGT CLARK
CPL MORRIS
CPL TETTER
LCPL NICHOLAS
PFC GERALD
PFC LAND
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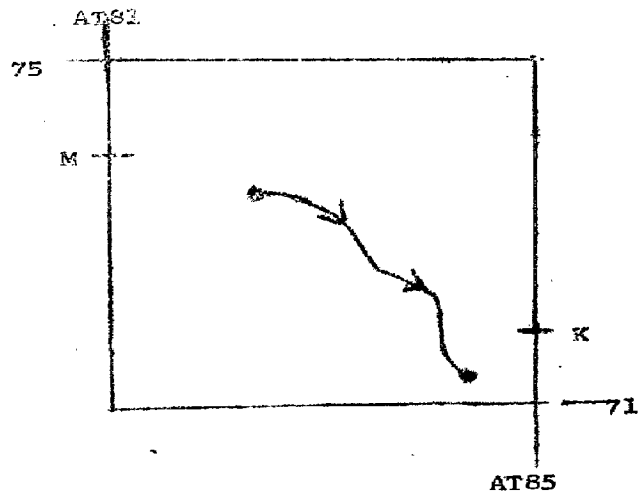
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Unit/Call Sign: D-2-2 (SAIL FISH) Patrol Leader: SGT KEDDY

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 NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement and arms infiltration. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications and routes of access along the northern bank of the Thuy Loan River and Route #544. 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 ~~040830H~~ ⁰⁵¹⁵³⁰; insert AT826738. Extract at ~~070830H~~ ⁰⁷⁰⁸³⁰ via AT845722. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "G" 67.05
(b) SCREEN TEST "H" 60.85
(c) PATTY SHELLE "W" 41.45
(d) SPOON BELL 63.70
Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOBY ROMBO
(b) MAY FLY (03-06)(DONG DEN)
(c) ICE BOUND (06-13)(DONG DEN)
(d) PAL JOBY X-RAY
(e) DUBLIN CITY (03-07)(Ba Na)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
G-3 (2)
Div AO (1)
CO, 11thMar (5)
CO, 7thMar (1)
CO, 1stBn7thMar (1)
Recon FSCC (1)
Recon S-3 (4)
CO, Co. "D" (1)
PtlLdr, D-2-2 (1)



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Operation Order: 8-68
 Patrol: Sailfish
 Debriefed: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT: 0 Admin Chief
MIR Unit Diary
 A. SIZE: 11 ENL, 1 USN SHB
 B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE FILE
 C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 2 7x50's
 D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79's, M-14, 6 CLAYMORES, M-12
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT AND ARMS INFILTRATION. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS ALONG THE NORTHERN BANK OF THE THUY LOAN RIVER AND ROUTE #544. 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. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 051500H/081130H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 66½ HOURS WITH NO KILLINGS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH, ELEPHANT GRASS AND VINES TO 10 FEET HIGH. CANOPI UP TO 20 FEET HIGH. ONLY WATER IN AREA WAS THE RIVER. MOVEMENT WAS SLOW.
7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT839750 POOR ONE HELICOPTER LZ. RIDGE IS VERY NARROW. EXTRACT LZ AT846730 GOOD LZ FOR 2 CH-46's, GRASS IS 4 FEET HIGH. OF'S AT844740 POSSIBLE TO OP IN VALLEY IN THE DIRECTION OF NE. TRAIL: AT845738 AN OLD TRAIL THAT HAS NOT BEEN USED RECENTLY AND IS 1 FOOT WIDE.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RIVER DOES NOT APPEAR LARGE OR DEEP ENOUGH TO FLOAT ROCKETS DOWN. PLOT ARTY BEFORE INSERT. COMM WAS WEAK BUT READABLE.
11. SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

SGT KEDDY
 2d ILT, CO. D
 PATROL LEADER

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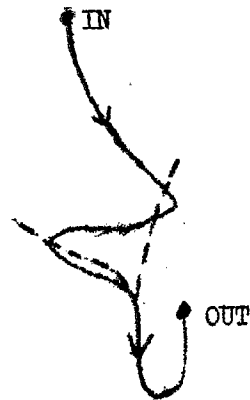
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT KEDDY
SGT HARRIS
CPL GROTT
LCPL BINGHAM
PFC ENNIS
PFC HOUGH

PFC CARACATTA
PFC RILEY
LCPL BAILEY
PFC AGUIRRE
PFC TAYLOR
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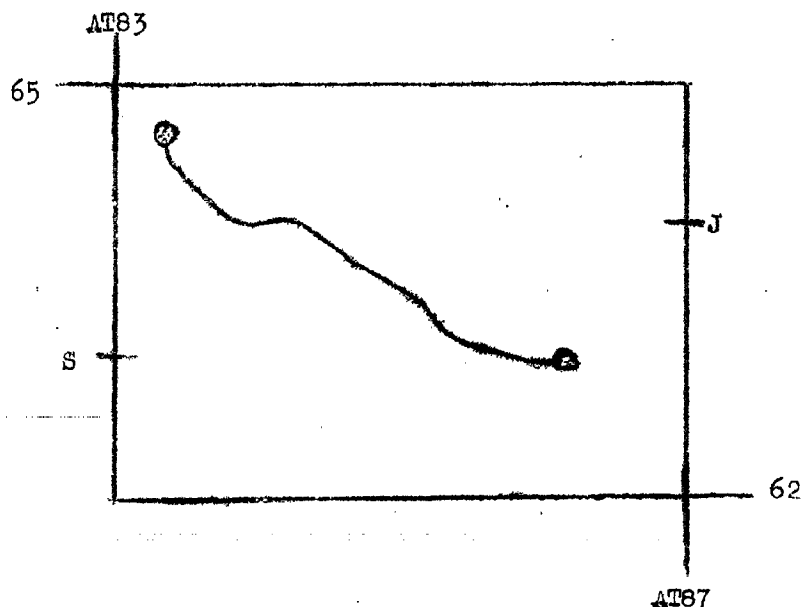
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(b) BnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) BnFragOrder msg #9-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-1-2 (FLAG DIP) Patrol Leader: SGT JONES

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operation within your assigned NF/PZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the upper Charlie Ridge area. 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 060800h; insert via AT832648. Extract at 090900h via AT859633. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00 Alternate 34.00
Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "G" 67.05
(b) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
(c) ARTY SHELL "K" 37.35
(d) SCREEN TEST "W" 29.75
Radio Relay: (a) RAL JOEY ROMEO
(b) RAL JOEY ZULU 36.40
(c) DUBLIN CITY (04-14 JAN) (BA NA)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
G-3 (2)
Div AO (1)
CO, 11thMar (5)
CO, 7thMar (1)
CO, 3dBr7thMar (1)
CO, 1stBr7thMar (1)
Recon FSCC (1)
Recon S-3 (4)
CO, Co. "B" (1)
PtlLdr, B-1-2 (1)



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Operation 318
Patrol: Flag Dip B-1-2
Debriefed: 0600 R.C. BUCKINGHAM
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000 AIB L7014;
Sheet 6140IV

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
Da Nang, RVN
091300H Jan 68

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 PRG-25, 2 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M14, 1 M79

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE UPPER JEARLIE RIDGE AREA. 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. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 061030H/090930H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 17 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR FIRE MISSIONS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

071435Z AT8340642 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC MOVING NEAR PATROL. PATROL ENTER CS AND MOVED OUT OF THE AREA.

B. TERRAIN: THE AREA IS VERY STEEP. SECONDARY GROWTH CONSISTS OF THICK ELEPHANT GRASS 6-8' HIGH. CANOPY IS UP TO 25' HIGH ON THE SLOPES, AND UP TO 80' HIGH ON THE RIDGE LINE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 8' HIGH EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 8' HIGH VIC. AT868634.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

SPT. J.S. JONES
FLAG DIP B-1-2
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

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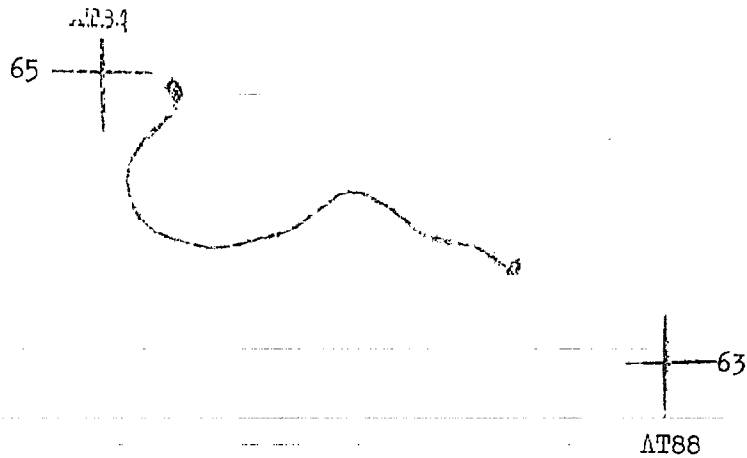
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12. COMMENTS BY D. JEFFER, NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. JONES	2167920
LCPL. PATTON	2200910
LCPL. ONEFO	2278150
PFC. SIMMONS	2278041
PFC. KRUEGER	2352422
PFC. JOHNSON	2357805
PFC. MORGAN	2316440
PFC. RICHEY	2326104
FN BERGMAN	7962114
LT. BREAKFIELD	0107562

PATROL OVERLAY



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 (b) BnF P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #10-68 CH-1

Unit/Call Sign: C-1 (WAR CLOUD) Patrol Leader: LT JANCZUK

1. Situation. (a) See current INSTUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance of Antenna Valley and the high ground to the southwest for enemy movement and arms infiltration. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 100830H; insert vic AT881347. Extract at 140830H vic AT881347. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (b) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60
 (c) HEAD COLD "E" 44.45 (MAX RANG)
 (d) DEMOLISH 5-9 62.50

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOBY ZULU
 (b) SADDLE BAG (BLANKENSHIP OP)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CC, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 5thMar (1)
 CO, 2d3d5thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "C" (1)
 PltLdr, C-1 (1)

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 041000H Jan 1968

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 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3900.27 (Incl: 1st Mar SOP)
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 (e) 1stMarDivO P11000

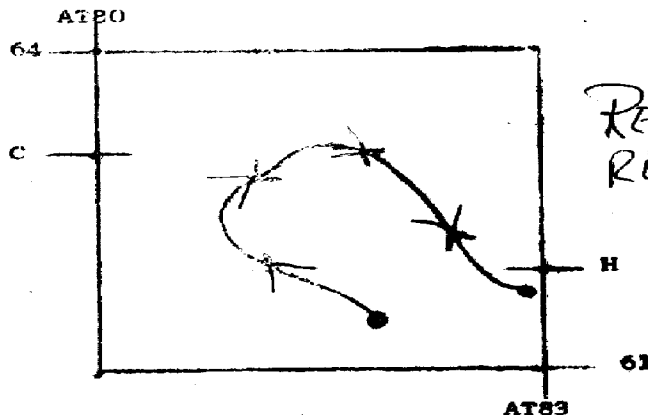
Unit/Task: Signal Co. 1 (WAY CLASH) Patrol Leader: SGT HATTON

1. Situation. (a) See current MSGS/WIN
 (b) See current GPS/WIN
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/88Z to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the specified bridge area. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe storage areas, distributions, and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on possible subtasks with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner. Be prepared to call and adjust air/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart 12 PUNCH 060900H; Insert via AT829617. Extract via AT819845. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (c).
4. Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Com/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (b) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (c) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (d) SERVICES MAN "A" 38.50

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ROMEO
 (b) PAL JOEY ZULU Pri. 36.40

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 1stMarDiv (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 1stMarDiv (1)
 Recon 1stMarDiv (1)
 Recon 7thMar (4)
 CO, Co. 1stMarDiv (1)
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Operation Order: 10-68
Patrol: War Cloud C-1-1
Debriefing: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; MTS 17014;
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1st Reconnaissance Bn.
Da Nang, RVN
0618Z 01 Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 10 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 2 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M79, 1 M14, 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE UPPER CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE 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. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 061130H/061720H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 5 HOURS WITH ONE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 3 VC. 3 FM'S WERE CALLED AND THE PATROL TOOK THE VC UNDER FIRE, RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

061540H AT827619 17 VC MOVING AROUND THE PATROL'S POSITION. GAMMIES, BIKES, RIFLES AND PACKS. CALLED ARTY AND RETURNED SMALL ARMS FIRE. RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA PROB. PATROL WAS EXTRACTED.

B. TERRAIN: LOW GRASS UP TO 4' HIGH IN SWAMPY GROUND.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT IN A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF ROCKS VIC. AT829617. POSSIBLE OFC VIC: AT830615.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 3 VC KIA PROB.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: USE AN IZ AS CLOSE TO THE TREE LINE AS POSSIBLE.

LT. T.J. JANCUK
WAR CLOUD C-1-1
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

DE. JANSZUK	0405594	PFC. WERDENUEK	2359551
SCT. BALANCE	1807566	CPL. POFFA	2215726
LCPL. WOOLARY	2288405	HM5 VILLAVUEVA	3540532
PFC. LORRIGHIO	2385970	PFC. FOEBLER	2349793
PFC. FREEMAN	2219095	PFC. PADILLA	2349433
PFC. SPEAKMAN	2359139	CPL. STALLIONS	2265447
		CPL. STARK	2106623

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(b) EnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) EnFragOrder #11-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-2-2 (GUNSMOKE) Patrol Leader: SGT ANDREWS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations 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 061000H; insert vic AT912418. Extract at 101000H vic AT912418. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "A" 84.60
(b) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
(c) HEAD COLD "B" 44.45

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
(b) PADDLE BOAT (BLANKENSHIP OP)

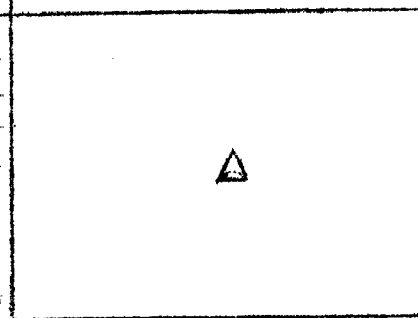
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- CO, 11thMar (5)
- CO, 5thMar (1)
- CO, 2ndBn5thMar (1)
- CO, Co."B" (1)
- PtILdr, B-2-2 (1)
- Recon FSOC (1)
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Operation Order: 12-68
 Patrol: Gunsmoke B-2-2
 Debriefing: Cpl J.M. STIPANOVICH
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6640III, 6640IV

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 101330H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 15 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 3 PRC-25, 1 M49, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE,
 2 7x50, 1 BC SCOPE
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M14, 1 M60, 1 .50 CAL MG, 1 M79, 12 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR 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: 061430H/100930H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 91 HOURS WITH 3 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 13 VC. 2 FM'S WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

091100H AT934369 2 VC MOVING WEST ALONG TRAIL. GRAY UNIFORMS; 2 LARGE PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO WEATHER.

091505H AT921371 7 VC MOVING "SE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND UTILITIES; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO VC MOVING OUT OF SIGHT.

091545H AT915377 4 VC MOVING "NW" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND PONCHOS; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE.

B. TERRAIN: DOWN THE SLOPES AND ON THE HIGHER GROUND, THE CANOPY IS UP TO 60' HIGH. THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 10' HIGH. THE ACTUAL HILL TOP IS ROCKS AND LOW BRUSH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. IT IS BARRED AND LOCATED ON A LARGE ROCK FORMATION. EXTRACT ZONE IS THE SAME AS THE INSERT.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE PLENTY OF CLAYMORES, GRENADES, WATER, TRIP FLARES, AND AT LEAST 3 RADIOS.

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SGT. P.G. ANDREWS
GUNSMOKE B-2-2
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. ANDREWS	1670200
LCPL. COWELL	2295178
LCPL. JONES	2280401
LCPL. HOLMBECK	2297364
PFC. ALLEN	2094075
PFC. ANDERSON	2314159
PFC. HICKEY	2288857
PFC. BALDERA	2282359

PFC. PHILLIPS	2329269
PFC. ALLEN	2360870
PFC. SCOTT	2352949
PFC. SCHECKLER	2347535
PFC. COLLINS	2346364
PFC. MARTINEZ	2341900
PFC. MOON	2359292
HM3 COTE	763845

OPERATION ORDER #1

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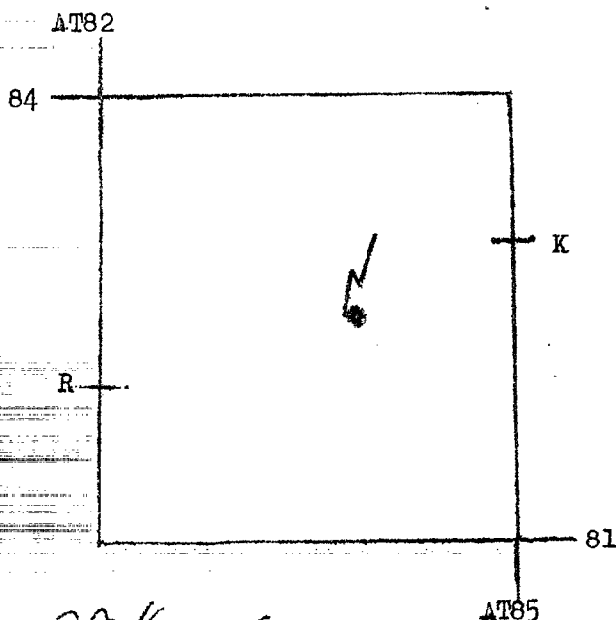
Unit/Call Sign: B-3-2 (ICE BOUND) Patrol Leader: SGT KERSTETTER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and FIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 868 and 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 the radio relay team (P.L JOEY X-RAY) on Dong Den Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 061000H; insert vic AT837828. Extract at 101000H vic AT837828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00 Alternate: 35.00
Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "H" 60.85
(b) RUSH ACT "G" 55.75
(c) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
(d) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45

Radio Relay: P.L JOEY X-RAY

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
G-3 (2)
Div 40 (1)
CO, 11thMar (5)
CO, 7thMar (1)
CO, 2dBn7thMar (1)
Recon WSCC (1)
Recon S-3 (4)
CO, Co. "B" (1)
PltLdr, B-3-2 (1)



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Operation Order: 1
 Patrol: Ice bound
 Debruefer: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014
 Sheets 6641 III

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 Da Nang, RVN
 121300H Jan 68

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL
 B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 7X50's, M-49, BC SCOPE, ST. LIGHT SCOPE.

Admin Chief

Unit Diary

SBB

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL ' ' AND 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 THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (PAL JOEY X-RAY) ON DONG DEN MOUNTAIN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 061130H/121130H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 142 HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS, ONE OF WHICH WAS A VC ROCKET ATTACK ON FLC, OF AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. 2 FM'S WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

072220H AT865800 APPROX 5 LAUNCHING SITES, VC LAUNCHING ROCKETS & POSSIBLE MORTARS AT DA NANG. PATROL OBSERVED ROCKET FLASHES, BUT WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE NUMBER OF VC. CALLED FM, GAVE GRID AND DIRECTION AS BEST POSSIBLE OBSERVATION. RUSH ACT RELAYED TO ALL ARTY UNITS.

082355H AT819849 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC MOVING EAST WITH 2 LIGHTS. UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT UNOBSERVED. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO HEAVY FOG MOVING IN AREA.

B. N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: USE OF 81 MM MORTAR WOULD HAVE BEEN VALUABLE AGAINST ROCKETS.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

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 3rd FLT, CO. B
 PATROL LEADER

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS

GYSGT AUSTIN
LCPL MARTIN
PCPL DYE
PCPL EVERHEART
DCPL DEMESHKO
PFC MARTIN
PFC OILER
PFC CAMPANELLO
PFC SOUTHELL
PFC MORRIS
PFC WHITING
PFC PATTERSON

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OPERATION ORDER 13-68

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DA NANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
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(b) BnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
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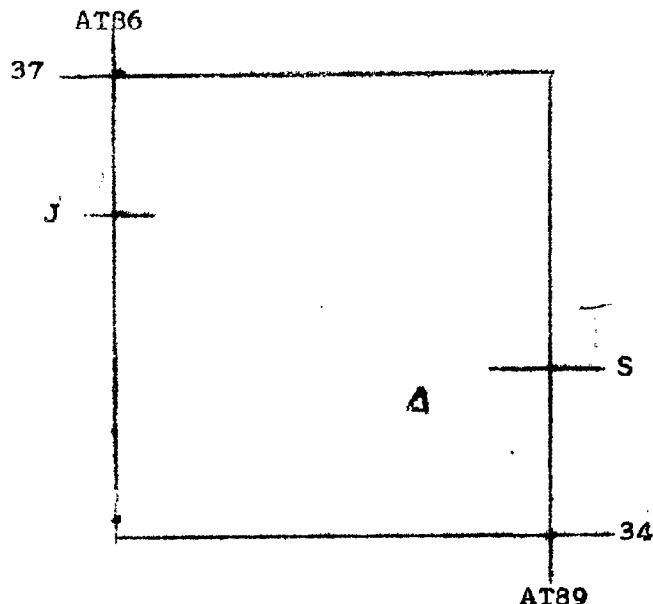
Unit/Call Sign: C-3-2 (PEARL CHEST) Patrol Leader: SGT SLEEPER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance of Antenna Valley and the high ground to the southwest for enemy movement and arms infiltration. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 060830H; insert vic AT881347. Extract at 100830H vic AT881347. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
Artillery: (a) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
(b) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60
(c) HEAD COLD "B" 44.45 (MAX RANGE)
(d) DEMOLISH 5-9 62.50

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
(b) PADDLE BOAT (BLANKENSHIP OP)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
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CO, 5thMar (1)
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Operation Order: 13-68
Patrol: Pearlchest
Debrief: CPL. J.M. STIPANOVICH
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Lang, RVN

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 16 ENL., 1 USN
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 M-49, 1 7x50, 2 PRC-25's
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M60, 4 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OF ANTENNA VALLEY AND THE VALLEY AND THE HIGH GROUND TO THE SOUTHWEST FOR ENEMY MOVEMENT AND ARMS INFILTRATION. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 061300H/100900H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 92 HOURS WITH 20 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 364 VC. 16 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED RESULTING IN 39 VC. KIA CONFIRMED AND 8 VC. KIA PROBABLE.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

061545H AT890360 12 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK PJ's AND KHAKIS, RIFLES AND HEAVY PACKS. NO FIRE MISSION CALLED DUE TO CHECK FIRE. VC. MOVED OUT OF AREA.

061625H AT885355 7 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ's 1 RIFLE AND HEAVY PACKS. CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 1 CONFIRMED VC. KIA.

061715H AT885355 6 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ's PACKS AND RIFLES. FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED BUT NOT FIRED DUE TO CHECK FIRE. VC. MOVED OUT OF AREA.

071150H AT885355 3 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ's PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FIRE MISSION BUT CHECKED FIRE DUE TO DELAY IN CLEARANCE VC. MOVED OUT OF AREA INTO TREELINE.

071345H AT885355 8VC. MOVING NE ALONG TRAIL. BLK. PJ's AND KHAKIS, CAMMIE. PACKS, RIFLES, AND 3.5 ROCKET TUBES WITH CANISTERS. FIRE MISSION CALLED WITH RESULTING SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, FIRE, AND 1 VC. KIA CONFIRMED, 1 VC. WIL. CONFIRMED.

071405H AT885355 3 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ's AND KHAKIS, 1 RIFLE 1 PACK AND 1 3.5 ROCKET TUBE WITH CANISTER. FIRE MISSION CALLED RESULTING IN SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. UNABLE TO OBSERVE CASUALTIES DUE TO VC. MOVING INTO TREELINE.

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071730H AT885355 167 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK PJ's, KHAKIS, MIXED UTILITIES, HEAVY PACKS WITH CAMOFLAGE, RIFLES AND CARTRIDGE BELTS AND ROCKET TUBES (30). CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 24 VC. CONFIRMED KIA.

081230H AT885355 8 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ's AND KHAKIS, RIFLES, WITH CAMOFLAGEED PACKS. FIRE MISSION CALLED RESULTING IN 1 VC. KIA CONFIRMED WHO APPEARED TO BE A VC. CORESMAN.

081400H AT885355 8 VC, MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ's AND KHAKIES, RIFLES AND HEAVY PACKS WITH CAMMIE. CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 1 CONFIRMED VC. KIA. AND 1 CONFIRMED VC. WIA.

081500H AT885355 3VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES, 1 ROCKET TUBE (3.5). CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 3 CONFIRMED VC. KIA.

081515H AT885355 4 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ's HEAVY PACKS AND CAMMIE. 1 RIFLE. CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 1 CONFIRMED VC. WIA.

081630H AT885355 6 VC. MOVING SE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ's HEAVY PACKS AND CARTRIDGE BELTS. CALLED FIRE MISSION BUT RESULTS COULD NOT BE DETERMINED BECAUSE VC. MOVED INTO TREELINE. BE ADVISED VC. HAD BLOODSTAINED BANDAGES AND CLOTHES ON.

081730H AT885355 11 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL RAPIDLY INTO HOOTCH. BLK. PJ's PACKS AND RIFLES. FIRE MISSION CALLED EXCELLANT COVERAGE RESULTING IN 1 HOOTCH PARTIALLY DESTROYED AND 3 VC. PROBABLE KIA. (VC.)

081800H AT885355 20 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ's PACKS, CARTRIDGE BELTS, 2 RIFLES. FIRE MISSION CALLED RESULTING IN 5 VC. KIA. CONFIRMED.

090730H AT885355 12 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ's HEAVY PACKS AND CARTRIDGE BELTS. NO FIRE MISSION CALLED DUE TO LACK OF COMM WITH ARTY. VC. MOVED OUT OF SIGHT.

090800H AT885355 4 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ's PACKS AND 1 RIFLE. CALLED FIRE MISSION BUT WAS UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO VC. MOVING INTO TREELINE.

091100H AT885355 6 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ'S, HEAVY PACKS WITH PONCHOS. FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED RESULTING IN ONE VC. CONFIRMED WIA.

091630H AT885355 9 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ'S AND KHAKIES, HEAVY PACKS WITH CAMOFLAGE, RIFLES, CARTRIDGE BELTS. FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED RESULTING IN 1 CONFIRMED VC. KIA.

091745H AT885355 27 VC. MOVING NE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ'S, PACKS, RIFLES, CARTRIDGE BELTS AND PONCHOS. FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED RESULTING IN 1 CONFIRMED VC. KIA.

100730H AT885355 40 VC. MOVING SE ON TRAIL. BLK. PJ'S, PACKS, CARTRIDGE BELTS. FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED WITH 1 CONFIRMED VC. WIA. RESULTING.

B. TERRAIN: MODERATE SECONDARY GROTH CONSISTING OF SCRUB BRUSH AND ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 15' AND NO CANOPY. STEEP SLOPES ON THE EAST, WEST, AND NORTH SIDES OF HILL # 344. GENTLE SLOPE FACING SOUTH.

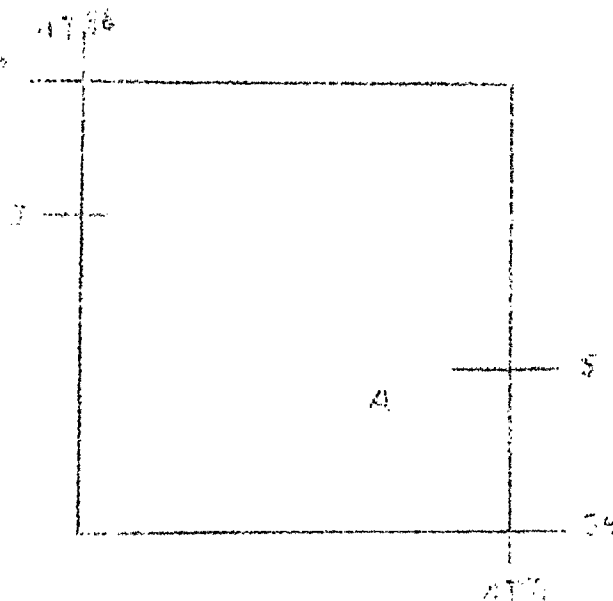
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7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS GOOD x CH-46, ZONE CONSISTING OF LOW SCRUB BRUSH. 882347 OUTSTANDING O.P. SIGHT.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A STARLIGHT SCOPE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. SLEEPER, J.A. 2249559	PVT. GOFF, W.M. 2352772
SGT. WHITNEY, J.S. 2212884	PFC. MACK, D.L. 2367290
L/CPL JUDY, A.J. 2304565	PFC. BAEI, R.J. 2328102
L/CPL MORRIS, A.L. 2305473	L/CPL BLACKWELL, J.B. 2342307
CPL. WOLFF, E.R. 2287607	L/CPL GORDON, D.W. 2286640
PFC. THURMAN, D.F. 2284645	PFC. PADILLA, A. 2348875
PFC. HEFFLEY, T.R. 2356710	L/CPL PARKER, W.R. 2173035
PFC. DENNIS, D.A. 2382272	HM3 WILKINS, C.S. B207074
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PEARL CHEST C-3-2
PATROL LEADER

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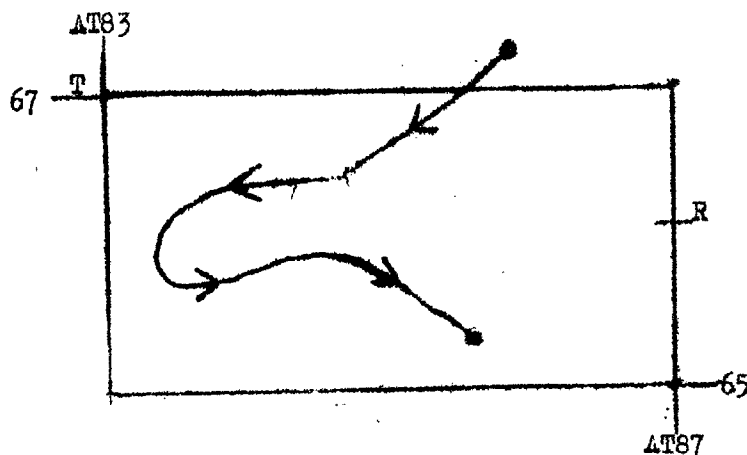
Unit/Call Sign: C-3-1 (IONY BOY) patrol leader: Lt. RIGGINS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSOP'S
 (b) See current C-3-1 and IIR'S
 (c) Attachments: PONG
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement and arms infiltration in the upper Chuang Ridge area. 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 070800H; insert via AT859673. Extract at 100900H via AT856654. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00 Alternate 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "G" 67.05
 (b) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (c) PARTY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (d) SCREEN TEST "W" 39.75

Radio Relay: (a) 1AL JOEY ROMEO

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 CO, Co. "G" (2)
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OPERATION ORDER: 1-38
PATROL: PONY BOY C-3-1
DEBRIEFER: CPL JM. STIPANOVICH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; LMS L7014
SHEETS 6641 III, 6640 IV.

RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN
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EO _____ Admin Chrt _____
ExecO mcg Unit Diary PATROL REPORT
1st Sgt OKH
Ind. Comm _____

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. 1 OFF. 10 ENL. 1 USN.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 1 SCOUT DOG
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50.
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 5 CLAYMORES, 1 M-12.
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC. TROOP MOVEMENT AND ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE UPPER CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. 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. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL: 071300H/101300H
4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERL Y.
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 72 HOURS WITH 1 SIGHTING/CONTACT TOTALLING 6 VC. NO FM WAS CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

081610H AT864667 6 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. KHAKIS, SHORTS;
3 HELMETS, 1 BUSH COVER, 3 AK-47'S, CTG BELTS, AND PACKS, GRENADES,
1 SHOTGUN. VC UNIFORMS WERE CLEAN, THEY HAD SHORT HAIRCUTS, AND THEY SEEMED WELL FED. PATROL AND VC EXCHANGED FIRE, AND VC MOVED OUT OF SIGHT.
 1. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP. THE GROUND IS SWAMPY. SCATTERED TREES UP TO 30' HIGH. THICK BRUSH UP TO 8' HIGH. THE AREA IS ROCKY.
7. INSERT LZ WAS A POOR 1xCH-46 ZONE OF CANE AND GRASS IN KNEE DEEP WATER VIC. AT857678. EXTRACT ZONE IS A MULTI-BIRD ZONE OF FLAT LAND IN KNEE DEEP GRASS VIC. AT862657. THERE IS A WELL TRAVELED TRAIL APPROX 4' WIDE RUNNING ALONG THE TOP OF THE RIDGE. VIC. AT868658 IS A GOOD 1 BIRD ZONE. VC ACTIVITY SEEMS CONCENTRATED ON TOP OF THE RIDGE.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: STAY OFF THE RIDGE AND DO NOT TAKE A DOG.

LT. T.R. RIGGINS
PONY BOY C-3-1
PATROL LEADER

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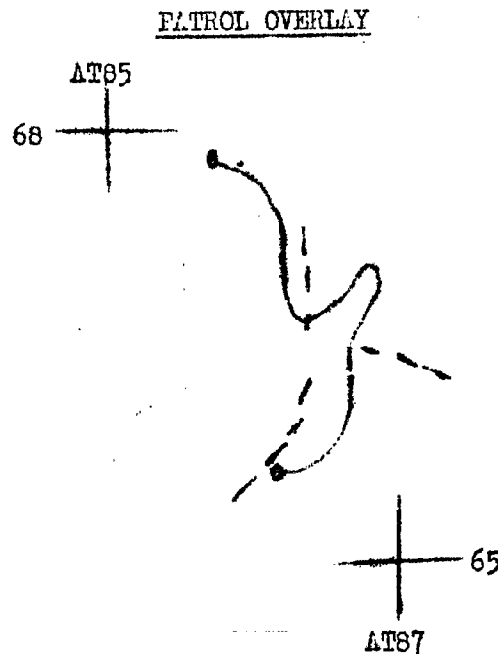
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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBER :

LT. RIGGINS	0102242	PFC. CARLENTER	2352521
LCPL. RIVENBARK	2308276	PFC. ECKENRCDE	2348922
LCPL. DUNNINGTON	2227296	PFC. MILLER	2314448
LCPL. OWENS	2313561	HM2 JOHNSON	B509089
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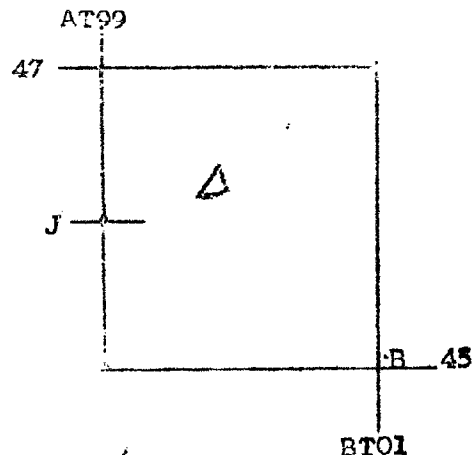
Unit/Call Sign: B-3-1 (LUCKY LARK) Patrol Leader: LT BARTA

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 425 (Hui-Hon-Coc) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through the Duy Xuyen Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 080330H; insert vic AT998465. Extract at 120830H vic AT998465. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60
 (b) RUSH ACT "B" 39.65
 (c) HEAD COLD "B" 44.45

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) PADDLE BOAT (08-10 Jan)
 (BLANKENSHIP OP)
 (c) SADDLE BAG (10-15 Jan)
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 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 PltLdr, B-3-1 (1)



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Operation Order: 15-68
 Patrol: Lucky Lark B-3-1
 Debriefer: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
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1st Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 121430H Jan 68

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT: CO _____ Admin Chief _____
 ExecO *ms* _____ Unit Diary _____
 A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 8 ENL, 1 UNSG *ell* _____ SRB _____
 B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: *Inc* 2 PRC-25, 1 7x50, 1 M49 _____
 D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M79, 12 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 425 (HUI-HON-COC) AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/PFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH THE DUY XUYEN VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 080930H/121300H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 99½ HOURS WITH 7 SIGHTINGS, 3 OF WHICH WERE CONTACTS, TOTALLING 29 VC. 4 FM'S WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA CONF. AND 4 VC KIA PROB.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

081015H UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC FIRING ON PATROL'S POSITION. PATROL RECEIVED 1 M79 ROUND AND 20 ROUNDS OF A/W FIRE.

081040H BT004468 4 VC FIRING AT PATROL'S POSITION. VC HAD A CARBINE AND AN AK-47. PATROL RETURNED FIRE, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

081750H UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC FIRING AT PATROL'S POSITION. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

091140H BT000482 5 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND GREEN PONCHOS; PACKS, MORTAR ROUNDS AND A CYLINDRICAL OBJECT APPROX 8' LONG. CALLED FM WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

101745H AT983471 10 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND GRAY UNIFORMS; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, 2 VC KIA CONF. AND 1 VC KIA PROB.

101900H AT986478 8 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. GRAY UNIFORMS AND PITH HELMETS; PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED, 3 VC KIA PROB.

101930H BT002482 2 LIGHTS MOVING EAST IN VALLEY. CALLED FM, RESULTING IN SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

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B. TERRAIN: SPARSE GRASS UP TO 3' HIGH. SOME ROCKS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 1xGH-46 ZONE OF LOW SCRUB 3' HIGH. THE OP AT THIS ZONE IS VERY GOOD TO THE EAST, NORTH, AND SOUTH.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A M60 AND A STARLIGHT SCOPE.

LT. J.J. BARTA
LUCKY LARK B-3-1
PATROL LEADER

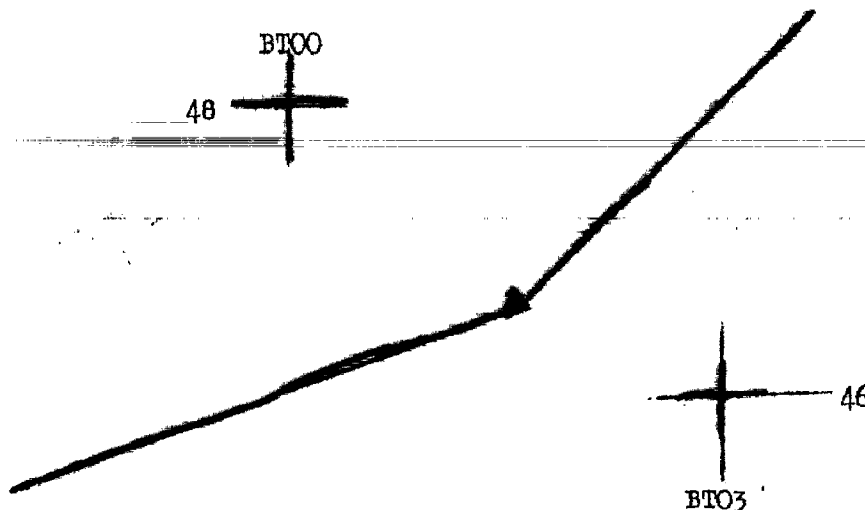
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. BARTA	0101732	LCPL. BOWLAND	2225415
LCPL. BRUCH	2313624	LCPL. TRENT	2318429
LCPL. HERNANDEZ	2315441	PFC. GILLEN	2215441
PFC. GONZALEZ	2320923	PFC. GROSS	2335025
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Unit/Call Sign: D-3-1 (QUIZMASTER) Patrol Leader: LT. PHELPS

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

2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Hoa Van Range Complex. Special emphasis on surveillance to observe possible storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

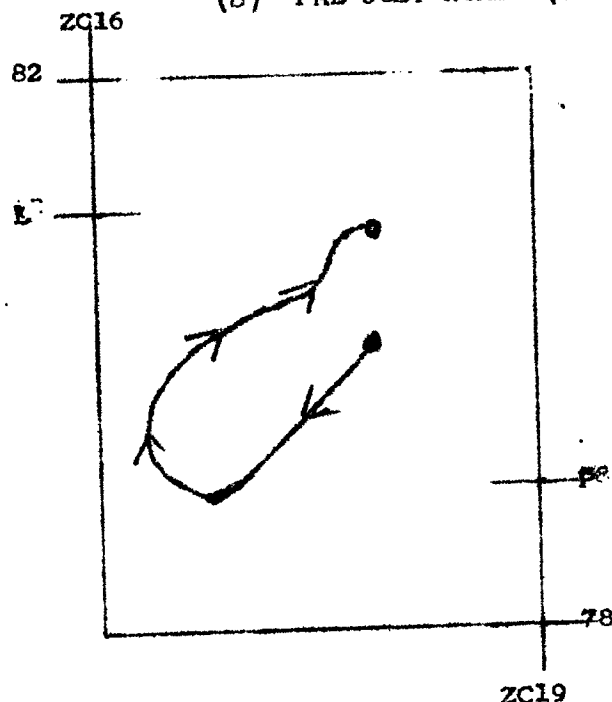
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 091000H; insert vic ZC179801. Extract at 121000H vic ZC179809. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
Artillery: (a) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
(b) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
(c) "C" 56.50
(d) "D" 56.50
Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY X-RAY
(b) PAL JOEY ROMEO (35.00)

Distribution:

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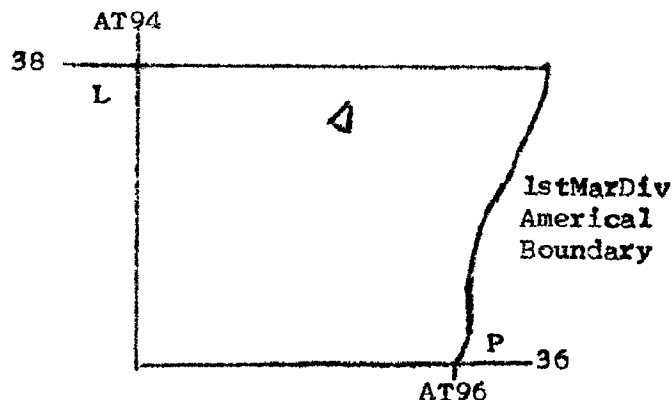
Unit/Call Sign: D-3-1 (QUIZMASTER) Patrol Leader: LT. PHELPS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the southeastern portion of Antenna Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 080900H; insert vic AT956376. Extract at 120900H vic AT956376. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "E" 44.45 (Check Fan)
 (b) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (c) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) PADDLE BOAT (03-10 Jan)
 (BLANKENSHIP OP)
 (c) SADDLE BAG (10-16)
 (BLANKENSHIP OP)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (3)
 CO, 5thMar (1)
 CO, 2d3n5thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S&3 (4)
 CO, Co. "D" (1)
 FtILdr, D-3-1 (1)



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 Patrol: Quizmaster
 Debriefer: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014
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 Da Nang, RVN
 141000H Jan 68

INTERCOM REPORT

Smith Chief

Hit Diary

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 8 ENL, 1 USN
 B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRC-25's, 2 7x50's
 D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79, 4 CLAYMORES, M-12

2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/TFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE HOA VAN RANGE COMPLEX. SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/LIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 110900H/140900H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 32 VC. PATROL FIRED ON VC WITH 1 KIA CONF, 6 KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY

111200H ZC167801 2 MAN FIGHTING CAVE. INVESTIGATED AND FOUND NOTHING IN WELL DUG CAVE.

131000H ZC175799 30 VC IN COUNTER AMBUSH. GRAY UNIFORMS, BUSH COVERS, SANDALS, RIFLES AND PACKS, CARTRIDGE BELTS. POINT MAN HEARD MOVEMENT AHEAD, PATROL DOUBLED BACK AND SET UP AMBUSH M-79, CLAYMORE KILLING VC POINT. WE RECEIVED 200-300 ROUNDS SA & LW, USED CS.

- B. VEGETATION 30 FEET TO 100 FEET CANOPY, SECONDARY GROWTH VERY THICK 10-12 FEET HIGH. TALL TREES IN AREA, THE SECONDARY GROWTH BECAME LESS DENSE. MOVEMENT DIFFICULT DUE TO STEEPNESS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION

INSERT LZ ZC169803 FAIR FOR 1 CH-46 LZ WITH 10 FOOT HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS. EXTRACT LZ ZC175803 FAIR 1 CH-46 LZ WITH GRASS 10 FEET HIGH. LZ ON A GENTLE SLOPE. MAIN TRAIL ON RIDGELINE 3 FEET WIDE. WELL USED & RECENTLY USED. OF AT EXTRACT LZ COULD BE USED TO SEE HILL MASS TO THE NORTH. ALONG ROUTE SAW 12 FIGHTING HOLES NOT RECENTLY USED AND 6 HUTS. SAW BUNKER AT ZC175802. WELL BUILT ABOUT 6 FEET LONG, 5 FEET HIGH, 2 FEET WIDE AND VERY OLD. ALSO SAW 2 AIR HOLES IN SAME AREA. SAW BITS AND PIECES OF OLD BLUE PLASTIC NEAR BUNKER.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTER WITH THE ENEMY:

1 KIL CONF, 6 KIL PROB, 1 CAPTURED WEAPON.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TERRAIN IS HARD TO WORK. LZ'S ARE HARD TO FIND.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

2dLt. PHELPS
3d FLT, CO D
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: APPEARED TO BE VC

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

2dLt PHELPS
CPL DUNCAN
LCPL ORTEGA
LCPL RIZZO
CPL RININGER

LCPL WOODING
PFC MALLOY
PFC BUHLER
HN MORTENSON
PFC LAY

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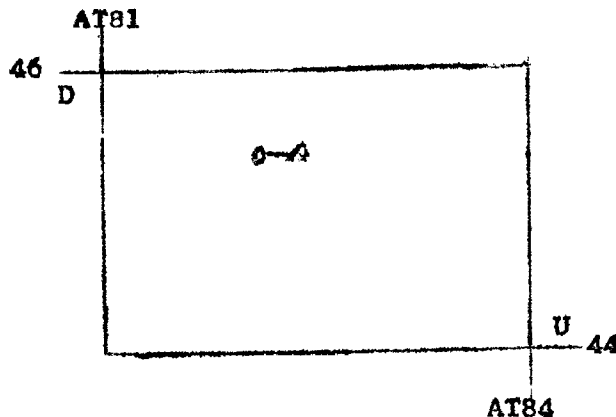
Unit/Call Sign: A-1-2 (BAR KEEP) Patrol Leader: SGT ULSTAD

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post and 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. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 080800H; insert vic AT824452. Extract at 120800H vic AT824452. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "E" 44.45
 (b) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (c) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 2d3n7thMar (1)
 Recon FSOC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "A" (1)
 PtlLdr, A-1-2 (1)



D. J. Keating, Jr.
 D. J. KEATING, Jr.
 By direction

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Patrol: Bar Keep

Debriefed: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter

Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014

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1st Reconnaissance Bn.

Da Nang, RVN

121400H Jan 68

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT: () Admin Chief _____
 Unit Diary _____
 SRB _____
 A. COMPOSITION: 14 ENL, 1 UBN
 B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25's, 2 7x50's, M-49
 D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-60, M-14, M-79, 9 CLAYMORES.
2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST AND 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. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 081030H/121230H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 56 HOURS WITH 12 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 144 VC. 13 FIRE MISSIONS & 1 AIR STRIKE WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 3 KIA CONF.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

081230H AT807469 4 VC MOVING ALONG TREELINE. GRAY UTILITIES, BUSH HATS, 3 RIFLES, 3 LARGE PACKS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREELINE.

091900H AT824457 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC FIRING 60 MM MORTARS & SMALL ARMS AT OUR POSITION. UNKNOWN UNIFORM AND 6 INCOMING MORTAR ROUNDS & 20-30 SMALL ARM ROUNDS. CALLED FM AROUND POSITION AND ALSO POSSIBLE MORTAR POSITION. ALL ACTIVITIES CEASED BECAUSE OF EFFECTIVENESS OF ARTY.

091330H AT799474 7 VC MOVING NORTH IN TREELINE. GRAY UTILITIES & HELMETS, 7 PACKS & 7 RIFLES, 7 CARTRIDGE BELTS. CALLED FM UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREELINE.

091400H AT816472 5 VC MOVING NORTH IN TREELINE. GRAY UTILITIES & HELMETS, 5 PACKS & 5 RIFLES. CALLED FM UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREELINE.

091430H AT817478 8 VC MOVING NORTH IN TREELINE. GRAY UTILITIES & HELMETS, 8 PACKS & 8 RIFLES. CALLED FM, CEASED FIRE DUE TO BETTER MISSION.

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091500H AT815499 45 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. MIXED UTILITIES & COVERS, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM & AO. AO DISCOVERED FRESHLY DUG BUNKERS & TRENCHES. CALLED TQ-10, RESULTING IN 10 STRUCTURES DAMAGED, 5 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 1 LARGE BUNKER DESTROYED, 1 BUNKER DAMAGED, 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION, 1 SECONDARY FIRE. STRUCTURES WERE VC STRUCTURES.

091500H AT815499 45 VC MOVING NORTH IN TREELINE. MIXED UTILITIES, PACKS & RIFLES. REQUESTED AO. IN PROCESS OF USING ARTY.

100900H AT825477 7 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST IN TREELINE. GRAY UTILITIES & HELMETS, 7 PACKS & 7 RIFLES, CARTRIDGE BELTS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO TREELINE.

101400H AT809490 4 VC MOVING SOUTH ACROSS RICE PADDIE. GRAY UTILITIES & HELMETS, 4 PACKS & 4 RIFLES, CARTRIDGE BELTS. CALLED FM, NUMBER OF VC INCREASED TO 35 VC. ONE APPEARED TO BE CARRYING A RADIO AND OTHERS MORTAR TUBES. REQUESTED AO. ARTY IN CHECK FIRE DUE TO SAV-A-PLANE.

111300H AT802471 6 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. MIXED UTILITIES, PACKS & RIFLES, CARTRIDGE BELTS. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO CANOY.

111730H AT799473 7 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ACROSS RICE PADDIES. MIXED UTILITIES, PACKS & RIFLES. VC APPEARED TO BE CARRYING ROCKETS OR MORTAR TUBES. CALLED HOSTAGE 3-0. TARGET MOVED INTO TREELINE, UNABLE TO OBSERVE.

111800H AT779473 15 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ACROSS RICE PADDIE. MIXED UTILITIES, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO DARKNESS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ AT824452 GOOD 1xCH-46 LZ. LOW SCRUB. FOUND 1 M-26 IN LZ, BLOWN IN PLACE. OP'S WERE OUTSTANDING. FOUND 1 M-26 AND 8" x 6" SHAPE CHARGE, BLOWN IN PLACE (AT824452)

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE FLAK JACKETS AND HELMETS

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

SGT ULSTAD
1st PLT, CO. A
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT ULSTAD
LCPL NARLANCO
HN SIEGEL
LCPL LUNA
PFC DEWEY
PFC STEVENSON
PFC SCOTT

PFC GILL
PFC GREMILLION
PFC GAXIOLA
PFC BURKGARDET
PFC MILLER
PFC FOLLOCK
PFC BROCKMAN

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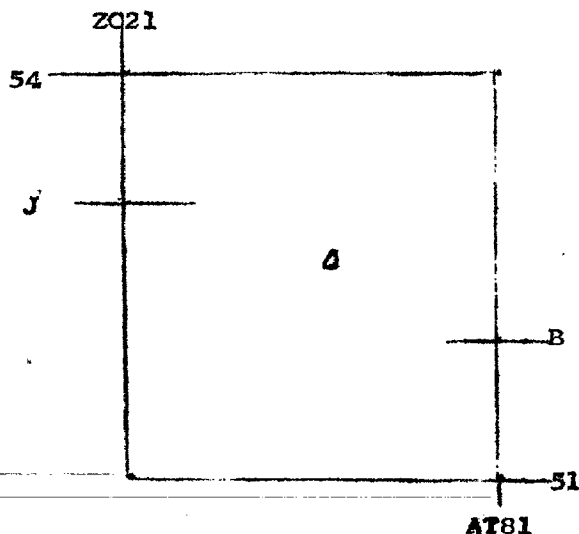
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Unit/Call Sign: A-2-2 (COWPOKE) Patrol Leader: SGT BALLIET

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. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 090800H; insert vic AT797528. Extract at 130800H vic AT797528. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (b) HEAD COLD "E" 68.05
 (c) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (d) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (e) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60
- Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) PADDLE BOAT (9-10 Jan)
 (BLANKENSHIP OP)
 (c) SADDLE BAG (10-16)
 (BLANKENSHIP)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 3dLn7thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "A" (1)
 PtlLdr, A-2-2 (1)



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 Patrol: Cowpoke
 Debriefing: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
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1st Reconnaissance Bn.
 Ft. Nang, RVN
 131400H Jan 68

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT: CO _____ Admin Chief _____
 ExecO MAA Unit Diary _____
 1st Sgt CH SRB _____
 A. COMPOSITION: 14 ENL, 1 USN
 B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRG-25, 1 STARLITE, 1 7 X 50,
 1 SPOTTER SCOPE, 1 M-49.
 D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M-14, 1 M-79, 10 CLAYMORES.
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUIN DUC DUC VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 090830H/131130H
4. N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 99 HOURS WITH 21 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 111 VC. 17 FIRE MISSIONS AND 2 AIR STRIKES WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 4 VC KIA CONF AND 16 VC KIA PROB.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

091320H ZC205539 3 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. 2 BLK PJ'S, 1 GRAY UNIFORM & 2 PACKS. CALLED FM WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

101415H AT821509 1 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND 1 PACK. CALLED FM WITH RESULTS UNKNOWN.

101445H AT821510 6 VC MOVING SOUTH ALONG WOOD LINE. BLK PJ'S AND 6 PACKS. CALLED FM, 4 VC KIA PROB, RECEIVED CHECK FIRE AND ENDED MISSION.

101530H AT819507 6 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ALONG HEDGE ROW. BLK PJ'S, BUSH COVERS AND 6 PACKS. WALKING IN WELL SPACED COLUMN, CALLED FM, COULD NOT ACCESS DAMAGE.

101730H AT822506 7 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ALONG TRAIL THEN INTO STRUCTURE. GRAY UTILITIES, BOOTS & BUSH HATS, RIFLES, PACKS & CARTRIDGE BELTS. CALLED FM RESULTING IN 1 STRUCTURE DESTROYED AND 7 VC KIA PROB.

101830H AT817508 3 VC MOVING SOUTH SOUTHEAST IN PADDIES AND MOVING INTO STRUCTURE COMPLEX. BLK PJ'S AND 1 RIFLE. CALLED FM WITH 1 KIA CONF AND 3 STRUCTURES DESTROYED.

101905H AT817508 EST 3 VC MOVING IN AREA OF LAST FM. UNIFORM UNKNOWN. CALLED FM, COULD NOT ACCESS DAMAGE DUE TO DARKNESS.

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101930H AT810510 2 MORTAR POSITIONS FIRING UNKNOWN DIRECTION. EST 2 81 MM MORTARS. CALLED FM WITH 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION & 1 FIRE.

111120H AT815486 2 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. 1 BLK PJ'S, 1 GRAY UTILITIES & BOOTS, & 2 PACKS. VC MOVED OUT OF SIGHT BEFORE FM COULD BE CALLED.

111130H AT801486 7 VC MOVING SOUTH ALONG TRAIL. MIXED PJ'S & GRAY UTILITIES, 4 PACKS. CALLED FM, COULD NOT ACCURATELY ACCESS DAMAGE DUE TO FOILAGE & VISIBILITY.

111230H AT827517 8 VC MOVING NORTH ALONG WOOD LINE. BLK PJ'S & 3 PACKS. CALLED FM, 1 VC KIA CONF BY BODY COUNT, 1 CONF KIA CHANGED TO 1 KIA PROB.

111304H AT801486 8 VC MOVED INTO 3 STRUCTURE COMPLEX. BLK PJ'S, GRAY UNIFORMS & 8 LARGE PACKS. CALLED FM, CANCELLED FM IN ORDER TO CONDUCT AIR STRIKE. WLS GETTING READY TO USE HOSTAGE BUT BEECHNUT 1-4 HAD A TEAM IN CONTACT, SO HOSTAGE LEFT OUT AREA.

111400H AT801486 16 VC WITHIN 3 STRUCTURE COMPLEX. BLK PJ'S, 8 PACKS, RIFLES & 1 SUSPECTED 81 MM MORTAR. CONDUCTED AIR STRIKE WITH 2 PROB KIA. BENCH MARK 1-1 HAD TO REFUEL, WILL RETURN TO CONTINUE.

111330H AT827517 4 VC RECOVERING ENEMY KIA FROM PREVIOUS FM. BLK PJ'S WITH UNKNOWN EQUIPMENT. CALLED FM RESULTING IN ENEMY DISPERSING FROM AREA WITHOUT BODIES.

111527H AT811491 8 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. GRAY UTILITIES, & BOOTS, 8 PACKS, 8 RIFLES, & HELMETS. CALLED FM AS ENEMY MOVED OUT OF GUN RANGE, CANCELLED FIRE MISSION DUE TO EMINENT AIR STRIKE. 1 KIA CONF BY BODY COUNT.

111805H AT831547 3 VC MOVING INTO CAVE. BLK PJ'S & 1 PACK. WERE APPARENTLY DIGGING UP A LONG CYLINDRICAL OBJECT. CALLED FM, TARGET DISPERSED.

111845H AT831547 3 VC MOVED FROM CAVE TO STREAM BED. BLK PJ'S & 1 PACK. CALLED HOSTAGE 3-0, 1 KIA CONF & 1 KIA PROB. HOSTAGE SPOTTED 1 BUNKER VICINITY AT836542. KIA & KIA PROB CONFIRMED BY HOSTAGE 3-0.

121128H AT801486 6 VC MOVING SOUTH ALONG TREELINE. BLK PJ'S & 6 LARGE PACKS. MOVING IN WELL SPACED COLUMN. VILLAGERS FLED RAPIDLY AS THESE PEOPLE MOVED INTO AREA. VC MOVED INTO AREA OF YESTERDAYS AIR STRIKE. CALLED FM, ACCESSMENT NEG PROB OR CONF.

121345H ZC209541 4 VC MOVING EAST ALONG TREELINE. MIXED BLK PJ'S & KHAKI UNIFORMS, PACKS, HELMETS & CARTRIDGE BELTS. VC SPLIT, 2 WENT EAST, 2 WENT WEST. CALLED FM ON 2 MOVING EAST 2 KIA PROB. 2 MOVING WEST DISPERSED BEFORE FM COULD BE CALLED.

121630H ZC210539 2 VC MOVING EAST ALONG TREELINE. BLK PJ'S & 1 PACK. CALLED FM, VC MOVED BEHIND RIDGELINE, FM ENDED.

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121710H 20209541 1 VC MOVING WEST ALONG THE LINE. BLK 1J'S & 1 PACK. CALLED FM, CANCELLED DUE TO A HIGHER PRIORITY MISSION. LOST SIGHT OF VC BEFORE FM COULD BE CALLED.

121746H 12801486 7 VC MOVING NORTHEAST. BLK 1J'S & PACKS. WELL STACED COLUMN TRAVELING RAPIDLY ALONG TREELINE. CALLED FM, ENEMY DISPERSED.

