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1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
FPO, San Francisco, California 96602

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To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF (G-3)
Subj: Command Chronology for period 010001H Apr 1968 to 302400H
Apr 1968

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8
(c) DivO 5750.23

Encl: ✓(1) 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein) Command Chronology
Apr 1968

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b)
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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020000H Apr 68 TO 302400H Apr 68

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein) Lt. Col. B. C. STINEMETZ 1-30Apr68

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company
Company "A"
Company "B"
Company "C"
Company "D"

1st Lt. L. J. GRASSILLI, Jr. 1-30Apr68
1st Lt. B. G. MEINERS 1-30Apr68
Capt. R. F. DRAKE 1-30Apr68
Capt. H. R. METZLER 1-30Apr68
Capt. R. M. STACY 1-25Apr68
1st Lt. K. B. SCHREIBER 26-30Apr68
1st Lt. P. R. BADGER 1-30Apr68

Company "E"

ATTACHED UNITS

1st Force Reconnaissance Company
Company "E" 5th Recon Bn.

Maj. B. H. WALKER IV 1-30Apr68
Capt. J. E. HENDRICKS 1-30Apr68

2. LOCATIONS

1-30 Apr 68; Companies "A", "B", "D", "E", "B" 5th Recon Bn. and
H&S: Da Nang, RVN. 1-30 Apr 68; 1st Force Reconnaissance Company
and Company "C": Phu Bai, RVN.

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer
Adjutant/S-1
S-2
S-3
S-3A
S-4
Supply Officer
Communications Officer
Motor Transport Officer

Maj. J. T. NICHOLS 1-30Apr68
1st Lt. H. B. BURTON 1-30Apr68
1st Lt. C. P. MCBRIDE 1-30Apr68
Maj. D. J. KEATING, Jr. 1-30Apr68
Capt. W. R. WARREN 1-30Apr68
1st Lt. R. D. HARRISON 1-30Apr68
1st Lt. W. R. RAMSEY 1-30Apr68
1st Lt. H. C. VOGT 1-29Apr68
1st Lt. J. P. ROOT 29-30Apr68
1st Lt. D. J. KIRSH 1-30Apr68

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC
OFF BNL
43 1046

USN
OFF BNL
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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein) conducted normal patrolling, salvage recovery and SCUBA activities in general support of the 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF, during the month of April 1968. The results of this activity are documented in Part IV.

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 01Apr68 During the entire month of Apr 1968, the Battalion continued to support units of the 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF, in SCUBA/salvage operations.
- 01Apr68 1st Division Schools Mobile Instruction Team training commenced for members of this command.
- 03Apr68 Reconnaissance Indoctrination Course 5-68 terminated for members of this command.
- 03Apr68 1st Division Schools Mobile Instruction Team training terminated for members of this command.
- 05Apr68 A one day Forward Observer's School conducted by "K" Btry 4/11 for members of this command.
- 08Apr68 1st Division Schools Mobile Instruction Team training commenced for members of this command.
- 09Apr68 Forward Observer's School conducted by 11th Mar Regt for members of this command.
- 10Apr68 1st Division Schools Mobile Instruction Team training terminated for members of this command.
- 10Apr68 Land Mine Warfare School conducted by 1st Eng Bn for members of this command.
- 10Apr68 Operation JASPER SQUARE commenced with 1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Rein) in direct support.
- 12Apr68 A one day Forward Observer's School conducted by "K" Btry 4/11 for members of this command.
- 13Apr68 Maj. Gen. R.G. STILWELL, Deputy C.G. III MAF (Army), visited this command and was given a Command briefing by the Battalion Commander, Lt. Col. B.C. STINEBETZ, on Conduct of Reconnaissance Operations.

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14Apr68 Operation JASPER SQUARE terminate.

18Apr68 Lt. General R. B. CUGHMAN, Jr., C.G., III MAF and party of the Honorable CHARLES S. GUSSEY, Republican Representative to Congress from California, and the Honorable DONALD J. IRWIN, Democratic Representative to Congress from Connecticut, visited this command and were given a Command briefing by the Battalion Commander Lt. Col. B. C. STINEMBTZ on Conduct of Reconnaissance Operations.

19Apr68 A one day Forward Observer School was conducted by "K" Btry 4/11 for members of this command.

21Apr68 BGen. G. D. WEBSTER, Assistant Division Commander, 1st Marine Division (Rein), visited this command and was given a Command briefing by Battalion Commander Lt. Col. B. C. STINEMBTZ on Conduct of Reconnaissance Operations.

26Apr68 A one day Forward Observer School was conducted by "K" Btry 4/11 for members of this command.

28Apr68 Operation QUICK TRACK commenced with 1st Reconnaissance Battalion in direct support.

29Apr68 Operation BALLARD VALLEY commenced with 1st Reconnaissance Battalion in direct support.

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 - ✓ E. Forward Observer & Mine Warfare Course
 - ✓ F. Mobile Instruction Team Training

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A. Statistical Data Chart

	<u>DA NANG</u>	<u>PHU BAI</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
Patrols	80	53	133
Sightings	235	65	350
VC Sighted	2997	486	3483
Pine Missions	196	19	215
Air Strikes	35	0	35
NGF Missions	0	0	0
VC KIA (Colt)	290	39	329
IWC	3	7	10
VCC	2	2	4
Detainees	2	0	2
USMC Casualties	7	12	19
DOW	0	0	0
RIA	1	1	2
WIA (Evac)	6	0	6
MIA	0	0	0
NBC (Evac)	0	0	0

Operations:

JASPER SQUARE
QUICK TRACK
BALLARD VALLEY

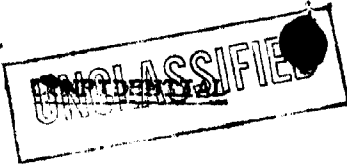
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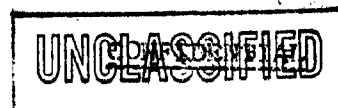
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1st Force Reconnaissance Company(Rein)
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
APO, San Francisco, California 96602

PHU BAI COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
010000H Apr 68 TO 002400H Apr 68

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

1st Force Reconnaissance Company(Rein) Maj. E.H. WALKER IV 1-30Apr68

ATTACHED UNITS

Company "C" 1st Recon Bn.(Rein) Capt. H.R. METZLER 1-30Apr68

2. LOCATION

1-30 April 1968, 1st Force Reconnaissance Company (Rein): PHU
BAI, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

S-2

S-3

Supply Officer

Communications Officer

Capt. W.E. NELSON 1-30Apr68

Capt. F.J. VOGEL 1-30Apr68

Capt. J.W. FERRINE 1-9Apr68

Capt. F.J. VOGEL 10-30Apr68

1stLt. W.C. CRAVEN 1-30Apr68

1stLt. C.N. RILEY 1-30Apr68

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
1stForReconCo(Rein)	10	158	0	17
Company "C"	4	138	0	0

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The First Force Reconnaissance Company (Rein) conducted Sting Ray and Clandestine long range patrols in general support of Task Force X-Ray, FMF, during the month of April 1968. The results of this activity are documented in Part IV.

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 01Apr68 During the month of Apr 1968, the Company continued to support Task Force X-Ray in reconnaissance operations.
- 01Apr68 During the month of Apr 1968, Operation HOUSTON continued with 1st Force Recon Co(Rein) in general support.
- 10Apr68 Operation BAXTER GARDEN commenced 190600H with 1st Force Recon Co(Rein) in general support.
- 26Apr68 Operation BAXTER GARDEN terminated at 261200H.

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- #5: Bn OpOrder 173-68 dtd 24 Mar 68
- #6: Hanover Sue B-V-1 Patrol Report dtd 6 Apr 68
- #7: Bn OpOrder 174-68 dtd 24 May 68
- #8: Aunt Mable B-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 2 Apr 68
- #9: Bn OpOrder 175-68 dtd 24 Mar 68
- #10: Lay Fly South E-4-3 Patrol Report dtd 1 Apr 68
- #11: Bn OpOrder 178-68 dtd 26 Mar 68
- #12: Paddle Boat E-4-2 Patrol Report dtd 2 Apr 68
- #13: Bn OpOrder 179-68 dtd 27 Mar 68 W/Ch 1 & 2 dtd 29 & 31 Mar 68
- #14: Panama Hat B-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 4 Apr 68
- #15: Bn OpOrder 180-68 dtd 27 Mar 68
- #16: Elf Skin D-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 9 Apr 68
- #17: Bn OpOrder 181-68 dtd 28 Mar 68
- #18: Serviceman E-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 6 Apr 68
- #19: Bn OpOrder 182-68 dtd 28 Mar 68
- #20: Gold Lemon/West Orange D-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 6 Apr 68
- #21: Bn OpOrder 183-68 dtd 28 Mar 68
- #22: Rock Pat D-3-2 Patrol Report dtd 6 Apr 68
- #23: Bn OpOrder 184-68 dtd 28 Mar 68
- #24: Parallel Bars E-3-3 Patrol Report dtd 4 Apr 68
- #25: Bn OpOrder 185-68 dtd 28 Mar 68
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- #37: Bn OpOrder 191-68 dtd 30 Mar 68
- #38: Big Flower D-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 7 Apr 68
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- #40: Moon Dash E-2 Patrol Report dtd 7 Apr 68
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- #42: Scandinavia E-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 9 Apr 68
- #43: Bn OpOrder 194-68 dtd 31 Mar 68
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- #46: Deer lodge E-1-3 Patrol Report dtd 8 Apr 68

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 #50: Wedding Ring A-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 5 Apr 68
 #51: Bn OpOrder 198-68 dtd 3 Apr 68
 #52: Lucky Lark A-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 6 Apr 68
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 #60: Flaky Snow E-2-3 Patrol Report dtd 10 Apr 68
 #61: Bn OpOrder 203-68 dtd 3 Apr 68
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 #63: Bn OpOrder 204-68 dtd 4 Apr 68
 #64: Day Fly D-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 12 Apr 68
 #65: Bn OpOrder 205-68 dtd 5 Apr 68
 #66: Aunt Mable B-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 12 Apr 68
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 #70: East Day D-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 13 Apr 60
 #71: Bn OpOrder 208-68 dtd 6 Apr 68
 #72: Parallel Bars E-3-3 Patrol Report dtd 17 Apr 68
 #73: Bn OpOrder 209-68 dtd 6 Apr 68
 #74: Panama Hat B-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 11 Apr 68
 #75: Bn OpOrder 210-68 dtd 6 Apr 68
 #76: Albrook B-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 12 Apr 68
 #77: Bn OpOrder 211-68 dtd 6 Apr 68
 #78: Lucky Lark A-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 10 Apr 68
 #79: Bn OpOrder 212-68 dtd 7 Apr 68
 #80: Wedding Ring A-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 13 Apr 68
 #81: Bn OpOrder 213-68 dtd 7 Apr W/Ch 1 dtd 8 Apr 68
 #82: Prime Cut E-4-1 Patrol Report dtd 17 Apr 68
 #83: Bn OpOrder 214-68 dtd 7 Apr 68
 #84: Night Scholar BV-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 12 Apr 68
 #85: Bn OpOrder 215-68 dtd 8 Apr 68
 #86: Cayenne B-3-2 Patrol Report dtd 14 Apr 68
 #87: Bn OpOrder 216-68 dtd 8 Apr 68
 #88: Moon Dash E-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 14 Apr 68
 #89: Bn OpOrder 217-68 dtd 9 Apr 68
 #90: Serviceman E-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 16 Apr 68
 #91: Bn OpOrder 218-68 dtd 9 Apr 68
 #92: West Orange D-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 15 Apr 68

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#93: Bn OpOrder 219-68 dtd 9 Apr 68
 #94: Rio Grande E-3-2 Patrol Report dtd 15 Apr 68
 #95: Bn OpOrder 220-68 dtd 9 Apr 68
 #96: Manover Sue BV-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 16 Apr 68
 #97: Bn OpOrder 221-68 dtd 10 Apr 68
 #98: Ipswich D-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 18 Apr 68
 #99: Bn OpOrder 222-68 dtd 10 Apr 68
 #100: Big Flower A-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 17 Apr 68
 #101: Bn OpOrder 223-68 dtd 10 Apr 68
 #102: ~~Bn OpOrder~~ Musk Ox BV-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 18 Apr 68
 #103: Bn OpOrder 224-68 dtd 11 Apr 68
 #104: Lucky Lark A-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 19 Apr 68
 #105: Bn OpOrder 225-68 dtd 11 Apr 68
 #106: Lynch Law BV-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 17 Apr 68
 #107: Bn OpOrder 226-68 dtd 11 Apr 68
 #108: Scandanavia E-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 17 Apr 68
 #109: Bn OpOrder 227-68 dtd 11 Apr 68
 #110: Deer lodge E-1-3 Patrol Report dtd 18 Apr 68
 #111: Bn OpOrder 228-68 dtd 12 Apr 68
 #112: Flaky Snow E-2-3 Patrol Report dtd 20 Apr 68
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 #116: Albrook E-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 23 Apr 68
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 #118: Auditor D-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 22 Apr 68
 #119: Bn OpOrder 233-68 dtd 13 Apr 68
 #120: Ala King A-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 21 Apr 68
 #121: Bn OpOrder 234-68 dtd 13 Apr 68 W/Ch 1 & 2 dtd 16 & 17 Apr 68
 #122: Panama Hat B-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 23 Apr 68
 #123: Bn OpOrder 235-68 dtd 14 Apr 68
 #124: Page Avenue EV-3-2 Patrol Report dtd 23 Apr 68
 #125: Bn OpOrder 236-68 dtd 14 Apr 68
 #126: Night Scholar EV-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 23 Apr 68
 #127: Bn OpOrder 237-68 dtd 14 Apr 68
 #128: Aunt Lable B-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 22 Apr 68
 #129: Bn OpOrder 238-68 dtd 15 Apr 68
 #130: Wedding Ring A-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 23 Apr 68
 #131: Bn OpOrder 239-68 dtd 15 Apr 68
 #133: Bn OpOrder 240-68 dtd 15 Apr 68
 #132: Lay Fly D-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 23 Apr 68
 #134: Cayenne B-3-2 Patrol Report dtd 22 Apr 68
 #135: Bn OpOrder 241-68 dtd 16 Apr 68
 #136: Moon Dash E-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 22 Apr 68
 #137: Bn OpOrder 242-68 dtd 16 Apr 68
 #138: Moose Peak E-2-2 Patrol Report dtd 22 Apr 68

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- #139: Bn OpOrder 243-68 dtd 17 Apr 68
- #140: West Orange D-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 23 Apr 68
- #141: Bn OpOrder 244-68 dtd 17 Apr 68
- #142: Rio Grande E-2-3 Patrol Report dtd 23 Apr 68
- #143: Bn OpOrder 245-68 dtd 18 Apr 68
- #144: Service Man E-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 25 Apr 68
- #145: Bn OpOrder 246-68 dtd 20 Apr 68
- #146: Rice Krispies A-3-1 Patrol Report dtd 26 Apr 68
- #147: Bn OpOrder 247-68 dtd 20 Apr 68
- #148: Lynch law BV-2-1 Patrol Report dtd 26 Apr 68
- #149: Bn OpOrder 248-68 dtd 20 Apr 68
- #150: Trailer Park A-3-2 Patrol Report dtd
- #151: Bn OpOrder 256-68 dtd 22 Apr 68
- #152: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 68 Parallel Bars E-3-3 Patrol Rpt dtd 28 Apr 68
- #153: Bn OpOrder 257-68 dtd 22 Apr 68
- #154: Manover Sue BV-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 28 Apr 68
- #155: Bn OpOrder 259-68 dtd 23 Apr 68
- #156: Melody Time E-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 30 Apr 68
- #157: Bn OpOrder 260-68 dtd 24 Apr 68
- #158: Lanama Hat E-1-1 Patrol Report dtd 30 Apr 68
- #159: Bn OpOrder 262-68 dtd 24 Apr 68
- #160: West Day D-1-2 Patrol Report dtd 30 Apr 68

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Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6640 III & 6640 IV
 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #167-68

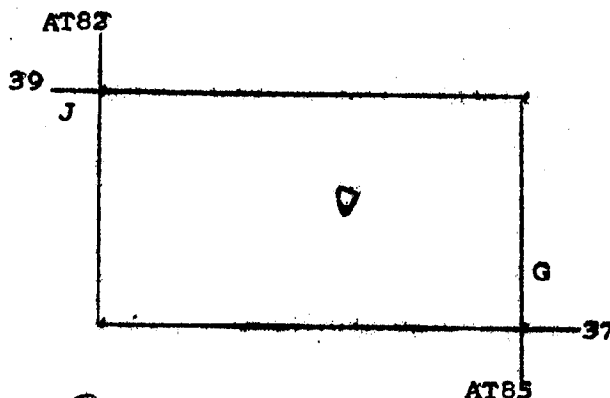
Unit/Call Sign: A-1-1 (AIR HOSB) Patrol Leader: CPL BERR

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 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 to Antenna Valley. Be Prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 24 Mar; insert via AT836378. Extract on 30 Mar via AT836378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SALUTATION "Q" 64.60
 (b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU
 AMERICAL DIV LIAISON: PAL JOEY "W" 37.90

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 3dBn7thMarDiv	(1)
CG, AMERICAL DIV	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co. "B"	(1)
PltLdr, B-3-1	(1)
CO, 7thMar	(1)



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

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OPERATION ORDER: 167-68
PATROL: AIRMOSE A-1-1
DEBRIEFER: L/CPL R. L. ALDRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 III, 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE DN.
DANANG, RVN.
011045H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL. 1 USN.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 DC SCOPE, 1 M-49, 2 7x50'S

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: .50 CAL MG, M-60, M-79, (6 CS), M-14, M-12

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 452 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 TO ANTENNA VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 261435H/011045H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 140 HOURS WITH TWO SIGHTINGS OF 31 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED ONE FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE HOOTCH DESTROYED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

261800H AT881378 15 VC/NVA MOVING EAST TO SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL WEARING MIXED UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH BUCKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

271800H AT879377 16 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL WITH TWO PACK ANIMALS BELIEVED TO BE COWS OR WATER BUFFALO. THE VC WORE MIXED UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED BUCKS AND RIFLES. TWO ROCKET TUBES WERE OBSERVED AND THE ANIMALS CARRIED VERY LARGE BUNDLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE DESTROYED HOOTCH THAT THE VC MOVED INTO. TWO BUNKERS WERE OBSERVED BEHIND THE HOOTCH.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A

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

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9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE HILL IS IN A VERY POOR STATE OF POLICE AND BROOMS SHOULD BE TAKEN BY THE NEXT PATROL. THE BUNKERS NEED REBUILDING AND ROOFS SHOULD BE BUILT AND SANDBAGGED.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL DERR
CPL REVER
LCPL EVANS
LTC BOSS
PFC CASTELLANOS
PFC DELL
PFC PEARCE
PFC PIERCE
PFC RUIZ
PFC GRUNTZMACHER
PFC BISHOP
PFC GROUT

CPL DERR
AIRHOSE A-1-1
PATROL LEADER

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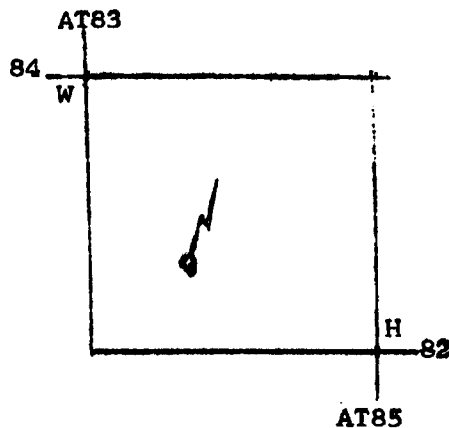
Unit/Call Sign: D-1-2 (SADDLE BAG "N") Patrol Leader SSGT W HUGHES

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/RPZ 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 on opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 24 Mar; insert vic AT837828, Extract on 30 Mar vic AT837828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: ~~25.00~~ 36.4
Artillery: (a) PATTY SHELL "M" 43.20
(b) SERVICE MEN "B" 56.50
(c) "C" 56.50
(d) SCREEN TEST "I" 60.85
(e) SPOON BILL 63.70

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY X-RAY

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
G-3 (2)
Div AO (1)
CO, 11th Mar (5)
CO, 7th Mar (1)
CO, 2d Bn 7th Mar (1)
Recon FSCC (1)
Recon S-3 (4)
CO, Co. "B" (1)
Ptl Ldr, E-1 (1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 168-68
PATROL: FAST DAY D-1-2
DEBRIEFER: L/CPL. R. L. ALBRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEET 6641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
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021130H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL. 1 USN.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, M-49, 2 7x50'S.
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-79, M-60
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 (FAL 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: 271730H/021130H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 150 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN: N/A
7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT COLLEY	PFC OSTOSZEWSKI
CPL CPL PETERSON	PFC CARTER
LCPL TATE	PFC O'CONNELL
PFC COOK	CPL DUNLOW
PFC TOMPKINS	
PFC DESCHAMINE	
HM3 SAILING	
PFC GUALDO	
PFC POLLOCK	
PFC OSTOSZEWSKI	

SSGT COLLEY
FAST DAY D-1-2
PATROL LEADER

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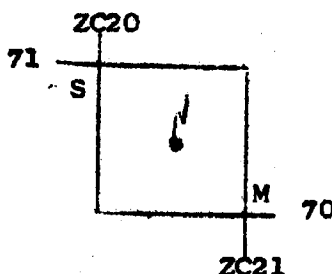
Unit/Call Sign: BV-1 (BLUE SPRUCE 1) Patrol Leader: SSGT MARTIN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: BV 3-2
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/PFZ 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 on 26 Mar; insert vic ZC205704. Extract on 04 Apr vic ZC205704. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 - b. Coordinating instructions
 - (1) Effective 010001H April; the team Call Sign will be HANOVER SUB.
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
(b) SERVICE MAN "C" 56.50
(c) SPOON BILL 63.70

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ROMEO

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. "BV"	(1)
PtlLdr, BV-1	(1)
PtlLdr, BV 3-2	(1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 173-68
 PATROL: HANOVER SUE (D-V)-1
 DESPATCHER: L/CPL R. E. ALDRIGHT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS: 6540 I, 6640 IV, 6541 II
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 060900H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 19 ENL. 2 USN.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

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

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-60, M-79 (WITH 18 FLESHETTE ROUNDS).

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/TFZ 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. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 271500H/060900H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 234 HOURS WITH 7 SIGHTINGS, FOUR OF WHICH WERE CONTACTS WITH A TOTAL OF 8 OBSERVED VC/NVA AND AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF OTHERS. THE PATROL CALLED TWO FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN 1 PROBABLE VC KIA. THE PATROL SUFFERED NO CASUALTIES.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

282110H AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC PROBING THE PATROL'S POSITION WITH ROCKS FROM THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE POSITION. THE PATROL THREW ONE GRENADE RESULTING IN THE MOVEMENT AND PROBING STOPPING.

282130H AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC PROBING THE PATROL'S POSITION WITH ONE INCOMING GRENADE. THE PATROL THREW TWO GRENADES RESULTING IN THE PROBING STOPPING.

282235H 300 METERS NORTHEAST OF THE PATROL'S POSITION THE PATROL OBSERVED ONE FLASHLIGHT MOVING DOWN A DRAW TOWARD THE NORTHWEST. THE PATROL FIRED THE M-79 AT THE LIGHT RESULTING IN THE LIGHT GOING OUT.

282335H 30-50 METERS NORTHEAST OF THE PATROL'S POSITION 5 VC PROBING THE PATROL'S POSITION. THE PATROL FIRED THE M-79 AND THREW GRENADES AND CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE MOVEMENT STOPPING.

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291440H AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC FIRING SMALL ARMS AND RIFLE GRENADES AT THE PATROL'S POSITION. THE VC WERE EQUIPPED WITH CARBINES. THE PATROL RETURNED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND M-79 FIRE AND CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. THE VC BROKE CONTACT.

300120H 2 VC MOVING ON A TRAIL TOWARD THE PATROL'S POSITION FROM THE NORTHWEST. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH RIFLES. THE PATROL ENGAGED THE ENEMY WITH SMALL ARMS AND GRENADES RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA PROBABLE.

300300H AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC MOVING AROUND THE PATROL'S POSITION. THE PATROL ATTEMPTED TO CALL A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT ESTABLISH COMMUNICATION.

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: THE FIGHTING POSITIONS NEED ENFORCING WITH SANDBAGS. GAS LAUNCHERS SHOULD BE READY FOR IMMEDIATE USE AT ALL TIMES. MOUNTING A .50 CAL. MG AND AN M-60 ON TOP OF ONE OF THE STRUCTURES WOULD GIVE THESE GUNS COMPLETE COVERAGE OF THE ENTIRE HILLTOP. PLENTY OF FUEL OIL SHOULD BE TAKEN FOR THE SHITTER. 30 PEOPLE ARE RECOMMENDED.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: FAIR
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:
 - SSGT MARTIN
 - SGT FOREMAN
 - CPL MENDOZA
 - CPL HENDERSON
 - PFC FADNESS
 - CPL MCNANCE
 - CPL BRISBANE
 - CPL LOGER
 - LCPL STOUT
 - LCPL COYLE
 - LCPL BRUNNER
 - LCPL ARMENI
 - LCPL SALAZAR
 - PFC DELORE
 - PVT. FLEMING
 - HM3 WILSON
 - HM3 GAGNER
 - LCPL GWINN
 - PFC MURPHY
 - LCPL LEBLANC
 - LCPL DAVIS

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Unit/Call Sign: B-2-2 (LUCKY LARK) Patrol Leader: Sgt Witmer

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 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 on 27 Mar; insert vic AT998463. Extract on 01 Apr vic AT998463. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

b. Coordinating Instructions

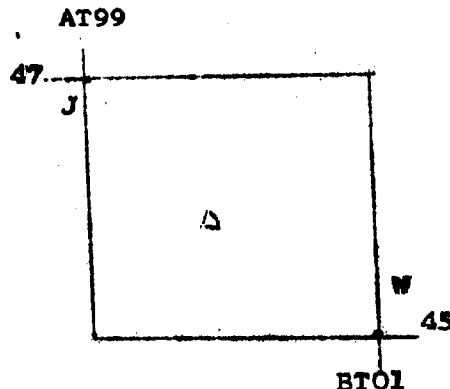
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4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST 47.80
(All FM will go through)
(b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU
AMERICAL DIV LIASON TEAM: PAL JOEY "W" 37.90

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 7thMar	(1)
CO, 3dBn7thMar	(1)
CG, AMERICAL DIV	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co, "A"	(1)
PtlLdr, A-2-2	(1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 174-68
PATROL: AUNT MABLE D-2-2
DEBRIEFER: L/CPL. R. L. ALDRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 IV, 6640 I

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021800H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE , COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 17 ENL. 1 USN.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 3 IRC-25'S, 4 7x50'S, 1 DC SCOPE
1 STARLIGHT SCOPE, 1 M-49

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 2 M-60'S, 2 M-79'S, (WITH 18 CS, 12
FLESHETTE ROUNDS), 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 425 AND CONDUCT RECON-
NAISSANCE 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: 270915H/021800H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 153 HOURS WITH 21 SIGHTINGS
TOTALING 116 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 19 FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN
14 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 3 PROBABLE VC KIA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

271025H AT972522 6 VC MOVING NORTH ON A SANDBAR WEARING GREEN
UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES AND HELMETS. THE PATROL
CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE VC DISPERSED INTO A
TREELINE.

271726H AT970520 18 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A SANDBAR WEARING
GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL
CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA CONFIRMED.

271745H AT970520 9 VC MOVING ACROSS A SANDBAR FROM WEST TO EAST
WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL
CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED.

271810H AT966528 2 VC MOVING WEST ACROSS A SANDBAR WEARING GREEN
UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE
MISSION RESULTING IN THE VC DISPERSED INTO A TREELINE.

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271840H AT972521 3 VC MOVING EAST ACROSS A SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

271900H AT975520 6 VC MOVING EAST ACROSS THE SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING HEAVY PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE CONFIRMED VC KIA.

280645H AT972520 10 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ACROSS A SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE VC DISPERSING INTO A TREELINE.

280722H AT955526 1 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ACROSS THE SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING A PACK AND RIFLE. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

280806H AT972520 3 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ON A SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

280835H AT972521 2 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ACROSS A SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

280905H AT972521 10 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ON THE SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING LARGE PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

280950H AT962526 3 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ON THE SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

281000H AT962526 1 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ON THE SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING A PACK AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE VC DISPERSING INTO A TREELINE.

281100H AT966529 7 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST ON THE SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL DID NOT CALL A FIRE MISSION DUE TO A CHECK FIRE.

281230H AT955526 10 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST ACROSS THE SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING 8 HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA PROBABLE.

281500H AT970520 4 VC MOVING EAST ON THE SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

290720H AT955526 2 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ON THE SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE VC DISPERSING.

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290725H AT955526 10 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ON A SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

291215H AT999514 2 VC MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND HAD ONE RIFLE. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE VC RUNNING INTO A TREELINE.

301515H AT972520 3 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ON THE SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND COOLIE HATS. THEY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THREE VC KIA CONF.

301650H AT972521 4 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ON THE SANDBAR WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING VERY HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

D. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE IS A GOOD SUPPLY OF WATER VIC DT000461. A SNIPER RIFLE WOULD BE EFFECTIVE FOR USE IN THE VALLEY TO THE NORTH.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. WITMER
CPL JONES
LCPL ANDERSON
LCPL PHILLIPS
PFC HICKEY
PFC ALLEN
PFC SAUCEDO
PFC COONS
HN3 ELLIS

PVT MCDOWELL
PFC EGAN
CPL TEAVY
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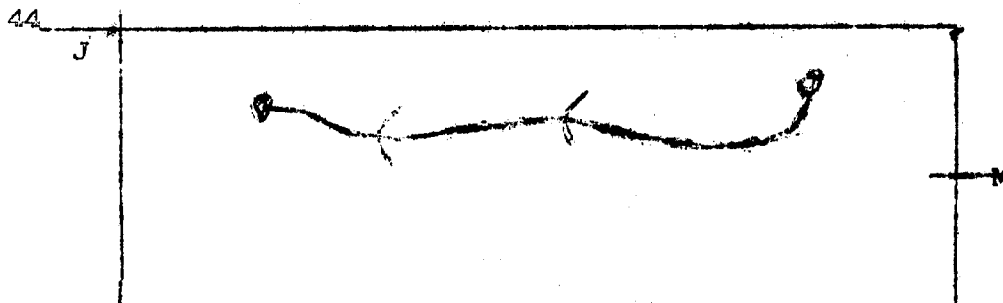
Unit/Call Sign: B-4-3 (MAY FLY SOUTH) Patrol Leader: SSGT MARROQUIN

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 on ridge line north of Antenna Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 26 Mar; insert vic AT939436. Extract on 31 Mar vic AT899435. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b)
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST 44.20
(All FM will go through)
(b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU
AMERICAL LIASON: PAL JOEY "W" 37.90

Distribution:

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CO, 7thMar	(1)
CO, AMERICAL DIV	(1)
CO, Co. "E"	(1)
Recon FSOC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
Plt Ldr, B-4-3	(1)
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PATROL: MAY FLY SOUTH E-4-3
DEBRIEFER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 III, 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
011245H APRIL 1968

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 IRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 4 CLAYMORES, M-79 (WITH 18 FLESHETTE, 3 WHITE STAR CLUSTERS), M-60

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT AND ARMS INFILTRATION ON THE RIDGELINE NORTH OF ANTENNA VALLEY. BE INELATED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 271115H/011245H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 121½ HOURS WITH 18 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 49 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 10 FIRE MISSIONS AND ONE AIR-STRIKE RESULTING IN 8 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 4 VC KIA PROBABLE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

271500H AT924438 3 CAMOUFLAGED HOOTCHES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH FOUR TARGET HITS BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE THE DAMAGE.

281245H AT923437 7 BRICK HOOTCHES AND 3 GRASS HOOTCHES IN THE AREA OBSERVED TO HAVE VC ACTIVITY. THE PATROL CALLED AN AIR STRIKE RESULTING IN ALL STRUCTURES BEING DESTROYED.

291910H AT917456 1 TO 5 TRACKED VEHICLES MOVING TO ONE POINT. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE VEHICLES MOVING OUT ONE AT A TIME TO THE NORTHWEST. THE PATROL CALLED A FLARESHIP ON TARGET BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE ANYTHING. THE PATROL ONLY HEARD THESE VEHICLES.

292330H AT925435 15 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING RIFLES AND BOXES OF AMMO. THE PATROL DID NOT CALL A FIRE MISSION BECAUSE THE PATROL WAS STILL OCCUPIED WITH THE TRACKED VEHICLES.

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300555H AT925435 7 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT WAS UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO DENSE VEGETATION AND DARKNESS.

300630H AT918448 ONE TRACKED VEHICLE HEARD MOVING AROUND IN THE VALLEY. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. AS SOON AS THE FIRST ROUND HIT THE VEHICLE STOPPED MOVING.

300830H AT918448 A TRACKED VEHICLE HEARD MOVING AROUND THE AREA. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. THE VEHICLE'S ENGINE STOPPED RUNNING AFTER FIRST ROUND BUT DUE TO BAD WEATHER THE PATROL COULD NOT OBSERVE ANYTHING.

301520H AT914433 3 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST TO NORTH ALONG THE RIDGELINE INTO THE VALLEY. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 3 CONFIRMED VC KIA. ONE VC CARRIED A POSSIBLE MORTAR TUBE.

310945H AT923438 5 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ALONG A RIVER WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 5 VC KIA CONFIRMED.

301230H AT945435 4 VC MOVING INTO A WOODED HORSESHOE IN THE RIVER. THEY WORE BLACK AND WHITE PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 4 VC KIA PROBABLE.

281030H AT947442 8 VC MOVING NORTH TO SOUTH ON THE RIVER BANK WEARING BLACK AND WHITE PJ'S AND CARRYING RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

280915H AT922435 7 VC MOVING IN THE OPEN TO THE NORTHWEST WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING RIFLES AT SLING ARMS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN AROUND THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF ROLLING HILLS AND OPEN GROUND WITH VERY LITTLE SECONDARY GROWTH. THERE IS WATER IN ALL THE GULLIES AND TRAILS ARE PLENTIFUL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT937429 IS A GOOD ONE ON-46 LZ OF LOW GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT925436 IS A GOOD ONE ON-46 LZ OF LOW GRASS. THE OP USED BY THE PATROL VIC AT933434 OFFERS OBSERVATION FOR 360 DEGREES. (NUI MAT MA) IN THE VIC AT925436 THERE IS ANOTHER OP WITH OBSERVATION TO THE NORTH, NORTHWEST, AND NORTHEAST. VIC AT925436 THERE IS ANOTHER OP WITH OBSERVATION TO THE NORTH. IN THE GRID SQUARE AT8842 AND AT9244 THERE ARE MANY LZ'S.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: ONE USMC NDC (NED-EVAC) OTHERWISE GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: MOVING ON THE RIDGELINE IS RECOMMENDED NORTH OF THE PATROL'S ROUTE. USE AN M-49 SCOT. ALL TRAILS IN THE AREA ARE EXTREMELY WELL USED. THERE ARE MANY WATER BUFFALO IN THE AREA. THE

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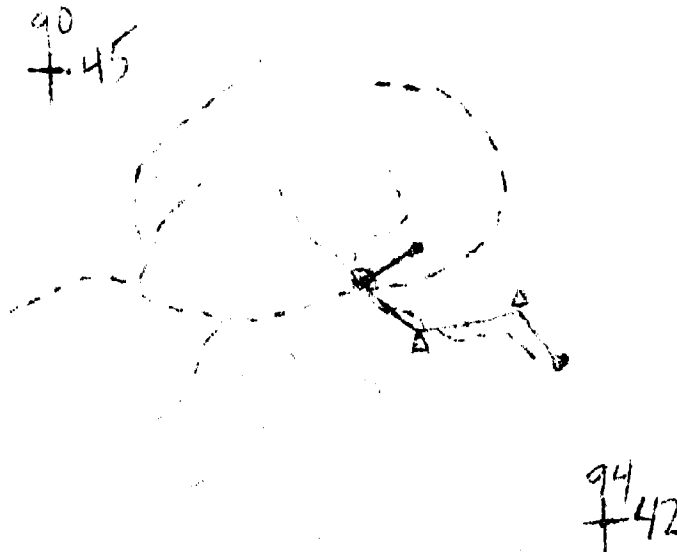
TOP OF NUI MAT MA IS DOOBY TRAPPED. THE PATROL CALLED ARTY ON THE TOP
OF IT TO CLEAR IT.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLANT
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THE AREA OFFERS MANY POSSIBILITIES AND MORE PATROLS
WILL BE RECOMMENDED IN THIS AREA.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT MARBOQUIN
SGT GILES
PFC DAZZAS
PFC BURKE
EAFN FERMISS
PFC HUNTER
PFC LIGUZINSKI
PFC PETROVICH
LN HAMMONS
CPL DUNBAR

SSGT MARBOQUIN
MAY FLY SOUTH E-4-3
PATROL LEADER

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Unit/Call Sign: E-4-2 (GOOD LUCK SOUTH) Patrol Leader: LT SCHADL

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 western Elephant Valley. Special emphasis on setting up an observation post and observing east along Cu De River. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 28 Mar; insert vic AT811871. Extract on 01 Apr vic AT816862. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

b. Coordinating instructions

- (1) Effective 010001 April; the Team call sign will be PADDLE BOAT.

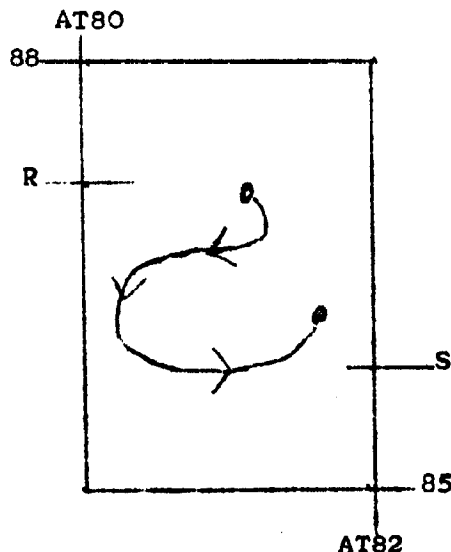
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
 (b) SERVICE MAN "C" 56.50
 (c) PATTY SHELL "M" 41.45
 (d) SPOON BILL 63.70

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY X-RAY

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 PATROL: PADDLEBOAT E-4-2
 DEDRIEFER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 2 OFF. 8 ENL.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S, 1 M-49

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 8 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79 (WITH 2 STAR CLUSTERS, 6 CS, AND 12 FLESHETTE ROUNDS),

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN WESTERN ELEPHANT VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON SETTING UP AN OBSERVATION POST AND OBSERVING EAST ALONG THE OU DE RIVER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 280815H/021215H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 124 HOURS WITH SIX SIGHTINGS TOTALING 435 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 4 FIRE MISSIONS AND 4 AIRSTRIKES RESULTING IN 10 CONFIRMED VC KIA (9 OF WHICH WERE DUE TO FIXED WING), AND 8 VC KIA PROBABLE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

301330H AT810849 20 VC MOVING WEST ON A ROAD WEARING MIXED GREY UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S WITH HELMETS. THE VC WERE EQUIPPED WITH HEAVY PACKS, RIFLES, AND USED DRUSH FOR CAMOUFLAGE. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA PROBABLE,

310910H AT816856 4 VC MOVING EAST ON THE ROAD. THE VC WORE MIXED BLACK PJ'S AND GREY UTILITIES. THE VC WERE EQUIPPED WITH HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL ATTEMPTED TO CALL A FIRE MISSION BUT DUE TO LACK OF COMM COULD NOT UNTIL AFTER THE VC WERE OUT OF SIGHT.

311310H AT820856 53 VC WALKING WEST ON THE ROAD. THE VC WORE BLACK PJ'S, GREY AND KHAKI UTILITIES AND USED PALM LEAVES TO CAMOUFLAGE THEMSELVES. THE VC WERE EQUIPPED WITH HEAVY PACKS, RIFLES AND SOME HAD HELMETS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS DUE TO THICK VEGETATION.

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311345H AT818857 18 VC MOVING WEST ON THE ROAD WEARING MIXED BLACK AND GREY PJ'S. THE VC WERE EQUIPPED WITH HEAVY JACKS AND RIFLES AND POSSIBLY ONE 60MM MORTAR TUBE. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION AND USED SMALL ARMS TO KEEP THE VC IN THE TARGET AREA RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED BY SMALL ARMS. AN AC ARRIVED ON TARGET AND CALLED 3 FLIGHTS OF FIXED WING AFTER TAKING SMALL ARMS FIRE. THE FIXED WING RUNS RESULTED IN 7 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND MANY PROBABLES. ANOTHER AC ARRIVED ON BEATON AND CALLED ANOTHER FLIGHT OF FIXED WING RESULTING IN 3 MORE VC KIA CONFIRMED. MANY SMALL SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS WERE OBSERVED AND HEARD BY THE PATROL. THE TOTAL KILLS WERE 9 KIA CONFIRMED AND 5 PROBABLE.

021050H AT825835 AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC/NVA SHOT AT THE PATROL'S EXTRACT HELICOPTERS WITH SMALL ARMS AND POSSIBLY ONE .50 CAL MG. FIXED WING WAS CALLED WHICH CONDUCTED AIRSTRIKES.

6. ~~DESCRIPTION OF TERRAIN~~ TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE WAS MOUNTAINOUS WITH 20' SECONDARY GROWTH AND CANOPY UP TO 60' HIGH. MOVEMENT WAS VERY DIFFICULT AND THE TRAILS IN THE AREA ARE VERY OLD AND NOT RECENTLY USED. THERE IS A STREAM VIC ZC197860 BUT IT WILL BE DRY IN A MONTH. THERE IS ANOTHER STREAM AT817855 THAT HAS WATER IN IT.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT813872 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 ZONE OF 6' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT811853 IS A POOR ONE CH-46 LZ ON A SLIGHT SLOPE NEAR A BOMB CRATER. THE OL VIC AT807857 OFFERS OBSERVATION TO THE SOUTH. THE OL VIC AT811853 HAS A GOOD VIEW TO THE EAST. IT IS ALSO AN OUTSTANDING AMBUSH SITE WHICH ALLOWS AN AMBUSH OF ELEPHANT VALLEY ROAD AS IT CURVES FROM NORTH TO SOUTH .
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC KIA CONF. BY SMALL ARMS.
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A STARLIGHT SCOPE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLANT
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THE VC ARE USING ELEPHANT VALLEY ROAD OPENLY. AN AMBUSH ON THE ROAD WILL BE RECOMMENDED.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. BADGER
LT SCHADL
CPL TEPPER
CPL UTERHART
LCPL GROPSKI
PFC MOORE
LCPL VINSON
PFC DRYOR
LCPL HENDRY
PFC MORELAND

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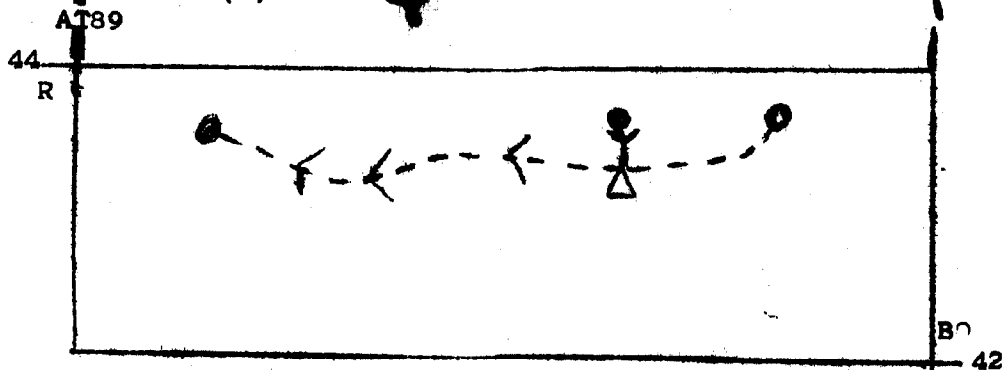
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1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: None
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration on the ridge line north of Antenna Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 01 Apr; insert via AT929439. Extract on 05 Apr via AT929439. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) HIRBLING 44.20
 (b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU

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Plt Ldr, B-1-1	(1)
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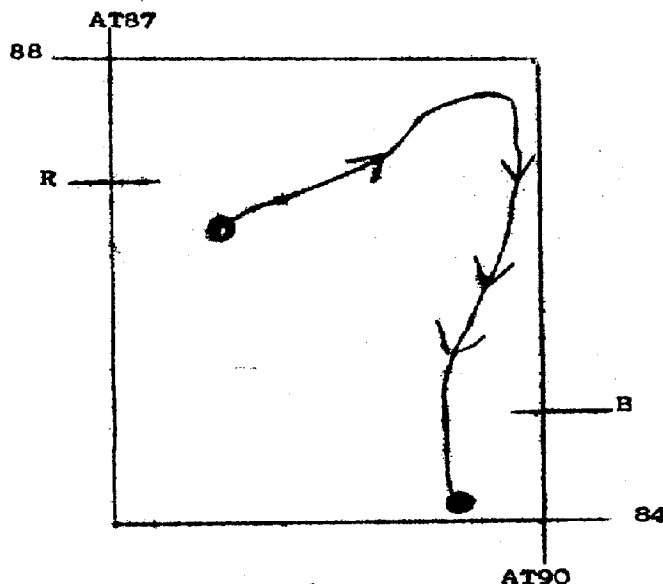
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 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration north of Elephant Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 31 Mar; insert vic AT878866. Extract on 04 Apr vic AT895842. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
- b. Coordinating instructions
 - (1) Effective 010001H Apr; Team call sign will change to PANAMA HAT
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternates: 36.40

Artillery:	(a) SERVICE MAN "B" (SPOON BILL "B")	56.50
	(b) SERVICE MAN "C" (SPOON BILL "C")	56.50
	(c) PATTY SHELL "M" (LUNGA POINT "M")	41.45
	(d) SCREEN TEST "H" (HIRBLING "H")	60.85
	(e) SPOON BILL (NAIL BRUSH)	69.70
	(Effective 010001H April)	

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY X-RAY (GRIM REAPER X-RAY)

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Unit/Call Sign: B-1-1 (BLF SKIN) Patrol Leader: LT BARNES

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 north of Elephant Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of possible rocket launching sites, storage areas and routes of access. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 29 Mar; insert vic AT915879. Extract on 02 Apr vic AT900871. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

b. Coordinating instructions

- (1) Effective 010000H April; Team call sign will become PANAMA HAT.

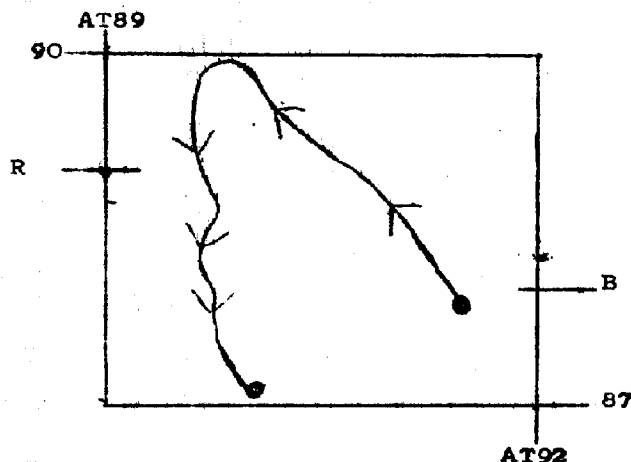
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 Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
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 DANANG, RVN.
 041800H, APRIL '68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 6 ENL. 1 USN. 1 OFF.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

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

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-79, (WITH 12 FLESHETTE ROUNDS, 6 CS), 2 CLAYMORES.

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

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 011100H/041800H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 79 HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTING OF 3 SUSPECTED VC AND ONE VC BREAKING BRUSH TOWARD THE PATROL POSITION. THE PATROL TOOK THE VC UNDER FIRE RESULTING IN VC KIA CONFIRMED. THE THREE VCS WERE TAKEN TO 3/7'S CP FOR QUESTIONING.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

040915H AT924447 3 VCS (FEMALE) DIGGING IN THE RIVER. THEY WORE BLACK T-SHIRTS AND COOLIE HATS. THE VCS HAD NO WEAPONS AND THE PATROL TOOK THEM TO 3/7'S CP FOR QUESTIONING. THE WOMEN DID NOT HAVE ID CARDS IN THEIR POSSESSION.

040920H AT924447 1 VC BREAKING BRUSH TOWARD THE PATROL'S POSITION FROM 200 METERS ACROSS THE RIVER. THE PATROL TOOK THE VC UNDER FIRE RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED. DUE TO QUESTIONABLE TACTICAL SITUATION THE PATROL TOOK DETAINEES AND LEFT THE AREA WITHOUT CHECKING OUT THE BODY.

