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1st Force Reconnaissance Company (Rein)

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

ATTACHED UNITS

Company "C" 1st Recon Bn(Rein)

Capt. H. R. METZLER 1-31Jan68

2. LOCATION

1-5 Jan 1968, 1st Force Reconnaissance Company: DA NANG, RVN

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

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

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Supply Officer

Communications Officer

Motor Transport Officer

Capt. W.E. NELSON 1-31Jan68

Capt. F. J. VOGEL 1-31Jan68

Capt. J.W. PERRINE 1-31Jan68

1stLt. W.C. CRAVEN 1-31Jan68

1stLt. W.C. CRAVEN 1-31Jan68

1stLt. C.N. RILEY 1-31Jan68

1stLt. W.C. CRAVEN 1-31Jan68

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

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

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 01Jan68 During the month of Jan 1968, the Company continued to support 1st Marine Division(Rein) and commenced support of Task Force X-Ray in Reconnaissance operations.
- 02Jan68 1st Force Reconnaissance Company departed DA NANG on Rough Rider Convoy enroute to PHU BAI. Convoy unable to proceed as culverts had been blown.
- 05Jan68 1st Force Reconnaissance Company proceeded by convoy to PHU BAI. Arrived 052000H.
- 08Jan68 1st Force Reconnaissance Company commenced operations in conjunction with 3d Recon Bn.
- 10Jan68 1st Force Reconnaissance Company's first team inserted 100800H.
- 13Jan68 Company "D" 3d Recon Bn departed PHU BAI for QUANG TRI.
- 15Jan68 CG, Task Force X-Ray assumed control of PHU BAI area and the area south of RUE 151200H.
- 16Jan68 Company "C", 1st Reconnaissance Battalion arrived at PHU BAI, RVN.
- 19Jan68 Company "C"'s first recon team inserted.
- 23Jan68 3d Platoon, Company "D", 1st Recon Bn arrived at PHU BAI, RVN.
- 25Jan68 3d Recon Bn terminated operations in PHU BAI TAOR.
- 25Jan68 1st Force Recon Co. (Rein) assumed responsibility for radio relays
- 26Jan68 Company "A" and H&S Company, 3d Recon Bn departed PHU BAI for Quang Tri.
- 28Jan68 1st Force Recon Co. (Rein) moved from Cantonment 3 to Cantonment 2, PHU BAI, RVN.

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- ✓A. Operation Orders and Patrol Reports
- ✓B. SUMMERS: 10Jan68-31Jan68

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Enclosure 2:

Tab A-#1: Co Operation Order #1-68 dtd 08 Jan 68
 #2: Patrol Report F-6-1 Senator dtd 13 Jan 68
 #3: Co Operation Order #2-68 dtd 09 Jan 68
 #4: Patrol Report F-3-1 West Orange dtd 13 Jan 68
 #5: Co Operation Order #3-68 dtd 09 Jan 68
 #6: Patrol Report F-4 Lunga Point dtd 14 Jan 68
 #7: Co Operation Order #4-68 dtd 10 Jan 68
 #8: Patrol Report F-5 Swift Scout dtd 15 Jan 68
 #9: Co Operation Order #5-68 dtd 10 Jan 68
 #10: Patrol Report F-1 Thin Man dtd 16 Jan 68
 #11: Co Operation Order #6-68 dtd 10 Jan 68
 #12: Co Operation Order #6-68 Change 1 dtd 15 Jan 68
 #13: Patrol Report F-2-1 Petrify dtd 15 Jan 68
 #14: Co Operation Order #7-68 dtd 15 Jan 68
 #15: Patrol Report F-3 West Orange dtd 21 Jan 68
 #16: Co Operation Order #8-68 dtd 17 Jan 68
 #17: Patrol Report F-6 Senator dtd 21 Jan 68
 #18: Co Operation Order #9-68 dtd 17 Jan 68
 #19: Patrol Report F-4 Lunga Point dtd 22 Jan 68
 #20: Co Operation Order #10-68 dtd 19 Jan 68
 #21: Patrol Report F-5 Swift Scout dtd 25 Jan 68
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 #23: Patrol Report F-1 Thin Man dtd 24 Jan 68
 #24: Co Operation Order #12-68 dtd 19 Jan 68
 #25: Patrol Report C-1-2 Mad Hatter dtd 24 Jan 68
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 #29: Patrol Report C-1-1 War Cloud dtd 25 Jan 68
 #30: Co Operation Order #15-68 dtd 21 Jan 68
 #31: Patrol Report C-2-1 Pearl Chest dtd 25 Jan 68
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 #33: Patrol Report F-2 Petrify dtd 27 Jan 68
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 #35: Patrol Report F-6 Senator dtd 28 Jan 68
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 #40: Co Operation Order #20-68 dtd 23 Jan 68
 #41: Patrol Report C-3-3 Fast Day dtd 28 Jan 68
 #42: Co Operation Order #21-68 dtd 24 Jan 68
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 #45: Patrol Report C-4-1 Quizmaster dtd 25 Jan 68
 #46: Co Operation Order #23-68 dtd 24 Jan 68
 #47: Patrol Report F-4 Lunga Point dtd 29 Jan 68
 #48: Co Operation Order #28-68 dtd 25 Jan 68
 #49: Patrol Report C-2-1 Panama Hat dtd 31 Jan 68
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 #51: Patrol Report C-1-2 Mad Hatter dtd 29 Jan 68

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OPERATION ORDER #1-68

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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY
PHU BAI, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
082100H JAN 1968
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Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6541 IV & 6541 I
(b) BnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.IF (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder msg #1-68

Unit/Call Sign: F-6 (Senator) Patrol Leader: LT O'DONNELL

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

2. Mission. Conduct Reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA movement or arms infiltration in the Song Truoi area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on troop movement toward Highway #1. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity. Assume secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if compatible with primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN at 100800H; insert at vic YD918032. Extract at 131330H vic YD938017. Alternate insertion; Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 100800H; proceed by truck to CAP Hotel 8 (Truoi River Bridge) vic YD967063; proceed by foot within NFZ shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

1. Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at CAP Hotel 8.
2. Coordinate route from CAP Hotel 3 to LZ insert with Senior Marine at CAP site.
3. In the event helicopter extraction is impossible, on order of this Hq proceed by foot from extract LZ to CAP Hotel 8, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Hq will provide transportation from CAP Hotel 8 to 1st Recon Co area.
4. Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made during hours of daylight.

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

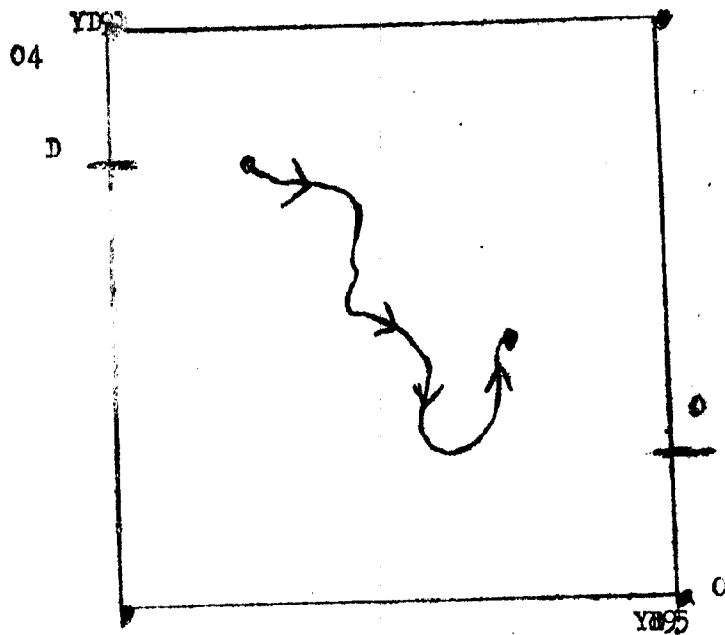
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.70; Alternate: 32.90
Artillery: (a) DESERT SAND "L" 36.70
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OPERATION ORDER: 1-66
PATROL: F-6-1 SENATOR
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000; AMS
L7014; SHEETS 6541 I, 6541 IV

1ST RECONNAISSANCE CO.

PHU Bai, RVN
DTG 131030H Jan. 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: 2PRC-25'S; 1 7x50'S; 1 6x30;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-14; 1M-79;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE SONG TRUOI AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON TROOP MOVEMENT TOWARD HIGHWAY #1. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY. ASSUME SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF COMPATIBLE WITH PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDIZES THE PATROL.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 101100H/130842H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 70 HRS. WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF VC/NVA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: NONE
- B. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH LOW SCRUB GROWTH 2-3 FT. HIGH, MARSHY GROUND. IN CANOPY, VERY HEAVY SECONDARY GROWTH, DIFFICULT TO MOVE, MAXIMUM SPEED 50 METERS PER HOUR, SINGLE CANOPY 30-50FT. HIGH. CANOPY LINE AS SHOWN ON MAP IS INCORRECT (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY).

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AT YD967063, BY TRUCK/FOOT. EXTRACT AT YD942027, EXTRACT LZ IS EXCELLENT LZ FOR 1xCH-46 ZONE AND IS ALSO GOOD OP TO NORTH AND E. ST, LIMITED TO SOUTH. GOOD OP AT YD948010, CAN OBSERVE TO SOUTH AND EAST, NO COVER, GOOD LZ FOR 1xCH-46.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TOO MUCH CIVILIAN ACTIVITY IN AREA FOR FOOT INSERTS. FOR MOVEMENT THRU UGH CANOPY, TAKE NO MORE THEN 8 MEN ON PATROL.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A;

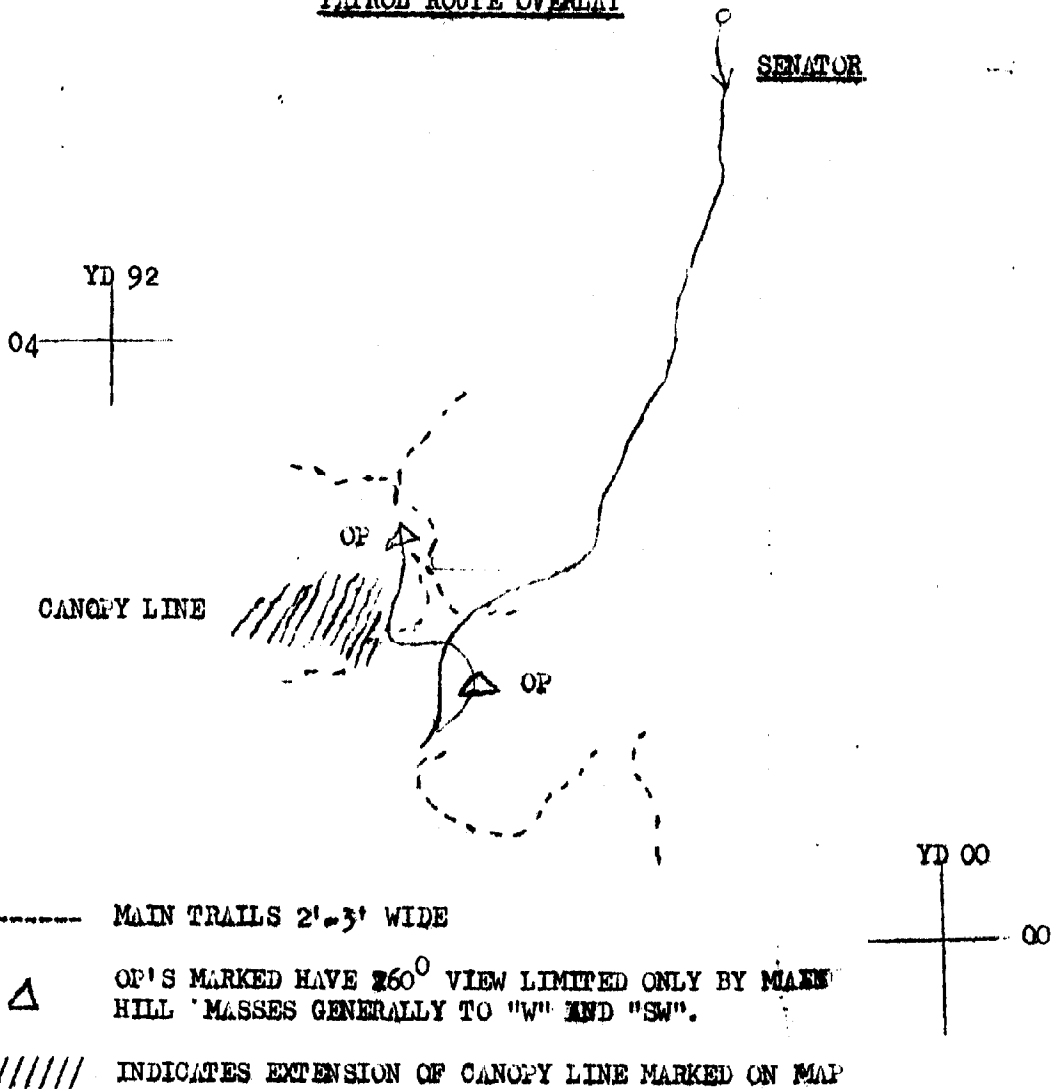
2/LT. D.J. O'DONNELL
6th PLT, 1st FORCE RECON CO.
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. D.J. O'DONNELL
 SSGT. R.A. FRYMAN
 SGT. R.D. BLAIR
 SGT. R.F. MOLNAR
 CPL. K.M. McCORMACK
 HM3 M.W. ROBERTSON
 CPL. A.J. KOPI
 LCPL T.J. SCHAUH
 LCPL D.G. LAMAR
 LCPL A.C. WHITE
 LCPL J.E. PLOUNT
 EFC T.W. BONDS

PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY



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OPERATION ORDER #2-68

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PHU BAI, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

081030H JAN 1968

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Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6541V
 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) CoPregOrder msg #2-68

Unit/Call Sign: F-3 (WEST ORANGE) Patrol Leader: LT LEENERTS

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance surveillance operations within your NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement along trail networks in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN at 100830H; insert at vic YD865047. Extract at 131400H via YD883027. Alternate insertion. Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 100830H; proceed by helo to Airmined Relay via YD849085; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

1. Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Airmined Relay.
2. In the event helo extraction is impossible, on order of this Hq proceed by foot from extract LZ to Airmined Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. Helo transportation will be provided by this Hq to the 1st Force Recon area.
3. Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made during hours of daylight.

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

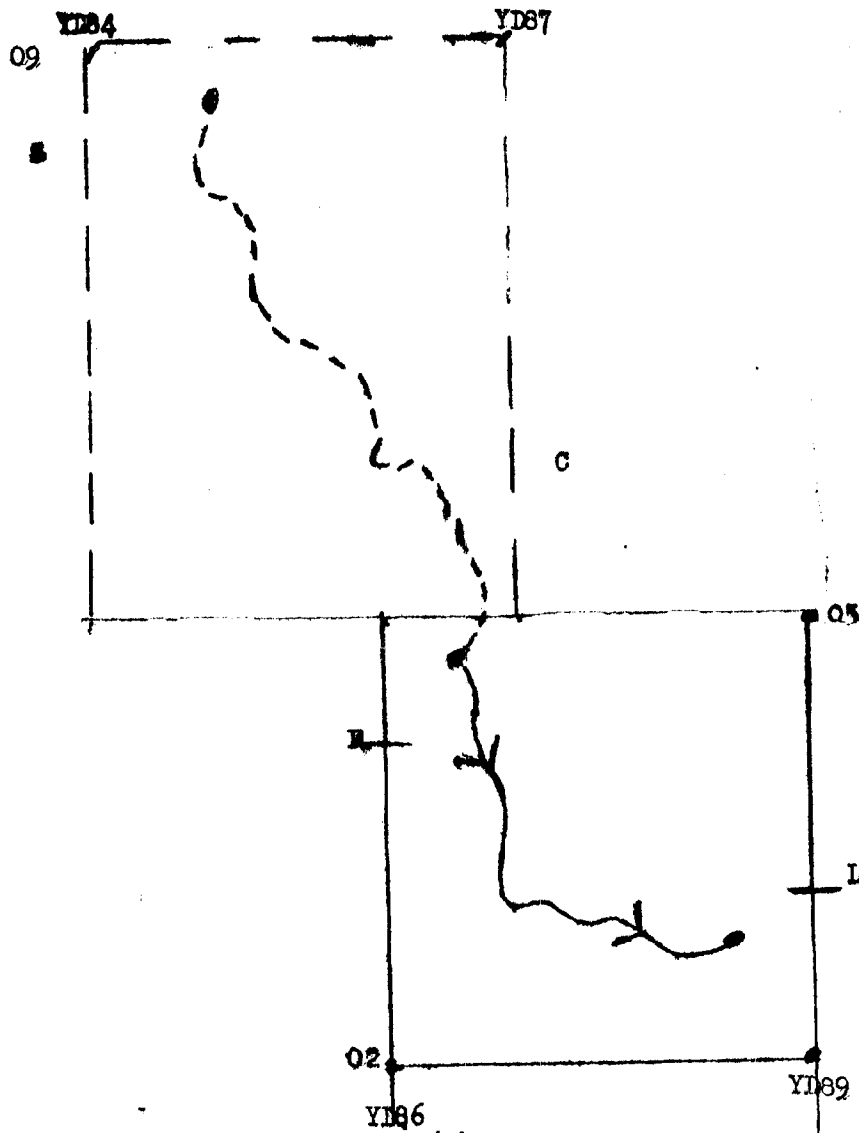
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.70; Alternate: 32.90
 Artillery: (a) DESERT SAND "L" 36.70
 (b) JOHN BROWN 36.70
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OPERATION ORDER: 2-68
PATROL: F-3-1 WEST ORANGE
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000; AMS
L7014, SHEET 6541 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO.
PHU THI, RVN
DTG 131000H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

CO
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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: 2PRC-25'S; 1x7x50;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2xM-14'S; 2xM-79'S;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT ALONG TRAIL NETWORKS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY. ASSUME A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF SUCH IS COMPATIBLE WITH PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDIZES THE PATROL.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 101230H/130830H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 68 HRS. WITH 8 SIGHTINGS TOTALLING 94 VC/NVA; 5 FIRE MISSIONS WERE CALLED, RESULTING IN 40 VC/NVA KIA PROB.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 111303H YD880035 6 VC MOVING "NE" ON RIDGELINE; 3 BLK. PJ'S AND 3 UTILITIES; LIGHT PACKS, CARTRIDGE BELTS WITH GP POUCHES AND SUSPENDERS STRAPS, RIFLES; NO FM, VC MOVED TO RAPIDLY OUT OF OBSERVATION.

111715H YD880034 3 VC MOVING "N" ON RIDGELINE; 2 WITH UTILITIES, PACKS, RIFLES, AND WEB GEAR; ONE IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES; NO FM, VC MOVED INTO VALLEY OUT OF OBSERVATION.

111827H YD878048 25 NVA SITTING IN REST AREA; MIXED UTILITIES, RIFLES, WEB GEAR AND NVA HELMETS; FM CALLED, WITH OUTSTANDING COVERAGE; 25 NVA KIA PROB.

111910H YD878048 30-35 NVA MOVING "N" ON TRAIL; MIXED UTILITIES, PACKS, RIFLES, WEB GEAR AND NVA HELMETS; FM CALLED WITH OUTSTANDING COVERAGE; 10-15 NVA KIA PROB.

121020H YD880033 3 VC MOVING "NE" ON RIDGELINE; 2 BLK. PJ'S, 1 UTILITIES, RIFLES AND WEB GEAR; CALLED FM WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS; VC MOVED OUT OF AREA.