- B. TERRAIN: SCRUB BRUSH UP TO 3 FEET HIGH. NO CANOPY ON THE HILL. VERY STEEP ON ALL SIDES WITH LOOSE ROCKY SOIL.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF LOW SHRUBS VIC AT796527. THE OP AT THIS LOCATION IS OUTSTANDING. LZ'S ARE IRRELEVANT ON THE RIDGELINES.
 8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
 9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
 10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: GO HEAVY ON OPTICAL EQUIPMENT.
 11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

SGT. BALLIET
2nd PLT, CO. A
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT BALLIET
SGT SOSCIA
PFC BISHOP
LCPL FERRIS
HN TRACY
LCPL DAVIS
LCPL URBANICK

CPL KEMMER
LCPL DAVIS, G. E.
PFC BURY
LCPL HART
PFC VANSILE
PFC BARRON
PFC TURK
PFC ALLEN

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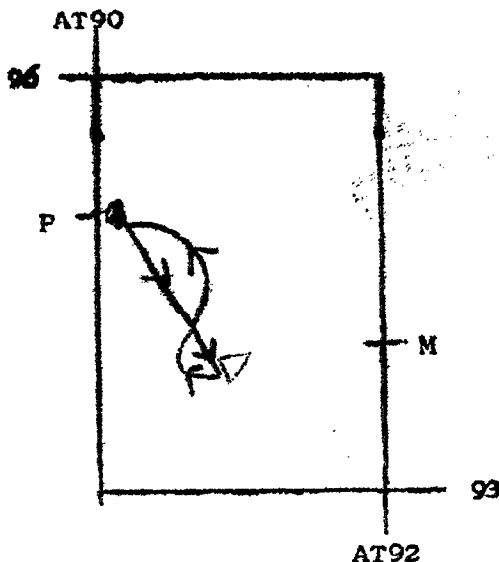
Unit/Call Sign: A-3-1 (TEXAS PETE) Patrol Leader: Lt McCLARY

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To provide surveillance against the mining and ambushing of route #1 from Ai Van Pass to the south and to the Ga Lang Co Bridge to the north. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 090830H; insert vic AT901952. Extract at 130830H vic AT901952. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00 Alternate: 35.00
 Artillery: (a) PATTY SHELL "LX" 35.95
 (b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45
 (d) NEWS BOY "I" 37.50

 Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY UNIFORM
 (b) PAL JOEY X-RAY 34.00 Alt: 32.00
 (c) PAL JOEY WHISKEY 32.10 Alt: 31.60

Distribution:

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G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(3)
CO, 9thMar	(2)
CO, 1stBn5thMar	(1)
CO, 2dBn7thMar	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co. "A"	(1)
PtILdr, A-3-1	(1)
Coastal Surveillance Div 12	(1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 19-08
 PATROL: TEXAS 187E
 DEBRIEFER: CAPT. KICKLIGHTER
 MALS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 SHEET 6641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 131300H JAN 68

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PATROL REPORT

Admin Chief

Unit Diary

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 6 ENL. MALS: *WJN*

SRB

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE, and Contained

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C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRC 25's, 7x50, M-49

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79, M-14, 4 CLAYMORES.

2. MISSION: TO PROVIDE SURVEILLANCE AGAINST THE MINING AND AMBUSHING OF ROUTE #1 FROM AI VAN PASS TO THE SOUTH AND TO THE GA LANG CO BRIDGE TO THE NORTH. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON T RCHTS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 090930H/131130H

4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL OVERLAY:

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 98 HOURS WITH 2 CONTACT SIGHTINGS TOTALING 8 VC. MADE CONTACT ON BOTH SIGHTINGS. CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 3 CONFIRMED VC. KIA. AND 1 CONF. VC. KIA FROM FRIENDLY SMALLARMS FIRE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 111200H 915935 7 VC/NVA AT STREAM GETTING WATER. GREY KHAKIES AND BOOTS. 3 AK-47'S, 1 CARBINE CARRIED AT SLING ARMS. FRIENDLY PATROL FIRED APPROX. 30 ROUNDS (5.56) RESULTING IN 3 CONFIRMED VC. KIA. VC. RETURNED FIRE AND FRIENDLY PATROL BROKE CONTACT BY USE OF CS AND CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET BUT UNKNOWN RESULTS.

111330H 912938 1VC. APPEARED DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF FRIENDLY PATROL AND TOOK PATROL UNDER FIRE. FRIENDLY PATROL RESPONDED WITH SMALLARMS FIRE AND ONE GRENADE RESULTING IN 1 CONFIRMED VC. KIA.

B. TERRAIN: DENSE SECONDARY GROWTH 8-10 FEET IN HEIGHT WITH 100-150 FOOT CANOPY. MOVING TOWARD HIGH GROUND SECONDARY GROWTH THINNED OUT. ALOT OF WATER IN THE DRAWS AND MOVEMENT WAS VERY DIFFICULT.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT902953 SEE F. SLOPING LZ ZONE OF LOW GRASS. EXTRACT LZ AT896955 ZONE OF FLAT, LEVEL SAND SUITABLE FOR MULTIPLE HELICOPTER LANDING ZONE. TRAIL IN RECENT AND FREQUENT USE 3'-6' WIDE. SEE OVERLAY. NUMEROUS CHARCOAL PITS IN AREA. AT907991 FOUND 3 ONE GALLON CANS OF U.S. TYLE SOY BEAN SALAD OIL.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH ENEMY: 4 CONFIRMED VC. KIA.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: VERY POOR OBSERVATION OF ROAD. COMM WAS POOR MANY TIMES. RECOMMEND USE OF WHIP ANTENNA.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

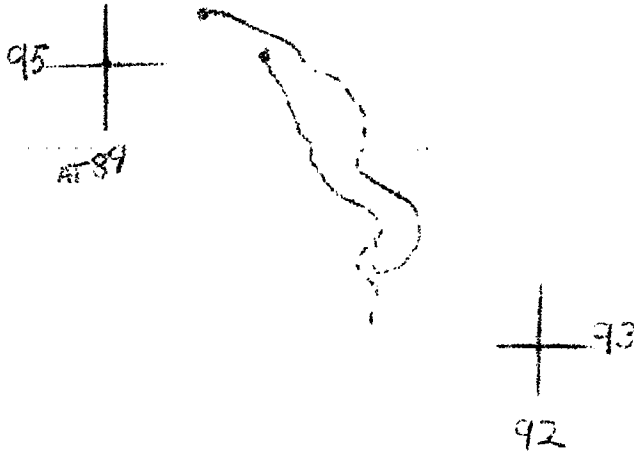
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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. MCCLARY 0102130
CPL. MUNOZ 2248137
PFC. FORD 2334581
HN DALY B113318
PFC. RAGSDALE 2359539
PFC. HUNTER 2315312
PFC. HUCKLEBURY 2357742

LT McCLEARY
TEXAS TETE A-3-1
PATROL LEADER

PATROL ROUTE

OPERATION ORDER #20-68

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 081930 Jan 1968

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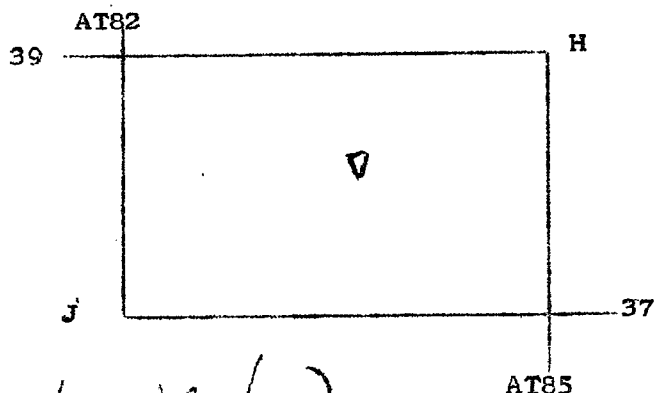
Unit/Call Sign: D-1-2 (SADDLE BAG) Patrol Leader: SGT HORNER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 452 (Cua Tan Mountain) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Nong Song Coal Mine area and routes of access along the Thu River. Provide a radio relay capability from Blankenship OP. 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 101000H; insert vic At836378. Extract at 161000H vic At836378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "E" 68.05
 (b) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (c) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 5thMar (1)
 CO, 2dBn5thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. OP (1)
 PtlLdr, D-1-2 (1)



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Operation Order: 68
 Patrol: Saddle Bag D-1-2
 Debriefing: Cpl. J.M. STIPANOVICH
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6540I, 6640IV

Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 161330H Jan68

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 PRC-25, 2 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 .50 CAL MG, 6 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 452 (CUA TAN MOUNTAIN) AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE NONG SONG COAL MINE AREA AND ROUTES OF ACCESS ALONG THE THU RIVER. PROVIDE A RADIO RELAY CAPABILITY FROM BLANKENSHIP OF. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON THE WESTERN ENTRANCE TO ANTIENNA VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 101230H/161200H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ HOURS WITH 8 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 46 VC. 5 FM'S WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

111055H AT853354 8 VC MOVING SOUTH ON A PADDY DIKE. BLK AND MIXED PJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS.

111300H AT845353 6 VC MOVING NORTH ACROSS RICE PADDY. BLK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS; PACKS. CALLED FM, COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS.

120820H AT852359 2 VC MOVING "SE" ALONG RIVER BANK. KHAKIS; EXTREMELY LARGE PACKS. NO FM.

121030H AT852359 11 VC MOVING "SE" ALONG RIVER BANK. BLK PJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM, WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

121135H AT847358 3 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS; PACKS. CALLED FM, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

121515H AT847358 2 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

131645H AT869378 12 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. BLK AND MIXED PJ'S; PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT NEGATIVE CLEARANCE.

131700H AT847362 2 VC MOVING NORTH IN RIVER BED. BLK AND

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MIXED PD LARGE BOX, USED .50 CAL MG WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

- D. TERRAIN: N/A
7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A BC SCOPE. BE SURE TO PASS ON FRIENDLY CLAYMORE/BOOBY TRAP LOCATIONS TO THE RELIEVING TEAM.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: FAIR
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. TUPUHI	1486973	LCPL. BAILEY	2295887
CPL. DUNLOW	2247015	PFC. RAWLINGS	2352667
LCPL. TATE	2233589	PFC. ROMERO	2346516
LCPL. ARREGUIN	2263743	PFC. DESCHAMNE	2368761
LCPL. HANSARD	2275700	PFC. LAY	2369512
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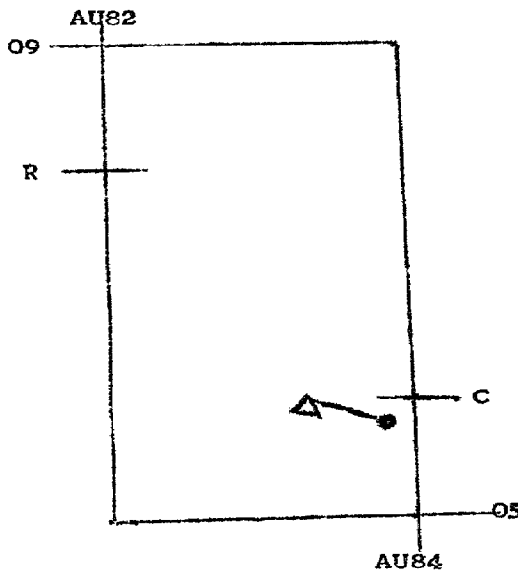
Unit/Call Sign: D-1-1 (GOLD LEMON) Patrol Leader: LT CREITZ

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Nui Tron Mountain (Hill 282) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Loc Tu Valley in the north-eastern portion of Phu Loc District, Thua Thien Province. Special emphasis to be placed on movement around the villages in the valley and on the South China Sea beach entrances to the east. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air and Coastal "Swift Boat" .50 Cal MG and 81 mm mortar fire on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 101000H; insert vic AU839059. Extract at 141000H vic AU839059. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
Artillery: (a) PATTY SHELL "LX" 35.95
Coastal Surveillance Craft (PCF):
(a) NEWSBOY "I" 37.50

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOBY UNIFORM
(b) NAILBRUSH "D" 48.80

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 5thMar	(1)
CO, 1stBn5thMar	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co. "D"	(1)
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Operation Order: 21-68
 Patrol: Gold Lemon D-1-1
 Debriefer: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6541I, 6541II, 6641III, 6641IV

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 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 IRC-25, 1 7x50, 1 M49, 1 7x35
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M79, 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON NUI TRON MOUNTAIN (HILL 282) AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE LOC TU VALLEY IN THE NORTH EASTERN PORTION OF PHU LOC DISTRICT, THUA THIEN PROVINCE. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON MOVEMENT AROUND THE VILLAGES IN THE VALLEY AND ON THE SOUTH CHINA SEA BEACH ENTRANCES TO THE EAST. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR AND COASTAL "SWIFT BOAT" .50 CAL MG AND 81MM MORTAR FIRES ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 110900H/151100H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 98 HOURS WITH 4 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 67 VC. 3 FM'S WERE CALLED AND "SWIFT BOATS" WERE UTILIZED ONCE, RESULTING IN 7 VC KIA TROB. AND 4 BOATS SUNK. PATROL SUFFERED 1 USMC KIA AND 1 USMC WIA FROM A BOOBY TRAP.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

121800H AU827075 25 VC MOVING GEAR ON 4 BOATS. BLK PJ'S, GREEN UNIFORMS; RIFLES, PACKS, AND HELMETS. CALLED ARTY, AND UTILIZED SWIFT BOATS, RESULTING IN 4 BOATS SUNK. UNABLE TO ASSESS CASUALTIES DUE TO DARKNESS.

131340H AT840063 15 VC FIRING AT HELICOPTERS. RIFLES.

131420H AU825064 15 VC MOVING NEAR THE PATROL'S POSITION. PATROL TOOK VC UNDER SMALL ARMS FIRE, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA CONF.

141740H AU818038 12 VC MOVING "SW" ALONG TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND GREEN UNIFORMS; 1 81MM MORTAR, RIFLES, MORTAR ROUNDS, AND 2 LARGE BOXES. CALLED FM, 6 VC KIA TROB.

B. TERRAIN: VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 7' HIGH. BROKEN CANOPY UP TO 12' HIGH ON TOP OF THE RIDGELINE.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 4' HIGH VIC. AU834061. EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF ELEPHANT GRASS AND LOW SHRUBS APPROX KNEE HIGH VIC. AU838060. PATROL DETONATED A BOUNCING BETTY TYPE MINE VIC. AU835061, RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC KIA CONF.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

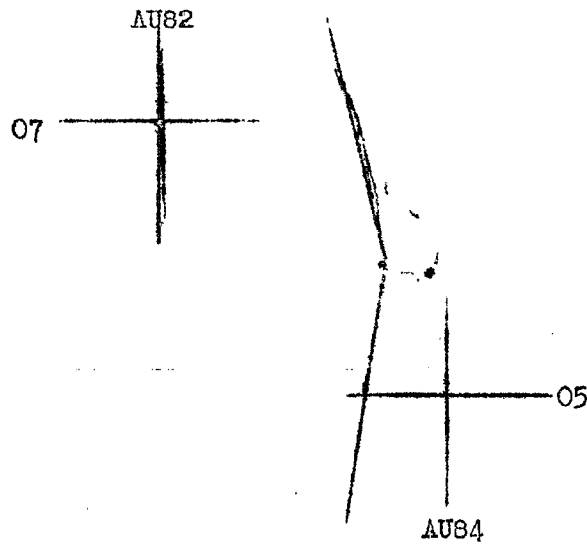
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GOLD LEMON D-1-1
PATROL LEADER

13. PATROL MEMBE .

LT. GREITZ 0100152
CPL. GILLIHAN 2095617
CPL. DUNLOW 2247015
LCPL. WILLIAMS 2325707
PFC. RUSH 2374787
PFC. ROGERS 2376686

PFC. SAVILLE 2284608
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PFC. DESCHAMNE 2368761
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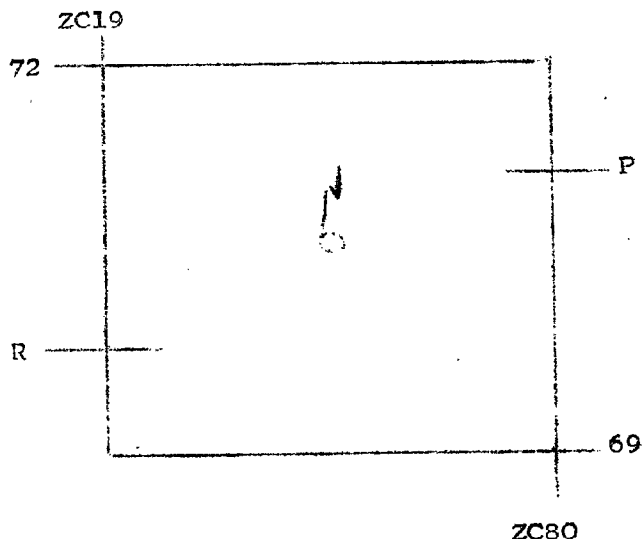
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Unit/Call Sign: D-2 (RUMMAGE) Patrol Leader: LT PRILLAMAN

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 through Leech Valley and Happy Valley. Provide security for the radio relay team (PAL JOEY ROMEO) at Ba Na. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 110800H; insert ZC205704. Extract at 180800H via ZC205704. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
 (b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) SPOON BILL 63.70
- Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ROMEO
 (b) PAL JOEY X-RAY (34.00)

Distribution:

C-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBn7thMar (1)
 Recon FSOC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co: "D" (1)
 PtlLdr, D-2 (1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 22-68
 PATROL: RUMMAGE D-2-1
 DEBRIEFER: CAPT. R.C. WICKLIGHTER
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS: 6540 I, 6640 IV,
 6541 II, 6641 III.

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 DANANG, RVN.
 1100H JAN. 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 20 ENL. 1 USN.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2-PRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S 1 M-49
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 3 M-60'S, 2 M-14'S, 1 M-79, 15 CLAYMORES.
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH LEECH VALLEY AND HAPPY VALLEY. PROVIDE SECURITY FOR RADIO RELAY TEAM (PAL JOEY ROMEO) AT BA NA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 120900H/241100H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 290 HOURS WITH 4 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 7 VC. 1 FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN: 122110H WEST END OF PERIMETER ONE VC MOVING TOWARD M-60 POSITION WEARING BLK. PJ'S. PATROL THREW GRENADES AND AFTER MOVED DOWN SIDE OF HILL CALLED H&I'S UNTIL 0600.
 150230H NORTH END OF POSIT 3 VC PROBING OUR POSITION. VC. TRIPPED EARLY WARNING DEVICE AND MOVED OFF OF HILL AS WE THREW GRENADES AND POPPED POPUP FLARES. MOVEMENT CEASED.
 172340H SOUTH END OF PERIMETER 1 VC MOVING TOWARD OUR PERIMETER. PATROL THREW GRENADES WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. MOVEMENT CEASED.
 200600H NORTHEAST OF OUR POSIT 2 VC THREW GRENADE. WE RETURNED FIRE WITH GRENADES. MOVEMENT CEASED.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: FAIR.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: POSITION NEEDS MORE WORK.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD.
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE.

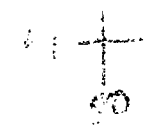
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 RUMMAGE D-2-1
 PATROL LEADER

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

2ND LT. BRILLAMAN
 SGT. YEDDY
 SGT HARRIS
 CPL. MILLS
 PFC. BURGESS
 PFC. DAY
 LCPL. McFERRIN
 LCPL. POTTS
 PFC SWANK
 PFC HARRIS
 LCPL. HUFFAKER
 LCPL. BINGHAM
 PFC. ENNIS
 PFC. HOUCK
 PFC. RILEY
 PFC. TAYLOR
 LCPL. BAILEY
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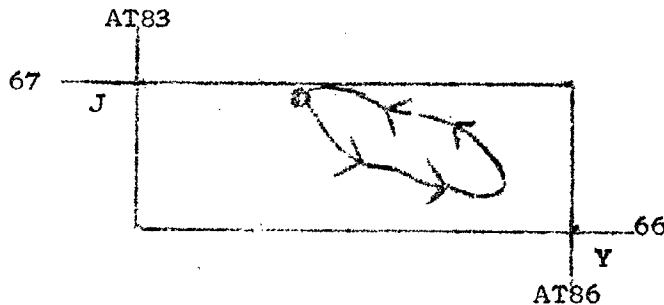
Unit/Call Sign: A-3-2 (CHILI PEPPER) Patrol Leader: SGT YOUNG

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Charlie Ridge area. Special emphasis to give early warning of enemy troops moving through Mortar Valley as a result of 1/7's Search and Destroy operation.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 100830H; insert vic AT840671. Extract at 130830H vic AT840671. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "G" 67.05
 (b) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (c) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (d) SCREEN TEST "W" 39.75

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ROMEO
 (b) PAL JOEY "D" 35.00

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
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 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBn7thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "A" (1)
 PtlLdr, A-3-2



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Operation Order: 23-68
 Patrol: Chili Pepper
 Debriefer: Cpl. J. M. Stipanovich
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS 17014
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 Da Nang, RVN
 141330H Jan 68

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT: CO _____ Admin Chief _____
 Platoon _____ Unit Diary _____
 A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL, 1 USN 1st Sgt _____ SRB _____
 B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE Ind. Concerned _____
 C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 1 M-49, 1 7.50 FILE _____
 D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 5 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATION WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO GIVE EARLY WARNING OF ENEMY TROOPS MOVING THROUGH MORTAR VALLEY AS A RESULT OF 1/7's SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION.
3. TIME AND DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 101300H/141200H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 95 HOURS WITH 1 SIGHTING TOTALING 1 STRUCTURE SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY ARTY WITH NO SIGN OF PEOPLE IN THE AREA.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
- A. ENEMY:
- 101720H AT860672 1 STRUCTURE THAT SEEMED SLIGHTLY DAMAGED DUE TO ARTY FIRE. NO SIGN OF PEOPLE IN AREA.
- B. TERRAIN: CANOPY 15-40 FEET HIGH. SECONDARY GROWTH CONSISTING OF VINE AND BUSHES UP TO 15 FEET HIGH. BOULDERS ON THE SLOPES. LOWLANDS ARE VERY WET.
7. OTHER INFORMATION:
- INSERT LZ AT846686 GOOD 1 CH-46 LZ OF ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 8 FEET HIGH. EXTRACT LZ AT839674 IS A 1 CH-46 LZ OF ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 6 FEET HIGH. TRAILS ARE WELL USED 2 FEET WIDE ALONG THE TOP OF THE RIDGE. OTHER LZ'S ARE FOUND IN THE LOWLANDS.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE TREE CLIMBERS TO OP.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

SGT YOUNG
 3d PLT CO A
 PATROL LEADER

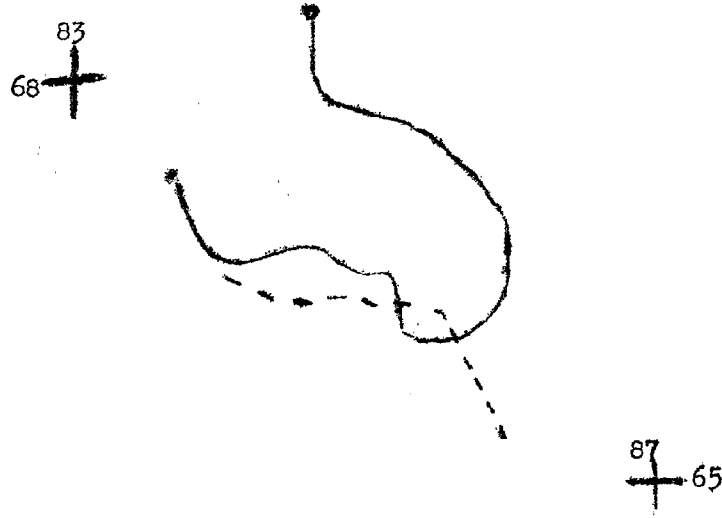
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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT YOUNG
LCPL SNEE
PFC BRYAN
PFC ALVIRA
PFC PORTER
HM3 MARKS
PFC DAMROW

PFC BELOT
PFC REITH
PFC BURGESS
PFC CURRY
LCPL BROWNSON
LCPL HOOVER
PFC PATTERSON



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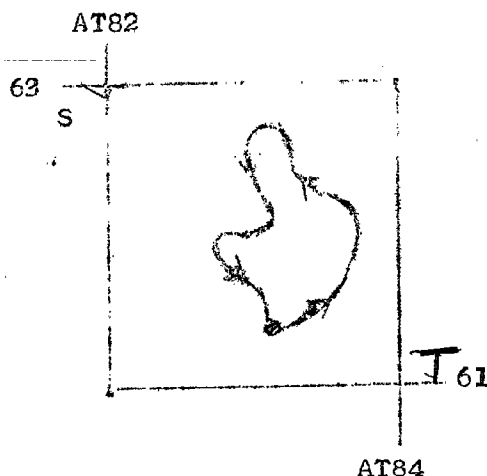
Unit/Call Sign: B-2-1 (GRIM REAPER) Patrol Leader: SGT THOMAS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Charlie Ridge area. Special emphasis on surveillance to observe enemy troops moving through Mortar Valley as a result of 1/7's Search and Destroy operation.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 100930H; insert vic AT831613. Extract at 130930H vic AT831613. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "M" 38.15
 (b) PAITY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (c) SCREEN TEST "W" 29.75

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) PAL JOEY "D" 35.00

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Giv AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (3)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBn7thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co, "E" (1)
 PltLdr, B-2-1 (1)



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Patrol: Grim Reaper B-2-1
Debrief: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
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Da Nang, RVN
151400H Jan68

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, 1 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M60, 1 M79, 1 M12, 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE ENEMY TROOPS MOVING THROUGH MORTAR VALLEY AS A RESULT OF 1/7'S SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 111100H/151300H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 98 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A

B. TERRAIN: VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 8' HIGH. THERE IS A SINGLE CANOPY UP TO 50' HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A POOR 1xCH-46 ZONE OF SCRUB TREES 8' HIGH VIC. AT845623. EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 2xCH-46 ZONE OF KNEE HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS VIC. AT832615. THERE IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF 6' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS VIC. AT832620.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RUN PATROL'S FARTHER WEST.

SGT. S.E. THOMAS
GRIM REAPER B-2-1
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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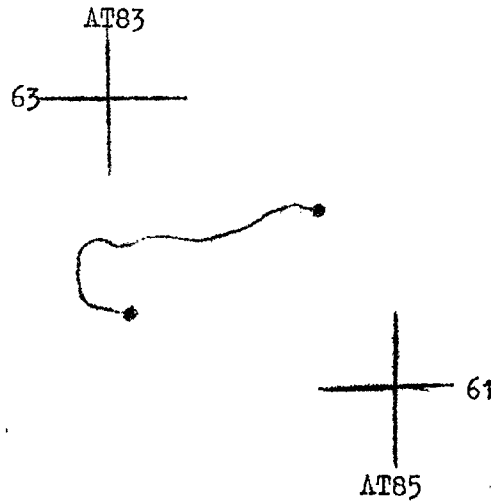
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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. THOMAS	2149845	PFC. FOSSOS	2266317
CPL. BART	2098723	PFC. EAGAN	2375983
LCPL. HAUSAUER	2288984	PFC. EAGAN	237
LCPL. WOODIER	2276530	LCPL. PAUL	2302614
PFC. LOWERY	2318531	PFC. MAJEWSKI	2359574
MM2 CHRISTY	5118198	PFC. ALLEN	2360870

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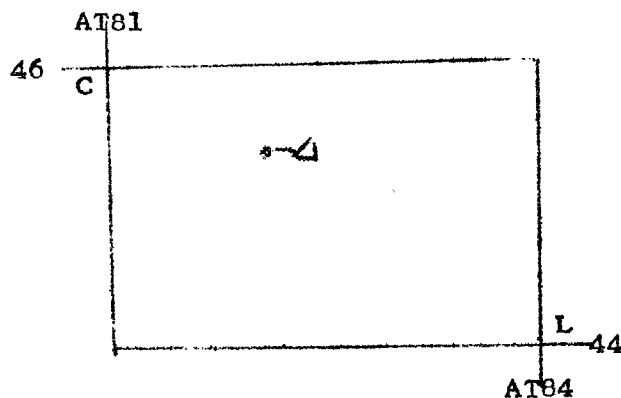
Unit/Call Sign: D-3-2 (STONE PIT) Patrol Leader: SSGT LEED

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post and 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. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 120800H; insert vic AT824452. Extract at 150800H vic AT824452. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "E" 44.45
 (b) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (c) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 2d Bn 7thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "D" (1)
 PtlLdr, D-3-2 (1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 25-68
 PATROL: STONE IT D-3-2
 DEBRIEFER: L/CIL R.L. ALBRIGHT
 MLPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
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 6640 III, 6640 IV.

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 16ENL. 1USN,
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE.
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRC-25'S, 1 M-49, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE, 1 METHASCOPE, 2 7x50's.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79, M-14, M-60, 1 .50 cal., 17 CLAYMORES.

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST AND 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. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 120800H/150800H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 72 HOURS WITH 11 SIGHTINGS, 5 FIREMISSIONS RESULTING IN 8 CONFIRMED VC. KIL. AND 4 AIRSTRIKES RESULTING IN 7 CONFIRMED VC. KIL. SIGHTINGS TOTALLED 131 VC.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: 121300H AT827453 3 VC. SNILING AND MORTATING OUR POSITION. CARRYING AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, EMPLOYING 82 MM. MORTARS. CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTS UNKNOWN DUE TO VC. MOVING OUT OF SIGHT.

131745H AT851497 12 VC. MOVING N-NE ACROSS OPEN PADDY CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. NO FIRE MISSION CALLED DUE TO LACK OF COMM WITH ARTY.