B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF 2'-3' HIGH GRASS ON THE HIGH GROUND WITH NO CANOPY OR SHADE. IN THE LOW GROUND THE SECONDARY GROWTH CONSISTED OF 6'-8' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS AND 10' SCRUB GROWTH MAKING MOVEMENT VERY DIFFICULT DURING THE DAY IN THE LOW GROUND. THERE IS A GOOD WATER SUPPLY VIC AT938439. IT IS A STREAM NOT SHOWN ON THE M.P. RUNNING FROM NORTHEAST TO SOUTHWEST. ON THE HIGH GROUND THERE ARE MANY GOOD OP'S. IN THE VICINITY

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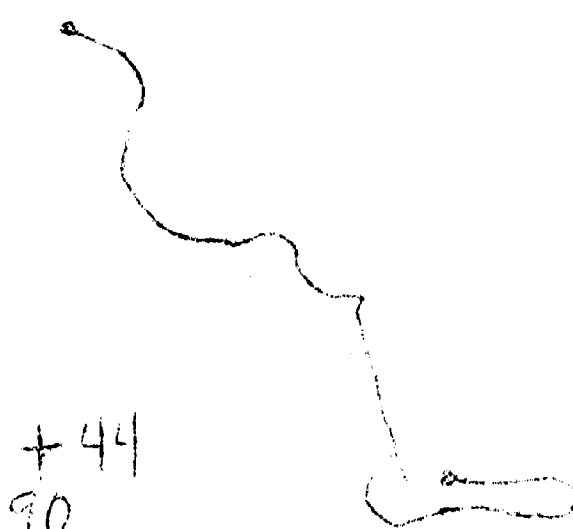
OF AT923454, AT934431, AT929438, AT929430 THERE ARE OP'S WITH LZ'S THAT AFFORD OBSERVATION OF THE VALLEY TO THE NORTH. ANOTHER OP IN THE VIC OF AT938439 WAS USED BY THE PATROL AND IT HAD OBSERVATION TO THE EAST, NORTH-EAST, AND OBSERVATION OF ALLIGATOR LAKE. IT ALSO HAS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ WAS A SMALL ONE CH-46 ZONE OF 2'-3' HIGH GRASS AT THE OP VIC AT938439. THE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED AT AN HOA.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE REPORT OF TRACKED VEHICLES IN THIS AREA HAS BEEN SHOWN TO BE FRIENDLY TANKS AT AN HOA. THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF TRACKS IN THE LOW GROUND AND THE HIGH GROUND CAN NOT BE NAVIGATED BY SUCH VEHICLES. TAKE CLIMBING ROPE AND AVOID MOVEMENT IN THE HEAT OF THE DAY. AN EIGHT CANTEEN MINIMUM SHOULD BE ENFORCED.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. BARNES
LCPL THOMPSON
CPL KLINE
PFC MONROE
PFC HOUSE
PFC MARTINEZ
PFC TERZO
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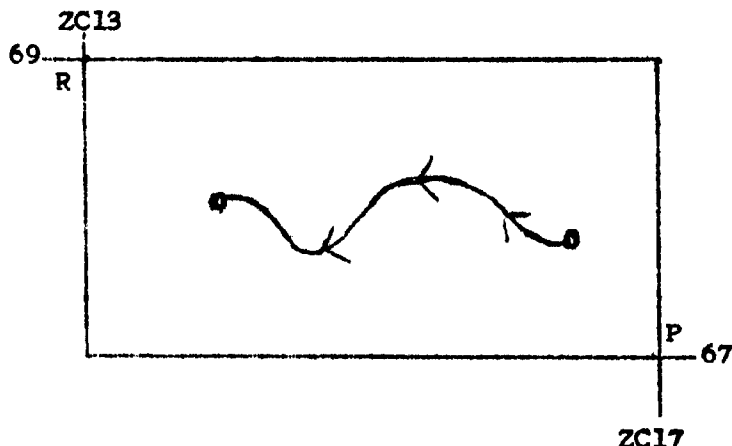
Unit/Call Sign: D-2-1 (RUMMAGE) Patrol Leader: LT PRILLAMAN

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 in Happy Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of 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 29 Mar; insert via ZC164678. Extract on 02 April via ZC139680; Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 - b. Coordinating instructions
 - (1) Effective 010001H April; Team call sign will become ELF SKIN.
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL 63.70
 (b) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50(MAX RANGE)
 (c) SERVICE MAN "C" 56.50(MAX RANGE)

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ROMEO

Distribution:

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Recon FSCC	(1)
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CO, Co. "D"	(1)
Pt Ldr, D-2-1	(1)



Col/Gen
 D. J. KEATING, Jr.
 By direction

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OPERATION ORDER: 180-68
 PATROL: ELF SKIN
 DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 14014
 SHEETS: 65401

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN
 DANANG, RVN
 091430H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL., 1 USN
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 1 TX50's
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 5 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79 (6 CS, 20 SHOTGUN)
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPY VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF 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: 051130/091430
4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 99 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE ENEMY SIGHTINGS AND FIRE MISSIONS. THE PATROL DID FIND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A LARGE ENEMY BASE CAMP.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. ENEMY: NONE
 - b. TERRAIN: CONSISTED OF 60' CANOPY WITH 15' SPARSE SECONDARY GROWTH ON THE HIGH GROUND. THE LOW GROUND IS CHARACTERIZED BY VERY THICK 15' ELEPHANT GRASS. THERE IS NO WATER ON THE HIGH GROUND, BUT SOME TO BE FOUND IN THE LOW GROUND.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE PATROL FOUND A 100-MAN BASE CAMP AT COORD. 164683. IT CONSISTED OF 10 HOOGIES, 3 BUNKERS, 5 BOMB SHELTERS, 2 ANIMAL PENS, WATER CONTAINERS, COOKING UTENSILS, WICKER BASKETS, BUNDLES OF PUNJI STAKES, SPEARS WITH METAL HEADS AND A METAL BEAR TRAP. THE AREA WAS APPROX. 20X200 METERS. IT APPEARED TO BE 8 TO 10 MONTHS OLD BUT APPEARANCES INDICATED THAT SOMEONE HAD USED THE CAMP IN THE LAST WEEK. THE CAMP IS BORDERED ON 2 SIDES BY STREAMS WITH FAST RUNNING WATER AND THERE ARE SEVERAL TRAILS LEADING INTO IT. THE PATROL ALSO FOUND MANY PUNJI PITS ALONG SIDE THE TRAILS THEY CROSSED AND FOLLOWED. MANY TRAIL MARKERS WERE ALSO OBSERVED, BUT NONE OF THEM APPEARED RECENT. THE PATROL FOUND TWO 3X2 TUNNELS AT 144680 NEXT TO A STREAM AND TRAIL JUNCTION. THE PATROL COULD NOT STOP TO CHECK THEM OUT BECAUSE THEY WERE BEING CHASED BY A FIRE AS A RESULT OF THE LZ PREP.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: AREA APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN USED LAST SUMMER, BUT NOT LATELY. MOVEMENT IN THE AREA IS PROBABLY IN THE STREAM BEDS.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: ENEMY MOVEMENT APPEARS TO BE FURTHER TO THE SOUTH AND WEST. THIS TEAM FLIP-FLOPPED AND ANOTHER TEAM IS PRESENTLY WORKING FURTHER TO THE SOUTH.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL JOHNSON
 LCPL SANDERS
 LCPL SWANK
 PFC BURGESS
 PFC DAY
 PFC ROW
 PFC DOWD
 PFC HANSON
 HN DELLINA

CORPORAL L. D. JOHNSON
 ELF SKIN D-2-1
 PATROL LEADER

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 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #181-68

Unit/Call Sign: E-3 (PADDLE BOAT) Patrol Leader: SSGT RASH

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: BnFrag with mine detect. equip.
2. Mission. Establish an observation post and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NPZ/PFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration to the north and northwest. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 30 Mar; insert vic AT851448. Extract on 03 Apr vic AT851448. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

b. Coordinating instructions

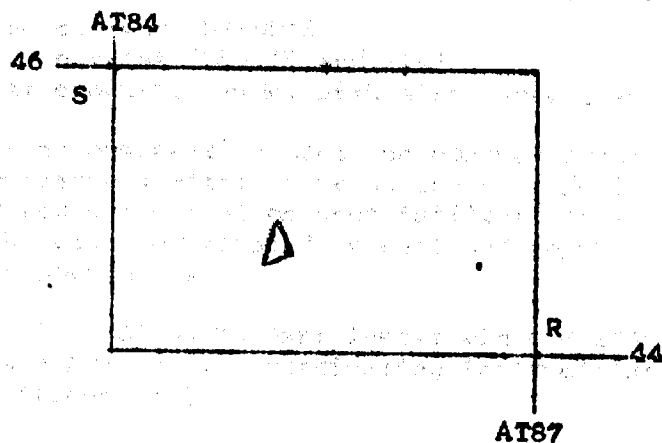
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4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST 44.20
 (b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU
 PAL JOEY WHISKEY 37.90

Distributions:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 3d Bn 7thMar (1)
 Recon FBCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 Plt Ldr, E-3 (1)



OPERATION ORDER: 181-68
 PATROL: SERVICEMAN E-3-1
 DESPATCHER: LT. C. F. McBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEET 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 061745H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 19 ENL. 1 USN.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 1 ENGINEER

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S, 1 M-49,
 1 STARLIGHT

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 10 CLAYMORES, 1 M-69, 1 M-14, 1 M-79, (WITH 6 GS).

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 TO THE NORTH AND NORTHWEST. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 311130H/061745H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 151 HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTING OF FIVE VC/NVA. ONE FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED RESULTING IN TWO VC KIA CONFIRMED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

051815H AT825465 5 VC MOVING NORTHWEST ACROSS RICE PADDIES. THEY WORE BLACK PJAS AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN TWO VC KIA CONFIRMED.

B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN AROUND THIS OP CONSISTS OF LOW GRASS AND SCRUB UP TO 4' HIGH. SEE ATTACHED DIAGRAMS FOR MORE DETAIL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT851448 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF LOW GRASS AND SCRUB UP TO 2' HIGH. THE EXTRACT IS THE SAME. TIME OF OFFERS OBSERVATION FOR 360 DEGREES.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE OP OFFERS VERY GOOD VIEW BUT THERE WAS A LOT OF HAZE. KEEP IMPROVING THE POSITIONS AND UTILIZE MORE CONCENTRIC WIRE. THERE IS A ROCK CHARRY BELOW THE POSITION AND BLASTING GOES

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CONTINUOUSLY DURING THE DAY. A .50 CALIBER MACHINE GUN IS RECOMMENDED AND INTERCONNECTING TRENCHLINES WOULD BE A GREAT HELP.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE HAVE HAD A TEAM ON THIS HILL. IT APPEARS TO BE A GOOD OP AND IT WILL BE RECOMMENDED THAT WE MAINTAIN IT ON A PERMANENT BASIS.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT RASH
CPL WRIGHT
CPL MARTINEZ
CPL TIDDETS
LOPL SMITH
LOPL PARKER
PFC LADDER
PFC THOMPSON
PFC ZIEGLER
PFC MCNECKERT

PFC STALEY
PFC ORZEL
PFC MURSER
PFC STILL
PFC FETTE
PFC ATKINSON
PVT BURNS
PFC SCHOTT
SGT DAVIS
MCNECKERT

SSGT RASH
SERVICEMAN E-3-1
PATROL OVERLAY

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

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 or arms infiltration in Antenna Valley and the high ground to the southwest. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 30 Mar; insert vic AT882348. Extract on 04 Apr vic AT8822348. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

b. Coordinating instructions

- (1) Effective 010001H Apr; Team call sign will change to WEST ORANGE.

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

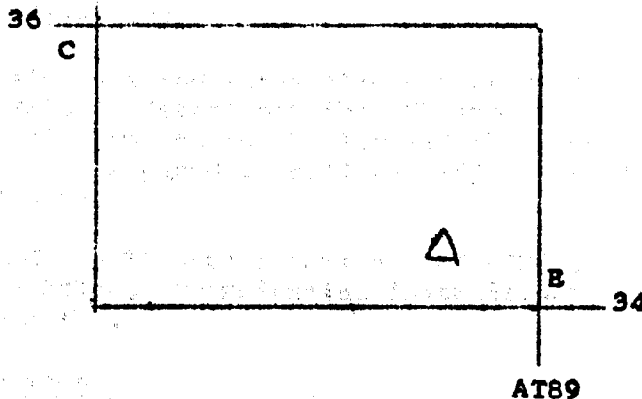
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SALUTATION "Q" 64.60
 (b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU
 PAL JOEY WHISKEY 37.90

Distribution:

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



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OPERATION ORDER: 182-68
PATROL: GOLD LEMON/ WEST ORNAGE
DEDRIEFER: LT C.P. MCDRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE IN.
DANANG, RVN
~~311000H~~ APRIL 1968
061630

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 1 USN, 12 ENL
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 3 7X50's, 1 M-49 SCOPE, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 12 CLAYMORES, 1 M-60, 1 SNIPER RIFLE, 1 M-14, 1 M-79 (W/ 6 CS, 6 SHOTGUN ROUNDS)
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN ANTENNA VALLEY AND THE HIGH GROUND TO THE SOUTHWEST. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 311000/061630
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS. THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 149 $\frac{1}{2}$ HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTING OF 6 LIGHTS BUT NO FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED DUE TO FRIENDLIES IN THE AREA.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

031010H AT914408 6 LIGHTS WERE OBSERVED MOVING SOUTH DOWN A HILL. NO FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED DUE TO FRIENDLIES IN THE AREA.
 - B. TERRAIN: THE OP IS A BALD HILL SURROUND BY LOW SHRUB. THE AREA AROUND THE HILL IS HEAVILY MINED.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS A FOUR 1 CH-46 ZONE ON TOP OF A BALD HILL. THERE ARE OTHER LZ'S BELOW THE HILL WHICH ARE DAMAGED, BUT BECAUSE OF MINES SURROUNDING THE HILL IT IS NOT ADVISABLE TO USE THEM. THE OP IS LOCATED AT THE SAME COORDINATES AND OFFERS A GOOD VIEW TO THE 'N', 'NE', AND A FAIR VIEW TO THE 'NW', 'S' AND 'SW'.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A DC SCOPE. A TEAM NEEDS AT LEAST ONE MG. TAKE A RIFLE GRENADE ADAPTER FOR CS GRENADES. BOYHOLES NEED GRENADES R-20

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WATER PER MAN. THE POSSIBILITY OF CLEAR-
ING THE ZONES BELOW THE HILL OF MINES
SHOULD BE CONSIDERED. THERE IS A GOOD
ZONE AT 881349.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: LIAISON WITH THE ARMY IS PROVING DIFFICULT. IT
MIGHT BE BEST TO LEAVE THE AREA TO THE ARMY. OUR
NFZ IS NOT EFFECTIVE; THE ARMY FIRES ARTILLERY
MISSIONS AND H&I'S INSIDE THE NFZ WITHOUT CLEAR-
ING IT WITH OUR TEAMS.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT EISENBACH
SGT HARRIS
CPL DUTOT
CPL MEISTER
LCPL ARREGUIN
ICPL SAVILLE
PFC GARCIA
PFC CANTREL
PFC FRANKLIN
PFC RAWLINGS
PFC MOLLNA
SEN SMITH
LCPL CASTELLANO
PFC WILLIAMS

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+ 36

LT C R EISENBACH
WEST ORANGE D-1-1
PATROL LEADER

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+ 33

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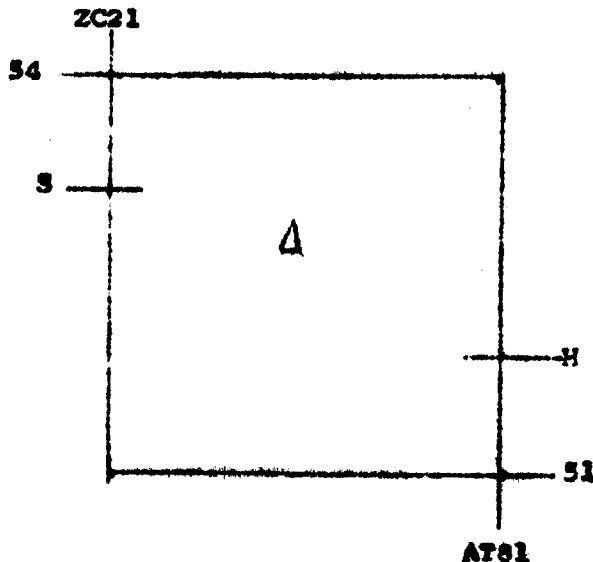
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Unit/Call Sign: D-3-2 (SADDLE BAG SOUTH) Patrol Leader: SGT HARRIS

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 Due Due Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 30 Mar; insert via AT797528. Extract on 04 Apr via AT797528. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 - b. Coordinating instructions
 - (1) Effective 010001H Apr; Team call sign will change to ROCK MAT.
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST 47.60
 Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU

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. "D"	(1)
PtILdr, D-3-2	(1)



OPERATION ORDER: 183-68
 PATROL: ROCKMUT D-3-2
 DEBRIEFER: L/CPL. R. L. ALBRIGHT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS 6640 IV, 6540 I

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 DANANG. RVN.
 061815H APRIL

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 18 ENL. 1 USN.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRC-25'S, 1 BC SCOPE, 1 M-49
 2 7x50'S, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M-79'S, 6 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14,

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VD 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: 310930H/061815H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 152 HOURS WITH 17 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 167 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 16 FIRE MISSIONS AND ONE AIR-STRIKE RESULTING IN 8 CONFIRMED VC KIA AND 62 PROBABLE VC KIA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

011830H AT832496 10 VC/NVA GATHERING IN A TREELINE WEARING PACKS AND MIXED BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 6 PROBABLE VC KIA.

022100H AT832496 10 LIGHTS FROM A POSSIBLE HARDOR SITE. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE LIGHTS GOING OUT.

022130H AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC PROBING THE PATROL'S POSITION THE SOUTHEAST, SOUTH, AND SOUTHWEST. THE PATROL FIRED THE M-79 AND THREW GRENADES. THE MOVEMENT STOPPED. ONE ILLUMINATION FIRE MISSION.

021835H AT852502 TO AT838493 50 NVA MOVING NORTHEAST TO SOUTHWEST ON A TRAIL WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 25 PROBABLE VC KIA.

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032115H AT819530 10 LIGHTS MOVING FROM NORTH TO SOUTH. THE PATROL REQUESTED A TFC-10 BUT WAS GIVEN A NEGATIVE ON THE REQUEST.

031230H AT812502 2 NVA GOING INTO A TUNNEL WEARING GREY UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES, HELMETS, AND CARTRIDGE BELT.

031905H AT822498 8 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST IN A TREE LINE WEARING KHAKIS AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

032005H AT822543 2 LIGHTS MOVING FROM EAST TO WEST. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE LIGHTS GOING OUT.

041815H AT834516 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND KHAKIS. THEY WORE ONE PACK AND CARRIED TWO RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN TWO CONFIRMED VC KIA.

042000H AT822543 5 LIGHTS IN A POSSIBLE HARBOR SITE. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN TWO MEDIUM SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. THE TARGET BURNED.

050925H AT822495 7 VC MOVING SOUTHEAST ON A DIKE WEARING MIXED PJ'S AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 7 PROBABLE VC KIA.

051715H AT827505 4 VC WALKING EAST ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT THE TARGET WAS OUT OF GUN RANGE.

051905 AT825505 8 VC MOVING INTO A HARBOR SITE WEARING MIXED KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ'S. THEY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN TWO VC KIA CONFIRMED.

051945H AT825549 TOAT820550 40 NVA MOVING ACROSS THE RIVER WEST AT FIVE METER INTERVALS. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES AND WORE HELMETS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 10 PROBABLE VC KIA. THE PATROL CALLED SMOOKEY AND ONCE ON TARGET SMOOKEY RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND ONE SMALL ROCKET.

060625H AT825552 2 NVA MOVING NORTH ACROSS THE RIVER. THEY WORE KHAKIS AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

061230H AT838599 20 NVA MOVING NORTH ACROSS THE RIVER. THEY WORE MIXED KHAKIS AND GREEN UTILITIES. THE ENEMY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES AND HELMETS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 3 CONFIRMED VC KIA AND 10 PROBABLE VC KIA.

061415H AT839549 4 VC MOVING NORTH ACROSS THE RIVER WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS. THEY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN FOUR VC KIA PROBABLE.

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D. TERRAIN: BARE GROUND WITH SPARSE SECONDARY GROWTH ON SLOPES. THE OF HAS OBSERVATION TO THE NORTH, EAST AND SOUTH AND TO THE WEST AS FAR AS THE RIDGELINE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION; THE INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 ZONE OF BARE DIRT VICINITY AT798528. THE PATROL'S SECONDARY PATROL'S FROM THE OF DISCOVERED NUMEROUS SMALL TWO MAN HARBOR SITES ALONG THE STREAM FOR APPROX. 500 METERS FROM AT799800.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A STARLIGHT SCOTE AND CONCERTINA WIRE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT. KIU
 CPL CLARK
 CPL HANDY
 CPL HEIME
 CPL KEAGAN
 CPL McKINSIE
 LCPL BENJAMIN
 LCPL BOWSER
 LCPL BRIGGS
 LCPL CLARK
 LCPL GIOROVANS
 LCPL HENSLEY
 LCPL HERNDON
 LCPL HOY
 LCPL MAHAN
 LCPL NAGEL
 LCPL RISANO
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 HM CROWE

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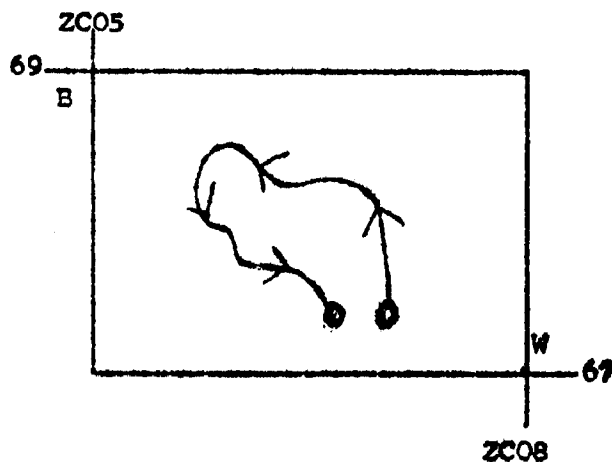
Unit/Call Sign: B-3-3 (MAY FLY NORTH) Patrol Leader: LT WARE

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/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movements or arms infiltration in Happy Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of storage areas, fortifications and routes of access. If situation permits, set up an ambush and try to capture a prisoner.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 30 Mar; insert via ZC070674. Extract on 03 Apr via ZC068674. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 - b. Coordinating instructions
 - (1) Effective 010001H Apr; Team call sign will change to PARALLEL BARS.
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ROMEO

Distributions:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Liv AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
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OPERATION ORDER: 184-68
 PATROL: PARALLEL BARS E-3-3
 MAIS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEET 6540 I

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 041130H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL. 1 USN. 1 OFF.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 7x50'S, 2 PRC-25'S, 2 PRC-93'S
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 4 CLAYMORES, 4 MAAWS, 1 M-14, 1 M-79 (WITH 6 FLESHETTES)

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. IF SITUATION PERMITS, SET UP ANCAMBUSH AND TRY TO CAPTURE A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN:

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 117½ HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTING AND ONE CONTACT, TOTALLING 9 VC/NVA. ONE AIR STRIKE WAS DIRECTED AGAINST THE ENEMY WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. THE PATROL SUFFERED NO CASUALTIES.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 301630H ZC689673 1 VC WATCHING THE PATROL'S MOVEMENT FROM AN OP WEARING GREEN UTILITIES. THE PATROL MOVED OUT OF THE AREA AND FOUND TWO OLD BOOBY TRAPS (PUNJI PITS) ON A TRAIL GOING NORTH. NO FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED.

041045H ZC052681 8 VC FIRING AT THE PATROL WITH SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS (PROBABLY AK-47'S). THE PATROL RECEIVED 6-8 BURSTS OF AW FIRE FROM APPROX. 20 METERS AS THE PATROL WAITED IN THE LZ FOR EXTRACTION. THE PATROL ALSO TOOK ONE INCOMING GRENADE AND RETURNED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND UTILIZED M-79 UNTIL THE ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. THE PATROL CALLED AN AIRSTRIKE PERMITTING THE EXTRACTION OF THE TEAM TO BE COMPLETED. THE EXTRACTION HELICOPTERS RECEIVED FIRE UPON EXTRACTION.

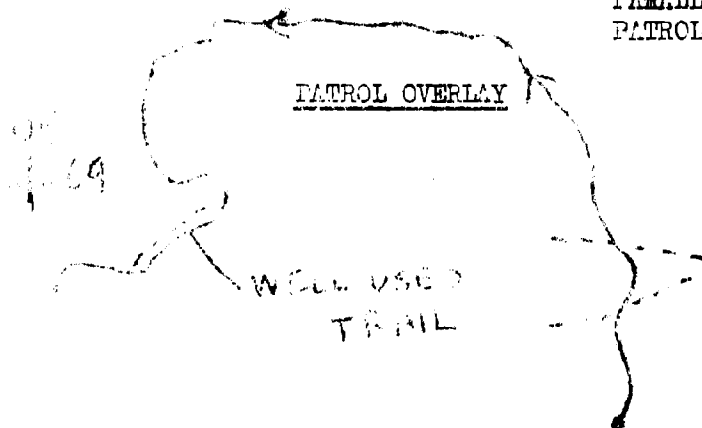
B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF DENSE SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 20' HIGH IN THE LOW GROUND WITH NO CANOPY. THE HIGH GROUND HAD CANOPY UP TO 100-150 FEET HIGH WITH LITTLE SECONDARY GROWTH MAKING MOVEMENT FAIRLY EASY. THERE IS PLENTY OF WATER IN THE LOW GROUND BUT NONE ON THE HIGH GROUND.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC ZC089673 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 ZONE IN A CULTIVATED FIELD WITH A BAMBOO FENCE AROUND IT. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC ZC 052681 IS A POOR ONE CH-46 ZONE OF 10' ELEPHANT GRASS ON A SLIGHT SLOPE. THERE ARE MANY LZ'S ON THE VALLEY BUT NONE ON THE HIGH GROUND. THE PATROL FOUND MANY ANIMAL TRAPS AND CULTIVATED FIELDS. THE PATROL ALSO FOUND WHAT MAY HAVE BEEN A SPECIAL FORCES BASE CAMP VIC ZC076698. THERE WERE MANY C-RATION CANS, TENNIS SHOES, BATTLE DRESSINGS FOUND IN THE AREA. THE TRAILS HAD NOT BEEN USED LATELY BUT ON THE LOW GROUND THE TRAILS SHOWED MANY SIGNS OF USE IN AN EAST TO WEST DIRECTION. IN THE VIC ZC090691 THE PATROL FOUND AN M-26 GRINADE BOOBY TRAP WITH A PULL TRIPPING DEVICE. IT APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN THERE FOR SOME TIME.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: EXCELLENT
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE VC ARE STAYING ON THE LOW GROUND. THEY APPARENTLY HARBOR ON THE HIGH GROUND AND MOVE ON THE LOW GROUND DURING THE DAY ONLY. COMM WAS POOR AND A WHIP ANTENNA IS NECESSARY. THE PR-93 IS OUTSTANDING.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: AIRSTRIKES WERE OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: THE SPECIAL FORCES CAMP THE PATROL FOUND IS PROBABLY REMNANTS OF THE DELTA FORCE GROUP THAT OPERATED IN THIS AREA LATE LAST SUMMER.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. WARE
CPL SIMKO
CPL SANDERS
LCPL WISEGARVIS
POPL BLACKFORD

PFC MORRIS
PFC ETSIETTY
PFC BEE
PFC DRIDENSTINE
BN TESH

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PARALLEL BARS E-3-3
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 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #185-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-1-2 (LIL ABNER) Patrol Leader: SGT TRIANA

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUMS
 (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/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration east and west through Mortar Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 30 Mar; insert vic AT865644. Extract on 04 Apr vic AT865644. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

D. Coordinating instructions

- (1) Effective 010001H Apr; Team call sign will change to ALBROOK

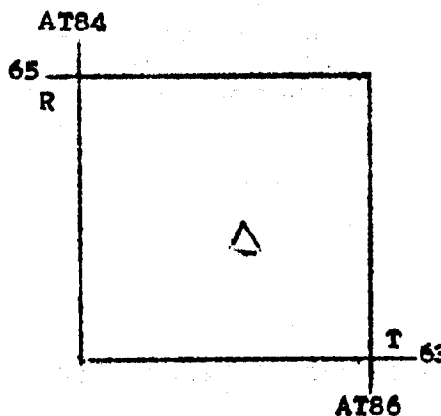
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (b) SCREEN TEST "WT" 59.75
 (c) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
 (d) SERVICE MAN "C" 56.50
 (e) PATTY SHELL "K" 57.15
 (f) SCREEN TEST "G" 67.05

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OPERATION ORDER: 185-68
 PATROL: ALBROOK T-1-2
 DELIVERER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEET 6640 III, 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 041400H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL. 1 USN.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 7x50'S, 1 M-49, 2 PRC-25'S

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 9 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79, STARLIGHT SCOPE

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 EAST AND WEST THROUGH MORTAR VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 301300H/041400H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 121 HOURS WITH 7 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 40 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 7 FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 8 VC KIA PROBABLE.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

312115H AT863661 2 LIGHTS MOVING SOUTHEAST. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE LIGHTS GOING OUT.

011140H AT856663 15 VC/NVA MOVING IN GROUPS OF 3-4, WEST ALONG THE RIDGELINE. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND SHORTS AND CARRIED LARGE HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES AND HELMETS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 6 VC KIA PROB.

011230H AT856663 6 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ALONG THE RIDGELINE. THEY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

011245H AT856663 6 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ALONG THE RIDGELINE. THEY WORE DARK COLORED UNIFORMS. THEY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

011320H AT856663 3 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ALONG A TRAIL. THEY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

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011800H AT867649 8 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHWEST FROM THE SOUTH ON A TRAIL WEARING BUSH HATS AND CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH AK-47'S AND GRENADES. THE ENEMY TRIPPED ONE OF THE PATROL'S TRIP FLARES AND OPENED UP WITH SMALL ARMS AND THREW GRENADES. THE PATROL RETURNED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND M-79 FIRE RESULTING IN 2 PROBABLE VC KIA. THE PATROL CALLED A DANGER CLOSE FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE VC DISPERSING. THE PATROL SEARCHED OUT THE AREA AND FOUND BLOOD TRAILS.

031435L AT86346611 2 VC MOVING WEST ON THE RIDGELINE WEARING BERETS AND DARK COLORED UNIFORMS. THE ENEMY CARRIED RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ENEMY DISPERSING INTO TREELINE.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT865644 IS A POOR ONE CH-46 LZ ON A SLOPE IN LOW BRUSH. THE EXTRACT IS THE SAME. THE OP USED THE PATROL VIC AT865644 OFFERS A VIEW TO THE NORTH INTO MORTAR VALLEY AND THE RIDGELINE TO THE NORTH OF IT.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 2 NVA KIA PROBABLE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: 1 USMC NBC (MINOR) DUE TO FRIENDLY ARTY SCRAMBLE.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THIS OP IS NOT RECOMMENDED BECAUSE IT IS HARD TO DEFEND AND HAS TOO MANY AVENUES OF APPROACH.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: THIS OP SHOULD NOT BE USED BY RECON AND IT WILL NOT BE RECOMMENDED FOR FUTURE USE.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. TRIANA
LCPL HOLINSON
PFC SCHECKLER
LCPL SIMMONS
LCPL VANCE
PFC WALSH
PFC MOON
PFC RYAN
CPL POBOLA
PFC COLLINS
CPL DRUGGER
PFC HARDY

SGT. TRIANA
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Unit/Call Sign: D-2-2 (SAIL FISH "N") 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 or arms infiltration north of Mortar Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of possible rocket launching sites, storage areas and routes of access. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ PINCH on 29 Mar; insert vic AT858708. Extract on 02 Apr vic AT844688. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 - b. Coordinating instructions
 - (1) Effective 010001H Apr; Team call sign will change to IPSWICH.
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "B" 56.50
 (b) SERVICE MAN "C" 56.50
 (c) SPOON BILL 63.70
 (d) RUSH ACT "C" 55.75
 (e) SCRIBEN TEST "G" 67.05

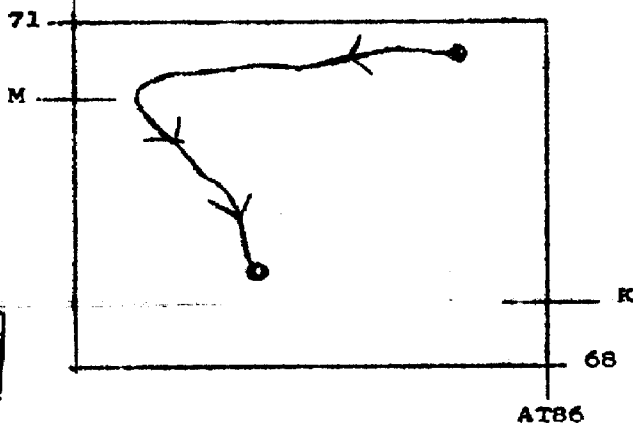
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PATROL: IPSWICH
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ANANG, RVN
090900H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. SIZE: 8 ENL, 1 USN

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 1 PRC-93, 2 7X50's, 1 M-49 SCOPE

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 5 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79 (6 CS & 25 SHOTGUN ROUNDS)

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION NORTH OF MORTAR VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 051030/090900

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 94½ HOURS WITH NEGATIVE ENEMY SIGHTING OR FIRE MISSIONS. THE PATROL DID NOTE ELEPHANT TRACK AT COORD. 833708.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: ON THE LOW GROUND THE PATROL FOUND THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 30 FEET HIGH; WHILE ON THE HIGH GROUND THERE WAS A CANOPY UP TO 40 FEET HIGH WITH A THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UNDER IT. MOVEMENT IN THE AREA IS DIFFICULT. MOST OF THE STREAMS IN THE AREA ARE DRY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: AT COORD. 836714 THE PATROL FOUND A 100-MAN HARBOR SITE THAT APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN USED IN THE LAST WEEK. THE PATROL FOUND MANY TRAILS ALONG THEIR ROUTE, THE MAJOR ONES HAVE BEEN MARKED ON THE OVERLAY. AT COORD 833708 THE PATROL FOUND A TRAIL RUNNING 'NE' TO 'SW' WITH ELEPHANT TRACKS APPROX ONE WEEK OLD. THE TRACKS INDICATED A MOVEMENT TO THE 'NE'. FROM COORD. 844705 AN AO TOOK SEMI-AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE ON 7 APRIL. THE AO RAN AN AIR STRIKE IN THE AREA.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PRE-PLAT CONCENTRATIONS ALONG YOUR ROUTE. THE ONLY POSSIBLE MEANS OF OPING IS TO

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CLIMB TREES. WHEN THEN IT IS TOUGH.
THERE IS VERY LITTLE WATER IN THIS AREA.

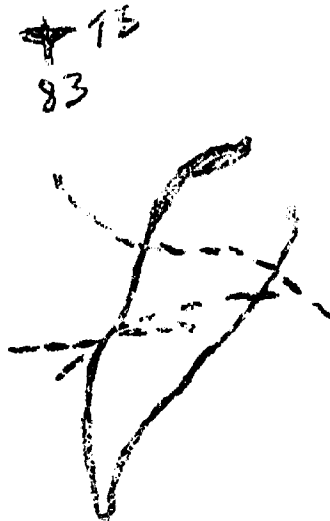
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: VC/NVA COULD BE USING ELEPHANTS TO TOTE ROCKETS.
THIS IS BELIEVED TO BE THE CLOSEST REPORT OF
USE OF ELEPHANTS IN THIS AREA. WATER IS DIMINISHING
IN ALL AREAS.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT KEDDY
PFC TAYLOR
PFC EFFLER
PFC RILEY
1NN HARDESTY
PFC CARACAPPA
PFC MCARTIN
EARN FLETCHER
EARN AGUERE

SGT KEDDY
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Unit/Call Sign: A-2-2 (COWPOKE NORTH) 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 Happy Valley. Special emphasis to be given to ambushes with a possible prisoner snatch. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 31 Mar; insert via ZC150728. Extract on 4 Apr via ZC159714. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

b. Coordinating instructions

- (1) Effective 010001H Apr; Team call sign will change to WEDDING RING.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
Artillery: (a) SERVICE MAN "B" (SPOON BILL "B") 56.50
(b) SERVICE MAN "C" (SPOON BILL "C") 56.50
(c) SPOON BILL (NAIL BRUSH) 63.70
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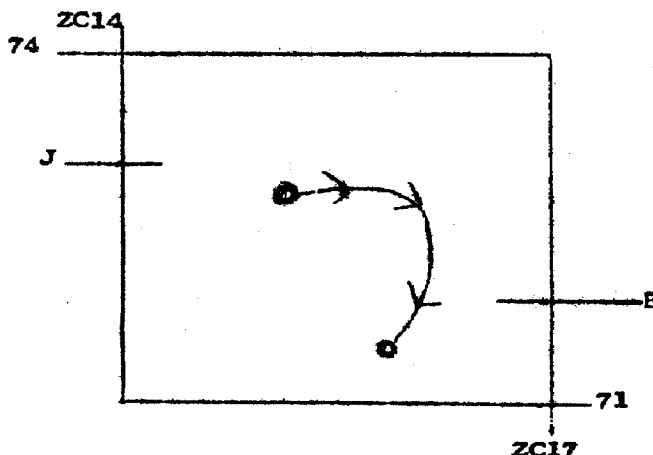
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OPERATION ORDER: 187-68
 PATROL: WEDDING RING A-2-2
 DEBRIEFER: LT. C.F. MORRIDE
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 021530H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 6 ENL. 1 USN.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 7x50'S
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 5 CLAYMORES, 2 M-14, M-79 (WITH 6 CS), 1 M-12
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPY VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO AMBUSHES WITH A POSSIBLE PRISONER SNATCH. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 021430H/021530H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF ONE HOUR WITH ONE CONTACT/ SIGHTING OF AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC/NVA. AFTER A FIXED WING PREPARATION OF THE INSERT LZ HAD BEEN COMPLETED ONE HELICOPTER TOOK FIRE UPON THE INSERTION OF THE FIRST PART OF THE TEAM BY SMALL ARMS AND AT LEAST ONE .50 CAL. MACHINE GUN. THE LZ HAD BEEN BOOBY TRAPPED AND THE TEAM ON THE GROUND DREW A CLAYMORE IN THE LZ IN ORDER TO CLEAR THE TRIP WIRES FOR THE HELICOPTER TO EXTRACT THEM. THEY TOOK SNIPER WHILE ON THE GROUND BUT SUFFERED NO CASUALTIES AND OBSERVED NO VC/NVA.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: N/A
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC ZC150732 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF BARE GROUND THAT WAS CUT BY RECON IN AUGUST OF 1967. THE LZ WAS BOOBY TRAPPED WITH A LARGE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE COVERED WITH DIRT. IT WAS POSSIBLE A 60MM OR 82MM MORTAR ROUND WITH TRIP WIRE STRUNG ACROSS THE LZ TO A STAKE IN THE GROUND.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: USE FIXED WING EXTENSIVELY IN PREPARATION TO USE THIS LZ AGAIN. ROCKETS ARE NOT ALWAYS EFFECTIVE FOR PREP'G LZ'S.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING.
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THIS ZONE WAS CUT LAST SUMMER BY ANOTHER RECON TEAM THAT RAPELLED IN. THIS TEAM CONFIRMS THE ZONES GOOD CONDITION LESS THE BOOBY TRAPPING.

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. BALLIET
CPL KEEFER
LCPL URDANIAK
LCPL ALLEN
IPC CULL
HM2 TAYLOR
PFC STEWARD

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Unit/Call Sign: B-2-1 (HANOVER SUB) Patrol Leader: LT BREAKFIELD

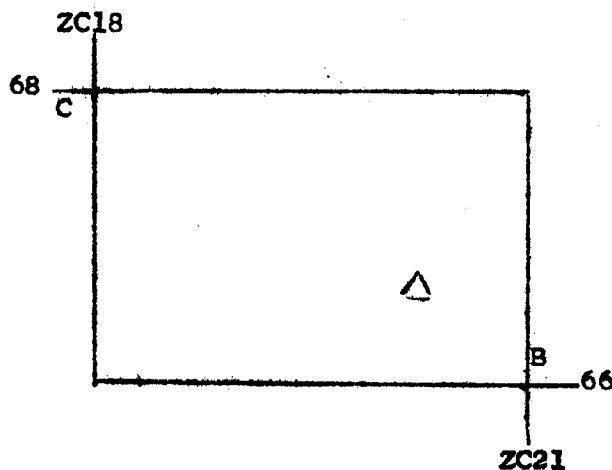
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Happy Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 31 Mar; insert via ZC205664. Extract on 04 Apr via ZC205664. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 - b. Coordinating instructions
 - (1) Effective 010001H April; Team call sign will change to AUDITOR
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00

Artillery:	(a) SERVICE MAN "B" (SPOON BILL "B")	<u>56.50</u>
	(b) SERVICE MAN "C" (SPOON BILL "C")	<u>56.50</u>
	(c) SPOON BILL (NAIL BRUSH)	<u>63.70</u>
	(d) PATTY SHELL "K" (LUNGA POINT)	<u>37.15</u>

Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ROMEO (GRIM REAPER ROMEO)

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CO, 1stBn7thMar	(1)
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PtlLdr, B-2-1	(1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 188-68
PATROL: AUDITOR D-2-1
DEBRIEFER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6540 I, 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
040930H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 5 ENL. 1 USN. 1 OFF.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 ERC-25'S, 1 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 4 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1M-79
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 HAPPY VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 311630H/040930H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 89 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: THE INSERT LZ VIC ZC204663 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 ZONE OF 4' SCRUB BRUSH. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC ZC195661 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF 3' SCRUB BRUSH. THE OP VIC ZC199667 OFFERS OBSERVATION TO THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST INTO THE VALLEY. IT WAS A POOR OP. THE TERRAIN AROUND THE OP CONSISTS OF 15'-20' SECONDARY GROWTH. THE BRUSH WAS THICK AND MOVEMENT WAS VERY DIFFICULT. THERE IS PLENTY OF WATER IN THE AREA.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: 1 USMC NDC (MED-EVAC).
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE PATROL SAW NO SIGN OF ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THE AREA.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: ENEMY ACTIVITY SEEMS TO BE ON THE SOUTHERN SIDE OF THE VALLEY NEAR CHARLIE RIDGE. PATROL'S WILL BE COVERING THIS AREA SOON.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. BREAKFIELD
LCPL JONES
PFC DELTRAN
LCPL FENDRICK
LCPL EDDY
CPL COWELL
HN KENNY

LT. BREAKFIELD
AUDITOR D-2-4
PATROL LEADER

PATROL OVERLAY

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(b) BnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) BnFragOrder #189-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-4-1 (ALA KING SOUTH) Patrol Leader: SGT CLARK

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. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 31 Mar; insert vic AT828602. Extract on 04 Apr vic AT828602. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

b. Coordinating instructions

- (1) Effective 010001H Apr; Team call sign will change to PRIME CUT

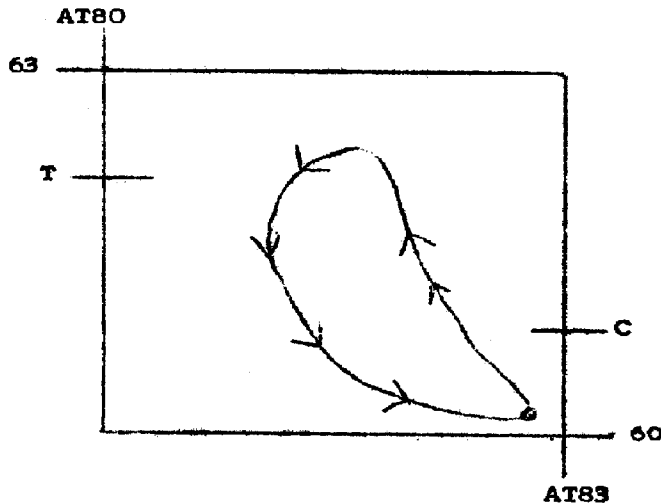
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 23.60; Alternate: 34.00
Artillery: (a) SCREEN TEST "WT" (HIRELING "WT") 39.75
(b) RUSH ACT "C" (PONY BOY) 55.75
(c) PATTY SHELL "K" (LUNGA POINT) 37.15
(d) SPOON BILL (NAIL BRUSH) 63.70
(e) SCREEN TEST "I" (HIRELING "I") 36.15

Radio Relay: PAL JOBY ROMBO (GRIM REAPER ROMBO)

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OPERATION ORDER: 189-68
PATROL: PRIME CUT E-4-1
DEBRIEFER: L/CPL R.L. ALDRICH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
041630H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 BRJ-25'S, 2 7x50'S
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 WILLYMORES, 1 M-14, M-79 (WITH 30 FLESHETTE ROUNDS AND 5 WHITE STAR CLUSTERS)
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 311545H/041630H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 97 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF 10'-12' SECONDARY GROWTH AND 70'-80' CANOPY. THERE WAS PLENTY OF WATER IN THE AREA AND MOVEMENT VARIED FROM GOOD TO DIFFICULT. MANY B-52 STRIKES HAVE BEEN HELD IN THIS AREA.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT823605 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF 1' GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ IS THE SAME. THERE ARE LZ'S TO THE SOUTH OF THE PATROL'S ROUTE ON THE FINGERS OF CHARLIE RIDGE.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE ARE NEGATIVE SIGNS OF ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THE AREA COVERED BY THIS PATROL.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: THE PATROL FOUND A VC BASE CAMP VIC AT814612 WHICH HAS BEEN COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY MARINE INFANTRY UNITS WHICH PASSED THROUGH THE AREA.

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. CLARK
PFC LUTHER
PFC ORSLAND
PFC REILLY
PFC TOLLIVER
PFC GERALD
PFC GORMAN
PFC LAND

SGT. CLARK
PRIME CUT E-4-1
PATROL LEADER

PATROL OVERLAY

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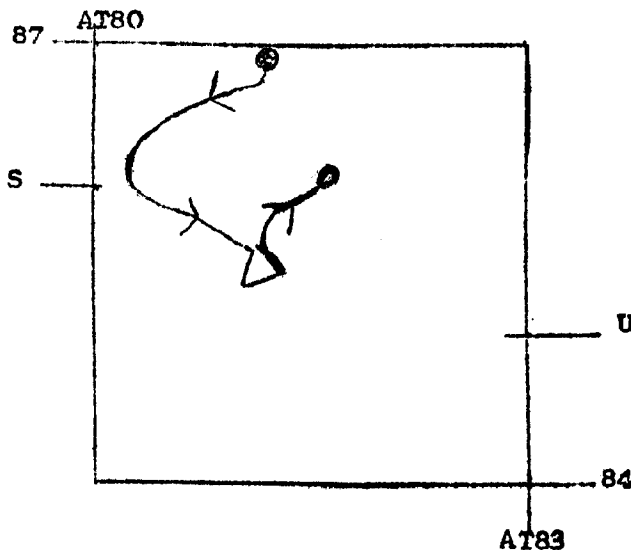
Unit/Call Sign: A-1-2 (ALA KING) Patrol Leader: SGT ULSTAD

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 Elephant Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 07 Apr; insert vic AT811871. Extract on 11 Apr vic AT816862. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (c) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
 (d) NAIL BRUSH 59.50

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

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| Region PSOC | (1) |
| Region S-3 | (4) |
| CO, Co. "A" | (1) |
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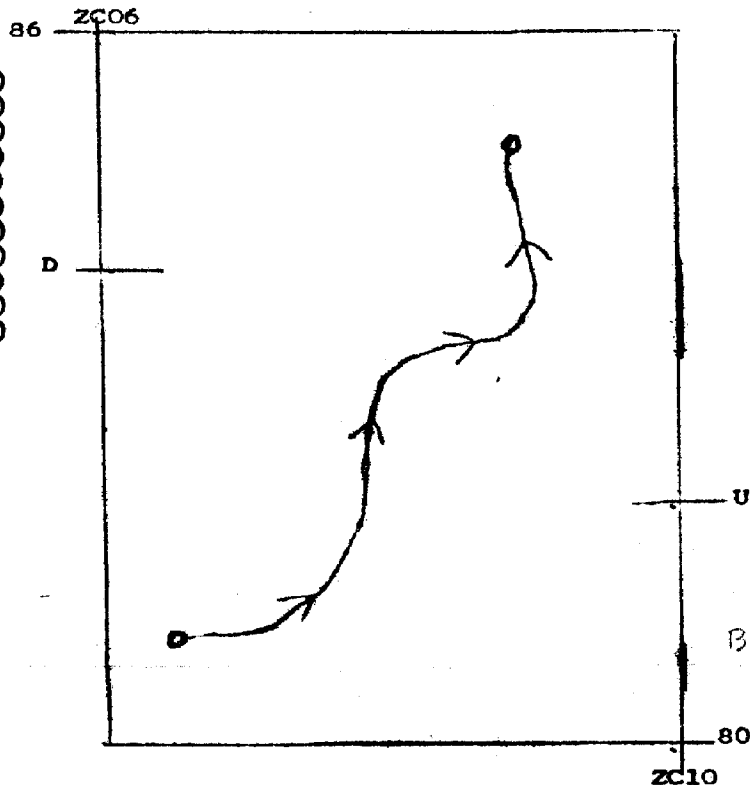
Unit/Call Sign: A-1-2 (ALA KING) Patrol Leader: SGT ULSTAD

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/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in western Elephant Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of trails, storage areas, and routes of access. If the situation permits, set up an ambush and try for a prisoner snatch.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 01 Apr; insert vic ZC066809. Extract on 05 Apr vic ZC089851. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

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OPERATION ORDER: 190-68 CH 1
PATROL: ALA KING
DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 L7014
SHEETS: 6641 III

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DANANG, RVN
111400H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 14 ENL, 1 USN

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 2 7X50's, 1 M-49 SCOPE

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79 (3 ILLUM ROUNDS)

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

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 070900/111400

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 101 HOURS WITH ONE ACTUAL SIGHTING OF VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED TWO FIRE MISSIONS WITH ONE MISSION RESULTING IN 4 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

071200H 805866 PATROL CAME ACROSS A WELL USED TRAIL THAT WAS DIRECTLY IN LINE WITH THEIR ROUTE OF MARCH. THEY CALLED ARTY ON TRAIL IN FRONT OF THEM WITH FOUR SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS RESULTING. A FURTHER SEARCH TURNED UP NOTHING.

101309H AT805846 PATROL SIGHTED 5 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON ELEPHANT VALLEY ROAD. THEY WERE ARMED WITH RACK, RIFLES AND CARTRIDGE BELTS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION, BUT THEY WERE UNABLE TO OBSERVE THE RESULTS DUE TO TERRAIN.

B. TERRAIN: THE CANOPY RAN UP TO 100 FEET WITH SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 10 FEET. ON THE HIGH GROUND MOVEMENT WAS EASY, BUT THE LOW GROUND PROVED DIFFICULT. THE ONE STREAM INDICATED ON THE MAP IS FULL AND FAST RUNNING.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ WAS A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE AT COORD. AT811871. IT IS A BURNT OFF AREA IN LOW SHRUB. THE EXTRACT ZONE IS AT AT816862 AND IS A MULTI-BIRD ZONE OF KNEE HIGH GRASS. THE PATROL OP'ed FROM AT805056. THE OP PROVIDES A GOOD VIEW OF ELEPHANT VALLEY ROAD TO THE 'S' AND 'SE', BUT IS LIMITED IN ITS VIEW.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE OP IS A GOOD ONE FOR OBSERVING ELEPHANT VALLEY ROAD, BUT OFFERES TO LIMITED A VIEW AFTER THAT.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT ULSTAD
CPL BLACKWOOD
LCPL LOCKETT
LCPL CAPUTI
PVT BROWN
PFC PETEZ
PFC SCOTT
PFC FULFORD
PFC BELL
PFC REYNOLDS
PFC KCONTZ
PFC ROTH
HN2 SIEGEL
PFC MONTUE
PFC REITH

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SGT D E ULSTAD
ALA KING A-1-2
PATROL LEADER

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 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #191-68

Unit/Call Sign: A-2-1 (BIG FLOWER) Patrol Leader: LT WIGGINS

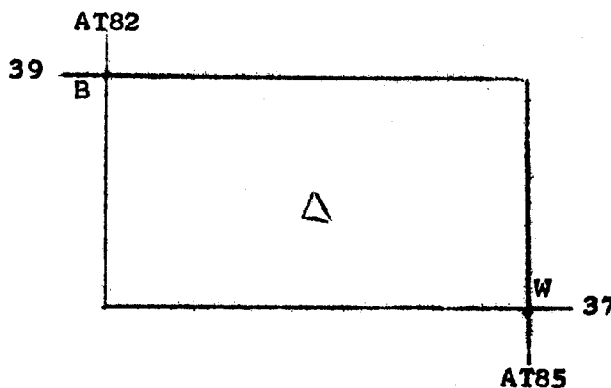
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 452 and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Nong Song Coal Mine area and routes of access along the Thu River. Provide a radio relay capability from Blankenship OP to Antenna Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 01 Apr; insert vic AT836378. Extract on 07 Apr vic AT836378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 64.60
 (b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU

AMERICAL DIV LIAISON TM: GRIM REAPER "W" 37.90

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OPERATION ORDER: 191-68
PATROL: BIG FLOWER
DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCDRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 III & 6640 IV

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DANANG, RVN
071100H APRIL 1968

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, 1 BC SCOPE, 2 7X50's, 1 M-49 SCOPE, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 12 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 .50 CAL MG, 1 M-79 (6 STAR CLUSTERS, 6 CS, 28 SHOTGUN ROUNDS)
2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 452 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 TO ANTENNA VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 011000/071100
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 145 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR FIRE MISSIONS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: HILL 452 IS A BALD HILL WITH LOW SHRUB SURROUNDING IT.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS A WOODEN PLATFORM CAPABLE OF HANDLING ONE CH-46 AT A TIME. IT IS LOCATED NEAR THE TOP OF THE HILL AT COORD. AT836378. THE HILL OFFERS OBSERVATION IN A 360 DEGREES AREA.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE 1 BC SCOPE. TAKE 5 GAL CAN OF WATER PER MAN. TAKE SOME RAT TRAPS. THIS OP OFFERS AN EXCELLENT CHANCE TO TRAIN YOUR PATROL.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT WIGGINS
CPL CLARY
CPL FARRIS
CPL HYDER
CPL STIER
LCPL NEWTON
PFC ANDREWS
PFC LAIRD
PFC LEWIS
PFC VANSILE
PFC WOODS
HM2 JIMENEZ

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 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #192-68

Unit/Call Sign: E-2 (MOON DASH) 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 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. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 01 Apr; insert vic AT998463. Extract on 06 Apr vic AT998463. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

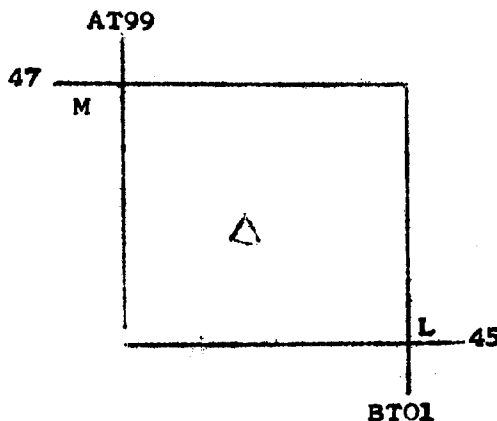
b. Coordinating instructions(1) ALL FM'S WILL BE CALLED INTO HIRELING 44.204. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) HIRELING 44.20
 (b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU
 AMERICAL DIV LIAISON TM: GRIM REAPER "W" 37.90

Distribution:

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 CG, AMERICAL DIV (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 192-68
 PATROL: MOON DASH
 DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS 6640 IV & 6640 I

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 Danang, RVN
 071130H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 2 OFF, 16 ENL.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 1 ARTY F.O.