121145H YD878047 8 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL; 4 BLK. PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS; 4 UTILITIES, RIFLES AND WEB GEAR; CALLED FM 155 GUNS; 4 VC IN BLK. PJ'S LEFT AREA; 4 WITH UTILITIES AND WEB GEAR REMAINED; CALLED 105 HOWITZER FM, 4 REMAINING VC MOVED SOUTH ALONG TRAIL OVER RIDGELINE, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS OF FM.

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121653H YD880052 4 NVA MOVING "N" ON TRAIL, UTILITIES, RIFLES, AND WEB GEAR. NVA MOVED OUT OBSERVATION BEFORE FM COULD BE LED.

121735H YD880043 13 NVA MOVING "N" ON TRAIL, BROKE INTO BUSH AND CONTINUED NORTH ON RIDGELINE. CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES, BUSH COVERS, RIFLES AND WEB GEAR, HEAVILY CAMOUFLAGED WITH BRUSH. CALLED FM, NEGATIVE RESULTS, NVA MOVED OUT OF AREA BEFORE CLEARANCE GRANTED.

B. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS WITH MEDIUM SCRUB GROWTH 6-8FT. HIGH, GOOD CONCEALMENT, UNRESTRICTED MOVEMENT. IN CANOPY, VERY HEAVY SECONDARY UNDERGROWTH GROUND IS MARSHY SINGLE CANOPY 30-50FT. HIGH, VERY DIFFICULT TO MOVE, MAXIMUM SPEED 100 METERS PER HOUR.

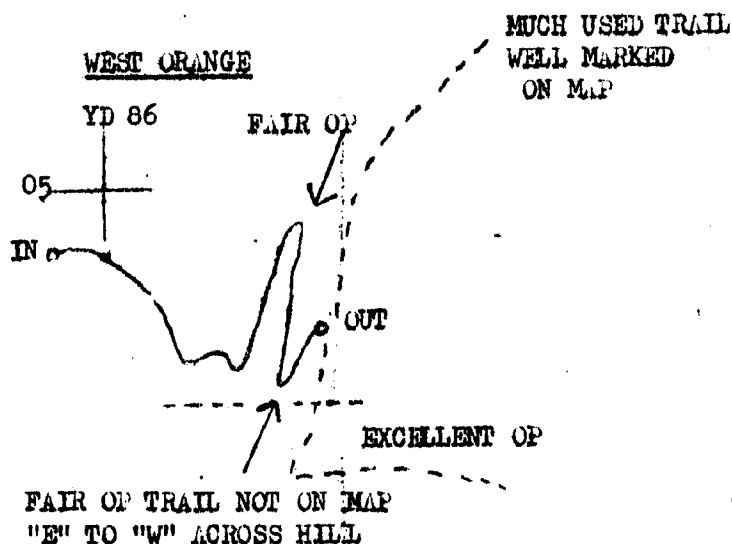
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AT YD657046, AND EXTRACT AT YD875043. NUMEROUS MINOR TRAILS IN OPEN TERRAIN. SEVERAL TRAILS (SEE OVERLAY) IN CANOPY, WELL USED, GROUND HARD PACKED, AND UNDERGROWTH COVERS TRAIL AT 5' ABOVE THE GROUND. EXCELLENT OP AT YD875040, CAN OBSERVE ENTIRE VALLEY. PLENTY OF WATER IN AREA. ENTIRE PIEDMONT REGION OF ASSIGNED WPZ/EFZ CAN BE USED AS HLZ.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND SMALLER PATROLS, MAXIMUM OF 7 MEN, FOR GREATER CONTROL AND MORE CLANDESTINE MOVEMENT. TAKE AIR PANELS.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT WITH 105 HOWITZERS; POOR WITH 155 GUNS.

2nd LT. F.R. LEENERTS
3rd PLT, 1st FORCE RECON CO.
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. F.R. LEENERTS
SGT. E.L. FOWLER
SGT. R.W. CLIFFORD
CPL. R.S. PERKINS
LCPL M.R. WARNER
LCPL A.K. BASSETT
LCPL H.R. WEST
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OPERATION ORDER #3-68

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 PHU BAI, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
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 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) CoFragOrder msg #3-68

Unit/Call Sign: F-4 (LUNGA POINT) Patrol Leader: LT TAUSSIG

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUMS
 (b) See current OPSUMS
 (c) Attachments: NONE

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Song Ta Trach area. Particular emphasis to be placed on enemy movement toward the Nam Hoa District Hq. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with the primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN at 110800H; insert at via YD766077. Extract at 141300H via YD779069. Alternate insertion. Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 110800; proceed by truck to Whiskey Relay (Nam Hoa District Hq) via YD763128; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

1. Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Whiskey Relay.

2. In the event helicopter extraction is impossible, on order of this Hq proceed by foot from extract LZ to Whiskey Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Hq will provide transportation from Whiskey Relay to 1st Force Recon Co area.

3. Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.70; Alternate: 32.90

Artillery: (a) DESERT SAND "L" 36.70

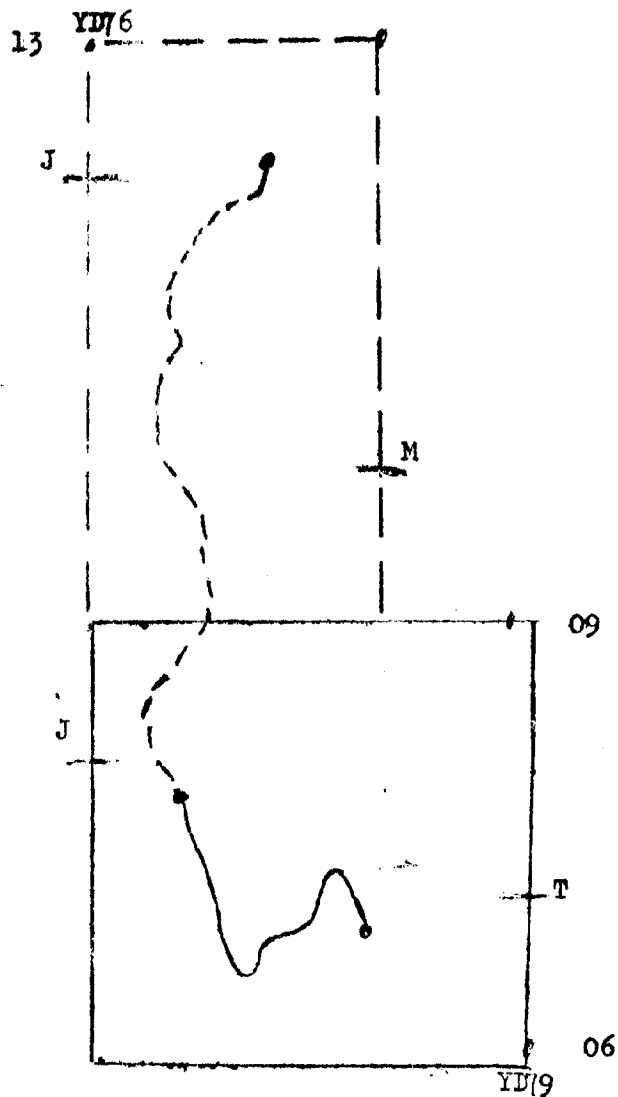
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OPERATION ORDER: 3-40
 1. PURPOSE: TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA
 2. AREA: SONG TA THACH DISTRICT
 3. TIME: 1200-1400; 1400-1600
 4. WEATHER: CLEAR

1ST CO. 2ND CO. 3RD CO.
 1ST BN 2ND BN 3RD BN
 1ST REG 2ND REG 3RD REG

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 CPL, 8 ENL, 1 USMC
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 FM-25'S, 1 M-16, 1 7.501
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-16, 1 7.501

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR NPZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE SONG TA THACH AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY MOVEMENT TOWARD THE NAM HOA DISTRICT HQ. ASSUMED A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF SUCH IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDIZES THE PATROL. BE ALERT TO CALL AND ATTEMPT HIT/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 1200/1400/25H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 50 HRS. WITH 3 CONTACTS WITH A TOTAL OF 20 VC/NVA. SMALL ARMS FIRE RESULTING IN 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA (MED-EVAC), 3 VC/NVA KIA (CONF), 1 VC/NVA (PROB); 3 FM'S AND ONE AIR STRIKE WERE CONDUCTED WHICH RESULTED IN 2 VC/NVA KIA (CONF).

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 131300H YD774065 2 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL; BLK. PJ'S AND 1 RIFLE; PATROL TOOK VC UNDER FIRE RESULTING IN ONE VC/NVA KIA (PROB) 1 VC ESCAPED. PATROL RECEIVED SA FIRE WHILE MOVING OUT OF AREA. FM CALLED WITH OUTSTANDING COVERAGE. UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO PATROL'S MOVING OUT OF AREA.

131620H YD771078 3 VC MOVING "NE" TO "SW" ON TRAIL; 2 BLK. PJ'S, 1 BLK. PJ BOTTOM WITH KHAKI SHIRTS, 2 AK-47'S; PATROL RECEIVED SA FIRE; PATROL RETURNED SA FIRE RESULTING IN 2 VC/NVA KIA (CONF). FM CALLED. OUTSTANDING COVERAGE. UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO PATROL'S MOVING OUT OF AREA. TROOP'S REQUESTED VIC. YD785085, YD785085.

141145H YD770067 PATROL RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM EST. 15 NVA IN ENEMY BASE CAMP; KHAKI SHIRTS, AK-47'S UNABLE TO OBSERVE COMPLETE UNIFORM. RESULT 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA (MED-EVAC). RETURNED SA FIRE RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF). FM CALLED, OUTSTANDING COVERAGE, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DENSE UNDERGROWTH. AIR STRIKE CALLED RESULTING IN 2 NVC KIA (CONF).

B. TERRAIN: SINGLE CANOPY 30-40 FT. HIGH; DENSE, HEAVY SECONDARY GROWTH. MAXIMUM RATE OF MOVEMENT 30-100 METERS PER HOUR.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: [REDACTED] AT [REDACTED] 077; [REDACTED] AS [REDACTED] ON ATTACHED OVERLAY.
8. NUMBER OF [REDACTED] WITH THIS [REDACTED]: 5 VC/VA [REDACTED] (F), 1 [REDACTED] KIA (PROI [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]).
9. CONDITION OF [REDACTED]: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: REQUEST INFANTRY OPERATIONS VEC. YD7705. RELAYS NOT SENSITIVE REPAIRS BACK PLANT.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: [REDACTED], GOOD FOR AWHILE AND BEGINS TO GET ERRATIC. AIR, BOUNDS TOO CLOSE.

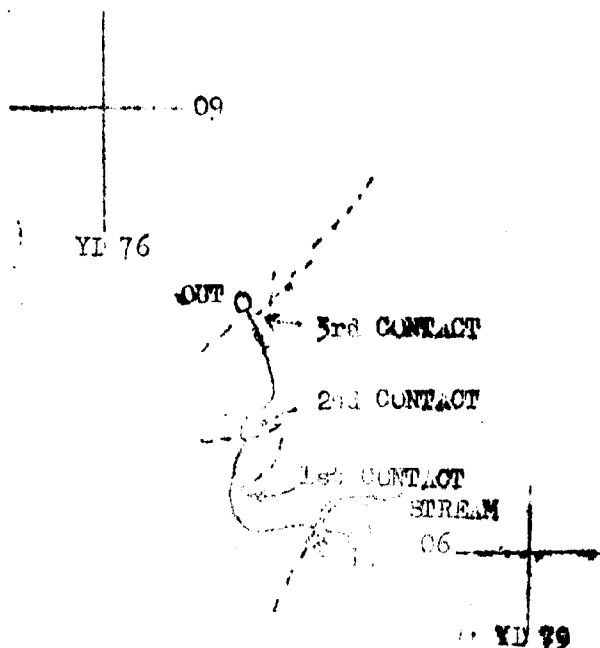
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PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY LIEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL ROSTER:

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SGT. MATHIS
SGT. HANDEK (WIA)
CPL. LIND
CPL. PAUL
LOPL BARR
LOPL BENNETT
LOPL HERRIG (KIA)
PFC HILDEBRAND
PFC JACKSON

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G-2 (1) 1ST MAR DIV
G-3 (1) 1ST MAR DIV
G-2 1ST MAR (1)
G-2 TFX-RAY (1)
G-3 TFX-RAY (1)
CO, 1 CORPS ADV GROUP (ATTN: G-2) (1)
DIV-40 (1)
CO 1ST RECON BN (1)
S-2 1ST RECON BN (1)
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CO VMO 3 (1)
S-2 VMO 3 (1)
S-3 VMO 3 (1)
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MAG-16 (1)
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 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) CoFragOrder msg #4-68

Unit/Call Sign: F-5 (SWIFT SCOUT) Patrol Leader: SGT HOLTEN

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA movement or arms infiltration in the Song Truoi area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on troop movement toward Highway #1. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if compatible with primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN at 120800H; insert at vic YD990003. Extract at 151330H vic YC978993. Alternate insertion; Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 121300H; proceed by truck to ZD014025; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Ensure thorough coordination with all friendly units operating in that area.
- (2) Coordinate route from Highway #1 to insert LZ with COC 2/26.
- (3) In the event helicopter extraction is impossible, on order of this Hq proceed by foot from extract LZ to Highway #1. Communicate with Night Scholar 3 to ensure vehicles are available for extract. This Hq will provide transportation from Highway #1 to 1st Force Recon Co area.
- (4) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Logistics. Primary Freq: 36.70; Alternate: 32.90
 Note: In the event frequencies are changed, this Hq will notify the patrol of new freqs, utilizing shackles.
 Artillery: (a) DESERT SAND "L" 36.70
 (b) ROCK CRUSHER 36.70

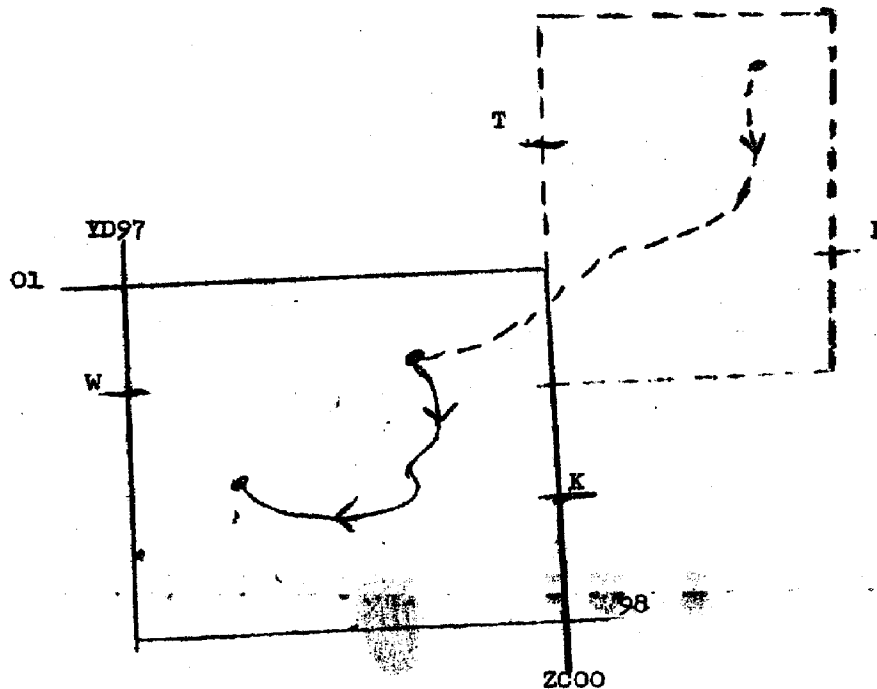
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PATROL REPORT

1. SITUATION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMBAT: 10 M16, 1 USM.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. OTHER OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 24XC-25, 7x50;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 74-60 MG; 12-44.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/PPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/VA DEPARTURE OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE SONG THUM AREA. PRIMARY MISSION IS TO BE PLACED ON TROOP MOVEMENT TOWARD HIGHWAY #1. ASSURE A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF COMPATIBLE WITH PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY COMPROMISES THE PATROL. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST AIR/ARTILLERY OR OTHERS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 1200400 125000

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 76 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OF VC/VA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: NONE
- B. TERRAIN: FLAT, OPEN TERRAIN UP TO CANOPY; SINGLE CANOPY 10-20 FT. HIGH WITH MODERATE SECONDARY GROWTH. MAXIMUM SPEED IN CANOPY, 75-100 METERS PER

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT 12 YC080997, RICE PADDY NEAR CANOPY, 3-4 HELO'S. EXTRACT AT YC08 096, RICE PADDY 2000' SEPARATE GRASS, WATER KNOE DEEP. OTHER LOTS AS SHOWN ON OVERLAY. RICE USED TERRAIN 2000' TIME AS SHOWN ON OVERLAY. CAN OF SONG THUM AT 100000, AND YC08 096 OVERLAYS RIVER TRAFFIC IN AREA

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF WEAPON: GUN ONE MAINTAINED DUE TO AMTRIC IYSEMENT.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: USED 155 GUNS FOR PRE-LOTTED FIRES WITH GOOD RESULTS.

SPT. E.D. HOLTON
5th PLAT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) CoFragOrder msg #5-68

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

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
 (c) Attachments; NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement along trail networks in the area. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN at 130800H; insert at vic YD917033. Extract at 151330H vic YD905026. Alternate insertion. Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 131300H; proceed by truck to vic YD932059; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with friendly units in area.
- (2) In the event helo extract is impossible, on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to vic YD932059, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from YD932059 to 1st Force Recon Co area.
- (3) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.

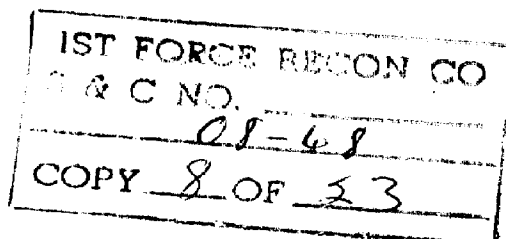
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

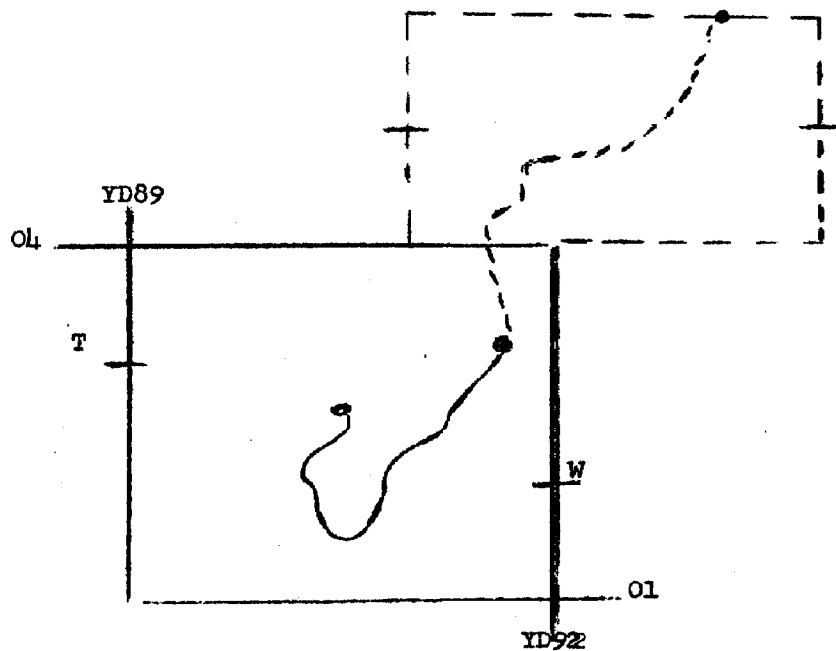
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.70; Alternate: 32.90
 Note: In the event frequencies are changed, this Headquarters will notify the patrol of new freqs. utilizing shackles.
 Artillery: (a) DESERT SAND "1" 36.70
 (b) ROCK CRUSHER 36.70

Radio Relay: (a) AIRMINDED

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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 1 MIL, 1 UNCL
 - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: CIRC-25'S; 1 6x30;
 - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2x79'S; 2 GUNPOWERS; 1M-14;
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/PPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NV. TRAIL MOVEMENT ALONG TRAIL NEARBY IN THE AREA. ASSUME A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF SUCH IS COMPATIBLE WITH PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDIZES THE PATROL. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ABUSE ANY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 130805H/161030H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 74 HRS. WITH ONE SIGHTING OF 26 VN CIVILIANS. NO FM CALLED,
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - A. ENEMY: NONE
 - B. TERRAIN: MODERATE TO THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 20' HIGH. FAIRLY EASY MOVEMENT.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LB AT YD908025, 2 CH-46 ZONE OF 1' HIGH GRASS. EXTRACT AT YD917033. TRAILS AS SHOWN ON OVERLAY. ONE RELATIVELY POOR CP TO THE AT YD905021. WHERE AREA CAN BE USED AS FLZ. AT 160005H AT YD913033, OBSERVED 26 VN CIVILIANS IN 3 COLUMNS MOVING TOWARD PATROL POSITION. WHEN VN'S BECAME AWARE OF PATROL'S PRESENCE THEY CHANGED THEIR ROUTE TO BYPASS PATROL. AT 161005H, OBSERVED 7 ONE MAN, SEVERAL WEATHER SHELTERS.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A;
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: EASY MOVEMENT, RECOMMEND LARGER PATROL BOUND
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: CALLED ONE NIGHT DEFENSIVE FM, TALK ONE HOUR TO FIVE.