140730H AT827454 5VC. PROBING OUR POSITION. PATROL EMPLOYED CS, FRAG. GRENADES, AND ARTY WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS

140830H AT809491 6 VC. IN GROUPS OF 2 DROPPING GEAR OFF IN TWO STORAGE HOOTCHES. CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN MINOR DAMAGE TO HOOTCHES.

141200H AT808489 20 VC. MOVING NW TO SW ON TRAIL WEARING KHAKIES AND BLK. PJ'S. CARRYING RIFLES AND PACKS. PATROL CALLED AO AND AO CALLED AIRSTRIKES RESULTING IN TWO HOOTCHES DESTROYED, 1 PARTIALLY DESTROYED. BOMBING UNCOVERED TUNNELS.

141430H AT808489 12VC. MOVING GEAR TO AND FROM HOOTCHES HIT BY AIR STRIKE. WEARING KHAKIES AND BLK. PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. FIRE MISSION CALLED RESULTING IN 8 CONFIRMED VC. KIA.

141635H AT 8046 3 VC. ENTERING BUNKERS. CALLED AIRSTRIKE RESULTING IN 6 HOOTCHES DESTROYED, 2 PARTIALLY DESTROYED, SEVERED 1 TUNNEL, OPENED 2 TUNNELS.

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141500H AT808478 40 VC. MOVING NW TO SE ALONG TRAIL WEARING MIXED PJ'S AND KHAKIES, CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED HUEY GUNSHOTS RESULTING IN 5 CONFIRMED VC. KIA. AND 1 HOOTCH PARTIALLY DESTROYED.

141710H AT806489 3 VC. MOVING SW ON TRAIL WEARING GREEN FATIGUES AND CARRYING RIFLES. FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED BUT PATROL WAS UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREES OBSTRUCTING VIEW.

141730H AT808478 10 VC. MOVING SW ON TRAIL WEARING GREEN FATIGUES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED HUEY GUNSHOTS RESULTING IN ONE CONFIRMED VC. KIA.

141745H AT805485 27VC. MOVING ACROSS RICE PADDY IN GROUPS OF TWO AND THREE. CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES AND WEARING BLK PJ'S AND GREEN UTILITIES. NO FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED DUE TO THE INTERVAL AT WHICH THE VC. WERE MOVING.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

A. INSERT/ EXTRACT LZ AT824452 ZONE OF LOW GRASS SUITABLE FOR ONE CH-46. PATROL OBSERVED A NUMBER OF WELL USED TRAILS 2' WIDE NEAR OP AND 5 WELL USED AND FREQUENTLY USED TRAILS IN THE LOW AREAS VIC. AT8047. PATROL LEADER REPORTS MAP SEEMED TO CONFLICT WITH THE ACTUAL LAY OF THE LAND.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THIS IS A GOOD OP SIGHT HOWEVER ANY FUTURE PATROLS CAN EXPECT BOOBYTRAPPING OF THE OP BECAUSE NO TEAM FLIP-FLOPPED WHEN WE WERE EXTRACTED. THE VC. KNOW THE LOCATION OF THIS OP AND HAVE BOOBYTRAPPED IT IN THE PAST.

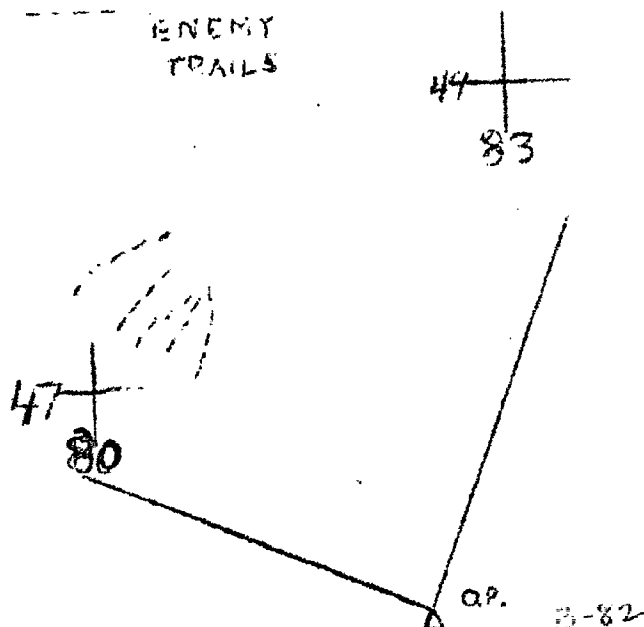
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: POOR ARTY SUPPORT DUE TO LACK OF COMM AND LACK OF AMMO BUT HUEY GUNSHOTS SUPPORT WAS EXCELLANT.

12. COMMENTS BY BRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT. LEED	1289555
LCPL. LITTLE	2315805
LCPL. AMES	2271797
LCPL. STOW	2322884
LCPL. HASTERT	2129199
PFC. SELL	2359153
PFC. SANDERS	2252987
PFC. SHAW	2286108
PFC. VAN SLYKE	2385357
PFC. JARRELL	2351892
PFC. THIBEAULT	2368800
PFC. VANDERMOLLEN	2386108
PFC. SAIDANA	2321085
PFC. MCKNIGHT	2360333
PFC. BELL	2354197
PFC. WILLIAMS	2377670
HN. HESTING	B614395

SSGT. LEED
STONEPIT D-3-2
PATROL LEADER



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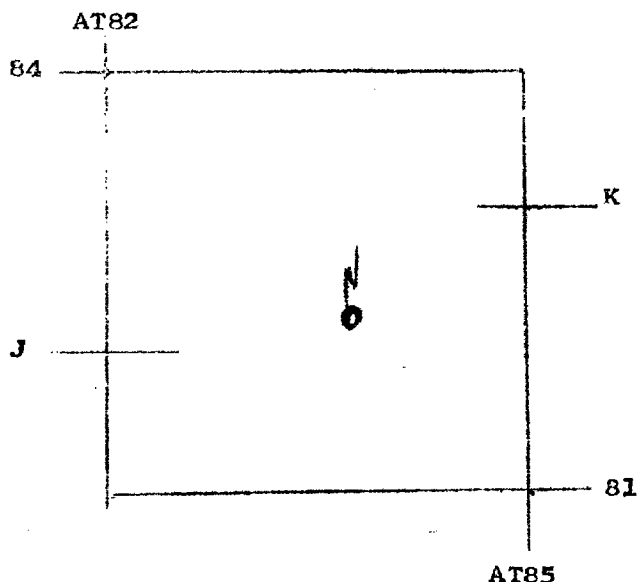
Unit/Call Sign: A-2-1 (BURLAP) Patrol Leader: LT KELLEY

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/PFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through Elephant Valley and the Garden of Eden. Provide security for the radio relay team (PAL JOEY X-RAY) on Dong Den Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 121000H; insert vic AT837828. Extract at 181000H vic AT837828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "H" 60.85
 (b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
 (d) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY X-RAY

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AG (1)
 CO, 11thMar (1)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 2dBr7thMar (1)
 Recon RSOC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "A" (1)
 PtlLdr, A-2-1 (1)



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Operation Order [REDACTED]-68
 Patrol: Burlap A-2-1
 Debriefer: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
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 Da Nang, RVN
 181300H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 14 BNL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 2 7x50, 1 M49
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M79, 1 M60, 1 .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 THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (PAL JOEY X-RAY) ON DONG DEN MOUNTAIN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 120900H/181030H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 145 $\frac{1}{2}$ HOURS WITH 3 ACTUAL SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 19 VC. PATROL WAS PROBED ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS AND WAS MORTARED ONCE. 7 FM'S WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

150840H AT837827 15 VC ATTEMPTING TO OVERRUN PATROL'S POSITION. CARBINES, GRENADES, AND HELMETS. PATROL RECIEVED GRENADES AND RIFLE FIRE. PATROL RETURNED GRENADES AND RIFLE FIRE. 6 FM'S WERE CALLED. ACTION RESULTED IN 2 VC KIA PROB.

151245H AT837827 3 VC MOVING EAST OF OUR POSITION. KHAKIS, CTG BELTS, AND RIFLES. UTILIZED CS AND VC DISAPPEARED.

151845H AT837827 1 VC OBSERVING PATROL'S POSITION FROM A TREE. PATROL TOOK HIM UNDER M79 FIRE, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

170615H AT837827 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC MORTARING PATROL'S. PATROL RECIEVED 5-7 ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE. PATROL CALLED FM, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. 3 USMC KIA.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ VIC. AT837827.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE AT LEAST 18 MEN.
DIG DEEPER BUNKERS AND CLEAR BETTER FIELDS OF FIRE.

LT. KELLY
BURLAP A-2-1
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. KELLY	0102043	PFC. VONDACH	2369640
CPL. LASHLEY	0256771	PFC. PATTERSON	2352436
PFC. MCCORMICK	2365252	LCPL. EDMISTON	2235541
PFC. NEWTON	2348633	PVT. GILL	2365607
HN NORRIS	B605836	PFC. ALLEN	2357336
LCPL. STIER	2316106	PFC. LOFTIN	2338883
PFC. ANDREWS	2347202	PFC. VANSILE	2361827
PFC. MARTIN	2316511	LCPL. SWORD	2263950

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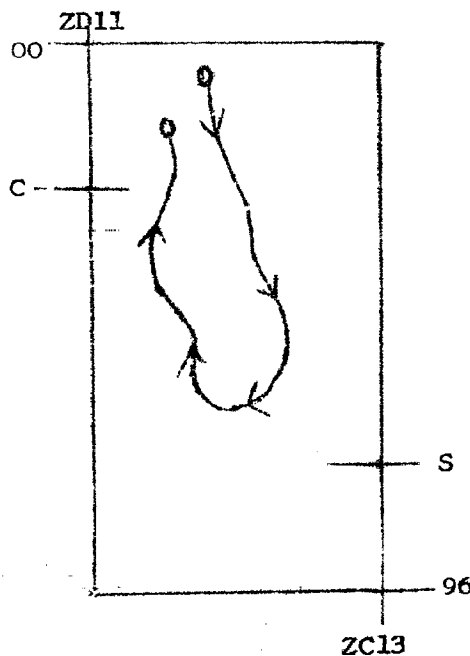
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Unit/Call Sign: B-1-1 (ELF SKIN) Patrol Leader: SGT SITAS

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 NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through the Loc Thuy Valley moving north to Highway #1. Special emphasis to be placed on locating possible mortar sites, plotting HLZ'S, trails, fords, and an evaluation of the vegetation and terrain for future patrol emplacement. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 130900H; insert vic ZC118999. Extract at 160900H vic ZC115996. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 32.10; Alternates: 31.60
 Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "D" 62.75
 (b) PATTY SHELL LX 35.95
- Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY "W"
 (b) PAL JOEY UNIFORM 34.00

Distribution:

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Div AO	(1)
Co, 11thMar	(5)
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Recon FSCC	(1)
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 Patrol: Elf Skin B-1-1
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 Da Nang, RVN
 161830H Jan68

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 1 USN, 10 ENL
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 2 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M14, 1 M79, 1 M12, 4 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH THE LOC THUY VALLEY MOVING NORTH TO HIGHWAY #1. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING POSSIBLE MORTAR SITES, FLOODING HLZ'S, TRAILS, FORDS, AND AN EVALUATION OF THE VEGETATION AND TERRAIN FOR FUTURE PATROL EMPLACEMENT. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 130830H/161730H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 81 HOURS WITH ONE CONTACT WITH 5 VC/NVA. THE PATROL OBSERVED MANY SIGNS OF RECENT VC ACTIVITY INCLUDING MORTAR SITES.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

FROM ZC120990 TO ZC120973 COULD BE MORTAR SITES FOR AT LEAST 50 MORTAR SITES. THERE ARE 12 MORTAR SITES FACING WEST VIC. ZC114984. THE SITES ARE ABOUT ONE WEEK OLD.

140740H ZC118973 5 VC /NVA FIRING ON PATROL'S POSITION. PATROL RECEIVED 1 DUD M26 GRENADE. PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND BROKE CONTACT.

131200H ZC121984 2 MORTAR SITES. TREES WERE BURNED FACING WEST. EVIDENCE OF BASE PLATES APPROX ON METER IN DIAMETER. THERE WERE ABOUT 20 STAKES IN THE GROUND, POSSIBLY AIMING STAKES. THE SITES WERE ABOUT 1 WEEK OLD.
 - B. TERRAIN: SINGLE INTERLOCKING CANOPY UP TO 20' HIGH. THICK SECONDARY GROWTH OF VINES AND BUSHES UP TO 6' HIGH.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A GOOD MULTI-BIRD LZ OF ELEPHANT VIC. ZC118994. EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 3xCH-46 ZONE IN AN OLD RICE PADDY VIC. ZC110000. THERE IS A GOOD LZ VIC. ZC115982, BUT IT IS SURROUNDED BY HIGH GROUND. THERE IS A MAIN TRAIL 3' WIDE ALONG THE RIDGELINE VIC. ZC125975.

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THERE IS A WELL USED AND RECENTLY USED TRAIL ON WIDE VIC. ZC120985.
BOTH TRAILS ARE WELL MARKED.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: MAKE SURE PATROL'S HAVE ALL 1/5
CALL SIGNS.

LT. J.L. MOLYNEAUX
ELF SKIN B-1-1
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENT BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. MOLYNEAUX	0103695	PFC. HILL	2324368
CPL. MORGAN	2302051	PFC. EVERIST	2356621
LCPL. BRUGGER	2332630	PFC. GREENE	2337669
LCPL. CHAIMAN	2231155	PVT. HOUSE	2338829
PFC. FILZINGER	2316765	HN WALSH	6774736
LCPL. MCWILLIAMS	2268027		

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 (b) RAO F03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivC F3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivC P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) 1stMarDivC Order # 28-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-1-2 (FLAG DIP) Patrol Leader: SGT JONES

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIP'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 through the Tay Loan River Valley. Special emphasis on surveillance of well used trails, rocket launching sites, storage areas, and routes of access to the Vital Area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 130800H; insert AT838757. Extract at 160300 via AT846728. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

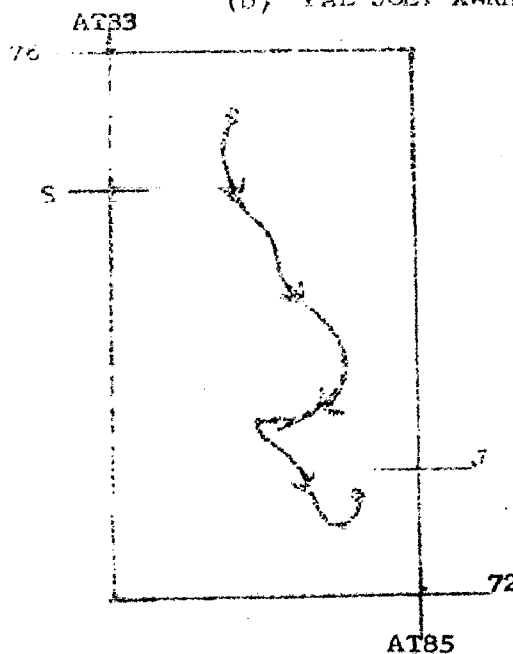
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 24.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "H" 60.85
 (b) SCREEN TEST "G" 57.05
 (c) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (d) SERVICE MAN "B" 64.60

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ROMBO
 (b) PAL JOEY X-RAY 34.00

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AG (1)
 CO, 1stMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBr/1stMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (1)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 PtlLdr, B-1-2 (1)



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Operation Order: 28-68
Patrol: Flag Dip B-1-2
Debriefing: Cpl. J.M. STILANOVICH
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
Sheet 6641III, 6541III

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
Da Nang, RVN
161600H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT: 7 ENL, 1 USN
 - A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL, 1 USN
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 1 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M14, 1 M79
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/EPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH THE THUY LOAN RIVER VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE OF WELL USED TRAILS, ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS TO THE VITAL AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 131030H/161600H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 77½ HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: THE AREA IS VERY STEEP. THICK SECONDARY GROWTH OF BAMBOO AND ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 10' HIGH. CANOPY UP TO 50' HIGH IN THE HIGH GROUND, THINNING OUT IN THE LOWLANDS.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 5' HIGH VIC. AT837757. EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 6xCH-46 ZONE OF KUMI GRASS 4' HIGH VIC. AT846728. THERE IS A FRESH TRAIL 3' WIDE VIC. AT847734.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

SGT. J.J. JONES
FLAG DIP B-1-2
PATROL LEADER

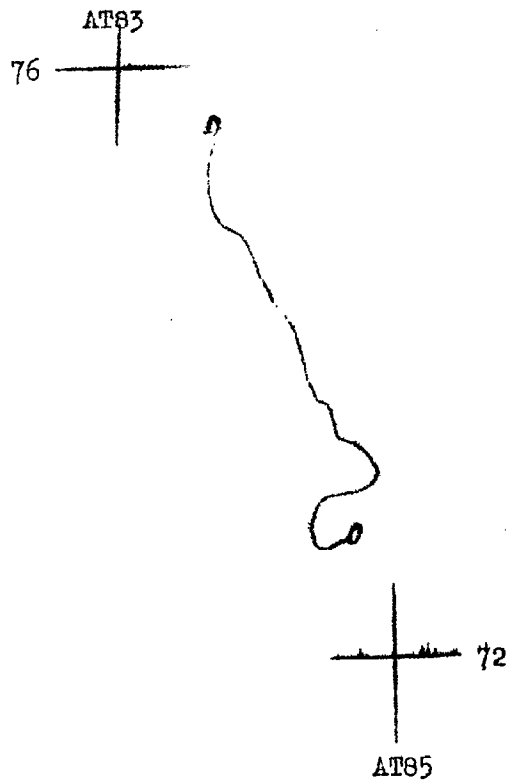
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13. PATROL MEMBER

SGT. JONES 2147920
LCPL. PATTON 2200910
PFC. KRUEGER 2352427
PFC. JOHNSON 2357895

PFC. MORGAN 2316440
PFC. SIMMONS 2278041
PFC. MARTINEZ 2341900
HM3 LERCH 6960385

PATROL OVERLAY

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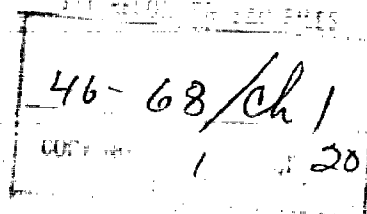
Unit/Call Sign: A-1-1 (AIR HOSE) Patrol Leader: LT: GLASSER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration. Special emphasis to be given on locating possible Anti-Aircraft gun sites, storage areas, fortifications, etc. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air and Coastal "Swift Boat" .50 Cal MG and 81mm mortar fire on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 19 Jan. insert via AT979932. Extract at 22 Jan as Sel. by 1st Ldr. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
Artillery: (a) PATTY SHELL "LX" 35.95
(b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
(c) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45
(d) NEWSBOY "I" 37.50

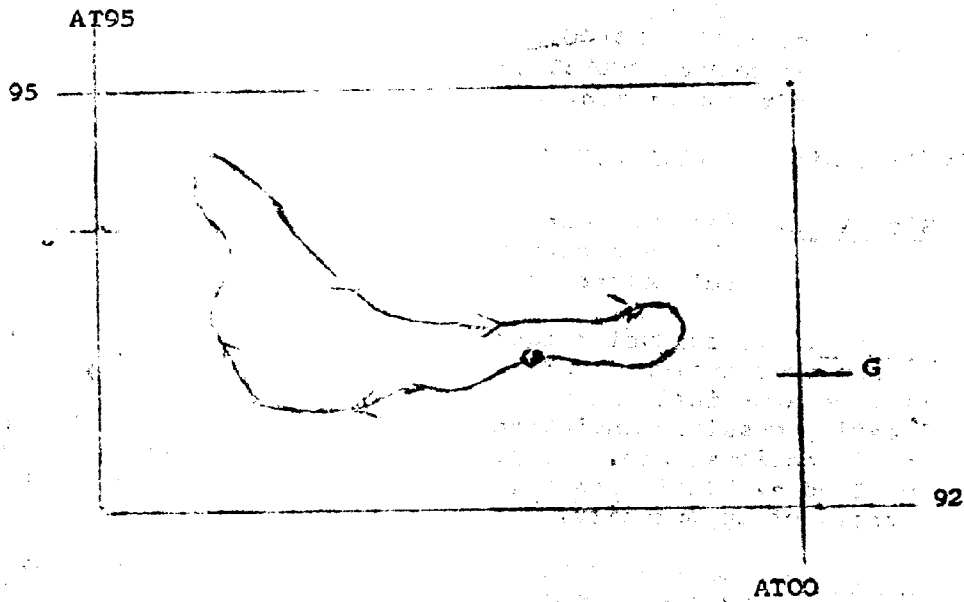
Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY UNIFORM
(b) PAL JOEY X-RAY

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AC	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 5thMar	(1)
Btry "A" 1stLAAMBn	(1)
CO, 1stBn5thMar	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co. "A"	(1)
PtLdr, A-1-1	(1)
Coastal Surveillance Craft (PCP)	(1)



DOWNGRADE TO UNCLASS
AFTER 20 DAYS
ORNAVINST 8500.40



D. J. Keating, Jr.
D. J. KEATING, Jr.
By direction

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Operation Order: 44-68
 Patrol: Air Hose A-1-1
 Debriefer: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6641IV

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 231830H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 12 BNL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 1 7x50, 1 M49
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M14, 1 M79, 1 M12, 1 M60, 7 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN ON LOCATING POSSIBLE ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, ETC. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR AND COASTAL "SWIFT BOAT" .50 CAL MG AND 81MM MORTAR FIRE ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 190930H/231700H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED OF 103½ HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A

B. TERRAIN: MODERATE SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 20' HIGH. THE CANOPY REACHES AS HIGH AS 150'. THE EASTERN END OF THE PENINSULAR IS MUCH MORE DIFFICULT TO MOVE IN THAN THE WESTERN END.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF WAIST HIGH GRASS VIC. AT992930. THE EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 2xCH-46 ZONE OF KNEE HIGH GRASS VIC. AT965920. THERE IS A GOOD MULTI-RIPD LZ OF TREE HIGH GRASS IN GRID SQUARE AT9893. THE LZ IS APPROX 400 METERS BY 400 METERS. THE PATROL FOUND A 1 MONTH OLD HARBOR SITE FOR APPROX 14 MEN VIC. AT995935. THE PATROL FOUND A SECOND HARBOR SITE VIC. AT986933. THIS SITE HAD 15 WELL DUG IN 2 MAN FIGHTING HOLES, AND A FIREPLACE IN THE MIDDLE. IT APPEARED TO BE APPROX 1 MONTH OLD.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: INSURE BETTER COORDINATION WITH FRIENDLIES.

LT. GLASSER
 AIR HOSE A-1-1
 PATROL LEADER

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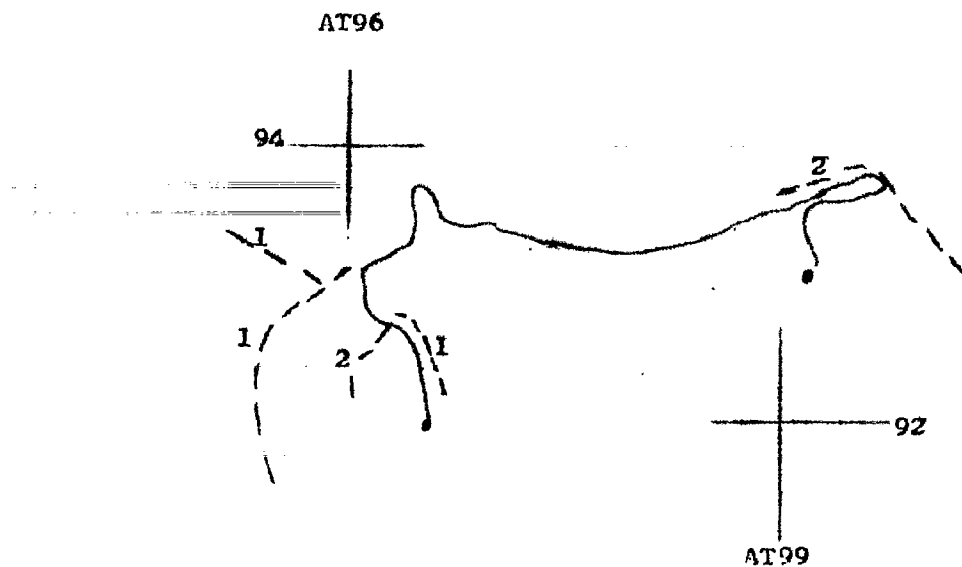
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. GLASSER	0101929	LCPL. EVANS	2277310
SSGT. QUICHO	1487071	PFC. CASTALLANOS	2349944
SGT. GAIDULIS	2085694	PFC. DOSS	2344945
LCPL. LEVER	2140737	PFC. CAPUTI	2356526
LCPL. FUCHS	2348649	HN JAEGER	B604904
LCPL. LUNA	2295805	LCPL. JACKSON	2340195
LCPL. MOORE	2333725	PFC. JOHNSON	2225399

PATROL OVERLAY



LEGEND

1 LOGGING ROAD
2 TRAIL

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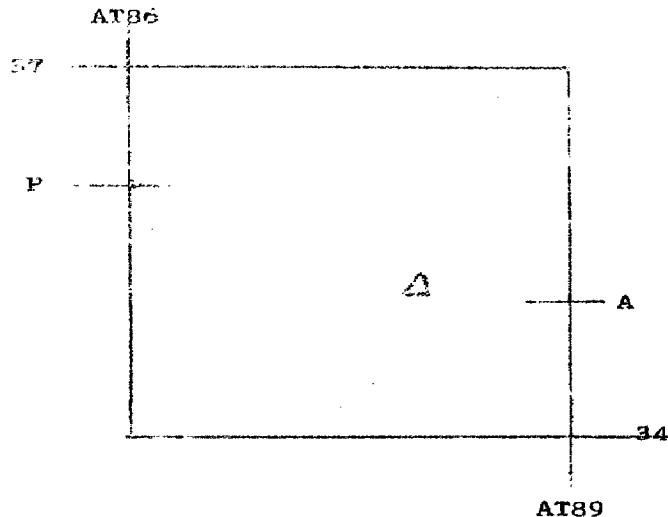
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Unit/Call Sign: E-2-2 (GUNSMOKE) Patrol Leader: SGT ANDREWS

1. Situation. (a) See current INSURTS
 (b) See current OPSUMTS and PIRTS
 (c) Attachments: NONE
 2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance of Antenna Valley and the high ground to the southwest for enemy movement and arms infiltration. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 140800H; insert via AT883347. Extract at 180800H via AT883347. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (b) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60
 (c) HEAD COLD "B" 44.45
 (d) COLD UPON 5-9 63.05
 (with permission from PJ 3)
- Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) SADDLE BAG (14-18) (BLANKEN-SHIP OP)
 (c) BAR KEEP (16-22) (BLANKENSHIP OP)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AD (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 8thMar (2)
 CO, 2d Bn 5thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (2)
 Recon S-3 (1)
 CO, "W" (1)
 Pltldr, E-2-2 (1)



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DOWNGRADE TO UNCLASS

AFTER 30 DAYS

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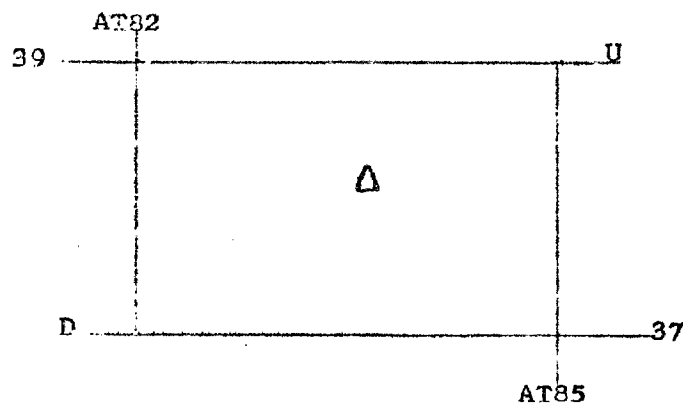
Unit/Call Sign: A-1-2 (BAR KEEP) Patrol Leader: SGT ULSTAD

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 452 (Cua Tan Mountain) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Nong Song Coal Mine area and routes of access along the Thu River. Provide a radio relay capability from Blankenship OP. 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 at 161000H; insert vic AT836378. Extract at 221000H vic AT836378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "E" 44.45
 (b) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 (c) SERVICE MAN "A" 64.60

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 1stMar (5)
 CO, 3rdMar (1)
 CO, 2dMar (1)
 Recon ESCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "A" (1)
 Pltldr, A-1-2 (1)



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Operation Order: 1-00
 Patrol: Bar Keep
 Debriefer: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014
 Sheets 6540 I & 6640 IV

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 Da Nang, RVN
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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 PRC-25's, 2 7x50's, BC SCOPE.
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79, M-60, M-14
2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 452 (CUA TAN MOUNTAIN) AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE NONG SONG COAL MINE AREA AND ROUTES OF ACCESS ALONG THE THU RIVER. PROVIDE A RADIO RELAY CAPABILITY FROM BLANKENSHIP OP. 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: 161030H/221000H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 168 HOURS WITH 4 SIGHTING TOTALING 159 VC. 4 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

211215H AT866372 30 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ALONG TRAIL. MIXED UTILITIES, BUSH COVERS, PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, CHECK FIRE DUE TO AIR STRIKE. BENCH MARK 7 CAME ON STATION COULD NOT COORDINATE RESUMED ARTY POOR COVERAGE OF TARGET UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS.

211600H AT866372 10 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL. MIXED UTILITIES & BUSH COVERS, PACKS & RIFLES. VC MOVED INTO COVE REF 211415H. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV. NEG MOVEMENT, REQUESTED AO FOR BETTER OBSERVATION.