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 3 PRC*25's, 1 DC SCOPE, 1 M-49 SCOPE,
 4 7X50's

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 15 CLAYMORES, 5 LAWS, 1 M*60, 1 .50 CAL MG,
 1 M-14, 2 M-79's (13 CS ROUNDS FOR M-79)

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
 DUONG KUYEN VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS
 OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 021130/071130

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 144 HOURS WITH 4 SIGHTINGS
 TOTALING 33 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 2 FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN
 5 VC KIA PROBABLE. ONE NVA SOLDIER WAS FOUND IN A GRAVE NEAR PATROL'S
 POSIT.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

031600H AT955526 20 VCRUNNING WEST ACROSS SANDBAR INTO TREE-
 LINE. THEY WERE WEARING BLACK PJ's AND NO COVERS AND WERE
 CARRYING PACKS. PATROL CALLED ARTY WITH GOOD COVERAGE OF
 AREA, BUT RESULTS UNOBSERVED DUE TO TREELINE.

031800H AT967529 3VC RUNNING EAST ACROSS SANDBAR. THEY WERE
 WEARING BLACK PJ's AND HAD PACKS AND ONE RIFLE. TEAM COULD
 NOT GET A FIRE MISSION STARTED DUE TO SAVE-A-PLANE.

031815H AT954530 9VC MOVING EAST ON SANDBAR. THEY WORE BLACK
 PJ's AND HAD RIFLES. TEAM CALLED FIRE MISSION WITH GOOD COV-
 ERAGE AND FIVE PROBABLE KILLS.

041645H AT997459 PATROL FOUND ONE BODY IN GRAVE BELOW THEIR
 POSIT. BODY WAS DRESSED IN GREEN UTILITIES AND WRAPPED IN A
 PONCHO. IT HAD TWO .32 CALIBER ROUNDS ON IT AND APPEARED TO
 HAVE BEEN DEAD FOR TWO WEEKS. ONE CONFIRMED KIA.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS AT998463 GOOD FOR ONE CH-46. THE ZONE IS ON A BALD PECKER. THE OP AFFORDS A 360 DEGREE VIEW WITH BEST LINE OF SIGHT OFFERED TO 'N', 'NE', 'NW'.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PUT ROOFS ON ALL DUNKERS. PLACE IS OPEN TO MORTAR ATTACK. TEAMS GOING UP SHOULD TAKE ENGINEER STAKES AND SAND BAGS. A GOOD STATE OF POLICE MUST BE MAINTAINED. TAKE TWO MACHINE GUNS IF POSSIBLE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: ENEMY APPEARS TO HAVE WISED UP TO OUR PRESENCE IN THIS AREA. HIS MOVEMENT WITHIN SIGHT OF THIS OP HAS SLACKED OFF CONSIDERABLY SINCE THE HEAVY SIGHTINGS AND KILLS OF THREE WEEKS AGO. WE SHOULD BE ALERT FOR MOVEMENT FURTHER TO THE NORTH, OR LESS LIKELY FURTHER TO THE SOUTH.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT LITTLE
 1ST LIEUTANT (F.O.)
 PFC DERENICK
 PFC SCHLICHER
 PFC JONES
 1ST KING
 1ST JENKINS
 1ST COBB
 PFC KIOS
 1ST HALL
 1ST HEDGUND
 SGT CUMMINGS
 PFC FRANCIS
 PFC DARE
 PFC PATTERSON
 PFC SETZER
 PFC CARON
 CPL THEODORE

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LT L.M. LITTLE
 MOON DASH E-2
 PATROL LEADER

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Unit/Call Sign: E-1-1 (SCANDANAVIA) Patrol Leader: SGT BRIGGS

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 western Elephant Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of 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 04 Apr; insert via ZC192862. Extract on 08 Apr via ZC194838. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

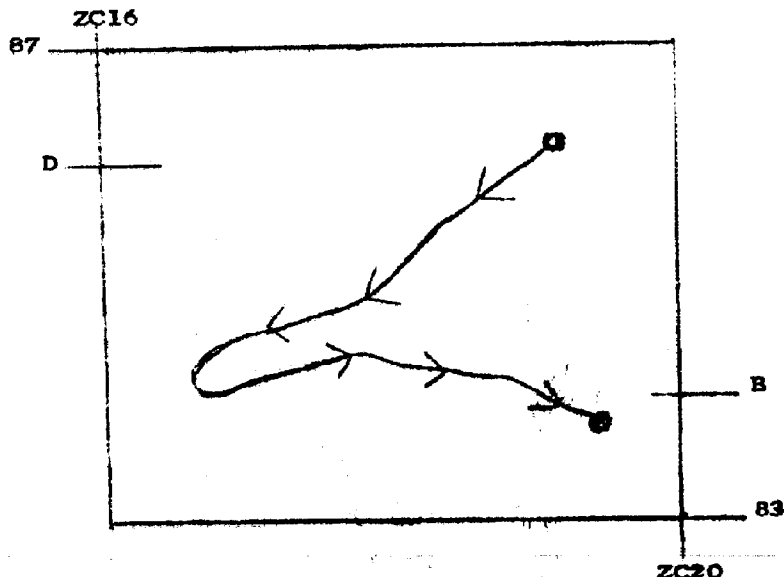
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) NAIL BRUSH 63.70

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

Distribution:

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CO, 2d Bn 7thMar	(1)
Recon PSCC	(1)
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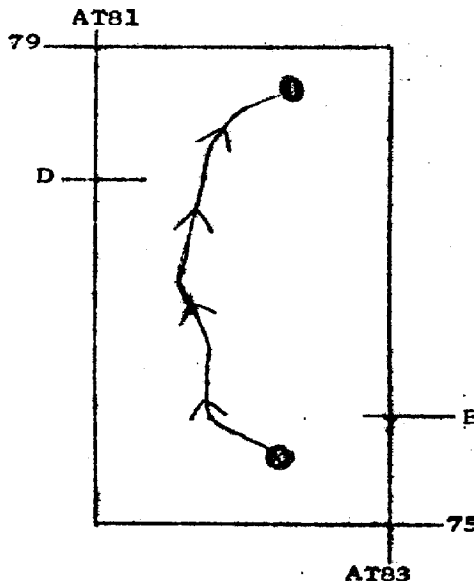
Unit/Call Sign: E-1-1(SCANDANAVIA) Patrol Leader: SGT BRIGGS

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 south of Dong Den Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 02 Apr; insert vic AT824756. Extract on 06 Apr vic AT823787. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
 (b) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (c) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (d) NAIL BRUSH 63.70
 (e) HIRELING "H" 60.85

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

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 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 PtlLdr, E-1-1 (1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 195-68
PATROL: SCANDINAVIA
DEBRIEFER: LCPL ALDRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 17014
SHEETS 6541 II

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 2 7X50's,

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 6 CLAYMORES, 1 M-79 (6 CS)

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FEL TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN WESTERN ELEPHANT VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF 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: 051730/091100

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 89½ HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTING OF FOUR VC. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

071930H 184849 PATROL SPOTTED 4 VC CHOPPING WOOD. THEY WERE WEARING DARK CLOTHING AND HAD AXES AND SEVERAL LONG, UNIDENTIFIABLE OBJECTS. A FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED BUT THE RESULTS COULD NOT BE OBSERVED DUE TO DARKNESS.

B. TERRAIN:

THE CANOPY WAS BETWEEN 60-100 FEET WITH SPARSE SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 4 FEET. THIS WAS ON THE NORTHERN SIDE. ON THE SOUTHERN SIDE THE CANOPY AGAIN WENT UP TO 100 FEET, BUT THE SECONDARY GROWTH WENT UP TO 12 FEET MAKING MOVEMENT DIFFICULT AND NOISY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ IS AT ZC194857. IT IS A ONE CH-46 ZONE OF LOW GRASS. THE EXTRACT ZONE WAS AT ZC 193838 ON ELEPHANT VALLEY ROAD. THE ZONE WAS GOOD FOR ONE CH-46. THE PATROL FOUND A 2 FEET WIDE TRAIL AT ZC192856 BUT IT DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN USED IN SOME TIME. THERE ARE SEVERAL TRAIL THAT RUN OFF THE TOP OF HILL 478 (ZC182847), BUT AGAIN THEY APPEARED NOT TO HAVE BEEN IN USE LATELY. THE PATROL FOUND THREE 2-MAN HARBOR SIGNS AT ZC 187843. THEY APPEARED TO BE ABOUT TWO DAY OLD. AT ZC188843 THE PATROL FOUND A STEEP ROCK RAVINE NOT INDICATED ON THE MAP.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NO RECENT HEAVY MOVEMENT IN AREA.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: ELEPHANT VALLEY IS A MYSTERY. IT APPEARS TO BE A NATURAL INFILTRATION ROUTE, BUT THE ONLY SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY WE HAVE HAD LATELY HAVE BEEN USING IT AS A ROUTE OF EGRESS FROM THE GARDEN OF EEN AND MTU LOS.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT BRIGGS
CTL RAGLE
PFC WARREN
PFC BYRD
PFC MARCOF
PFC GAYCELO
PFC GIBSON
PFC BURENDA
PFC GIOVA
PFC LRAI

SGT L.F. BRIGGS
SCANDINAVIA E-1-1
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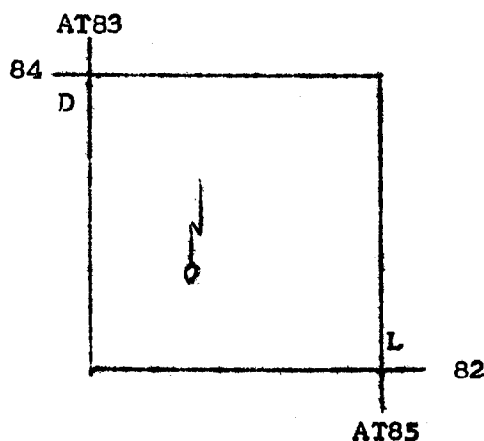
Unit/Call Sign: BV 2-1 (LYNCH LAW) Patrol Leader: LT LUDWIG

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 (GRIM REAPER "X") on Dong Den Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 02 Apr; insert vic AT837828. Extract on 08 Apr vic AT837828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
(b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
(c) HIRBLING "I" 60.85
(d) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

Distribution:

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



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OPERATION ORDER 154-68
PATROL: LYNCH LAW
DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCDRIDE
MATS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 17014
SHEETS: 6641111

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DANANG, RVN
090930H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 12 ENL
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25's, 2 7X50's, 1 M-49 SCOPE
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 20 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79
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 (GRIM REAPER "X") ON DONG DEN MOUNTAIN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 020930/090930
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 168 HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTING OF 2 LIGHTS. THE PATROL CALLED ONE FIRE MISSION AND HAD NEGATIVE CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

052140H AT857794 PATROL SPOTTED TWO LIGHTS MOVING EAST TO WEST. A FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS DUE TO CLOUDS.
 - B. TERRAIN: N/A
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE PATROL FEELS IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN PROBED ON THE NIGHT OF THE 7TH AND AGAIN ON THE NIGHT OF THE 8TH. TRIP FLARES BELOW THEIR POSITION WERE SET OFF, BUT THERE IS A STRONG POSSIBILITY THIS COULD HAVE BEEN DONE BY THE NUMEROUS WILD ANIMALS AND RATS THAT ARE IN THE AREA.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE PLACE IS IN A VERY POOR STATE OF POLICE. RATS ARE EXTREMELY BAD. NEED AT LEAST 20 MEN TO PROPERLY DEFEND HILL. PATROL LEADER THINKS THERE MAY BE A VC BASE CAMP OR HARBOR SITE NEARBY DUE TO NUMBER OF PROBES ON THE HILL AND NUMBER OF TIMES TEAMS HAVE BEEN HIT AROUND THE HILL.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT LUDWIG
SGT MULLEN
CPL HARDIN
CPL BLESSINGER
CPL RODERIS
LCPL DESCH
CPL JOYCE
LCPL BLACKWELL
LCPL FURLONG
PFC PHILLIPS
PFC MARQUARDT
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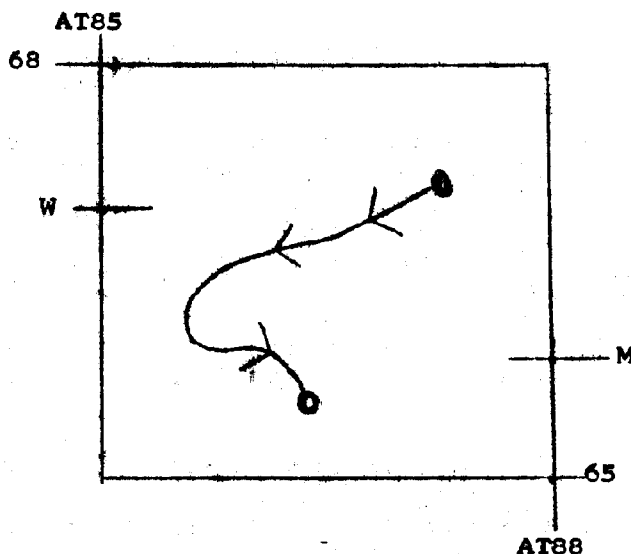
Unit/Call Sign: E-1-3 (DEER LODGE) Patrol Leader: LT MCCLOSKEY

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ To detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Mortar Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of possible 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 on 02 Apr; insert vic AT873671. Extract on 06 Apr vic AT864653. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) HIRELING "G" 67.05
 (b) NAIL BRUSH 63.70
 (c) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15
 (d) HIRELING "WT" 39.75
 (e) PONY BOY "C" 55.75
 (f) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (g) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ROMEO

Distribution:

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



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OPERATION ORDER: 195-68
PATROL: DEER LODGE
DEDRIEFER: LCPL ALBRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 IV

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DANANG, RVN
081030H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 7 ENL
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-79, (6 CS, 6 FLESHETTE), 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN MORTAR VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF POSSIBLE 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: 041400H/081030H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY:

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 92 HOURS WITH TWO SIGHTINGS OF ONE VC/NVA AND A NUMBER OF FIRES. THE PATROL CALLED 2 FIRE MISSIONS WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

061700H AT859669 1 VC/NVA SHOOTING INTO THE PATROL'S HARBOR SITE WEARING CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES AND A BUSH HAT. HE WAS EQUIPPED WITH AN AK-47. THE PATROL RETURNED SMALL ARMS AND LEFT THE AREA BEFORE CALLING A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

061945H AT826686 SEVERAL FIRES ON A HILLSIDE. THE PATROL CALLED 2 FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: ON THE LOW GROUND MOVING UP THE RIDGE THE TERRAIN CONSISTS OF 6'-12' HIGH GRASS. ON THE RIDGE ITSELF THE SECONDARY GROWTH WAS 6'-8' HIGH AND THE GROUND WAS VERY ROCKY MAKING MOVEMENT MODERATELY EASY. ON THE TOP OF THE RIDGE THERE IS A CLEAR AREA WITH A VERY WELL USED TRAIL RUNNING EAST AND WEST. GOING DOWN THE OTHER SIDE OF THE RIDGE IT IS VERY ROCKY AND STEEP WITH 12' SECONDARY GROWTH AND VERY DIFFICULT MOVEMENT.

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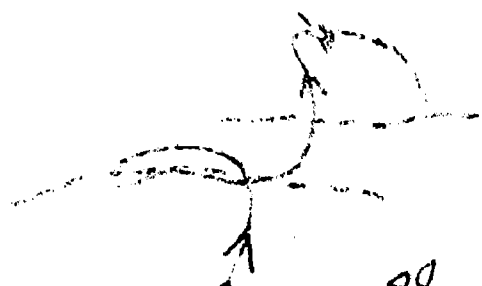
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT867656 ON THE VALLEY FLOOR IS A GOOD MULTI BIRD ZONE. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT874673 IS A CUT LZ WITH 6'-10' ERECT GRASS AND SMALL TREES 10'-12' HIGH, GOOD FOR ONE CH-46. THE TRAILS IN THE AREA (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY), ARE RECENTLY USED, 2' WIDE AND THE ONE ON TOP OF THE RIDGE HAS A LENGTH OF COMM WIRE RUNNING EAST WEST FOR AN UNKNOWN DISTANCE. THE PATROL FOLLOWED THE WIRE FOR ONE HUNDRED METERS IN EACH DIRECTION WITHOUT FINDING THE END AND CUT THE WIRE. THERE IS AN OUTSTANDING OP ON TOP OF HILL 310 AND AN LZ GOOD FOR ONE CH-46. THE INFANTRY CUT AWAY ALL THE BRUSH AND TREES AND THE OP PROVIDES OBSERVATION 360 DEGREES. THIS OP WILL NEED TWENTY MEN TO MAN IT BUT IT ALREADY HAS DEFENSIVE POSITIONS DUG. CHARLIE RIDGE, MORTAR VALLEY, AND LEECH VALLEY CAN BE OBSERVED FROM THIS OP. THE VALLEY FLOOR HAS MANY LZ'S.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HILL 310 SHOULD BE USED AS A PERMANENT OP. COM WAS VERY GOOD ON THE RIFLELINE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY THE SUPERVISOR: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT McCLOSKEY
 CPL KRAEGER
 LCPL BERNSTEIN
 PFC HENRY
 LCPL ALKINS
 LCPL WILSON
 PFC DEMELLO
 PFC HAMPTON

LT. McCLOSKEY
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Unit/Call Sign: E-1-2 (MELODY TIME) Patrol Leader: SSGT CHAPMAN

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 Thuong Duc TOAR. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of 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 03 Apr; insert via ZC203511. Extract on 07 Apr via ZC203481. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) STANLEY LOOKER 45.80
(b) OFFSPRING "Q" 37.65
(c) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER SIERRA
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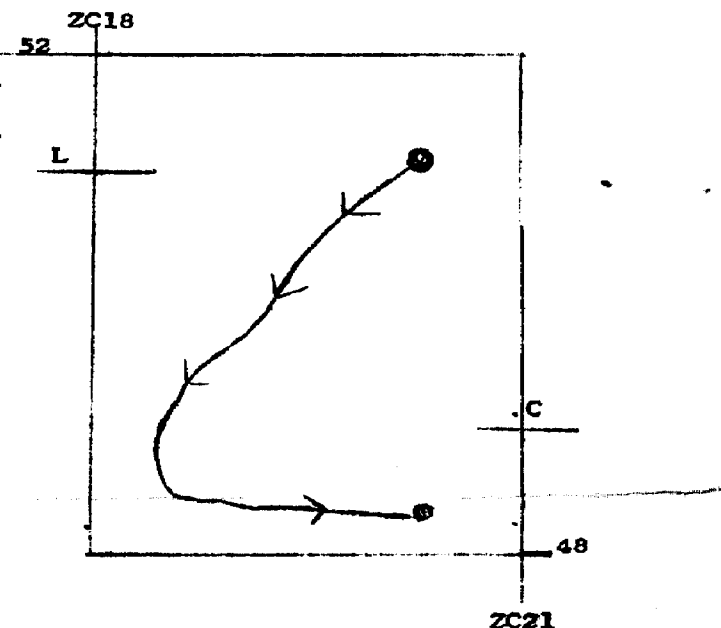
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PATROL: MELODY TIME
DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
MAIS: VIETNAM 1:50:000 AMS
SHEETS 65401, 66401V

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN
DANANG, RVN
101800H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, EQUIPMENT, EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25's, 2 7X50's

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 5 GIAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79

2. MISSION/CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/EPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS CONCENTRATION IN THE MUONG DAO TOAR. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON DEMANDS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 060000/101800

4. POWER: SEE OVERLAY

5. SUMMARY: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 104 HOURS WITH A TOTAL OF EIGHT SIGHTINGS TOTALING 95 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 3 FIRE MISSIONS AND 3 AIR STRIKES FOR A TOTAL OF ONE VC KIA CONF.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. HOSTS:

071800H ZC201496 PATROL FOUND FOUR WELL-BUILT HOOKES. THEY HAD NOT BEEN LIVED IN LATELY, BUT WERE BUILT WITH AM4's WITH STRAW ROOFS. IN TWO OF THE HOOKES THE PATROL FOUND A TOTAL OF 10 LARGE STRAW MATS USED FOR SLEEPING.

080800H ZC201496 PATROL HEARD 4 MEN AND WOMEN CHOPPING WOOD AND PLAYING A RADIO. THIS WAS RIGHT IN THE AREA OF THE 4 HOOKES MENTIONED ABOVE. NO FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED DUE TO THE PATROL'S PROXIMITY.

091445H ZC195437 PATROL HEARD MANY VOICES AROUND THEIR POSITION. THERE WERE MANY TRAILS IN THE AREA. THE PATROL DID NOT CALL A FIRE MISSION BECAUSE VOICES WERE TOO CLOSE TO THEIR POSN.

091800H ZC197482 PATROL CALLED AN A.C. WHEN THEY SIGHTED 55 VC MOVING NW ALONG A CREEK BED. THEY CALLED A FIRE MISSION ON THE VC, THEN THE AO CALLED TWO AIR STRIKES RESULTING IN ONE KIA CONFIRMED (KDA). THIS GROUP HAD RACKS AND RIFLES.

091530H ZC206486 PATROL SAW THREE VC MOVING 'SW' IN A RAVINE. THEY WERE ARMED WITH RACKS AND RIFLES. HUES IN THE AREA CALLED A FIXED WING AIR STRIKE ON THE VC WITH

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UNKNOWN RESULTS.

091530H ZC204480 3 VC WERE SPOTTED FIRING AT AN A.O.
THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

091030H ZC197482 PATROL HEARD APPROX. 35 VC TALKING WITH-
IN 50 METERS OF THEIR POSIT. PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION
WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

100700H ZC205486 PATROL COULD HEAR 10-15 VC TALKING AND
MILLING AROUND NEAR THEIR POSITION. THEY WERE BEATING
BAMBOO STICKS IN RHYTHM. PATROL ATTEMPTED TO CALL A FIRE
MISSION BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE.

B. TERRAIN: THERE WAS A SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 15 FEET WITH
MUCH BAMBOO AND ELEPHANT GRASS. MOVEMENT RANGES FROM
DIFFICULT TO EASY. WATER IS PLentiful.

7 OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ IS AT ZC203511. THE ZONE WAS
GOOD FOR 1 CH-46 AND WAS LOCATED ON A HILL TOP COVERED WITH LOW
GRASS. . THE EXTRACT ZONE IS ON A GRASSY SLOPE LOCATED AT ZC202482.
IT TOO WAS GOOD FOR ONE CH-46. THE PATROL NOTED THAT MOST OF THE
MOVEMENT OF ENEMY WAS TO THE NORTH. THE TRAILS ALONG THEIR ROUTE
WERE PLAINLY MARKED BY CUTTING AND BURNING NOTCHES IN TREES. AS
INDICATED ON THE OVERLAY THE SOUTHERN HALF OF THEIR ROUTE WAS
HONEYCOMBED WITH TRAIL NETWORKS.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE AN M-60 AND A SIGNAL MIRROR.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: A.O. AND FIXED WING WERE OUT-
STANDING. STANLEY LOOKER WAS VERY GOOD.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: AGAIN OUR PATROLS IN THIS AREA RUN INTO
HEAVY ENEMY MOVEMENT. AND AGAIN VC/NVA APPEAR VERY LAX AND CON-
FIDENT IN THE AREA.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT CHAPMAN
CPL HAMMOND
LCPL HUBERT
LCPL PAIGE
LCPL RAINEY
LCPL TANNER
PFC BOYCE
PFC HART
PFC ELGER
PFC THORNE

+ 51
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SSGT L.E. CHAPMAN
MELODY TIME E-1-2
PATROL LEADER

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+ 21

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(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
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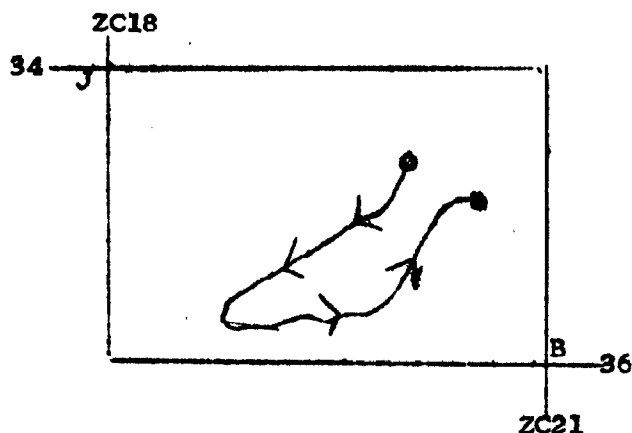
Unit/Call Sign: A-2-2 (WEDDING RING) Patrol Leader: SGT BALLIET

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 around the headwaters of the Khe Nienne River. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 04 Apr; insert vic ZC201374. Extract on 08 Apr vic ZC206371. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 37.15

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU
BIG FLOWER (HILL 452)
GRIM REAPER "S"

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. "A" (1)
PtLdr, A-2-2 (1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 197-68
PATROL: WEDDING RING A-2-2
DEBRIEFER: L/CPL R.L. ALBRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEET 6540II, 6640 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
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051520H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50,

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M-14'S, M-79 (WITH 30 FLESHETTE ROUNDS), 5
CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/PFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION AROUND THE HEADWATERS OF THE KIE NIENNE RIVER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 051445H/051520H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 35 MINUTES WITH THREE CONTACTS WITH A TOTAL OF AN ESTIMATED 20 VC/NVA AND CAPTURED TWO VC SUSPECTS. IN THE VIC OF ZC205370 051445H AFTER A FIXED WING PREPARATION OF THE TEAMS INSERT LZ, THE PATROL INSERTED AND FOUND A WOUNDED FEMALE VCS IN THE ZONE. THE TEAM PUT HER ON THE LAST HELICOPTER TO LEAVE THE ZONE AND SHE WAS TAKEN TO AN HCA FOR TREATMENT. THE TEAM MOVED 150 METERS FROM THE LZ AND FOUND AN ABANDONED BACK, 2 SMALL PLASTIC PONCHOS, 2 CLOTH HAMMOCKS AND COOKING UTENSILS WITH APPROXIMATELY 8 POUNDS OF RICE. THE TEAM SET INTO A DEFENSIVE POSITION AND SOON AFTERWARD OBSERVED 3 VC RUNNING 10-25 METERS AWAY FROM THE PATROL'S POSITION. THE TEAM ENGAGED THEM WITH SMALL ARMS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. THE TEAM CHECKED OUT THE AREA WITH NO RESULTS AND TRIED TO ESTABLISH COMM. THE TEAM THEN TOOK 10-15 ROUNDS OF SEMI-AUTOMATIC SMALL ARMS FIRE AND DID NOT RETURN FIRE. THE TEAM HEARD MOVEMENT TO THE NORTHWEST AND OBSERVED ONE MALE VCS WALKING DOWN THE TRAIL INTO THE PATROL'S POSITION. THE TEAM CAPTURED HIM AND HE WAS FORWARDED TO 9TH ITT FOR QUESTIONING AFTER THE PATROL RETURNED. THE TEAM MOVED BACK TO THE INSERT LZ AND ENGAGED ANOTHER VC WITH SMALL ARMS BEFORE BEING EXTRACTED WITH THE PRISONER.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: SEE SYNOPSIS

B. TERRAIN: THE INSERT LZ WAS IN A DRY RICE PADDY SURROUNDED BY LOW SECONDARY GROWTH AND SPARSE CANOPY.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC ZC205370 IS A GOOD 3-4 CH-46 ZONE IN A DRY RICE PADDY. THERE IS A WELL USED TRAIL VIC ZC 205371.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: TWO VCS DETAINEES
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TPG-10 RECOMMENDED FOR THIS AREA DUE TO THE OBVIOUS SIGNS OF ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THE AREA. COMM IS IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT A WHIP ANTENNA IN THIS AREA.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: A PRELIMINARY INTERROGATION OF THE MALE VCS INDICATES THAT NVA ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA IS PLENTIFUL. ANOTHER PATROL IS RECOMMENDED AND TPG-10'S WILL BE RECOMMENDED.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. BALLIET
 CPL KEETER
 LCPL EDMISTON
 PFC GILL
 LCPL URDANIAK
 LCPL ALLEN
 LCPL MITCHELL
 PFC BEN
 PFC BISHOP

SGT. BALLIET
 WEDDING RING A-2-2
 PATROL LEADER

PATROL OVERLAY

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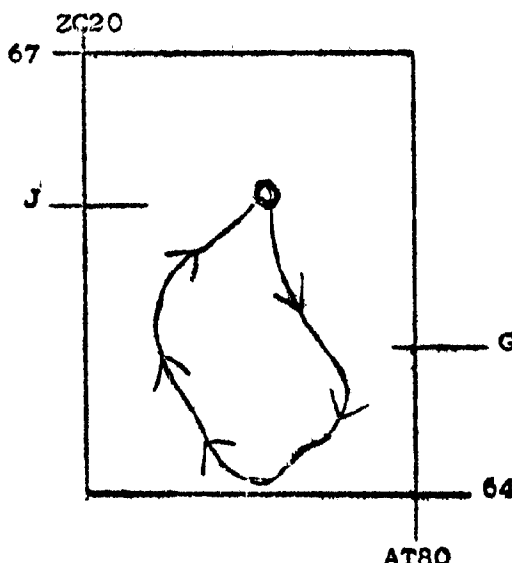
Unit/Call Sign: A-1-1 (LUCKY LARK) Patrol Leader: LT GLASSER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPGUM'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 Happy Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of storage areas, fortifications 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 on 05 Apr; insert vic AT790661. Extract on 09 Apr vic AT790661. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternates: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (c) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (d) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (e) LUNGA POINT 37.15

RADIO RELAY: GRIM REAPER ROMBO

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AG (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, AsstBn8thMar (1)
 Recon FGCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co: "A" (1)
 PltLdr, A-1-1 (1)



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OPERATION ORDER 198-68
PATROL: LUCKY LARK A-1-1
DEBRIEFER: L/CPL R.L. ALDRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6540 I & 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
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061225H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 9 ENL. 1 USN.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S,

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-12, M-14, M-79, (4CS), 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/PFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS 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: 061135H/061225H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 50 MINUTES WITH ONE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 20-30 NVA. AFTER A FIXED WING PREPARATION OF THE INSERT LZ THE FIRST HELICOPTER LANDED. THE TEAM OBSERVED TWO FRESHLY DUG TWO MAN FIGHTING POSITIONS CAMOUFLAGED WITH BRUSH. THE PATROL RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM BOTH FLANKS OF THE HELICOPTER AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM THE HIGH GROUND TO THE SOUTHEAST. THE PATROL OBSERVED 3 NVA WEARING MIXED UNIFORMS (KHAKIS, GREEN UTILITIES, SOME HELMETS), MOVING NEAR THE LZ TOWARDS THE REAR OF THE HELICOPTER. THE PATROL AND THE HELICOPTER RETURNED FIRE AND EXTRACTED. THE HELICOPTER TOOK ONE POSSIBLE HIT. AFTER EXTRACTION AN AIR STRIKE WAS CONDUCTED IN THE AREA AND AREA COVERAGE BY ARTY WILL COVER AT789662, AT789664, ZC211650. THE PATROL SUFFERED NO CASUALTIES.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 061135H AT790661 20-30 NVA FIRING AT INSERT HELICOPTER WITH SMALL ARMS SEMIAUTOMATIC AND AUTOMATIC. THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND EXTRACTED. ONE AIRSTRIKE WAS CONDUCTED AND AREA COVERAGE WAS GIVEN BY ARTY WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ WAS A GOOD ONE CH-46 ZONE IN A DRY PADDY. THERE WERE TWO TWO-MAN FIGHTING HOLES FRESHLY DUG. ON THE HIGH GROUND TO THE SOUTH OF THE LZ THE PATROL OBSERVED CULTIVATED AREAS. THERE IS A WELL USED TRAIL (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY) 4' WIDE NEAR THE LZ.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

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9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: DO NOT USE THIS LZ.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL. KUBS
LCPL EVANS
IFC CASTELLANOS
PFC HERRERA
PFC DOSS
PFC BRUETZMACHER
IFC MOODY
PFC CHURBUCK
LT GLASSER
HM2 COTE
PFC RELYIN

CPL. KUBS
LUCKY LARK A-1-1
PATROL LEADER

PATROL OVERLAY

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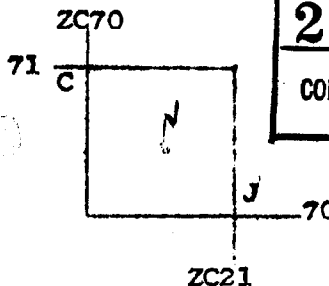
Unit/Call Sign: A-3 (RICE KRISPIES) Patrol Leader: CPL JONES

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S AND PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance 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 (GRIM REAPER ROMEO) at Ba Na. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 05 Apr; insert via ZC205704. Extract on 14 Apr via ZC205704. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (d) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (e) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15 (MAX RANGE)

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ROMEO

Distribution:

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



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OPERATION ORDER: 199-68
 PATROL: RICE KRISTIES A-3-1
 DETRIEFER: L/CPL R. L. ALDRIGHT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS 6540 I, 6640 IV,
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 171700H APRIL 68

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 21 ENL. 1 USN.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 M-49, 1 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 SID DEVICE, 1 M-14, 2 M-60'S, 1 .50 CAL MG,
 2 M-79'S, (WITH 6 CS & 1 WHITE STAR CLUSTER).
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 (GRIM REAPER ROMEO), AT BA NA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 060930H/171700H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 264 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN: N/A
7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY THE DETRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LCPL BROCKMAN	PFC BELOT	
PFC HUCKLEBERRY	PFC MACDONALD	
CPL. SNEE	PFC COVARRUBIAS	PFC GAXIOLA
LCPL HOOVER	PFC CURRY	PFC BURTON
LCPL HUNTER	PFC DREGGESS	PFC PETERS
LCPL DAVIS	PFC BATEMAN	PFC NILE
LCPL DAWROW	PFC ALVIRA	HM3 MACHMER
LCPL TURNER	PFC VON DACH	SSGT LAWMAN

SSGT. LAWMAN
 RICE KRISTIES A-3-1
 PATROL LEADER

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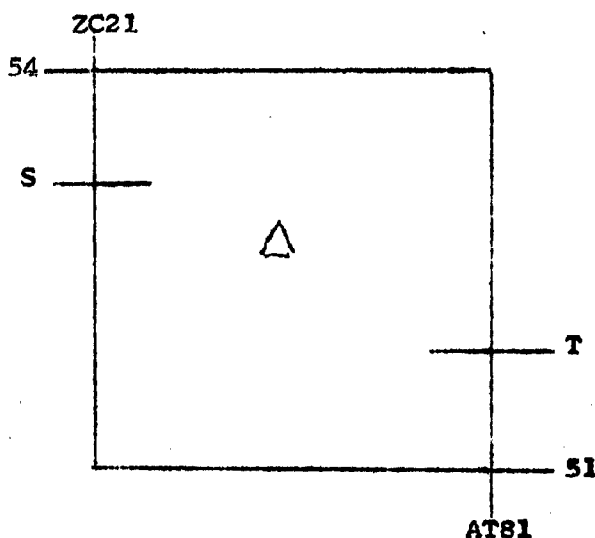
Unit/Call Sign: B-2-3 (AUDITOR 3) Patrol Leader: SGT THOMAS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Quan Dué Duc Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 05 Apr; insert vic AT797528. Extract on 10 Apr vic AT797528. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) HIRELING 44.20
 (b) STANLEY LOOKER 45.80

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU

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)
 FzBn 4-2-3 (1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 200-68
PATROL: AUDITOR 3
DEBRIEFER: LT C.F. MCBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM: 50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS: 6640IV & 6540I

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DANANG, RVN
111030H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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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 M-49 SCOPE,
2 7X50's, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 14 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79

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

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 061750/111030

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 113 HOURS WITH 4 SIGHTINGS OF A TOTAL OF 21 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED THREE FIRE MISSIONS WHICH RESULTED IN 2 VC/NVA KIA CONFIRMED AND 11 VC/NVA KIA PROBABLE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

071145H AT835541 PATROL SPOTTED 2 VC MOVING 'SE' INTO A TREELINE. THEY WERE WEARING BLACK PJ's AND WERE CARRYING RIFLES AND PACKS. THE PATROL ATTEMPTED TO CALL A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE DUE TO AIRCRAFT IN THE AREA.

071520H AT818515 FIVE VC MOVING 'NE' TO 'SW' IN TREELINE WEARING BLACK PJ's AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSIONS AND HAD TWO PROBABLE KIA.

080900H AT828535 10VC WERE SIGHTED MOVING 'W' TO 'E' TOWARD A TREELINE. THEY WORE BLACK PJ's AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION AND HAD 2 KIA CONFIRMED BY BODY COUNT AND 5 PROBABLE KIA.

081400H AT808516 4 VC WERE SPOTTED MOVING 'SE' TO 'NW' ALONG A TREELINE WEARING BLACK PJ's AND CARRYING RIFLES AND CARTRIDGE BELTS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 4 PROBABLE KIA's.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT ZONES AS WELL AS THE OP ARE ALL LOCATED AT AT797528. THE ZONE WILL HOLD ONE CH-46 AT A TIME AND THE OP OFFERES A GOOD VIEW TO THE 'N', 'E' AND 'S'.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCESSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A .50 CAL IF YOU CAN GET IT. TAKE SOME TIMBERS FOR OVERHEADS ON THE BUNKERS.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT THOMAS
 CPL WOODIER
 LTC PALL
 LTC BORDAIN
 PFC MAKOUTZ
 PFC JERRA
 PFC GONS
 PVT McDOWELL
 PFC JONES
 LMG WATSON
 PFC MASHALL
 CPL SUSIN
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SGT S.E. THOMAS
 AUDITOR 3 D-2-1
 PATROL LEADER

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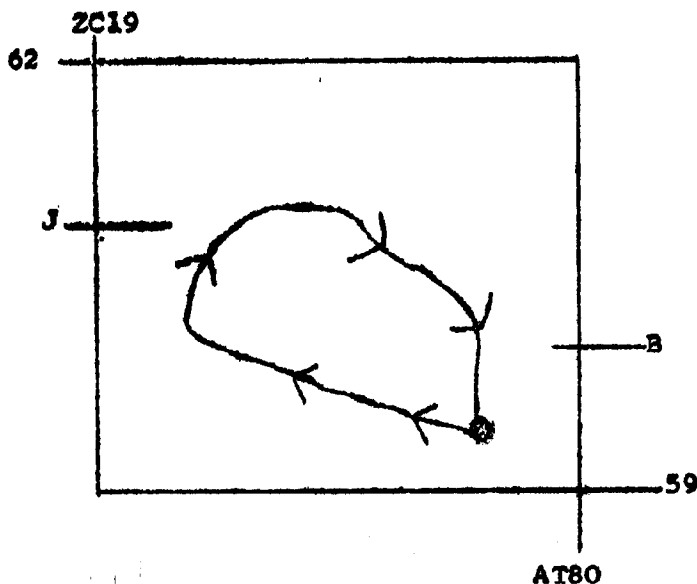
Unit/Call Sign: B-3-1 (BLUE SPRUCE) Patrol Leader: LT BARTA

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/TFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Charlie Ridge area. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of 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 05 Apr; insert via AT792595. Extract on 09 Apr via AT792595. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (b) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.50
 (c) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15
 (d) HIRELING "I" 36.15

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ROMEO

Distribution:

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OPERATION ORDER: 201-68
 PATROL: BLUESINUCE B-3-1
 DMBRIEFER: L/CPL R.L. ALBRIGHT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS 6540 I, 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 101600H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF 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: 061415H/101600H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY:

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 98 HOURS WITH TWO SIGHTING/CONTACTS WITH A TOTAL OF 7 VC/NVA. THEY KILLED ONE NVA CONFIRMED WITH SMALL ARMS AND TOOK THE OTHERS UNDER FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. THE PATROL CAPTURED ONE AK-47.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

070930H AT792603 2 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON A TRAIL WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH ONE AK-47, 2 MAGAZINES, AND A GRENADE. THE PATROL TOOK THE ENEMY UNDER FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AUTOMATIC FIRE RESULTING IN ONE NVA KIA CONFIRMED AND ONE CAPTURED AK-47. THE SECOND NVA RAN DOWN THE TRAIL AND THE PATROL PURSUED THE ENEMY WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

080800H AT794601 5 OR MORE VC OCCUPYING A SECURITY POSITION ON THE JUNCTION OF A TRAIL AND STREAM. THE VC/NVA WORE BLACK PJ'S AND WERE EQUIPPED WITH COOKING UTENSILS AND UNKNOWN WEAPONS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTS CANOPY UP TO 120-130 FEET HIGH WITH MODERATE SECONDARY GROWTH. MOVEMENT WAS EASY.

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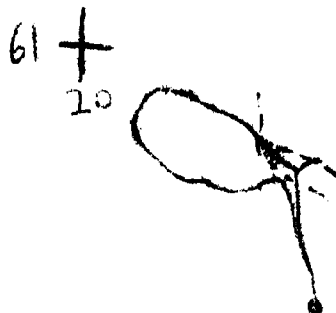
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7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT792595 IS A GOOD ONE. CH-46
ZONES OF LOW SCRUB GROWTH 2' HIGH. THE EXTRACT LZ IS THE SAME. THE
TRAILS IN THE AREA COVERED BY THE PATROL (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY) ARE
WELL USED. IN THE AREA OF THE PATROL'S INSERT ZONE IT IS POSSIBLE TO
CUT LZ'S IN MANY PLACES.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: ONE NVA KIA CONFIRMED AND ONE
AK-47 CAPTURED.
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TRQ-10 THE AREA VIC AT7960. COME WAS
100R. RECOMMEND USE OF GRIM REAPER ZULU OR UNIFORM.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY DESIGNEER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. BARRA
COLL SCUTTALL
PFC MARGRAVE
PFC GROS
PFC KEMER
COLL BOWMAN
PFC GILLEN
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Unit/Call Sign: E-2-3 (FLAKY SNOW) Patrol Leader: SGT CLARK

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/TFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration on the northeastern slopes of Ba Na. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 05 Apr; insert via ZC205704. Extract on 09 Apr via AT828734. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

b. Coordinating instructions

- (1) Coordinate all movement with RICE KRISPIES on Ba Na.

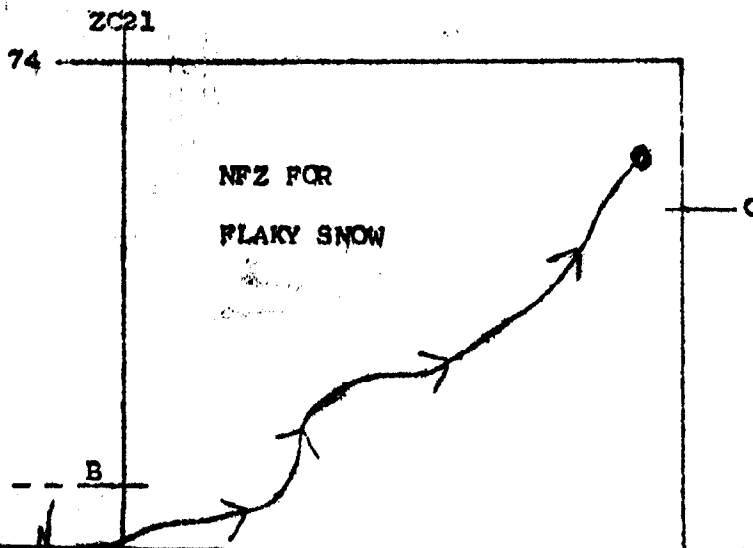
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (d) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (e) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45

Radio Relays: GRIM REAPER ROMBO

Distribution:

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G-3	(2)
Div AG	(1)
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CO, 7thMar	(1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 202-68
 PATROL: FLAKY SNOW E-2-3
 DEBRIEFER: L/CPL. R.L. ALBRIGHT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS 6640 IV, 6540 I, 6541 II,
 6641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 101830H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL. 1 USN.
 - B. SECONDARY ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25'S, 1 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-12, 1 M-79, (WITH 6 FLESHETTE ROUNDS), 4 CLAYMORTARS.
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED AREA/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION ON THE NORTHEASTERN SLOPES OF BA NA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTILLERY ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 060845H/101830H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 106 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY. THE PATROL CALLED NO FIRE MISSIONS AND SUFFERED NO CASUALTIES.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF 60'-80' CANOPY WITH SCARSE SECONDARY GROWTH 10'-15' HIGH WITH EASY MOVEMENT FROM BA NA TO AT805713. FROM THIS POINT THE CANOPY WENT UP TO 90' HIGH WITH HEAVIER SECONDARY GROWTH AND INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT MOVEMENT TO AT806726. FROM THIS POINT THE CANOPY THINNED AND EVENTUALLY DISAPPEARED AND THE MOVEMENT BECAME INCREASINGLY MORE DIFFICULT. THE PATROL FOUND A LARGE OBSTACLE OF HUGE BOULDERS WITH A STREAM RUNNING UNDER THEM. THIS OBSTACLE EFFECTIVELY BLOCKED MOVEMENT IN MANY PLACES AND MADE MOVEMENT VERY SLOW AND DIFFICULT IN OTHERS. THE SCRUB GROWTH IN THIS AREA WAS 10'-18' HIGH AND EXTREMELY THICK.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ WAS BA NA AND THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT828736 IS A GOOD ONE ON-46 ZONE OF 2' HIGH GRASS. THERE IS A LARGE BOULDER IN THE LZ WHICH IS WHAT MAKES THE ZONE SO SMALL. ALL TRAILS IN THE AREA COVERED BY THE PATROL WERE OVERGROWN AND HAVE NOT BEEN USED RECENTLY. THERE IS PLenty OF WATER ON THE HIGH GROUND.

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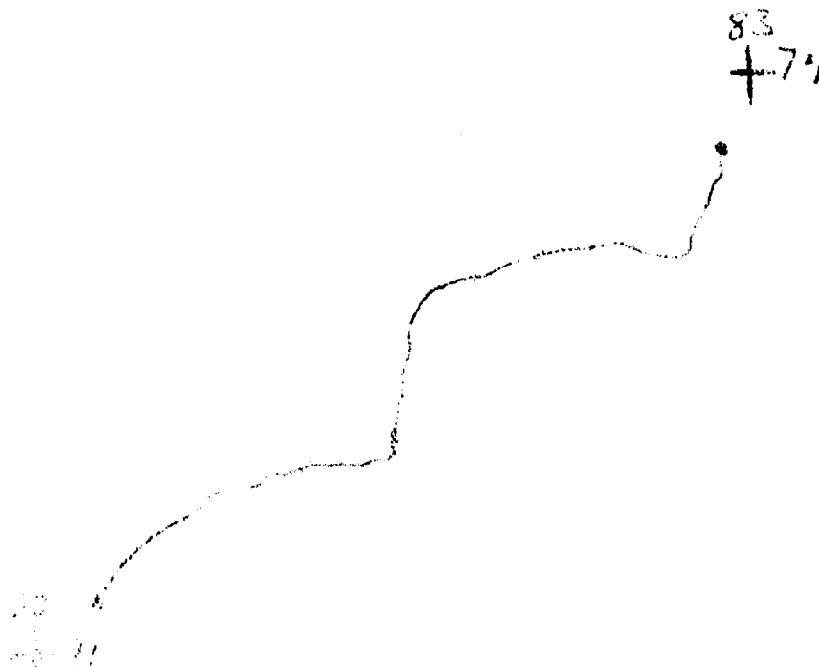
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE AREA COVERED BY THIS PATROL REQUIRES AT LEAST SIX DAYS TO COVER EFFECTIVELY. AVOID THE ROCKY TERRAIN MENTIONED IN TERRAIN ABOVE. TAKE A CLIMBING ROPE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THE RESULTS OF THIS PATROL INDICATE THAT THE ENEMY DOES NOT UTILIZE THE AREA COVERED TO REACH DA NA. THERE IS NO SIGN OF ENEMY ACTIVITY.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. SMITH
SGT. DOWNEY
LCPL MCKISSETT
CFC GRAY

MSG MONTYME
MSG BUESA
MSG GIBBY
MSG DEWIS
HM3 O'CONNOR

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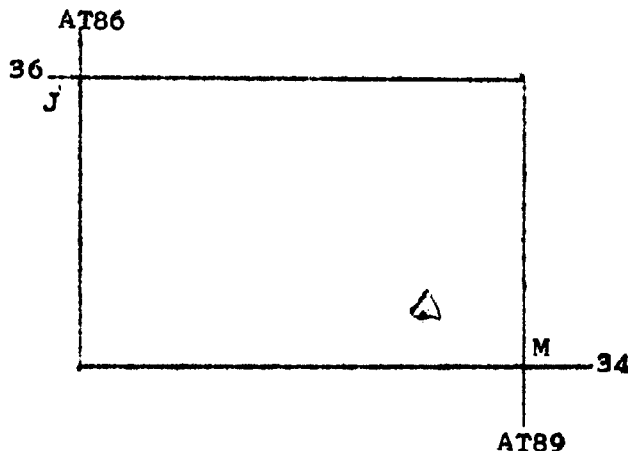
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Unit/Call Sign: B-4-3 (SLATE CREEK) Patrol Leader: SSGT MARROQUIN

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 Antenna Valley and the high ground to the southwest. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
 3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 05 Apr; insert vic AT882348. Extract on 10 Apr vic AT882348. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 64.60
 (b) HIRELING 48.20
 (c) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25
- Radio Relay: PAL JOEY ZULU
 PAL JOEY WHISKEY 37.90

Distribution:

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 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CG, 11thMar (5)
 CG, Co. "E" (1)
 CG, AMERICAL DIV (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 Ptlldr, B-4-3 (1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 209-68
PATROL: SLATE CREEK
DEBRIEFER: LOPL ALBRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 17014
SHEETS: 6640111

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DANANG, RVN
111230H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 12 RVN, 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 1 DC SCOPE, 3 7X50's
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 3 CLAYMORES, 2 M-12, 2 M-79's, 1 M-60

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED MPA/EPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN AMBENNA VALLEY AND THE HIGH GROUND TO THE SOUTHWEST. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY,

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 061600H/111230H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 116½ HOURS WITH FIVE SIGHTINGS OF MOUNTAIN 36 VC. THE PATROL CALLED FOUR FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN 6 PROBABLE KIA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

062100H AT898365 24 VC MOVING 'E' TO 'W' ON RIDGE LINE. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

062115H AT921381 4VC MOVING 'E' TO 'W' ON SIDE OF A HILL. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT IT WAS CANCELED DUE TO A SHORTAGE OF AMMO.

062030H AT880378 PATROL SAW 8 VC CONVERGING FROM ALL DIRECTIONS. THEY CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 6 VC KIA PROBABLE.