LT. T. WILLIAMSON
1ST PLT, 1ST FORCE REGN 8V
PATROL LEADER

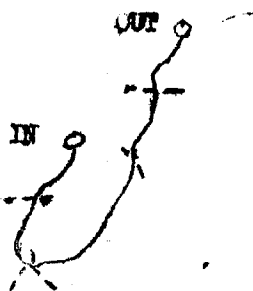
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12. COMMENTS BY [REDACTED] NONE

13. DATE: 12-1-1964

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HM. C. L. LEWIS
PFC. J. L. BYRNE
PFC. H. L. VESS
PFC. D. ARMOUR

C.G. 1ST MAR DIV
C.G. 3RD MAR DIV
G-2 1ST MAR DIV
G-3 1ST MAR DIV
G-2 1ST MAR
G-2 TYP GRAY
G-3 TYP GRAY
CO, 1 CORPS ADV. GROUP (ATTN+G-2)
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(e) CoFragOrder msg #6-68

Unit/Call Sign: F-2 (PETRIFY) Patrol Leader: LT NICHOLS

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Song Ta Trach area. Particular emphasis to be placed on enemy movement toward the Nam Hoa District Hq. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with the primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN at 140800H; insert at vic YD833060. Extract at 171330H vic YD822053. Alternate insertion. Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 140800H; proceed by helo to Airmined Relay vic YD849085; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

1. Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Airmined Relay.

2. In the event helo extraction is impossible, on order from this Hq proceed by foot from extract LZ to Airmined Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. Helo transportation will be provided by this Hq to 1st Force Recon Co area.

3. Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.70; Alternate: 32.90
Note: In the event frequencies are changed this Hq will notify the patrol of new freqs. by utilizing shackles.
Artillery: (a) DESERT SAND "L" 36.70
(b) ROCK CRUSHER 36.70

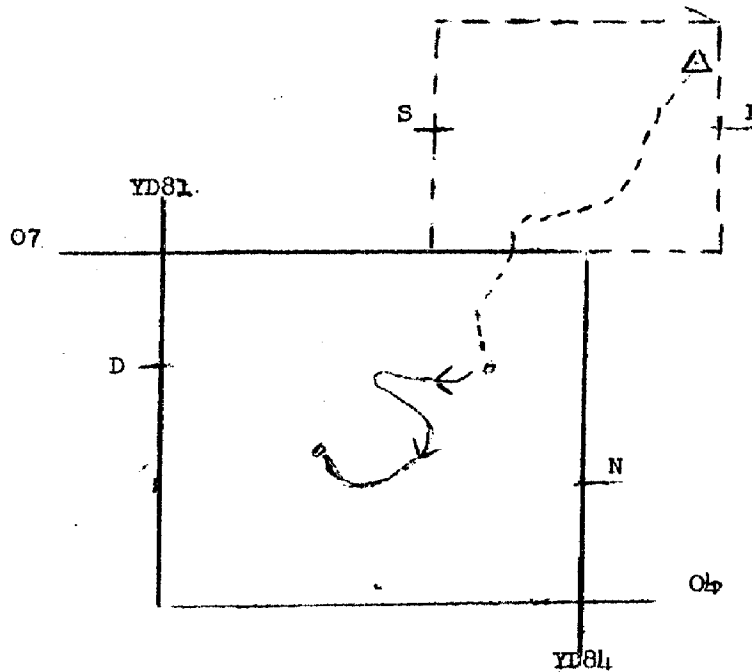
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 (e) CoFragOrder msg #6-68 Ch-1

Unit/Call Sign: F-2 (PETRIFY) Patrol Leader: LT NICHOLS

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ta Trach River, ~~area~~. Particular emphasis to be placed on enemy movement toward the Nam Hoa District Headquarters. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with the primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN at 160800H; insert at vic YD857043. Extract at 190930H vic YD834054.

a. Coordinating Instructions

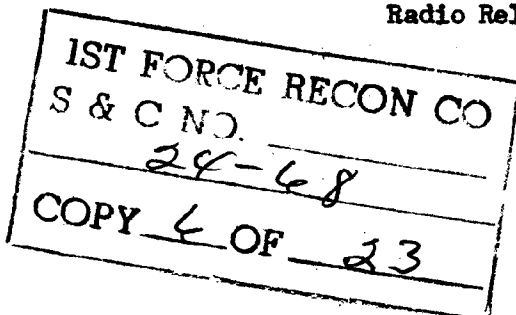
(1) In the event helo extraction is impossible, on order from this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to ~~Right School~~ ~~Relay~~, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. Helo transportation will be provided by this Headquarters to 1st Force Recon Company area.

(2) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made during hours of daylight.

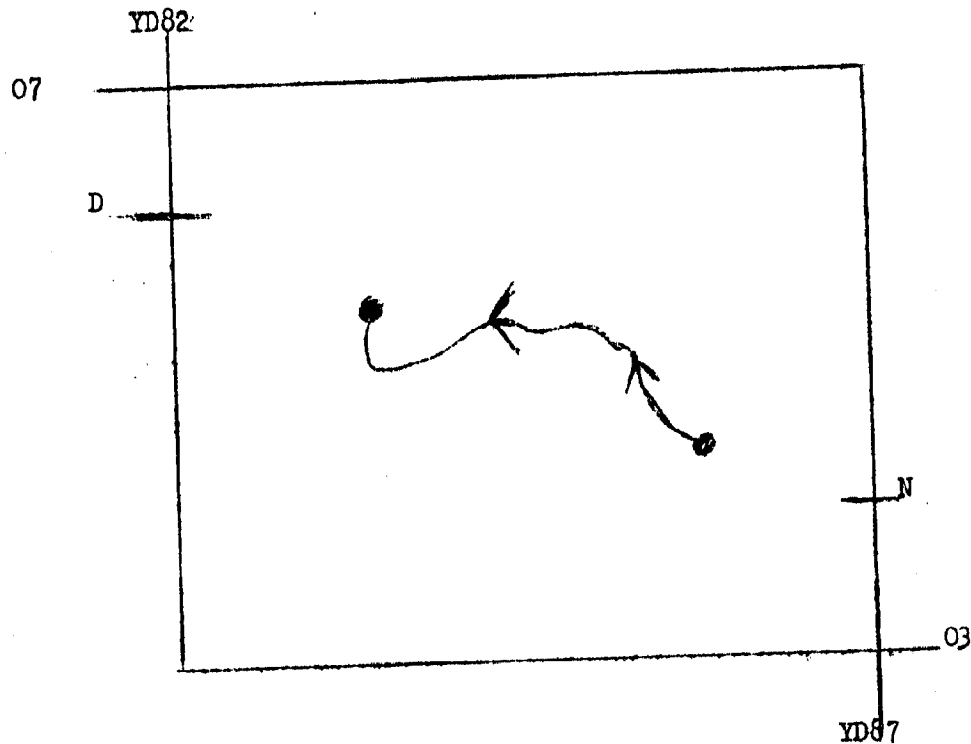
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 44.60; Alternate: 31.60
 Artillery: (a) DESERT SAND "1" 44.60
 (b) ~~BAZAAR~~ 44.60
 BAZAAR

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PATROL: F-2-1 PATRIOT
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. J.W. PERKINS
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PHU DAT, RVN
DUE 160000H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL. 1 OFF. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 RC-25'S; 1 6x30; 1 7x50; 1M-49 SCOPE;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-14; 1M-60 MG; 1M-79;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE SONG TA TRACH AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY MOVEMENT TOWARD THE NAM HOA DISTRICT HQ. ASSUME A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF SUCH IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDISE THE PATROL. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 150944H/150950H

4. ROUTE: N/A; TEAM EXTRACTED FROM INSERT LZ DUE TO ENEMY CONTACT AT TIME OF INSERTION.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 6 MINUTES-WITH ONE CONTACT WITH 8 V. SMALL ARMS FIRE RESULTED IN 3 VC KIA (CONF).

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 150945H YD822048 8 VC IN INSERT LZ. KHLAKIS, DARK GREEN UTILITIES, WEAP GEAR AND AK-47'S. ENEMY INITIATED FIRE WITH AW; TEAM RETURNED SA/AW RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA (CONF). TEAM EXTRACTED FROM INSERT LZ AT 150950H.

B. TERRAIN: FLAT OPEN AREA TO THE WEST; CANOPY TO THE "N", "E", AND "SE".

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT AT YD822048.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 3 VC KIA (CONF); MISSION ABORTED, ALTERNATE MISSION ASSIGNED TO COMMENCE 160000H JAN 1968.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: FIXED WING PREL OF LZ ALERTED ENEMY OF IMPENDING INSERTION AND LOCATION OF HLZ.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: UNKNOWN, NO BDA CONDUCTED

LT. D.S. NICHOLS
2D ILT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO
PATROL DEBRIEFER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) CoFragOrder msg #7-68

Unit/Call Sign: F-3 (WEST ORANGE) Patrol Leader: LT LEENERTS

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration along the Nong River and trail networks in the area. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with the primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN at 170800H; insert via YD897028. Extract at 201300H via YD872036. Alternate insertion. Depart 1st Force Recon Co. area at 171000H; proceed by truck to CAP Hotel 1 via YD926103; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with senior Marine at CAP Hotel 1.

(2) In the event helo extract is impossible on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to CAP Hotel 1, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from CAP Hotel 1 to 1st Force Recon Co area.

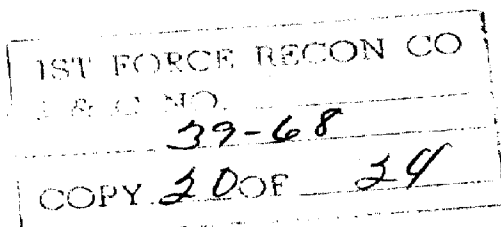
(3) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during daylight hours.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 44.60; Alternate: 31.60

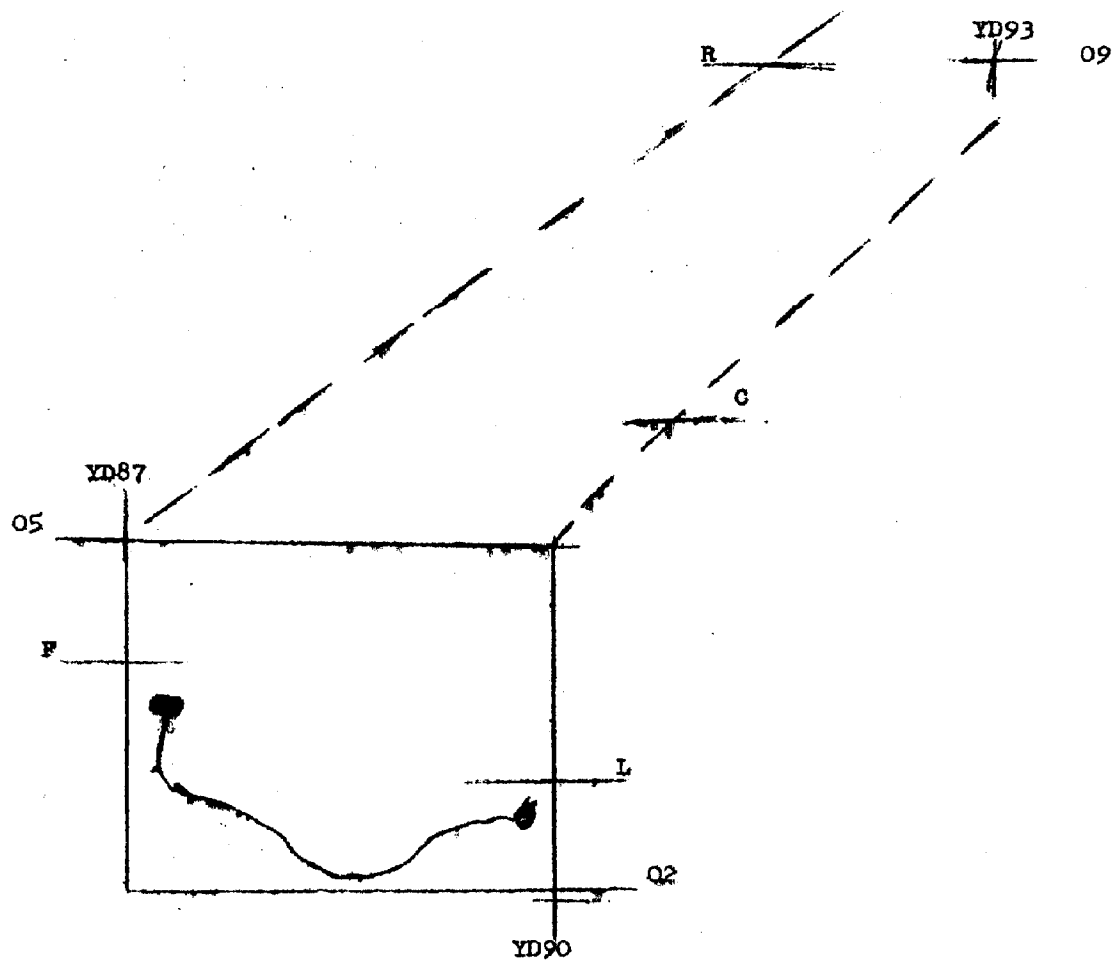
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OPERATION ORDER: 7-68
PATROL: F-3 WEST ORANGE
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
L7014; SHEET 6541 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DPG 210930H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

C.S.3

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 9 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 1 7x50;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-14; 2M-79'S;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/TFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION ALONG THE NONG RIVER AND TRAIL NETWORKS IN THE AREA. ASSUME A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF SUCH IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDIZES THE PATROL. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 170900H/210900H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HRS. WITH 3 SIGHTINGS OF 168 VC/NVA; 3 FM'S WERE CALLED WHICH RESULTED IN 50-75 VC/NVA KIA (PROB).

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 181625H YD880049 12 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BLK. SHORTS AND BUSH COVERS. ONE PACK AND 12 RIFLES. FM CALLED, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TERRAIN.

181745H YD884057 6 VC MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. BUSH COVERS, BLK. SHORTS, WEB GEAR, PACKS AND RIFLES. 2 VC WERE CARRYING 8' LONG WOODEN POLES 2-3 INCHES IN DIAMETER. FM CALLED, FM CANCELLED AS VC MOVED OVER RIDGE LINE.

181800H YD880049 150 VC/NVA OR MORE MOVING "NE" ON TRAIL. FIRST 90 UTILITIES, WEB GEAR, RIFLES, NO COVERS. NEXT 70-80 HAD PONCHO'S AND COOLIE HATS. CALLED FM, 50-75 VC/NVA KIA (PROB).

B. TERRAIN: CANOPY UP TO 30' HIGH WITH HEAVY SECONDARY GROWTH. MAXIMUM RATE OF MOVEMENT 100 METERS PER HOUR. IN PIEDMONT; ROLLING HILLS WITH SPARSE GROWTH 2' HIGH. IN LOW GROUND, MARSH, COVER AND CONCEALMENT, WATER IN STREAMS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AT YD900028, 2CH-46 ZONE OF FLAT GRASS 4' HIGH. EXTRACT AT YD877046. EXCELLENT OP AT YD876049, CAN OBSERVE ENTIRE TRAIL AS WELL AS ENTIRE VALLEY BUT IS NOT EASILY DEFENSABLE.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: PHYSICALLY TIRED; MORALE LOW DUE TO TEAM FEELING THAT THEY WERE USED AS COMBAT OUTPOST.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT BUT LITTLE SLOW ON CLEARANCE.

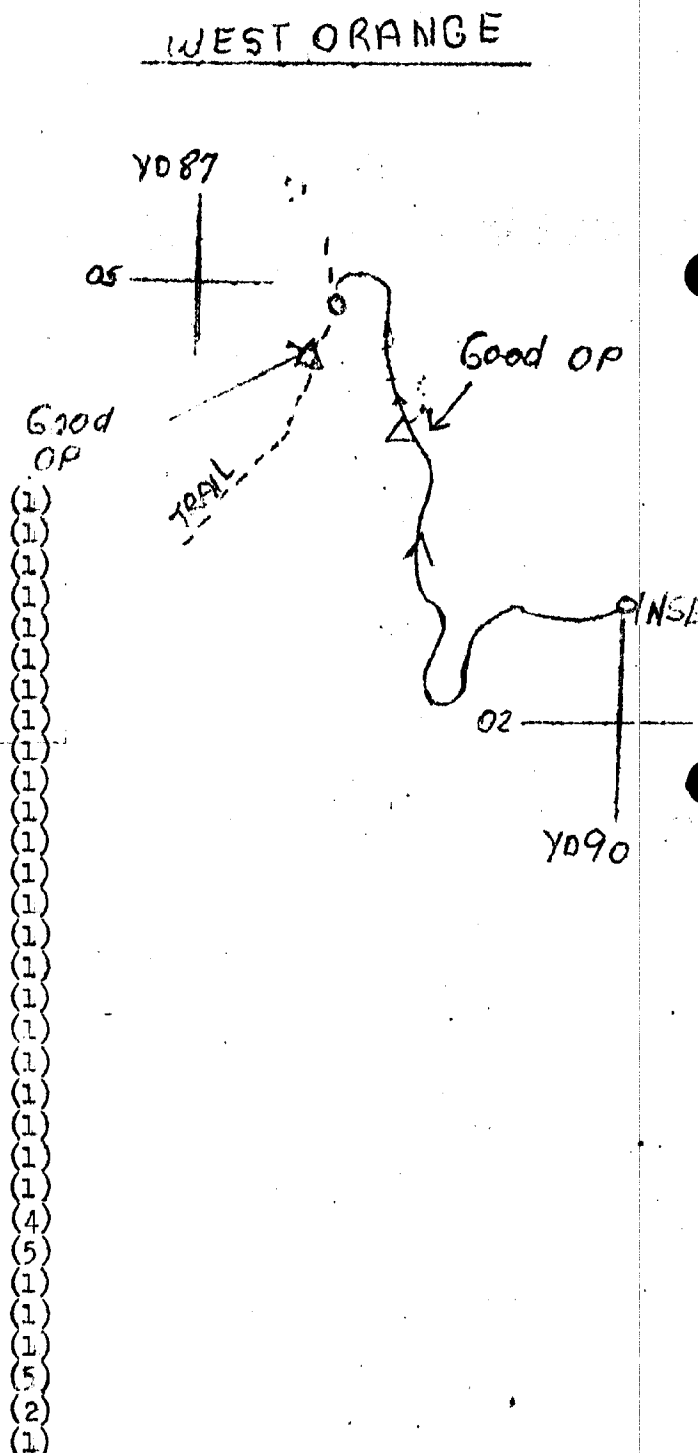
LT. F.R. LEENENTS
3rd PLT, 1st FORCE RECON CO
PATROL LEADER

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Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6541 I & 6541 IV
 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.IF (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) CoFragOrder msg #8-68

Unit/Call Sign: F-6 (SENATOR) Patrol Leader: LT O'DONNELL

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Truoi River area, through the establishment of observation post. Particular emphasis is to be placed on troop movement toward Highway #1. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on lucrative targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 180830H; insert via YD935026. Extract at 211300H via YD956013. Alternate insertion: Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 181100H; proceed by truck to CAP Hotel 3 (Truoi River Bridge) via YD967063; proceed by foot along CAP patrol route to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at CAP Hotel 3.