211800H AT866372 85 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL. MIXED UTILITIES, PACKS, RIFLES & ROCKET TUBES. CALLED ARTY, EXCEL COV. VC DROPPED EQUIPMENT & DIVERSED, HAD SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS (6) SAW VC CARRYING OBJECTS ON STRETCHER. CEASED FIRE DUE TO DARKNESS AND ARTY HAD TO FIRE ANOTHER MISSION.

220730H AT866372 34 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST ALONG TRAIL. MIXED UTILITIES, LARGE PACKS & RIFLES, CALLED FM EXCEL COV UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO FOG.
 - A. TERRAIN: N/A

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: BARBED WIRE & MORE TRIP FLARES.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT

SGT ULSTAD
1st PLT, CO A
PATROL LEADER

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

SGT ULSTAD
LCPL OWENS
LCPL DERR
LCPL NARANGO
LCPL LOCKETT
LCPL BEHR
LCPL BLACKWOOD
PFC DEWEY
PFC STEVENSON
PFC SCOTT
PFC TEITH
PFC BELL

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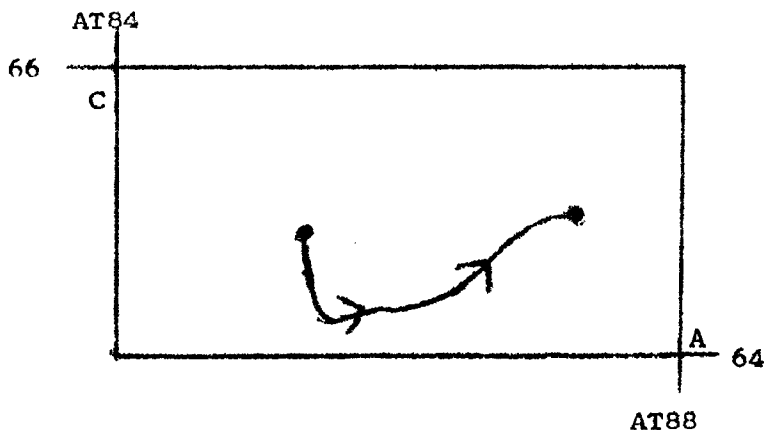
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 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder # 32-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-3-2 (ICE BOUND) Patrol Leader: GYSGT AUSTIN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
 2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Charlie Ridge/Mortar Valley area. Particular emphasis to be given to surveillance of well used trails and routes of access to the Vital Area. Also, emphasis to be given to locating rocket launching sites, storage areas, etc. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 150900H; insert vic AT853648. Extract at 180900H vic AT872651. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "G" 67.05
 (b) " " "I" 36.15
 (c) " " "W" 39.75
 (d) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15
- Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ROMEO
 (b) PAL JOEY ZULU 36.40

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBn7thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 PtlEdr, B-3-2 (1)



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Operation Order: 32-68
 Patrol: Ice Bou-2
 Debriefing: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS LT014
 Sheets 6640 IV

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 Da Nang, RVN
 191570Z Jan 68

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, 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79, M-14, 4 Claymores
2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE/MORTAR VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF WELL USED TRAILS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS TO THE VITAL AREA. ALSO, EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO LOCATING ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, ETC. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 151000H/191000H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HOURS WITH NO SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS AND NO FIRE MISSIONS.
6. OBSERVATIONS OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: VEGETATION- 12-60 FEET HIGH CANOPY. SECONDARY GROWTH CONSISTED OF ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 6 FEET HIGH. WATER ON IN THE VALLEY FLOOR.
7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT845651 GOOD 2 CH-46 LZ. 4 FOOT HIGH GRASS. EXTRACT LZ GOOD FOR 4 CH-46'S. OLD RICE PADDIES. THE MAJOR TRAIL ON THE RIDGE HAS BEEN WILL USED AT ONE TIME BUT NOT FOR 4 WEEKS. WELL USED FROM AT867648 TO AT872648. THE WHOLE VALLEY FLOOR IS GOOD FOR LZ'S, VIC AT8665. COMM WAS GOOD.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: CONTINUE FUTURE WEST ON TRAIL.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

GYSGT AUSTIN
 3d PLT, CO B
 PATROL LEADER

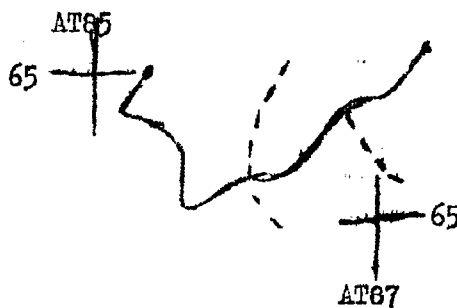
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12. COMMENTS BY [REDACTED] MEMBERS: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

GYSGT AUSTIN
LCPL DYE
LCPL EVERHART
CPL FLORINI
PFC MARTIN
PFC OILER
PFC CAMPANELLO
PFC MORRIS
PFC WHITING
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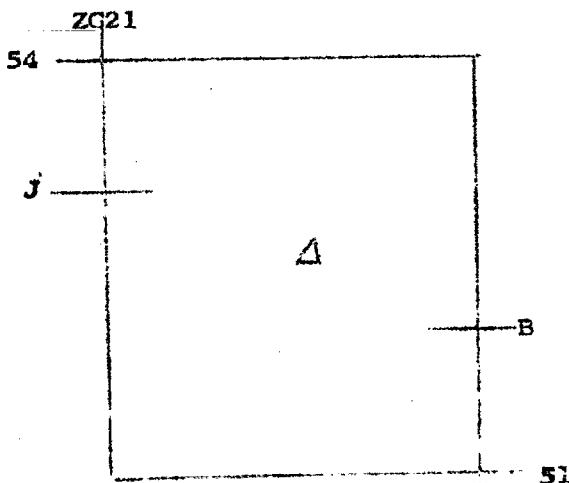
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 (e) BnFragOrder #33-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-3-1 (LUCKY LARK) Patrol Leader: LT BARTA

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/PFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Duc Duc Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 150800H; insert vic AT797528. Extract at 190800H vic AT797528. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (b) HEAD COLD "B" 44.45
 (c) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (d) RUSH ACT "A" 37.65
 SALUTATION "Q" 43.20
- Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) SADDLE BAG (14-18) (BLANKENSHIP OP)
 (c) BAR KEEP (16-22) (BLANKENSHIP OP)

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 5thMar (1)
 CO, 2dSn5thMar (1)
 Recon FGCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 PtlLdr, B-3-1 (1)



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Operation Order: 8
 Patrol: Lucky Lark B-3-1
 Debriefer: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 2 OFF, 9 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 2 7x50's, M-49, STARLIGHT SCOPE.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-60, M-79, M-14, 12 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. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 151000H/191000H

4. ROUTE: B/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HOURS WITH 20 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 170 VC. 19 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED WITH 5 VC KIA CONF & 11 KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

151335H AT817503 4 VC MOVING EAST ON PADDIE DIKE. BLK PN'S & GRAY UTILITIES, 2 PACKS & 2 RIFLES. CALLED FM, COULD NOT FIRE DUE TO FAILURE OF CLEARANCE BY INFANTRY. VC MOVED INTO TREELINE MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE TO FURTHER OBSERVE.

151730H AT813515 3 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL & PADDY DIKE. BLK PJ'S, 1 PACK, 1 RIFLE, 2 SETS SHOULDER POLES. CALLED FM, VC DROPPED EQUIPMENT & RETURNED IN A SOUTHWEST DIRECTION & RE-TREATED INTO A TREELINE. UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO THIS CONDITION

161220H AT822512 1 VC MOVING SOUTHEAST ON RICE PADDY. BLK PN'S & PACK. CALLED FM, VC MOVED INTO TREELINE, CONTINUED FM BUT UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DENSITY OF TREELINE.

161435H AT823513 7 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S & KHAKIES, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO VC MOVING INTO DENSE TREELINE. OUTSTANDING COV & SERVICE.

161705H AT833518 10 VC/NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. KHAKI, PITH HELMETS, BLK PJ'S, PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COV & SERVICE VC/NVA DISPERSED IN GROUPS OF 1&2'S IN DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS. PURSUED BY FIRE BUT WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE RESULTS AS VC/NVA RAN INTO TREELINES, HILLS AND RAVINES.

161845H AT810514 3 NVA MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL. KHAKI,

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PACKS, VERY LARGE & RIFLES. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV & SERVICE, NVA MOVED INTO DIP IN THE TRAIL PURSUED BY FIRE AND CONTINUED TO OBSERVE. NVA DID NOT COME OUT. 3 KIA PROB, NVA VERY WELL CAMOUFLAGED.

170930H AT816516 1 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S, & 1 PACK. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV & SERVICE, VC MOVED INTO DESE TREE* LINE. PURSUED BY FIRE, UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO DENSITY OF TREELINE.

171040H AT818502 10 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S & KHAKIES, PACKS, RICE BAGS, & SHOULDER POLES. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COV & SERVICE. 2 KIA CONF, 1 KIA PROB BY BODY COUNT.

171345H AT818502 3 VC, 1 MOVING SOUTHWEST- 2 MOVING NORTHEAST. BLK PJ'S & KHAKIES, 3 PACKS, RICE BAGS, 1 RIFLE. CALLED FM, GOOD COV & SERVICE. PURSUED VC BY FIRE, 2 KIA PROB.

171720H AT812495 15 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S & KHAKIES, VERY LARGE PACKS, RIFLES, RICE BAGS. CALLED FM EXCEL COV & SERVICE. VC/NVA RAN INTO TREES AND SCRUB GROWTH & VILLAGE COMPLEX. UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS FURTHER DUE TO THIS. PURSUED BY FIRE. 4 KIA PROB. APPEARED TO BE VC RICE BAGGAGE GUARDED BY NVA.

171745H AT821502 2 VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL & PADDY DIKE. BLK PJ'S, KHAKI SHORTS, 1 PACK & 1 RICE BAG. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV & SERVICE. VC RAN BEHIND LARGE HILL MASS, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS.

181100H AT812494 20 VC/NVA, 3 NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL, 15 VC/ NVA MOVING ON TRAIL, 2 NVA MOVING SOUTHWEST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S, KHAKIES, PITH HELMETS, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COV & SERVICE. 3 KIA CONF, BY BODY COUNT, 1 KIA PROB. WAS SEEN LIMPING OFF. REMAINING VC/NVA DISPERSED IN SMALL GROUPS IN VILLAGE & TREELINES. PURSUED BY FIRE, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DENSITY OF TREES. (NOTE) NVA WORE CAMOUFLAGE AND VC SEEMED TO BE CARRYING RICE.

181150H AT804490H 6 VC/NVA, 3 MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL, 3 MOVING SOUTHWEST. BLK PJ'S, PACKS & RICE BAGS. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COV & SERVICE. VC/NVA MOVED INTO TREELINE. PURSUED BY FIRE, COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DENSITY OF TREES. NVA WORE CAMOUFLAGE.

181320H AT804490 20 TO 30 NVA, 5 MOVING SOUTH, THE REST MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAILS. BLK PJ'S & KHAKIES, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COV & SERVICE. SECOND MAN IN COLUMN HLD TUBE 6-8 FEET LONG & 8 INCHES IN DIAMETER CYLINDRICAL TUBE. DISPERSED INTO GROUPS, PURSUED BY FIRE BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO DENSITY OF TREES & SHRUBERY.

181415H AT804490 3 VC, 1 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL & PADDY DIKE, 2 VC MOVING SOUTHEAST ON TRAIL & PADDY DIKE. BLK PJ'S, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV & SERVICE. VC RAN INTO TREELINE & SHRUB GROWTH. PURSUED BY FIRE, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DENSITY OF TREELINE & SHRUB GROWTH.

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181535H 080499 3 NVL MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. KHAKIES & PACKS. CALLED FM, GOOD COV & SERVICE VC RAN INTO TREELINE. PURSUED BY FIRE, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DENSITY OF TREELINE.

181720H AT817508 3 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S & KHAKI, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV & SERVICE. VC RAN INTO TREELINE PURSUED BY BY FIRE UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DENSITY OF TREELINE.

181750H AT804496 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S & KHAKIES, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV & SERVICE. VC BROKE INTO TREELINE, PURSUED BY FIRE UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DENSITY OF TREELINE.

181820H AT811493 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S & KHAKIES, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV & SERVICE OF TARGET COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS AS VC/NVA MOVED OUT OF SIGHT.

191020H AT817502 4 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, GOOD COV & SERVICE OF TARGET. VC MOVED INTO VILLAGE, PURSUED BY FIRE COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO VC MOVING INTO VILLAGE.

B. TERRAIN:

VEGETATION-- ALMOST BALD VERY SPARSE SECONDARY GROWTH. 3 FEET HIGH

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT806527 GOOD FOR 2 CH-46's, LOW SCRUB IN LZ. EXTRACT LZ SAME AS INSERT LZ. OTHER LZ'S ARE ALL ALONG THE RIDGE LINE. OP'S ARE LIMITED BY WEATHER IN EARLY MORNING & LATE EVENING.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS: COULD USE BC SCOPE.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

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3d PLT, CO B
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

2dLt BARTA
LCPL BRUCH
PFC HARGRAVE
CPL PIERCEY
LCPL TRENT
PFC GROSS

PFC GONZALEZ
PFC PATTERSON
LCPL BOWLAND
Lt BREAKFIELD
LCPL DEMEDHKO
HM3 SMITH

OPERATION ORDER 34-68

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 DA NANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
 141100H Jan 1968

Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6640 III & 6640 IV
 (b) 3n0 P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #34-68

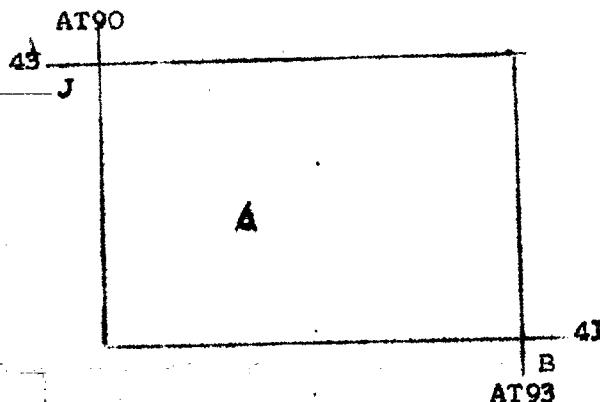
Unit/Call Sign: A-2-2(COWPOKE) Patrol Leader: SGT BALLIST

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your 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. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 160800H; insert vic AT912418. Extract at 200800H vic AT912418. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SALUTATION "Q" 43.20

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULI

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 5thMar	(1)
CO, 2dBn5thMar	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co. "A"	(1)
PtlLdr, A-2-2	(1)



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Operation Order: 68
 Patrol: Cowpoke
 Debriefing: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014
 Sheets 6640 III & 6640 IV

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 221400H Jan 68

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: 3 PRC-25's, 3 7x59's, 2 M-49's
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79, 2 M-14's, 10 Claymores

2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS 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/LIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 181730H/221100H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 114 HOURS WITH 6 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 31 VC. 6 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

190955H 1 HAND GRENADE BOOBY TRAPPED IN A SMALL CLUMP OF BUSHES. GRENADE APPARENTLY SPOON TYPE, WAS IN TIN CAN SET UP. WHEN THE CAN WAS TRIPPED, THE GRENADE FELL THUS REVEALING THE SPOON. THERE SEEMED TO BE NO DELAY, NOISE SOUNDED LIKE A LOUD RIFLE SHOT, COULD NOT HEAR ANY SHRAPNEL PASSING THROUGH THE AIR. THERE WAS A LACK OF CONCUSSION.

191510H AT925372 9 VC MOVING EAST ON ROAD. BLK PJ'S, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE DAMAGE DUE TO RANGE & HAZE.

201515H AT919372 3 VC MOVING WEST ACROSS PADDIES. GREEN UTILITIES, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, NEGATIVE OBSERVATION DUE TO DENSE VEGETATION.

211330H AT901381 15 VC, 1 DUD D-9 MOVING ACROSS PADDIES INTO MODERATELY FORESTED VILL COMPLEX. BLK PJ'S, PACKS. CALLED FM, ASSESSMENT AS FOLLOWS; ARTY FAILED TO BLOW D-9 & DESTROYED 2 STRUCTURES.

211510H AT910385 2 VC MOVING NORTHEAST INTO TREELINE. BLK PJ'S & PACKS. CALLED FM, 1 STRUCTURE DEMOLISHED, 2 STRUCTURES DAMAGED.

211605H AT909377 2 VC MOVING WEST ALONG TREELINE, ENTERED STRUCTURE CARRYING A ROCKET LAUNCHER. BLK FM'S & 1 ROCKET LAUNCHER APPROX 6 FT. LONG ON WOOD PLATFORM. CALLED FM,

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1 STRUCTURE DAMAGED, COULD NOT OBSERVE VC, GOING TO CALL ANOTHER
FM WITH ANOTHER BATTERY.

B. TERRAIN: VEGETATION - LOW SPARSE SCRUB IN THE OP. BUILT
ON HIGH ROCK.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT & EXTRACT LZ AT912418 IS A SMALL LZ
WITH A HAZARD OF MINES. OP'S ARE OUTSTANDING.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: 1 KIA DUE TO MINE, ALSO 2 WIA MINOR.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

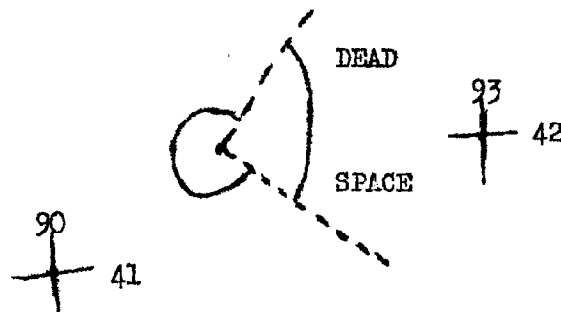
SGT BALLIET
2d PLT, CO A
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT BALLIET
CPL KREMER
PFC BISHOP
LCPL FARREN
HN TRACY
LCPL URBANICK

PFC TURK
PFC BURGESS
PFC DLMROW
LCPL BELL
PFC VANSILE
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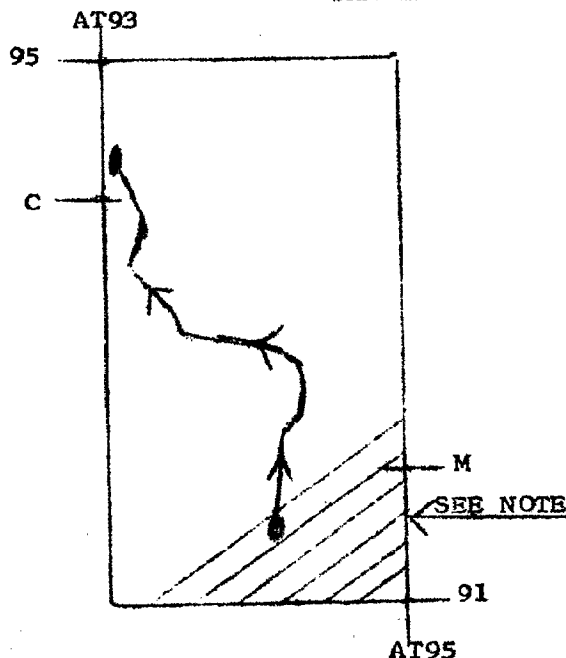
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 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #34-68

Unit/Call Sign: A-3-1 (TEXAS PETE) Patrol Leader: LT MCCLARY

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To provide surveillance against the mining and ambushing of route #1 from Hai Van Pass to the south. Emphasis also to be placed on locating possible storage areas, fortifications, etc. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 160900H; insert vic AT942916. Extract at 190900H vic AT930944. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
 Artillery: (a) PATTY SHELL "LX" 35.95
 (b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45
 (d) NEWSBOY "I" 37.50
 Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY UNIFORM
 (b) PAL JOEY X-RAY 34.00
 (c) PAL JOEY WHISKEY 32.10

Distribution:

-G-2 (1)
 -G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 -CO, 5thMar (1)
 -1stMTBn (1)
 -11thMTBn (1)
 -CO, Btry "A" 1stLAAMBn (1)
 Recon FSOC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "A" (1)
 PtlLdr, A-3-1 (1)
 -CO, 1stBn5thMar (1)
 Coastal Surveillance Craft (PCP) (1)



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Operation Order: 5
 Patrol: Texas Pete A-3-1
 Debriefing: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014
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 Da Nang, RVN
 191500H Jan 68

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, M-49
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79, 4 Claymores

2. MISSION: TO PROVIDE SURVEILLANCE AGAINST THE MINING AND AMBUSHING OF ROUTE #1 FROM HAI VAN PASS TO THE SOUTH. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING POSSIBLE STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, ETC. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 161300H/191230H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 7 1/2 HOURS WITH NO SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS AND NO FIRE MISSIONS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: VEGETATION- SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 6-8 FEET HIGH & NOT VERY THICK. CANOPY UP TO 100 FEET. WATER AS INDICATES ON MAP.

7. OTHER INFORMATION

INSERT LZ AT942916 LAMB BATTERY. EXTRACT LZ AT931944 POOR LZ DUE TO STEEPNESS, OPEN & LOW GRASS. TRAIL IS 6 FEET WIDE & VERY RECENTLY USED. OTHER TRAIL 1 FOOT WIDE & WILL BE USED. OP AT AT940934 IS GOOD GOOD OP TO THE WEST & GOOD OP'S ALL ALONG ROUTE. BELIEVE HELICOPTER TOOK FIRE FROM AT926918 ON THE AFTERNOON OF THE 16TH. ALSO BELIEVE CONVOY TOOK FIRE FROM THIS AREA ON THE 16TH.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: GOOD PLACE TO OP ROUTE 1

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

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 3d PLT, CO A
 PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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13. PATROL MEMBE

2dLt McCLARY
CPL MUNOZ
LCPL HARP
HN DALY
PFC RAGSDALE

PFC HUNTER
PFC BURY
PFC JENNINGS
PFC JOHNSON

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OPERATION ORDER #36-68

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DA NANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
150900H Jan 1968

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(b) BnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) BnFragOrder #36-68

Unit/Call Sign: A-3-2 (CHILI PEPPER) Patrol Leader: SGT YOUNG

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: 1 Engr with mine detect. equip
 2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Nui Tron Mountain (Hill 282) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Loc Tu Valley in the north-eastern portion of Phu Loc District, Thua Thien Province. Special emphasis to be placed on movement around the villages in the valley and on the South China Sea beach entrances to the east. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air and Coastal "Swift Boat" .50 Cal MG and 81mm mortar fire on targets of opportunity.
 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 170900H; insert vic AU839059. Extract at 210900H vic AU839059. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
Artillery: (a) PATTY SPELL "LX" 35.95
Coastal Surveillance Craft (PCF):
NEWSBOY "I" 37.50
- Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY UNIFORM
(b) NAILBRUSH "D" 48.80

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
G-3 (2)
Div AO (1)
CO, 11thMar (5)
CO, 5thMar (1)
CO, 1stBnStMa (1)
Recon FSCC (1)
Recon S-3 (4)
CO, Co. "A" (1)
PtlLdr, A-3-2 (1)
Coastal Surveillance Craft (1)

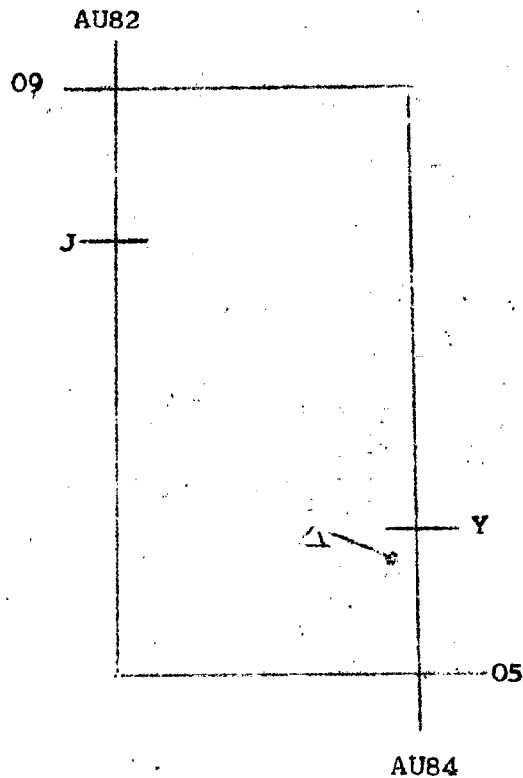
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Operation Order: 30-68

Patrol: Chili Pepper A-3-2

Debriefing: Cpl. J.M. STIPANOVICH

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1st Reconnaissance Bn.

Da Nang, RVN

211600H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 13 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 1 ENG
C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 1 7x50, 1 M49,
1 SPOTTER SCOPE
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M14, 1 M79, 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON NUI TRON MOUNTAIN (HILL 282) AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE LOC TU VALLEY IN THE NORTHEASTERN PORTION OF PHU LOC DISTRICT, THU THIEN PROVINCE. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON MOVEMENT AROUND THE VILLAGES IN THE VALLEY AND ON THE SOUTH CHINA SEA BEACH ENTRANCES TO THE EAST. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR AND COASTAL "SWIFT BOATS" .50 CAL MG AND 81MM MORTAR FIRE ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 171300H/211200H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 95 HOURS WITH 3 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 8 VC. 3 FM'S WERE CALLED, WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

171610H AU828079 4 VC MOVING ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS; RIFLES. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO VEGETATION.

191040H AU824078 1 VC PROBING PATROL'S POSITION. GREEN UTILITIES AND A RIFLE. PATROL TOOK VC UNDER SMALL ARMS FIRE AND CALLED FM, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

201720H AU805054 3 VC MOVING NW ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS; 3 PACKS AND 1 LARGE PACK ON A POLE. CALLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREE LINE.

B. TERRAIN: ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 3' HIGH. SCATTERED TREES UP TO 12' HIGH. THE TERRAIN IS MODERATELY STEEP WITH MEDIUM SIZE ROCKS IN THE AREA.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A GOOD LZ. LZ 46 ZONE OF LOW ELEPHANT GRASS 2' HIGH. VIC. AU823087. EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD LZ. LZ 46 ZONE OF LOW GRASS WITH FIGHTING HOLES IN IT VIC. AU824081. THERE IS A FAIRLY OLD TRAIL 2' WIDE ALONG THE TOP OF THE RIDGE LINE. THE EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD ONE IF THE WEATHER IS GOOD. LZ'S ARE PREVALENT THROUGHOUT THE AREA. THERE ARE FIGHTING HOLES AND TRASH IN THE AREA FROM PREVIOUS PATROLS.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE AND M60 MG AND AT LEAST 6 CLAYMORES.

SGT. YOUNG
CHILI PEPPER A-3-2
PATROL LEADER

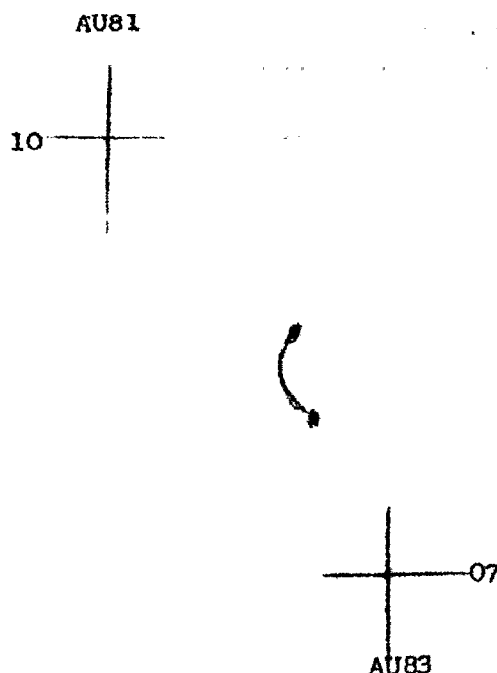
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: FAIR

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. YOUNG	2156516	PFC. HOOVER	2178366
PFC. GAXICLA	2349337	LCPL. SNBB	2289232
HN BERGMAN	7962114	PFC. FORD	2334581
PFC. BURKHART	2365259	PFC. HUCKLEBERRY	2357742
LCPL. BROWNSON	2329347	PFC. BROCKMAN	2325941
PFC. CURRY	23693472352235	PFC. BELOT	2349920
PFC. ALVIRA	2352235	LCPL. MELLOTT	2263543

PATROL OVERLAY



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 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #37-68

Unit/Call Sign: D-1 (GOLD LEMON) Patrol Leader: LT CREITZ

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 through Elephant Valley and the Garden of Eden. Provide security for the radio relay team (PAL JOEY X-RAY) on Dong Den Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 181000H; insert at vic AT837828. Extract at 241000H vic AT837828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

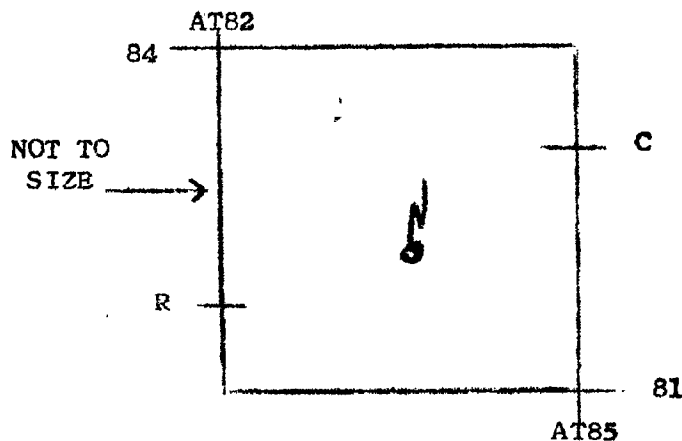
5. Comm/Electronics: Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
 1ST RECON BN S&C FILES
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "H" 60.85
 (b) RUSH ACT "CU" 55.75
 (c) SERVICE MAN "B" 64.60
 (d) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45

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Distribution:

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 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 2dBn7thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "D" (1)
 PtlLdr, D-1 (1)

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY X-RAY



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OPERATION ORDER: 68
 PATROL: GOLD LEMON D-1
 DEBRIEFER: CAPT. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS 6641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 241100H JAN 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 9 ENL. 1 HN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 7x50, M-49, 2 STARLIGHTS
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-79, 20 CLAYMORES.