072230H AT883344 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC MOVING EAST TO WEST IN A GULCH. THE PATROL THREW SMALL ARMS AND HAND GRENADES AT THE VC WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

100300H AT880340 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC MOVING 'SW' THRU A STREAMBED. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ AS WELL AS THE OP ARE LOCATED AT 882348. IT IS A BALD HILL AND OFFERS A 360 DEGREES VIEW. THE PATROL CLEARED THE MINES TO THE NORTHWEST OF THE HILL.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: BUILD A BETTER LZ. TAKE MORE
CONCENTRINA WINE UP THERE.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY OBSERVER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT MARROQUIN
SGT STINE
CPL BAKER
PFC THOMPSON
PFC HENNINGSON
PFC BOWEN
PFC TILLEY
PFC COWAN
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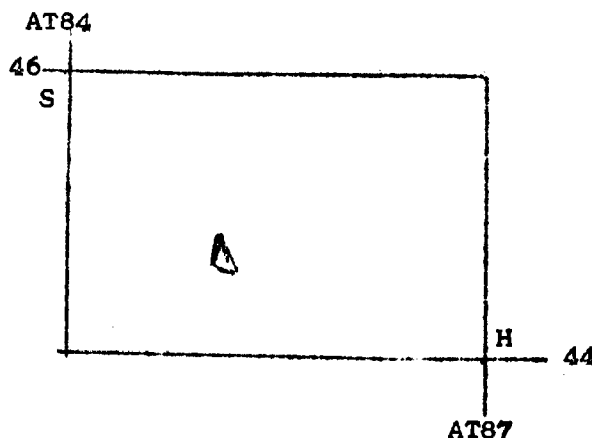
Unit/Call Sign: D-3-1 (MAY FLY) Patrol Leader: SGT HUGHES

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 to the north and northwest. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 08 Apr; insert vic AT851448. Extract on 12 Apr vic AT851448. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) HIRELING 44.20
(b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU
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CO, Co. "D"	(1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 204-68
 PATROL: MAY FLY D-3-1
 DEBRIEFER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEET 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 121600H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 14 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 7x50'S, 1 M-49, 2 IRC-25'S
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 18 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79, (WITH 12 FLESHETTE),
1 M-60,

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 TO THE NORTH AND NORTHWEST. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 061645H/121600H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 144 HOURS WITH 11 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 436 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 4 FIRE MISSIONS AND 9 AIRSTRIKES RESULTING IN 125 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 98 VC KIA PROBABLE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

070950H AT825465 TO AT844484 200 VC/NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST ON TRAILS. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND GREEN UTILITIES AND WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES, HELMETS, BLACK JACKETS AND ONE .50 CALIBER MACHINE GUN. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION AND AN AIRSTRIKE RESULTING IN 51 CONFIRMED VC KIA AND 25 VC KIA PROBABLE.

071230H AT845485 15 VC MOVING INTO A HOOTCH WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS AND GREEN UTILITIES. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS, RIFLES, CARTRIDGE BELTS, AND HELMETS. THE PATROL CALLED AN AIRSTRIKE RESULTING IN 1 HOOTCH COMPLETELY DESTROYED, 1 BUNKER DESTROYED, 1 LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION AND 12 VC KIA CONFIRMED. ONE OF THE VC CARRIED AN M-16.

071300H AT830460 25 VC MOVING WEST ALONG A TRAIL WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS, RIFLES AND HELMETS. THE PATROL CALLED TWO AIRSTRIKES RESULTING IN 12 VC KIA CONFIRMED.

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071430H AT831459 5 VC MOVING INTO A HOOTH WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED AN AIRSTRIKE RESULTING IN 5 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND ONE STRUCTURE DESTROYED.

071530H AT806466 15 VC MOVING WEST ALONG A STREAM BED WEARING GREEN AND CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES AND ONE MACHINE GUN. THE PATROL CALLED AN AIRSTRIKE RESULTING IN 9 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND ONE LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSION (POSSIBLE 82MM MORTAR ROUND).

071730H AT834466 5 VC MOVING ALONG A TRAIL TO THE WEST WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND GREEN UTILITIES. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED AN AIRSTRIKE RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA CONFIRMED.

072315H AT851448 AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC MOVING AROUND THE PATROL'S POSITION FROM NORTHEAST AND EAST. THE PATROL HEARD BAMBOO STICKS BEATING IN A REGULAR RHYTHM WITH DIM LIGHTS 25 METERS FROM THEIR POSITION. THE PATROL CALLED AN ILLUMINATION FIRE MISSION BUT DID NOT OBSERVE ANYTHING UNUSUAL. NO CONTACT WAS MADE AND NO FURTHER SIGHTINGS.

081700H AT945484 74 VC/NVA MOVING NORTHWEST INTO A TREELINE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS AND GREEN UTILITIES. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL OBSERVED ONE POSSIBLE 82MM MORTAR TUBE AND TWO MACHINE GUNS POSSIBLY .30 CAL AND .50 CAL. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 15 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 15 VC KIA PROBABLE. THE PATROL ALSO CALLED AN AIRSTRIKE RESULTING IN TWO STRUCTURES DESTROYED AND 2 BUNKERS AS WELL AS AN ADDITIONAL 16 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 20 VC KIA PROBABLE.

082245H AT858485 AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC ENGAGED IN UNKNOWN ACTIVITY ALONG THE RIVER BANK. THE PATROL OBSERVED FLASHES (LATER CONFIRMED TO BE 82MM MORTAR FIRE DIRECTED ON AN HOA), AND CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS.

091130H AT835474 33 VC MOVING NORTHWEST INTO A TREELINE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS. THE VC WERE EQUIPPED WITH LARGE PACKS, RIFLES AND FOUR POSSIBLE 82MM AND 60MM MORTAR TUBES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 31 VC KIA PROBABLE AND 2 VC KIA CONFIRMED. ALL THE VC WORE CAMOUFLAGE.

091500H AT836484 44 VC MOVING INTO A TREELINE. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S, KHAKIS, AND GREEN UTILITIES AND WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS, RIFLES, AND 6 POSSIBLE MORTAR TUBES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT A CHECK FIRE WAS IN EFFECT DUE TO AN AO IN THE AREA. THE PATROL CALLED AN AIRSTRIKE RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 7 VC KIA PROBABLE IN ADDITION TO 3 BUNKERS, 1 40 METER TRENCHLINE, AND 7 FIGHTING HOLES DESTROYED. 6 STRUCTURES WERE DESTROYED AND A SMALL FIRE WAS STARTED.

B. TERMIN: N/A

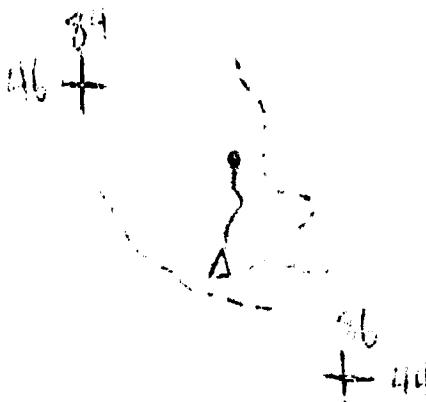
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ AND EXTRACT LZ VIC AT852453 IS A ZONE OF LOW GRASS GOOD FOR ONE CH-46. THERE IS ANOTHER LZ VIC AT841447 ON HILL 196 OF LOW GRASS GOOD FOR ONE CH-46.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: AT LEAST 20-25 MEN TO PROPERLY DEFEND THIS HILL. TAKE A DC SCOPE AND BUNKERS NEED IMPROVING.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING (ESPECIALLY OFFSHORE "C")
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THIS PATROL SET A NEW BATTALION RECORD FOR CONFIRMED KILLS THROUGH OUTSTANDING USE OF SUPPORTING ARMS.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT. HUGHES
CPL MUNDORF
PFC KELLUM
LCPL MARQUEZ
LCPL LAY
PFC MILLER
PFC LAMONTAGUE

PFC RUIZ
PFC SHELLEY
PFC P. RSONS
PFC GORE
PFC MCNUTT
PVT ENNIS
PFC KEPALAS
LCPL NANTER

SSGT HUGHES
MAY FLY D-3-1
PATROL LEADER

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UNIT/CALL SIGN: B-2 (AUNT MABLE) Patrol Leader: Sgt. Witmer

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: B-3-2 CAYENNE
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. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 07 Apr; insert via AT998463. Extract on 12 Apr via AT998463. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

b. Coordinating instructions

(1) ALL FM'S WILL BE CALLED INTO HIRELING 44.20

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

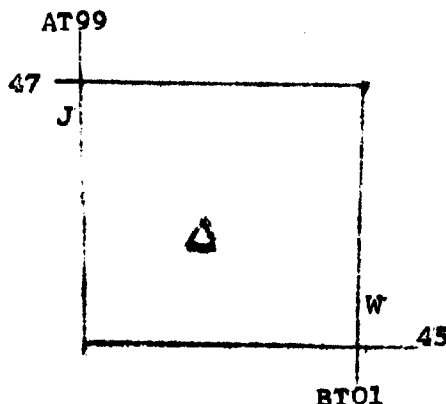
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) HIRELING 44.20
(b) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
(c) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU

AMERICAL DIV LIAISON TM: GRIM REAPER "W" 37.90

Distribution:

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



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OPERATION ORDER: 205-68
 PATROL: AUNT MABLE D-2-2
 DEBRIEFER: L/CPL R. L. ALDRIGHT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L 7014
 SHEETS 6640 IV & 6640 I

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 121145H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 17 ENL. 1 USN.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 3 PRC-25'S, 4 7x50'S, DC SCOPE, STARLIGHT SCOPE & 1 M-49 SCOPE
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-60, 2 M-79 (WITH 6CS), 4 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: 070915H/121145H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 122 HOURS WITH TWO SIGHTINGS TOTALING 33 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED TWO FIRE MISSIONS WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

081822H AT955525 4 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ACROSS A SANDBAR. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

091300H AT975523 29 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A SANDBAR WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS DUE TO THE VC RUNNING INTO A TREELINE.
 - B. TERRAIN: N/A
7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLANT

12. COMMENTS BY DIRMIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. WITMER

CPL JONES

LCPL ANDERSON

LCPL PHILLIPS

LCPL EDDY

LCPL FENDRICK

PFC HICKEY

PFC BELTRAN

PFC SAUCEDO

PFC KOZAK

PFC JONES

PFC AHRENS

PFC LIVINGSTON

PFC MACEDO

PFC WEIDMER

PFC WEDEKIND

PFC WOLF

HM3 ELLIS

SGT. WITMER

AUNT M.DLE B-2-2

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Unit/Call Sign: B-4-2 (PADDLE BOAT) Patrol Leader: Lt. Schadt

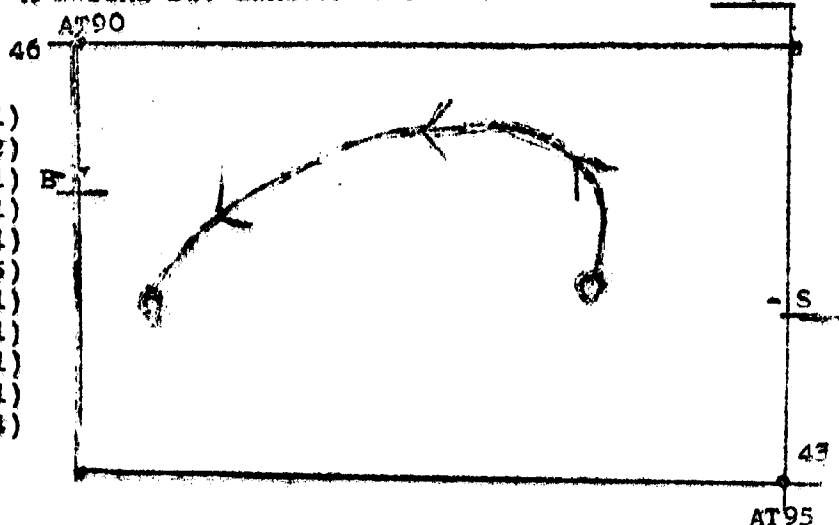
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: None
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration on the ridge line north of Antenna Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 07 Apr; insert vic AT936442. Extract on 11 Apr vic AT905441. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) HIRBLING 44.20
 (All fire mns will go through)
 (b) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
 (c) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25
 (d) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU
 AMERICAL DIV LIAISON TM: GRIM REAPER "W" 37.90

Distribution:

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 Div AO
 CO, Co. "B"
 Pltldr, B-4-2
 CO, 11thMar
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 CO, 3d Bn 7thMar
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 Recon FGCC
 Recon S-3

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OPERATION ORDER: 206-68
 PATROL: PADDLE BOAT E-4-2
 REBRIEFER: L/CPL. R.L. ALBRIGHT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS 6640 III, 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 111000H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL. 1 OFF.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 1M-14, 5 CLAYMORES, 12 FLESHETTE ROUNDS FOR THE M-79 AND 4 WHITE STAR CLUSTERS FOR THE M-79
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED MPZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION ON THE RIDGELINE NORTH OF ANTENNA VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 070900H/111000H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 98 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: ON THE RIDGELINE COVERED BY THE PATROL THERE IS NO CANOPY AND VERY SPARSE SCRUB BRUSH. THE LOW GROUND HAS THICK BRUSH BUT THE HIGH GROUND IS OPEN.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT936442 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF LOW SCRUB AND GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT905441 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF LOW SCRUB AND GRASS ALSO. THE WHOLE RIDGELINE IS GOOD FOR CUTTING LZ'S. THERE IS A GOOD OP VIC AT905441 WITH 360 DEGREE OBSERVATION. THERE ARE MANY GOOD OP'S ON THE RIDGELINE. THERE IS A 2' WIDE TRAIL ON TOP OF THE RIDGE THAT IS NOT RECENTLY USED. THERE IS NO WATER ON THE HIGH GROUND EXCEPT FOR THE STREAM VIC AT905450.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE IS NO SIGN OF ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA. RECOMMEND AN OP VIC EXTRACT LZ BUT DO NOT HUMP THROUGH THIS AREA BECAUSE OF THE OPEN TERRAIN.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

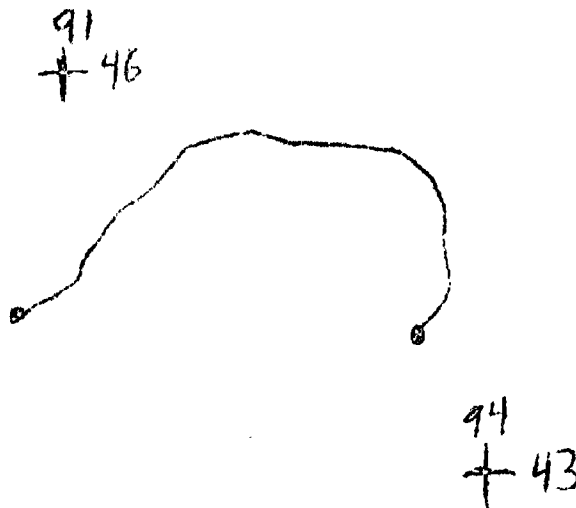
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. SCHADL
LCPL GRODZKI
PFC HILSON
LCPL VINSON
LCPL HENLEY
CPL UTERHARDT
PFC HORNLAND
PFC MOORE

LT. SCHADL
PADDLEBOAT E-4-2
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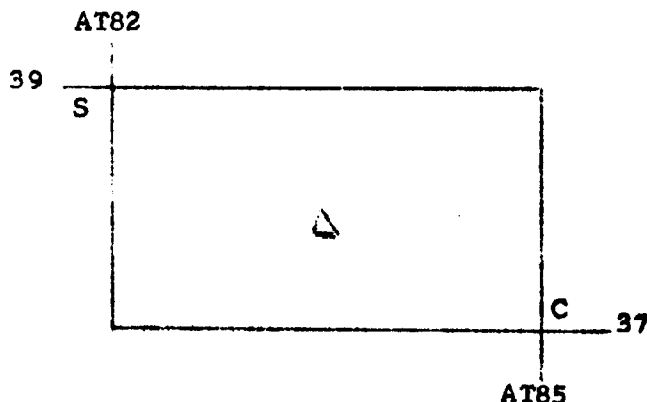
Unit/Call Sign: D-1-2 (FAST DAY) Patrol Leader: SSGT COOLEY

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 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 to Antenna Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 07 Apr; insert vic AT837378. Extract on 13 Apr vic AT837378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
(b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25
(c) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU 37.90
AMERICAL DIV LIAISON TM: GRIM REAPER "W" 37.90

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AG	(1)
CO, 12thMar	(5)
CO, 7thMar	(1)
CO, 3dBn7thMar	(1)
CG, AMERICAL DIV	(1)
Recon BSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, Co. "D"	(1)
PtlLdr, D-1-2	(1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 20
PATROL: FAST DAY D-1-2
DEBRIEFER: LT. C.P. MOBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 III, 6640 IV

15 CONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG RVN.
131030H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL. 1 USN.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25'S, 1 DC SCOPE,
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 30 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79
2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 452 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 CP TO ANTIENNA VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 071030H/131030H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 144 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN: N/A
7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A
8. RESULTS WITH ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE ARMY APPEARS TO HAVE THE AREA UNDER CONTROL.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT COOLEY	1FC TOMPKINS	
1M3 SAILING	1FC COFFIN	
LCPL TATE	1FC WAYNE	
CPL DUNLOW	LCPL ROMERO	
1FC COOK	1FC ROBINSON	SSGT COOLEY
1FC SKELTON	PVT TORRES	FAST DAY D-1-2
	1FC DESCHAMNE	PATROL LEADER

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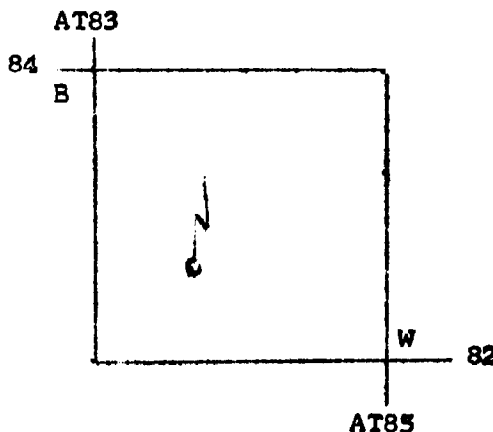
Unit/Call Sign: E-3-3 (PARALLEL BARS) Patrol Leader: LT WARE

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/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 (GRIM REAPER X-RAY) on Dong Den Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 08 Apr; insert vic AT837828. Extract on 14 Apr vic AT337828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) LUNGA POINT 41.45
 (d) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (e) HIRELING "H" 60.85

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
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 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 Plt Ldr, E-3-3 (1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 200-60
PATROL: PARALLEL BARS E-3-3
DEBRIEFER: LT/CPL R.L. ALBRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEET 6641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
171550H APRIL 60

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL. 1 OFF.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 M-49, 1 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79
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 (GRIM REAPER X-RAY) ON DONG DEN MOUNTAIN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 091550H/171550H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 192 HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTING OF 6 VC. THE PATROL CALLED ONE FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 5 VC KIA PROBABLE AND ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: 161245H ATG60050 6VC MOVING NORTHEAST ON A TRAIL. WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 5 VC KIA PROBABLE.
 - B. N/A
7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. WARE
CPL SIMKO
CPL SANDERS
LCPL WISECARVER
PFC MORRIS
PFC ETSITTY
PFC BEE
PFC BRIDENSTINE
PFC BUTTERFIELD
PFC ANDERSON
PFC MEADE
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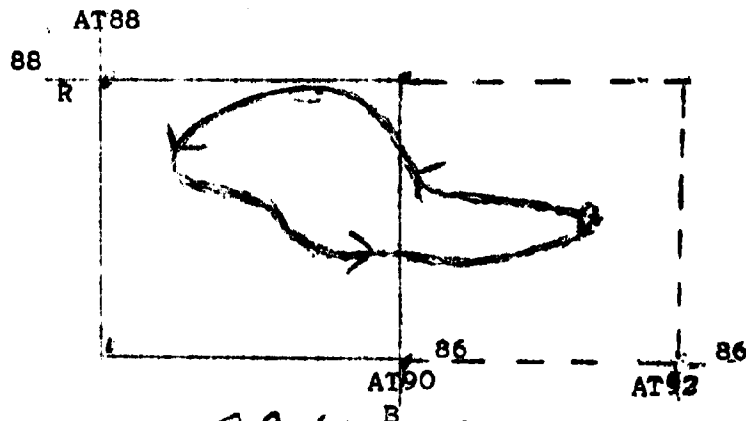
Unit/Call Sign: B-1-1 (PANAMA HAT) Patrol Leader: LT. BARNES

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 through Elephant Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. (a) Depart Recon C.P. at 070000 Apr by truck to "F" Co. 2/7 post at ESSO plant. Coordinate with C.O. "F" Co. on your route. Link up 2/7 on 11 Apr.
(b) Make Bravo reports to that unit in addition to your regular reports. Maintain close coordination by radio with "F" 2/7. M543 Freq: 60.35
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
(b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
(c) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
(d) HIRELING "H" 60.85
(e) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY
"F" Co. 2/7 M543 Freq: 60.35

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| G-3 | (2) |
| Div AO | (1) |
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| CO, 7thMar | (1) |
| CO, 21stBn7thMar | (1) |
| Recon FSOC | (1) |
| Recon S-3 | (4) |
| CO, Co. "B" | (1) |
| PtLdr, B-1-1 | (1) |
| CO, "F" Co. 2/7 | (2) |



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OPERATION ORDER: 209-68
 PATROL: PANAMA HAT
 DEDREIFER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 L7014
 SHEETS: 6641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE IN
 DANANG, RVN
 11100H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, EQUIPMENT:
 - A. SIZE: 9 ENL, 1 OFF, 1 USN
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 1 7X50's
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 3 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79 (6 SHOTGUN ROUNDS)
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH ELEPHANT VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 071530/111100
4. REF: SEE OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS OF A VC/INFA AND TWO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED. THE PATROL WAS INSERTED BY FOOT WITH THE PROTECTION OF AN INFANTRY SQUAD. THEY EXTRACTED BY FOOT TO NAMO BRIDGE WHERE THEY WERE MET BY TRUCKS AND RETURNED TO THE BATTALION AREA.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

091400H AT894878 PATROL SPOTTED ONE VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON A TRAIL. HE WAS WEARING BLACK PJ's AND CARRYING A RIFLE. PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT COULDN'T OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO THICK CANOPY.

091710H AT885874 PATROL SIGHTED 3 NVA SITTING IN BRUSH WEARING GREEN KHAKI's AND HEAD BANDS. THEY HAD CARTRIDGE BELTS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND THEN CALLED A FIRE MISSION. THE NVA MOVED OUT OF THE AREA.
 - B. TERRAIN: THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 10 FEET HIGH WITH HEAVY VINES AND STICKERS. THE CANOPY GOES UP TO 30 FEET AND THERE ARE MANY STEEP SLOPES. MOVEMENT IS VERY DIFFICULT. THERE IS A FAIR ABUNDANCE OF WATER.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT WAS BY FOOT FROM AT926867. THE EXTRACT WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY TRUCK WHICH PICKED THE PATROL UP AT THE NAMO BRIDGE AT930837. THE PATROL OP'ed FROM AT 900865. THIS OP OFFERED A GOOD VIEW TO THE SOUTHEAST. THEY ALSO OP'ed FROM 898877 WITH A GOOD VIEW TO THE SOUTHWEST. BOTH TIMES THEY HAD TO CLIMB TREES TO DO THEIR OP'ing. THE PATROL SPOTTED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A BANNANA ORCHID AT913871. IT WAS SURROUNDED BY COMM WIRE WITH CLOTHES HANGING ON IT AND NOISEMAKERS

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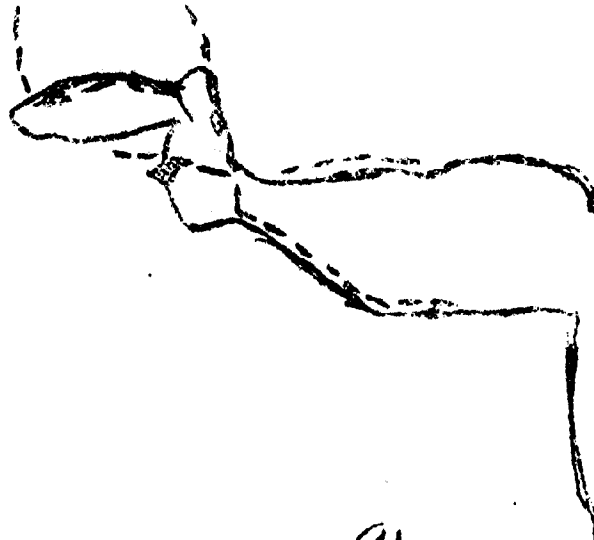
ALSO ATTACHED. THERE WERE SEVERAL SIGNS AROUND THE ORCHID WHICH READ "CO KEEP". UNABLE TO DETERMINE WHAT THIS MEANS, BUT APPEARS TO INDICATE A TROPER NAME.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: 1 USMC MED-EVAC NDC (SNAKE BITE)
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE TREE CLIMBERS TO FACILITATE OP'ing. WATER WILL PROBABLY DRY UP SOON. IT APPEARS VC ARE USING THIS AREA IN SMALL GROUPS. HILL 506 (898877) WOULD MAKE AN EXCELLENT OP. AT900875 COULD BE CLEARED FOR AN LZ.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: WALK-IN EMPLOYING INFANTRY WORKED VERY WELL. INFANTRY UNIT WAS VERY COOPERATIVE AND GOOD LIAISON WAS EFFECTED.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT BARNES
 LCPL THOMPSON
 PFC MARTINEZ
 PFC RYAN
 CSM WINE
 LCPL RAY
 LT BROWN
 PFC FRANKLIN
 LCPL GEMS
 PFC HOUSE
 LT BROWN 88

LT R.C. BARNES
 PANAMA HAT B-1-1
 PATROL LEADER

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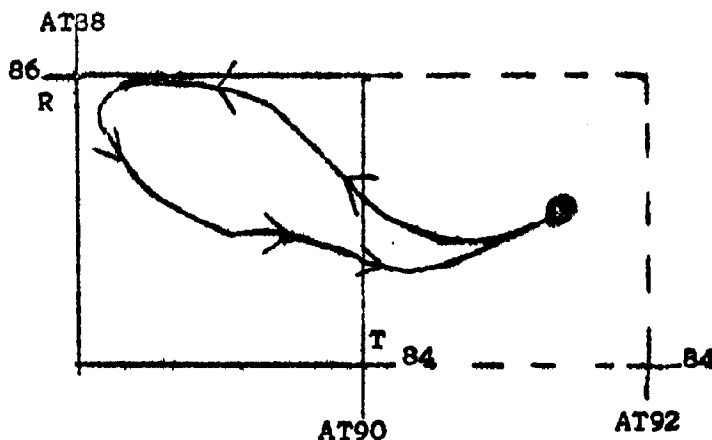
Unit/Call Sign: B-1-2 (ALBROOK) Patrol Leader: SGT TRIANA

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 axis infiltration through Elephant Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. (a) Depart Recon CP at 091500H Apr by truck to "F" Co. 2/7 posit at BSSO Plant. Coordinate with CO "F" Co. on your route. Link up with elements of 2/7 on 12 Apr at pt. to be designated.
 (b) Make Bravo reports to that unit in addition to your regular reports. Maintain close coordinating by radio with "F" Co. 2/7.
 M543 Freq: 60.35
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 55.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
 (d) HIRELING "H" 60.85
 (e) NAIL BRUSH 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 2d3n7thMar (1)
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 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 FtLdr, B-1-2 (1)
 CO, "F" Co. 2/7 (2)



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OPERATION ORDER: 210-68
PATROL: ALBROOK D-1-2
DEBRIEFER: L/CPL. R. L. ALBRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
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1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
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120900H APRIL 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'S
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-79 (WITH 6 FLESHETTE ROUNDS), 4 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. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 081500H/120900H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 90 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF 40' CANOPY IN THE HIGH GROUND WITH 6'-12' HIGH SECONDARY GROWTH AND VERY DIFFICULT MOVEMENT. IN THE LOW GROUND THE CANOPY WAS ALSO 40' HIGH BUT THE SECONDARY GROWTH WAS SPARSE AND MOVEMENT WAS EASY. THERE WAS NO WATER ON THE HIGH GROUND.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT WAS MADE BY TRUCK. THERE ARE MANY WOODCUTTER TRAILS IN THE AREA COVERED BY THE PATROL BUT NONE APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN USED WITHIN THE LAST MONTH. IN THE FOOTHILLS IN THE VIC AT9085 THERE ARE MANY POSSIBLE LZ'S DUE TO THE OPEN NATURE OF THE TERRAIN. THERE ARE NO SIGNS OF ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THE AREA COVERED.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

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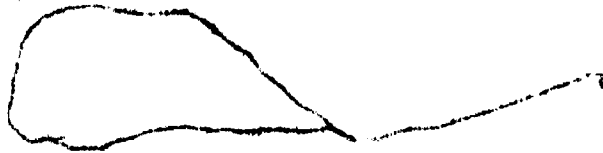
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL. DONSBACH
PFC HARDY
LCPL VINCE
PFC SCHECKLER
LCPL SIMMONS
PFC COLLINS
LCPL JOHNSON
PFC MORGAN
CPL ONETO
HN MERCH
PFC SCOTT

CPL DONSBACH
ALBROOK D-1-2
PATROL LEADER

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Unit/Call Sign: A-1-1 (LUCKY LARK) 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 NTZ/RFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration south of Elephant Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 08 Apr; insert via ZC179781. Extract on 12 Apr via ZC201811. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
(b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
(c) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
(d) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45 (MAX RNG)

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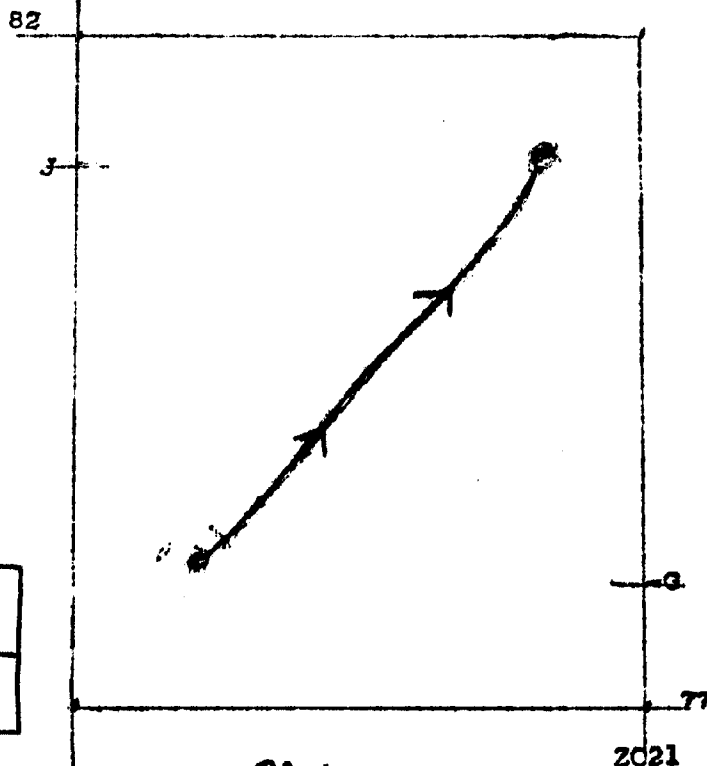
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OPERATION ORDER: 211-68
PATROL: LUCKY LARK A-1-1
DEBRIEFER: L/CPL R.L. ALBRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6641 II, 6541 II

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101245H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 1 USN. 6 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 2 PRC-93'S, 1 M-79, 1 M-14
1 M-12, 4 CLAYMORES.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: SEE ABOVE

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

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 091000H/101245H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 27 HOURS WITH ONE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 20-30 NVA. THE PATROL CALLED TWO FLIGHTS OF FIXED WING WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS AND KILLED ONE VC/NVA CONFIRMED BY SMALL ARMS AND THREE PROBABLE VC KIA ALSO BY SMALL ARMS. THE FIXED WING PROVIDED SUPPRESSIVE FIRE PERMITTING THE TEAM TO EXTRACT WITH NO CASUALTIES.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

091600H ZC196797 1 NVA MOVING NORTH TO SOUTH ON A TRAIL TRIPPED ONE OF THE PATROL'S TRIP FLARES. HE WORE KILAKIS AND CARRIED A RIFLE. THE PATROL TOOK INCOMING RIFLES FIRE AND RETURNED THE FIRE BEFORE MOVING OUT OF THE AREA.

101050H ZC193007 WHILE TEAM WAS WAITING FOR A MED-EVAC FOR A NON-BATTLE CASUALTY, THEY RECEIVED THREE INCOMING GRENADES AND SMALL ARMS AUTOMATIC FIRE FROM THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST OF THEIR POSITION FROM 10-15 METERS AWAY. SOME FIRE WAS COMING FROM THE WEST BUT IT WAS AT LEAST 200 METERS AWAY. THE PATROL CALLED TWO FLIGHTS OF FIXED WING TO PROVIDE SUPPRESSIVE FIRE AND EXTRACTED WITHOUT SUFFERING ANY CASUALTIES.

B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF SPARSE 10' HIGH SECONDARY GROWTH AND 50' HIGH CANOPY. MOVEMENT WAS VERY DIFFICULT OFF OF THE TRAILS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC ZC203811 IS A GOOD 2xCH-46 ZONE THAT HAS BEEN BURNED OFF WITH HIGH GROUND ON ALL SIDES. THERE IS A

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WELL USED TRAIL RUNNING THROUGH THE INSERT LZ THAT IS 18' WIDE. THE ZONE IS A GOOD EXTRACT LZ BUT A POOR INSERT LZ. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC ZC193807 IS A POOR ONE CH-46 ZONE ON A 10 DEGREE SLOPE WITH STUMPS AND SMALL TREES IN THE ZONE. TRAIL (1) IS THE TRAIL RUNNING THROUGH THE INSERT LZ AND IS 18' WIDE AND WELL USED. TRAIL (2) IS 6'-8' WIDE IN PLACES, WELL USED, AND POSSIBLY RUNS ALONG THE ENTIRE RIDGE. THE PATROL FOUND A PAIR OF KILAKIS ON THE TRAIL. TRAIL (3) IS 1' WIDE AND OVERGROWN. IT SHOWS NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE BUT THE PATROL FOUND 3 PUNJI PITS, AN OLD GRAVE, AND A BASKET WITH A HEAVY PIECE OF METAL HOLDING IT DOWN (POSSIBLY DOGBY-TRAPPED), IN THE VICINITY OF ZC201800. TWO OF THE PUNJI TRAPS WERE STILL CAMOUFLAGED.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: ONE NVA KIA CONFIRMED AND 3 PROBABLE NVA KIA.
9. CONDITION OF MED PATROL: ONE USMC NBC MED-EVAC WITH A STRAINED ANKLE.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NUMEROUS TRAILS MADE IT DIFFICULT TO FIND HARBOR SITES. COMM WAS POOR. THE PATROL LEADER RECOMMENDS USING GRIMREAPER UNIFORM OR ROMEO.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: AIRSUPPORTS WERE OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL. KUBS
 LCPL EVANS
 PFC CASTELLANOS
 PFC LEBRON
 PFC DOSS
 PFC CRUICKSHANK
 LT GLASSER
 HM2 COTE

CPL KUBS
 LOCKY LARK A-1-1
 PATROL LEADER

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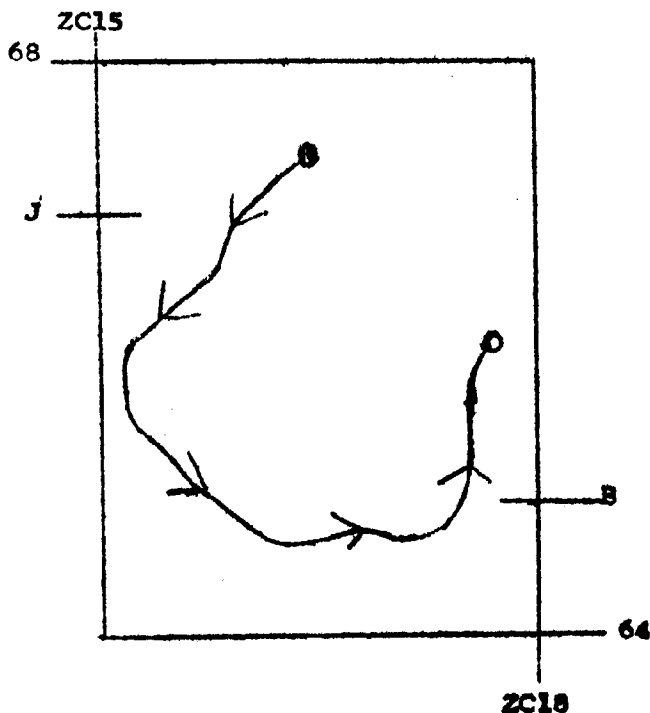
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Unit/Call Sign: A-2-2 (WEDDING RING) Patrol Leader: SGT BALLIET

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 Happy Valley. Special emphasis to be given to possible ambushes with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 9 Apr; insert vic ZC165674. Extract on 13 Apr vic ZC178660. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
Artillery: (a) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
(b) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
(c) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50 (MAX RANGE)
(d) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50 (MAX RANGE)

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, Co. "A"	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 7thMar	(1)
CO, 1stBn7thMar	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
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PATROL: WEDDING RING A-2-2
DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. McBRIDE
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1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
130830H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 11 ENL.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 1 LAWYER
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 7x50'S, 2 PRC-25'S
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 ELAYMORES, 2 M-14, 1 M-79 (WITH 30 FLESHETTE).
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FEZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO POSSIBLE AMBUSHES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 091400H/130830H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 114 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTS OF CANOPY UP TO 30' HIGH WITH SPARSE SECONDARY GROWTH WITH DRY LEAVES FOR GROUND COVER. MOVEMENT WAS VERY EASY BUT THE DRY LEAVES MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO REMAIN QUIET. THERE IS PLENTY OF WATER IN THE AREA COVERED.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC ZC161673 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 ZONE OF 6' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC ZC165657 IS A ONE CH-46 LZ OF LOW GRASS. THERE IS ANOTHER LZ VIC ZC64657 THAT IS A MULTI-BIRD LZ OF BURNED OFF ELEPHANT GRASS. THERE IS AN OP VIC ZC166657 OFFERS A VIEW TO THE WEST AND NORTHWEST. THERE IS A TRAIL VIC ZC165657 THAT RUNS FROM EAST TO WEST WHICH IS WELL USED AND 2' WIDE WITH FIGHTING HOLES EVERY 25 METERS. THE EXTRACTION HELICOPTERS RECEIVED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF SMALL ARMS FIRE AS THEY LEFT THE EXTRACT LZ.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE TREECLIMBERS. THERE ARE NO OTHER OP SITES IN THE AREA COVERED AND THE MAP IS NOT VERY ACCURATE. TRY TO GET A GOOD OVERFLIGHT. THERE IS NO SIGN OF VC ACTIVITY.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: ANOTHER PATROL IS CURRENTLY WORKING THE AREA TO THE SOUTH OF THE AREA COVERED BY THIS PATROL.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. BALLIET
PFC GILL
PFC BISHOP
PFC STEWARD
PFC BEN
LCPL MITCHELL
LT NASH
CPL KEETER
LCPL EDMISTON
LCPL URBANIAK
REC WOODS

SGT. BALLIET
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PATROL LEADER

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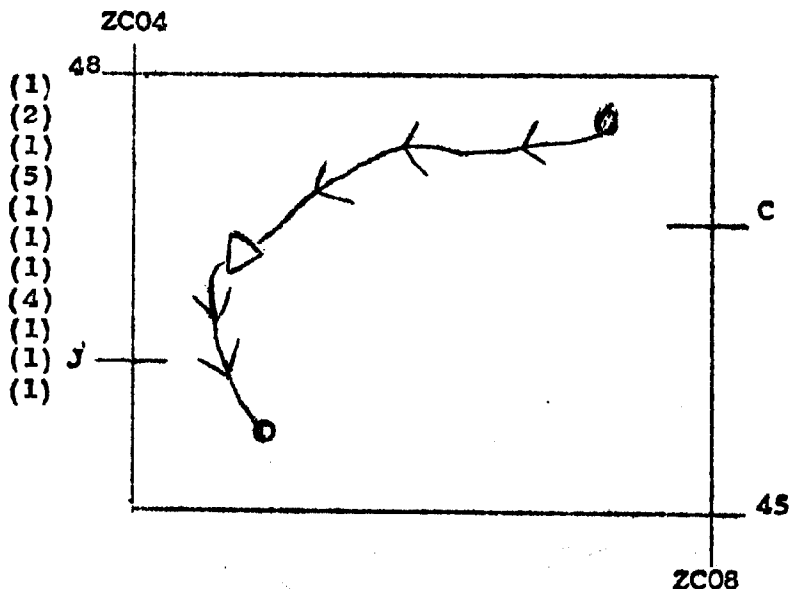
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Unit/Call Sign: E-4-1 (PRIME CUT) Patrol Leader: SGT CLARK

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 THUONG DUC TAOR. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of 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 10 Apr; insert vic ZC073477. Extract on 14 Apr vic ZC049455. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) STANLEY LOOKER 45.80 (MAX RANGE)
- Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER SIERRA
 GRIM REAPER ZULU

Distribution:

G-2
 G-3
 Div AO
 CO, 11thMar
 CO, 7thMar
 CO, 3dBrn7thMar
 Recon FSOC
 Recon S-3
 CO, Co: "E"
 PtlLdr, E-4-1
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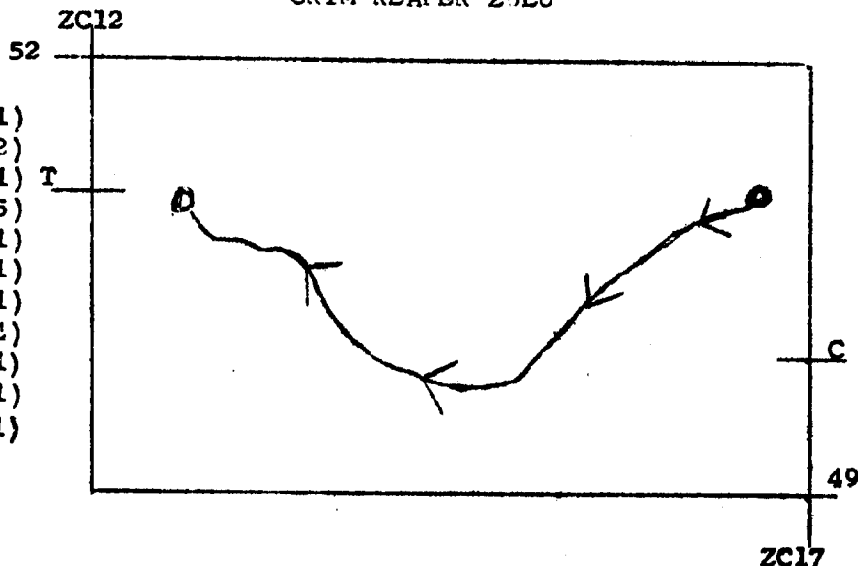
Unit/Call Sign: B-4-1 (PRIME CUT) Patrol Leader: SGT CLARK

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 THUONG DUC TAOR. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of 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 9 Apr; insert via ZC167570. Extract on 13 Apr via ZC127570. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
(b) STANLEY LOOKER 45.80

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER SIERRA
GRIM REAPER ZULU

Distribution:

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CO, 11thMar (5)
CO, 7thMar (1)
CO, 3d Bn 7thMar (1)
Recon FSCC (1)
Recon S-3 (4)
CO, Co. "B" (1)
PtilLdr, B-4-1 (1)
CO, 5th Sp. Forces (1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 213-68 Ch 1
 PATROL: PRIME CUT B-4-1
 DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
 MAPS: VIBINAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
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 DANANG, RVN
 171330H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 PRC-25, 2 PRC-93's, 2 7X50's, 1 M-49 SCOPE
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 5 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79
 2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE THUONG DUC TAOR. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF 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: 131400H/171330
 4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY
 5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 95½ HOURS WITH 10 SIGHTINGS OF 51 ENEMY AND ONE CONTACT WITH APPROX. 30 ENEMY. THE PATROL CALLED 4 ARTILLERY MISSIONS AND TWO AIR STRIKES, RESULTING IN 6 VC/NVA KIA CONFIRMED AND 9 VC/NVA KIA PROBABLE. THE CONTACT RESULTED IN 1 VC/NVA KIA CONFIRMED AND 4 USMC WIA (BVAC) AND 1 USMC WIA (MINOR).
 6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

141500H ZC052485 4VC MOVING SOUTHWEST ON RIVER. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND HAD 3 RIFLES. THE PATROL COULD NOT GAIN PROPER COMM WITH ARTY SO NO FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED.

151745H 053487 2 VC ENTERING A HOOCH WEARING BLUE SHIRTS AND BLACK TROUSERS. THEY HAD ONE RIFLE AND THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WHICH WAS CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF AMMO AT BATTERY.

151825H ZC056490 3 VC MOVING NORTH ON RIVER WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND ARMED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. AGAIN A FIRE MISSION WAS NOT CALLED DUE TO LACK OF AMMO.

151855H ZC045480 4 VC MOVING SOUTH TO WEST INTO CANOPY. THEY WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND HAD VERY LARGE PACKS. THE VC WERE MOVING DOWN THE RIVER IN A CANOE. THEY LEFT THE CANOE ALONG THE RIVER BANK AND MOVED INTO THE CANOPY. AGAIN A FIRE MISSION

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161130H ZC056490 5 VC MOVING NORTH ALONG SIDE OF RIVER WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING RIFLES AND PACKS. THE PATROL REQUESTED AN A.O. (SEE NEXT SIGHTING).

161240H ZC053487 A.O. CAME ON STATION AND DIRECTED AN AIR STRIKE ON LAST KNOWN POSITION OF VC FROM PREVIOUS SIGHTING. RESULT WAS TWO HOCHES DESTROYED BY FIRE FROM BOMBS. THE PATROL COULD HEAR ROUNDS COOKING OFF FROM THE BURNING HOCHES.

161505H ZC053487 3 VC MOVING NORTHEAST WEARING PACKS AND RIFLES AND BLACK PJ'S. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH GOOD COVERAGE AND HAD THREE PROBABLE KIA'S.

161650H ZC054486 11 VC MOVING NORTHEAST DOWN RIVER. THEY WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH 2 KIA CONFIRMED AND 9 KIA PROBABLE.

161850H ZC055467 7 VC MEETING AT A HOCH. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED RIFLES. AN A.O. WAS CALLED, BUT THE VC DISPERSED.

161900H ZC058480 3 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST ON RIVER IN A CANOE. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND HAD PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND ONE CANOE SUNK.

171000H ZC046460 PATROL MADE CONTACT WITH APPROX. 30 VC WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S AND ARMED WITH AK-47'S. THE PATROL TOOK AW FIRE AS THEY MOVED DOWN A HILL WHICH WOUNDED FIVE USMC. THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE EMPLOYING THE M-60 KILLING FOUR VC. THE PATROL MOVED FURTHER DOWN THE HILL TOWARD AN EXTRACTION ZONE AND KILLED ONE MORE VC WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE. AN A.O. CAME ON STATION AND DIRECTED AIR STRIKES AROUND THE PATROL'S POSITION. EXTRACTION HELICOPTERS CAME ON STATION AND PULLED THE PATROL OUT WHILE TAKING FIRE.

B. TERRAIN: PRIMARILY SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 20 FEET HIGH, MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT AND THE TERRAIN WAS STEEP. THE PATROL FOUND NO WATER.

C. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ WAS AT ZC043473. IT IS A 1 CH-46 ZONE IN VINES AND SHRUB UP TO 3 FEET. THERE ARE SEVERAL HOCHES RIGHT NEXT TO THE ZONE, AND THEY APPEARED TO BE LIVED IN. THE EXTRACTION ZONE WAS AT ZC040470 AND WAS A 1 CH-46 ZONE IN A PLOWED CORN FIELD. THERE WERE SEVERAL HOCHES NEAR THIS ZONE ALSO. THE PATROL SAW NO OTHER LZ'S IN THE AREA AND RAN ACROSS MANY TRAILS, BUT NONE OF THEM HAD BEEN USED IN MANY MONTHS. THE PATROL OP'ED FROM ZC046466. THIS OP OFFERED A GOOD VIEW TO THE NORTHEAST (AS

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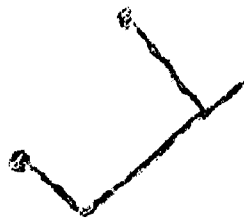
FAR AS THE SPECIAL FORCES CAMP) AND TO THE WEST PAST THE RIVER. PATROL SAW A 7 FBET CROCODILE IN THE RIVER TO THEIR WEST. THERE ARE TRAILS PARALLELING THE RIVER ON BOTH SIDES.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 5 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND
5 USMC WIA
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: 4 USMC WIA (EVAC), 1 USMC WIA (MINOR)
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: A.O. WAS EXCELLENT. ARTY
WAS GOOD WHEN IT COULD BE
HAD.
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: AGAIN OUR TEAMS IN THIS AREA FIND .
HEAVY ENEMY MOVEMENT. IT APPEARS THAT THE GROUP OF VC THE PATROL
MADE CONTACT WITH CAME LOOKING FOR THE PATROL.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT CLARK
LCPL NICHOLAS
PFC LUTHER
PFC REILLY
PFC ORSLAND
PFC GORMAN
PFC LAND
PFC GERALD

J.T. CLARK
PRIME CUT E-4-1
PATROL LEADER

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OPERATION ORDER #214-68

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 DA NANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
 071000H Apr 1968

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- Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6841 M1
 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1st MarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder # 214-68

Unit/Call Sign: BV-3 (NIGHT SCHOLAR) Patrol Leader: LT, DOWNEY

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 Elephant Valley. Special emphasis to set up ambush along the road on the southern bank of the Cude River. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart Recon C.P. by truck at 081500H Apr 68 for 2/7 C.P. Coordinate with the operations officer of that unit for further transportation (CH-46A) to your insert coordinates, vic AT8585. Time of insert to be determined by your liaison with 2/7. Notify Recon S-3 ASAP as to exact time of insert when known. Extract on 13 Apr at point to be designated by you. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b), and verbal.
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
 (d) HIRELING "H" 60.85
 (e) NAIL BRUSH 59.90

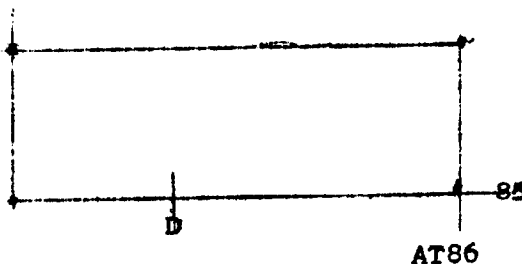
Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

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 G-3 (2)
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 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 2dEn7thMar (1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 214-88
PATROL: NIGHT SCHOLAR BV-3-1
DEDRIEFER: LT C.P. McBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEET 6641 III

181 RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
131100H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 21 ENL. 1 USN.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 4 PRC-25'S, 1 M-49 1 STARLIGHT, 1 7x50

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 15 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 2 M-79, (24 FLESHETTE ROUNDS FOR THE M-79).