(2) Coordinate route from CAP Hotel 3 to LZ insert with senior Marine at CAP position.

(3) In the event helo extract is impossible on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to CAP Hotel 3, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from CAP Hotel 3 to 1st Force Recon Co area.

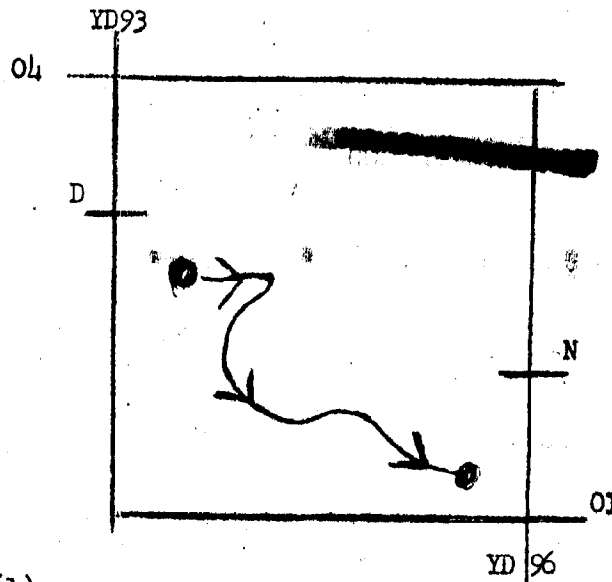
(4) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.00; Alternate: 31.60
 Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "E" 47.00

Radio Relay: (a) NIGHT SCHOLAR RELAY

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 PATROL: F-6 SENATOR
 DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
 PHU BAI, RVN
 DTG 211000H JAN 68

PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 11 ENL. 1 USN,
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE; 2M-49'S;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 6 CLAYMORES, 1M-14, 1M-60 MG, 1M-79, FLAK JACKETS, HELMETS.

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE TRUOI RIVER AREA, THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OBSERVATION POST. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON TROOP MOVEMENT TOWARD HIGHWAY #1. ASSUME A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF SUCH IS COMPATIBLE WITH PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDIZES THE PATROL. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON ~~SELECTIVE~~ TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 180845H/210930H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 73 HRS. WITH ONE CONTACT WITH 2 VC/NVA; ONE FM WAS CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 180850H YD947017 POINT DEFONATED ONE UNKNOWN TYPE FRAG GRENADE RIGGED, WITH TRIWIRE, AS ANTI PERSONNEL MINE. NO CASUALTIES. (SEE ATTACHED SKETCH).

210700H YD948018 EST 2 VC/NVA PROBING TEAM POSITION. ENEMY THREW 2 GRENADES. TEAM RETURNED M-79 FIRE AND CALLED FM WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE, RESULTS UNKNOWN DUE TO DARKNESS.

B. TERRAIN: LOW, ROLLING HILLS WITH 1'-2' SCRUB GROWTH TO "N", "E", AND "SE" THICK SECONDARY GROWTH TO "SW" AND "W"; 30' SINGLE CANOPY UP RIDGE TO "W", "W-E" STREAM 400 METERS SOUTH OF TEAM OP.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT AT YD947018, GOOD ONE CH-46 ZONE, FLAT HILL, 2' SCRUB GROWTH. OP'S AT YD940026 WITH GOOD OBSERVATION CLOCKWISE FROM "NW" TO "S" AND AT YD947018, WITH 360° OBSERVATION LIMITED ONLY TO "SW" BY RIDGELINE. ONE 155 RD DUD AT YD951021.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT; MORALE, GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND FUTURE PATROLS CARRY SOME GEAR PLUS HAND HELD FLARES; ALSO, UNLESS FLIP FLOPPING, DON'T LAND IN OP AND TAKE ENGINEERS TO CLEAR POSSIBLE MINES AND BOOBY TRAPS.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT BUT CLEARANCE WAS SLOW.

LT. D.J. O'DONNELL
6thPLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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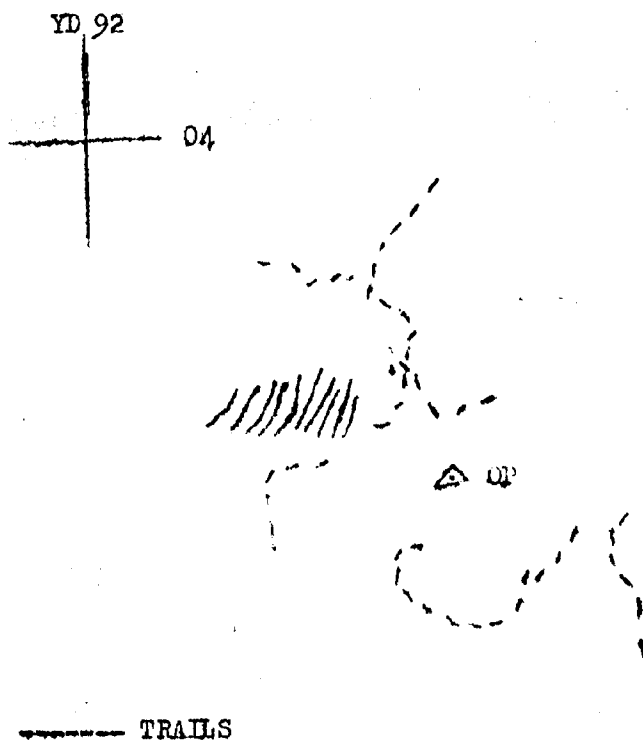
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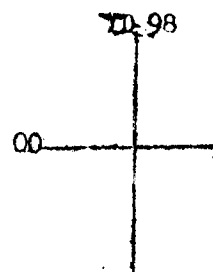
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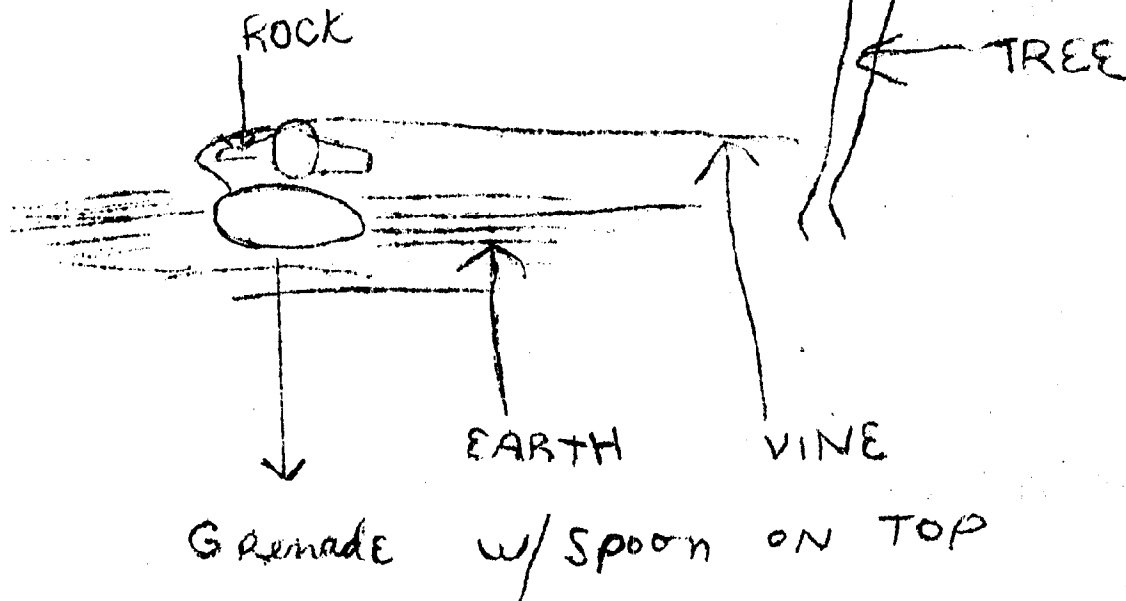
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 (b) BR03000.14 *Is Recon B.O. R03000.4*
 (c) 1stMandiv0 R3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMandiv0 R03330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) CoFragOrder msg/9-68
LUNGA POINT F-4

1. Situation. (a) See current INESUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned MZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ta Trach/Sun Trach River area, if possible, by establishing an observation post on Hill 424 (12750006). Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy movement toward the Nam Hoa District Headquarters. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with the primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 190830H; insert at vic. 12758008. Extract at 221330H via 12743028. Alternate insertion, Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 191000H; proceed by truck to Whiskey Relay (Nam Hoa District Headquarters) via 12763326; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ...

a. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Whiskey Relay.
- (2) In the event helicopter extraction is impossible, on order of the Headquarters, proceed by foot from extract LZ to Whiskey Relay, making maximum use of evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide for transport of Whiskey Relay to 1st Force Recon Co area.
- (3) Entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/El Procedures. Primary Freq: 147.00; Alternate: 31.00
 Secondary: (a) 127.000 147.00;

Radio Relay: NIGHT SCOUTAR RELAY

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 PATROL: F-4 LUNGA POINT
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 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
 PHU BAI, RVN
 DTG 221030H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

CO
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1. ~~SYNOPSIS~~ COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 9 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 1 7x50; 1 10x50;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-14; 1M-60 MG; 2M-79'S; 4 CLAYMORES; TREE CLIMBERS;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE TA TRACH/HUU TRACH RIVER AREA, IF POSSIBLE, BY ESTABLISHING AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 424 (YD750086), PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY MOVEMENT TOWARD THE NAM HOA DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. ASSUME A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF SUCH IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDIZES THE PATROL. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 191230H/220900H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 68½ HRS. WITH ONE SIGHTING OF 2 VC AND 2 SIGHTINGS OF 12 BOATS ON THE SONG HUU TRACH. ONE FM WAS CALLED WITH RESULTS UNKNOWN DUE TO TEAM MOVING OUT OF AREA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 191430H YD753083 AND YD750088 2 VC IN TREELINE TO "W" AND MOVEMENT IN TREELINE TO "S". BLK. PJ'S. CALLED FM, GOOD COVERAGE, COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TEAM LEAVING AREA.

201520H YD745105 2 BOATS W/MOTORS, 3 VN IN 1ST BOAT, 2 IN 2D, MOVING "W" ON SONG HUU TRACH. CALLED FM, CANCELLED FM, UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO FOG ENCIRCLING TEAM'S POSITION.

210922H YD735103 10 MOTORIZED BOATS, APPROX. 25' LONG, MOVING "W" ON SONG HUU TRACH, BOATS VERY LOW IN WATER, 10-20 VN PER BOATS. BLK. PJ'S. AO FLEW OVER BOATS, AO OBSR. EST. 200 VN ON BANK OF RIVER AT YD6806; AO FIRED ROCKETS TO DISTURSE BOATS, BOATS DISPERSED TO "E".

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP; MOVEMENT ALMOST HAND OVER HAND AT END OF PATROL ROUTE. VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH 10'-12' HIGH, SINGLE CANOPY FROM 20'-60' HIGH. IN PIEDMONT REGION 4'-8' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS, VERY EXPOSED TO HIGH GROUND. "N-S" RIDGE LINE TO "NE".

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AT YD758088, GOOD 1CH-46 ZONE, ON KNOLL 4'-6' SCRUB GROWTH. EXTRACT AT YD749092, VERY GOOD 1CH-46 ZONE, ON KNOLL, 4' GRASS. TRAILS AS SHOWN ON OVERLAY, 2' WIDE, WELL USED, PROBABLY USED WHILE PATROL WAS IN AREA. HARBOR SITE AT YD749087 (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY) FRESH SITE, OLD BOMB CRATER DUG OUT TO BE USED TO HARBOR, 2 FIRE BEDS STILL HOT, USED

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WITHIN PREVIOUS 24 HOURS. GOOD OP OF SONG HUU TRACH AT YD749088, CAN OBSERVE FROM YD735103 TO YD784120, BUT MUCH DEFILADE TO EAST OF RIDGELINE RUNNING FROM YD755107, TO YD765093. GOOD OP AT YD748087, CAN OBSERVE ROAD, AND AT YD749087, CAN OBSERVE RIVER. OBSERVED MANY WOODCUTTERS IN PIEDMONT REGION HILL 424 POSSIBLY USED AS VC/NVA WAY STATION.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RIDGELINE IN GRID SQUARES YD7510 AND YD7609 GOOD OP OF SONG TAU TRACH BUT TOO OPEN TO MAN FOR EXTENDED PERIOD. RECOMMEND SMALLER TEAMS, MAXIMUM OF 8 MEN.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NIGHT DEFENSIVE FIRES, GOOD

LT. J.K. TAUSSIG
4th PLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

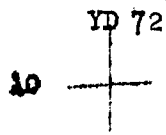
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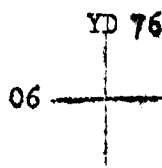


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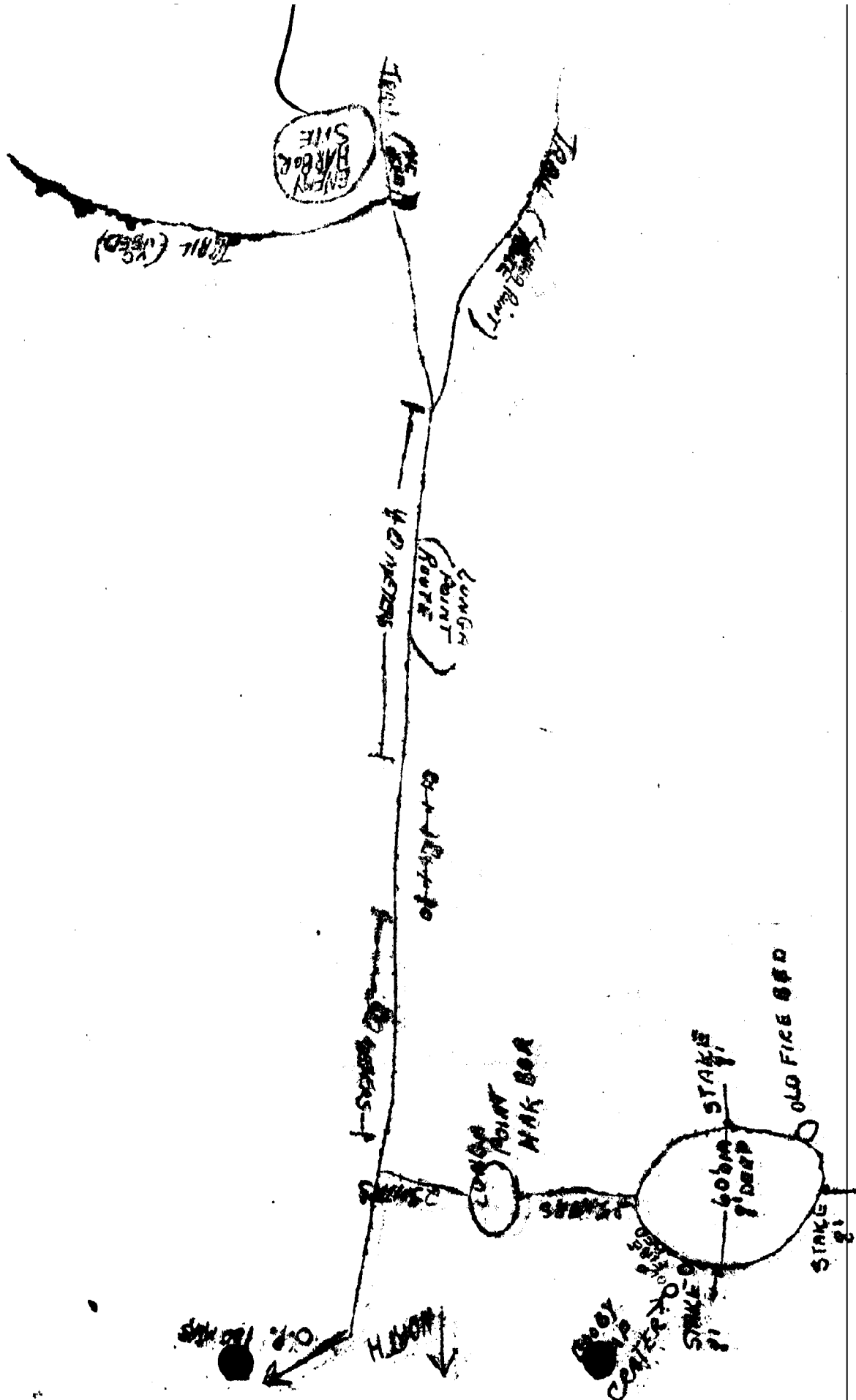


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 (b) BnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003800.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) CoTragOrder msg #10-68

Unit/Call Sign: F-5 (JAWT SCOUT) Patrol Leader: SGT KELLY

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible troop movement or arms infiltration along the Ta Trach River by establishing an observation post in the vic of YD808043. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with the primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 20800H; insert vic YD779057. Extract at 231300H vic YD799042. Alternate insertion: Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 200830H; proceed by truck to Whiskey Relay vic YD763128; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Ensure thorough coordination with all friendly units operating in that area.
 (2) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Whiskey Relay.
 (3) In the event helo extraction is impossible, on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to Whiskey Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from Whiskey Relay to 1st Force Recon Co area.
 (4) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.00; Alternates: 31.60
 Artillery: (a) HEAD GOLD WEN 47.00
 (b) BAZAAR 47.00

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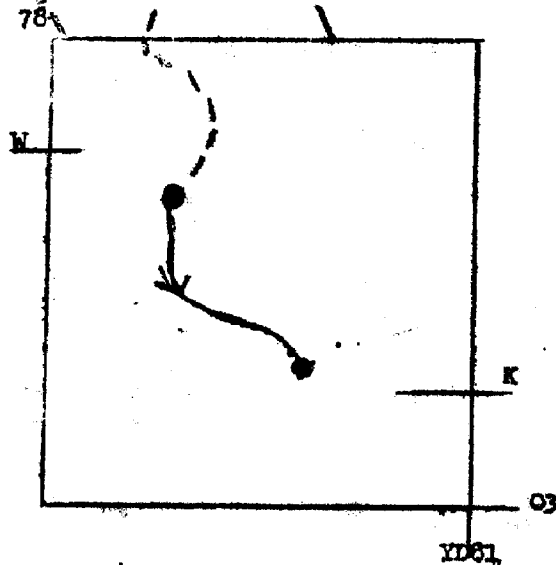
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OPERATION ORDER: 10-30
 PATROL: F-5 SWIFT SCOUT
 DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
 MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
 L7014; SHEET 6541 I, 6541 IV

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 PHU BAI, RVN
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 8 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 1 20x50;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-79; 1M-60 MG; 4 CLAYMORES;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION ALONG THE TA TRACH RIVER BY ESTABLISHING AN OBSERVATION POST IN THE VIC OF YD808043. ASSUME A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF SUCH IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDIZES THE PATROL. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 210030H/251125H
 211400H/251130H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THE PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 95 HOURS WITH ONE CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY AND 2 SIGHTINGS OF 2 VC AND ONE RAFT.