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 THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (PAL JOEY X-RAY) ON DONG DEN MOUNTAIN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 180900H/ 241100H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 146 HOURS WITH TWO SIGHTINGS TOTALING 6 VC. ONE FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: 181930H AT837828 5VC MOVING NW OF PATROLS POSIT APPROX. 30 METERS AWAY. PATROL THREW GRENADES, H&I FIRE DISRUPTED ENEMY. NO KNOWN VC KIAS. PATROL FOUND BLOCK OF TNT IN DEFENSIVE WIRE WHICH WAS NOT THERE THE PREVIOUS DAY. IT APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN DROPPED. 191015H AT835826 1VC 100 METERS SOUTH OF PATROLS POSIT WEARING BLK. PJ'S AND CARRYING RIFLE. APPARENTLY OBSERVING PATROLS POSIT BUT LEFT BEFORE SUPPORTING ARMS COULD BE UTILIZED.
- B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: 1ST LT. CREITZ RECOMMENDS THAT AT LEAST 21 PEOPLE MAN THIS POSITION.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

1ST LT. CREITZ
 CPL. DUNLOW
 CPL. MCCARDELL
 LCPL. KOERNER
 LCPL. WILLIAMS
 PFC. GARCIA
 PFC. CANTREL

PFC. SAVILLE
 PFC. COFFIN
 PFC. SELL
 HM2 ANDERSON

1ST LT. CREITZ
 GOLD LEMON D-1
 PATROL LEADER

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 (e) BnFragOrder #38-68

Unit/Call Sign: D-3-1 (QUIZMASTER) Patrol Leader: LT PHELPS

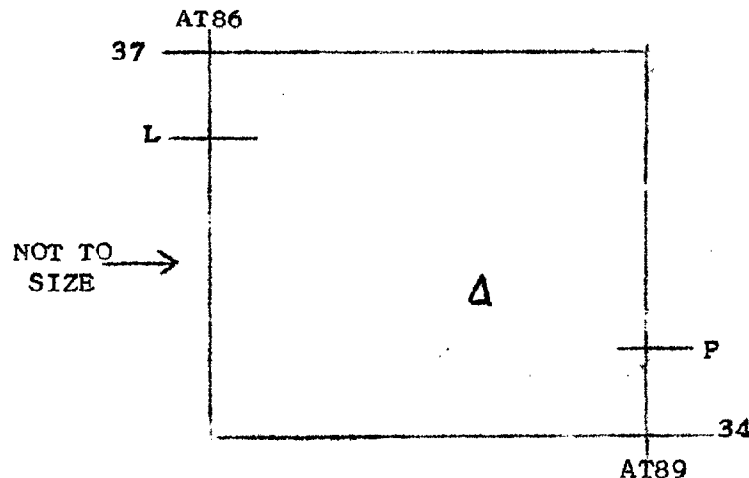
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance of Antenna Valley and the high ground to the southwest for enemy movement and arms infiltration. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 180800H; insert vic AT883347. Extract at 220800H vic AT883347. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SALUTATION "Q" 43.20
 (b) GRID IRON 5-9 63.05
 Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) BAR KEEP (BLANKENSHIP OP)

Distribution:

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- G-3 (2)
- Div AO (1)
- CO, 11thMar (5)
- Recon FSCS (1)
- Recon S-3 (4)
- CO, Co. "D" (1)
- PtLdr, D-3-1 (1)

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Operation Order 38-68
Patrol: Quizmaster D-3-1
Debriefers: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
Sheet 6640III

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
Da Nang, RVN
221330H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 2 OFF, 11 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 3 7x50, 1 M49
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M60, 1 M14, 1 M79, 1 .50 CAL MG

2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OF ANTENNA VALLEY AND THE HIGH GROUND TO THE SOUTHWEST FOR ENEMY MOVEMENT AND ARMS INFILTRATION. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 180830H/221100H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 98½ HOURS WITH 3 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 225 VC. THE PATROL WAS PROBED BY AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. 4 FM'S WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA PROB. 1 AIR STRIKE WAS CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

211800H AT888378 60 VC WITH LIGHTS WALKING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S; RIFLES, PACKS, ROCKET TUBES. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS.

211410H AT901379 15 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND GRAY UTILITIES; RIFLES, PACKS, AND 1 ROCKET TUBE. FM AND AN AIR STRIKE WAS CALLED, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

221845H AT881349 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC PROBING PATROL'S POSITION. PATROL THREW CS AND M26 FRAGS, RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA PROB. 1 FM WAS CALLED.

221815H AT922372 150 VC MOVING "SW" ON RIVER BANK. BLK PJ'S AND GRAY UTILITIES; PACKS, MORTARS, RIFLES, AND ROCKET TUBES. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS.

B. TERRAIN: MODERATELY THICK CANOPY UP TO 20' HIGH. SPARSE ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 3' HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A GOOD LxCH-46 ZONE IN LOW SCRUB. EXTRACT LZ IS A FAIR LxCH-46 ZONE OF LOW SCRUB. THE OT VIC. AT881349 IS OUTSTANDING, THERE ARE LZ'S ALL ALONG THE RIDGE.

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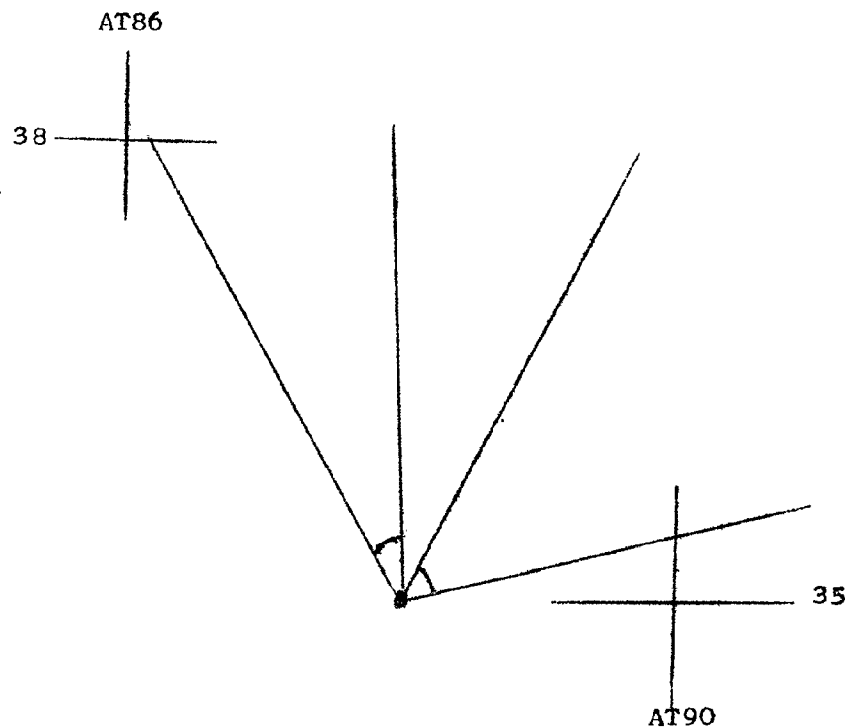
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 3 VC KIA PROB.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: DO NOT USE THE INSERT LZ AGAIN.

LT. PHELPS
QUIZMASTER D-341
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. PHELPS	095663	PFC. MALLOY	2291560
CPL. RININGER	2288525	PFC. MCKNIGHT	2360333
LCPL. ORTEGA	2238338	PFC. HOLSHOE	2386179
LCPL. RIZZO	2279838	PFC. BUHLER	2365404
LCPL. WOODING	2235327	PFC. ELLIS	2335910
LCPL. HASTERT	2129199	HN MORTENSEN	R805406
PFC. LAY	2369510	CAPT. STACY	080080

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 (e) BnFragOrder #39-68 Ch-1

Unit/Call Sign: B-2-1 (GRIM REAPER) Patrol Leader: CAPT. DRAKE

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIN'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
 2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/RFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration west of Mortar Valley. Special emphasis to be given to locating trails and routes of access to the vital area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
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 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 22 Jan; insert vic AT828635. Extract on 26 Jan vic AT831650. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
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 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (b) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (c) SALUTATION "Q" 43.20
- Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) PAL JOEY ROMEO 35.00

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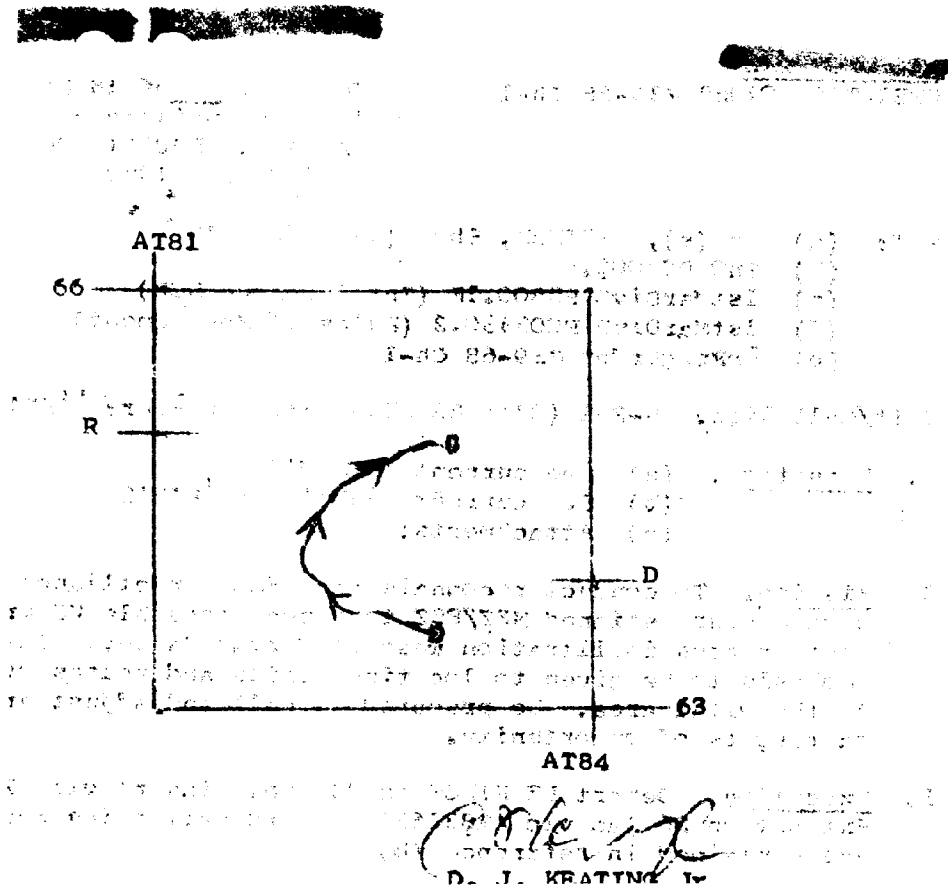
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PtlLdr, B-2-1	(1)

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 (e) BnFragOrder #39-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-2-1 (GRIM REAPER) Patrol Leader: SGT THOMAS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Lower Charlie Ridge area. Special emphasis to be given to locating trails and routes of access to the vital area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 190800H; insert vic AT813601. Extract at 220800H vic AT811615. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (b) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (c) SALUTATION "Q" 43.20
 Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU
 PAL JOEY ROMEO

Distribution:

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 Recon FSOC (1)
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 CO, Co. "B" (1)
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Operation Order: 3-3
 Patrol: Grim Reaper B-2-1
 Debriefing: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 664QIV

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 260930H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 2 OFF, 6 ENL, 1 USN
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25,
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M14, 1 M79, 4 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/TFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION WEST OF MORTAR VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO LOCATING TRAILS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS TO THE VITAL AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 221500H/260830H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 102½ HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 20' HIGH. THERE ARE QUITE A FEW LARGE ROCKS IN THE AREA. CANOPY REACHES 150' IN HEIGHT. MOVEMENT IS DIFFICULT IN THIS AREA.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF 12' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS VIC. AT849639. EXTRACT LZ IS A FAIR 1xCH-46 ZONE OF 8' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS VIC. AT836643. THERE IS A CAVE USED BY THE VC AS A HARBOR SITE VIC. AT839641. THERE WERE PALM LEAVES IN THE CAVE, AND IT WOULD HOLD 4-5 MEN. THERE IS A 1xCH-46 LZ OF LOW SCRUB VIC. AT839641. TRAILS: (1) VERY OLD TRAIL. (2) 3' WIDE. WELL AND RECENTLY USED. IT RUNS DOWN THE RIDGELINE.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: 1 NBC, OTHERWISE GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

CPL. B.H. EARP
 GRIM REAPER B-2-1
 PATROL LEADER

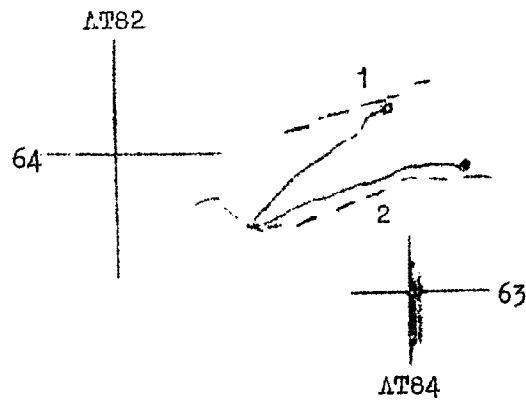
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13. PATROL MEMBER

CAPT. DRAKE	091613	PFC. HIGGINS	2304622
CPL. EARP	2098723	HM3 LERCH	6960385
LCPL. HAUSAUER	2288984	PFC. EAGAN	2375983
LCPL. WOODIER	2276530	LT. BREAFIELD	0103362
LCPL. PAUL	2302614		

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 (e) BnFragOrder #40-68

Unit/Call Sign: D-3-2 (STONE PIT) Patrol Leader: SSGT LEBD

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement of arms infiltration in the area south and southwest of Dong Den Mountain. Special emphasis to be given to locating trails and possible routes of access to the Vital Area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 190900H; insert at vic AT807845. Extract at 220900H vic AT832803. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "H" 60.85 (MAX RANGE)
 (b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) SERVICE MAN "B" 64.60
 (d) " " "C" "
 (e) " " "D" "

Radio Relay: PAL JOBY ROMEO

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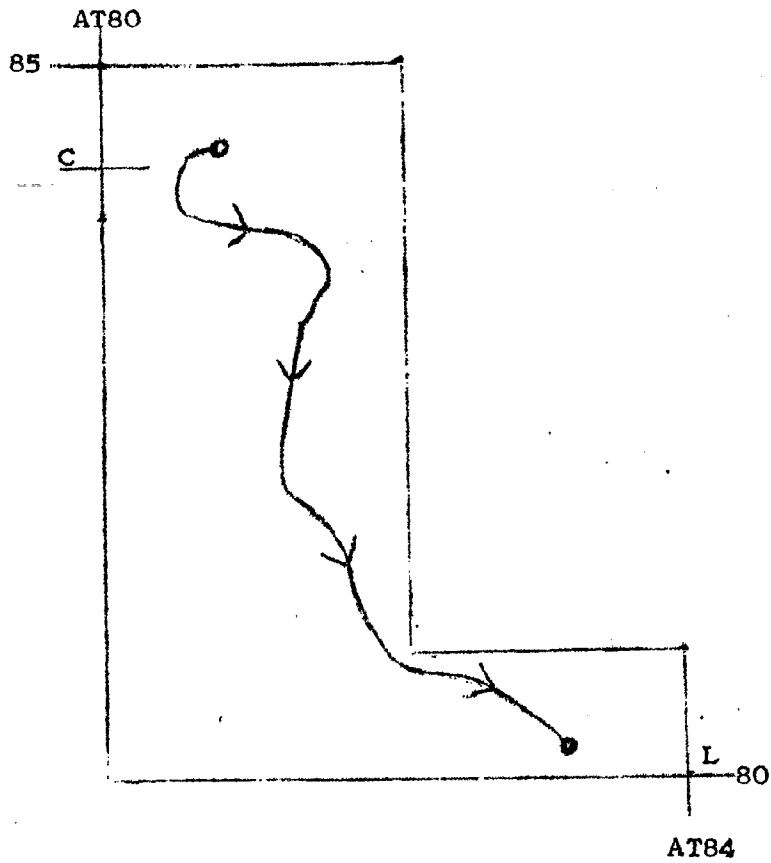
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Operation Order: 740-68
Patrol: Stone Pit
Debtieffer: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
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1st Reconnaissance Bn.
Da Nang, RVN
221000H Jan 68

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, 7x50,
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-79, 4 Claymores, M-12
2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/PFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OF ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE AREA SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST OF DONG DEN MOUNTAIN. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO LOCATING TRAILS AND POSSIBLE ROUTES OF ACCESS TO THE VITAL AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 191000H/220900H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 71 HOURS WITH NO SIGHTINGS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: VEGETATION- 30-50 FOOT CANOPY. SECONDARY GROWTH VERY THICK UP TO 15 FEET HIGH. WATER IN ALL DRAWS AND FAST. MOVEMENT VERY DIFFICULT.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT605847 FIAR LZ FOR 2 CH-46 LZ, MADE UP OF ELEPHANT GRASS AND LOW SCRUB. LZ WAS SWAMPY. EXTRACT LZ SAME AS INSERT LZ. THE MAIN TRAIL IS 3-4 FEET WIDE, WELL USED AND WIDENS UP TO 10 FEET WIDE. APPEARS TO BE RECENTLY USED. THE MAJOR VC HARBOR SITE AT607837 WILL HOLD 14 MEN AND WAS ABOUT 2 DAYS OLD. OTHER LZ'S ARE PREVALENT IN THE VICINITY OF THE INSERT LZ AND ON THE ROAD ITSELF.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: CHECK OUT TRAIL WITH A DOG. VEGETATION IS VERY THICK. COMM WAS POOR, ALL COMM WLS WITH A WHIP ANTENNA.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

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3d PLT, CO D
PATROL LEADER

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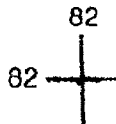
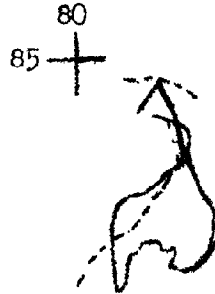
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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT LEEED
LCPL LITTLE
LCPL AMES
LCPL STOW
PFC SANDERS

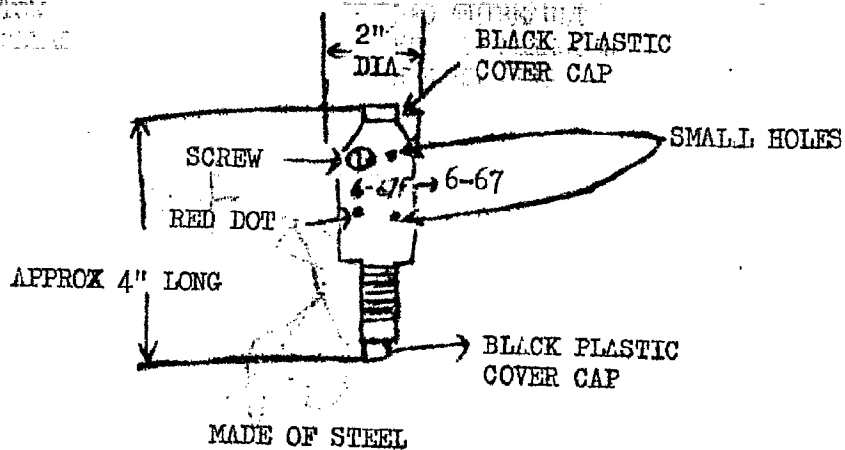
PFC SHAW
PFC WILLIAMS
PFC SALDANA
PFC THIBEAULT
PFC VANDERMOLLEN
HM3 HESTING



14. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

15. DURING INTERVIEW

STATE THAT
THEY WERE
IN THE AREA
OF THE
VILLAGE



IN REFERENCE TO THE DRAWING ON PAGE TWO: FOUND AT LT806842 A FUZE,
2 INCHES IN DIAMETER & APPROXIMATELY 4 INCHES LONG. THERE WAS ALSO
A NUMBER, 6-67F ON 211500H.

↖ RED DOT

SAW ONE OLD 8 MAN BUNKER AT808835. AT LEAST 6-8 MONTHS OLD.

FOUND 1 FOOT BY 2 FOOT CAN AT LT806843 AT 211600H.

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(b) BnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003230.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) BnFragOrder #41-68

Unit/Call Sign: D-1-2 (SADDLE BAG) Patrol Leader: SGT HORNBER

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 Duc Duc Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 190830H; insert vic AT797528. Extract at 230800H vic AT797528. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.4; Alternate: 37.90
Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
(b) PARTY SHELL "K" 37.15
(c) SALUTATION "Q" 43.20
- Radio Relay: PAL JOBY ZULU
(b) BAR KEEP (16-22 Jan) (BLANKENSHIP OP)
(c) LUCKY LARK (22-28) (BLANKENSHIP OP)

Distribution:

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G-3 (2)
Div AO (1)
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CO, 1stBn7thMar (1)
CO, 7thMar (1)
Recon BnOC (1)
Recon S-1 (4)
CO, Co, "B" (1)
Platoon, S-1-2 (1)

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Operation Order: 41-68
 Patrol: Saddle Bag D-1-2
 Debriefer: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
 Sheet 6640IV, 6540I

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 241900H Jan68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL, 1 USN
 B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 TRC-25, 4 7x50,
 D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 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. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 191300H/241700H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 124 HOURS WITH 28 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 181 VC. 25 FM'S AND 4 AIRSTRIKES WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 5 VC KIA CONF. AND 17 VC KIA PROB. THE VC MOVEMENT SEEMED GENERALLY TO BE IN THE AREA VIC. AT811496.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

191500H AT802481 17 VC MOVING EAST INTO A TREELINE. BLK AND BROWN PJ'S WITH COOLIE HATS. PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS BECAUSE VC MOVED INTO THE TREELINE.

191805H AT823498 8 VC MOVING INTO A HOOCH. BLK PJ'S WITH COOLIE HATS. LARGE PACKS. CALLED FM, RESULTING IN DIRECT HIT ON THE HOOCH AND 8 VC KIA PROB.

201035H AT817496 5 VC MOVING INTO A TREELINE ALONG A DIKE. GREEN UTILITIES. EXTREMELY HEAVY RUCKSACKS LOADED WITH GEAR. CALLED FM, MOVEMENT IN THE TREES CEASED.

201400H AT804499 4 VC MOING NORTH ALONG A TRAIL. KHAKI AND GREEN UNIFORMS. PACKS. CALLED FM AND AN AIRSTRIKE, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA CONF. NO OBSERVED TRENCHES AND BUNKERS IN THE AREA.

201520H AT804499 5 VC DIGGING AROUND A HOOCH. MIXED BLK AND GREEN PJ'S. SHOVELS, PACKS, AND 1 RIFLE. CALLED, RESULTING IN 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION. VC DISPERSED.

201525H AT802481 8 VC MOVING SOUTH ON A TRAIL. MIXED PJ'S WITH COOLIE HATS. PACKS. CALLED FM WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS, BECAUSE VC MOVED OUT OF SIGHT.

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201800H AT817500 8 VC GROUPING NEAR A CAMOUFLAGED BUNKER. BLK PJ'S. PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS.

210840H AT802481 5 VC MOVING WEST ACROSS A RICE PADDY. MIXED BLK AND BROWN PJ'S. PACKS. NO FM, BECAUSE VC DISPERSED INTO A TREELINE.

210845H AT795488 5 VC MOVING WEST ALONG A BRUSH LIN". MIXED BLK AND BROWN PJ'S. PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE BECAUSE VC MOVED INTO TREELINE.

210850H AT848513 8 VC MOVING EAST ACROSS A RICE PADDY. BROWN PJ'S AND UTILITIES. PACKS. NO FM CALLED DUE TO DISPERSION OF VC.

211250H AT803494 25 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL AND DIKES. BLK AND BROWN PJ'S. PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM AND AN AIRSTRIKE, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

211505H AT811496 9 VC MOVING EAST ON A TRAIL. GREEN USMC TYPE UTILITIES. PACKS, RIFLES, AND 1 MORTAR TUBE. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS BECAUSE VC MOVED INTO A TREELINE.

211730H AT812494 5 VC MOVING "NE" THROUGH A RICE PADDY. BLK PJ'S AND UTILITIES. RUCKSACKS. CALLED FM, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB. AO OBSERVED FRESHLY DUG GRAVES VIC. AT808499.

211810H AT812494 4 VC MOVING EAST THROUGH A RICE PADDY. BLK PJ'S. PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT VC MOVED OUT OF SIGHT.

220730H AT811496 5 VC MOVING EAST ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S. PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT VC DISPERSED.

220830H AT803494 12 VC MOVING EAST ALONG A TRAIL. BLK AND BROWN PJ'S WITH SOME KHAKIS. PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA CONF. AND 1 VC KIA PROB.

221050H AT803494 3 VC MOVING EAST ON A TRAIL. PACKS AND POSSIBLY A MORTAR TUBE. UTILITIES. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS BECAUSE VC MOVED INTO A TREELINE.

221110H AT798488 4 VC MOVING WEST ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS. CALLED FM, BUT VC MOVED OUT OF SIGHT.

221205H AT811496 3 VC RUNNING INTO A BUNKER. BLK PJ'S. 1 PACK AND 1 RIFLE. CALLED FM AND AN AIRSTRIKE, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

221730H AT810482 7 VC MOVING INTO A HOOCH. MIXED BLK AND BROWN PJ'S. PACKS. CALLED FM WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

230845H AT811496 9 VC MOVING EAST ON A TRAIL. GREEN UTILITIES. LARGE PACKS. CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS BECAUSE VC MOVED INTO A TREELINE.

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230955H AT809487 4 VC MOVING INTO A HAMLET AREA. MIXED BLK AND BROWN PJ'S. PACKS. CALLED FM, RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA PROB.

231025H AT811496 7 VC MOVING INTO A TREELINE. BLK AND BROWN PJ'S. PACKS. CALLED FM WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

231130H AT817496 5 VC MOVING "SE" FROM TREELINE TO TREELINE. MIXED BROWN AND BLK PJ'S. PACKS. CALLED FM, AND VC DISPERSED.

231720H AT817496 2 VC MOVING "SE" INTO A HOOCH. BLK PJ'S. PACKS. CALLED FM, AND VC DISPERSED.

231905H AT803494 5 VC MOVING EAST ON A TRAIL. BLK PJ'S AND UTILITIES. PACKS. CALLED FM, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

241145H AT807485 4 VC MOVING EAST INTO A HAMLET AREA. BLK PJ'S. PACKS. CALLED FM, RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA PROB.

B. TERRAIN: LOW GRASS UP TO 3' HIGH ON A PRACTICALLY BARE HILL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ IS A FAIR 1xCH-46 ZONE OF LOW SCRUB VIC. AT816527. EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF LOW GRASS VIC. AT795526. THE OP IS EXCELLENT TO THE EAST.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE SAND BAGS.

SGT. FUFUHI
SADDLE BAG D-1-2
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. FUFUHI	1486973	PFC. ROMERO	2346516
CPL. MUNDORFF	2280656	PFC. RAWLINGS	2352667
LCPL. TATE	2233589	PVT. OTT	2272165
LCPL. ARREGUIN	2263743	PFC. JARRELL	2351892
LCPL. BAILEY	2295887	HM2 COTE	7782984
PFC. CASTELLANO	2368761		

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 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) SubFragOrder #42-68

Unit/Call Sign: D-2-1 (RUMMAGE) Patrol Leader: LT PRILLAMAN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and RIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ba Na Mountain Range. Special emphasis to be placed on the routes of access from Ba Na eastward to the Thuy Loan River Valley. Emphasis also 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. Upon effective date of this order, depart your present position and carry out your assigned mission. Extract at 231000H via AT853705.