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN ELEPHANT VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO SET UP AN AMBUSH ALONG THE ROAD ON THE SOUTHERN BANK OF THE CU DE RIVER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 090800H/131100H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 99 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/L

B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 12' HIGH CONSISTING OF VINES AND ELEPHANT GRASS. THE STREAMS IN THE AREA COVERED ARE ALL DRIED UP AND THERE ARE NO OTHER SOURCES OF WATER.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT857853 IS A GOOD MULTI-CH-46 LZ OF LOW GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT839857 IS A GOOD MULTI-CH46 ZONE OF 4' ELEPHANT GRASS. ALL TRAILS IN THE AREA COVERED BY THE PATROL WERE OVERGROWN AND NOT RECENTLY USED. AN OF VIC AT851849 OFFERS OBSERVATION OF THE ROAD TO THE NORTH. THE NORTH SIDE OF THE ROAD PROVIDES MANY LZ'S. IN THE VICINITY OF AT845854 THE PATROL FOUND 4 ONE MAN FIGHTING HOLES AT LEAST 2 MONTHS OLD. IN THE VICINITY OF AT845853 THE PATROL FOUND AN ENEMY STORAGE AREA CONTAINING 2 BARRELS CONTAINING 500-600 POUNDS OF RICE, THREE EMPTY BARRELS AND ONE EMPTY CRATE. THE PATROL SCATTERED THE RICE AND DESTROYED THE BARRELS. THE PATROL FOUND 3 ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES IN THE VICINITY OF AT853849 AND ANOTHER ONE AT AT854850 OF AN UNKNOWN TYPE. SEE ATTACHED DRAWING. THE PATROL BY-PASSED THE MINES AND MOVED OUT OF THE AREA.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD. ONE NDC DUE TO ILLNESS WAS MED-EVACED.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A STARLIGHT SCOTE AND NO MORE THAN 12 PEOPLE TO FACILITATE NOISE DISCIPLINE AND MOVEMENT. BUSH AXES WOULD HELP.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: VC MOVEMENT, IF ANY APPEARS TO BE A FEW THOUSAND METERS TO THE WEST OF THE AREA COVERED BY THIS PATROL.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

PATROL OVERLAY

LT. DOWNEY
SGT FOREMAN
SGT HERREN
CPL LOGER
CPL HENDERSON
CPL KEEGAN
LCPL CLARK
LCPL ARMENTI
LCPL BENJAMIN
LCPL SALAZAR
LCPL MAHAN
LCPL HERDON
CPL WIELAN
PFC FOUST
PFC MURPHY
PFC FREDRICKS
PFC DEIL
PFC CLAVELLE
PFC GIBBS
PFC LAZZARA
PFC DRACKEN
LCPL GWINN
CPL HEIMS



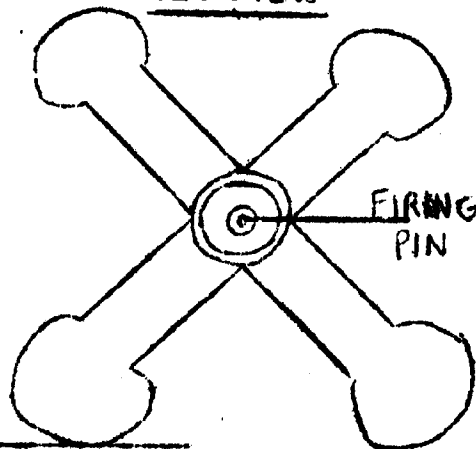
LT..DOWNEY
NIGHT SCHOLAR DV-3-1
PATROL LEADER

SIDE VIEW

4 OF THESE WERE FOUND
ON TRAILS NEAR ELEPHANT
VALLEY ROAD

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 080900H Apr 1968
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 (b) BnO P03000.4
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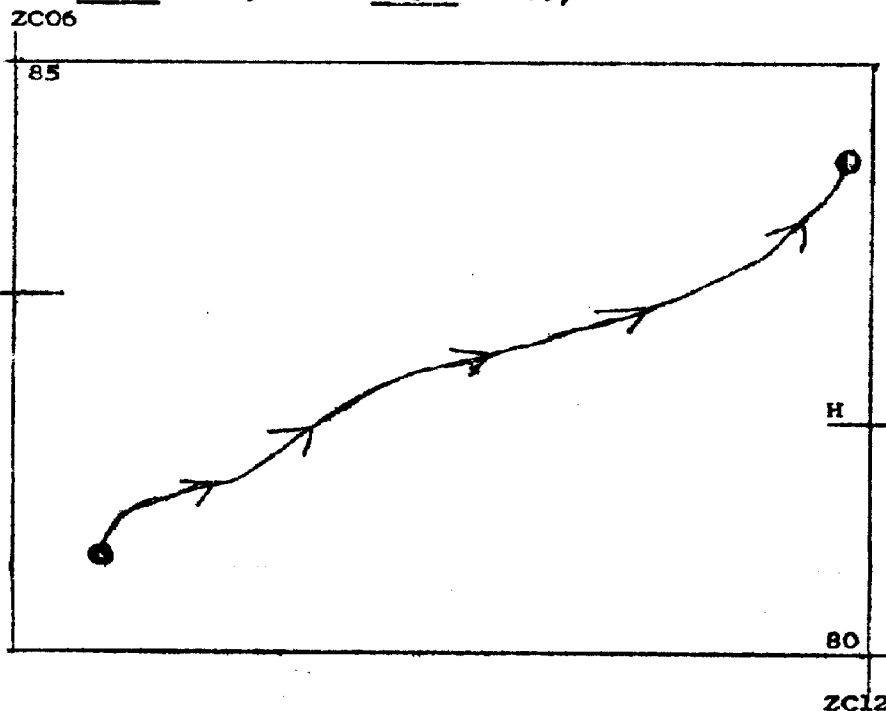
Unit/Call Sign: B-3-2 (CAYENNE) Patrol Leader: SSGT HAMPTON

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 western Elephant Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity. Also, try to set up an ambush and prisoner snatch.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 10 Apr; insert vic ZC067809. Extract on 14 Apr vic ZC119842. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b) and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternates: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.80
 (c) NAIL BRUSH 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY
 (Take 2 PRC-93's)(Upon insert
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 47.00 M920; Alt: 33.10 M396.)

Distribution:

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 CO, 7thMar (1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 215-68
 PATROL: CAYENNE B-3-2
 DEBRIEFER: L/CPL. R. L. ALBRECHT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AND 1:7014
 SHEETS 5541 II, 5641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 BANANG, RVN.
 141800H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25'S, 2 FRC-93'S, 1 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14, M-60, 6 CLAMMERS, M-79, (12 CS)

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/PTZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN WESTERN ELEPHANT VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY. ALSO, TRY TO SET UP AN AMBUSH AND PRISONER SNATCH.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 101200H/141800H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 102 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A

B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF VERY THICK CANOPY AND VERY STEEP TERRAIN WITH MANY LARGE BOULDERS ON THE SLOPES. THE SECONDARY GROWTH ALSO WAS VERY THICK MAKING MOVEMENT DIFFICULT. THE PATROL ENCOUNTERED MANY FULL, RUNNING STREAMS AND A FEW INTERMITTENT STREAMS ON THE LOW GROUND. THERE IS NO WATER NEAR THE TOP OF THE HILL WHERE THE TEAM INSERTED.

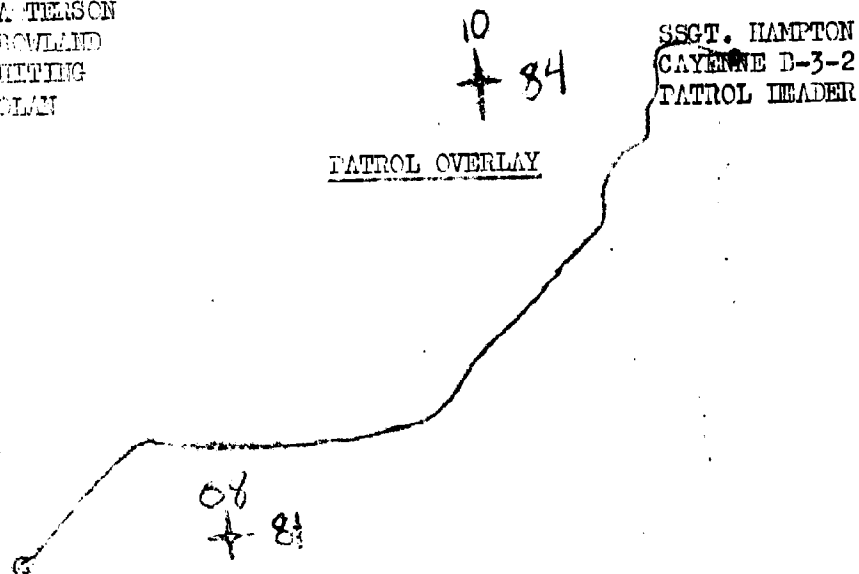
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC 28065808 IS A VERY GOOD ONE CH-46 ZONE ON THE TOP OF A MOUNTAIN. IT WAS BLOWN BY A HOGON TEAM IN AUGUST 1967. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC 20118842 IS A SMALL MARSHY ZONE OF HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS WITH MANY OLD VC HARBOR SITES NEAR IT. IT IS LARGE ENOUGH TO ACCOMMODATE ONE CH-46. THERE ARE SEVERAL OLD TRAILS IN THE AREA WHICH DO NOT SHOW RECENT SIGNS OF USE BY THE ENEMY. ONE TRAIL RUNNING PARALLEL TO THE ROAD HAS POSSIBLY BEEN USED WITHIN THE LAST 3 WEEKS BUT IN GENERAL MOST SIGNS OF ACTIVITY ARE OLDER. ON THE HIGH GROUND THE TRAILS ALL TEND TO LEAD TOWARD THE LOW GROUND AND THE RIVER BUT ALSO SHOW NO SIGNS OF RECENT ENEMY USE. THERE IS A BRIDGE VICINITY 20115840 ACROSS THE SMALL TRIBUTARY STREAM RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH WHICH CAN NOT SUPPORT VEHICULAR TRAFFIC. THE ROAD ITSELF IS IN POOR CONDITION, NARROWING IN PLACES TO 3 FEET WIDE DUE TO THE VEGETATION. THE ROAD IS SURFACED WITH NATURAL ROCK AND WOULD BE USABLE TO TRACKED VEHICLES IF A BY-PASS OF THE BRIDGE WAS FOUND.

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THE TRIBUTARY STREAM IS $1\frac{1}{2}$ FEET WIDE WHERE THE TEAM CROSSED IT WITH A ROCKY BOTTOM BUT THE MAIN RIVER ITSELF STILL PRESENTS AN OBSTACLE TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC. THE INSERT LZ IS AN OUTSTANDING POSSIBLE RADIO RELAY SITE BUT IS NOT A GOOD OP. WITH TREE CLIMBERS IT IS POSSIBLE TO OBSERVE ALL OF THE AREA AROUND THE HILL BUT THE CANOPY IS HEAVY ENOUGH TO PRECLUDE ANY OBSERVATION OF THE GROUND. THE PATROL HAD VERY GOOD COMM FROM THE TOP OF THE HILL BUT ONCE THEY DESCENDED COMM WAS SPORADIC AND GENERALLY POOR. THERE ARE NO OTHER LZ'S ON THE HIGH GROUND BUT RAPELING IS POSSIBLE IN A NUMBER OF PLACES WHERE STREAMS JOIN.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE IS PLENTY OF WATER ON THE LOW GROUND. THE NEAREST WATER TO THE RELAY IS 1500 METERS AWAY.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: THERE IS NO APPARENT LARGE FORCE MOVEMENT IN THIS AREA. POSSIBLY THE MOVEMENT TO THE EASTERN END OF ELEPHANT VALLEY IS FROM THE HIGH GROUND TO THE NORTH AND FURTHER EAST.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT. HAMPTON
 CPL. HEAVY
 PFC EDGAR
 PFC MCARDINIS
 LCPL OLLIER
 PFC BECK
 LCPL VOLLETT
 PFC PATTERSON
 LCPL ROWLAND
 PFC WHITTING
 PFC HOLMAN



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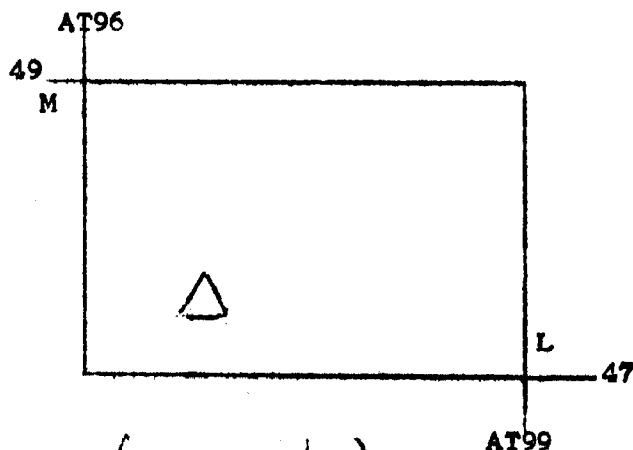
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 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #216-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-2 (MOON DASH) Patrol Leader: SGT CUMMINGS

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 support of Operation JASPER SQUARE. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 09 Apr; insert vic AT966476. Extract on 13 Apr vic AT966476. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) HIRBLING 44.20
 (b) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (c) HIRELING "WT" 39.75
 (d) PONY BOY "C" 55.75
 (e) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15
 (f) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
 (ALL FM WILL GO THROUGH HIRELING 44.20)
 Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU
 LIAISON TM: GRIM REAPER UNIFORM
 37.7 "PETRIFY" M602 68.80

Distribution:

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



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OPERATION JASPER SQUARE
 OPERATION ORDER: 216-68
 PATROL: MOON DASH E-2-1
 DEBRIEFER: L/CP. R.L. ALDRIDGE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEET 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 141830 APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 16 E.L. 1 OFF.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRC-25'S, 1 M-49, 3 7x50'S, 1 STAR-LIGHT SCOPE.

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 6 CLAYMORES, 2 M-79'S, (WITH 3 CS).

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/EFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION JASPER SQUARE. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 091100H/141830H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SUMMARY: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 127 $\frac{1}{2}$ HOURS WITH 12 SIGHTINGS RESULTING 146 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED TWO FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN 9 PROBABLE VC KIA. ALL OTHER FIRE MISSIONS WERE CONDUCTED ON THE PATROL'S SIGHTINGS WITHOUT ADJUSTMENT BY PETRIFY 3/7.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

100945H AT967509 30 VC/NVA MOVING WEST THROUGH A PADDY WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 9 VC KIA PROBABLE.

101300H AT935503 8 VC MOVING WEST OUT OF A TREELINE BEHIND A HILL WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION THROUGH PETRIFY 3/7 WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

101550H AT955508 5 VC MOVING WEST INTO A TREELINE WEARING BLACK PJ'S WITH COOLIE HATS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL ATTEMPTED TO CALL A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT ESTABLISH COMM WITH ARTY.

101800H AT966533 35 VC MOVING WEST ACROSS A SANDBAR. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL INFORMED 3/7.

112345H AT975479 2 VC FIRING TOWARD THE PATROL'S POSITION WITH CARBINES (SEMI-AUTOMATIC). SIX ROUNDS HIT NEAR THE PATROL'S POSITION AND THE PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT TO THEIR EAST.

112100H AT971479 AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC/NVA MOVING AROUND THE PATROL'S POSITION FROM 50-70 METERS AWAY. LATER THE PATROL HEARD AN EXPLOSION APPROX. 300 METERS FROM THE OP. A SECONDARY PATROL WAS SENT OUT TO CHECK IT OUT THE NEXT DAY AND A SMALL CRATER WAS FOUND. THE ENEMY POSSIBLY WAS SETTING BOOBY TRAPS FOR THE PATROL AND HAD A PREMATURE DETONATION.

120800H AT966536 5 VC MOVING WEST ACROSS A SANDBAR WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS. THEY CARRIED ONE RIFLE. THE PATROL NOTIFIED PETRIFY 3/7.

120855H AT952529 20 VC MOVING EAST ACROSS A SANDBAR WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL NOTIFIED PETRIFY 3/7.

121240H AT946497 5 VC MOVING WEST INTO A VILLAGE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES WITH COVERS AND CARRYING CAMOUFLAGED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE ENEMY HAD CIVILIANS MOVING WITH THEM. THE PATROL CALLED AN AO WHICH ARRIVED ON STATION BUT THE PATROL COULD NOT ESTABLISH COMM WITH HIM.

121355H AT955508 8 VC MOVING EAST ACROSS PADDIES INTO A VILLAGE. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND ONE RIFLE. THE PATROL NOTIFIED PETRIFY 3/7. NO FIRE MISSION WAS CALLED DUE TO FRIENDLIES IN THE AREA.

130845H AT953513 8 VC WALKING EAST INTO A VILLAGE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES AND SHORTS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL NOTIFIED PETRIFY 3/7.

131405H AT955508 20 VC MOVING EAST INTO A VILLAGE WEARING KHAKIS AND GREEN UTILITIES. THEY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL NOTIFIED PETRIFY 3/7.

D. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN AROUND THE PATROL'S OP CONSISTS OF LOW BRUSH 8'-10' HIGH WITH NO CANOPY. IT IS ROCKY IN PLACES BUT GENERALLY OPEN TERRAIN. THERE IS A LAKE 400 METERS FROM THE PATROL'S OP WHICH IS A GOOD PERMANENT SUPPLY OF WATER.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT967476 IS A GOOD 1xCH-46 ZONE OF 8'-10' HIGH BRUSH AND GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT971479 IS THE SAME AS THE INSERT LZ. THE WHOLE RIDGE IS SUITABLE FOR LZ'S. THERE ARE NUMEROUS TRAILS ON THE RIDGE, IN THE DRAWS AND AROUND THE LAKE WHICH HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED. THE OP PROVIDES 360 DEGREE OBSERVATION EXCEPT FOR THE REVERSE SLOPES OF SOME OF THE CLOSE RIDGELINES. OBSERVATION OF MOVEMENT IN THE PADDIES IS POSSIBLE FROM THIS OP WHICH CAN'T BE MADE ON HILL 425.

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

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

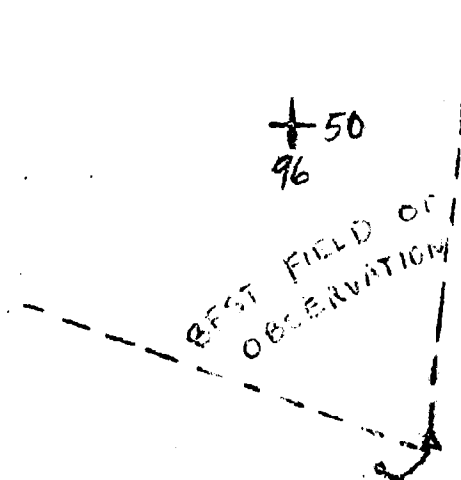
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HILL 175 WOULD PROBABLY BE A BETTER OF THAN THE ONE USED BY THE PATROL. TAKE A DC SCOPE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT COVERAGE.
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THE POSSIBILITY OF MINES IN THIS AREA IS HIGH DUE TO THE INCIDENT OF THE EXPLOSION NEAR THE PATROL'S POSITION.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. LITTLE
PFC DIERENICK
PFC SCHILLICHER
PFC JONES
PFC KING
LCPL JENKINS
LCPL CODE
PFC RIOS
SGT CUMMINGS

PFC FRANCIS
PFC DANE
PFC PATTERSON
LCPL REDLUND
PFC SETZER
LCPL CARCH
LCPL THEODOR
PFC HOOKS
LT CAMPAIGNE

LT. LITTLE
MOON DASH E-2-1
PATROL LEADER

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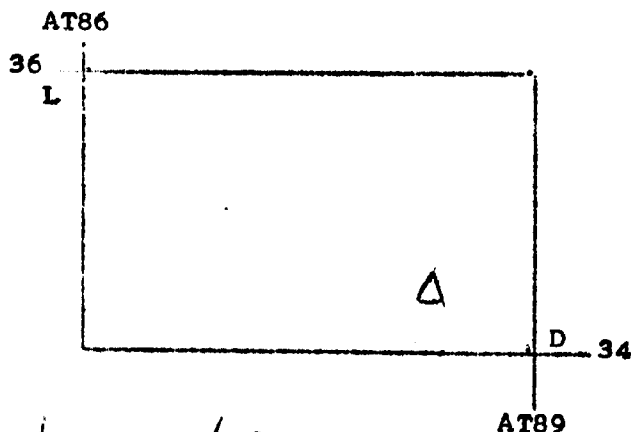
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Unit/Call Sign: E-3-1 (SERVICE MAN) Patrol Leader: SGT DAVIS

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 Antenna Valley and the high ground to the southwest. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 11 Apr; insert vic AT882348. Extract on 16 Apr vic AT882348. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 55.00
 (b) HIRELING 44.20
 (c) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25
 (d) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU
 GRIM REAPER WHISKEY

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CG, AMERICAL DIV (1)
 Recon FSOC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
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OPERATION ORDER: 217-68
 PATROL: SERVICEMAN E-3-1
 DEDRIEFER: L/CPL R.L. ALDRIGHT
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1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 161600H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL.

D. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 FRC-25'S, M-49 2 7x50'S, 1 STARLIGHT

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, (WITH 20 FLESHETTE), 1 M-60, 1 M-14, AND 10 CLAYMORES.

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

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 111100H/161600H

4. RECAP: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 127 HOURS WITH TWO SIGHTINGS TOTALING 10 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED ONE FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

112045H AT004345 8 VC MOVING WEST ALONG A TRAIL. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. THE MOVEMENT STOPPED.

152355H AT001347 2 VC ATTEMPTING A PROBE OF THE PATROL'S POSITION. THE PATROL THREW 3 M-26 FRAG GRENADES RESULTING IN THE VC MOVING AWAY.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ USED WAS THE SMALL ZONE OFF THE TOP OF THE HILL THAT HAS BEEN CLEARED OF MINES. THE BIG LZ OFF OF THE HILL TOP IS STILL MINED. THE EXTRACT LZ USED WAS THE SMALL SINGLE DIRT LZ ON THE TOP OF THE HILL.

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

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: DUE TO THE SATURATION THAT ARMY PERSONNEL HAS IN THIS AREA THE OP SERVES NO PRACTICAL USE. IT IS NOT DEFENDABLE AS IT IS NOW WITHOUT CONCERTINA. LIASON IS NEEDED WITH THE ARMY TO AVOID THE USE OF ARTY AND MORTAR FIRE IN THE PATROL'S NFZ WITHOUT CLEARANCE.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. DAVIS
LCPL SMITH
LCPL PARKER
PFC ATKINSON
PFC STILL
PFC ORZEL
PFC MERCER
PVT O'CONNELL
PFC POLLACK
CPL WOMACK
LCPL COLPITTS
PFC MITCHELL

SGT. DAVIS
SERVICEMAN E-3-1
PATROL LEADER

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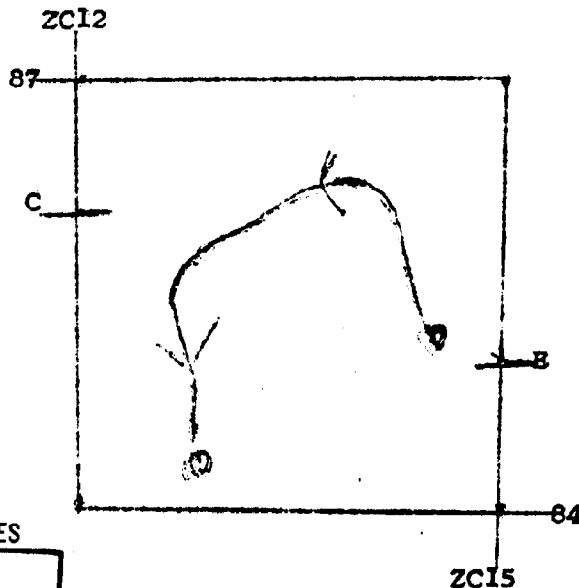
Unit/Call Sign: D-1-1 (WEST ORANGE) Patrol Leader: LT. EISENBACH

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 Elephant Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Executions. Depart LZ FINCH on 11 Apr; insert vic ZC145851. Extract on 15 Apr vic ZC129842. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) NAIL BRUSH 59.90 (max range)

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 2dBr7thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 210-68
PATROL: WEST ORANGE D-1-1
DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. McBRIDE
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 7 ENL. 1 USN.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79, (WITH 6 CS, 6 FLESHETTE).
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN BLUEBANT VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 111430H/151030H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY:
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 92 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACT. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF 12' SECONDARY GROWTH AND 20' CANOPY ON THE LOW GROUND. IN THE HIGH GROUND THE SECONDARY GROWTH WAS UP TO 10' HIGH WITH 80' CANOPY. THERE IS PLENTY OF WATER IN THE AREA COVERED.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC ZC148853 IS A POOR ONE CH-46 LZ. CONSISTING OF A BOMB CRATER IN 12' HIGH BRUSH. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC ZC 120044 IS ALSO IN A BOMB CRATER AND JUST BIG ENOUGH FOR ONE CH-46. THERE IS AN OP IN THE VICINITY OF ZC126844 WITH OBSERVATION TO THE NORTHEAST, NORTH, SOUTHEAST AND SOUTH. THE ROAD AND RIVER CAN BE OBSERVED. THERE ARE NUMEROUS LZ'S AROUND THE EXTRACT LZ. THE RIVER ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE WAS UP TO 40 METERS WIDE, WAIST DEEP, AND HAD A ROCKY BOTTOM. IN THE VICINITY OF ZC134855 THERE ARE SEVERAL BOMB CRATERS THAT WOULD BE SUITABLE MED-EVAC LZ'S.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE ARE NO SIGNS OF ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA HOWEVER THE PATROL HEARD ONE RIFLE SHOT IN THE VICINITY OF ZC 141409.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. EISENBACH
LCPL ARNEQUIN
LCPL KOERNER
LCPL CASTELLANO
PFC GARCIA
PFC CANTREL
PFC FRANKLIN
PFC RAWLINGS
DN HANDS

LT. EISENBACH
WEST ORANGE D-1-1
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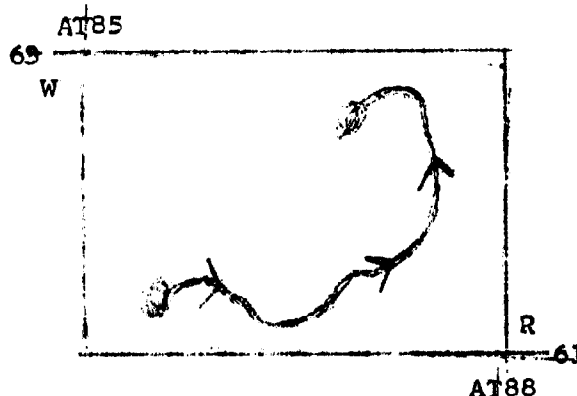
Unit/Call Sign: E-3-2 (RIO GRANDE) Patrol Leader: SSGT. RASH

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 Charlie Ridge area. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of 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 11 Apr; insert vic AT855614. Extract on 15 Apr vic AT869627. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (b) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (c) HIRBLING "WT" 39.75
 (d) PONY BOY "C" 93.75
 (e) HIRBLING "I" 36.15
 (f) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU

Distribution:

C-2 (1)
 C-3 (2)
 C-4 AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBn7thMar (1)
 CO, 5dBn7thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "B" (1)
 PtlLdr, E-3-2 (1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 219-68
PATROL: RIO GRANDE E-3-2
DEBRIEFER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
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DANANG, RVN.
151030H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL. 1 USN.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 11 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 N-794 (with 11 SHOTGUN ROUNDS).

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. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF 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: 110900H/151030H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 97½ HOURS WITH 11 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 159 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 11 FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN 13 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 33 VC KIA PROBABLE. THE PATROL SUFFERED ONE USMC MDC (MED-EVAC DUE TO ILLNESS AND ONE USMC WIA (MED-EVAC), RESULTING FROM THE MARINE STEPPING INTO A FUNGI PIT VIC AT863616. THE PIT WAS ON THE SIDE OF A HILL NEAR A STREAM AND MEASURED 2'x2'x3' DEEP.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

131400H AT875625 30 VC/NVA MOVING EAST ON A RIDGELINE WEARING KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ'S. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH VERY LARGE PACKS AND AT LEAST 30 WEAPONS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

140640H AT872627 37 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON A RIDGELINE WEARING KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING LARGE PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

140745H AT870629 3 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON A RIDGELINE WEARING KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ'S. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA PROBABLE.

140815H AT876626 13 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ALONG A RIDGELINE WEARING KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA CONFIRMED.

140043H AT876626 6 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON A RIDGELINE CARRYING BODIES WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH LARGE BAGS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 4 VC KIA CONFIRMED.

140915H AT876626 9 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON A RIDGELINE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 5 VC KIA CONFIRMED, AND 4 VC KIA PROBABLE.

141255H AT876626 12 VC MOVING EAST ON A RIDGELINE CARRYING A BODY. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED 11 PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 5 PROBABLE VC KIA. THE PATROL BELIEVES THAT 4 OF THESE VC COULD HAVE BEEN WOMEN.

141745H AT876626 17 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON THE RIDGELINE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES AND CARRIED BIG BAGS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 10 VC KIA PROBABLE.

150643H AT876626 18 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON A RIDGELINE. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 6 PROBABLE VC KIA.

150700H AT876626 6 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON A RIDGELINE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE ENEMY DISPERSING TO THE OTHER SIDE OF THE RIDGELINE.

150745H AT874626+8 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON A RIDGELINE. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 5 PROBABLE VC KIA.

D. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF LOW BRUSH AND ELEPHANT GRASS 2'-4' HIGH. THE AREA HAS SOME WATER AND MOVEMENT WAS EASY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT840613 IS A ONE CH-46 LZ ON A HILL TOP THAT IS COMPLETELY BALD. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT872622 IS AN LZ OF SCRUB BRUSH UP TO 8' HIGH AND SUITABLE FOR ONE CH-46. THE CP USED BY THE PATROL OFFERED 360 DEGREE OBSERVATION WITH THE BEST OBSERVATION TO THE WEST, EAST AND SOUTH. EVERY HILL ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE COULD BE USED AS AN LZ.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: ONE USMC WIA (MED-EVAC), AND ONE USMC NDC (MED-EVAC).
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE TERRAIN IN THE AREA COVERED BY THE PATROL IS TOO OPEN. THE PATROL WAS WITHIN 500 METERS OF THE MAIN TARGET AREA AND IS SURE THAT 90% OF THE SIGHTED ENEMY WERE NVA. THE BAGS CARRIED WERE EXCEPTIONALLY LARGE AND WERE LARGER THAN THE BAGS CARRIED BY RECON PERSONNEL. MOVEMENT BEGAN AT 0645 EVERY MORNING.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING. PONY BOY "C" WAS THE EXCEPTIONAL BATTERY.

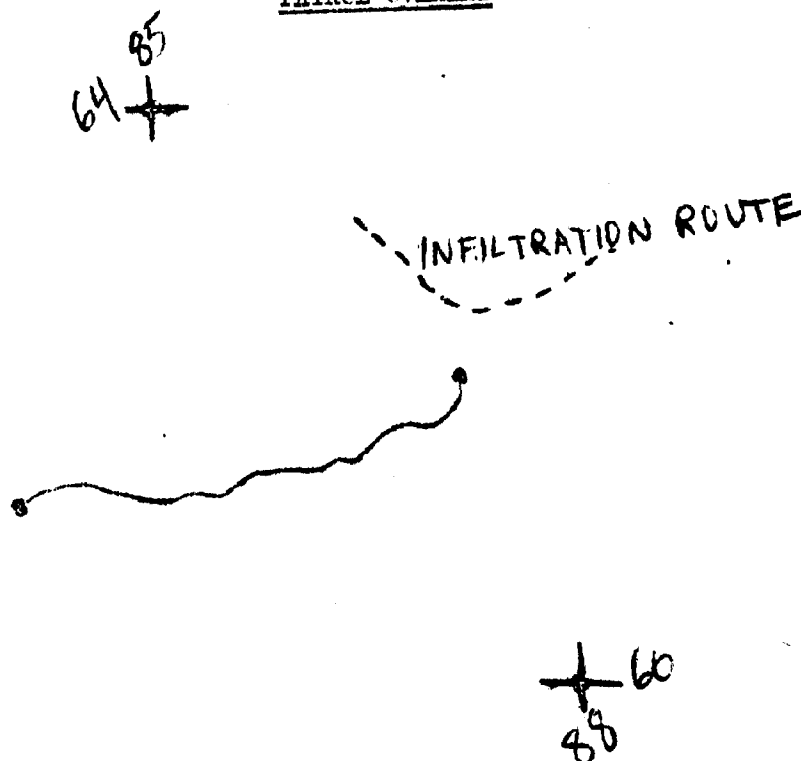
12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: THE HEAVY PACKS AND GENERAL MOVEMENT TO THE WEST INDICATES THAT THESE PEOPLE WERE CARRYING FOOD GATHERED IN THE VALLEY TO CHARLIE RIDGE BASE CAMPS. ANOTHER PATROL WILL BE RECOMMENDED IN THIS AREA TO CURTAIL THIS MOVEMENT. HILL 419 OR HILL 423 WOULD GIVE EXCELLANT OBSERVATION OF THIS AREA. ON THE TOP OF THE HILL VICINITY AT053619 THE PATROL FOUND ONE M-16 RIFLE, SERIAL NUMBER 056505, 45 ROUNDS OF 5.62 AMMUNITION, ONE FLAK JACKET, ONE CARTRIDGE BELT COMPLETE WITH CANTEENS, 6 M-26 FRAGMENTATION GRENADES, GRENADE POUCHES, ONE WHITE STAR CLUSTER POF-UP, ONE BAYONET WITH SCABBARD, AND ONE HAVERSACK. THIS GEAR WAS STAGED NEATLY AND NOT SCATTERED IN PLAIN SIGHT. POSSIBLY BELONGS TO THE MIA FROM THE INFANTRY WHO RECENTLY PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION WORTH.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT. RASH
SGT WRIGHT
CPL MARTINEZ
CPL TIMMETS
PFC LADER
PFC EMANUELSON
PFC ZEIGLER
PFC MCCORMACK
PFC STALEY
PVT BURNS
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 (e) BnFragOrder #220-68

Unit/Call Sign: BV-1-1 (HANOVER SUB) Patrol Leader: LT. MATSUMOTO

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 11 Apr; insert vic AT797528. Extract on 16 Apr vic AT797528. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) HIRELING 64.60 (All FM will be cleared through)
 (b) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.50
 (c) HIRELING "WT" 39.75
 (d) PONY BOY "C" 55.75
 (e) HIRELING "I" 36.15
 (f) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15
 (g) OFF SPRING "Q" 35.00

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU

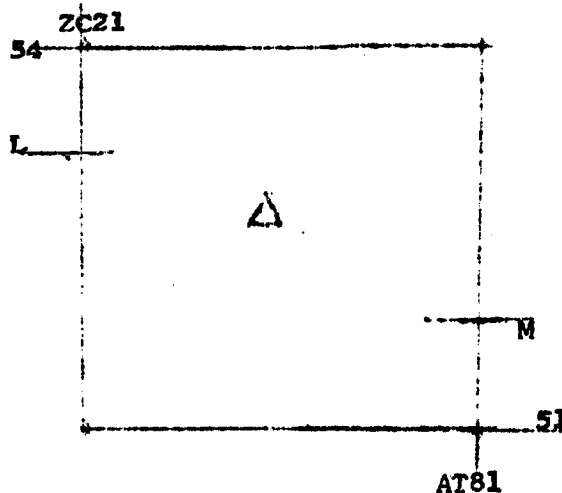
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OPERATION ORDER: 220-60
 PATROL: HANOVER SUB BY-1-1
 DESPATCHER: L/CTL. R.L. ALBRIGHT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7914
 SHEETS 6640 IV, 6540 I

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 DANANG, RVN.
 161715H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 14 ENL. 1 OFF. 1 USN.

D. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 3 PRC-25'S, 5 7x50'S, 2 M-49'S, 1 STARLIGHT.

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79, (WITH 5 CS AND 30 FLESHETTE).

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/AMER ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 111000H/161715H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 127 HOURS WITH 0 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 61 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 7 FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN 7 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 14 VC KIA PROBABLE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

111020H AT035547 4 VC MOVING ALONG THE SHORE OF THE RIVER FROM WEST TO EAST WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING 4 PACKS AND AT LEAST ONE RIFLE. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

121915H AT022540 31 VC CROSSING THE RIVER FROM EAST TO WEST WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND GREEN UTILITIES. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 5 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 14 VC KIA PROBABLE.

131145H AT037547 5 VC CROSSING A RIVER FROM SOUTH TO NORTH. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED THREE LARGE PACKS AND ONE RIFLE. THE PATROL ATTEMPTED TO CALL A FIRE MISSION BUT CANCELLED IT DUE TO THE VC DISAPPEARING INTO A TREELINE.

131240H AT035547 4 VC CROSSING THE RIVER FROM SOUTH TO NORTH. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED FOUR LARGE PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

131915H AT029551 4 VC CROSSING THE RIVER FROM NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING FOUR LARGE PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

141045H AT024548 5 VC CROSSING A RIVER FROM NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST WEARING BLACK PJ'S. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED.

151045H AT025552 6 VC CROSSING THE RIVER FROM SOUTH TO NORTH WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE VC DISPERSING INTO A LINE.

151910H AT025552 2 VC CROSSING A RIVER FROM SOUTH TO NORTH. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED HEAVY PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED.

B. TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ VIC AT797528 IS A GOOD SITE. CH-46 IS OF DARK BROWN.
8. PHASES OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCERNS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE POSITION NEEDS MORE CONCERTINA AND A 50 SCOPES IS RECOMMENDED.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING. ESPECIALLY LONG POINT "K".
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. MATSUMOTO
SGT MENDOZA
CPL WILLIS
ECPL LEDERER
PFC MOORE
PFC MORTIMER
LCPL COYLE
LCPL DAVIS
PFC RATE
LCPL SMITH
HM3 GAGNER
CPL BRIDGEMAN
PFC FLEMING
PFC BELCHER
LCPL BRIGGS
CPL POE

LT. MATSUMOTO
HANOVER SUE BV-1-1
PATROL LEADER

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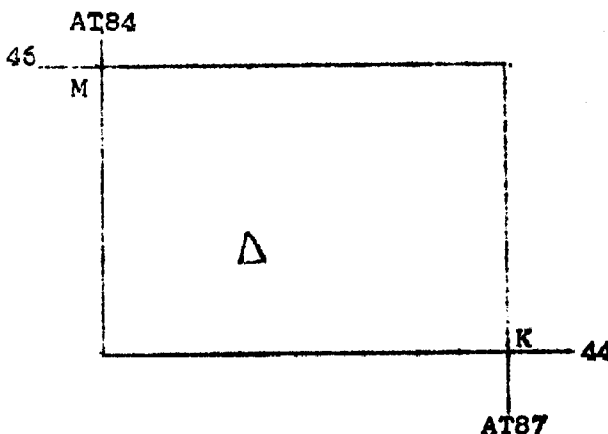
Unit/Call Sign: D-2 (IPSWICH) Patrol Leader: SGT KEDDY

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/BFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration to the north and northwest. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 12 Apr; insert via AT851448. Extract on 18 Apr via AT851448. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
(b) HIRELING "I" 36.15
(c) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15
(d) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU

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OPERATION ORDER: 221-68
PATROL: IPSWICH
DEBRIEFER: LCPL R.L. ALDRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 17014
SHEETS: 6640IV

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DANANG, RVN
181400H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 14 ENL, 1 USN

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 2 PRC-93'S, 1 M-49
SCOPE, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE, 2
7X50'S

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 7 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 2 M-79'S (5
CS GRENADES AND 20 FLESHETTE FOR M-79).

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 TO THE NORTH AND
NORTHWEST. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF
OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 121500H/181400H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 143 HOURS WITH A TOTAL
OF 22 SIGHTINGS OF 286 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 20 FIRE MISSIONS
AND 1 AIR STRIKE RESULTING IN 21 VC KIA CONFIRMED, 50 VC KIA PROB-
ABLE, 16 HOOCHES DESTROYED AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

121850H AT845482 50 VC MOVING NE ACROSS PADDIE. THEY WORE
BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS, RIFLES AND TWO MORTAR TUBES.
THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 15 VC KIA
CONFIRMED AND 35 VC KIA PROBABLE.

141205H AT815470 15 VC MOVING NE ACROSS PADDIE INTO TREE-
LINE. THEY WORE KHAKIS AND GREEN UTILITIES, AND CARRIED
PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH
UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

141245H AT817480 7 VC MOVING EAST INTO A TREELINE. THEY
WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING PACKS. THE PATROL
CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

341315H AT817480 9 VC MOVING EAST ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE
BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE
MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

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151215H AT817480 3 VC MOVING NE ACROSS RICE PADDIE INTO
THE LINE. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS.
THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE
THE RESULTS.

151245H AT814465 5 VC MOVING NE ACROSS RICE PADDIE. THEY
WERE WEARING KHAKIS AND GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED LARGE
PACKS CAMMIED WITH BRANCHES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE
MISSION RESULTING IN TWO PROBABLE KIA.

151400H AT835491 15 VC MOVING NE INTO VILLAGE. THEY WORE
GREEN UTILITIES AND HAD CAMMIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE
PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THREE HOCHES
DESTROYED.

160945H AT814468 30 VC MOVING SW ACROSS PADDIE. THEY WORE
BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED
A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

161015H AT814468 7 VC MOVING NE ACROSS RICE PADDIES.
THEY WORE KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ'S AND HAD PACKS AND
RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED AN A.O. WHO CALLED AN AIR
STRIKE RESULTING IN 5 HOCHES DESTROYED.

161300H AT812481 15 VC MOVING NE IN PADDIE. THEY WORE
KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ'S AND HAD RIFLES AND PACKS. THE PATROL
CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE KIA CONFIRMED, THREE
KIA PROBABLE AND 1 HOCH DESTROYED.

161415H AT835491 21 VC MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE
GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED PACKS CAMMIED WITH BRANCHES AND
RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED
RESULTS.

161600H AT829488 25VC MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE
GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED LARGE PACKS, RIFLES, TWO 60 MM
MORTARS AND ONE M-60 M.G. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION
WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

161615H AT829488 10 VC MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE GREEN
UTILITIES AND CARRIED LARGE PACKS CAMMIED WITH BRANCHES,
RIFLES AND POSSIBLY ONE M-60 M.G. THE PATROL CALLED A
FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE PROBABLE KIA.

161645H AT829488 5 VC MOVING EAST NE ALONG TRAIL WEARING
GREEN UTILITIES. THEY WERE CARRYING LARGE CAMMIED PACKS
AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN
TWO PROBABLE KIA.

170805H AT812480 7 VC MOVING SW ON A TRAIL. THEY WERE WEAR-
ING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE
MISSION RESULTING IN 2 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND ONE HOCH DES-
TROYED.

171045H AT 829488 7 VC MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE
BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS AND HAD PACKS CAMMIED WITH BRANCHES.
THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

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171115H AT818480 10 VC MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND KHAKIS WITH PACKS AND WEB GEAR. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

171300H AT834488 11 VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL INTO A VILLAGE. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED DICKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED, TWO HOOGIES DESTROYED AND ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

171430H AT815482 9 VC MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND MIXED KHAKIS AND HAD PACKS CARRIED WITH BRANCHES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN TWO PROBABLE KIA AND ONE HOOGIE DESTROYED.

171645H AT815482 18 VC MOVING NE ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED LARGE DICKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 2 CONFIRMED KIA AND 5 PROBABLE KIA.

171800H AT830487 5 VC MOVING NE ON TRAIL. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: HILL 196 IS COVERED WITH LOW SCRUB GROWTH AND IS PRESENTLY SURROUNDED WITH BARBED WIRE AND HAS SANDBAGGED FIGHTING HOLES.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NEED 20 PEOPLE TO PROPERLY DEFEND HILL. THE POSITIONS ON TOP SHOULD BE TIGHTENED UP. USE THE LZ IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ONE RATHER THAN THE ONE DOWN LOW ON HILL 138.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: PRIMARY MOVEMENT WAS TO NE. POINTS TOWARD PEOPLE COMING OUT OF SOUTHERN THUONG DUC AREA AND INTO VALLEY POSSIBLY FOR RICE COLLECTION.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT KEDDY	LCPL FLETCHER
CPL POTTS	PFC TAYLOR
CPL JOHNSON	PFC CARACATTA
PFC BURGESS	PFC RILEY
PFC DAY	PFC EFFLER
LCPL SANDERS	
LCPL SWANK	
PFC ROW	
HN DELLINA	
PFC HANSEN	

SGT M F KEDDY
IPSWICH D-2-2
PATROL LEADER

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 (b) BNO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOxadr #222-68

Unit/Call Sign: A-2-1 (BIG FLOWER) Patrol Leader: LT. WIGGINS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OFSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/UFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the area of Bach Ma. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 12 Apr; insert via ZC054916. Extract on 16 Apr via ZC060861.
 (b) Special Instructions: Coordinate all movement with "IMPRESSIVE A" 47.00. Draw (2) PRC-93's from comm.
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) BERNHUT "B" 58.05 (M361)
 6 105H
 2 155G

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY 34.00
 IMPRESSIVE "A" 47.00

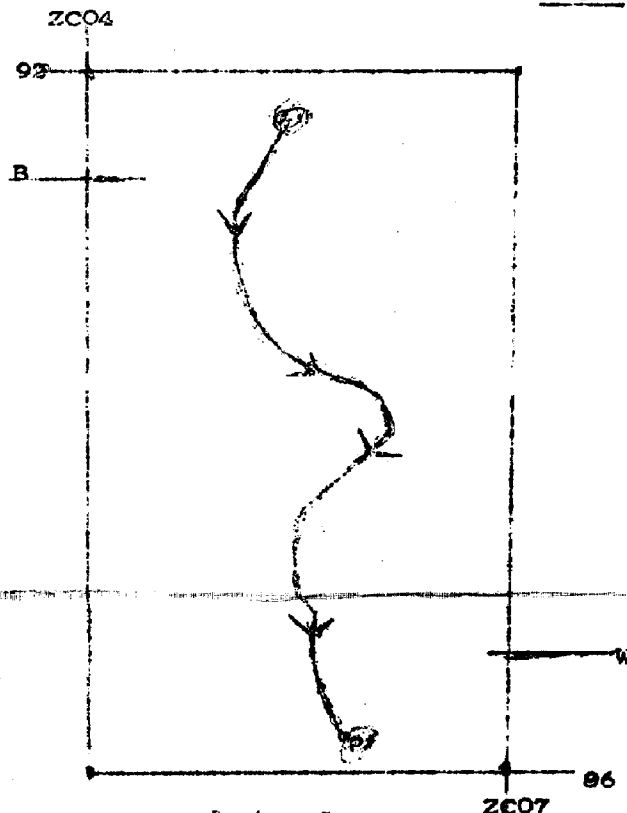
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Impressive "A"	(2)
Radio S&C	(1)
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CO, 1stMar	(1)
Platoon, A-2-1	(1)

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OPERATION ORDER 222-68
PATROL: BIG FLOWER
DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014

RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN
171500H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 9 ENL, 1 USN

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 2 PRC-93's,
1 7X50's, 1 M-49 SCOPE

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 CLAYMORES, 2 M-14's, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS
WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP
MOVEMENTS OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE ARE OF BACH MA. BE
PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 131300/171500

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 98 HOURS WITH
TWO CONTACTS WITH 10 NVA/VC WHICH RESULTED IN 1 NVA/VC
KIA CONFIRMED AND ONE RIFLE (M-16 #854990) CAPTURED. THERE
WERE NO USMC WOUNDED. ONE FIRE MISSION AND ONE AIR STRIKE CONDUCTED

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

171015H ZC058863 5 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ON A
TRAIL WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND GREEN UTILITIES. THE
VC HAD PACKS AND RIFLES AND WERE MOVING TOWARDS THE
PATROL'S POSITION. THE PATROL TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE
KILLING ONE AND CAPTURING HIS WEAPON. THE PATROL
THEN CALLED A FIRE MISSION ON THE GROUP WITH UNOB-
SERVED RESULTS.

171430H ZC058863 WHILE PATROL AWAITED EXTRACTION
THEY SPOTTED FIVE MORE VC MOVING TOWARD THEIR LZ
FROM THE EAST. THE PATROL TOOK THE GROUP UNDER FIRE
FORCING THEM TO FLEE. EXTRACTION HELICOPTERS CAME
ON STATION AND PROVIDED SUPPRESSIVE AND THE PATROL
WAS EXTRACTED WHILE TAKING SPORADIC ENEMY FIRE.

B. TERRAIN: CANOPY ON RIDGELINES UP TO 30 FEET; LOWGROUND
HAS CANOPY UP TO 100 FEET WITH A DENSE UNDERGROWTH. THE
TERRAIN IS EXTREMELY STEEP MAKING MOVEMENT DIFFICULT WITH
THE EXCEPTION OF THE TOPS OF RIDGELINES. THE PATROL FOUND
NO WATER EXCEPT IN THE VALLEY PROPER.

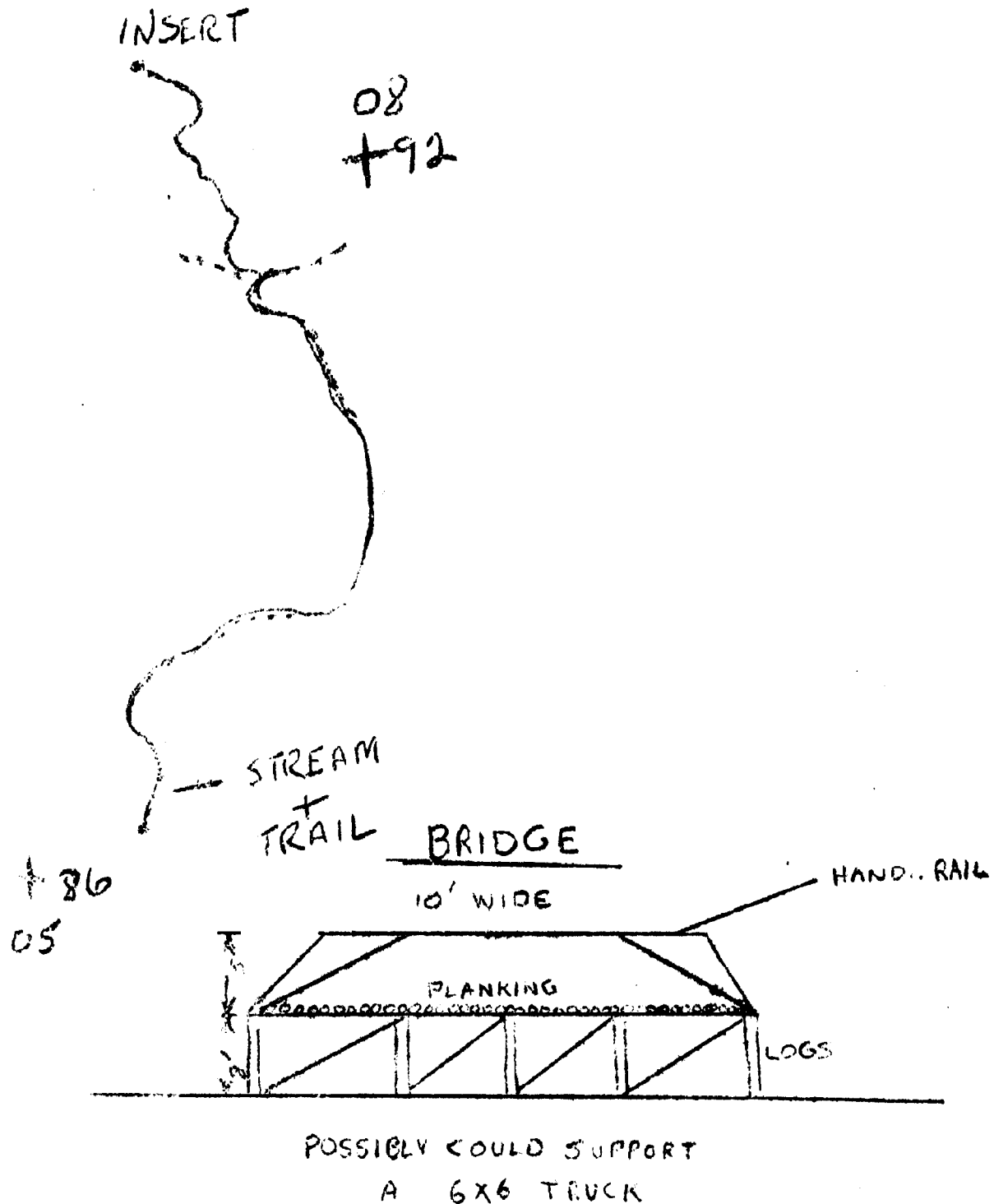
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ WAS AT ZC060927. IT IS A
GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE PRESENTLY SECURED BY THE INFANTRY. THE EX-
TRACT WAS AT ZC058863. IT WAS A 2 CH-46 ZONE ON ELEPHANT
VALLEY ROAD. THERE IS A GOOD TRAIL THAT THE PATROL FOLLOWED

FROM ZC065911 TO ZC070910. IT RUNS ALONG A RIDGELINE AND THE PATROL LEADER THINKS IT MIGHT LEAD ALL THE WAY TO BACH MA, IF FOLLOWED TO THE WEST. THE MAJORITY OF THE TRAILS ENCOUNTERED HAVE BEEN WELL-USED, BUT NOT LATELY. A STREAM AT ZC062868 MAKES FOR EASY MOVEMENT TO OR FROM THE VALLEY. ELEPHANT VALLEY ROAD (545) IN THE AREA OF THE PATROL'S EXTRACTION WAS ABOUT 1½ FEET WIDE AND APPEARED TO BE WELL-USED. THERE WAS NO SIGN OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC USING THE ROAD. THE BRIDGE AT ZC057863 IS A ONE LANE BRIDGE IN GOOD REPAIR (SEE DIAGRAM). M-16 RIFLE THE PATROL CAPTURED (#854990) WAS IN VERY GOOD CONDITION AND HAS A CHROME CHAMBER AND STONER FLASH SUPPRESSOR. THE VC ENCOUNTERED BY THE PATROL HAD LARGE PACKS, BLUE PONCHOS STRAPPED ONTO THE PACKS AND MOST WORE TIGER STRIPED UTILITIES.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC/NVA KIA CONFIRMED. 1 RIFLE (M-16) CAPTURED.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: COMM IS TOUGH AS YOU NEAR THE VALLEY FLOOR. NEED A WHIP ANTENNA. A PATROL BASE COULD BE LOCATED AT ZC059869. A COMPANY SIZED BASE CAMP COULD BE LOCATED AT ZC075865. BOTH THESE REFERENCES ARE TO POSSIBLE FRIENDLY ACTIONS. LEACHES ARE VERY BAD IN THIS AREA. THE PATROL WENT EXTREMELY LIGHT AND WERE PLEASED WITH THE WAY IT FACILITATED THE DIFFICULT MOVEMENT.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: FIRST TIME WE HAVE HAD A PATROL WORK THIS AREA. MOVEMENT IN THIS AREA IS LIMITED TO RIDGELINES AND STREAM BEDS. PATROL'S CONTACT IN THE VALLEY APPEARS TO CONFIRM HEAVY AND READOUTS IN THIS AREA FROM THE DAY BEFORE.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT WIGGINS	
CPL CLARY	
CPL STIER	
PFC ANDREWS	
PFC LAIRD	
PFC LEWIS	
PFC VANSILE	
MSG JIMENEZ	
LCPL ALLEN	CPL J.C. CLARY
LCPL PATTERSON	BIG FLOWER A-2-1
CPL FARRIS	PATROL LEADER

PATROL ROUTE



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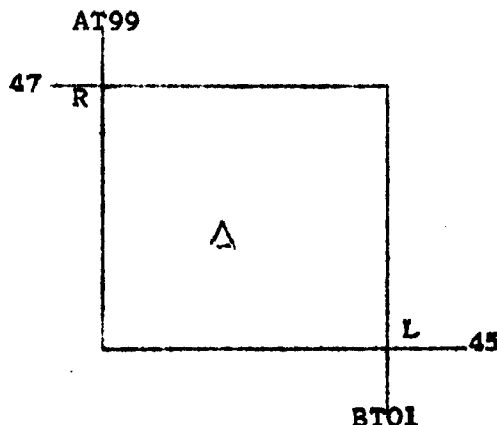
Unit/Call Sign: BV-2 (MUSK OX) Patrol Leader: SSGT LIU

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 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 on 12 Apr; insert via AT998463. Extract on 17 Apr via AT998463. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) ALL FM WILL GO THROUGH
HURDLING 64.60
(b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU
AMERICAL DIV LIAISON TM: GRIM REAPER "W" 37.90

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CS, AMERICAL DIV	(1)
Recon FSOC	(1)
Recon S&S	(4)
CO, Co. "BV"	(1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 223-68
PATROL: MUSK OX DV-2-1
DEBRIEFER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 IV & 6640 I

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
181500H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 18 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 3 PRC-25'S, 1 BC SCOPE, 1 M-49, 3 7x50'S, AND 1 STERLIGHT SCOPE.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 23 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 .50 CAL MG, 1 SNIPER RIFLE, 2 M-79'S, AND 1 M-8 GAS CANNISTER.