3 FM'S WERE CALLED WHICH RESULTED IN 2 VC KIA (PROB).

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

211030H YD790054 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY FORCE TO "N", "W" AND "E". TEAM RECEIVED ONE GRENADE TO "W", ONE WP TO "N", AND ONE UNIDENTIFIED EXPLOSIVE CHARGE TO "E". OBSERVED ENEMY AND HEARD VOICES TO "W", "N", AND "E". CALLED FM, RESULTS UNKNOWN DUE TO CANNY. THREE FPG GRENADES AND CS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. RAFTED AND RECEIVED EARLY EXTRACTION.

211400H YD810048 REINSECTED.

220055H YD814054 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC MOVING ACROSS RIVER; 1 PACK, 1 RIFLE. CALLED FM, GOOD COVERAGE, COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO TREELINE.

221425H YD803057 2 VC IN HOUSE; BLK. PJ'S, 2 PACKS, 2 RIFLES. CALLED FM, GOOD COVERAGE, HOUSE DESTROYED, 2 VC KIA (PROB).

241845H YD792051 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF PEOPLE POUNDING METAL STAKES INTO GROUND.

F. TERRAIN: IN PIEDMONT REGION, NO COVER, CONCEALMENT, OR CANNY; LOW STEEP HILLS, PLENTY OF WATER IN DRAWS, 6' ELEPHANT GRASS IN LOW GROUND.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSET AT YD810048, GOOD 2CH-46 ZONE, SMALL KNOLL ON FINGER, EXTRACT AT YD796055, WIDE OPEN AREA. TRAILS AND OP'S AS INDICATED ON MAP AND OVERLAY; EXCELLENT 2CH-46 ZONES AT YD809043 AND YD809046.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD; ONE (MED-EVAC) DUE TO HEAT.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: USE SAME INSERT LZ AGAIN AND MOVE ALONG RIDGELINE TO SOUTH. GO HEAVY, TAKE SEVERAL M-72'S, ENTRENCHING TOOLS, BOOBY TRAPS, AND GOOD OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

LT. D.J. SCHRIEBER
5TH PLT, 1ST FORCE REGON CO
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

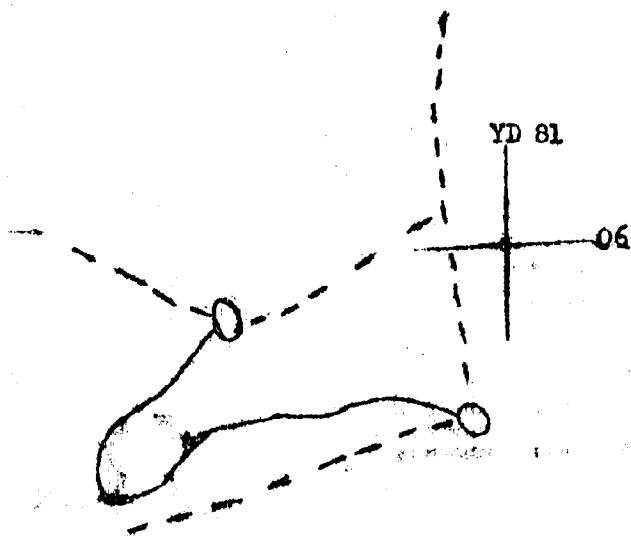
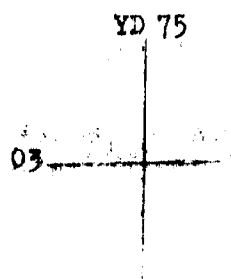
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 (e) CoFragOrder msg #11-68

Unit/Call Sign P-1 (THIN MAN) Patrol Leader: LT. WILLIAMSON

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the MO TAU MOUNTAIN RANGE area. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on ambush sites with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 210800H; insert via YD865044. Extract at 241330H via YD848059. Alternate insertion: Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 211000H; Proceed by helo to Night Scholar Relay via YD848085; Proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to extract LZ. Proceed along patrol route shown in reverse; coordinating instruction.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure through coordination with all friendly units operations in Mo Tau Mountain Range area.

(2) Ensure through coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Night Scholar Relay.

(3) In the event helo extraction is impossible, on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to Whiskey Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from Whiskey Relay to 1st Force Recon Co area.

(4) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.00; Alternate: 31.60
 Artillery: (a) ~~BARBAR~~ 47.00 (155 Gns) DATE PLAN
 (b) HEAD COLD "E" 47.00 (105 HOW & 155 HOW)
 (c) RUSH ACT "B" 47.00 (8" HOW)

Radio Relay: (a) NIGHT SCHOLAR
 (b) WHISKEY

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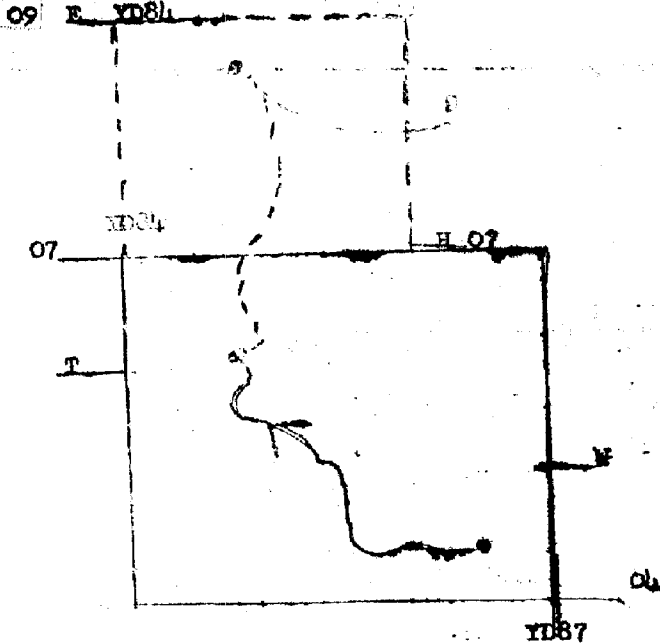
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OPERATION ORDER: 11-68
PATROL: F-1 THIN MAN
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
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THU BAI, RVN
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 1 6x30;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2M-14'S; 2M-79'S; 2 CLAYMORES

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

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 211300H/240915H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 68 HRS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS AND CONTACT.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: NONE
- B. TERRAIN: THICK SINGLE CANOPY 10'-30' HIGH, VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH; MAXIMUM RATE OF MOVEMENT 100 METERS PER HOUR. RELIEF FAIRLY FLAT EXCEPT TO "W", AT BASE OF HIGH GROUND, VERY STEEP.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YD857046, GOOD 3xCH-46 ZONE OF GRASS 2'-3' HIGH, FLAT. EXTRACT LZ YD848063, WIDE OPEN AREA. MANY SMALL TRAILS IN AREA. MAJOR TRAILS ON OVERLAY. OP'S TO "N" HILL 126 AT YD849058, AND AT YD852058, GOOD OP'S AT YD859056, AND YD846057. OTHER LZ'S AT YD849058 1xCH-46, POOR ZONE. YD852057, 1xCH-46, SUITABLE ZONE. FOUND 155 DUD AT YD849055. FOUND 2d 155 DUD AT YD849062 IN STREAM BED. OLD HARBOR SITES AT YD849056, ALL WITHIN 10'-15' OF ONE ANOTHER. TRAILS LEADING FROM SITES TO HARBOR TRAILS.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND PATROLS IN VIC YD844047, AND YD853058. COM: VERY GOOD

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NIGHT DEFENSIVE FIRES- GOOD COVERAGE

SGT. E.D. HOLTON
1ST PLT, 1st FORCE RECON CO
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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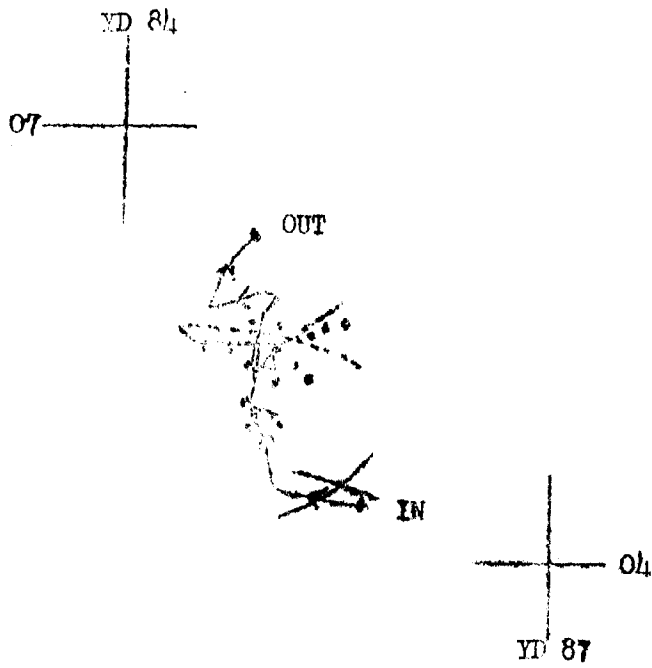
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Unit/Call Sign: G-1-2 (MAD HATTER) Patrol Leader: SSGT HATTON

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

2. Mission. Establish an observation post vic YD882043 and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the upper tributaries of the Nong River, and trail networks in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 210830H; insert vic YD882043. Extract at 241400H vic YD882043. Alternate insertion: Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 210930H; proceed by helo to Night Scholar Relay vic YD849085; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Night Scholar Relay.

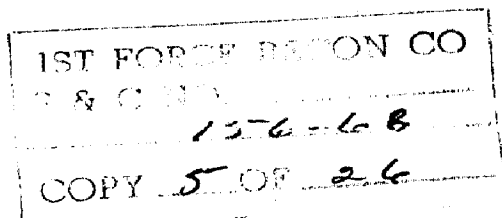
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(3) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.00; ^{DATE PALM} Alternate: 31.60
 Artillery: (a) ~~WZMAR~~ 47.00 (155 Hows)
 (b) HEAD GOLD "E" 47.00 (105How-155How)
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Radio Relay: (a) NIGHT SCHOLAR
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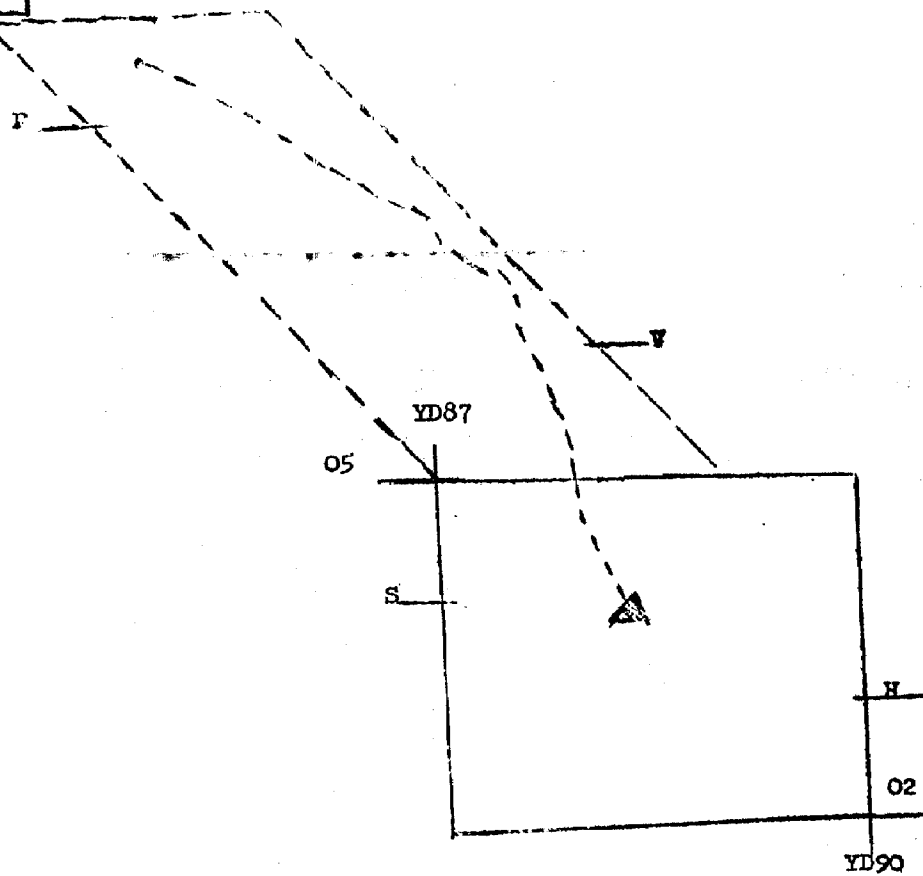
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OPERATION ORDER: 12-68
PATROL: C-2 & MAD HASTNER
DEB: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
HAI PHU, RVN
DEC 21/0000 JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL. 1 UN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 2M-48'S;
- D. SIGNAL EQUIPMENT: 1500-2500; 6 CLARKMOS; 1M-11; 1M-60; 10 w/p RIFLE GRENADES.

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST VIC YD882043 AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/TFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR AREA INFILTRATION IN THE UPPER TRIBUTARIES OF THE NONG RIVER, AND TRAIL NETWORKS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 210000H/240000H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 72 HRS WITH 3 SIGHTINGS OF 15 VC. TWO FM'S WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 221200H YD883057 2 VN APPEAR TO BE CUTTING WOOD. BLK. DJS WITH COOLIE HATS; CANNOT OBSERVE WEAPONS DUE TO DISTANCE. NO ACTION TAKEN.

221700H YD880050 10 VC MOVING "N" ON TRAIL. BLK. SHORTS, KHAKI TOPS, GREEN TOSH COVERS; 10 ASSAULT RIFLES, FRENCH, CHICOM, AND AL-47'S. ENEMY APPEARED TO BE LOOKING FOR PEAN, APPEARED TO BE POORLY TRAINED. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COVERAGE OF TARGET, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO HILL MASS.

231215H YD876037 2 VC OP'ING FROM TREE, FIRED A/W BURST AS SIGNAL WHEN THEY SPOTTED TEAM. KHAKI AND 1 AUTOMATIC WEAPON. CALLED FM. GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGETS, COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO BRUSH AND SMALL HILL MASS. ALSO OBSERVED 1 VN WORKING IN FIELD AT YD882031.

B. TERRAIN: VERY LOW ROLLING HILLS, DIFFICULT TO MOVE DUE TO SCRUB GROWTH ABOUT 4'-5' HIGH BEING TOO LOW TO OFFER COVER AND CONCEALMENT.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YD878049, ON TOP OF KNOLL. EXTRACT LZ YD890050, ON KNOLL IN PIEDMONT AREA, OUTSTANDING ZONE, 4xCH-46'S, ALSO GOOD OP. TRAILS AS SHOWN ON MAP; TRAILS AT YD877041 AND YD887041 VERY HEAVILY USED. OBSERVED FRESHLY MADE TRAIL AT YD893049 MADE BY AT LEAST 40-50 PERSONS WITHIN PREVIOUS 6 HOURS. PLENTY OF WATER IN AREA AND MANY WOOD CUTTERS, AT YD880041 2 FIGHTING HOLES.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A;
9. LOCATION OF PATROL: OUTSTANDING
10. COORDINATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS: AREA SUITED FOR RESEARCHED REGION PATROLS; AREA MORE SUITED FOR LIGHTLY ARMED PATROLS.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING AID: EXTREMELY SLOW ON CLEARANCE.

SEMT, C.M. HATTON
1ST REG, CACON, 1ST RECON BN
PATROL LEADER

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

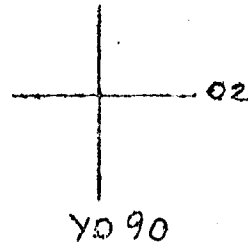
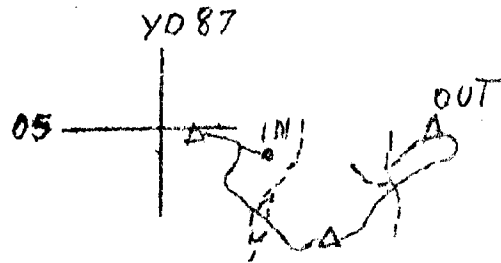
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(b) 1st Recon Co FO3000.4
(c) 1st Mar Div P5600.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1st Mar Div FO3330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder msg #13-68

Unit/Call Sign: C-2-1 (PANAMA HAT) Patrol Leader: LT LANDON

1. Situation. (a) See current JTFSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Establish an observation post via YD948017 and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/EPZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement arms infiltration in the Truoi River area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 210900H; insert via YD948017. Extract at 211330H via YD948017. Alternate insertion: Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 211000H; proceed by truck to CAP Hotel 3 (Truoi River Bridge) via YD967063; proceed by foot along CAP patrol route to insert LZ.
 - a. Coordinating Instructions.
 - (1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at CAP Hotel 3.
 - (2) Coordinate route from CAP Hotel 3 to LZ insert with senior Marine at CAP position.
 - (3) In the event helo extract is impossible on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to CAP Hotel 3, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from CAP Hotel 3 to 1st Force Recon Co area.
 - (4) Ensure that entry of friendly lanes is made during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.00; Alternate: 31.60
Artillery: (a) ~~BATAAR~~ 47.00 (155 Gns) DP75 Pakm
(b) HEAD COLD "E" 47.00 (105 HOW & 155 HOW)
(c) RUSH ACT "B" 47.00 (8" HOW)

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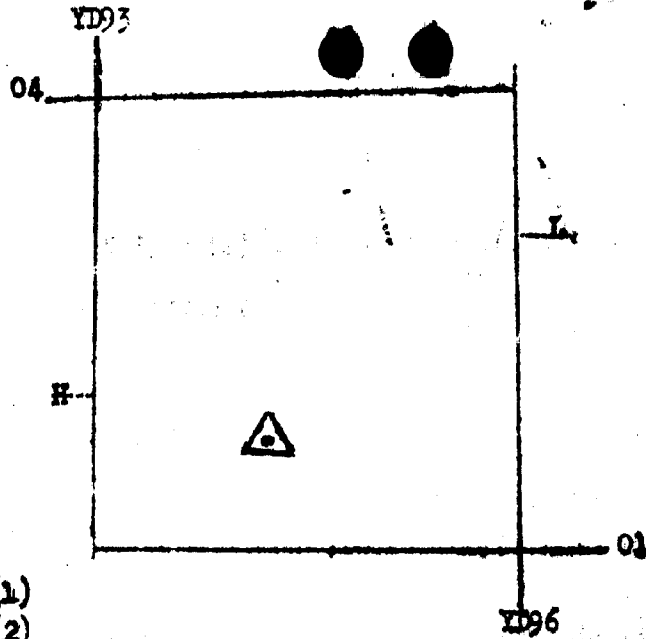
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OPERATION ORDER: 13048
PATROL: 0-21 PANAMA HAT
DEPARTURE: 0800, F. J. VOGL
MARS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
17014; SECRET 6541 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
FM 010, RVN
DUE 210000H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMBAT: 1 CPT, 12 EMT, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT: NONE
- C. COMBAT EQUIPMENT: 2 M-16's, 2 7x50's, 1 M-49 scope
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-12, 1 M-34, 1 M-53, 2 M-72, 6 Claymores, 12 M-72's

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST VIC YD9-13017 AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED MZ/SEZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/VTM TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE THUMI RIVER AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTILLERY OR OTHERS AT OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 110000H/210000H

4. ROUTE: 1013

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 7 1/2 HRS. WITH 5 SIGHTINGS OF 4 VC, 2 SAMBANS, 3 MORTAR FLASHES, AND SEVERAL NIGHTS. 5 MINS WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 210000H YD958933 STATIONARY LIGHTS ON HILL. CALLED FM, GOOD COVERAGE, LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED.