Coordinating Instructions

- (1) If pre-plotted fires are desired along your route, inform PAL JOEY 3 prior to departure.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "G" 67.05 (MAX RANGE)
 (b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) SERVICE MAN "B" 64.60
 " " "C" "
 " " "D" "

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Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ROMEO
 (b) PAL JOEY X-RAY 34.00

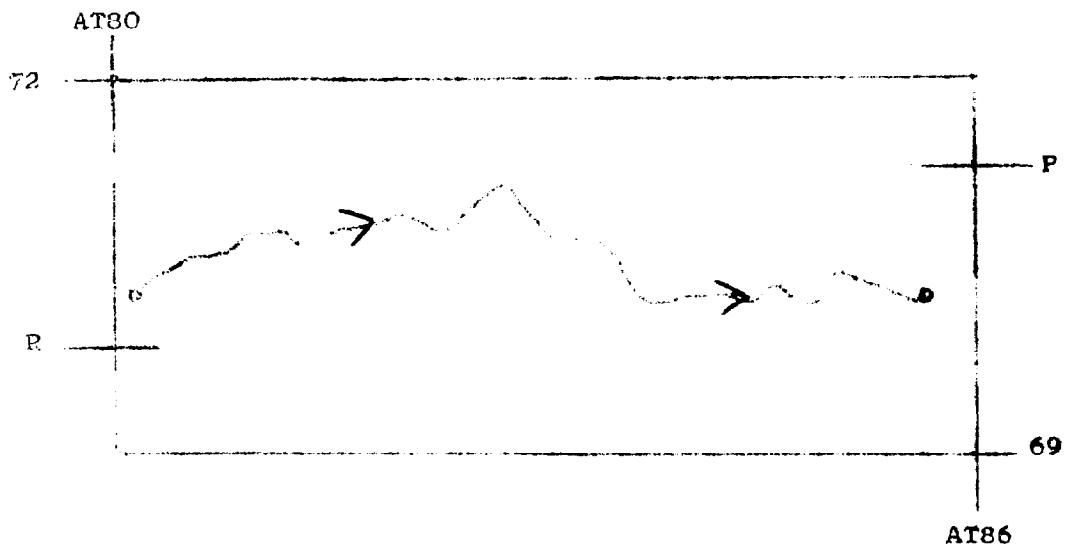
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Unit/Call Sign: B-1 (ELF SKIN) Patrol Leader: LT. MOLYNEAUX

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 through Leech Valley and Happy Valley. Provide security for the radio relay team (PAL JOEY ROMEO) at Ba Na. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 201000H; insert vic ZC205704. Extract at 291000H vic ZC205704. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "B" 64.60
(b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
(c) SPOON BILL 63.70

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ROMEO
PAL JOEY XERAY 34.00

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 7thMar	(1)
CO, 1stBn7thMar	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
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PtlLdr, B-1	(1)

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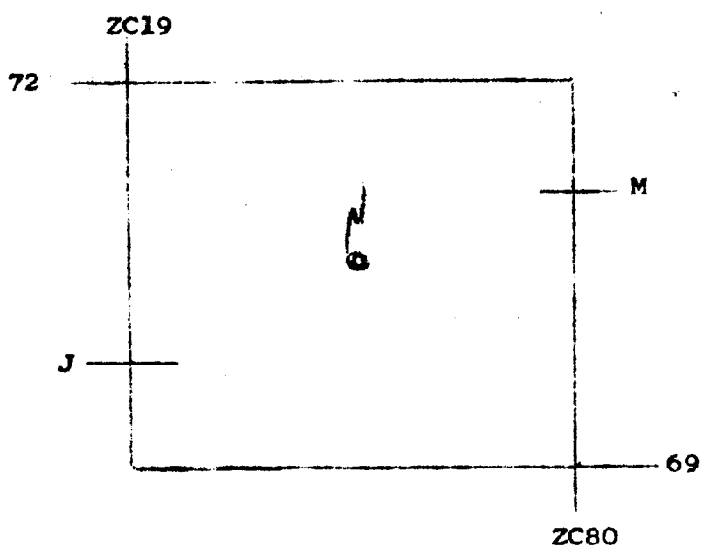
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Operation Order: [REDACTED]-68
Patrol: Elf S in B-1-1
Debriefing: Capt. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
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Da Nang, RVN
131830H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 21 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 2 7x50, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M60, 1 M14, 1 M12, 2 M79

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/EFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH LEACH VALLEY AND HAPPY VALLEY. PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (PAL JOEY ROMEO) AT BA NA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240900H/131800H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 489 HOURS WITH 4 ACTUAL SIGHTINGS TALLING 134 VC. THESE SIGHTINGS WERE CONTACTS IN WHICH THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND THREW GRENADES. IN ADDITION, 4 FM'S WERE CALLED. THESE ACTIONS RESULTED IN 5 VC KIA PROB. AND 4 VC KIA PROB. ON INSERT ONE OF THE HELICOPTERS CRASHED, RESULTING IN 7 USMC NBC (5 MED-EVAC).

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

250700H 1 FLASHLIGHT SOUTH OF THE PATROL'S POSITION. PATROL FIRED M79, AND LIGHT DISAPPEARED.

250705H 1 FLASHLIGHT NORTH OF PATROL'S POSITION. PATROL FIRED M79, AND LIGHT DISAPPEARED.

260230H ZC205704 50 VC PROXIMITY AND ROCKETING PATROL'S POSITION. PATROL RETURNED, THREW GRENADES, CALLED FM, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA CONF. AND 3 VC KIA PROB. THE REACTION FORCE PROTECTING THE DOWNED BIRD WAS ALSO PROB.

262200H ZC205704 12 VC FIRING AND THROWING GRENADES AT PATROL'S POSITION. RIFLES AND CARBINES. PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND CALLED FM WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

270430H ZC205704 20 VC ASSAULTING PATROL'S POSITION. GRENADES, CARBINES, AND AK-47'S. PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND CALLED FM, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA PROB.

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010230H 05704 50 VC ASSAULTING PATROL POSITION.
BLK PJ'S, COOLIE HATS, AND HELMETS; AK-47'S, CARBINES AND CTG
BELTS. PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND CALLED FM, RESULTING IN 4 VC
KIA CONF.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ VIC. ZC205704.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 5 VC KIA CONF. AND 4 VC KIA PROB.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: USMC NBC (5 MED-EVAC)
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: STRING MORE CONCRETE WIRE, AND
INSTALL PHONES IN THE BUNKERS.

LT. J.E. MC LYNEAUX
ELF SKIN 4-1-1
PATROL LEADER

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: FAIR

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. MC LYNEAUX	0103695	PFC. RICHEY	2326104
CPL. MORGAN	2302051	LCPL. MCWILLIAMS	2268827
CPL. BRUGGER	2332630	PFC. VINCE	2305523
LCPL. MITTON	2200910	LCPL. CHATMAN	2231155
LCPL. ONERO	2268170	PFC. HILL	2324368
PFC. JOHNSON	2357895	PFC. RYAN	2346154
PFC. MARTINEZ	2341900	PFC. GREENE	2337669
PFC. SIMMONS	2279041	PVT. HOUSE	2338829
PFC. SHECKLER	2347535	HN WALSH	6774736
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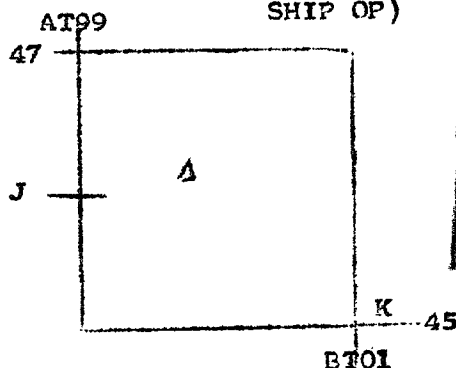
Unit/Call Sign: A-2-1 (BURLAP) Patrol Leader: LT KELLEY

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: 1 Engr. with mine detect. equip
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 425 (Hui-Hon-Coc) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FRZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through the Duy Xuyen Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH at 21 Jan; insert vic AT998463. Extract at 26 Jan vic AT998463. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SATURATION "Q" 43.20
 (b) RUSH ACT "B" 39.65 (MAX RANG)

Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) BAR KEEP (16-22) (BLANKEN-SHIP OP)
 (c) LUCKY LARK (22-28) (BLANKEN-SHIP OP)

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Operation Order: 44-66
 Patrol: Burlap
 Debriefer: Cpl. J. M. Stipanovich
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014
 Sheets 6540 IV & 6641 III

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
 Da Nang, RVN
 271430H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 1 ENGINEER
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 1 M-49, 1 7x50.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 1 M-60, 1 M-14, 6 Claymores.

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 425 (WHI-HON-COC) AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH THE DUY XUYEN VALLEY. BE PREPARED CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 221330H/271430H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 121 HOURS WITH 10 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 182 VC. 11 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED AND ONE AIRSTRIKE RESULTING IN 7 VC KIA CONF & 10 VC KIA PROB. 2 ENEMY WERE CAPTURED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

221635H BT006477 7 VC MOVING NORTH-NORTHEAST IN TWO GROUPS, MIXED BLK & WHITE PJ'S. SECOND GROUP BT003476, A: SEVEN CARRIED CARBINES. CALLED FM WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. ONE VC WAS OBSERVED LEAVING AREA AFTER FM.

231610H AT984479 70 VC MOVING EAST IN BUSHED TO TRAIL, NORTH ON TRAIL. MIXED BLK PJ'S & GRAY SHORTS & SHIRTS CARRYING HEAVY PACKS, RIFLES/CARBINES, 1 BAR, CARTRIDGE BELTS, SOME HELMETS & BUSHES FOR CAMOUFLAGE. CALLED FIRE MISSION AND AIR STRIKE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AFTER HUES COMPLETED THEIR MISSION AO SPOTTED NVL AT980502 CROSSING RIDGELINE. COULD NOT OBSERVE AFTER FIRST ROUND OF ARTY. NVL MOVED INTO TREELINE.

240830H BT006475 TO BT008467 6 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL ALONG STREAM, THEN EAST UP HILL. 4 GREEN UTILITIES AND 2 BLK PJ'S. CARRYING ONE HEAVY PACK AND ONE CARBINE. TWO IN GREEN UTILITIES MOVED DOWN STREAM MET ON MORE IN GREEN THEN MOVED UP HILL TO ROCKS AND TRENCH LINE. THEM MET THREE OTHERS WITH ONE CARBINE AND PACK. CALLED FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS DUE TO VC MOVING BACK INTO ROCKS.

241215H AT985476, AT986480, AT984494, AT995504. 19 VC MOVING EAST ON INFILTRATION ROUTE, MIXED GREEN UTILITIES & BLK PJ'S, SOME PACKS & RIFLES CAMOUFLAGED WITH BRUSH. CALLED ARTY WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

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241515H AT982484 8 NVA. MOVING ALONG RIDGELINE TO INFILTRATE OVER RIDGE MOVING NORTH. WEARING BLK. PJ'S AND KHAKIES AND CARRYING FOUR PACKS AND TWO RIFLES. CALLED FIRE MISSION BUT NVA. OUT OF SIGHT OVER RIDGELINE BEFORE FIRST ROUND HIT. CONCENTRATION PLOTTED.

241715H AT982469 29 VC. MOVING ON TRAIL WEARING BLK. PJ'S, HEAVY PACKS, AND CAMOUFLAGED WITH BRUSH. CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 1 VC. KIA CONFIRMED AND 2 VC. KIA PROBABLE.

251120H AT982484 3 VC. MOVING UP SAME INFILTRATION ROUTE WEARING BROWN KHAKIES AND BLK. PJ'S CARRYING HEAVY PACKS, CAMOUFLAGED AND RIFLES. CALLED ARTY CONCENTRATION FOR AMBUSH BUT GUN WAS DOWN AND COULD NOT FIRE UNTIL AFTER VC, HAD MOVED OVER RIDGELINE.

251520H AT985476 TO 983468 9 NVA. MOVING FROM CROSSROADS TO TREELINE DOWN TRAIL WEARING ONE BLUE SHIRT, BLACK TROUSERS TWO KHAKIES, AND 6 BLK. PJ'S. CARRYING HEAVY PACKS WITH BRUSH FOR CAMOUFLAGE. CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 4 CONFIRMED VC. KIA AND 1 PROBABLE VC. KIA.

260255H AT997464 5 VC. MOVING FROM WEST TO EAST TOWARD OUR POSIT WEARING MIXED BLACK AND GREEN UTILITIES. CARRYING AT LEAST 1 CARBINE, 1 AK-47, CARTRIDGE BELTS CHICOM GRENADES, AND EXTRA AK-47 MAGAZINES. TWO CONFIRMED VC. KIA. RESULTING FROM BOOBY TRAP NEAR POSIT. POSSIBLY HIT OTHER VC. BECAUSE WE FOUND BLOOD TRAILS AND DRAG MARKS IN THE AREA. 1 PROBABLE VC. KIA. AND TWO CAPTURED WEAPONS. 1 U.S. CARBINE #1585976 AND 1 AK-47 #9480460

261600H AT979464, moved to 986485, chased 7 of 16 to 986485 4 moved to treeline at 981465. 5 stayed at 979464. 16 NVA. MOVING NW ON INFILTRATION ROUTE WEARING BLK. PJ'S. CARRYING 8 PACKS, 12 RIFLES, HEAVILY CAMOUFLAGED. SPOTTED ALL 16 AT FIRST GRID, FORMED THREE GROUPS, 7 TOOK POINT WITH OTHERS FOLLOWING AT INTERVALS. CALLED FIRE MISSION ON FIRST GROUP WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ADJUSTED ON SECOND GROUP BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO RIDGELINE AND TREELINE. THIRD GROUP DISAPPEARED BEFORE WE COULD ADJUST ARTY ON THEM.

B. TERRAIN: VERY THICK SCRUB BRUSH 6-8 FEET HIGH. THERE ARE MANY LARGE BOULDERS IN THE AREA. NO CANOPY IN THE AREA. THE ACTUAL TOP OF HILL #425 IS BALD.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: PATROL OBSERVED A CAVE USED AS A HARBOR SITE VIC. BT001463. PATROL FOUND 4 BOOBY TRAPS (M-26) AND TWO WELL CONCEALED PUNJI PITS IN THE LZ AREA. PATROL FOUND ANTI-AMERICAN LEAFLETS IN ENGLISH ALL OVER THE TOP OF HILL #425. PATROL OBSERVED A SIGN ON A STICK IN A RICE PADDY VIC. 998463. (SEE DRAWING ATTACHED) INSERT LZ BT001473 ZONE OF VERY LOW GRASS, EXCELLANT, FOR 6-8 CH-46. EXTRACT LZ AT998463 IS A ZONE OF 1' BRUSH, GOOD, FOR 1 CH-46. OTHER LZ'S ARE PREVALENT THROUGHOUT THE LOWLANDS. TRAILS ARE AS SHOWN ON THE MAP. VIC. AT998463 THERE IS AN OUTSTANDING OP WITH OBSERVATION TO THE WEST, NORTH, AND NORTH-EAST

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 7 VC. KIA CONFIRMED. 10 VC. KIA. PROBABLE. 2 WEAPONS CAPTURED.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: GO HEAVY ON AMMO, CHOW, AND WATER.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: FAIR

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

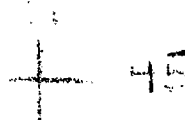
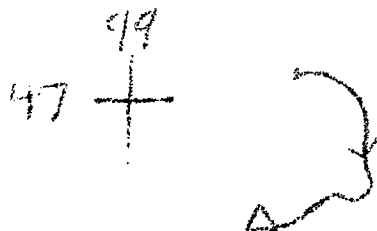
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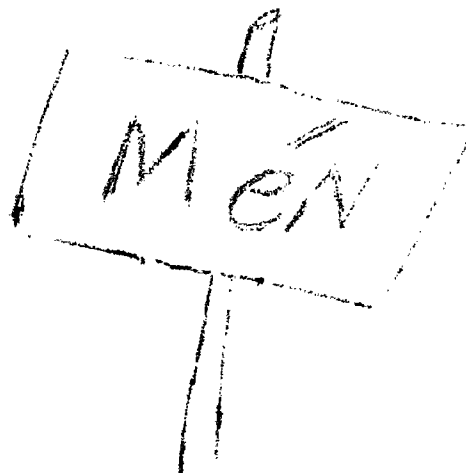
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 PATROL LEADER

PATROL OVERLAY



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 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
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 (e) BnFragOrder #45-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-3-2 (ICE BOUND) Patrol Leader: LT BARTA

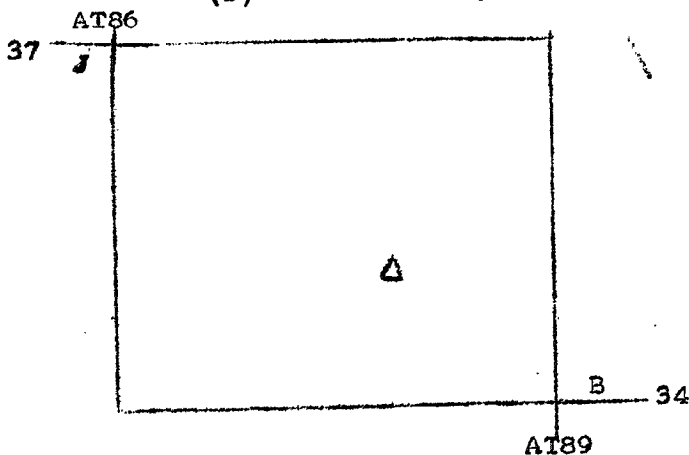
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: None
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance of Antenna Valley and the high ground to the southwest for enemy movement and arms infiltration. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 22 Jan; insert vic AT883347. Extract on 27 Jan vic AT883347. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SALUTATION "Q" 43.20
 (b) GRID IRON 5-9 63.05
 (with permission from PJ "3")
 Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) LUCKY LARK (BLANKENSHIP OP)

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 Patrol: Icebound
 Debriefing: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014
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 Da Nang, RVN
 271300H Jan 68

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, M-49, Starlight.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-79, 6 Claymores, M-60

2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OF ANTIENNA VALLEY AND THE HIGH GROUND TO THE SOUTHWEST FOR ENEMY MOVEMENT AND ARMS INFILTRATION. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 221020H/271050H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 144 $\frac{1}{2}$ HOURS WITH 12 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 128 VC. 13 FIRE MISSIONS CALLED WITH 1 KIA CONF & 10 KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

221100H AT878352 & AT878356 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC SNIPPING AT HELICOPTERS DURING FLIP FLOP. RIFLES, POSSIBLY CARBINES. CALLED FM AFTER HELICOPTERS LEFT AREA GOOD COV OF TARGET UNABLE TO DETERMINE RESULTS DUE TO THICKNESS OF CANOPY.

221530H AT908363 5 VC, 1 MOVING NORTHWEST ON RICE PADDY DIKE, 4 STANDING BY RICE PADDY. BLK PJ'S, 1 CARBINE, 5 PACKS. CALLED FM, AFTER INITIAL ROUND VC RAN SOUTHWEST BEHIND HILL INTO SECONDARY GROWTH. PURSUED BY FIRE BUT UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS BUT UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS, DUE TO OBSTRUCTING HILL MASS AND VEGETATION.

221830H AT897379 18 VC/NVA 3 MOVING NORTHWEST ON TRAIL, 15 MOVING SOUTHEAST ON SAME TRAIL. BLK PJ'S, GRAY & GREEN UTILITIES & KHAKIS, VERY LARGE PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING FIRST ROUND AND SUBSEQUENT ROUNDS & VC WENT DOWN ON FIRST ROUND, BUT GOT UP AND RAN INTO TREELINE AND VILLAGE TO SOUTHWEST, PURSUED BY FIRE BUT UNABLE TO DETERMINE RESULTS DUE TO THICKNESS OF TREELINE. REMAINING VC WERE ALREADY IN SAME TREELINE AND VILLAGE. 15 TH MAN WAS DEFINATELY NVA.

231445H AT897379 1 VC AND 1 NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S & GRAYS, 2 CARTRIDGE BELTS, 2 PACKS & 2 RIFLES. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COV & SERVICE. VC IN BLK PJ WENT DOWN ON INITIAL ROUND BUT GOT UP AND RAN BACK TO NORTHWEST INTO VILL. PURSUED BY FIRE BUT WERE UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DENSITY OF

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TREELINE SURROUNDING VILL AND HILL MASS TO SOUTH OF VILL. VC LEFT HIS GEAR ON TRAIL, WE ARE PATIENTLY AWAITING HIS RETURN.

231845H AT890361 12 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ON TRAIL INTO TREELINE. BLK PJ'S, GRAYS, KHAKIES, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO CLOSING DARKNESS.

241100H AT920350 UNKNOWN MORTAR POSITION FIRING AT OUR POSITION. ESTIMATED 60MM MORTAR. 19 ROUNDS WERE RECEIVED, TWO WERE DUDS. ROUND LANDED FROM 35 TO 100 METERS NORTHEAST & WEST OF OUR POSITION. THEY WERE APPARENTLY TRYING TO BRACKET US BUT COULDN'T DO IT. CALL TO COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. BENCH MARK 1 OBSERVED AREA HAVE SIGHTED NOTHING AS YET. WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED.

241255H AT912368 4 VC MOVING NORTHWEST ON PADDY DIKE. MIXED GRAYS, GREENS, BLK TJ & KHAKI. RICE BAGS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, VC MOVED INTO TREELINE AND VILL UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO DENSITY OF TREELINE.

241830H AT896379 8 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTHEAST ALONG TRAIL. GRAYS, GREENS, KHAKIS & BLK TJ'S, PACKS & RIFLES & 60MM MORTARS. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COV & SERVICE. 1 KIA CONF, REMAINING VC BROKE AND RAN INTO TREELINE. CONTINUED TO FIRE BUT UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO CLOSING DARKNESS. SECOND MAN IN COLUMN HAD 60MM MORTAR REMAINING MEMBERS HAD ENORMAS PACKS POSSIBLE FILLED WITH MORTAR ROUNDS.

251445H AT925373 8 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST ALONG STREAM BED. BLK PJ'S, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, BUT UNABLE TO GET CLEARANCE, VC MOVED INTO TREELINE UNABLE TO OBSERVE FURTHER DUE TO DENSITY OF TREELINE.

251630H AT892366 4 VC MOVING SOUTHEAST THROUGH PASS. BLK TJ'S & GREENS, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, VC MOVED INTO PASS, PURSUED BY FIRE WITH WP, VC REMAINED IN PASS. UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO THIS CONDITION. WILL CONTINUE TO OBSERVE.

251700H AT925373 12 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST ON STREAM BED. BLK TJ'S & DARK UTILITIES, VERY HEAVY & RIFLES. CALLED FM, VC BROKE & RAN INTO TREELINE. PURSUED BY FIRE BUT UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO EXTREME RANGE AND DENSITY OF TREELINE.

261408H AT925373 12 VC MOVING NORTHWEST AND SOUTHEAST ON STREAM BED. MIXED GRAYS, GREEN, BLK TJ'S & KHAKIS, HUGE PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV OF TARGET, 2 KIA PROB UNABLE TO OBSERVE FURTHER DUE TO VC MOVING INTO STREAM BED, LOW GROUND HAZE AND EXTREME RANGE

261410H AT895379 3 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ACROSS RICE PADDY INTO TREELINE. GREENS, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM ON AREA OF TREELINE THAT VC ENTERED, VERY GOOD COV AND SERVICE OF TARGET UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO DENSITY OF TREELINE.

261705H AT922357 40 NVA MOVING NORTHWEST ON TRAIL. GRAYS, PACKS, RIFLES, WEB GEAR & LEGGINGS. LARGE NVA TROOP MOVEMENT ON TRAIL. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COV AND SERVICE. 8 KIA PROB. NVA MOVED INTO VILLAGE COMPLEX, PURSUED BY FIRE WITH NEG RESULTS.

CALLED 1 AC (FINGERPRINT 2-1) TO CHECK 1. BENCH MARK 7
 CALLED IN FLIGHT OF FIXED WING. BDA 9 STRUCTURES DESTROYED 90/90
 TARGET COVERAGE.

B. TERRAIN: VEGETATION- LARGE BOULDERS AND SECONDARY GROWTH 10-12
 FEET HIGH. MOVEMENT FAIRLY EASY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT881347 POOR LZ ON 20% SLOPE, LOW SCRUB GROWTH IN LZ.
 EXTRACT LZ AT885346 GOOD LZ 1 CH-46 LZ, SECONDARY GROWTH 4 FEET HIGH.
 TRAIL IN MIDDLE OF LZ. TRAILS ON TOP OF HILL 334 1 FOOT WIDE, WELL
 USED & RECENTLY USED. OF IS OUTSTANDING.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HAVE TPQ-10's IN VIEW AT894378,
 AT894378, AT925354 & AT925373.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: VERY GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

Lt BARTA
 3d ILT, CO B
 PATROL LEADER

Lt. BARTA
 LCPL DYE
 CPL FLORINI
 PFC MARTIN
 PFC OILER
 PFC CAMPANELLO

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 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
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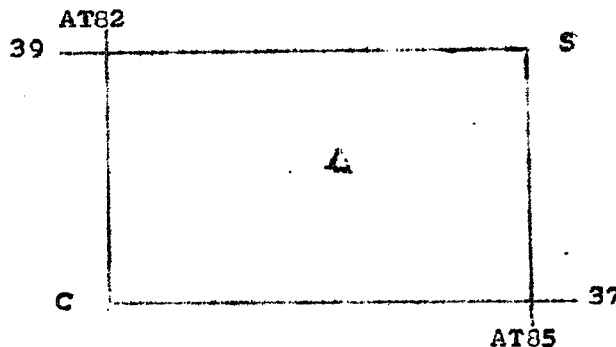
Unit/Call Sign: B-3-1 (LUCKY LARK) Patrol Leader: SGT SITAS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 452 (Cua Tan Mountain) and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Nong Song Coal Mine area and routes of access along the Thu River. Provide a radio relay capability from Blankenship OP. 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 at 22 Jan; insert vic AT836378. Extract at 28 Jan vic AT836378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SALUTATION "Q" 43.20

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU

Distribution:

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 Patrol: Lucky Lark
 Debriefers: Cpl. J. M. Stipanovich
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS 17014
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 Da Nang, RVN
 281700H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENT: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25's, 1 M-49, 2 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 8 Claymores.
2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 452 (CUL TAN MOUNTAIN) AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/PFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE NONG SONG COAL MINE AREA AND ROUTES OF ACCESS ALONG THE THU RIVER. PROVIDE A RADIO RELAY CAPABILITY FROM BLANKENSHIP OP. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON THE WESTERN ENTRANCE TO ANTENNA VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/LIE ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 220600H/281400H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 174 HOURS WITH NO SIGHTINGS, NO FIRE MISSION WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: N/A
7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
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:

SGT SITAS
 3d FLT, CO B
 PATROL LEADER

SGT SITAS
 CPT BRUCH
 LCPL HERNANDEZ
 PFC HARGRAVE
 LCPL EVERHART

CPT PIERCY
 LCPL TRENT
 PFC GILLEN
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Unit/Call Sign: B-2-2 (GUNSMOKE) Patrol Leader: SGT ANDREWS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current PSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/RFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the eastern Ba Na Mountain Range. Special emphasis to be placed on the routes of access from the eastern Ba Na Mountain range to the Thuy Loan River Valley. Emphasis also 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 at 22 Jan; insert vic AT838695. Extract at 26 Jan vic AT845719. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "G" 67.05
 (b) SERVICE MAN "B" 64.60
 (c) SERVICE MAN "C" 64.60
 (d) SERVICE MAN "D" 64.60
 (e) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (f) SPOON BILL 63.70

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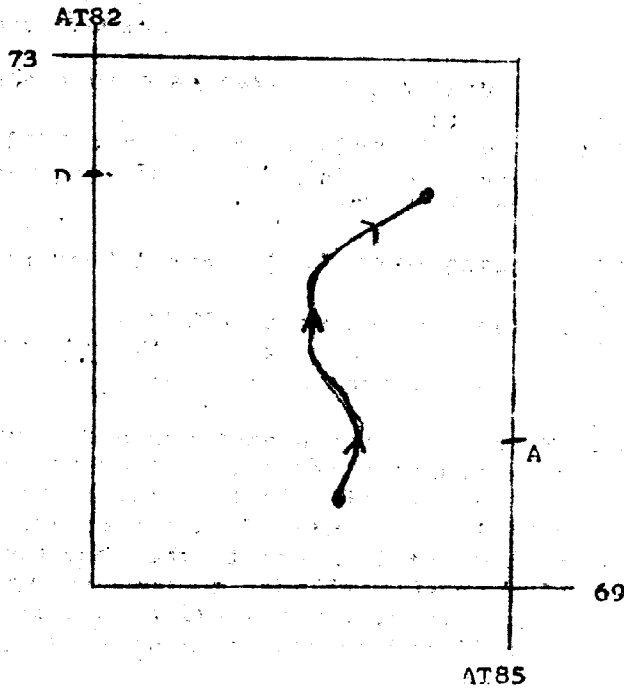
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Operation Order: 7
Patrol: Gunsmoke
Debriefing: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
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Sheets 6640 IV & 6641 III

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Da Nang, RVN
261030H Jan 68

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 FRC#25's, 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-60, M-79, 4 Claymores.

2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE EASTERN BA NA MOUNTAIN RANGE. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON THE ROUTES OF ACC SS FROM THE EASTERN BA NA MOUNTAIN RANGE TO THE THUY LOAN RIVER VALLEY. EMPHASIS ALSO 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: 220800H/260930H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 121 HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS OF 1 HARBOR SITE & 2 CAVES. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

221025H AT838698 POSSIBLE VC HARBOR SITE. FRESH CUT PALM LEAVES.

221510H AT841701 2 CAVES, BOTH 12 FEET IN DIAMETER AND CIRCULAR SHAPED INSIDE. 8 FOOT CEILINGS, ENTRANCES WERE 1x1 & 2x2 FEET. BOTH CAVES HAD AIR HOLES IN CEILING AND HOLES NEXT TO ENTRANCES, POSSIBLE FIRING PORTS. 1 CAVE HAD STRING HANGING FROM CENTER OF CEILING, POSSIBLE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. DUG WITHIN LAST 2 OR 3 WEEKS, BOTH CAVES FACE NORTHEAST ON TRAIL RUNNING FROM SOUTHEAST TO NORTHWEST. ALSO FOUND FOOT PRINTS POSSIBLE 2 TO 3 DAYS OLD 50 METERS SOUTHEAST ON SAME TRAIL.