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: 121030H/181500H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 148½ HOURS WITH 36 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 296 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 23 FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN 6 VC KIA CONFIRMED AND 39 VC KIA PROBABLE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

121725H AT944533 6 VC MOVING WEST WEARING KHAKI SHORTS AND SHIRTS AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

121740H AT956525 44 VC MOVING WEST WEARING DARK UNIFORMS AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

121800H AT952532 15 VC RUNNING WEST ALONG TREELINE WEARING DARK UTILITIES AND CARRYING HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL BELIEVES THEY WERE ALSO CARRYING TWO ROCKET TUBES. CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

121935H AT956524 9 VC IN SUSPECTED ASSEMBLY AREA IN A TREELINE. THEY WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND HAD PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

121855H AT957525 6 VC RUNNING EAST ACROSS SAND BAR. THEY WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND WERE CARRYING LIGHT PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

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130435H AT963524 THE PATROL SPOTTED 4 CAMPFIRE IN A SUSPECTED ASSEMBLY AREA. THEY CALLED A FIRE MISSION AND THE FIRES WENT OUT.

130540H AT954525 4 LIGHTS MOVING IN SUSPECTED ASSEMBLY AREA. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION AND THE LIGHTS WENT OUT.

130745H AT959525 16 VC MOVING EAST ACROSS A DRY STREAM BED. THE VC WERE MIXED IN WITH CIVILIANS AND WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND WERE CARRYING RIFLES AND PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 7 PROBABLE KIA.

130800H AT957525 7 VC MOVING WEST ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS AND HAD PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL COULD NOT GET A FIRE MISSION DUE TO ARTILLERY CHECK FIRE.

130805H AT957525 18 VC RUNNING EAST ACROSS RIVERBED. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND DARK UTILITIES AND CARRIED RIFLES. AGAIN ARTILLERY WAS IN A CHECK FIRE.

130825H AT997524 15 VC RUNNING SE IN THE OPEN. THEY WORE DARK COLORED UNIFORMS AND WERE CARRYING RIFLES AND SMALL PACKS. ARTY WAS STILL IN A CHECK FIRE.

131715H AT946536 4 VC RUNNING ACROSS RIVER BED TO THE NORTH. THEY WORE DARK UTILITIES AND CARRIED RIFLES. THE PATROL WAS UNABLE TO GET A FIRE MISSION DUE TO FRIENDLIES IN THE AREA.

132135H AT997471 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC USING A LOUD SPEAKER. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION AND THE NOISE CEASED.

141135H AT951532 3 VC RUNNING NW ACROSS A SANDBAR. THEY WORE DARK UTILITIES AND HAD RIFLES. THE PATROL COULD NOT GET A FIRE MISSION DUE TO FRIENDLIES IN THE AREA.

141526H AT946536 2 VC RUNNING SW ACROSS DRY RIVER BED. THEY WORE DARK UTILITIES AND CARRIED ONE RIFLE AND TWO PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED AN UNOBSERVED FIRE MISSION.

141620H AT998460 PATROL FOUND ONE DEAD NVA IN A SHALLOW GRAVE. HE HAD BEEN CARRIED THERE ON A BAMBOO POLE AND HAD GREEN UTILITIES AND A UTILITY COVER. HE HAD BEEN DEAD FOR APPROX. 2 WEEKS. ONE NVA KIA CONFIRMED.

142110H AT996465 2 VC MOVING AROUND PATROL'S POSITION. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION AND THE NOISE CEASED.

151052H AT965535 6 VC RUNNING ACROSS SAND BAR. THEY WERE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE FOR A FIRE MISSION.

151112H AT965535 2 VC MOVING WEST ACROSS SAND BAR WEARING DARK UTILITIES AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN TWO VC KIA PROBABLE.

151530H AT963513 6 VC WALKING SW ON A TRAIL. THEY HAD DARK UTILITIES AND CARRIED HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

151530H AT963513 6 VC WALKING SW ON A TRAIL. THEY HAD DARK UTILITIES AND CARRIED HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

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151700H AT945504 13 VC MOVING EAST IN SMALL GROUPS. THEY WORE DARK CAMOUFLED UNIFORMS AND HAD RIFLES, PACKS AND WEB GEAR. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

160930H AT965535 2 VC RUNNING SW ACROSS SAND BAR. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL COULD NOT GET A FIRE MISSION DUE TO AIRCRAFT IN THE AREA.

161045H AT953526 6 VC RUNNING EAST ALONG A TRAIL. TWO HAD DARK UTILITIES; FOUR HAD BLACK PJ'S. ALL HAD LARGE GREY PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THREE VC KIA CONFIRMED AND THREE VC KIA PROBABLE.

161400H AT942502 4 VC MOVING SW IN THE OPEN. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE FOR A FIRE MISSION.

161742H AT967531 9 VC RUNNING WEST ACROSS SAND BAR. THEY WORE DARK UTILITIES AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

161805H AT955542 1 VC TRAVELLING SOUTH ACROSS RIVERBED. HE WORE DARK UTILITIES AND CARRIED A PACK AND RIFLE. THE PATROL WAS UNABLE TO GET CLEARANCE FOR A FIRE MISSION.

161807H AT952529 3 VC RUNNING NE ACROSS SAND BAR. THEY WORE DARK UTILITIES AND CARRIED PACKS. THE PATROL WAS UNABLE TO OBTAIN CLEARANCE FOR A FIRE MISSION.

161814H AT964531 4 VC RUNNING WEST ACROSS SAND BAR. ONE OF THE VC WAS BEING CARRIED ON A POLE BY TWO OF THE OTHERS. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN TWO PROBABLE KIA'S

161825H AT952528 5 VC CROSSING A SAND BAR FROM THE EAST. THEY WORE DARK UTILITIES AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

161845H AT951512 30 VC MOVING WEST IN THE OPEN. THEY WORE DARK UTILITIES AND CARRIED PACKS, RIFLES, 2 82 MM MORTAR TUBES AND 2 HEAVY M.G.'S. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION AND 20 PROBABLE KIA.

171505H AT950531 TO AT954524 13 VC MOVING IN AND OUT OF THIS AREA. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND DARK UTILITIES, AND HAD PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 2 KIA PROBABLE.

171852H AT953523 18 VC MOVING EAST IN THE OPEN. THEY WORE DARK UNIFORMS AND CARRIED HEAVY PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED.

171332H AT047533 12 VC MOVING NORTH ON A SAND BAR. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

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162100H AT998464 1 LIGHT MOVING AT THE BASE OF PATROL'S POSITION. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION AND THE LIGHT WENT OUT. IT CAME BACK ON THEN WENT OUT FOR GOOD WHEN THE PATROL PUT SOME ARTY ON TOP OF IT.

181045 AT971523 2 VC WALKING EAST IN TALL GRASS. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA CONFIRMED AND ON VC KIA PROBABLE.

B. TERRAIN: THE OP IS A SEMI-BALD HILL WITH BUNKERED POSITIONS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT ZONE IS AT998465. IT IS A 1 CH-46ZONE ON A BALD FINGER. THE OP IS AT THE SAME COORDINATES AND OFFERS A 360 DEGREES VIEW WITH BEST OBSERVATION TO THE NORTH AND EAST. IN THE AREA THAT THE PATROL HAD ITS MAJORITY OF SIGHTING IT APPEARED THAT APPROX. 50 % OF THE RICE CROP APPEARED TO BE 'IN'.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE LZ ON THE FINGER CAN BE FURTHER IMPROVED. USE C-4 TO DO IT. ADD OVERHEADS TO THE BUNKERS. TAKE A LIGHTNING ROD.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: ENEMY ACTIVITY APPEARS TO HAVE PICKED UP AGAIN IN THIS AREA. GENERAL TREND OF MOVEMENT IS TO THE WEST, AND THE LARGE PACKS NOTED BY THE PATROL IN MOST CASES WOULD INDICATE THE POSSIBILITY OF VC TRANSPORTING RICE FROM VALLEY TO OUTLYING AREAS. CLEARANCE FOR FIRE MISSIONS IN THE AREA IS TOUGH BECAUSE OF HEAVY AIR TRAFFIC IN AREA.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CAPT HENDRICKS
SGT BRADLEY
SGT MALONE
SGT EPLER
CPL HANDY
CPL CLARK
CPL MCMAHUS
LCPL HENSLEY
LCPL DESCH
LCPL PISANO
LCPL HOY
CPL WATKINS
LCPL BURNER
PFC REYES
PFC WARFIELD
PFC SYKES
PFC FADNESS
PFC FOURNIER
PFC MCKENZIE
RM3 WILSON

CAPT J.D. HENDRICKS
MUSK OX BV-2-2
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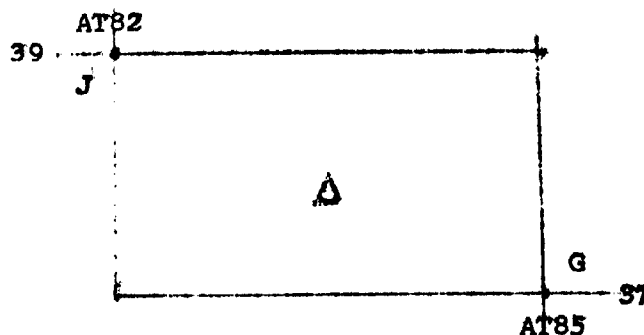
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 (e) BnFragOrder #224-68

Unit/Call Sign: A-1-1 (LUCKY LARK) Patrol Leader: LT. GLASSER

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 H ill 452 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 to Antenna Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 13 Apr; insert vic AT837378. Extract on 19 Apr vic AT837378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
 (b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25
 (c) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU 37.90
 AMERICAL DIV LIAISON TM: GRIM REAPER "W" 37.90

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
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 Recon S-3 (4)
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OPERATION ORDER: 224-68
 PATROL: LUCKY LARK A-1-1
 DEBRIEFER: L/CPL. R.L. ALDRIGHT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS 6640 III, 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 17 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 DC SCOTCH, 2 7x50'S, 1 M-49
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1M-60, 1 M-79, (WITH 8 CS, 8 FLASHETTE AND 3 WHITE STAR CLUSTERS), AND 1 M-12

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 452 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 TO ANTENNA VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 130930H/191030H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 145 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION: N/A

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

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE PLENTY OF WATER.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	LCPL OWENS
	PFC BELL
CPL BLACKWOOD	PFC MONTEZ
LCPL EVENS	LCPL RAMOS
PFC CASTELLANOS	PFC RICKARD
PFC PEARCE	PFC KOONTZ
PFC HERCERA	PFC MOODY
PFC DANIELS	PFC CHURDICK
PFC REYNOLDS	HN JAEGER
PFC GRUETZMACHER	PFC HODGES

CPL BLACKWOOD
 LUCKY LARK A-1-1
 PATROL LEADER

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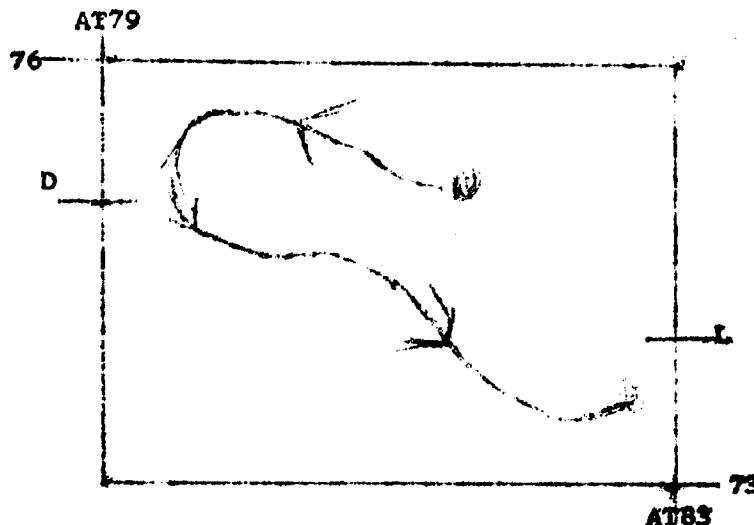
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 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #225-68

Unit/Call Sign: BV-2-1 (LYNCH LAW) Patrol Leader: LT. LUDWICH

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Song Thuy Loan Valley area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 13 Apr; insert via A2315751. Extract on 17 Apr via AT827736. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 49.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (b) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (c) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50 (Max Range)
 (d) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU 37.90

Distribution:

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G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 7thMar	(1)
CO, 1stBn7thMar	(1)
Recon PSOC	(1)
Recon S-2	(4)
CO, Co. "BV"	(1)
PtLdr, BV-2-1	(1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 225-68
PATROL: LYNCH LAW BV-2-1
DEBRIEFER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6641 III, 6541 II

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL. 1 USN. 1 OFF.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 M-49, 2 7x50'S
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE SONG THUY LOAN VALLEY AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 131100H/171030H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 95 HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTING OF LIGHTS MOVING NEAR A WATERFALL. THE PATROL CALLED ONE FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

162130H AT023736 AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF LIGHTS MOVING NEAR A WATERFALL. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
 - B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 30' HIGH. THERE IS PLENTY OF WATER IN THE AREA COVERED BUT MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT015751 IS A GOOD 3 CH-46 LZ IN AN OPEN FIELD. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT027736 IS A FAIR ONE CH-46 LZ CLEARED BY THE PATROL. THERE IS ONE POSSIBLE ONE CH-46 LZ IN THE VICINITY OF AT024757.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THIS AREA IS NOT USED BY THE ENEMY AT THIS TIME AND IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO OP IN THIS AREA.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

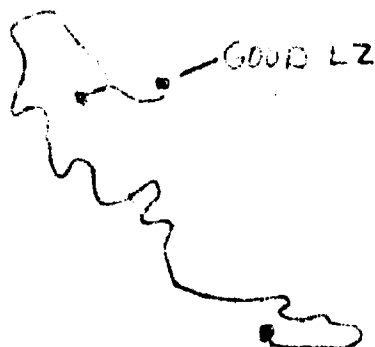
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. LUDWIG
SGT. MULLEN
CPL HARDIN
CPL ROBERTS
LCPL BLACKWELL
LCPL FURLONG
PFC PHILLIPS
PFC MARQUANDT
PFC HEATH
PFC SLOVER
HM3 CROWE
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LT. LUDWIG
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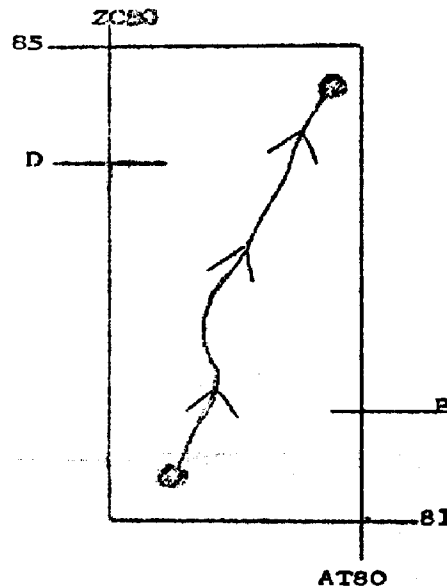
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1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/SFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or area infiltration through Elephant Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of storage areas, and routes of access. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 13 Apr; insert vic ZC205814. Extract on 17 Apr vic AT799847. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) LONGA POINT "M" 41.45
(b) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
(c) SPOON BILL "C" 53.50
(d) NAIL BRUSH 59.90

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G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
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CC, 7thMar	(1)
CC, 2dBr7thMar	(1)
Recon BSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
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PtHLdr, B-1-1	(1)

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OPERATION ORDER: 226-68
 PATROL: SCANDINAVIA E-1-1
 DEBRIEFER: LT. C.I. McBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS 6541 II, 6641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
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 171030H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH ELEPHANT VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF STORAGE AREAS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 131030H/171030H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 120 HOURS WITH 3 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 129 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED ONE FIRE MISSION AND 2 AIR-STRIKES WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

151220H AT004030 52 VC WALKING NORTH ALONG A TRAIL WEARING BLACK PJ'S CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES, VINES AND CAMOUFLAGE GREASE PAINT. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS, WEB GEAR AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION THAT WAS NOT FIRED DUE TO TERRAIN. THE PATROL THEN CALLED AN AO WHICH IN TURN CALLED FIXED WING ON THE TARGET WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

151345H ZC197042 9 VC MOVING NORTHEAST ON A ROAD WEARING GREEN SHORTS AND CARRYING HEAVY PACKS. THE PATROL OBSERVED THESE VC DURING THE AIRSTRIKE IN PREVIOUS SALUTE AND COULD NOT TAKE ACTION. THE AO COULD NOT OBSERVE THESE VC.

160630H AT004030 68 VC MOVING SOUTHWEST ACROSS AN OPEN STREAM JUNCTION WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKIS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH RIFLES AND EXTREMELY LARGE PACKS. THE AO ON STATION CALLED AN AIRSTRIKE WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

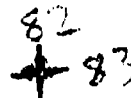
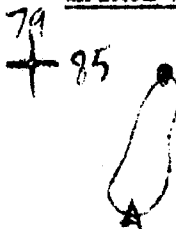
D. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF THICK SECONDARY GROWTH CONSISTING OF VINES AND ELEPHANT GRASS WITH CANOPY UP TO 60' FEET HIGH. THERE WERE MANY ROCK MASSES ON THE HIGH GROUND AND THE TERRAIN IN GENERAL WAS VERY STEEP. THERE IS NO WATER IN THE AREA AND ALL STREAMS ARE DRIED UP.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT798846 IS A GOOD MULTI-CH-46 ZONE OF 6' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ IS THE SAME. THE OP VIC AT797830 OFFERS PARTIAL OBSERVATION OF ALL THE TERRAIN IN THE PATROL'S AREA. THERE ARE OTHER LZ'S ON THE NORTHERN SIDE OF THE ROAD.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE OP VIC AT797830 WOULD BE A GOOD COMBAT OP AND IS EASILY DEFENDABLE. TAKE LOTS OF WATER IN THIS AREA. TAKE AN M-49 SCOPE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: THE AIRSTRIKES WERE OUTSTANDING BUT ARTILLERY WAS SEVERELY LIMITED IN THIS AREA BY TERRAIN.
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THE COMPOSITION OF THE GROUPS OF VC INDICATES THAT THE VC WERE FORCING COOLIES TO CARRY SUPPLIES FOR THEM. THE ARMY WAS LIMITED BECAUSE OF THE TERRAIN FEATURES ON THE GUN-TARGET LINE.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. BRIGGS
CPL RAGLE
PFC WARREN
PFC BYRD
PFC MARCOE
PFC TENORIO
LOPL HUDSON
PFC ZURENDA
PFC SHOVA
PFC LEAL
CPL MCBRIDE

SGT BRIGGS
SCANDINAVIA E-1-1
PATROL LEADER

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 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMaxDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMaxDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #227-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-1-3 (DEER LODGE) Patrol Leader: LT MCCLOSKEY

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 Happy Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of storage areas, fortifications and routes of access. Also try and set up an ambush and try for a prisoner snatch. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 13 Apr; insert vic ZC178660. Extract on 17 Apr vic ZC132660. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (b) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (c) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50 (MAX RANGE)
 (d) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50 (MAX RANGE)
 (e) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ROMBO

Distribution:

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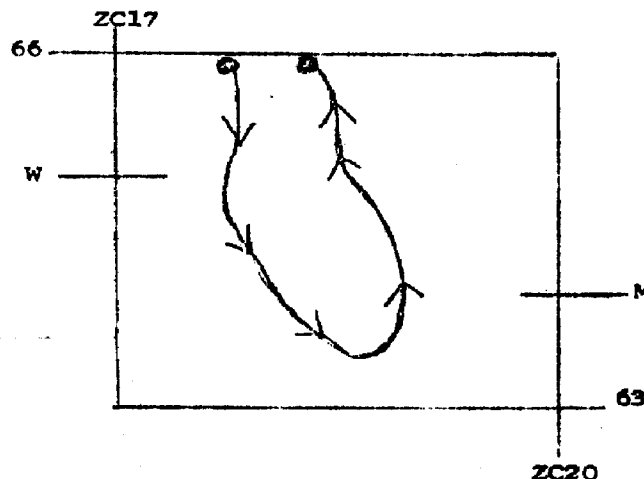
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OPERATION ORDER: -68
 PATROL: DEER LODGE
 DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCDRITT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS: 65401

2 RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 BINHANG, RVN
 181030H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 1 USN, 6 ENL

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 4 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. ALSO TRY AND SET UP AN AMBUSH AND TRY FOR A PRISONER SNATCH. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 130800/181030

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 122½ HOURS WITH NEGATIVE ENEMY SIGHTINGS OR CONTACT.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: CANOPY IS UP TO 80 FEET; SECONDARY GROWTH GOES UP TO 4 FEET, BUT IS VERY SPARSE MAKING MOVEMENT FAIRLY EASY. THERE ARE MANY SMALL STEEP HILLS TO BE NAVIGATED AND AT PRESENT WATER IS PLENTIFUL IN THE AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ WAS AT ZC165657 AND WAS A GOOD 2 CH-46 ZONE IN KNEE HIGH GRASS. THE EXTRACT ZONE WAS AT ZC194661 AND WAS A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF ELEPHANT GRASS APPROX. 16 FEET HIGH. THE PATROL COULD FIND NO OP SITES NOR ANY OTHER POSSIBLE LZ'S ALONG THEIR ROUTE. THE PATROL FOUND A FEW ANTI-HELO STAKES IN THEIR EXTRACT ZONE. THEY DESTROYED THEM.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NO REAL SIGNS OF RECENT ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA. SUGGEST RUNNING PATROLS FURTHER TO THE SOUTH. BRING A SET OF TREE CLIMBERS.

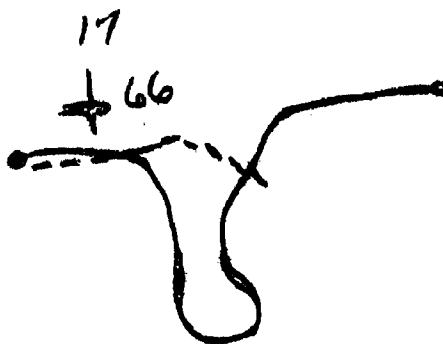
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

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12. PATROL MEMBERS:
LT MCCLOSKEY
CPL KRUGER
LCPL ADKINS
LCPL DEHNSTIEN
PFC TRACY
PFC HAMILTON
PFC DEMELLO
HN TESH

W.H. MCCLOSKEY
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PATROL LEADER

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 (e) BnFragOrder #228-68

Unit/Call Sign: E-2-3 (FLAKY SNOW) Patrol Leader: SGT SMITH

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 north of Mortar Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of possible rocket launching sites, storage areas and routes of access. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 14 Apr; insert vic AT875673. Extract on 18 Apr vic AT865653. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (d) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (e) HIRELING "G" 67.05
 (f) HIRELING "WT" 39.75
 (g) PONY BOY "C" 55.75

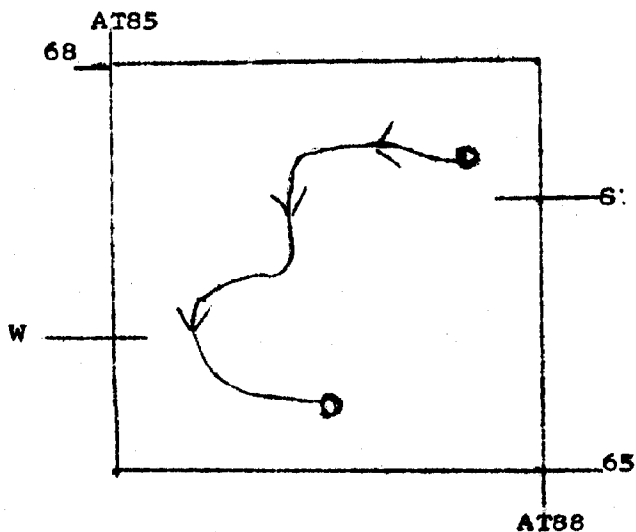
Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ROMBO

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Recon FBCC	(1)
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CO, Co. "E"	(1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 228-68
PATROL: FLAKY SNOW E-2-3
DEPARTER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEET 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
201600H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT:

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRC-25'S, 1 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 4 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 1 M-12

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 GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 161100H/201600H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 113 HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTING OF 3 VC WHICH WAS A CONTACT RESULTING IN THE CAPTURE ON A PACK AND ASSORTED EQUIPMENT AND NO CASUALTIES.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 180835H AT861665 3 VC/NVA OBSERVING THE VALLEY. THE PATROL WALKED UP ON THE ENEMY AND EXCHANGED AUTOMATIC SMALL ARMS FIRE RESULTING IN THE ENEMY DISPERSING LEAVING BEHIND ONE PACK, 1 BELT, 2 CHICOM GRENADES, 1 CANTHEN, AND 1 AK-47 MAGAZINE. ONE OF THE INDIVIDUALS WAS BELIEVED TO BE CHINESE OR NVA. THE ENEMY APPEARED WELL FED AND HEALTHY. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND WERE EQUIPPED WITH D. CKS AND RIFLES AND GRENADES.

B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 10' HIGH WITH NO CANOPY. THE SLOPES WERE VERY STEEP AND ROCKY. THE NORTHERN SIDE OF HILL 310 IS VERY THICK AND MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT. THERE IS NO WATER IN THE AREA EXCEPT IN MORTAR VALLEY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION. THE INSERT LZ VIC AT876675 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ IN A CLEARED AREA. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT865653 IS A GOOD MULTI CH-46 LZ OF BURNED OFF ELEPHANT GRASS. AN OF VIC AT862672 OFFERED OBSERVATION TO THE EAST AND WEST. AMONG THE GEAR FOUND IN THE CAPTURED PACK WERE TWO HOME MADE GRENADES MADE OUT OF C-RATION CANS, A PLASTIC PONCHO, A BELT WITH A RED STAR ON IT, ONE BAG OF RICE, AND THE CANTHEN WITH THE NAME "LINH" WRITTEN ON IT.

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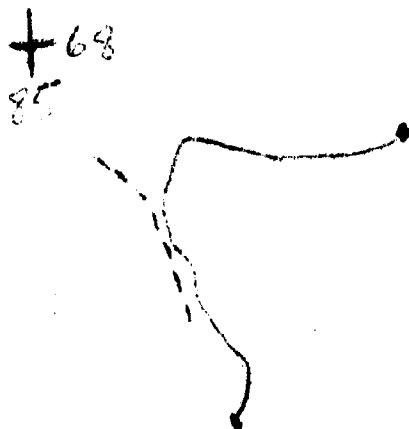
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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE AREA COVERED BY THE PATROL HAS BEEN COVERED EXTENSIVELY BY AIRSTRIKES AND ARTY. HILL 310 IS RECOMMENDED AS AN OP.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: HILL 310 IS RECOMMENDED AS AN OP. IT HAS BEEN CLEARED BY INFANTRY AND OFFERS OBSERVATION FOR 360 DEGREES. THE TOP IS A GOOD EXTRACT LZ.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL HAMMOND
PFC MCINTYRE
PFC LUERA
PFC IRBY
LCPL LEWIS
PFC GREY
PFC WELSH
HM3 O'CONNOR
LCPL MENDEZ

CPL HAMMOND
FLAKY SNOW E-2-3
PATROL LEADER

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(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) BnFragOrder #228-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-1-2 (MELODY TIME) Patrol Leader: SSGT. CHAPMAN

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within you assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Thong Duc TAOR. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of storage areas and routes of access. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

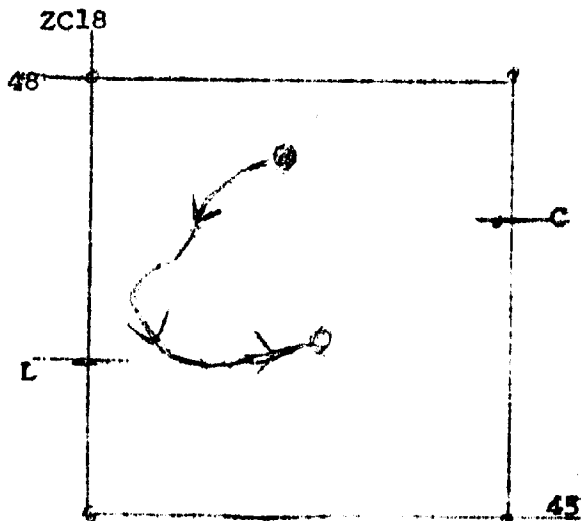
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 14 Apr; insert vic ZC199474. Extraction 18 Apr vic ZC197463. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).

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

5. Com/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
(b) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
(c) STANLEY LOOKER 45.80
Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU
GRIM REAPER SIERRA

Distribution:

G-2	(1)
G-3	(2)
Div AC	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 7thMar	(1)
CO, 3dRn7thMar	(1)
Recon FGOC	(1)
Recon S-2	(4)
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OPERATION ORDER: 229-88
 PATROL: MELODY TIME E-1-2
 DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCDRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS: 65401, 6640 IV

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 DANANG, RVN
 221500H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 1 7X50's

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 4 CLAYMORES, 1 M-60, 1 M-79, 1 M-12

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FWZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE THONG DUC TAOR. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF STORAGE AREAS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 171200/221500H

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 123 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE CONTACTS AND TWO SIGHTINGS OF 9 VC. THE PATROL CALLED ONE AIR STRIKE WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

202300H YC 201476 4 VC SIGNALING EACH OTHER WITH BAMBOO STICKS. THE PATROL LEADER BELIEVES THAT THE ENEMY WAS NOT LOOKING FOR THE PATROL BUT WAS TRYING TO AVOID THE PATROL'S H&E FIRES.

221005H ZC205467 5 VC TALKING VERY LOUD. THE PATROL CALLED AN AO WHICH IN TURN CALLED AN AIRSTRIKE WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. NO CONTACT WAS MADE.

B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF THICK SECONDARY GROWTH CONSISTING OF BAMBOO AND ELEPHANT GRASS. MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT AND NOISY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC ZC199485 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF 3' ELEPHANT GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC ZC204473 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF 8' ELEPHANT GRASS ALSO. THERE IS AN OP VIC ZC193468 WITH OBSERVATION TO THE EAST. THERE IS ANOTHER OP VIC ZC204473 WITH OBSERVATION TO THE SOUTH-EAST. THE PATROL FOUND SEVERAL EXTENDED M-14 CARTRIDGES IN THE VIC ZC202481.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

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9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE AREA COVERED BY THIS PATROL DID NOT APPEAR TO BE IN USE BY THE ENEMY. TAKE PLENTY OF WATER.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: ENEMY MOVEMENT APPEARS TO BE FURTHER NORTH.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT. CHATMAN
LCPL HUBERT
LCPL RAISE
LCPL TANNER
PFC BOYCE
PFC HART
PFC RAGER
PFC THORPE
PFC SURENDA

SSGT. CHATMAN
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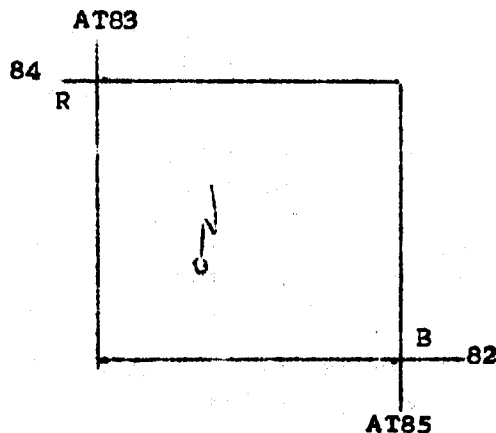
Unit/Call Sign: B-1-2 (ALBROOK) Patrol Leader: LT BARNES

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 (GRIM REAPER X-RAY) on Dong Den Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 15 Apr; insert vic AT837828. Extract on 21 Apr vic AT837828. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
 (d) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (e) HIRELING "H" 60.85

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

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, Co. "B" (1)
 PtlLdr, B-3-3 (1)



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 PATROL: ALBROOK B-1-2
 DEBRIEFER: LT. C.P. MCBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS: 6641 III

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 230900H APRIL 1968

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, 1 M-49 SCOTE, 2 7X50's
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 5 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/RTZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH ELEPHANT VALLEY AND THE GARDEN OF EDEN. PROVIDE SECURITY FOR FOR THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (GRIM REAPER X-RAY) ON DONG DEN MOUNTAIN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 171400H/230900H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 139 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: DONG DEN IS A BALD MOUNTAIN TOP WITH BUNKERS (4) USED AS A RADIO RELAY AND PERMANENT CP.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ IS AT 838828. IT IS ON TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN AND CAN HOLD 1 CH-53. THE SAME COORDINATES ARE USED FOR AN CP AND IT OFFERS A 360 DEGREES VIEW.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE COTS, THE ONES UP THERE ARE FALLING APART. COULD ALSO USE FOXHOLE COVERS AND SANDBAGS.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL DONSBACH	PFC COLLINS	PFC HOUSE	CPL R. DONSBACH
LCPL JOHNSON	LCPL VANCE	PFC WEDEKIND	ALBROOK B-1-2
CPL ONETO	PFC SCHECKLER	PFC MACEDD	PATROL LEADER
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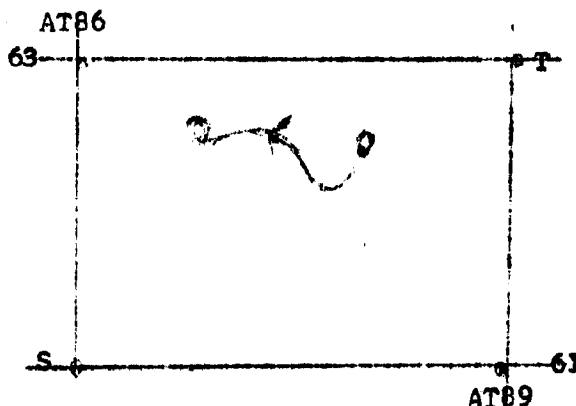
Unit/Call Sign: B-2-1 (AUDITOR) Patrol Leader: SGT. THOMAS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within you assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Charlie Ridge area. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of storage areas and routes of access, 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 on 18 Apr; insert vic AT880625. Extract on 22 Apr vic AT868626. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) HIRELING "I" 86.15
 (b) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15
 (c) PONY BOY "C" 55.75
 (d) HIRELING "WT" 39.75
 (e) OFF SPRING "Q" 35.00
 (f) NAIL BRUSH 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
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 CO, 11thMar (5)
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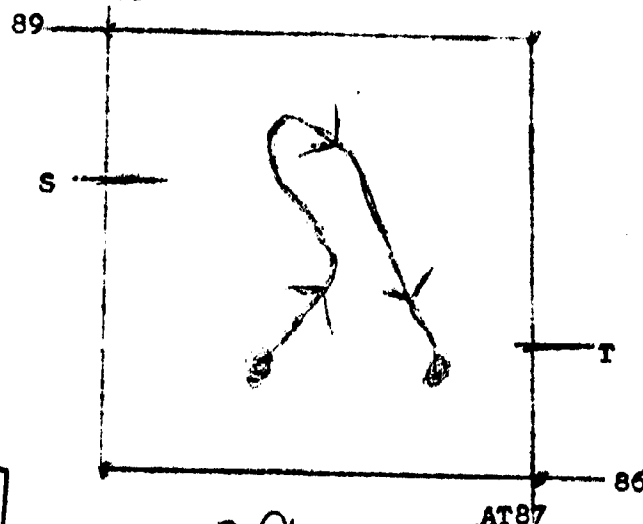
Unit/Call Sign: B-2-1 (AUDITOR) Patrol Leader: SGT S. THOMAS

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 Elephant Valley area. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of storage areas, fortifications and routes of access, 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 on 15 Apr; insert vic AT851866. Extract on 19 Apr vic AT863868. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.80
(b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
(c) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
(d) HIRELING "H" 60.85
(e) NAIL BRUSH 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY
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OPERATION ORDER: 232-68 CH. 1
 PATROL: AUDITOR D-2-1
 DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 17014
 SHEETS: 6640 IV

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 DANANG, RVN
 221345H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL, 1 USN

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 2 7X50's, 1 M-49 SCOTE

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 7 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79, 1 M-12

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED WFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF STORAGE AREAS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS, 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: 181100H/221345H

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 98 3/4 HOURS WITH A TOTAL OF 10 ENEMY SIGHTINGS. THE PATROL SIGHTED 311 ENEMY: CALLED 5 ARTILLERY MISSIONS; 2 AIR STRIKES AND ACCOUNTED FOR 12 CONFIRMED AND 78 PROBABLE ENEMY KILLS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

191020H AT871626 10 VC/NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE A MIXTURE OF BLACK PJ'S AND GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED RIFLES AND LARGE PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE THE RESULTS DUE TO CANOPY.

190615H AT868631 198 VC/NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A TRAIL. SOME OF THESE WERE WOMEN. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND UTILITIES. AND CARRIED RIFLES, HEAVY PACKS AND HAND GRENADES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 7 CONFIRMED KIA. THE PATROL THEN CALLED AN AO WHO DIRECTED AN AIR STRIKE RESULTING IN 60 KIA PROBABLE.

191115H AT868631 49 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ON A TRAIL (NOTE: THIS IS THE ONLY MOVEMENT OTHER THAN WEST). THEY WORE CAMMY UTILITIES AND GREENS AND CARRIED RIFLES AND LARGE PACKS. ONE OF THE VC/NVA CARRIED A SHOTGUN. THE PATROL CALLED ARTILLERY THEN AN AO WHO DIRECTED FIXED WING RESULTING IN 5 CONFIRMED KIA AND 16 PROBABLE KIA.

191400H AT868631 4 VC/NVA MOVING WEST IN A ROCK FORMATION. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED RIFLES AND CARTRIDGE BELTS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS DUE TO CANOPY.

191600H AT868631 7 VC/NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND KHAKI SHIRTS AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED FOR A FIRE MISSION BUT WAS UNABLE TO GET CLEARANCE.

200655H AT868631 6 VC/NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED RIFLES AND HEAVY CAMMIED PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED FOR A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE.

200615H AT868631 13 VC/NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST ALONG TRAIL. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S, GREEN UTILITIES AND KHAKI SHIRTS. THEY CARRIED RIFLES AND THE SMALL PACKS WORN BEHIND THE BEHIND. THE PATROL CALLED FOR A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE.

201130H AT868631 2 VC/NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE WHITE (CORRECT) PJ'S AND KHAKI SHIRTS AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED FOR A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE.

210940H AT873627 4 NVA/VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ALONG A TRAIL. TWO HAD BLACK PJ'S AND THE OTHER TWO WORE CAMMIE UTILITIES. THEY CARRIED HEAVY PACKS AND HAD ONE RIFLE. THE PATROL CALLED FOR A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE.

220615H AT873627 10 VC/NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN TWO PROBABLE KIA.

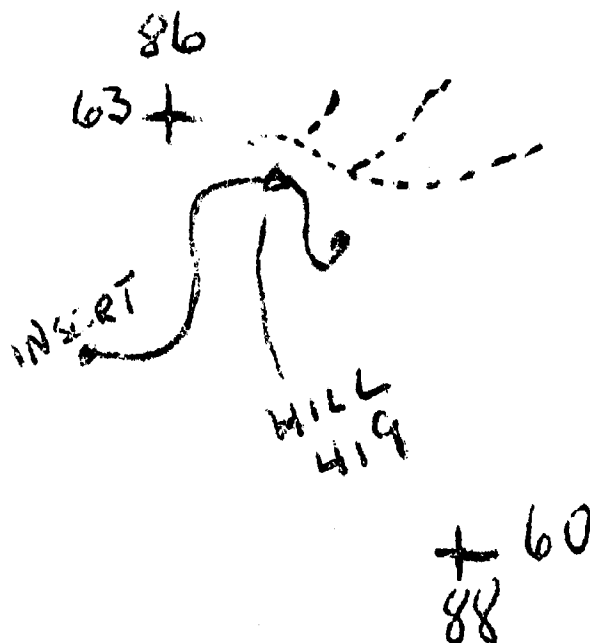
D. TERRAIN: CONSISTS OF WAIST HIGH SCRUB GROWTH AND ELEPHANT GRASS. MOVEMENT IS EASY BUT DANGEROUS BECAUSE YOU ARE EXPOSED. THERE IS PLENTY OF WATER IN THE AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION : THE PATROL'S INSERT ZONE WAS AT862614. IT WAS A GOOD 3 CH-46 ZONE OF ANKLE-HIGH GRASS. THE EXTRACT ZONE WAS AT AT871622 WHICH WAS A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF 3-FEET SCRUB GROWTH. THE PATROL OR'ed FROM 868626 (HILL 419) WHICH ALLOWED THEM A GOOD 360 DEGREES VIEW. THEY ALSO OR'ed FROM THEIR EXTRACT ZONE (AT871622) WHICH GAVE THEM A GOOD VIEW IN ALL DIRECTION EXCEPT NORTH. THIS PATROL WAS WITHIN 300 METERS OF MOST OF THEIR SIGHTINGS, AND WERE ABLE TO GET A CLOSE-UP LOOK AT THE PEOPLE THEY OBSERVED. THE ENEMY KNEW THEY WERE IN THE AREA AND SENT OUT SEVERAL LOCATOR TEAMS TO TRY TO FIND THE PATROL, BUT NO CONTACT WAS MADE. THE PATROL BELIEVES THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE THEY SIGHTED WERE NVA DUE TO THE PREPONDERANCE OF GREEN UTILITIES (MOST OF THEM VERY NEW) AND THE FACT THAT APPROX. 80% OF THE PEOPLE CARRIED AK-47's. THE PATROL NOTED THAT THERE WAS ABOUT A 50-50 SPLIT BETWEEN HELMETS AND BUSH COVERS WORN BY THE GROUPS. THE MAJORITY OF THE MOVEMENT SPOTTED BY THE PATROL WAS FROM 0600 - 1000 AND 1530 - DARK. ON ONE OCCASION THE PATROL SAW WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN AN OFFICER OR SQUAD

LEADER DIRECTING A SEARCH TEAM LOOKING FOR THE PATROL. HE WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND HAD A RED PATCH OR CLOTH STRIP OVER HIS LEFT BREAST POCKET.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HILL 419 (AT868626) COULD BE A GOOD PERMANENT OP. IT OFFERS A 360 DEGREES VIEW AND IS EASILY DEFENDABLE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING DESPITE CHECK FIRES.
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: HEAVY TRAVEL TO THE WEST AND LARGE PACKS WORN BY ENEMY TROOPS INDICATES THEY ARE PROBABLY GETTING SUPPLIES AND FOOD IN THE VALLEYS AND MOVING BACK INTO THE HIGH GROUND WITH THEM. ANOTHER TEAM HAS FLIPPED WITH THIS ONE AND IS OP'ing THE AREA.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:
 - SGT THOMAS
 - CPL EUSEA
 - LCPL PAUL
 - LCPL JONES
 - PFC EGAN
 - PFC BOMBARD
 - PFC MARSHALL
 - PFC MAKOUTZ
 - PFC GUERRA
 - PFC JONES
 - PFC HUFF
 - PFC WILDE
 - HM3 MOKRZECKI

SGT S.E. THOMAS
AUDITOR D-2-1
PATROL LEADER



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 (d) 1stMarDivO P00330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #233-68

Unit/Call Sign: A-1-2 (ALA KING) 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/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Charlie Ridge Area. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of storage areas and routes of access, 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 on 15 Apr; insert via AT834614. Extract on 19 Apr via AT834614. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternates: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (b) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (c) HIRELING "WT" 39.75
 (d) PONY BOY "C" 55.75
 (e) HIRELING "I" 36.15
 (f) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU

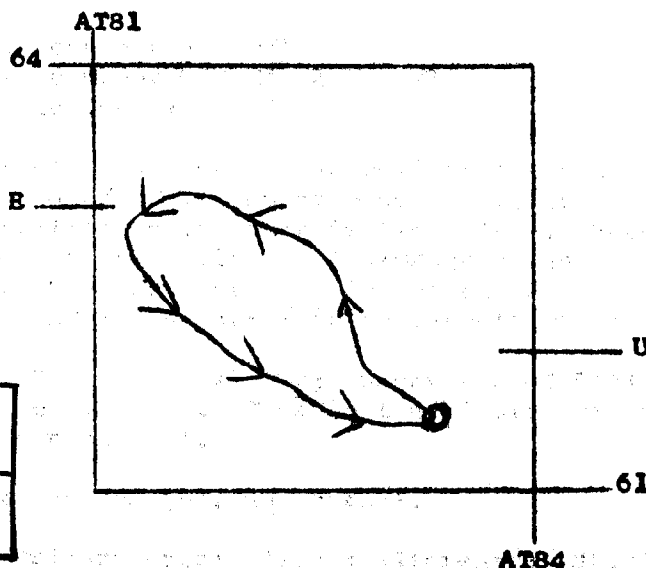
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PATROL: ALA KING A-1-2
DEBRIEFER: LT. C.F. McDRIDE
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1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
210830H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL. 1 USN.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRC-25'S, 2-IRC- 93'S, 1 7x50

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 4 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN SURVEILLANCE OF STORAGE AREAS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS 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: 160930H/210830H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 119 HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 14 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 4 FIRE MISSIONS ON TARGETS OF TACTICAL SIGNIFICANCE (SEE OTHER INFORMATION), AS WELL AS THE ENEMY. ALL OF THESE FIRE MISSIONS WERE UNOBSERVED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 181030H 10 VC MOVING SOUTH ACROSS A RIVINE. THEY WORE BLACK TJS AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES.. THE VC PASSED WITHIN FIFTY METERS OF THE PATROL'S POSITION. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT WAS UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO THICK BRUSH. THIS TOOK PLACE VIC AT811623.

201630H AT830620 4 VC MOVING WEST ON A RIDGE LINE. THEY CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES AND WORE GREY UTILITIES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT WAS UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO AN OBSTRUCTING TREELINE.