210000H YD967004 2 VC IN 2 SAMBANS MOVING SOUTH DOWN RIVER. BLK. PJ'S, GREEN UNIFORMS, ONE RIFLE. CALLED FM, GOOD COVERAGE, UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO TREELINE ON RIVERBANK.

211300H YD967031 2 VC ROWING SOUTH ALONG RIVER. BLK. PJ'S AND WHITE SHIRT, ONE RIFLE. OBSERVED VC DOCK BOAT AND MOVE INTO TREELINE. CALLED FM BUT COULD NOT GET CLEARANCE, VC RETURNED TO BOAT AND HAD MOVED OUT OF AREA WHEN CLEARANCE WAS OBTAINED.

212000H YD968987 ONE LIGHT BLINKING ON AND OFF TO SOUTHEAST, IN SAME LOCATION AS AT 210000H. CALLED FM, EXCELLENT COVERAGE, LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED.

212130H YD968055 6 MORTAR FLASHES; CALLED FM, AT FIRST COULD NOT OBTAIN CLEARANCE, WHEN CLEARANCE OBTAINED, GOT OUTSTANDING COVERAGE.

B. TERRAIN: LOW, ROLLING HILLS, SPARSE SCRUB GROWTH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT AT YD968017, 100-46 ZONE, OF 2' HIGH GRASS, TRAILS AS MARKED ON MAP. WHOLE AREA COULD BE USED AS LZ. VIC YD968987, POSSIBLE ENEMY CAMP. AT YD967004, OBSERVED 2 VN RELEASE ONE PIGEON, POSSIBLY HOUSING PIGEON, WHICH HEADED NORTH.

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8. RESULTS OF ENGINE TESTS WITH THE ABOVE UNIT;
9. CONDITION OF ENGINE, TRANSMISSION;
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: ON WORK NOT COVERED BY ANY INFILTRATION ROUTE-AT ALL REPAIRS, DO NOT RECOVERED VEHICLE USE.
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMED CONTINGENTS, NOT CLEARANCE MUCH TO SHIP.
12. COMMENTS ON PLANNED TIME
13. RECOMMENDATIONS

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(b) 1st Recon Bn 03000.4
(c) 1st Mar Div 0 P300.1E. (Intelligence, 00P 14-68)
(d) 1st Mar Div 0 P00330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder msg #14-68

Unit/Call Sign 0-1 (WAR CLOUD) Patrol Leader: LT. JANCZUK

1. Situations (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and FIR'S (S-2/S-3)
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operation within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA movement or arms infiltration in the Phu Loc District area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on troop movement towards Phu Loc District Headquarters. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 220800H; insert at vico. ZC074968; Extract at 251300H vico ZC073981. Alternate insertion: Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 221100H; Proceed by truck to CAP Hotel 5 vico ZC089005; Proceed by foot along CAP patrol route to insert LZ.

a. Coordination Instructions.

- (1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with senior Marine at CAP Hotel 5.
- (2) Coordinate route from CAP Hotel 5 to insert LZ insert with senior Marine at CAP position.
- (3) In the event helo extract is impossible, on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to CAP Hotel 5, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from CAP Hotel 5 to 1st Force Recon Co area.
- (4) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 39.8; Alternate: 31.40
 Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "B" 67.25 (2) 155, (6) 105
 (b) PATTY SHELL "D" 35.95 (3) 155
 (c) PORTED SPOOLS "E" ARVN 39.8

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OPERATION ORDER: 12-68
PATROL: C-1-1 WAR CLOUD
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
L7014; SHEET 6541 II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU THAI, RVN
DTG 251400H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 10 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2RC-25'S; 1 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-79; 6 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATION WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FTZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE PHU LOC DISTRICT AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON TROOP MOVEMENT TOWARDS PHU LOC DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. ASSUME A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF SUCH IS COMPATIBLE WITH PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDIZES THE PATROL. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARMY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 221130H/250750H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 68 HRS. WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACT.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: NONE
- B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP HILLS, THICK SECONDARY GROWTH 15'-20' HIGH; SINGLE CANOPY 30' HIGH WITH 12' SECONDARY GROWTH. MAXIMUM RATE OF MOVEMENT 100 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSURE AND EXTRACT AT XN977986, 1/5 BN CP. 10'-15' WIDE TRAIL (SEE OVERLAY) VERY WELL USED, FOUND CIGARETTES, SHREDS OF PONCHOS. 2 VC FIGHTING HOMES APPROX 2 DAYS OLD AT ZOC64577. AT ZOC071978 AT JUNCTION OF TRAIL AND ROAD TO BACH MA, FOUND REMAINS OF ROAD BLOCK WHICH HAD BEEN KNOCKED DOWN. GOOD OP OF VALLEY AT XN069969 BUT VERY POOR TACTICAL POSITION. DUE TO EXPOSED LOCATION BELOW BACH MA ROAD.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND BLASTING LZ'S ON HIGH GROUND.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS:

FOR NIGHT DEFENSIVE FIRES, GOOD

LT. T.J. JANCZEK
1ST PLT, Co "C", 1ST RECON BN
PATROL LEADER

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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- Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6541 IV
(b) 1ST ReconBnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder msg #15-68

Unit/Call Sign: C-2-1 (PEARL CHEST) Patrol Leader: SGT SLEEPER

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ta Trach/Huu Trach River area, if possible by establishing an observation post on Hill 424 (YD750086). Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy movement toward the Nam Hoa District Headquarters. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with the primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 220830H; insert at vic YD750086, Extract at 251330H via YD758087. Alternate insertions. Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 221000H; proceed by truck to Whiskey Relay (Nam Hoa District Headquarters) via YD752128; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Whiskey Relay.

(2) In the event helicopter extraction is impossible, on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to Whiskey Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from Whiskey Relay to 1st Force Recon Co area.

(3) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.00; Alternate: 31.60
Artillery: (a) DATE PALM 47.00 (155 Guns)
(b) HEAD COLD "E" 47.00 (105 HOW & 155 HOW)
(c) RUSH ACT "E" 47.00 (8" HOW)

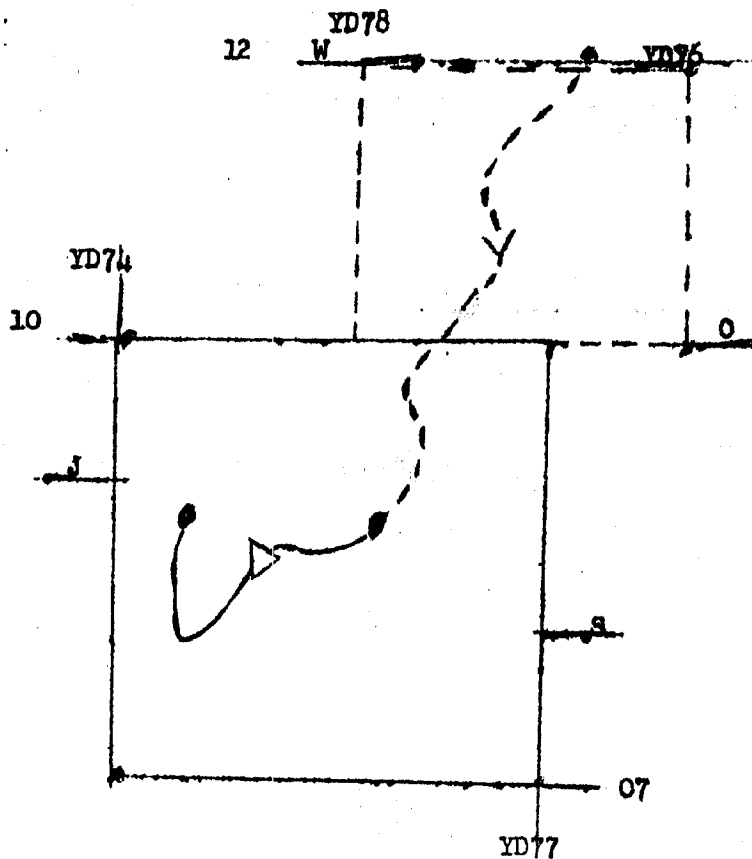
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OPERATION ORDER: 15-88

PATROL: C-1 PEARL CHEST

DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGLT

NAOS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS

L7014; SHEET 6541 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)

PHU BAI, RVN

DTG 251430H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL. 1 USN.

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE

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

D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2M-14'S; 1M-79; 5M-72'S; 5 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE TA TRACH/HUU TRACH RIVER AREA, IF POSSIBLE BY ESTABLISHING AN OBSERVATION POST ON HILL 424 (YD750086). PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY MOVEMENT TOWARD THE NAM HOA DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. ASSUME A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF SUCH IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDIZES THE PATROL. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 220850H/251245H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 76 HRS. WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS AND CONTACT.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP; SINGLE CANOPY UP TO 150' HIGH. VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH 6' HIGH. STREAM NOT SHOWN ON MAP, SHOWN ON OVERLAY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AT YD746038, GOOD 10H-46 ZONE, SMALL KNOLL ON FINGER WITH 6' ELEPHANT GRASS; EXTRACT AT YD759085. GOOD OP ON TOP OF HILL 424, CAN OBSERVE TO "N", "E", AND SOMEWHAT TO "W". OBSERVED MUCH CIVILIAN ACTIVITY TO "NW".

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HILL 424 GOOD OP; TAKE STARLIGHT SCOPE TO OBSERVE AT NIGHT.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A;

SGT. J.A. SLEEPER
20810, Co "C", 1ST RECON BN
PATROL LEADER

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. J.A. SLEEPER
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Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM. Sheet(s) 6541 IV
(b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (IntelligenceSOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder msg #16-68

Unit/Call Sign: F-2 (PETRIFY) Patrol Leader: LT NICHOLS

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Huong River area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy movement toward the Nam Hoa District Headquarters. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with the primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 240900H; insert vic YD722131. Extract at 271300H vic YD708147. Alternate insertion. Depart 1st Force Recon (Rein) Co area at 241100H; proceed by truck to Whiskey Relay (Nam Hoa District Headquarters) vic YD763128; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Whiskey Relay.

(2) In the event helicopter extraction is impossible, on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to Whiskey Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from Whiskey Relay to 1st Force Recon (Rein) Co area.

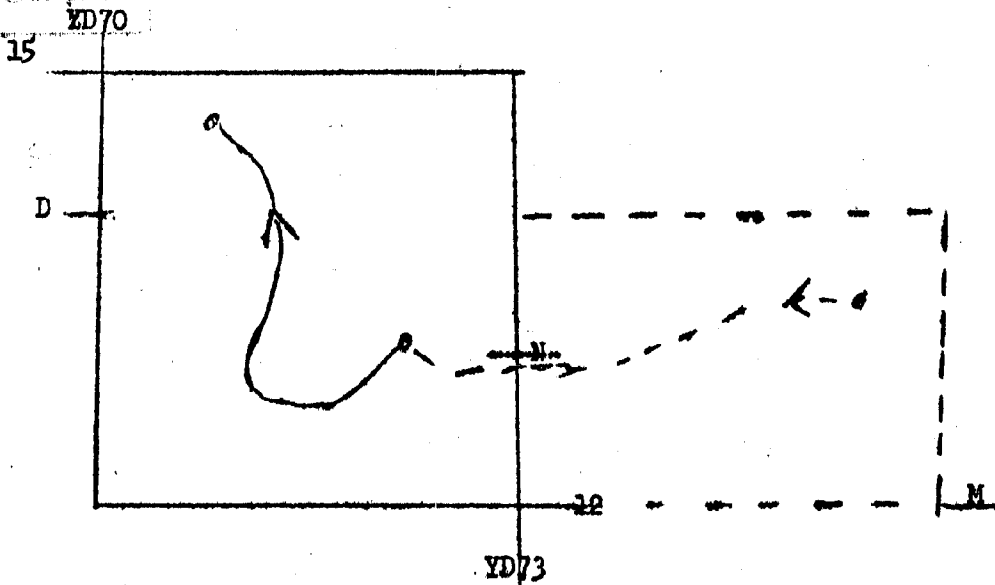
(3) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.00; Alternate: 31.60
Artillery: (a) DATE PAIM 47.00 (155 Guns)
(b) HEAD COLD "E" 47.00 (105HOW & 155HOW)
(c) RUSH ACT "B" 47.00 (8" HOW)

Radio Relay: (a) Whiskey Relay
(b) Night Scholar

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PATROL: F-2 PETRIFY
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
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1ST FORGE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
270930H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE HUONG RIVER AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY MOVEMENT TOWARD THE NAM HOA DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. ASSUME 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: 241112H/270855H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 70 HRS. WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS AND CONTACT.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: DETECTED MOVEMENT TOWARD PATROL'S ROUTE ON 24 JAN AND HEARD UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY ASSAULT HAIKON SIREN AT YD718120 WITH GRENADES, SA/AN AT 2300H WHICH PATROL HAD USED HAIKON DURING DAY. HEARD ENEMY SMOKEING FROM TEAM'S POSITION SEVERAL TIMES, ALSO RECONNING BY SA AND GRENADES.

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP HILLS WITH LARGE ROCKS UP TO TOP OF HILL 434. SLOPE CAN BE 60-70% HIGH, VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH 4'-5' HIGH WITH HEAVY ENTANGLED WEEDS. TERRAIN VERY DISTINGUISH 150'-200' METERS PER HOUR MAXIMUM RATE OF ADVANCE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSURE LZ YD715116 GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE BUT TOP OPEN FOR RUCON DRAM; ASSESS LZ YD712134 VERY GOOD CH-46, ZONE. LARGE ROCK, BRUSH IN ZONE. HAIKON SIREN 2'-3' WIDE AT TOP OF HILL NOT USED RECENTLY. AT TOP OF HILL 433 YD713135 OUTSTANDING OL OF HUE, ROYAL TOWER, SONG HONG, ROUTE 547, HPG; 3'-5' COVERAGE OF ENTIRE AREA. LZ AT YD715130, OUTSTANDING CH-46 ZONE. GRASS 4' HIGH; GOOD CH-46 ZONE AT YD715139, HPG, FLAT RICH HEDDY.

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

9. CAPABILITY OF PATROL: GOOD

20. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HILL 433 OUTSTANDING POSITION FOR PERMANENT OP/RADIO RELAY. WITH ENGINEER'S ASSISTANCE, COULD CONSTRUCT BUNKERS, LZ, ETC AND MAKE POSITION PRACTICALLY IMPREGNABLE. RECOMMEND 2 BC SCOPES, 2 STARLIGHT SCOPES, 2 .50 CAL MACHINE GUNS, 2 81MM MORTARS W/HE AND ILLUM, AND PLATOON OF INFANTRY AS SECURITY, RECOMMEND HEAVY PREP OF TOP OF HILL 433 BEFORE NEXT TEAM IS INSERTED TO ELIMINATE ANY MINES OR BOOBY TRAPS.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

LT. D.S. NICHOLS
2d BATT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LT. D.S. NICHOLS
SGT. J.R. McMANUS
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(b) 1st Recon Co 3000-4
(c) 1st Mar Div O P3800-IF (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1st Mar Div O P003330-2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) Co Frag Order msg #17-68

Unit/Call Sign: P-6 (SENATOR). Patrol Leader: LT. O'DONNELL

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

2. Mission: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/EFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Phu Loc area "W" of hill 212. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications and routes of access. Emphasis should be placed on locating a suspected NVA BN. CP believed to be in operation vic ZC115985. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/adr on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart 1st Force Recon Co (Rein) at 231400H; Proceed by truck to Alpha Co. 1st Bn. 5th Mar. vic ZD142008. Remain overnight. At 240400H proceed along Alpha Co Squad combat patrol route to insert point vic ZC128995. Extract at 281400H vic ZC107991, proceed by foot along route shown in overlay.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with Alpha Co. 1st Bn. 5th Mar, and senior Marine at CAP Hotel 6.

(2) In the event helo extraction is impossible, on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to Highway #1 vic ZD101006 making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from Highway #1 vic ZD101006 to 1st Force Recon Co. (Rein) area.

3. Ensure thorough coordination of entry of friendly lines with 1st Bn. 5th Mar. Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.6; Alternate: 32.1

Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "D" 67.25 (2) 155 (6) 105
(b) PATTY SHELL "D" 35.95 (3) 155
(c) POTTED SPOOLS "E" ARVN 39.8

Other Freqs: 1st Bn 5th Mar TACNET (NAILBRUSH) 67.55
"A" Co. 1/5 (NAILBRUSH "A") 66.85

Radio Relay: (a) FOXTROT RELAY
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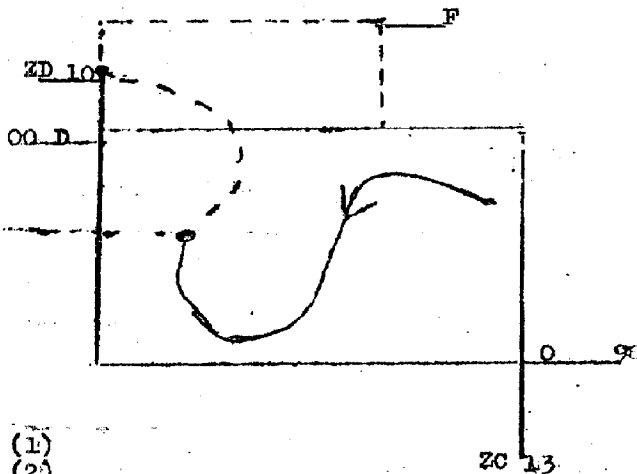
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PATROL: F-6 SENEAT

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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)

PHU LOC, RVN

DTG 281000H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 9 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: COM-2518; 1 7x50; 1 6x30
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: RM-14; RM-79; 4 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NVA/VCZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE PHU LOC AREA "W" OF HILL 212. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS SHOULD BE PLACED ON LOCATING A SUSPECTED NVA BN. CP BELIEVED TO BE IN OPERATION VIC ZC115985. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240400H/280959H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 102 HRS. WITH ONE CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY AND ONE DETECTION OF 2 81 OR 81mm MORTARS FIRING. NO FM'S CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 251430H VIC ZC1198 HEARD 2 MORTARS FIRING 81 OR 82mm CONTACTED 1/5, THEY REPORTED NONE OF THEIR UNITS HIT.

261145H ZC123993 UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY FIRING SMALL ARMS AND THROWING GRENADES AT TEAM AS WELL AS AT MED-EVAC HELICOPTER AND GUNSHIPS WHILE NBC (MED-EVAC) DUE TO GASTROENTERITIS WAS BEING HOISTED THROUGH CANOPY. REPORTED SMALL ARMS FIRE, GUNSHIPS STRAWED AREA, AC CONDUCTED ARTY FM WITH REGULARS UNKNOWN DUE TO HEAVY SECONDARY GROWTH.