B. TERRAIN: VEGETATION- HIGH CANOPY 100-150 FEET HIGH. THICK SECONDARY GROWTH 15-30 FEET HIGH. MOVEMENT WAS FAIRLY EASY ON HIGH GROUND. GOT THICKER IN THE LOWLANDS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT844693 GOOD 2 CH-46 LZ. GRASS UP TO 8 FEET IN SLOTS. EXTRACT LZ AT842714 GOOD 2 CH-46 LZ. BRUSH UP TO 2 FEET HIGH. SWAMPY LZ. OLD TRAILS ALL ON FINGERS ALONG ROUTE. OP'S AT838712 APPEARS TO BE A GOOD OP TO NORTH. GOOD CH-46 LZ AT833708, AND OP TO THE EAST. GOOD 1 CH-46 LZ IN BOMB CRATER. SAW 2 CAVES AT841761 12 INCHES IN DIAMETER, 8 FEET HIGH HAD NOT BEEN USED RECENTLY, HAD AIR HOLES IN CEILING. AT839708 SAW 1 MORE CAVE, FRONT PORTION CAVED IN. CAVES WERE CHECKED OUT, FOUND A SMALL STRING TIED

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TO THE OVERHEAD IS CAVE 15 FEET IN DIAMETER 10 FT HIGH, HAD
AIR HOLE IN REAR OF CAVE. FOUND AT AT845745, ONE USMC DOG TAGS
OF J. E. PHILLIPS #2295243. COMM WAS FAIR.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: APPEARS TO BE NO VC ACTIVITY IN
THE AREA.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

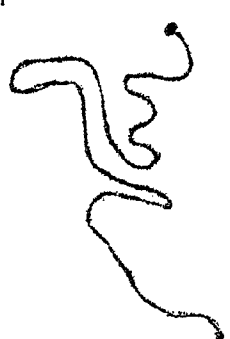
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PATROL LEADER

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


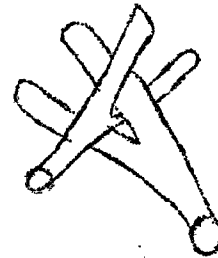
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221530H ON TRAIL

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Operation Order: 00-88
Patrol: Bar Keep
Debriefed: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L8014
Sheets 6641 III

1st Reconnaissance Bn.
Da Nang, RVN
291100H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL
 - B. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 2 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-79, 5 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: TO CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN ON LOCATING POSSIBLE ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, ETC. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 251050H/291000H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 95 HOURS WITH SIGHTINGS OF 3 AIR BURSTS & 30 LIGHT FLASHES. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

262230H AT960920 30 LIGHT FLASHES, COULD NOT OBSERVE EXACTLY WHERE FLASHES WERE COMING FROM.

282245H AT950930 3 AIR BURSTS ESTIMATED TO BE 750 METERS HIGH. UNABLE TO DETERMINE CAUSE.
 - B. TERRAIN: VEGETATION SECONDARY GROWTH EXTREMELY THICK 8-10 FEET HIGH. MOVEMENT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT. WATER IN ALL THE DRAWS.
7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT964923 GOOD LZ FOR 1 CH-46, KNEE HIGH GRASS. EXTRACT LZ AT994929 GOOD 2 CH-46 LZ, GRASS 1 FOOT HIGH. TRAILS ARE AS INDICATED ON MAP BUT ARE OVERGROWN & 1 FOOT WIDE. OP'S ARE ON ALL FINGERS & COULD BE USED. OTHER LZ'S AT980930 GOOD MULTIPLE LZ, 2 FOOT HIGH GRASS.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: SEE SALUTES
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: OUTSTANDING
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: DRAWS ARE ALMOST IMPASSIBLE, ARVN ACTIVITY IN WESTERN AREA.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

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1st FLT, FO A
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT ULSTAD
CPL NARANGO
CPL BLACKWOOD
LCPL OWENS
LCPL LOCKETT

PFC STEVENSON
PFC SCOTT
PFC REITH
PFC CATUTI
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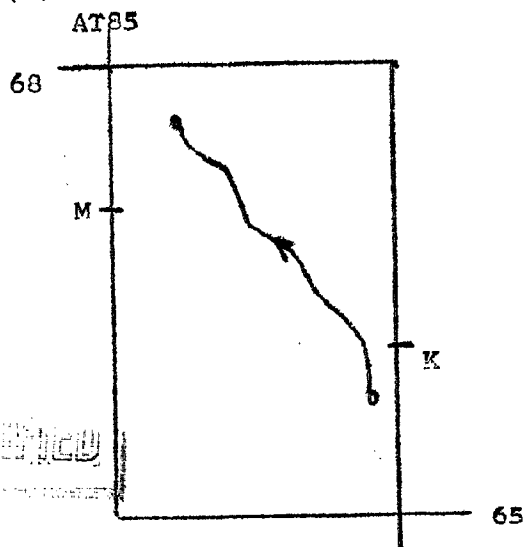
Unit/Call Sign: D-2-2 (SAIL FISH) Patrol Leader: SGT KEDDY

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 NRZ/EPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration north of Mortar Valley. Special emphasis 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 on 28 Jan; insert vic AT869656. Extract on 01 Feb vic AT854676. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 35.00; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "G" 67.05
 (b) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (c) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15
 (d) SCREEN TEST "W" 39.75
 (e) SPOON BILL 63.70
 (f) SERVICE MAN "E" 64.60

Radio Relay (a) PAL JOEY ROMEO
 (b) ELF SKIN

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11th Mar (5)
 CO, 7th Mar (1)
 CO, 1stBn 7th Mar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "D" (1)
 PtlLdr, D-2-2 (1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 1-68
PATROL: SAILFISH
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. R. C. WICKLIGHTER
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 IV, 6641 III

1. RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DAVAO, RVN.
311800H JAN. 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 10 ENL, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S, 1 M-49
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-12, M-14

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION NORTH OF MORTAR VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS 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: 280900H/311630H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 103½ HOURS WITH 4 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 405 VC. 4 FIRE MISSIONS AND 2 AIR STRIKES WERE CALLED RESULTING IN 4 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 33 VC KIA PROBABLE. 1 USMC WIA (MED-EVAC) FROM FRIENDLY ARTY.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

291520H AT865665 200 VC MOVING NORTH-EAST THROUGH THE VALLEY. WEARING KHAKIES AND GREEN UTILITIES. VC HAD PACKS, HELMETS, FLAK JACKETS, RIFLES, 2 40MM ROCKET LAUNCHERS OR MORTAR TUBES, AND 2 .50 CAL MACHINE GUNS. FIRE MISSION CALLED, UTILIZING AN AO FOR ADJUSTMENT. LATER A UH-1E DIRECTED AN AIR STRIKE OF 3 FLIGHTS OF FIXED WING. NO ASSESSMENT OF CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE DUE TO THICK BRUSH AND DARKNESS.

300830H AT865666 55 VC MOVING SOUTH-WEST ON A TRAIL, WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. VC EQUIPPED WITH HELMETS, PACKS, FLAK JACKETS AND RIFLES. CALLED FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 25 VC KIA PROBABLE.

301830H AT869665 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC MOVING NORTH-EAST INTO VALLEY. WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. VC EQUIPPED WITH PACKS, RIFLES, HELMETS, AND FLAK JACKETS. CALLED FIRE MISSION AND AN AIR STRIKE RESULTING IN 4 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 33 VC KIA PROBABLE.

311100H AT869665 150 VC MOVING SOUTH-WEST ON OR NEAR A TRAIL. VC WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. EQUIPPED WITH PACKS, RIFLES, AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. CALLED FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS DUE TO THICK BRUSH. 1 USMC WIA (MED-EVAC) FROM FRIENDLY ARTY.

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2. TERRAIN: VEG. - BRUSH 15' HIGH AND V. THICK. 30' CANOPY IN LOW GROUND BUT NOT ON THE RIDGE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ IS A GOOD MULTI-CH-46 ZONE OF 1' HIGH GRASS VIC. AT867658. THE EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD MULTI-CH-46 ZONE OF HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS VIC. AT866657. THE OP, VIC. AT870664, HAS EXCELLANT 360 DEGREE OBSERVATION INCLUDING THE TWO TRAILS SHOWN ON THE OVERLAY. TRAILS: (1) 2'-3' WIDE. WELL USED AND RECENTLY USED. (2) 2' WIDE AND VERY WELL USED. (3) 1' WIDE AND MODERATELY USED. (4) 1' WIDE AND NOT RECENTLY USED. (5) 1' WIDE AND NOT RECENTLY USED.

ON THE SIGHTING OF 200 VC THE VC WERE IN A LONG COLUMN, CONSISTING OF GROUPS OF 4 MEN 15 METERS APART. THE SIGHTING OF 150 VC WAS ALSO A COLUMN, BUT THE VC WERE IN GROUPS OF 40 SPACED 40 METERS APART. ATTACHED TOPOGRAPHY DRAWING INDICATES A RIDGE LINE NOT PROPERLY SHOWN ON THE MAP.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: 1 WIA FRIENDLY

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HAVE PREPLANNED CONCENTRATIONS PLOTTED AND PLOT EXTENSIVE H&I'S OR TPQ-10'S ON HILL #310 DUE TO HEAVY VC ACTIVITY THERE.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

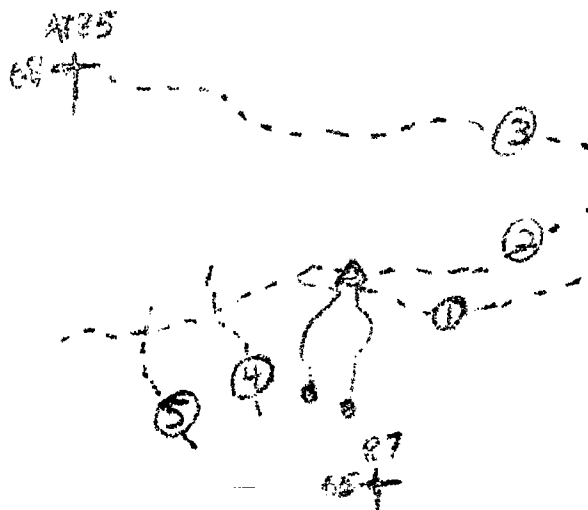
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT KEDDY
CPL GROTE
PFC HOUCK
PVT BARNES
PFC TAYLOR
PFC RILEY

PFC AGUIRRE
PFC O'CAMPO
LCPL FLETCHER
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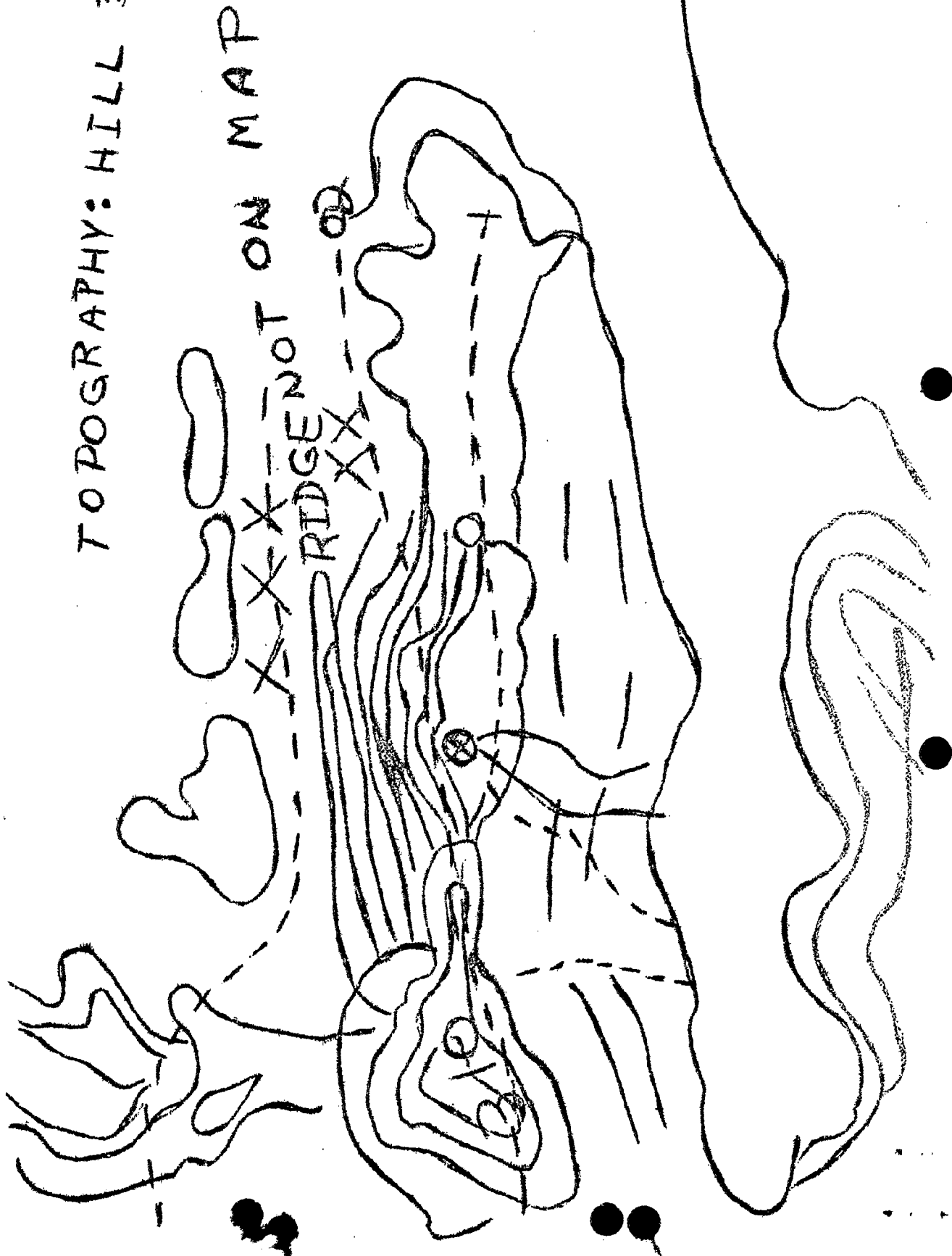
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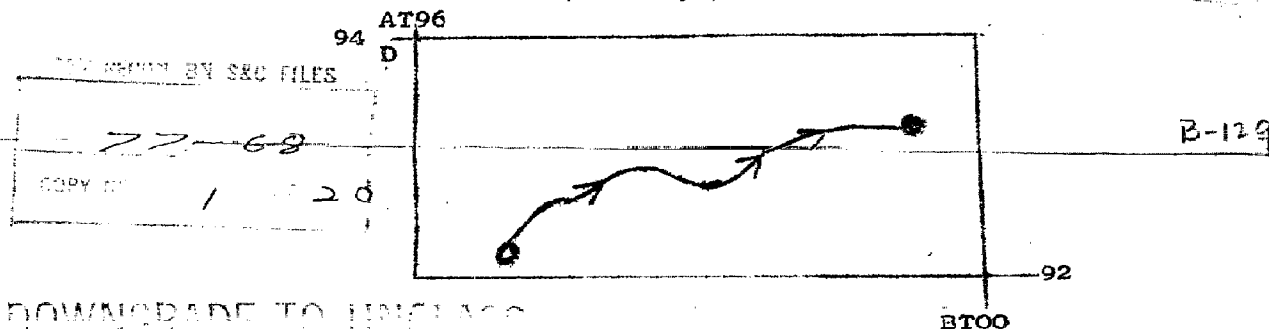
Unit/Call Sign: A-1-2 (BAR KEEP) Patrol Leader: SGT ULSTAD

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. To conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration. Special emphasis to be given on locating possible Anti-Aircraft gun sites, storage areas, fortifications, etc. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FUNCH on 25 Jan; insert vic AT965921. Extract on 29 Jan vic AT995932. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
 Artillery: (a) PATTY SPELL "LX" 35.95
 (b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (c) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45
 (d) NEWSBOY "I" 37.50
 (SWIFT BOATS)

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY UNIFORM
PAL JOEY X-RAY 34.00

Distribution:

-G-2	(1)
-G-3	(2)
-Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 5thMar	(1)
CO, Btry "A" 1stLAAMBn	(1)
CO, 1stBn5thMar	(1)
-Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co. "A"	(1)
PtlLdr, A-1-2	(1)
Coastal Surveillance Craft (PCP)	(1)



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Unit/Call Sign: A-3-1 (TEXAS PETE) Patrol Leader: LT MCCLARY

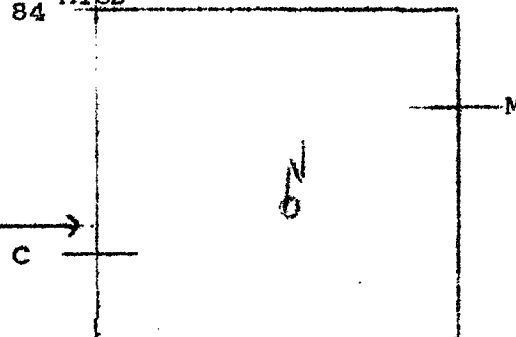
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through Elephant Valley and the Garden of Eden. Provide security for the radio relay team (PAL JOEY X-RAY) on Dong Den Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 24 Jan; insert vic AT837828. Extract on 30 Jan vic AT837828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 35.00
Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "H" 60.85
(b) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
(c) SERVICE MAN "B" 64.60
(d) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45
Radio Relay: PAL JOEY X-RAY

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
G-3 (2)
Div A7 (1)
CO, 11thMar (5)
CO, 7thMar (1)
CO, 2dBrn7thMar (1)
Recon FSCC (1)
Recon S-3 (4)
CO, Co. "A" (1)
PtlLdr, A-3-1 (1)

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Operation Order: 40-30
Patrol: Texas Pete
Debriefing: Capt. R. G. Kicklighter
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014
Sheets: 6641 III

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Da Nang, RVN
291000H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 12 ENL, 1 USN
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 7x50, M-49, Starlight.
 - 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 THROUGH ELEPHANT VALLEY AND THE GARDEN OF EDEN. PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (PAL JOEY X-RAY) ON DONG DEN MOUNTAIN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/LIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240800H/290900H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 145 HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 8 VC & 3 CAMP FIRES. 2 FIRE MISSIONS CALLED WITH 2 KIA CONF & 4 KIA PROB.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

281425H AT875864 8 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ON TRAIL. BLK IJ'S & HEAVY CAMOUFLAGE, RACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING CCV, 2 KIA CONF & 4 KIA PROB.

281920H AT874866 3 CAMP FIRES, CALLED FM, 60 MINUTE DELAY DUE TO SAVE-A-PLANE. OUTSTANDING CCV, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS. BELIEVE TO BE BODY SNATCHERS. REF R-281500H HE ADVISED FIRE WENT OUT.
 - B. TERRAIN: N/A
7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 2 KIA CONF & 4 KIA PROB.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NEEDS BC SCORIE, 4 PHONES, MORE WORK ON IMPLACEMENTS, SOME WIRE ON EAST AND WEST.
11. SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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13. Patrol Member

Lt McCLARY
CPL LUCAS
CPL MUNOZ
CPL COMBS
PFC RAGSDALE
PFC HUNTER
PFC JENNINGS

PFC JOHNSON
PFC BURY
HM3 TISSOT
PFC DAMROW
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 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder msg #49-68

Unit/Call Sign: A-3-2 (CHILI PEPPER) Patrol Leader: Sgt YOUNG

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 Duc Duc Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 24 Jan; insert vic AT797528. Extract on 29 Jan vic AT797528. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.40; Alternate: 37.90
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "I" 36.15
 (b) SALUTATION "Q" 43.20
 (c) PATTY SHELL "K" 37.15

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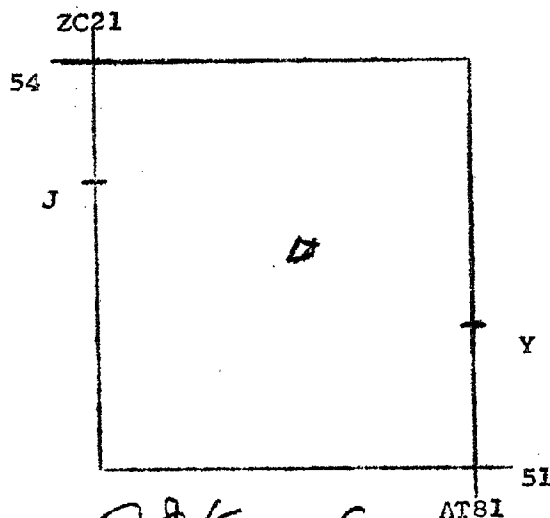
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Radio Relay: (a) PAL JOEY ZULU
 (b) LUCKY LARK (22-28 Jan)

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Div A2	(1)
CO, 11th Mar	(5)
CO, 3d Bn 7th Mar	(1)
CO, 7th Mar	(1)
Recon Fsoc	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co. "A"	(1)
PtILdr, A-3-2	(1)



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Operation Order: 49-88
 Patrol: Chili Pepper
 Debriefed: Capt. R. C. Kicklighter
 Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; AMS L7014
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 Da Nang, RVN
 291015H Jan 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 14 ENL, 1 USF, 1 OFF.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 7x50, M-49
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-79, M-60, 6 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. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 241330H/291000H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 141 HOURS WITH 21 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 241 VC. 21 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED RESULTING IN 9 KIA CONF & 27 KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

251130H AT802478 8 VC MOVING EAST ON PADDY DIKE AND TRAIL. 2 BLK PJ'S, 6 KHAKIS, BUSHES FOR CAMOUFLAGE, LARGE PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, VC MOVED INTO TREELINE EXCEL COV, UNABLE TO OBSERVE. AO CAME IN AREA NEGATIVE RESULTS. TREELINE OBSTRUCTED OBSERVATIONS.

251730H AT806480 3 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL & PADDY DIKE. KHAKIS, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE DUE TO AO AND FIXED WING IN VICINITY. VC MOVED INTO TREELINE, COULD NOT OBSERVE VC CONTINUING TO OBSERVE AREA.

251830H AT812496 6 VC MOVING SOUTHEAST ON TRAIL. KHAKIS & PACKS. CALLED FM, 2 KIA PROB ON FIRST ROUND. VC MOVED INTO TREELINE, CONTINUED FM. EXCEL COV, COULD NOT OBSERVE FURTHER DUE TO VEGETATION & DARKNESS.

261155H AT829521 3 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. BLK PJ'S & COOLIE HATS, 1 RIFLE, PACKS. VC MOVED INTO TREELINE. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV, 1 DIRECT HIT WITH VT. UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO HEAVY VEGETATION.

261545H AT801468 44 NVA MOVING WEST TO EAST ACROSS PADDY DIKES AND TRAILS. MIXED GREENS AND KHAKI, LARGE PACKS, RIFLES, 2 MORTAR TUBES (60 MM). CALLED FM, WITH PATTY SHELL "K" WHILE IN PROGRESS ALSO CALLED STOOBILL. 1 KIA CONF. LATER PICKED UP BY 2 NVA. NVA MOVED INTO TREELINE. ADJUSTED BOTH STOOB BILL AND

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PATTY SHELL "K" IN ZONE FIRE THROUGH TREELINE. ENDED FM WITH PATTY SHELL "K" WITH 6 MORE PROBS. CONTINUED SPOONBILL ENDED FM AFTER 45 MINUTES FIRE WITH 9 MORE KIA PROBS FOR SPOON BILL. HAVE CALLED H&I'S IN SAME AREA, REQUEST AO TO OBSERVE DAMAGE.

261710H AT806500 2 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ALONG TREELINE. BLK PJ'S, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, VC MOVED INTO TREELINE COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREELINE.

261730H AT807477 41 NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. KHAKIS, LARGE PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, WITH PATTY SHELL "K" & SPOON BILL. INITIAL ROUNDS COVERED APPROXIMATELY 10 NVA, 3 KIA CONF. NVA MOVED INTO TREELINE, HAMMERED TREELINE. 6 SMALL SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. 15 NVA MOVED OUT OF THE LINE TO EAST, CONTINUED FM ACROSS NEW RICE PADDY. NVA MOVED INTO ANOTHER TREELINE. CONTINUES FM, BUT COULD NO LONGER OBSERVE DUE TO DARKNESS. EXCEL COV OF AREA. AO CAME INTO AREA, TOO DARK TO OBSERVE.

271050H AT802474 6 NVA MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. KHAKI, HUGE PACKS, RIFLES, HELMETS & BUSHES FOR CAMOUFLAGE. 1 NVA WAS CARRYING A BODY. CALLED FM, NVA MOVED INTO TREELINE, GOOD COVERAGE COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO TREELINE. WE SUSPECT BODY FROM FM YESTERDAY.

271235H AT834515 6 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAILS & PADDY DIKES & THROUGH TREELINES. KHAKI WITH LARGE BUSHES FOR CAMOUFLAGE, RIFLES & PACKS. CALLED FM, VC MOVING VERY FAST WITH WIDE D DISTANCE BETWEEN EACH ONE GOOD COV, VC MOVED INTO TREELINE. COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO TREELINE.

271330H AT801479 17 NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. KHAKI, LARGE PACKS, RIFLES & HELMETS. NVA WERE MOVING A FEW AT A TIME ACROSS VISIBLE PADDY INTO TREELINE. CALLED FM LAST FEW NVA MOVED ACROSS PADDY INTO TREELINE, FIRED INTO TREELINE AND SURROUNDING AREA. EXCEL COV UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO TREELINE.

271830H AT801478 7 VC MOVING EAST ON TRAILS & PADDY DIKES. BLK BJ'S & PACKS. CALLED BENCH MARK 12 WITH FINGER PRINT 51 TO CHECK OUT AREA. 12 CALLED FM, EXCEL COV OF AREA. 1 SMALL SECONDARY EXPLOSION CAUSING STRUCTURE TO BURN DOWN. COULD OBSERVE NO FURTHER DUE TO DARKNESS.

281030H AT802486 15 NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. KHAKIS, LARGE PACKS & RIFLES. NVA MOVED INTO TREELINE. CALLED FM, GOOD COV, 2 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION. UNABLE TO OBSERVE FURTHER DUE TO TREELINE.

281215H AT801478 9 NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. KHAKIS, LARGE PACKS, RIFLES & HELMETS. CALLED FM, NVA MOVED INTO TREELINE AS THE LAST 3 REACHED TREELINE A ROUND LANDED ON TOP OF THEM. 3 KIA PROB.

281310H AT812482 4 NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAILS AND PADDY DIKES. KHAKIA, LARGE PACKS, RIFLES, HELMETS & BUSHES FOR CAMOUFLAGE. CALLED FM, NVA MOVED INTO TREELINE. 1 LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION. COULD OBSERVE NO FURTHER DUE TO TREELINE.

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281345H AT811495 20 NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. KHAKIS, PACKS, RIFLES & HELMETS. 7 NVA MOVED INTO STRUCTURE. 13 AROUND SAME STRUCTURE. COULD OBSERVE VILLAGERS MOVING OUT. CALLED FM, 1 ROUND ON TOP OF 5 NVA, 2 KIA CONF & 3 KIA PROB. AO WAS CALLED IN BUT WAS CALLED OUT TO PRIORITY MISSION. RESUMED ARTY, 1 STRUCTURE DESTROYED.

281655H AT828488 10 NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL AND THROUGH TREE-LINE. GRAY KHAKI, LARGE PACKS, RIFLES & BUSHES FOR CAMOUFLAGE. CALLED FM, 1ST ROUND ON TWO NVA BEHIND TREELINE, 2 KIA PROB. NVA MOVED INTO TREELINE, EXCEL COV, UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO TREELINE.

281830H AT802476 8 NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. KHAKI, LARGE PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, NVA MOVED INTO TREELINE AS ONE ROUND HIT. 2 KIA PROB, EXCEL COV.

281830H AT812483 19 VC MOVING IN GROUPS OF 2's & 3's TOWARDS A FIRE. BLK PJ'S, PACKS & RIFLES. CALLED FM, EXCEL COV AROUND FIRE. FIRE EXTINGUISHED, UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO DARKNESS.

281530H AT802475 10 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ACROSS RICE PADDY DIKES AND BACK TO SOUTHWEST ON SAME DIKE. MIXED KHAKIS & BLK PJ'S, PACKS & RIFLES. OBSERVED VC SUSPECTS RUNNING NORTHEAST FROM A TREELINE WITH RIFLES TO ANOTHER TREELINE AND BACK WITH RIFLES & PACK. CALLED FM, WHILE WAITING FOR CLEARANCE, VC MADE MANY TURNS. ONE VC WAS STANDING IN MIDDLE OF PADDY ACTING AS IF HE WERE IN COMMAND. FIRST ROUND LANDED JUST AS 2 VC WERE RIGHT BE-SIDE ONE STANDING IN PADDY. DIRECT HIT, 3 KIA CONF. CONTINUED TO HIT BOTH TREELINES, UNABLE TO OBSERVE FURTHER DUE TO TREELINE. THIS IS APPROXIMATELY SAME AREA AS PREVIOUS SIGHTINGS. SUSPECT PACKS TO BE FROM PREVIOUS KILLS.

B. TERRAIN: VEGETATION- HIGH GROUND TO SOUTHWEST WITH 1 FOOT SCRUB BRUSH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AND EXTRACT LZ AT797528 GOOD 1 CH-46 LZ, BALD AREA. TRAILS RAN THROUGH LZ, 1 FOOT WIDE AND WELL USED 3 MONTHS AGO. OP'S WERE QUESTANDING. 1 BUNKER BELIEVED TO BE IN VICINITY OF AT811495.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: AO'S TOOK SMALL ARMS FIRE WHEN OVER AREA. AT LEAST 12 CLAYMORES, 2 M-60'S IF POSSIBLE.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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PFC FORD
LCPL BROWNSON
HN BERGMAN
PFC GAXIOLA
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