B. TERRAIN: CANOPY IN THE AREA COVERED BY THE PATROL WAS UP TO 125' HIGH WITH SECONDARY GROWTH RANGING FROM SPARSE ON THE HIGH GROUND TO VERY THICK AND 10' HIGH ON THE LOW GROUND. MOVEMENT WAS VERY DIFFICULT ON THE LOW GROUND. THE SECONDARY GROWTH CONSISTED PRIMARILY OF BAMBOO AND WATER WAS PLENTIFUL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT830617 IS A GOOD MULTI CH-46 LZ OF KNEE HIGH GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT831615 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF ANKLE HIGH GRASS. IN THE VIC AT812614 A TRAIL 4' WIDE STARTS THAT IS WELL USED. ALL OF THE HIGH GROUND HAS MAJOR, WELL USED TRAILS. IN THE VICINITY OF AT831615 THERE IS A GOOD OP OFFERING OBSERVATION TO THE EAST AND NORTHEAST, AND THE SOUTH. IN THE VICINITY OF AT814619 THE PATROL FOUND 2 HUTS AND 1 BUNKER. IN ONE OF THE HOOTCHES THE PATROL FOUND AN ARVN BLACK WITH FIRST AID EQUIPMENT AND COOKING UTENSILS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN TWO HOOTCHES DESTROYED AND ONE BUNKER DESTROYED WITH 5 LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. IN THE VICINITY OF AT820621 THE PATROL FOUND ONE VC BASE CAMP CONSISTING OF 4 SHELTERS, 5 FIGHTING POSITIONS, 2 GRAVES, ANIMAL PENS AND ANIMAL RUNS. THIS CAMP LOOKED AS IF IT HAD BEEN USED WITHIN THE LAST WEEK. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE SHELTERS AND PENS BEING DESTROYED. THIS CAMP WOULD HOLD 40-50 PEOPLE. IN THE VICINITY OF AT812617 THE PATROL FOUND 4 FIRING POSITIONS THAT HAD BEEN DUG WITHIN THE LAST SIX HOURS. THE POSITIONS WERE BIG ENOUGH FOR 10 MEN APIECE AND WERE UNDOUBTEDLY OCCUPIED BEFORE THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION IN THE AREA PRIOR TO THE DISCOVERY OF THE HOLES. THE PATROL FOUND THE REMAINS OF A UH-34 THAT HAD BEEN SHOT DOWN IN THE VICINITY OF AT807628. THE NUMBER OF THE CRASH WAS X10-260955Y-100-03.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: IN THE VICINITY OF HILL 1070 AT812610 FUTURE RECON TEAMS SHOULD AVOID THE USE OF TRAILS BECAUSE OF NUMEROUS GOOD AMBUSH SITES.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

~~SGT. ULSTED~~
 LTCOL CAMPUTI
 LTC FULFORD
 LTC REITH
 LTC SCOTT
 LTC WHEEZ
 LTC ROWE
 LTC BROWN
 LTC SIEGEL



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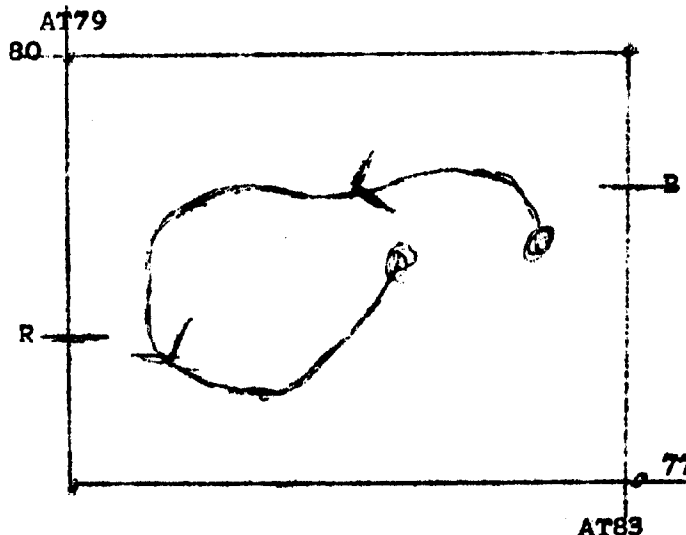
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Unit/Call Sign: B-1-1 (PANAMA HAT) Patrol Leader: LT. BARNES

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within you assigned NFZ/RFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the area south of Dong Dan. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 19 Apr; insert vic AT824787. Extract on 23 Apr vic AT815787. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
 (d) HIRELING "H" 60.85
 (e) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

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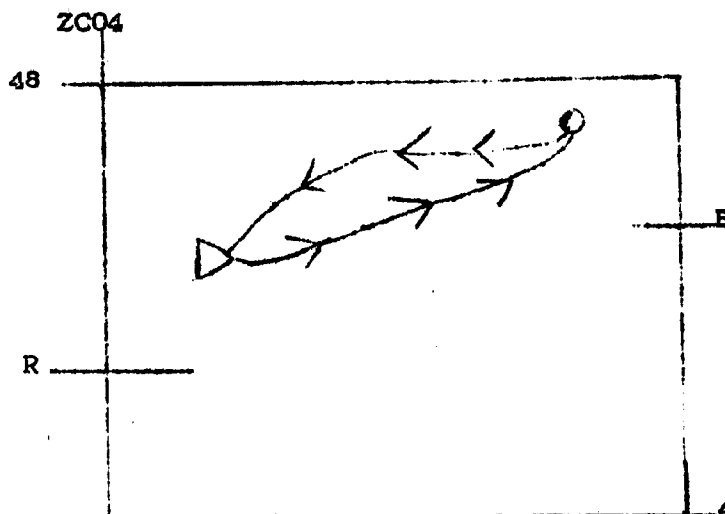
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Unit/Call Sign: B-1-1 (PANAMA HAT) Patrol Leader: LT BARNES

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 THUONG DUC TAOR. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of 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 17 Apr; insert vic ZC043473. Extract on 21 Apr vic ZC043473. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
 4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
 5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) STANLEY LOOKER 45.80 (MAX RANGE)
- Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER SIERRA
 GRIM REAPER ZULU

Distribution:

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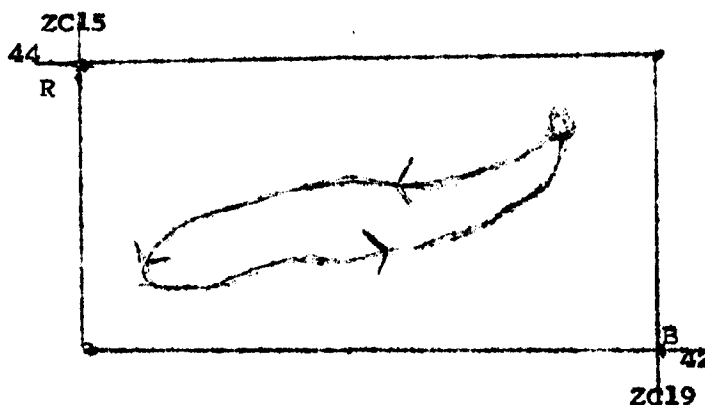
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1. Situation. (a) See current JNTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through the Thuong Duc TAOR area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 15 Apr; insert vic ZC183435. Extract on 19 Apr vic ZC183435. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
 (b) STANLEY LOOKER 45.80 MAX RANGE
 (c) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90 MAX RANGE

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU
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DANANG, RVN
230930H APRIL 1968

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL. 1 USN 1 OFF
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 TX50, 2 PRC-25's, 2 PRC-93's
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 3 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE AREA SOUTH OF DONG DEN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY, AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 190930H/230930H
4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HOURS WITH ONE CONTACT WITH 3 VC/NVA. THE PATROL ENGAGED IN A BRIEF FIRE FIGHT AND CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION ON THE ENEMY WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

221015H AT010779 3 VC/NVA FIRING AT PATROL. THE ENEMY WERE A COMBINATION OF GREEN UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S AND FIRED AT THE PATROL WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE ENEMY BREAKING CONTACT.
 - B. TERRAIN: ON THE RIDGELINES THE CANOPY GOES UP TO 70 FEET WITH A SPARSE UNDERGROWTH MAKING MOVEMENT FAIRLY EASY. WATER IS PLENTIFUL EXCEPT ON THE HIGH GROUND, AND THE STREAMS ARE THICK WITH VEGETATION.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ WAS AT025701. IT WAS A FAIR ONE CH-46 LZ OF ELEPHANT GRASS AND SHRUBS. THE EXTRACT LZ WAS AT023708 AND WAS A POOR 1 CH-46 ZONE ON THE SLOPE OF A HILL IN A BURNED OUT AREA. THERE WERE NO OP SITES IN THE AREA. THE TRAILS IN THE AREA DON'T APPEAR TO BE WELL USED. MOVEMENT IS LIMITED DUE TO THE STEEPNESS OF THE TERRAIN. THE PATROL NOTED WATER BUFFALO DUNG AT013777. IT APPEARED TO BE ONE MONTH OLD.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A CLIMBING ROPE. IT RAINED EVERY NIGHT, SO PONCHOS WOULD BE ADVISABLE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS. PATR

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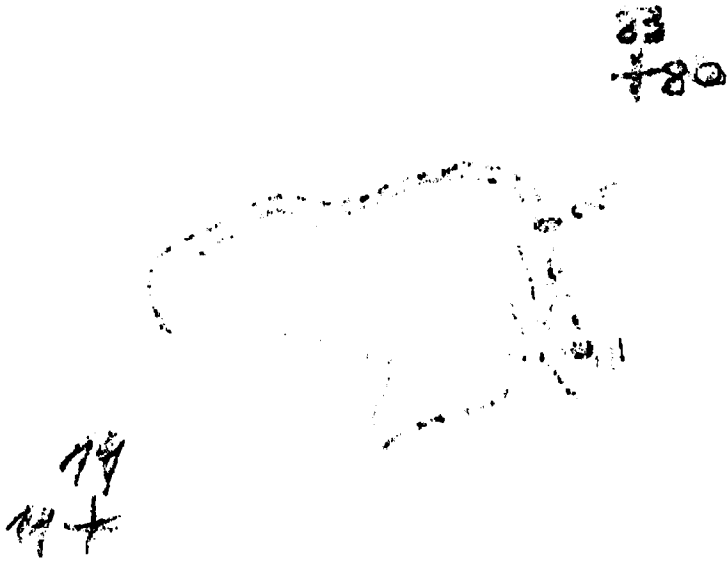
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: MOVEMENT IN THIS AREA APPEARS SLIGHT. THE TERRAIN IS EXTREMELY STEEP AND MOVEMENT HAS TO BE CHANELIZED TO THE RIDGELINES AND STREAMBEDS.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT BARNES
CPL KLINE
PFC MOON
PFC MARTINEZ
LCPL SIMS
LCPL RAY
PFC FRANKLIN
PVT EVERIST
HM3 DIMINO

LT R. C. BARNES
PANAMA HAT D-1-1
PATROL LEADER

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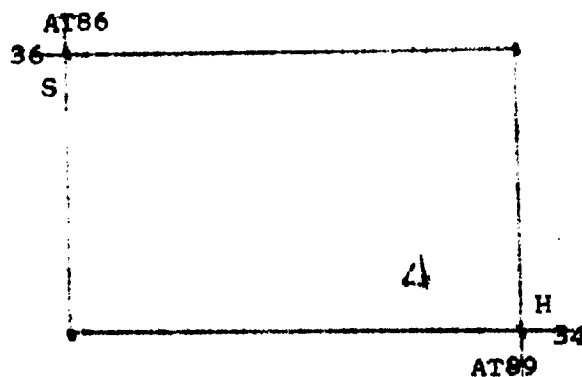
Unit/Call Sign: BV-3-2 (PAGE AVENUE) Patrol Leader: SSGT. HUDSON

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 Antenna Valley and the high ground to the southwest. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 16 Apr; insert vic AT882348. Extract on 21 Apr vic AT882348. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
 (b) HIRBLING 44.20
 (c) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25
 (d) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU
 GRIM REAPER WHISKEY

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 PATROL: PAGE AVENUE 3-2
 DEBRIEFER: 1A C.P. MCBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 17014
 SHEETS: 6640 III

1800 RECONNAISSANCE IN
 DURING, RVN
 231130H APRIL 1968

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, 2 7X50's 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE, 1 M-49 SCOPE
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 10 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79 1 M-12
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN ANTENNA VALLEY AND THE HIGH GROUND TO THE SOUTHWEST. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 161500H/231130H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 164½ HOURS WITH NO ENEMY SIGHTING OR CONTACTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: THE OP IS A DAID HILL SURROUNDED WITH LOW SHRUB. PART OF THE OP IS SURROUNDED WITH CONCERTINA WIRE AND THERE ARE SEVERAL SAND-DAGGED POSITIONS.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ IS AT082348 AND IS A 1 CH-46 LZ IN A CIRCLED AREA. THE EXTRACT LZ WAS THE SAME. THE OP IS AT THE SAME SITE AND OFFERS A 360 DEGREES VIEW. THERE IS A LARGER LZ JUST BELOW THE TOP OF THE HILL WHICH THE PATROL CLEARED OF MINES. THEY ALSO CLEARED THE TRAIL (15 FEET ON EITHER SIDE) LEADING TO THAT LZ.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE FUEL TO BURN THE SHRUB OFF AROUND THE HILL. TAKE CONCERTINA AND SURROUND THE REST OF THE HILL WITH IT.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: AGAIN THE ARMY HAS DISREGARDED OUR NFZ CONSTANTLY.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

GYSGT HUDSON	LCPL CLARK	1IN BRACKEN	
SGT HERRIN	CPL KEEGAN	LCPL STOUT	
LCPL BENJAMIN	PFC FOUST	PFC CLAVELLE	GYSGT C. L. HUDSON
CPL LOGER	PFC BELL		PAGE AVENUE DV-3-2
LCPL MAHAN	LCPL GWINN		PATROL LEADER

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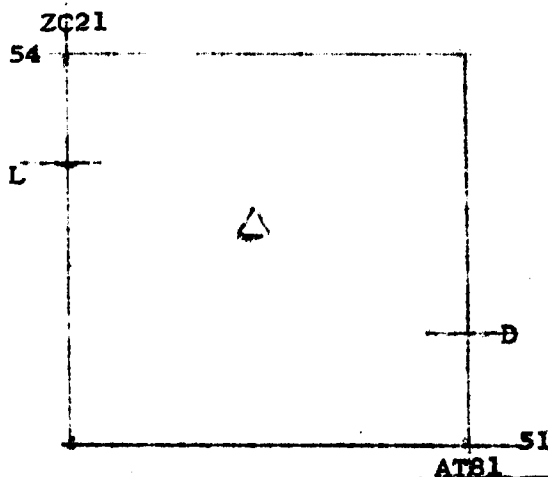
Unit/Call Sign: EV-3-1 (NIGHT SCHOLAR) Patrol Leader: LT. DOWNEY

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PI'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Missions: 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. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 16 Apr; insert via AT797528. Extract on 21 Apr via AT797528. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Communications. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) HIRELING 64.60
 All FM will be cleared through
 (b) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.50
 (c) HIRELING "WT" 39.75
 (d) PONY BOY "C" 55.75
 (e) HIRELING "I" 36.15
 (f) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15
 (g) OFF SPRING "Q" 35.00

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU

Distribution:

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G-3	(2)
Div AO	(1)
CO, 11thMar	(5)
CO, 7thMar	(1)
Recon FSCC	(1)
Recon S-3	(4)
CO, 3dBn7thMar	(1)
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Ptl Ldr, EV-3-1	(1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 6-68
PATROL: NIGHT SEARCHER DV-3-1
DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 IV 6540 I

1. RECONNAISSANCE IN.
DANG, RVN
231530H APRIL 1968

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 14 ENL
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 2 7X50's, 1 M-49 SCOPE, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 35 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE QUAN DUC DUC VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 161530H/231530H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 168 HOURS WITH 7 SIGHTINGS OF 84 VC/ NVA. THE PATROL CALLED 5 FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN 31 CONFIRMED KIA'S AND 6 KIA PROBABLE.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

171510H AT020505 4 VC MOVING 'SW' ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED VERY LARGE PACKS. THE PATROL REQUESTED AN ARTILLERY MISSION BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE.

181115H AT013484 5 NVA/VC MOVING 'NE' ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED RIFLES AND PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE THE RESULTS.

181850H AT025551 14 NVA/VC MOVING 'NE' ACROSS A RIVER. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 10 CONFIRMED KIA.

211745H AT025551 10 VC MOVING EAST ACROSS RIVER IN COLUMN. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED LARGE PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

211050H AT025551 17 VC MOVING 'NE' ACROSS A RIVER. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 4 KIA CONFIRMED.

221840H AT034551 34 VC MOVING 'NE' ACROSS RIVER. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND KILAKIS AND CARRIED PACKS, RIFLES AND ONE MORTAR TUBE. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 17 KIA CONFIRMED AND 6 KIA PROBABLE.

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22015H AT795526 THE PATROL OBSERVED LIGHTS MOVING AROUND THEIR POSITION. THEY CALLED AN ARTILLERY MISSION AND UTILIZED THEIR M-79 AND THE LIGHTS WENT OUT.

- D. TERRAIN: THE OP IS A BALD HILL SURROUNDED BY LOW SHRUB. THEIR IS A FINGER THAT RUNS TO THE SOUT OF THE HILL.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS AT795526. IT IS A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE ON TOP OF THE HILL. THE OP IS AT THE SAME COORDINATES AND OFFERS A 360 DEGREES VIEW EXCEPT TO THE 'SW'.
 8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN
 9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
 10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A STARLIGHT SCOPE. MORE CONCERTINA WIRE IS NEEDED. TAKE TRIP FLARES FOR THE FINGER TO THE SOUTH. THERE IS OVER 1000 ROUNDS OF .50 CAL AMMO ON THE HILL.
 11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING
 12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: AREA AROUND AT8251 AND AT8351 IS A WELL TRAVELED ROUTE, PROBABLY FOR MOVEMENT UP INTO THE CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. THE PATROL NOTED THAT THE RIVER IS ONLY WAIST-DEEP AT THESE POINTS. THE PATROL SPOTTED MOST OF THEIR MOVEMENT RIGHT BEFORE DARK.
 13. PATROL MEMBERS:
 - LT DOWNEY
 - LCPL SALAZER
 - CPL WHELAN
 - LCPL HENDON
 - LCPL ARMENI
 - CPL BEIMS
 - CPL HENDERSON
 - PFC GIBBS
 - PFC LARAZZA
 - PFC FREDRICK
 - PFC MURPHY
 - CPL SCHWAB
 - LCPL NAGEL
 - CPL JOYCE
 - LCPL BOWSER
- LT P. D. DOWNEY
NIGHT SCHOLAR DV-3-1
PATROL LEADER

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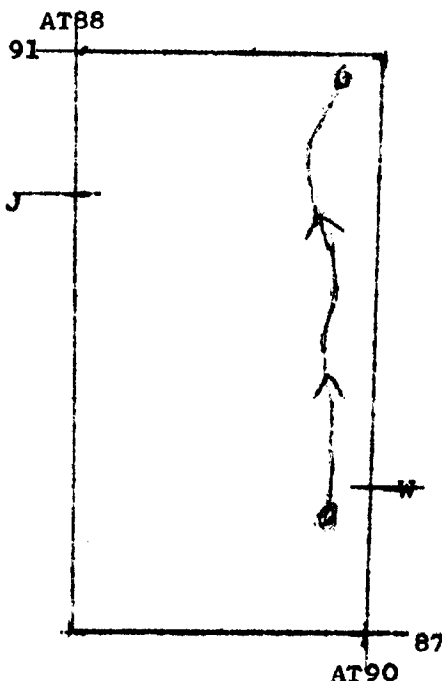
Unit/Call Sign: B-2-2 (AUNT MABLE) Patrol Leader: SGT. WITMER

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through Elephant Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity. Find a suitable place to cut an LZ, notify GR-3, & Engr Equip will be dropped in to bat the LZ.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 16 Apr; insert vic AT898877. Extract on 20 Apr via AT8990 at a pt to be determined by Tm. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and Verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
 (b) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (c) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (d) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (e) WIRELING "H" 60.85 MAX RANGE

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

Distribution:

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 CO, 11thMar (5)
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PATROL: AUNT M
DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
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DANANG, RVN
221245H APRIL 1968

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, 2 7X50's
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 110-LBS. OF C-4, 1 CHAIN SAW, 100-FT DET CORD
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOU ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH ELEPHANT VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY. FIND A SUITABLE PLACE TO CUT AN LZ, NOTIFY GRIM REAPER-3, AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENT WILL BE DROPPED INTO THE AREA.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 170945H/221245H
4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 123 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. THE PATROL HAD AN ENGINEER AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENT DROPPED INTO THEM ON 21 APRIL, AND THEY CLEARED A LARGE 1 CH-46 ZONE ON THE HIGH GROUND ATD97907.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ON THE LOW GROUND CONSISTS OF THICK UNDERGROWTH UP TO 20 FEET HIGH WITH A SPORADIC CANOPY UP TO 35 FEET. ON THE HIGH GROUND IT IS PRIMARILY CANOPY UP TO 80 FEET. MOVEMENT IS FAIRLY EASY ON THE FINGERS. WATER IS PLENTIFUL IN THE AREA.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ WAS A VERY TIGHT ONE CH-46 ZONE AT898877. IT WAS ELEPHANT GRASS AND SHRUB UP TO 15 FEET HIGH. THE EXTRACT ZONE IS A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE CUT BY THE PATROL AT897907. THE PATROL HAD AN ENGINEER AND BLASTING AND CUTTING EQUIPMENT DROPPED INTO THEM ON 21 APRIL AND SPENT A FULL DAY CLEARING THE ZONE. THE LZ IS 120 FEET LONG AND 60 FEET WIDE. THE CH-46 THAT EXTRACTED THE TEAM HAD NO TROUBLE WITH ENTRY OR DEPARTURE FROM THE ZONE. THE PATROL FOUND A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE AT898878 NEAR THE TOP OF HILL 506. THE PATROL ALSO FOUND SEVERAL NEW PACKS OF FRENCH CIGARETTES ALONG THEIR ROUTE. ATD98886 OFFERS A GOOD FLAT AREA WHERE A ZONE COULD BE CLEARED.

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THE TRAIL INDICATED ON THE MAP AT896863 IS ABOUT THREE FEET WIDE AND WELL BEATEN DOWN.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE AREA AROUND THE CUT LZ APPEARED TO BE VIRGIN TERRITORY. THE PATROL WAS SOCKED-IN A GOOD DEAL OF THE TIME. THE PILOT WHO DROPPED THE ENGINEER AND HIS EQUIPMENT IN DID AN EXCELLENT JOB. THE ENGINEER DID A FINE JOB AND PROVED INVALUABLE IN CLEARING THE ZONE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: DURING THE PERIOD OF AN ENTIRE DAY THE PATROL CHOPPED AND HACKED THE ZONE, AND BLEW OFF OVER 60 C-4 CHARGES WITHOUT DRAWING ANY ENEMY ATTENTION. BUT GOING ON PAST EXPERIENCE THE CHANCES ARE GOOD THAT THE VC WILL TAMPER WITH, AND TRIGGER BOOBY TRAP, THIS ZONE.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:
 - SGT WITMER
 - CPL JONES
 - LCPL PHILLIPS
 - LCPL ANDERSON
 - LCPL EDDY
 - LCPL HENDRICK
 - PFC HECKEY
 - PFC DELTRAN
 - PFC SAUCEDO
 - PFC COONS
 - PFC KOZAK
 - HM3 ELLIS
 - CTL SICEUSTER (ENGINEER)

SGT J.F. WITMER
AUNT MABLE D-2-2
PATROL LEADER

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Unit/Call Sign: A-2-2 (WEDDING RING) 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 and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 17 Apr; insert vic AT851448. Extract on 22 Apr vic AT851448. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
 (b) HIRELING "I" 36.15
 (c) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15
 (d) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 ALL FM WILL GO THROUGH HIRELING 64.60

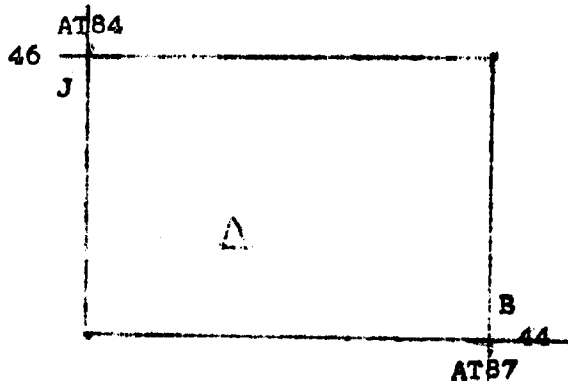
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 Recon FSOC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "M" (1)
 PtlLdr, A-2-2 (1)

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OPERATION ORDER: 238-
PATROL: WEDDING RING A-2-2
DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
MAIS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6640 IV

1 RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN
231500H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 14 ENL, 1 USN
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 3 PRC-25's, 1 DC SCOPE, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE, 2 7X50's
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 7 CLAYMORES, 2 M-14's, 1 M-60, 2 M-79's
2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AND OBSERVATION POST AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 181000/231500H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 125 HOURS WITH 7 SIGHTINGS OF 29 VC/NVA, 7 FIRE MISSIONS, RESULTING IN 5 CONFIRMED KIA's AND 5 PROBABLE KIA's.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

190005H AT852446 2 VC/NVA WALKING FROM EAST TO WEST ALONG RIDGELINE. THEY WORE DARK COLORED UNIFORMS AND CARRIED PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE THE RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS. THEY SPOTTED THESE TWO BY THE LIGHT OF AN ILLUMINATION ROUND.

190202 AT840451 1 SAMPAN WITH 2 OCCUPANTS UNLOADING GEAR ON RIVER BANK. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION BUT THE BOAT MOVED OUT OF SIGHT.

191515H AT833451 7 VC/NVA ASSEMBLED IN A SMALL GROVE. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND GREEN UTILITIES, AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 1 CONFIRMED KIA AND 3 PROBABLE KIA.

191545H AT835454 6VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 2 PROBABLE KIA.

201720H AT833459 4 VC/NVA MOVING IN BRUSH LINE. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED BROWN PACKS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 4 KIA CONFIRMED.

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45H AT020464 2 VC MOVING ALONG TREELINE. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

211600H AT047492 6 VC/NVA CARRYING TWO BODIES INTO A HOCH. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION AND OBSERVED A SECONDARY EXPLOSION IN A TREELINE NEAR THE HOCH.

- D. TERRAIN: HILL 196 IS COVERED WITH LOW GRASS AND HAS BARBED WIRE AND SANDBAGGED POSITIONS AROUND IT.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS AT051447 ON TOP OF HILL 196. IT IS A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF LOW GRASS. THE OP IS AT THE SAME COORDINATES AND OFFERS A GOOD VIEW IN ALL DIRECTION EXCEPT TO THE 'SE'.
 8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
 9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
 10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE PERIMETER IS TOO LARGE. BRUSH AROUND POSIT SHOULD BE CLEARED OFF. TAKE AS MANY MEN AS POSSIBLE FOR A GOOD DEFENSE. ARTY AT AN HOA CAN GIVE GOOD CLOSE FIRES AROUND POSIT.
 11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING (ESPECIALLY OFFSPRING 'Q')
 12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
 13. PATROL MEMBERS:
 - SGT BALLIST
 - PFC GILL
 - PFC BISHOP
 - PFC STEWARD
 - PFC BEN
 - LCPL MITCHELL
 - LCPL EDMISTON
 - LCPL URBANIAK
 - PFC MAXAM
 - PFC BRENTLINGER
 - PFC LOFTIN
 - PFC ENGIE
 - HN HENRY
 - PFC COOPER
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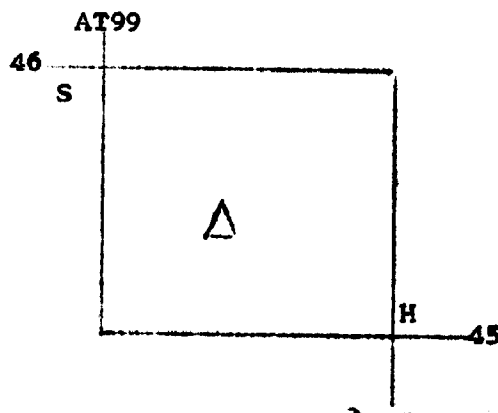
Unit/Call Sign: D-3-1 (MAY FLY) Patrol Leader: SSGT HUGHES

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: D-1-2
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. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 17 Apr; insert vic AT998463. Extract on 22 Apr vic AT998463. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) ALL FM WILL GO THROUGH
 HIRELING 64.60
 (b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU
 AMERICAL LIAISON TM: GRIM REAPER "W" 37.90

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OPERATION ORDER: 239-68
 PATROL: MAY D-3
 DEDRIEFER: LT C.P. WILSON
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS 6640 I

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 LANG, RVN
 231445H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 USN, 17 ENL
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 1 NEWS CORRESPONDENT
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 1 M-49 SCOPE, 3 7X50's
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 31 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79
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: 171030H/231445H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 140 1/4 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT OR SIGHTINGS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: HILL 425 IS A BALD HILL WITH BUNKERED POSITIONS AND BARBED WIRE STRUNG AROUND IT.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ AT 990462 AND IS A 1 CH-46 ZONE ON A BALD FINGER. THE OP IS AT THE SAME COORDINATES AND OFFERS A VIEW IN ALL DIRECTIONS BUT THE SOUTH.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: IT IS FAIRLY COOL ON THIS OP AND A HEAVY LOAD OF WATER IS NOT NEEDED.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEDRIEFER: FIRST TIME THIS PATROL HAS COME UP WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS IN MANY MONTHS. THE INFANTRY JUST FINISHED OPERATION JASPER SQUARE IN THE AREA OF OBSERVATION - THIS COULD BE ONE OF THE REASONS WHY.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT HUGHES	PFC LAMONTAGNE	SGT HARRIS
CPL MUNDORFF	1IN PARSONS	SGT DYE (CORRESPONDENT)
LCPL CASTELLANO	PFC SHELLEY	
PFC KELLUM	PFC KUCHTA	
PFC RUIZ	PFC BRITTEN	
LCPL MARQUEZ	PFC OCAMPO	
LCPL LAY	LCPL WILLIAMS	
PFC MILLER	PFC MOLINA	

SGT S.D. HARRIS
 MAY FLY D-3-1
 PATROL LEADER

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(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) BnFragOrder #240-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-3-2 (CAYENNE) Patrol Leader: SSGT HAMPTON

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 Happy Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of storage areas, fortifications and routes of access. Also try and set up an ambush and try for a prisoner snatch. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 17 Apr ; insert vic ZC185657. Extract on 21 Apr vic ZC208664. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
Artillery: (a) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
(b) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
(c) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50 (MAX RANGE)
(d) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50 (MAX RANGE)
(e) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ROMEO

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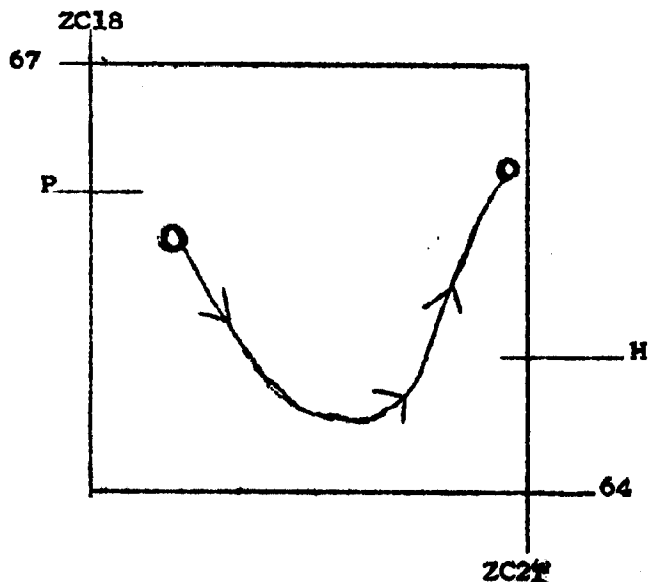
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OPERATION ORDER: 240-68
PATROL: CAYENNE D-3-2
DEBRIEFER: LTCOL R.L. ALBRIGHT
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SHEETS 6540 I

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN
DANANG, RVN
221630H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL., 1 USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 1 7X50's
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 2 M-79's (12 FLESHETTE ROUNDS),
6 CLAYMORES.

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2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. ALSO TRY AND SET UP AN AMBUSH AND TRY FOR A PRISONER SNATCH. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 181030H/221630H

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 102 HOURS WITH THREE SIGHTINGS OF 50 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED ONE FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 3 KIA CONFIRMED AND 4 KIA PROBABLE. THERE WAS NO CONTACT.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 101310H ZC193664 15 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH TOWARD A TRAIL. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED PACKS, RIFLES AND ONE LIGHT M.G. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION ON THE GROUP RESULTING IN 3 KIA CONFIRMED AND 4 KIA PROBABLE.

191020H ZC188646 5 VC/NVA MOVING WEST TO A STREAM. THEY WORE CAMMY UTILITIES AND CARRIED AK-47's AND JACKS. THE PATROL LOST THE GROUP IN THE THICK CANOPY.

191045H ZC188648 30 VC/NVA MOVING NW DOWN A HILL. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED PACKS, RIFLES, TWO RADIOS AND TWO ROCKET TUBES. THE PATROL REQUESTED A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE. AN AO ARRIVED APPROX. 1 1/2 HOURS LATER BUT THE GROUP HAD MOVED OUT OF SIGHT.

B. TERRAIN: CONSISTED OF A CANOPY UP TO 50 FEET WITH ELEPHANT GRASS UP TO 12 FEET. MOVEMENT WAS FAIRLY EASY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT ZONE WAS ZC190660. IT IS A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF 12 FEET ELEPHANT GRASS. THE PATROL HEARD SEVERAL RIFLE SHOTS QUITE AWAY TO THEIR WEST. COULD HAVE BEEN SIGNAL SHOTS. AT ZC189660 THE PATROL FOUND A DUD 250-LB BOMB. THEY BY-PASSED IT. AT ZC196651 THE PATROL FOUND 1 FIGHTING HOLE AND TWO HOOCHES. THEY APPEARED TO BE 4-6 MONTHS OLD.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL PEAVY
LCPL BOWLAND
LCPL VOLLETT
PFC BECK
PFC WHITING
PFC EDGARS
PFC MCADAMS
PFC PATTERSON
PFC AHREWS
PVT MCDOWELL
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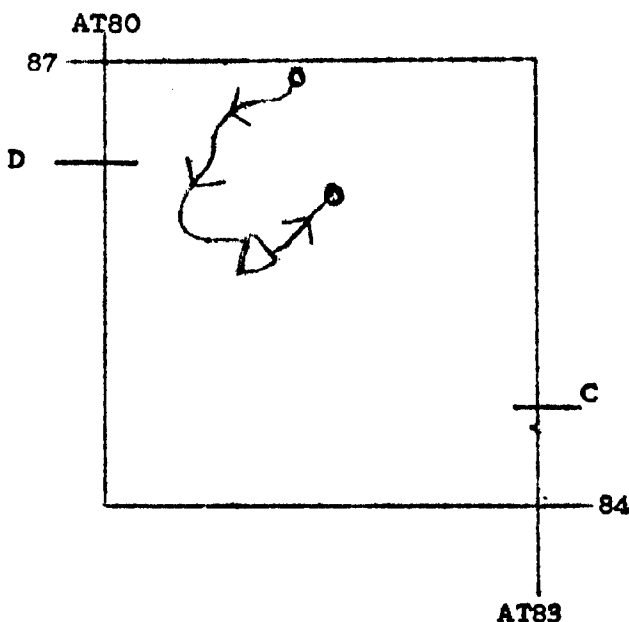
Unit/Call Sign: E-2-1 (MOON DASH) Patrol Leader: SGT CUMMINGS

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 Elephant Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 18 Apr; insert vic AT814870. Extract on 22 Apr vic AT816861. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
 (d) NAIL BRUSH 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

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OPERATION ORDER: 241-68
 PATROL: MOON DASH B-2-1
 DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MCDRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS: 6541 II, 6641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN
 DANANG, RVN
 221200H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 2 7X50's, 1 M-49 SCOPE

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 3 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79

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

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 180830H/221200H

4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 99½ HOURS WITH A TOTAL OF 5 ENEMY SIGHTINGS FOR A TOTAL OF 108 NVA/VC. THE PATROL CALLED FIVE FIRE MISSIONS AND ONE AIR STRIKE RESULTING IN 1 CONFIRMED ENEMY KIA AND 11 PROBABLE KIA's. THERE WAS NO CONTACT MADE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

201100H AT819855 5 VC/NVA MOVING SW ON TRAIL. THEY WERE WEARING GREEN JACKETS AND SHORTS AND CARRIED MACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 5 PROBABLE KIA.

201205H AT815854 3 VC/NVA MOVING WEST TO EAST ACROSS RIVER. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND HAD RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 1 KIA CONFIRMED AND 2 PROBABLE KIA.

201645H AT815855 7 VC/NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED RIFLES. THEY WERE ATTEMPTING TO RETRIEVE THE BODY FROM THE PREVIOUS FIRE MISSION. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN 3 PROBABLE KIA.

201745H AT822856 3 VC/NVA MOVING ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND MACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN ONE PROBABLE KIA.

201030H AT816856 90 NVA/VC MOVING NW. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED BAKES, RIFLES AND CARTRIDGE BELTS. SOME OF THIS GROUP WERE WOMEN. (APPROX. 20). THE PATROL CALLED ARTILLERY, THEN UTILIZED HUEYS, FIXED WING AIRCRAFT AND "SPOCKY" BUT WAS UNABLE TO OBSERVE ANY RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT IZ WAS AT014872. IT IS A GOOD MULTI-BIRD ZONE OF MARSHY GRASS. THE EXTRACT ZONE WAS AT816861. IT WAS A GOOD 2 CH-46 ZONE OF 3 FEET GRASS. THERE IS A LARGE TRAIL AT AT022860 WHICH CROSSES THE RIVER RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH. THERE ARE SETTING STONES TO FACILITATE RIVER CROSSING. THE PATROL OP'ed FROM AT815067 WHICH ALLOWED THEM A GOOD VIEW TO THE WEST INTO THE VALLEY. AT817864 THE PATROL FOUND A LARGE HARBOR SITE NEXT TO A STREAM. IT COULD HOLD PERHAPS 100 PEOPLE AND APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN USED RECENTLY. AT815065 THE PATROL FOUND A SMALL TUNNEL COMPLEX THAT HAD BEEN MOSTLY DESTROYED BY ARTILLERY. THE TERRAIN THE PATROL ENCOUNTERED WAS 100 FOOT CANOY ON THE HIGH GROUND AND 15 FOOT ELEPHANT GRASS IN THE VALLEY. THE STREAMS IN THE HIGH GROUND ARE DRY, WHILE ON THE LOW GROUND THEY ARE FULL AND RUNNING.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: OP'ing IS LIMITED DUE TO THICK TERRAIN. THERE ARE MANY SIGNS OF MOVEMENT IN THIS AREA.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: VC MOVEMENT IN THIS AREA HAS PICKED UP THOUGH THE AREA THIS PATROL WAS CONCERNED WITH IS MORE OF A TRAVELLING ROUTE THAN ANY SORT OF BASE AREA FOR THEM.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:
 - SGT CUMMINGS
 - LCPL IEDLUND
 - PFC SETZER
 - LCPL BARE
 - PFC PATTERSON
 - LCPL FRANCIS
 - PFC RIOS
 - PFC MONTOYA

SGT D.L. CUMMINGS
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 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
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Unit/Call Sign: E-2-2 (MOOSE PEAK) Patrol Leader: LT. LITTLE

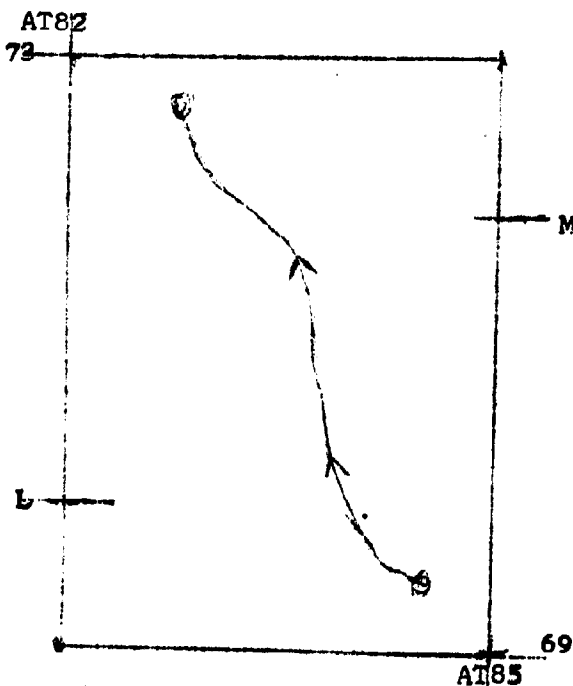
1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within you assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Leech Valley area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 18 Apr; insert vic AT845692. Extract on 22 Apr vic AT828728. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Logistics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (d) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (e) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
 Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ROMBO

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OPERATION ORDER: 2
PATROL: MOOSE PEAK 1-1-2
DEDRIEFER: LCPL R.L. ALBRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 17014
SHEETS: 6641 III, 6541 II

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN
221100H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 1 USN, 8 ENL
 - D. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25's, 1 7X50's
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 3 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE LEECH VALLEY AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 180930H/221100H
4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 97½ HOURS WITH NEGATIVE CONTACT AND SIGHTINGS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: CONSISTS OF A CANOPY RANGING FROM 20 TO 80 FEET WITH A THICK SECONDARY GROWTH ON ALL SIDES OF THE RIDGES. MOVEMENT WAS VERY DIFFICULT. ALL RIDGES HAD TRAILS FROM TWO TO FOUR FEET WIDE AND ALL TRAILS APPEARED IN USE. THE ROAD LEADING OFF BANA WAS RUPTED AND IN GOOD CONDITION FOR CART TRAFFIC.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ WAS AT838729, AND WAS A MARSHY 1 CH-46 LZ. THE EXTRACT ZONE WAS AT848697. IT WAS A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE OF ELEPHANT GRASS AND SHRUB. THE PATROL FOUND THREE HARBOR SITES AT833712, AT832723 AND AT833719 WITH ONLY THE LATTER ONE BEING OF ANY NOTE. IT WAS APPROX. 75X25 FEET AND HAD TWO MAN FIGHTING HOLDS DUG AROUND IT. THERE WAS A PERMANENT WATER SUPPLY LOCATED NEARBY. THE MAP INDICATES A GENTLE SLOPE AT AT845698, BUT THE PATROL ENCOUNTERED A LARGE GULLY THAT WAS VERY DIFFICULT TO PASS.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE IS PLENTY OF WATER IN THE AREA.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT LITTLE

PFC DERENICK

PFC SCHLICHER

PFC JONES

PFC HOOKS

LCPL COBB

LCPL JENKINS

PFC MILLS

PFC NAUSE

HM BUEHL

LT L. M. LITTLE

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 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #243-68

Unit/Call Sign: D-1-1 (WEST ORANGE) Patrol Leader: LT EISENBACH

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PJR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post on Hill 452 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 to Antenna Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 19 Apr; insert vic AT837378. Extract on 25 Apr vic AT837378. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
 (b) CHECKMATE 5-9 59.25
 (c) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90

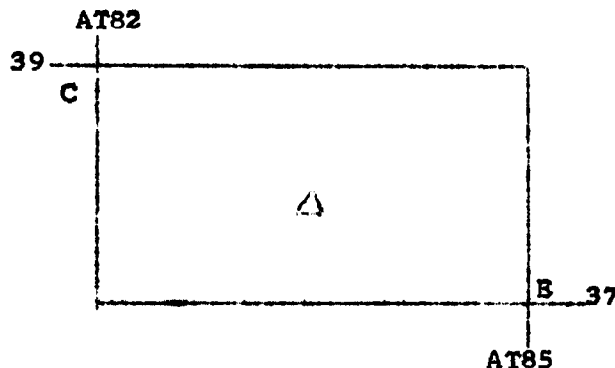
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 CO, Co. "D" (1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 234-68

PATROL: WEST ORANGE D-1-1

DEBRIEFER: LT C.P. MARLIDE

MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 14 ENL, 1 USN, 1 OFF
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 3 PRC-25's, 3 7X50's, 1 M-49 SCOPE
1 STARLIGHT SCOPE
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 20 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 2 M-79's
2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AND OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 452 AND CONDUCT RECON-
NAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/FPZ TO DE-
TECT 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 BLANKENSIP OF TO ANTENNA VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND
ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 191000H/231030H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96½ HOURS WITH NEGATIVE ENEMY
SIGNINGS OR CONTACTS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: HILL 452 IS A BALD HILL TOP WITH BUNKERED POSITIONS.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS A WOODEN PLATFORM
CAPABLE OF HOLDING ONE CH-46 AT836378. THE OP IS LOCATED AT THE SAME
SITE AND OFFERS A 360 DEGREES VIEW.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE A DC SCOPE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT EISENBACH	PFC TOMKINS	1M3 SALLING
1CPL KOERNER	PFC GARCIA	1CPL SAVILLE
1CPL ROMERO	PFC RAWLINGS	
1FC DESCHLAINE	PFC ROBINSON	
PFC FRANKLIN	PFC CANTREL	
PFC COFFIN	PFC COOK	
PFC WAYNE	PFC SKELTON	

LT. C.R. EISENBACH
WEST ORANGE D-1-1
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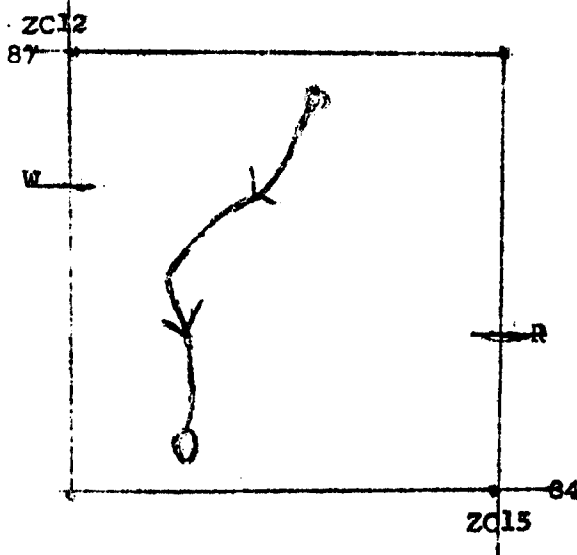
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 (e) BnFragOrder #244-68

Unit/Call Sign: E-3-2 (RIO GRANDE) Patrol Leader: SSGT RASH

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 Western Elephant Valley area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 19 Apr; insert vic ZC138868. Extract on 23 Apr vic ZC129842. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

Distributions:

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OPERATION ORDER: 244-60
PATROL: RIO GRANDE B-2-3
LEADER: LT C.P. MCBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS 17014
STREETS: 8541 II

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN
230830H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 IRC-25's, 2 7X50's, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 11 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED HPZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS CONCENTRATION IN THE WESTERN MOUNTAIN VALLEY AREA. BE PREPARED TO ENGAGE AND DESTROY ARMY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 190830H/230830H
4. ROUTE: SEE OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTING OF ENEMY VC/NVA. THERE WAS NO CONTACT.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY:

221325H ZC142055 3 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH OVER A RIDGELINE. THEY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL REQUESTED A FIRE MISSION BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE.
 - B. TERRAIN: CONSISTED OF THICK UNDERGROWTH UP TO 6 FEET HIGH AND A CANOPY UP TO 60 FEET HIGH. MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT. THERE WAS PLenty OF WATER IN THE AREA.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE PATROL INSERTED AT ZC129844 IN A 1 CH-46 ZONE OF ELEPHANT GRASS. THEY EXTRACTED AT ZC131841 IN A 2 CH-46 ZONE OF LOW ELEPHANT GRASS. THE PATROL OP'ed FROM ZC135852 AND ZC127847 WITH BOTH OP's OFFERING A VIEW TO THE 'SE' INTO THE VALLEY. THE LATTER OF WAS THE BETTER OF THE TWO. THE PATROL ALSO NOTED ABANDONED DUNG ON SEVERAL OF THE TRAILS. IT APPEARED TO BE ABOUT A MONTH OLD. ALSO ON SEVERAL OF THE TRAILS THE PATROL SAW SANDAL TRACKS AND SEVERAL SMALL HARBOR SITES THAT APPEARED TO BE ABOUT A WEEK OLD.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: ZC127847 IS THE ONLY REALLY GOOD

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OF IN THE AREA. THICK UNDERGROWTH LIMITS VIEW EVERYWHERE ELSE.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THE ARMY DELTA FORCE IS WORKING THE AREA TO THE WEST OF THIS PATROL, AND WILL BE DOING SO FOR THE NEXT MONTH.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT RASH
SFT WRIGLE
SGT DUNBAR
CPL MARTINEZ
PFC LADER
PFC EMANUELSON
PFC ZIEGLER
PFC MCCORMACK
PFC STANLEY
PVT BURNS
PFC ANDERSON

SSGT W. G. RASH
RIO GRANDE E-3-2
PATROL LEADER

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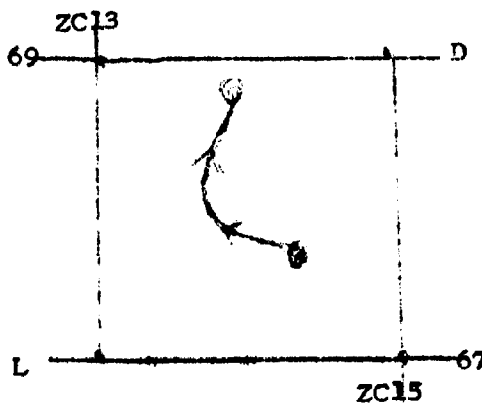
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 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #245-68

Unit/Call Sign: E-3-1 (SERVICE MAN) Patrol Leader: SGT. DAVIS

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 Happy Valley. Special emphasis to be given to setting up an ambush with a possible prisoner snatch. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 20 Apr; insert vic ZC144675. Extract on 24 Apr vic ZC139689. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 43.60
 Artillery: (a) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (b) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (c) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (d) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50 MAX RANGE
 Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ROMEO

Distribution:

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



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 D. J. KEATING, JR.
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OPERATION ORDER: 245-68
 PATROL: SERVICEMAN E-3-1
 DELIVERER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEETS 6540 I & 6541 II

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 250900H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE, 2 PRC-25'S,
 2 PRC-93'S, 1 7x50

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 13 CLAYMORES. 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/TFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SETTING UP AN AMBUSH WITH A POSSIBLE PRISONER SNATCH. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 201600H/250900H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 113 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS AND ONE SNIPER INCIDENT. THE PATROL CALLED NO FIRE MIS-SIONS AND SUFFERED NO CASUALTIES.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 221000H ZC137682 A SNIPER SHOOTING AT THE PATROL. THIS SNIPER WAS ARMED WITH AN M-16 OR A CARBINE. THE PATROL CHECKED OUT THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 10' HIGH AND CONSISTING OF ELEPHANT GRASS AND VINES. THE CANOPY WAS UP TO 50' HIGH. THERE WAS PLENTY OF WATER IN THE AREA BUT MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT DUE TO THE DENSITY OF THE SECONDARY GROWTH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC ZF148674 IS A SMALL SINGLE CH-46 LZ ON THE TOP OF A SMALL FINGER. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC ZC139692 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF LOW SCRUB GROWTH. THERE IS A TRAIL FROM ZC141684 TO ZC 142690 THAT HAS NOT BEEN USED WITHIN THE LAST TWO MONTHS. IN THE VIC ZC 138687 THE PATROL FOUND BUNKERS COVERING THE TRAIL AS WELL AN FIGHTING HOLES AND PUNJI PITS ALONG THE TRAIL ITSELF. THE PATROL CRISS-CROSSED THE RIVER SEARCHING FOR THE TRAIL INDICATED ON THE MAP BUT COULD NOT FIND IT. THE PATROL HEARD A DOG BARK IN THE AREA WHERE THE SNIPER FIRED FROM.

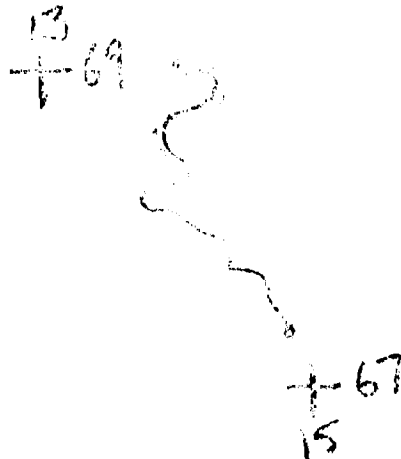
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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE SEEMS TO BE A TOTAL LACK OF RECENT ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THE VALLEY AT THIS TIME. TAKE PLENTY OF INSECT REPEL-
LANT. MAINTAINING COMM IS DIFFICULT. THE RIVER IS LOW AND WILL PROBABLY
BE DRY IN ANOTHER TWO MONTHS.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT DAVIS
LCPL SMITH
LCPL PARKER
PFC STILL
PFC ORZEL
PFC MESSER
LCPL HERRINGBZ
PFC MEADE
PFC FRICK
LCPL COLTETS

SGT. DAVIS
SERVICEMAN E-3-1
PATROL LEADER

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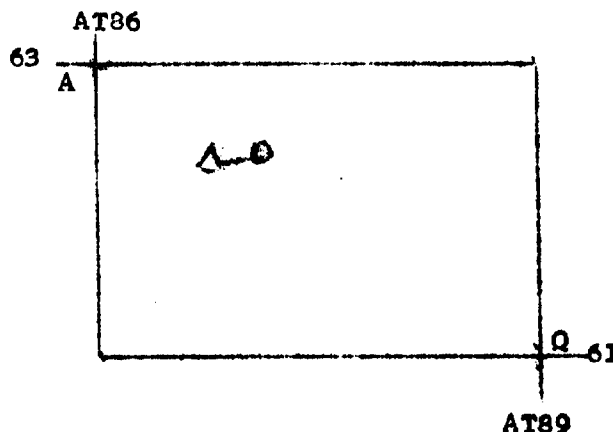
Unit/Call Sign: A-3-1 (RICE KRISPIES) Patrol Leader: SSGT QUIOCHO

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish a roving observation post and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/TFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Charlie Ridge area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 22 Apr; insert vic AT872623. Extract on 26 Apr vic AT872623. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternate: 36.40
 Artillery: (a) HIRELING "I" 36.15
 (b) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15
 (c) PONY BOY "C" 55.75
 (d) HIRELING "WT" 39.75
 (e) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
 (f) NAIL BRUSH 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZUZU

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
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 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 3dBrn/7thMar (1)
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 CO, Co: "A" (1)
 Plt Ldr, A-3-1 (1)



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OPERATION ORDER: 248-68
 PATROL: RICE KRISPIES A-3-1
 DEDRIEFER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEET 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 260800H APRIL 1968

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: 1 7X50, 1 M-49, 2 PRC-25'S

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60, 1 M-79, 1 M-12, 5 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH A ROVING OBSERVATION POST AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 221325H/260800H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 91 HOURS WITH 3 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 23 VC/NVA. THE PATROL CALLED ONE FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. THE PATROL RECEIVED 7 INCOMING ARTY/MORTAR ROUNDS RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA AND 4 USMC WIA (MED-EVAC).