B. TERRAIN: RELIEF VERY STEEP, VERY RUGGED, VERY HEAVY SECONDARY GROWTH 6' HIGH, SINGLE CANOPY 20' HIGH, MOVEMENT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT, MAXIMUM RATE 75 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT BY TPUCK/FOOT AT A/1/5 POSITION VIC ZC143007; EXTRACT AT ZC108991 VERY GOOD 2CH-46 ZONE, DRY FLAT PADDY AREA AT BASE OF HIGH GROUND. POSSIBLE IZ AT ZC123986, TOP OF RIDGE, GOOD 1CH-46 ZONE, BEST APPROACH ALONG E-W AXIS. TRAIL MARKED ON MAP VERY WELL USED, RECENTLY USED. GOOD OP AT ZC121989 WHICH OVERLOOKS PHU LOC DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. AT ZC124983, POSSIBLE MORTAR POSITION, CLEARING 10' BY 6' WITH OVERHEAD CLEARED AWAY, FIRING TO "NE". ALONG MAIN TRAIL (SHOWN ON MAP) SECONDARY TRAILS INTERSECTING WERE BLOCKED BY STICKS STUCK IN TREES AHEAD THE SECONDARY TRAIL. ALSO OBSERVED STICKS STUCK UP DIAGONALLY ACROSS TRAIL AS POSSIBLE MARKERS INDICATING TRAIL WATCHER POSITIONS OR AMBUSH SITES WHICH WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY 10-20 METERS FURTHER DOWN TRAIL; MARKERS WERE FOUND ONEWHERESIDE OF POSITIONS. AT ZC122961 FOUND TRAIL MARKER MADE BY 2 STICKS LYING AHEAD THE TRAIL WITH 2 STICKS STUCK UPRIGHT IN GROUND ON ONE SIDE AND ONE STICK UP RIGHT

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OF SCENE: FOUND NOTHING IN AREA. ALSO FOUND A NUMBER OF TRAIL MARKERS IN AREA. ONE OF WHICH WAS STUCK IN GROUND WITH A STICK RESTING IN IT. POINTING IN DIRECTION OF POSSIBLE AMBUSH SITES AT 20111988. FOUND BLOOD POOL ON GROUND ONE DAY OLD.

8. NATURE OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD; ONE N3 (MED-EVAC) DUE TO GASTROENTERITIS

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND SMALLER PATROL, MAXIMUM OF 7 MEN. EVIDENCE OF EXTENSIVE ENEMY ACTIVITY THROUGHOUT AREA ON "E" SIDE OF RIDGE, COMMS WAS POOR. ROUTE FROM A/1/5 TO NEZ/EPZ IS OPEN PADDY AREA WITH UP TO 5' DEEP MUD AND WATER, MOVEMENT VERY DIFFICULT.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: UH-1E GUNSHIP SUPPORT, VERY GOOD.

LT. D.J. O'DONNELL
6TH PLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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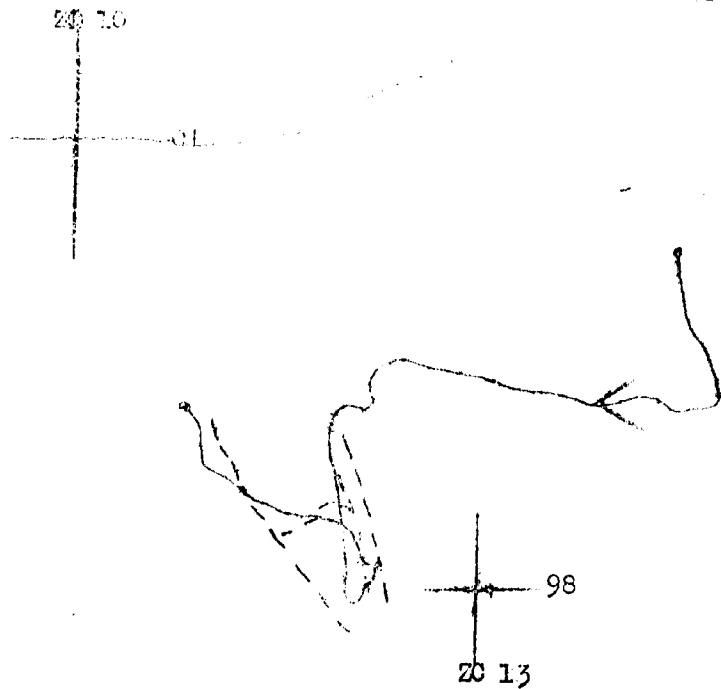
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Unit/Call Sign: C-2-2 (MUSK OX) Patrol Leader: CPL ARMERHSTER

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance/surveillance within your assigned MZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Truoi River area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy movement toward friendly units along Highway 1. Assume a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner if such is compatible with the primary mission and in no way jeopardizes the patrol. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 240800H; insert at vic YD988998. Extract at 281300H via YC977922. Alternate insertion. Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 241000H; proceed by truck east on Highway #1 to vic ZD014026; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination with the 1st Battalion 5th Marines before insertion.

(2) In the event helicopter extraction is impossible, on order fr this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to Highway #1 vic ZD014026 making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from vic ZD014026 to 1st Force Recon Co area.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.00; Alternate: 31.60
Artillery: (a) HEAD COLD "E" 67.25 (2 155's, 6 105's)
(b) PATTY SHELL "E" 35.95 (3 155's)
(c) POTTED SPOOLS "E" ARVN 39.80

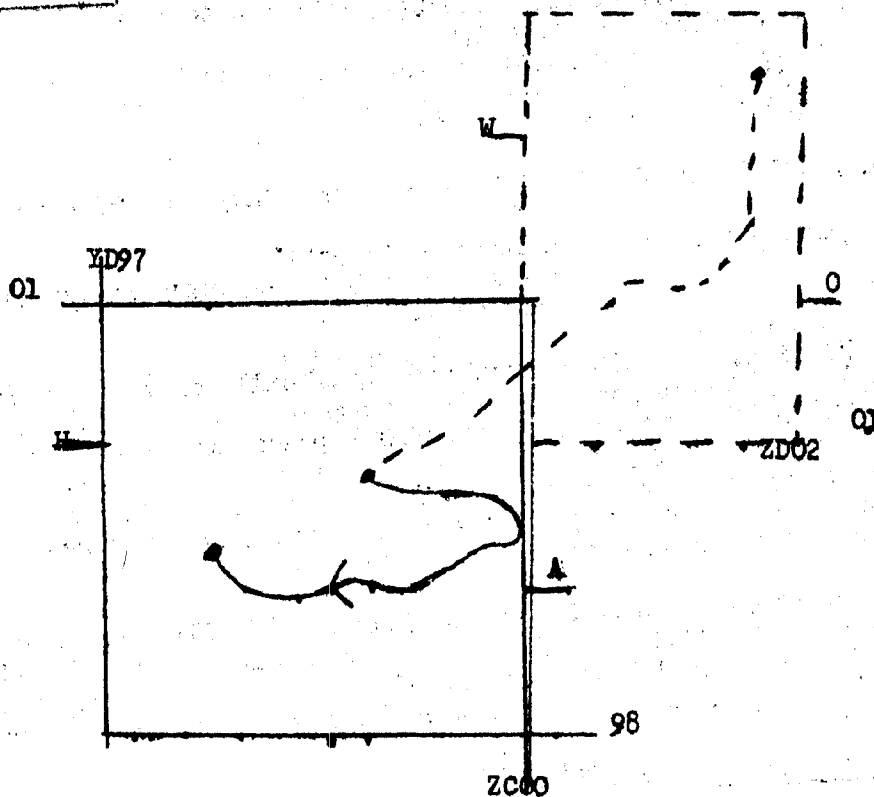
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PATROL REPORT

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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 2 7x50'S
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-79; 4 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NZZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE TRUNG RIVER AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY MOVEMENT TOWARD FRIENDLY UNITS ALONG HIGHWAY #1. ASSUME A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER IF SUCH IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE PRIMARY MISSION AND IN NO WAY JEOPARDIZES THE PATROL. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240845H/280900H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 72 HRS. WITH ONE SIGHTING OF 30 VC. ONE FM WAS CALLED WHICH RESULTED IN ONE VC KIA (CONF) AND 5 VC KIA (PROB).

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 261325H YD940017 30 VC WALKING "SW" ALONG STREAM, BLK. PJ'S, AND GREEN UTILITIES. PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FM, GOOD COVERAGE, 1 VC KIA (CONF), AND 5 VC KIA (PROB).

B. TERRAIN: IN LOWGROUND, THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 25' HIGH. ON HIGH GROUND, SINGLE CANOPY UP TO 125' HIGH BUT SECONDARY GROWTH NOT AS THICK AS ON LOWER GROUND.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT YC989998, OPEN PADDY AREA. EXTRACT LZ AT YC981992, PADDY WITH 15'-20' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS, GOOD LxCH-46 ZONE. AT YC985992 FOUND 8 RECTANGULAR HOLDS IN GROUND APPROXIMATELY 12" LONG, 8" WIDE, 12" DEEP, VERY OLD AND OVERGROWN WITH WEEDS BUT OBVIOUSLY MAN-MADE. AT TOP OF HILL 312 YC993991, CAN OP TO "N" BUT CANOPY AND BRUSH RESTRICT OBSERVATION. NO EVIDENCE OF ANY RECENT ACTIVITY, EITHER ENEMY OR CIVILIAN, IN AREA.

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

9. CONDUCTION OF PATROL: VERY GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND M-49 SCOPE TO INCREASE OF CAPABILITY. BRING M-60 MACHINE GUN FOR SECURITY.

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12. IDENTIFICATION OF SUPPORTING ARMS: UNKNOWN

SGT. J.W. WHITNEY
2d PLT, Co "C", 1st RECON BN
PATROL LEADER

19. COMMENTS BY DESPATCH: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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Unit/Call Sign: C-3-1 (Pony Boy) Patrol Leader: LT RIGGINS

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance/surveillance operations within your assigned NZF/FPZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or armor infiltration in the upper tributaries of the Nong River, and trail networks in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 240830H; insert via YD869032. Extract at 261300H via YD876049. Alternate insertion, Depart 1st Force Recon Co area at 241000H; proceed by helicopter to Night Scholar Relay via YD849; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Night Scholar Relay.

(2) In the event the helicopter extraction is impossible, on order from this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to Night Scholar Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. Helicopter transportation will be provided by this Headquarters to 1st Force Recon Co area.

(3) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made during hours of daylight.

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

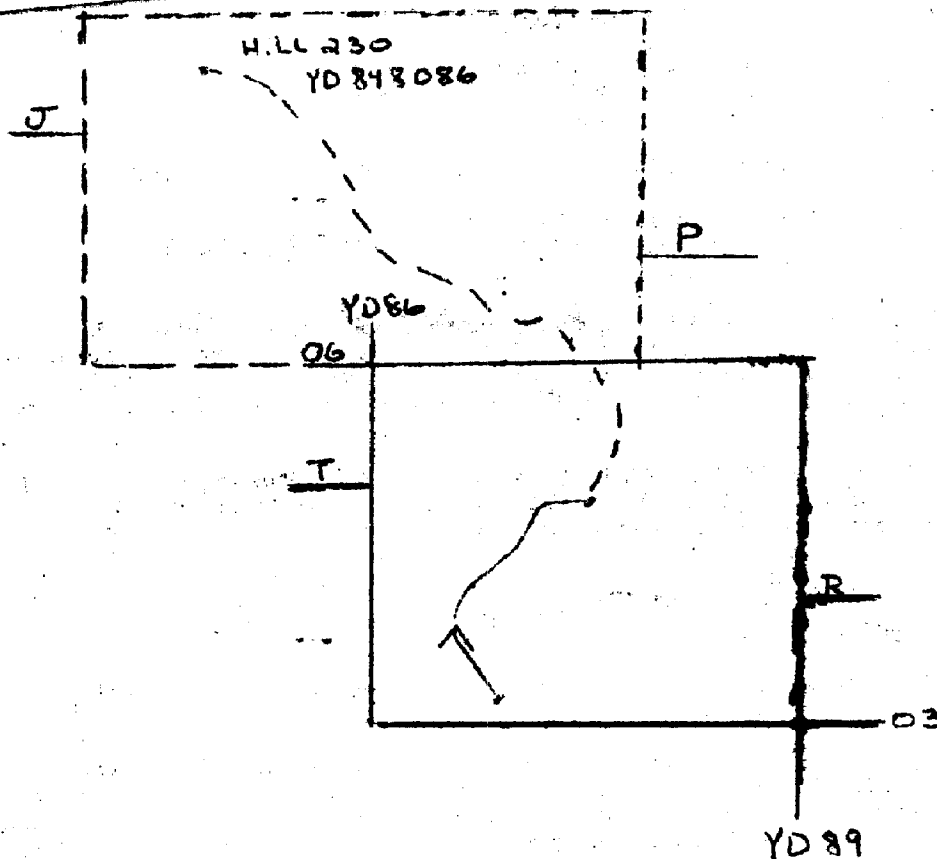
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.0; Alternate: 31.6
Artillery: (a) DATE PALM 47.00 (155 Guns)
(b) HEAD GOLD "E" 47.00 (105 How-155 How)
(c) RUSH ACT "B" 47.00 (8" How)

Radio Relays: (a) NIGHT SCHOLAR
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 10FT. 9 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 1 7x50.
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-14; 4M-72'S; 1M-72; 4 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE/SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NZZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE UPPER TRIBUTARIES OF THE PONG RIVER, AND TRAIL NETWORKS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240936H/261020H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 49 HOURS WITH 2 OBSERVATIONS OF VC OR VC MOVEMENT. 1 FM WAS CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 25000H YD872047 2 VC MOVING "NE" IN TREELINE; 1 RIFLE. CALLED FM, 1ST CALLED TO CLOSE TO TEAM POSITION, CANCELLED FM, WERE GETTING SHRAPNEL FROM TEAM'S POSITION.

250000H YD874046 MOVEMENT AND 1ST CALLED TO "NE" AND "SW". NO FM CALLED, DUE TO 1ST OBSERVATION AND PROXIMITY TO TEAM'S POSITION.

B. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS, SPARSE BUSH AND GRASS; CLOSE TO TREELINE VERY HEAVY SECONDARY GROWTH 8'-10' HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: TERRAIN AT YD873037, SUGGESTS ONE CH-46 ZONE ON 10° INCLINE, 3'-4' SECONDARY GROWTH. EXTRACT AT YD873037 POOR ONE CH-46 ZONE, SEVERAL TREE STUMPS 2'-3' HIGH, ON 15° INCLINE. AT YD874045 GOOD CP OF TRAIL NETWORK TO "SE" OF POSITION WHICH HAS EVIDENCE OF RECENT EASTERLY TRAFFIC.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. RECOMMEND PATROL REMAIN IN CANOPY TO EFFECT MAXIMUM USE OF COVER AND CONCEALMENT.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTIVE ARMS: OUTSTANDING ACCURACY

12. COMMENTS BY DEB: LEFER: NONE

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Unit/Call Sign: C-3-3 (FAST DAY) Patrol leader: LT McBRIDE

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Mo Tau Mountain Range area. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on ambush sites with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 240930H; insert via YD510240. Extract at 281330H via YD510240. Alternate insertion. Depart 1st Force Recon (Rein) Co area at 1100H; proceed by helicopter to Night Scholar Relay, via YD848085; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ. Proceed along patrol route shown in reverse coordinating instructions.

a. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Ensure thorough coordination with all friendly units operating in Mo Tau Mountain Range area.
- (2) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Night Scholar Relay.
- (3) In the event helicopter extraction is impossible, on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to Night Scholar Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from Night Scholar Relay to 1st Force Recon (Rein) Co area.
- (4) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.00 47.00 31.60
Artillery: (a) DATE PALM 36.60 (155 Gun)
(b) HEAD GOLD "E" 36.60 (105HOW & 155HOW)
(c) RUSH ACT "B" 36.60 (8" HOW)

Radio Relay: (a) FOXTROT 47.00
(b) WHISKEY

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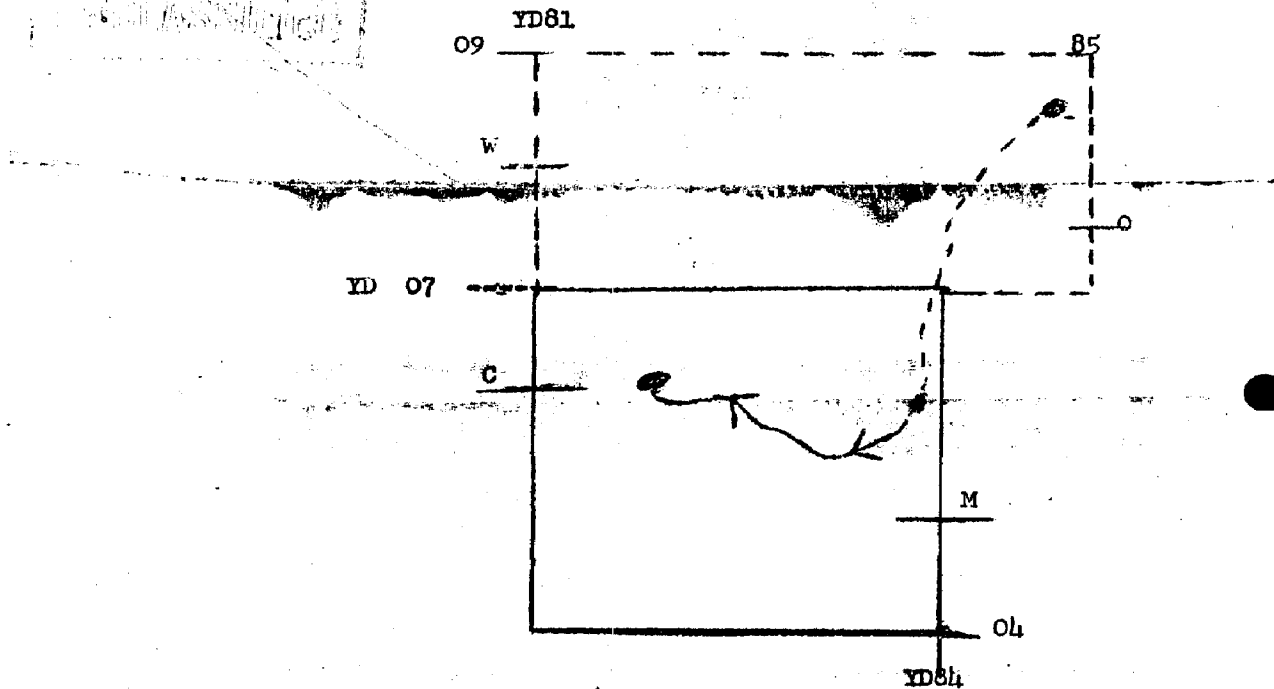
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 10 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 1 7x50; 1M-49 SCOPE
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-14; 5M-72'S; 1M-79; 4 CLAYMORES

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

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 241025H/281049H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HRS. WITH ONE DETECTION OF 6-7 VC AROUND TEAM POSITION. NO FM'S CALLED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 262215H YD829055 6-7 VC MOVING AROUND TEAM POSITION. UNABLE TO OBSERVE. NO FM CALLED DUE TO ENEMY'S PROXIMITY TO PATROL LOCATION.

B. TERRAIN: IN PIEDMONT REGION, LOW, ROLLING HILLS, SPARSE SCRUB GROWTH 2'-3' HIGH. NO COVER OR CONCEALMENT. RELIEF VERY STEEP; IN DRAWS AND VALLEYS, THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 30' HIGH; IN HIGH GROUND, BRUSH WOOD 3'-4' HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT YD828075 GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE, GRASS 1'-3' HIGH; EXTRACT LZ AT YD834059, GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE. EVERY PIECE OF HIGH GROUND IN PIEDMONT REGION HAS INFREQUENTLY USED TRAIL RUNNING OVER IT. IN DRAWS, INFREQUENTLY USED TRAILS PARALLEL STREAMS. AT YD833056 GOOD CP TO "N" OF PIEDMONT REGION; AT YD829055 GOOD CP TO "W" OF SONG TA TRACH.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NEGATIVE CONTACT.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HILL 230 (NIGHT SCHOLAR RELAY AT YD849085) IS EXCELLENT MAP REFERENCE POINT FROM WHICH TO DETERMINE TEAM POSITION.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A;

LT. C.P. McBRIDE
 XO Co"C", 1ST RECON BN
 PATROL LEADER

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12. COMMENTS BY DESIGNEE: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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Unit/Call Sign: F-3 (WEST ORANGE) Patrol Leader: LT LEENERTS

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in Phu Loc District area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy troop movement towards the Phu Loc District Headquarters. Emphasis also to be placed on ambush sites with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 250800H; insert vic ZC085955. Extract at 281300H vic ZC075968.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with the 1stBn5thMar S-3 Officer at the C.P.