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 230930H 4 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A TRAIL WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. THE ENEMY MOVED IN DEFILADE TO THE PATROL'S POSITION PREVENTING THE PATROL FROM CALLING A FIRE MISSION. THIS SIGHTING WAS IN THE VICINITY OF AT871627.

231030H AT868629 10 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST ON A TRAIL WEARING BLACK PJ'S WITH HELMETS AND CAMOUFLAGED COVERS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

260400H AT880625 THE PATROL RECEIVED 7 ROUNDS OF ARTY/MORTAR FIRE IN THEIR POSITION RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA AND 4 USMC WIA (MED-EVAC). APPROX. 30 MINUTES AFTER THE INCOMING ROUNDS ONE OF THE PATROL'S NIGHT DEFENSIVE FLARES WAS TRIPPED BELOW THEIR POSITION AND THE PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION RESULTING IN THE MOVEMENT STOPPING. SPOOKY CAME ON STATION AND REMAINED ON STATION UNTIL DAWN WHEN THE PATROL HEARD VIETNAMESE VOICES 100 METERS TO THE EAST OF THEIR POSITION. WHEN THE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED THEY OBSERVED 9 VC/NVA MOVING TOWARD THE PATROL'S POSITION. THE CRATERS LEFT BY THE INCOMING ROUNDS WERE 1 FOOT DEEP AND 15 INCHES IN DIAMETER. THE ROUNDS CAME IN WITH A DISTINCT WHISTLE.

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D. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF LOW GRASS UP TO 4' HIGH AND SCRUB BRUSH UP TO 6' HIGH. THERE WERE BOULDERS ON THE FINGERS AND THE LAY OF THE LAND WAS GENERALLY ROLLING HILLS. THERE IS VERY LITTLE WATER ON THE HIGH GROUND.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT871622 WAS A POOR LZ SUITABLE FOR ONE CH-46 IN 6' SCRUB GROWTH. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT881625 IS A GOOD MULTI-BIRD LZ OF LOW GRASS. THERE IS AN OP VIC AT872622 WHICH OFFERS 360 DEGREE OBSERVATION. THERE IS ANOTHER OP VIC AT868627 WHICH ALSO OFFERS 360 DEGREE OBSERVATION (HILL 419). THERE IS ANOTHER OP VIC AT877625 ON HILL 423. ENEMY MOVEMENT SEEMS TO HAVE MOVED FURTHER NORTH TO AVOID THE PATROL'S OP.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA (MED-EVAC), AND 4 USMC WIA (MINOR).

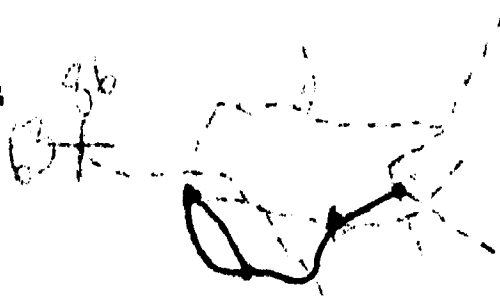
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: MOVE AT NIGHT AND TAKE A STARLIGHT SCOUT. HARBOR SITES ARE HARD TO FIND. TAKE PLENTY OF WATER.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF THE ENEMY EMPLOYING MORTARS.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT. QUIOCHO
CPL TURNER
CPL HUNTER
PFC BLUME
PFC COVARUBIAS
PFC BATEMAN
PFC PETERS
PFC ALVIRA
PFC DEVINE
PFC MACHMER
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Unit/Call Sign: BV-2-1 (LYNCH LAW) Patrol Leader: LT. LUDWIG

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 Elephant Valley area. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of storage areas, fortifications and routes of access, 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 on 22 Apr; insert via AT851866. Extract on 26 Apr via AT863868. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
 (d) HIRBLING "H" 60.85
 (e) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

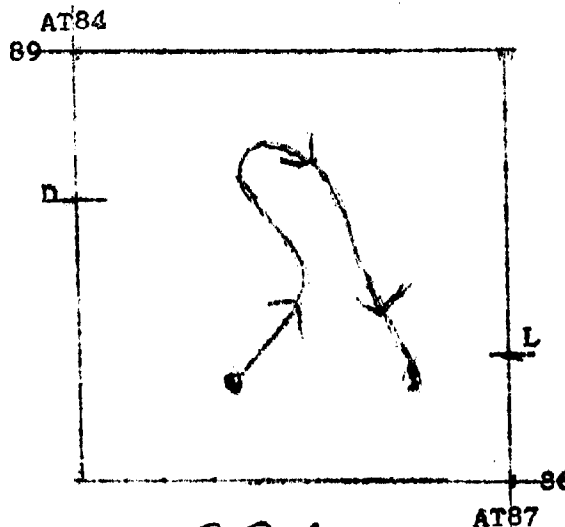
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 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 2dBr7thMar (1)
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 CO, Co. "BV" (1)
 PtlLdr, BV-2-1 (1)

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OPERATION ORDER: 247-68
PATROL: LYNCH LAW BV-2-1
DEBRIEFER: LT. C.F. McBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
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1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
260930H APRIL 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL. 1 OFF. 1 USN.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 7x50'S, 2 PRC-25'S
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-79
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE ELEPHANT VALLEY AREA. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS, 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: 221100H/260930H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 93½ HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY. THE PATROL CALLED NO FIRE MISSIONS.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 40' HIGH WITH NO CANOPY ON VERY STEEP TERRAIN. MOVEMENT WAS VERY DIFFICULT AND THERE WAS PLENTY OF WATER IN THE AREA.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT851866 IS A GOOD MULTI CH-46 LZ IN AN OPEN FIELD. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT863864 WAS THE SAME TYPE AS THE INSERT LZ. THERE IS AN OP VIC AT849873 WHICH OFFERS OBSERVATION TO THE SOUTHWEST BUT IS POOR FOR RECON'S PURPOSES. THERE IS ANOTHER GOOD OP VIC AT857866 WHICH OFFERS OBSERVATION TO THE SOUTHEAST. THE PATROL HEARD DOGS BARKING VIC AT849876. THE PATROL FOUND A DUD 8' ROUND VIC AT856875 AND UNSUCCESSFULLY ATTEMPTED TO BLOW IT IN PLACE. THE ROUND WOULD NOT DETONATE.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: 2 USMC NBC (MED-EVAC).
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE IS NO ENEMY MOVEMENT IN THIS AREA. THERE MAY BE BETTER OP'S ON THE HIGH GROUND.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT LUDWIG
SGT MULLEN
SGT MANZELLA
CPL BLESSINGER
CPL ROBERTS
CPL FURLONG
CPL DESCH
LCPL HEATH
LCPL SLOVER
PFC MARQUANDT
PFC PHILLIPS
HN CROWE

LT. LUDWIG
LYNCH LAW BV-2-1
PATROL LEADER

PATROL OVERLAY

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OPERATION ORDER 248-68

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 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #248-68

Unit/Call Sign: A-3-2 (TRAILER PARK) Patrol Leader: SGT LUCAS

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 Happy Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of 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 22 Apr; insert via ZC193660. Extract on 26 Apr via ZC159660. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate 43.60
 Artillery: (a) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (b) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (c) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50 (MAX RANGE)
 (d) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50 (MAX RANGE)
 (e) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15

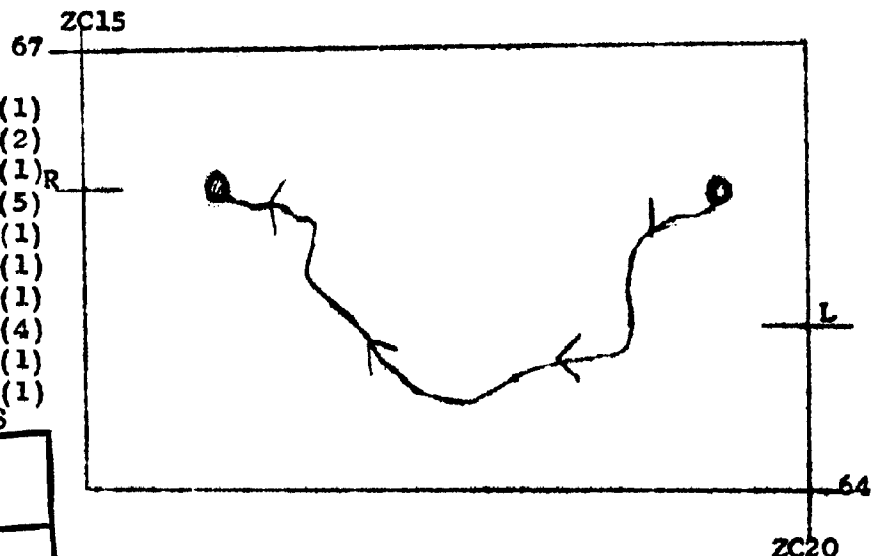
Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ROMBO

Distribution:

G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 11thMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBn7thMar (1)
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 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "A" (1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 240-68
PATROL: TRAILER PARK A-3-2
DEBRIEFER: L/CPL. R.L. ALDRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEET 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
261040H AIRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRG-25'S, 1 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79 (WITH 6 CS), 5 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN HAPPY VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF 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: 221530H/261040H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 90 $\frac{1}{2}$ HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS OF AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY TRAILING THE PATROL AND A ROCKET LAUNCHING SITE. THE PATROL CALLED TWO FIRE MISSIONS WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: 240730H ZC135655 THE PATROL HEARD ROCKETS BEING FIRED TO THE EAST OF THEIR POSITION. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. THE PATROL CALLED ANOTHER FIRE MISSION ON THE SAME TARGET ALSO WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

250940H ZC178653 AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY TRAILING THE PATROL. THE PATROL HEARD VOICES ON THE RIGHT OF THEIR POSITION AND TO THEIR REAR AND SET UP A HASTY AMBUSH WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS OR CONTACTS.

- B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF DENSE UNDERGROWTH 6'-10' HIGH WITH 30'-40' CANOPY. THE UNDERGROWTH HAD MANY THIRNS AND MOVEMENT WAS VERY DIFFICULT. WATER WAS PLENTIFUL IN THE AREA COVERED.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC ZC193660 IS A GOOD 2 CH-46 LZ OF 6'-8' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC ZC183653 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 ZONE OF 6'-8' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS. THERE IS AN OF VIC ZC 182652 WITH OBSERVATION TO THE SOUTH TO CHARLIE RIDGE.

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8. RESULTS OF ENGAGEMENTS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: 1 NSMC NDC (MED-EVAC) DUE TO STRAINED KNEE.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE PATROL LEADER BELIEVES THAT THE TIME ALLOWED WAS INSUFFICIENT TO COVER THE AREA ASSIGNED THOROUGHLY.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. LUCAS
SSGT LAWRENCE
CPL HOOVER
PFC TURNER
PFC DANROW
LCPL PAVES
LCPL BROOKMAN
PFC BELCH
PFC BURGESS
LCPL HUGHENBERY
PFC MACDONALD
PFC VONDIK
HM3 BERGMAN

SGT. LUCAS
TRAILER PARK A-3-2
PATROL LEADER

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 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) BnFragOrder #256-68

Unit/Call Sign: B-3-3 (PARALLEL BARS) Patrol Leader: LT. WARB

1. Situation. (a) See current INSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration through Elephant Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity. Find a suitable place to cut an LZ, notify GR-3, & Engr Equip will be dropped in to cut the LZ.
3. Execution. Depart LZ PINCH on 22 Apr; insert vic AT893908. Extract on 26 Apr vic AT893908 or at a pt to be determined by Tm. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) LUNGA POINT "M" 41.45
 (b) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (c) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (d) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (e) HIRELING "H" 60.85 (MAX RANGE)

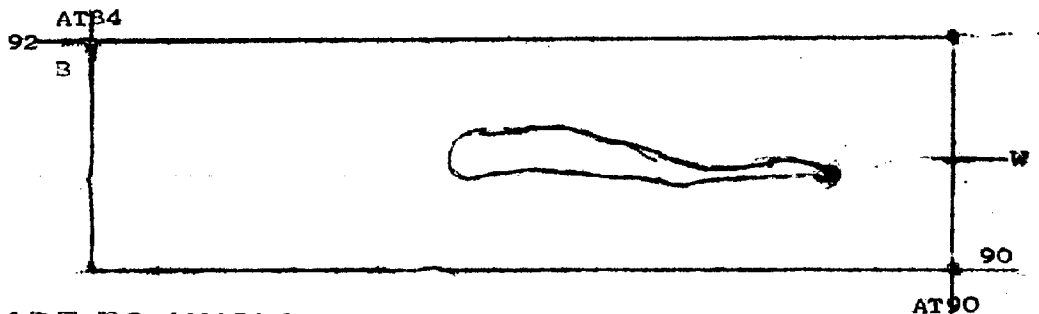
Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

Distribution:

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

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OPERATION ORDER: 256-68
PATROL: PARALLEL BARS E-3-3
DEBRIEFER: LT CP. McBRIDE
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEET 6641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
280830H APRIL 68

PATROL OVERLAY

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL. 1 USM.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 CLAYMORES, 1 ^M-14, 1 M-79, (WITH 6 FLESHETTE & 6 CS ROUNDS), 60 POUNDS OF C-4.
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION THROUGH ELEPHANT VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY. FIND A SUITABLE PLACE TO CUT AN LZ, NOTIFY GR-3, AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENT WILL BE DROPPED IN TO CUT THE LZ.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 221230H/280830H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 92 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS WITH THE ENEMY. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF 30' HIGH CANOPY AND EXTREMELY STEEP AND ROCKY TERRAIN. MOVEMENT WAS VERY DIFFICULT AND THERE WAS NO WATER ON THE HIGH GROUND.
7. OTHER INFORMATION. THE INSERT LZ VIC AT897908 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ CUT BY A PREVIOUS PATROL IN THE AREA. THE EXTRACT WAS COMPLETED BY TRUCK FROM THE ESSO PLANT. THERE IS NO SIGN OF ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA AT THIS TIME. THE RIDGELINE IS 20' WIDE AT IT'S WIDEST POINT WITH VERY STEEP CLIFFS AT SOME POINTS.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THE TEAMS INSERT ZONE WOULD NOT BE A GOOD EXTRACT LZ DUE TO WEATHER. ALL MOVEMENT IS CHANNELIZED BY THE RIDGELINE.

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THE PATROL'S INSERT LZ WOULD MAKE A GOOD RADIO RELAY SITE BUT IS NOT VERY GOOD FOR AN OP DUE TO POOR VISIBILITY.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THIS HIGH GROUND SEEMS TO BE UNTOUCHED BY THE ENEMY. ENEMY MOVEMENT IS TO THE SOUTH AND NORTH DOWN THE SLOPES.

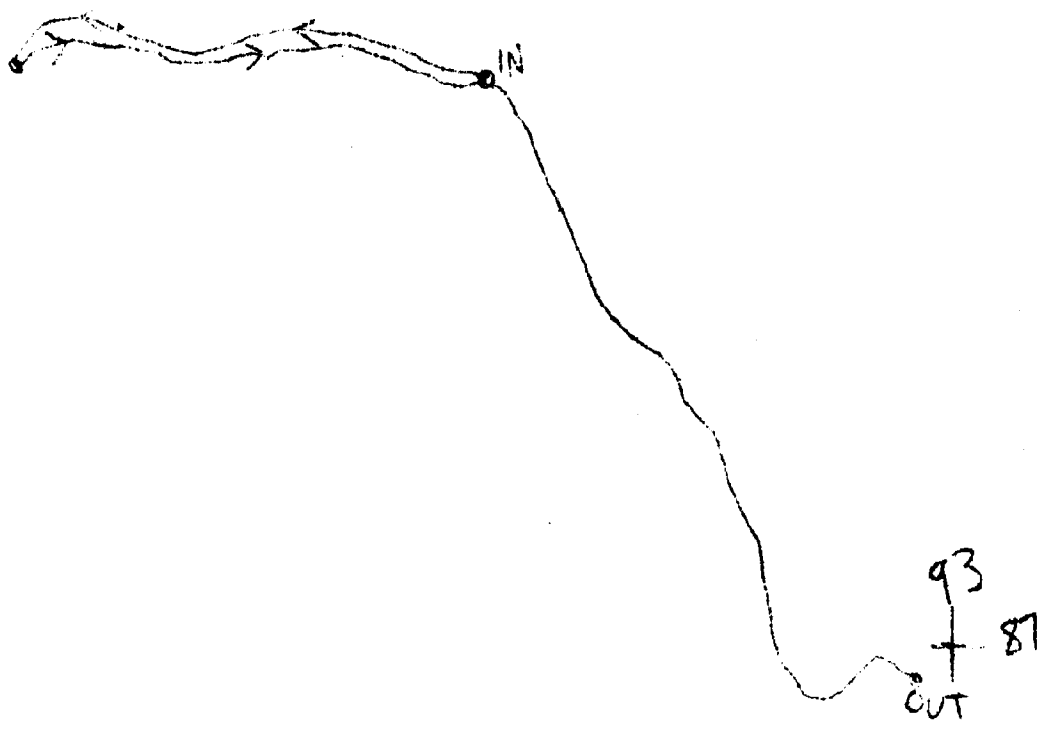
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL. SIMKO
CPL SNADERS
LCPL BLACKFORD
LCPL WISECARVER
PFC ETSIRRY
PFC MISCHIELL
LT. WARE
PFC BRIDENSTINE

LT. WARE
PARALLEL BARS E-3-3
PATROL LEADER

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PATROL OVERLAY



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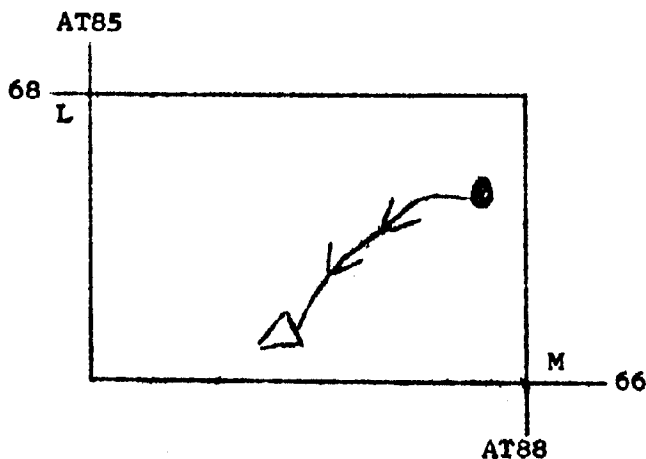
Unit/Call Sign: VC-1-1 (HANOVER SUB) Patrol Leader: LT MATSUMOTO

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 Mortar Valley area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 24 Apr; insert vic AT877674. Extract on 28 Apr vic AT877674. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.00; Alternate: 43.60
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) NAIL BRUSH "B" 59.90
 (d) NAIL BRUSH 59.90
 (e) PONY BOY "C" 55.75
 (f) HIRELING "WT" 39.75
 (g) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ROMEO

Distribution:

G-2 (2)
 G-3 (2)
 Div AO (1)
 CO, 22ndMar (5)
 CO, 7thMar (1)
 CO, 1stBn7thMar (1)
 Recon FSCC (1)
 Recon S-3 (4)
 CO, Co. "BV" (1)
 PtlLdr, BV-1-1 (1)



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 R. J. direction

OPERATION ORDER: 257-68
 PATROL: HANOVER SUE BV-1-1
 DEBRIEFER: LT. C.P. McBRIDE
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEET 6640 1V

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
 DANANG, RVN.
 280930H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 1 USN. 13 ENL.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 3x7x50'S, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE
 1 M-49 SCOPE.

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 9 CLAYMORES, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79, 1 M-12, AND
 12 FLESHETTE ROUNDS AND 3 CS ROUNDS FOR THE M-79.

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

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240830H/280930H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 97 HOURS WITH ONE SIGHTING OF
 4 VC/NVA. THE PATROL EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS WITH THE ENEMY RESULTING IN ONE
 VC KIA PROBABLE. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION AND ONE AIRSTRIKE WITH
 UNOBSERVED RESULTS. THE PATROL SUFFERED NO CASUALTIES.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 250840H AT866666 4 VC/NVA MOVING ON A TRAIL TO THE WEST WEARING
 BLACK PJ'S AND CARRYING FOUR RIFLES. THE PATROL EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS
 FIRE WITH THE ENEMY RESULTING IN ONE VC KIA PROBABLE. THE PATROL THEN
 CALLED ONE FIRE MISSION AND AN AIRSTRIKE WHICH SATURATED THE TARGET
 AREA.

B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF 5'-10'
 ELEPHANT GRASS AND SCRUB GROWTH IN SWAMPY GROUND. ON THE GROUND THERE
 IS LESS SECONDARY GROWTH AND THE SLOPES ARE NOT VERY STEEP. THERE IS NO
 WATER EXCEPT ON THE VALLEY FLOOR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT877674 IS A GOOD 2 CH-46 LZ OF LOW
 GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ IS THE SAME. HILL 310 VIC AT862665 OFFERS OBSERVA-
 TION TO THE SOUTH, SOUTHEAST, NORTH, AND NORTHWEST. THERE ARE WELL USED
 TRAILS ON THE RIDGELINE. IN THE VICINITY OF AT865673 THERE IS A STREAM
 NOT INDICATED ON THE MAP. THERE ARE MANY LZ'S ON THE LOW GROUND. HILL 310
 IS A GOOD LZ.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC KIA PROBABLE.
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HILL 310 MAKES A VERY GOOD OP SITE BUT AT LEAST 20 PEOPLE ARE REQUIRED TO DEFEND IT PROPERLY. COMM IS POOR IN THE VALLEY.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: ENEMY MOVEMENT IN THE AREA IS LIMITED IN SIZE, BUT CONSTANTLY PRESENT.
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. MATSUMOTO
SGT. EPLER
CPL DRIGGS
CPL BRISDINE
CPL PISANO
CPL ROMANUS
CPL NULPH
ECPM BRUNNER
ECPL HENSLEY
PFC BELCHER
PFC FIDNESS
PFC FOURNIER
PFC FLEMING
HM3 WILSON
CPL GEMARK

LT. MATSUMOTO
HANOVER SUE DV-1-1
PATROL LEADER

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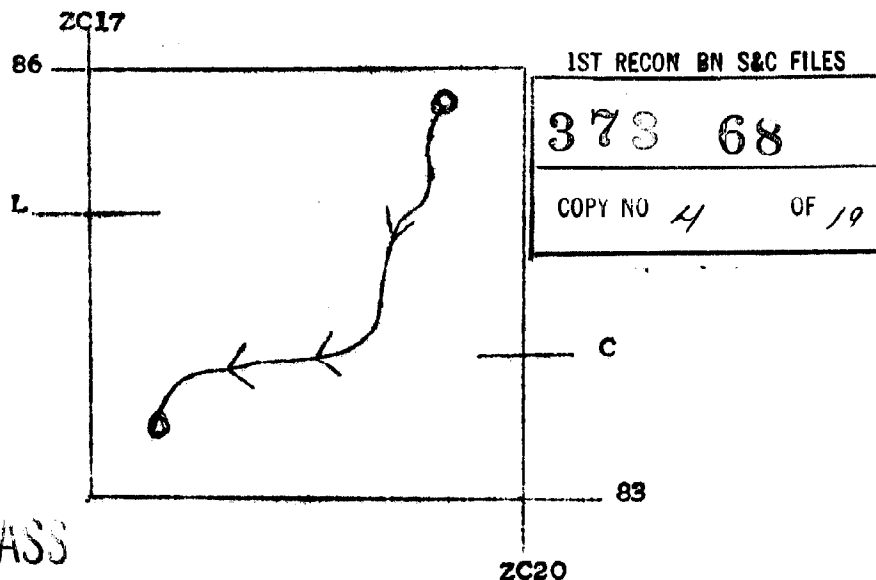
Unit/Call Sign: B-1-2 (MELODY TIME) Patrol Leader: SSGT CHAPMAN

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 Elephant Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of 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 25 Apr; insert vic ZC195858. Extract on 30 Apr vic ZC176836. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50
 (c) NAIL BRUSH 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

Distribution:

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



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 AFTER 30 DAYS

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OPERATION: ORDER: 259-68
PATROL: MELODY TIME E-1-2
DEBRIEFER: L/CPL. R.L. ALBRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6541 II, 6641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DANANG, RVN.
300815H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION. 8 ENL.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 4 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN ELEPHANT VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF 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: 250900H/300815H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 119 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF LIGHT SECONDARY GROWTH ON THE HIGH GROUND WITH CANOPY UP TO 20' HIGH. ON THE LOW GROUND THE SECONDARY GROWTH IS VERY THICK AND THE HILL-SIDES ARE VERY STEEP. WATER WAS PLentiful BUT THIS WAS PRIMARILY DUE TO THE HEAVY RAINS THAT FELL DURING THE PATROL. WATER IS PLentiful IN THE ~~LOW~~ ^{Low} GROUND.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC ~~23193052~~ IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF 4'-5' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS AND MARSHY GROUND. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC ZC 182836 IS A FAIR LZ ON THE ELEPHANT ROAD WHICH IS 12' WIDE AT THIS POINT. THERE IS 5' ELEPHANT GRASS ON EITHER SIDE OF THE LZ AND THE ZONE WILL ACCOMMODATE AT LEAST ONE CH-46. ON THE RIDGELINE COVERED BY THE PATROL THERE IS A 5' WIDE TRAIL THAT DOES NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN USED BY ANYONE OTHER THAN RECON. IT STARTS ON ONE END OF THE RIDGELINE WITH NO VISIBLE TRIBUTARY OR JOINING TRAILS. THE TRAIL ENDS THE SAME WAY. THERE HAVE BEEN MANY ARTY MISSIONS CALLED IN THIS AREA.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A

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9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO SIGN OF ENEMY ACTIVITY ON THE HIGH GROUND AND THE ONLY EVIDENCE OF ACTIVITY ON THE LOW GROUND IS SOME FAIRLY FRESH ELEPHANT DUNG ON THE TRAIL PARALLELING THE RIVER.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SSGT. CHAPMAN
LCPL TANNER
LCPL HART
LCPL PAIGE
LCPL HUBERT
PFC BOYCE
PFC THORNE
PFC RAGER

SSGT. CHAPMAN
MELODY TIME E-1-2
PATROL LEADER

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PATROL OVERLAY

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Unit/Call Sign: B-1-1 (PANAMA HAT) Patrol Leader: LT. BARNES

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish a roving observation post and conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the Charlie Ridge area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH on 26 Apr; insert via AT872623. Extract on 30 Apr via AT872623. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.90; Alternates: 36.40
Artillery: (a) HIRELING "I" 36.15
(b) LUNGA POINT "K" 37.15
(c) PONY BOY "C" 55.75
(d) HIRELING "WT" 39.75
(e) OFFSPRING "Q" 35.00
(f) NAIL BRUSH 59.90

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER ZULU

Distribution:

G-2 (2)
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Div AO (1)
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C. J. Keating, Jr.
D. J. KEATING, JR.
By direction

OPERATION ORDER: ~~260-68~~ 260-68
 PATROL: PANAMA HAT B-1-1
 DEBRIEFER: L/CPL. R.L. ALDRIGHT
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
 SHEET 6640 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN,
 DANANG, RVN.
 300930H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL. 1 USN. 1 OFF.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 ERC-25'S, 1 7x50, 1 M-49, 1 STARLIGHT

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60, 1 M-14, 1 M-79 (WITH 6 CS, 18 FLASHETTE),
 6 CLAYMORES.

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH A ROVING OBSERVATION POST AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE CHARLIE RIDGE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 250730H/300930H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 122 HOURS WITH 7 SIGHTINGS TOTALING 41 VC/NVA OBSERVED. THE PATROL CALLED 7 FIRE MISSIONS WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS AND HAD ONE CONTACT WITH THREE NVA RESULTING IN 3 NVA KIA CONFIRMED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 261000H AT868628 8 NVA MOVING EAST ALONG A RIDGELINE. THEY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, SHORTS, AND DUSH HATS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH CARTRIDGE BELTS, A POSSIBLE MORTAR TUBE, BUNDLES AND RIFLES. THE NVA WERE MOVING TOWARD THE PATROL'S INSERT LZ AND THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

261100H AT870628 5 VC MOVING SOUTH ON A TRAIL WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND SANDLES. THE VC CARRIED LARGE WHITE SACKS CAMMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH RACKS AND RIFLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

261255H AT870629 3 NVA MOVING WEST TO EAST ON A TRAIL. THEY WORE MIXED UNIFORMS CONSISTING OF GRAY SHORTS AND SHIRT WITH WHITE SAFARI HAT AND BLACK PJ'S. THE NVA CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE AN M-16 WITH A BANANA MAGAZINE AND SACHEL CHARGES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

261515H AT861633 4 VC MOVING WEST TO EAST IN A GULLY WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, BLACK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH RIFLES AND CARTRIDGE BELTS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. THE VC IN THIS GROUP HAD A DOG WITH THEM.

271045H AT861633 16 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A RIDGELINE WEARING BLACK PJ'S, SHORTS, KHAKI SHIRTS, AND GREEN UTILITIES. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH AK-47'S PACKS AND RIFLES AND CARTRIDGE BELTS. ALL OF THE ENEMY WERE CARRYING LEAFY BUNDLES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

271100H AT864632 2 VC MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A RIDGELINE WEARING BLACK PJ'S AND KHAKI SHIRTS. THEY WERE EQUIPPED WITH PACKS, RIFLES AND CARTRIDGE BELTS. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

281100H AT865630 3 NVA MOVING EAST TO WEST ON A RIDGELINE WEARING GREEN UTILITIES, SANDLES, NO COVERS AND BELTS WITH SILVER BUCKLES WITH A STAR ON THEM. THEY CARRIED THREE SACKS OF RICE, CANTEENS AND ONE AK-47, AND TWO CHICOM GRENADES. THE PATROL CALLED A FIRE MISSION WITH OUTSTANDING COVERAGE OF THE TARGET. THE PATROL WENT TO CHECK OUT THE BODIES AND RECEIVED FIRE FROM THESE SAME NVA. THE PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND THREW GRENADES KILLING ALL THREE NVA AND RECOVERED ALL OF THEIR GEAR. THE PATROL CAPTURED 2 ENTRENCHING TOOLS, (ONE US MADE, ONE CHINESE MADE), 2 CHICOM GRENADES, ONE KHAKI UTILITY JACKET, 2 CHINESE CANTEENS, ONE CARTRIDGE BELT. ONE SHELTER HALF, 2 GROUND CLOTHES, ONE AK-47, 2 AK-47 MAGAZINES, 2 PARACHUTE CLOTHES, ONE WHITE, ONE GREEN), 4 PLASTIC HAMMOCKS, 4 PLASTIC RAINCOATS, 3 RICE BAGS TOTALING 110 LBS. OF RICE, MISCELLANEOUS COOKING UTENSILS, 2 WEB BELTS WITH SILVER BUCKLES WITHOUT INSIGNIA, 1 WEB BELT WITH A PLAIN BRASS BUCKLE, AND ONE WEB BELT WITH A SILVER BUCKLE WITH THE STAR INSIGNIA. THE PATROL CAPTURED ONE NOTEBOOK FROM THE NVA WHICH HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO 9th ITT.

D. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE ROUTE COVERED BY THIS PATROL CONSISTED OF 18" TO 5' GRASS WITH SPARSE SCRUB GROWTH. MOVEMENT WAS EASY AND WATER WAS PLentiful.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT882626 IS A GOOD ONE CH-46 LZ OF LOW GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC AT872625 IS AN OUTSTANDING ONE CH-46 LZ OF LOW GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ IS ALSO A GOOD ONE BUT DOESN'T AFFORD QUITE MUCH COVER. HILL 419 AND HILL 423 ARE BOTH GOOD OP'S WITH 360 DEGREE OBSERVATION. IN THE VIC AT865629 AND AT872629 THERE ARE OP'S THAT AFFORD OUTSTANDING OBSERVATION OF THE TRAIL WHERE ALL OF THE TEAM SIGHTINGS WERE MADE. THERE IS A DUD 105 MM ROUND IN THE VIC AT872625. MOST OF THE HILLS IN THE AREA COVERED BY THE PATROL HAD SHALLOW TWO-MAN FIGHTING HOLES WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN DUG BY THE INFANTRY ON THE LAST OPERATION IN THE AREA. THE HILLS MEASURED 4' LONG x 2' WIDE x 1' DEEP. THIS PATROL OBSERVED A TRAIL MARKER IN THIS AREA CONSISTING OF A SMALL ROCK WITH A BAMBOO LEAF TIED AROUND IT.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 3 NVA KIA CONFIRMED BY SMALL ARMS.
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE AT LEAST 2 7x50'S.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. BARNES
 LCPL HENL
 LCPL MOON
 PVT EVERIST
 CPT KLINE
 LCPL RAY
 LCPL MARTINEZ
 PFC FRANKLIN
 LCPL SIMS
 PFC VANDURSKIRK
 PFC SWINDACK
 PFC KRUGGER
 HMZ WALSH

LT. BARNES
 PANAMA HAT B-1-1
 PATROL LEADER

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PATROL OVERLAY

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- Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6541 II & 6641 III
 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
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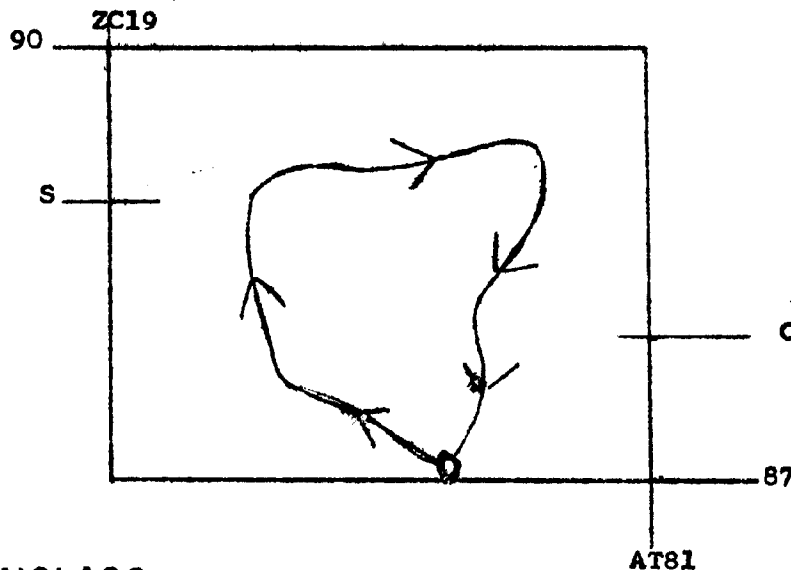
Unit/Call Sign: D-1-2 (FAST DAY) Patrol Leader: SSGT COOLEY

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 Elephant Valley. Special emphasis to be given to surveillance of 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 26 Apr; insert vic AT795871. Extract on 30 Apr vic AT795871. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 43.60; Alternate: 34.00
 Artillery: (a) SPOON BILL "B" 56.50
 (b) SPOON BILL "C" 56.50

Radio Relay: GRIM REAPER X-RAY

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OPERATION ORDER: 262-68
PATROL: FAST DAY D-1-2
DEBRIEFER: D/CPL. R.L. ALBRIGHT
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEETS 6541 II, 6641 III

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN,
DANANG, RVN.
300830H APRIL 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL. 1 USN.
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 2 7x50'S
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-79, (6 FLESHETTE, 1 CS), 8 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED ZONE/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN ELEPHANT VALLEY. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN TO SURVEILLANCE OF SUSPECT AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADVISE ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 260915H/300830H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 95 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: N/A
 - B. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN ALONG THE PATROL'S ROUTE CONSISTED OF 10' SECONDARY GROWTH CONSISTING OF VINES AND THORNS. THE CANOPY WAS UP TO 20' HIGH IN SOME PLACES. THERE WAS PLENTY OF WATER IN THE AREA.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE INSERT LZ VIC AT803872 WAS A GOOD 2 CH-46 OF 6' ELEPHANT GRASS. THE EXTRACT LZ VIC ZC199879 IS A GOOD 2xCH-46 ZONE OF 6' ELEPHANT GRASS AND SCRUB GROWTH. THERE IS ONLY ONE TRAIL THAT HAD ANY EVIDENCE OF RECENT USE WHICH WAS NEAR THE REVER WITH FRESH ELEPHANT DUNG ON IT. THERE ARE NUMEROUS FIGHTING HOLES ALONG THE RIVER THAT ARE AT LEAST 6 MONTHS OLD.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THERE IS NO EVIDENCE THAT THE ENEMY IS ACTIVE IN THIS AREA AT THIS TIME.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL MEISTER
CPL TATE
HN3 SALING
PFC TOMIKINS
PFC COFFINE
LCPL ROMERO
PFC DESCHAMNE
PFC COOK
PFC ROBINSON
PFC WAYNE
LCPL SKELTON

CPL MEISTER
FAST DAY D-1-2

PATROL OVERLAY

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14



+ 87
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1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
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BATTALION BULLETIN 1510

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Reconnaissance Indoctrination Course (RIC)

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Encl: (1) Training Schedule
(2) Roster of Trainees

1. Purpose. To promulgate the training schedule for a special seven day Reconnaissance Indoctrination Program to be conducted at Camp Reasoner, Da Nang, Republic of Vietnam, for newly joined personnel.

2. Background. The Reconnaissance Indoctrination Course is designed to familiarize newly joined personnel with the principles, techniques and tactics of ground reconnaissance patrolling in the Republic of Vietnam environment.

3. Action

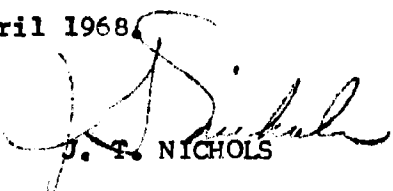
a. The Battalion S-3 will conduct the subject course on 28 Mar through 3 Apr in accordance with the schedule outlined in enclosure (1).

b. Company Commanders will ensure that newly joined operational and Communication personnel subsequent to 26 March are available to commence instruction as scheduled by this Headquarters.

c. Company Commanders will provide instructors as outlined in enclosure (1) and troop handlers as assigned by this Headquarters.

d. Staff Sergeant P. HAMPTON is designated as NCOIC of this course.

4. Self-cancellation. 31 April 1968.


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RECONNAISSANCE INDOCTRINATION TRAINING COURSE

FIRST DAY

THURSDAY 28 Mar 1968

<u>TIME</u>	<u>SUBJ</u>	<u>INSTR</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>REF</u>	<u>U&B</u>	<u>RMKS</u>
0530	Reveille	NCOIC	Bn Area		Util	
0600						
0600	Police					
0630	Call	-do-	-do-		-do-	
0630	Morning		Bn Mess		-do-	Mess
0700	Meal	-do-				Gear
0700	Intro	Major	Bn			Pencil &
0730		Keating	Classroom		-do-	Notebook
0730	Rules of	Lt		DivO		
0830	Engagement	Harrison	-do-	P003330.2	-do-	-do-
0830	Personal	Bn		DivO		
0930	Response	Chaplin	-do-	5710.7	-do-	-do-
0930	Intel.	Lt.		Current		
1030	Brief	McBride	-do-	INTSUM'S	-do-	-do-
1030	Bn Comm	SSGT		BnO		
1130	Procedures	Harmon	-do-	P03000.4	-do-	-do-
1130	Noon		Bn Mess		-do-	Mess
1300	Meal	NCOIC				Gear
1300	Bn Comm	SSGT	Bn	BnO		Pencil &
1400	Procedures	Harmon	Classroom	P03000.4	-do-	Notebook
1400	Concept of	Lt		BnO		
1500	Recon Ptl.	Schreiber	-do-	P03000.4	-do-	-do-
1500	Physical	NCOIC	Bn Area	Tm	PT	Plus 2
1630	Trng			21-200	Gear	mi. run
1700	Evening		Bn Mess		Util	Mess
1800	Meal	-do-				Gear

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SECOND DAY

FRIDAY 29 Mar 1968

<u>TIME</u>	<u>SUBJ</u>	<u>INSTR</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>REF</u>	<u>U&E</u>	<u>RMKS</u>
0500	Reveille	NCOIC	Bn Area		Util	
0530	Police					
0600	Call	-do-	-do-		-do-	
0600	Morning		Bn Mess		-do-	Mess
0630	Meal	-do-				Gear
0630	Inspection	-do-	Bn Area	LPM	Util	
0700				1960	& N/A	
0700	Map	Lt.	Bn	FM 21-26	Util &	
1130	Reading	Harrison	Classroom		Compass	
1130	Noon		Bn Mess		Util	Mess
1300	Meal	NCOIC				Gear
1300	Riot Control	SSGT	Bn Class/	FM-21-24	-do-	Gas:
1500	Agents	Rash	Gas Tent			Mask
1500	PT	NCOIC	Bn Area	TM 21-200	PT	2 Mile
1630					Gear	Run
1700	Evening					Mess
1800	Meal	-do-	Bn Mess		Util	Gear

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THIRD DAY

SATURDAY 30 Mar 1968

<u>TIME</u>	<u>SUBJ</u>	<u>INSTR</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>REF</u>	<u>U&B</u>	<u>RMKS</u>
0500	Reveille	NCOIC	Bn Area		Util	
0530	Police					
0600	Call	-do-	-do-		-do-	
0600	Morning		Bn Mess		-do-	Mess
0630	Meal	-do-				Gear
0630	Inspection	-do-	Bn Area	LPM	Util	
0700				1960	& N/A	
0700	Patrol	Capt.	Bn	BnO		Pencil &
0900	Planning	Drake	Classroom	PO3000.4	Util	Notebook
0900	Ptl Equip.	SGT				
1100	& Comm	Franks	-do-	-do-	-do-	-do-
1100	Noon		Bn Mess		-do-	Mess
1300	Meal	NCOIC				Gear
1300	Patrol	Lt.	Bn	BnO		Pencil &
1500	Tips	Schreiber	Classroom	PO3000.4	-do-	Notebook
1500	PT	NCOIC	Bn Area	TM 21-200	PT	2 Mile
1630					Gear	Run
1700	Evening					Mess
1800	Meal	NCOIC	Bn Mess		Util	Gear

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FOURTH DAY

SUNDAY 31 Mar 1968

<u>TIME</u>	<u>SUBJ</u>	<u>INSTR</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>REF</u>	<u>U&B</u>	<u>RMKS</u>
0530	Reveille	NCOIC	Bn Area		Util	
0600	Police					
0630	Call	-do-	-do-		-do-	
0630	Morning					Mess
0700	Meal	-do-	Bn Mess		-do-	Gear
0700	Self/Buddy	HM 2	Bn			Pencil &
0800	Aid	Taylor	Classroom		-do-	Notebook
0800	Obsr. &	Cpl				"Salute"
0900	Reporting	Smith	-do-	FM 21-75	-do-	-do-
0900	Sec. of Info	LT.		OPNAV Instr.		Pencil &
1000	& Brew. Code	McBride	-do-	5510.1C	-do-	Notebook
1000	Mines &	Lt.		FM 20-32		
1100	Booby Traps	Miners	-do-	FM 5-31	-do-	-do-
1100	Noon					Mess
1200	Meal	NCOIC	Bn Mess		-do-	Gear
1300	Ordnance &	Lt.	Bn		-do-	-do-
1400	Helo Safety	Miners	Classroom			
1400	Camouflage &	1stSGT				
1500	Pers. Equip.	Jaques	-do-		-do-	-do-
1500	Church					
1530	Call	Chaplin	Chapel			Catholic
1530	PT	NCOIC	Bn Area	TM 21-200	PT	2 Mile
1630					Gear	run
1700	Evening					Mess
1800	Meal	-do-	Bn Mess		Util	Gear
1800	Church					Protest-
1830	Call	Chaplin	Chapel			ant

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FIFTH DAY

MONDAY 1 Apr 1968

<u>TIME</u>	<u>SUBJ</u>	<u>INSTR</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>REF</u>	<u>U&E</u>	<u>RMKS</u>
0500	Reveille	NCOIC	Bn Area		Util	
0530	Police					
0600	Call	-do-	-do-		-do-	
0600	Morning					Mess
0630	Meal	-do-	Bn Mess		-do-	Gear
0630	Inspection	-do-	Bn Area	LPM	Util	
0700				1960	& N/A	
0700	Sqd. Tactics Lt.		Paddy	FMFM		
1130	& IA Drills	Schreiber	Area	6-5	-do-	
1130	Noon					Mess
1300	Meal	NCOIC	Bn Mess		Util	Gear
1300	M16A1	Lt.	Bn	BnO	Util	Pencil &
1530	Trng	Grassilli	Classroom	8000.1A	M16A1	Notebook
1530	PT	NCOIC	Bn Area	TM 21-200	PT	3 Mile
1630					Gear	Run

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SIXTH DAY

TUESDAY 2 Apr 1968

<u>TIME</u>	<u>SUBJ</u>	<u>INSTR</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>REF</u>	<u>U&E</u>	<u>RMKS</u>
0500	Reveille	NCOIC	Bn Area		Util	
0530	Police					
0600	Call	-do-	-do-		-do-	
0600	Morning					Mess
0630	Meal	-do-	Bn Mess		-do-	Gear
0630	Inspection	-do-	Bn Area	LPM		
0700				1960	-do-	
0700	Enroute		Motor		Util, Hal MCI'S	
0715	11th Mar	-do-	Pool		Flt Jkt, 1-M-35	
** 0730	FO	-do-	11th Mar		-do-	Pencil & Notebook
1200	School					
1200	Noon					
1300	Meal	-do-	-do-		-do-	
1300	FO School	11th Mar	-do-		-do-	Pencil & Notebook
1700	Enroute 1st	NCOIC	Motor			
1730	Recon Bn		Pool		-do-	1-M-35
1730	Evening					Mess
1800	Meal	-do-	Bn Mess		-do-	Gear

** SELECTED INDIVIDUALS ONLY FOR THIS CLASS. ALL OTHERS WILL ATTEND AT A DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED.

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SEVENTH DAY

WEDNESDAY 3 Apr 1968

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0500	Reveille	NCOIC	Bn Area		Util	
0530	Police					
0600	Call	-do-	-do-		-do-	
0600	Morning					Mess
0630	Meal	-do-	Bn Mess		-do-	Gear
0630	Inspection	Lt		LPM	Util	
0700		Schreiber	Bn Area	1960	& N/A	
0700	Enroute to				Util	Ammo
0730	Range		Range		M16A1	5.56
0730	Zero					
1130	M16A1		-do-		-do-	
1130	Enroute	Motor				
1200	Bn Area	Trans.			-do-	
1200	Noon					Mess
1300	Meal		Bn Mess		Util	Gear
1300						
1330	Graduation				-do-	

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ROSTER OF TRAINEES

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SERNO/MOS</u>
KELLY, T.M.	LCPL	"C"	206571/0311/8651
MAGALLON, R. A.	LCPL	"C"	2346748/0311/8662
GRACE, M.J.	PFC	"C"	2353028/0311/8651
ESPINOZA, R.	PFC	"C"	2388143/0311/8651
WARD, M.W.	PFC	"C"	2383770/0311/8651
ANDERS, R.D.	PFC	"C"	2292251/0311/8651
BROWN, C.C.	PFC	"C"	2336161/0311/8651
OLENSKI, P.J.	PFC	"C"	2381660/0311/8651
BEARD, J.A.	PFC	"C"	2381878/0311/8651
WALL, W.H.	PFC	"C"	2386824/0311/8651
MARTINEZ, J.G.	PFC	"C"	2332046/0311/8651
RENARD, E.G.	PFC	"C"	2252254/0311/8651
OVERBEY, E.D.	PFC	"C"	2369998/0311/8651
VARGAS, J.F.	PFC	"C"	2389984/0311/8651
BOSLEY, J.F.	PFC	"C"	2382560/0311/8651
CHAPMAN, J.L.	PFC	"C"	2384570/0311/8651
CHILDRESS, W.H.	PFC	"C"	2389899/0311/8651
BLAME, J.L.	PFC	"A"	2351502/0311/8651
BRENTLINGER, R.B.	PFC	"A"	2382552/0311/8651
PETERS, J.C.	PFC	"A"	2400262/0311/8651
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Forward Observer & Mine Warfare Course

Encl: ✓(1) Training Schedule

1. Purpose. To promulgate the training schedule for FO and Mine Warfare Course for newly joined personnel.

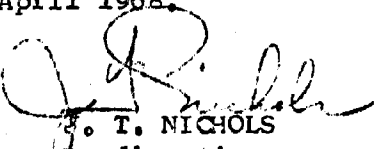
2. Action

a. The Battalion S-3 has scheduled the instruction indicated in enclosure (1).

b. Company Commanders will ensure that all available newly joined personnel are assigned to attend the scheduled instruction.

c. Company Commanders will assign the senior Marine attending the scheduled course as NCOIC of the Company detail.

3. Self-cancellation. 31 April 1968.


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TRAINING SCHEDULE

<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>INSTR</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>U&E</u>	<u>RMKS</u>
9 Apr 68					
0700- 0730	Enroute 11th Marine Regt.	NCOIC	Motor Pool	Util-flak jkt- hel-comp-binoc.	Notebook & Pencil
0730 1700	FO School	11thMar	11th Mar	-do-	-do-
1700 1730	Enroute 1st Recon Bn	NCOIC	Motor Pool	-do-	-do-
10 Apr 68					
0700 0730	Enroute 1st Eng. Bn.	NCOIC	Motor Pool	Util-Flak jkt- Helmet	Mess Gear Nbk & Pen
0730 1700	Mine Warfare School	1st Eng	1st Eng	-do-	-do-
1700 1730	Enroute 1st Recon Bn.	NCOIC	Motor Pool	-do-	-do-

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Mobile Instruction Team Training

Encl: (1) Training Schedule

1. Purpose. To promulgate the training schedule for a special three day period of instruction to be given by the Division Schools Mobile Instruction Team.

2. Background. The Division Schools Mobile Instruction Team is designed to furnish Division units with onside instruction on those professional subjects peculiar to the Republic of Vietnam environment.

3. Action.

a. The Mobile Instruction Team will conduct the subject course on 1 April through 3 April, and 8 April through 10 April in accordance with the schedule outlined in Enclosure (1).

b. Company Commanders will ensure that ALL available personnel attend the instruction on either of the two periods.

c. Company Commanders will submit a roster of personnel to attend the instruction to this Headquarters (S-3) by 1600 31 March and 1600 7 April 1968.

4. Self-cancellation. 31 April 1968.


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Mobile Instruction Team Training

FIRST DAY - Monday 1-8 April

<u>TIME</u>	<u>SUBJ</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>U&E</u>	<u>RMKS</u>
0800	Personal		Util	Notebook &
1100	Response			Pencil
1200	Land Mine			
1400	Warfare		-do-	-do-
1400	Rules of			
1500	Engagement		-do-	-do-
1500	Psyops &			
1700	Civic Action		-do-	-do-

SECOND DAY - Tuesday 2-9 April

1300	Quick Fire,	BM Club &	Util &	Notebook &
1700	Quick Kill	Paddy area	N/A & Equip.	Pencil

** THIRD DAY - Wednesday 3-10 April

0800	Quick Fire,	Hoa Can	Util &	
1200	Quick Kill	Range	N/A & Equip.	

** Battalion S-4 will provide transportation to report to the Battalion S-3 no later than 0730 3 April and 0730 10 April 1968.