(2) In the event helicopter extraction is impossible, on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to 1stBn 5thMar C.P. making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from 1stBn 5th Mar to 1st Force Recon Co area.

(3) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 39.80; Alternate: 31.60
Artillery: (a) HEADC. OLD "D" 45.35 (5) 105HOW
(b) PATTY SHELL "L" 35.95 (3) 155HOW
(c) POTTED SPOOLS "E" ARVN 39.80 105 HOW

Radio Relay: (a) NIGHT SCH OLAR NOVMEBER

(b) NIGHT SCHOLAR RELAY

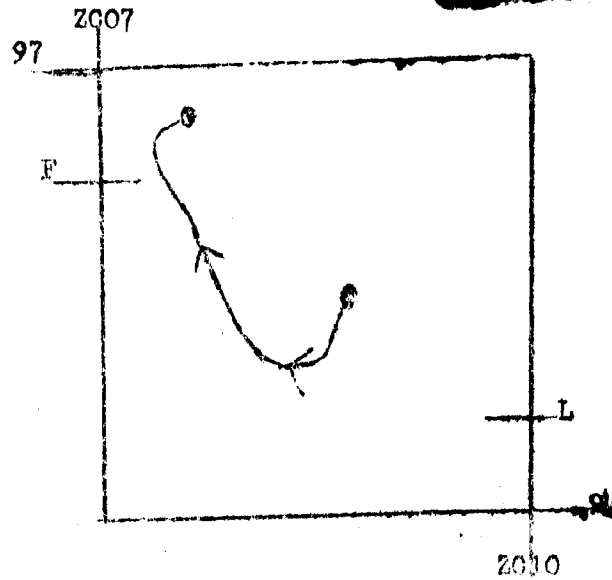
Other Freqs: (a) (NAILBRUSH) 1/5 67.55

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OPERATION ORDER: 21
PATROL: F-3 WEST ORANGE
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
L7014; SHEET 6541 I & 6541 II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 281030H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NPZ/FEZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/IVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN PHU LOC DISTRICT AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY TROOP MOVEMENT TOWARDS THE PHU LOC DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AMBUSH SITES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 281220H/280938H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 69 HRS. WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACT OF ENEMY.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: RELIEF, VERY STEEP; SINGLE CANYON, 20'-30' HIGH, VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH 6'-8' HIGH, VERY DIFFICULT MOVEMENT, MAXIMUM RATE OF MOVEMENT 100 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSECT AND HERBACE AT ZC037954, EXCELLENT 6 CH-46 ZONE, MUST APPROACH ALONG "V"-W- "W" ZONE TO REACH HIGH GROUND ON "E" AND "W", ZONE IS BUILT PADDY AREA, 1/2 GRASS, ALL TRAILS, AS SHOWN ON MAP, VERY WELL USED. ALL SURE, AS SHOWN ON MAP, EASILY FORDABLE. AT ZC089949 OUTSTANDING OP OF PHU LOC VALLEY, BOMB CRATER; OTHER BOMB CRATERS IN SAME AREA WOULD ALSO HAVE EVIDENCE OF VALLEY. NO EVIDENCE OF ANY ENEMY ACTIVITY ALONG PATROL ROUTE.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: CAN OP ATTEMPT ON HIGH GROUND AND OBSERVE ENTIRE VALLEY FLOOR.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A;

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3RD PLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO
PATROL LEADER

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12. COMMENTS BY DISTRIBUTOR: NONE

13. DISTRIBUTION MEMBERS:

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 (b) 1st Force Recon Co
 (c) 1st Force Recon Co (Intelligence) 304
 (d) 1st Force Recon Co (2) (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) 1st Force Recon Co 22-68

Unit/Call Sign: (1) (SUZEMASTER) Recon Co 304, 2548 I, 241 I, 241 I, 241 I.

1. Situation: (a) See current 1st Force Recon Co
 (b) See current 1st Force Recon Co
 (c) Attachments: None

2. Mission: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your RFZ/RFZ to detect possible troop movement or area infiltration along the Ta Trach River by establishing an observation post in the vic of YD76055. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, storage areas, fortifications and routes of access. Emphasis also to be placed on ambush sites with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner. Be prepared to call and adjust air targets of opportunity.

3. Execution: Depart LZ JENSEN (304) at 250830H; insert via YD780055. Extract at 291330H via YD780076. Alternate insertion: Depart 1st Force Recon Co at 251000H; proceed by truck to Whiskey Relay via YD763128; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to insert LZ.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination with all friendly units operating in the Ta Trach River area.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Whiskey Relay.

(3) In the event the helicopter extraction is impossible, on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to Whiskey Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from Whiskey Relay to 1st Force Recon Co area.

(4) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics: Primary Freq: 47.00; Alternate: 31.60
 Artillery: (a) DATE PALM 47.00 (155 Guns)
 (b) RUSH ACT "B" 47.00 (8" HOW)

Radio Relays: (a) NIGHT SCHOLAR RELAY
 (b) WHISKEY RELAY

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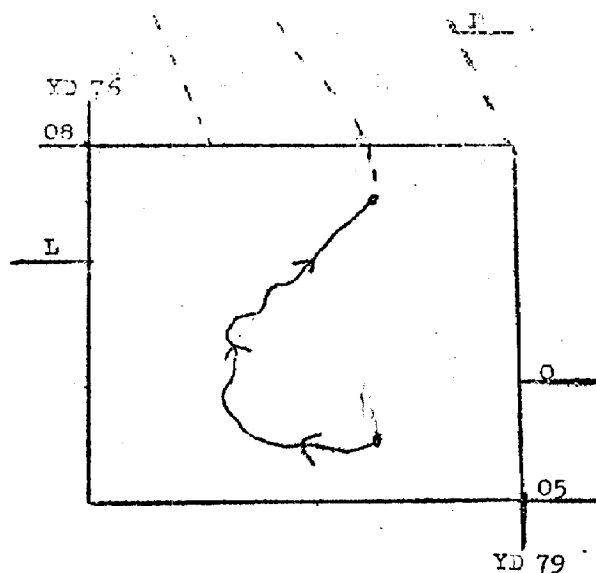
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 (b) 1st Recon Bn 103000.4
 (c) 1st Mar Div 0 F3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1st Mar Div 0 1003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) Co Frag Order msg #23-68

Unit/Call Sign: F-4-1 (LUNGA POINT) Patrol Leader: LT. TAUSSIG

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/NFZ to detect possible VC/NVA movement or arms infiltration in the tributaries of the Nong River, and specifically trail networks in the area. Emphasis also to be placed on ambush sites with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 260800H; insert via YD886020. Extract at 291300H via YD878035. Alternate insertion, Depart 1st Force Recon Co. area at 261000H; proceed by helicopter to Night Scholar relay via YD846085; proceed by foot to extract LZ and conduct patrol in reverse.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) ~~Ensure~~ thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Night Scholar Relay.

(2) In the event helicopter extraction is impossible, on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to Night Scholar Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. Helicopter transportation will be provided by this Headquarters to 1st Force Recon Co. area.

(3) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made during hours of daylight.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.0 Alternate 31.6

Artillery: (a) DATE PLUM 47.00 (155Guns)
 (b) HEAD COLD "E" 47.00 (105HOW 155HOW)
 (c) RUSH ACT "B" 47.00 (8"HOW)

Radio Relay: (a) NIGHT SCHOLAR
 (b) WHISKEY

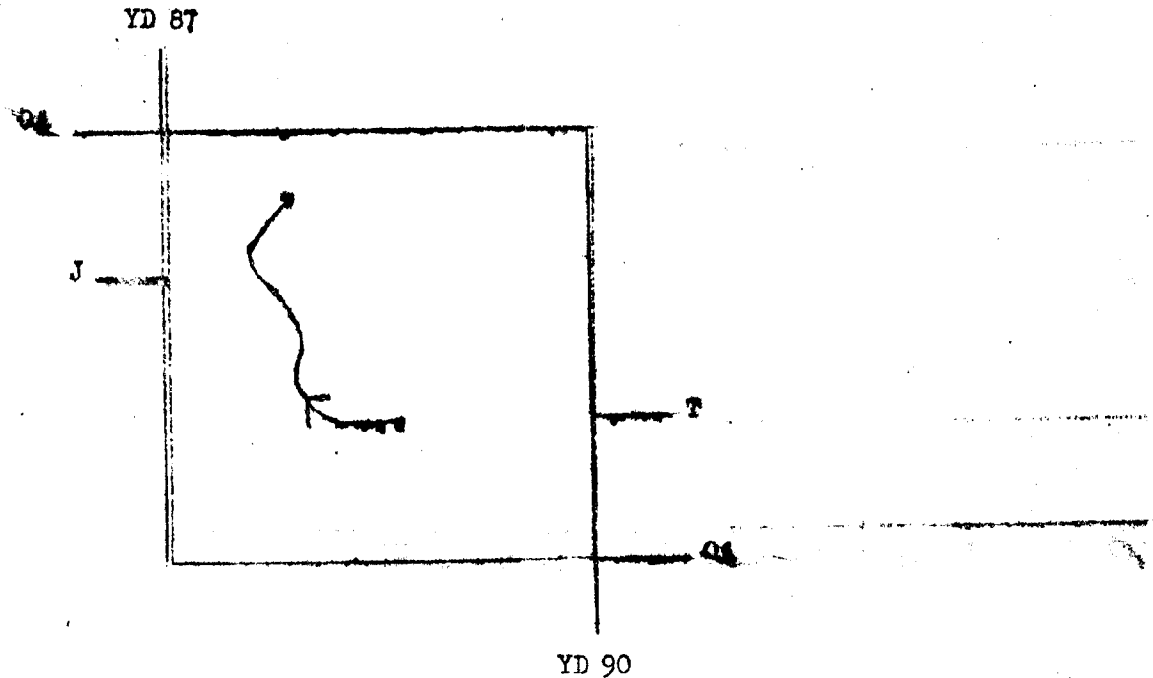
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OPERATION ORDER: 82-62
 PATROL: C-4-1 QUIZMASTER
 DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
 MAPS: VIETNAM: 1:50,000; AMS
 17014, SHEET 6541 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
 PHU BAI, RVN
 DTG 251500H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 8 ENL, 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 1 7x50
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-14; 1M-75

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION ALONG THE TA TRACH RIVER BY ESTABLISHING AN OBSERVATION POST IN THE VIC OF YD776055. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AMBUSH SITES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 251050H/251430H

4. ROUTE: N/A;

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 3½ HRS. WITH ONE CONTACT WITH 100 VC/NVA. ONE FM WAS CALLED AND UH-1E STRIKES WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 251130H YD779054 EST. 100 NVA ALL AROUND TEAMS'S POSITION. THROWING GRENADES, AND FIRING SA AND AW. RETURNED SA/LW, WP RIFLE GRENADE, HAND GRENADE FIRE AND DIRECTED UH-1E GUNSHIP STRIKES ON THE ENEMY POSITIONS WITH RESULTS UNKNOWN DUE TO SECONDARY GROWTH. CALLED FM, CHECKED FIRE DUE TO UH-1E REQUESTED AND RECEIVED EMERGENCY EXTRACTS AT 251430H. HELICOPTERS RECEIVED FIRE FROM ALL DIRECTIONS DURING EXTRACTION AND RECEIVED HEAVY CALIBER AUTO, WEAPONS FIRE FROM VIC YD780050.

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP RELIEF; 50'-60' SINGLE CANOPY WITH 10'-15' VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH, MOVEMENT VERY DIFFICULT.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT AT YD780054, BASE OF HILL 274.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 USMC KIA, 4 USMC WIA (MED-EVAC); ENEMY CASUALTIES UNKNOWN.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: TEAM MEMBERS NOT WOUNDED, GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HEAVY ENEMY CONCENTRATION IN AREA.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS:
PROVIDED EXCELLENT SUPPRESSIVE FIRE.

ARTILLERY WAS RECON, UN-IE'S

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

LT. L.D. PHELPS
4TH PLT, Co "C" 1ST RECON BN
PATROL LEADER

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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OPERATION ORDER: 27-66
PATROL: F-4-1 LUNG
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
L700M; SHEET 641 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAT, RVN
DTG 291300H 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE TRIBUTARIES OF THE NONG RIVER, AND SPECIFICALLY TRAIL NETWORKS IN THE AREA. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AMBUSH SITES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 261010H/290855H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 71 HRS. WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS AND CONTACT.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. N/A
- B. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS, SPARSE SCRUB GROWTH 2'-3' HIGH, IN STREAMS-EXTREMELY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH UP TO 20' HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YD886020; GOOD MULTI-CH-46 ZONE, LOW FLAT AREA, 2'-3' GRASS. EXTRACT LZ AT YD878053, GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE, OPEN AREA ON RIDGE 2'-3' GRASS. MAJOR TRAILS AS SHOWN ON MAP, NUMEROUS MINOR, INFREQUENTLY USED TRAILS THROUGHOUT AREA. NUMEROUS GOOD CH-46 IZ'S THROUGHOUT PIEDMONT REGION. YD872034 "N" TO YD888060 EXTREMELY WELL USED TRAIL, NUMEROUS GOOD AMBUSH SITES; ON TRAIL FOUND BLOODY T-SHIRT, 200 PIASTERS (FAIRLY NEW), COOLIE HAT, RUBBER TIRE SANDAL COORDINATES YD880051; ALL GEAR AND MONEY WERE SHREDDED WITH SHRAPNEL HOLES. SERIAL NUMBERS OF CURRENCY AS FOLLOWS: 1ST 100 PIASTER NOTE; 126512, Q5 AND 2D 100 PIASTER NOTE; 071465, E-5. AT YD880046 FOUND ONE CLIP WITH ERDS U.S. M-1, CALIBER .30, VERY OLD AND RUSTY. AT YD880049 AT 271310H OBSERVED 2 VC CIVILIANS. 1 MAN AND 1 BOY, APPEARED TO BE LOOKING FOR FISH BAIT. VIC YD8706 ON 290800H OBSERVED LARGE HERD OF WATER BUFFALO MOVING "S" TOWARD CANOPY; COULD NOT OBSERVE ANYONE TENDING HERD BUT ANIMALS DID APPEAR TO BE DRIVEN "S".

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND AREA FOR GOOD AMBUSH AND PRISONER SNATCH. VERY OPEN AREA; MOVE AT NIGHT.

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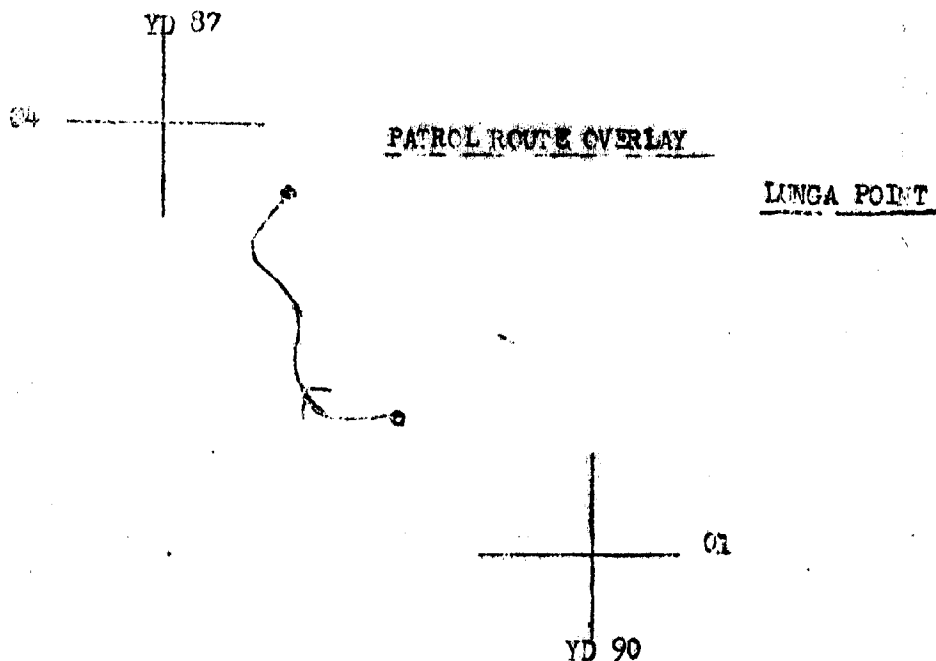
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: FOR PRE-PLOTTED FIRES, EXCELLENT SUPPORT

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: GEAR FOUND BY LUNGA POINT AT YD880051 IS PROBABLY GEAR LEFT BEHIND BY GROUP OF 150 VC SIGHTED AND TAKEN UNDER ARMY FIRE IN THAT VICINITY BY WEST ORANGE ON 18 JAN 1968.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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 (b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.IF (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO 1003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) CoFragOrder msg #28-68

Unit/Call Sign: C-2-1 (PANAMA INT) Patrol Leader: LT LANGDON

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible troop movement or arms infiltration to the west of Phu Loc District Headquarters. Specifically toward friendly units along Highway #1. Particular emphasis on surveillance to observe possible rocket sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access. Emphasis to be placed on ambush sites with a primary mission of capturing a prisoner. Be prepared to call and act on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Lt LE JENSEN, 1st Force Recon, insert via ZDO39007. Extract via ZDO39009. Depart 1st Force Recon Co area. Proceed to CAP HOTEL 4 via ZDO43025; proceed to LZ 4 via ZDO43025 to insert LZ.

General Instructions.

- (1) Coordinate with S-3 at 5thMar(Regimental) C. P.
- (2) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with Senior Marine at CAP HOTEL 4.
- (3) In the event helicopter extract is impossible on order of this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to CAP HOTEL 4, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from CAP HOTEL 4 to 1st Force Recon Company area.
- (4) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.
- (5) Artillery support will be requested through Night Scholar November Delay.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 39.8 Alternate: 31.6
 Artillery: (a) HEAD GOLD "D" 45.35 (105HOW)
 (b) FATTY SHELL "E" 35.95 (155HOW)
 (c) POTTED SPOOLS "E" ARVN 39.8 (105HOW)

Radio Relay: (a) NIGHT SCHOLAR NOVEMBER
 Other Freqs: (a) NAILBRUSH 1/5 67.55

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OPERATION ORDER: 28-68

PATROL: PANAMA HA

DESIGNER: CAPT. R. J. VOGEL

MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS

L7014; SHEET 6541 I & 6541 II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)

PHU BAI, RVN

DEC 310930H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 8 ENL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S; 2 7x50'S; 1M-49 SCOPE
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-12; 1M-14; 1M-60; 1M-79; 4 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION TO THE WEST OF PHU LOC DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, SPECIFICALLY TOWARD FRIENDLY UNITS ALONG HIGHWAY #1. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS AND ROUTES OF ACCESS. EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON AMBUSH SITES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 280955H/310905H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 71 HRS. WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS AND CONTACT.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- A. ENEMY: N/A
- B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP RELIEF; 5' GRASS THROUGHOUT AREA EXCEPT FOR "NW-SE" RIDGELINE VIC ZD0500 HAD SCATTERED TREES; SCATTERED SINGLE CANOPY 10' HIGH VIC. ZD038009.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT ZD044016, FLAT DRY PADDY AREA, GOOD AGE-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ AT ZD054006, ON TOP OF RIDGE, SCRUB GROWTH 5'-6' HIGH, 45° INCLINE, VERY POOR CH-46 ZONE. "NE" TRAIL AT ZD049009, 2'-3' WIDE, RECENTLY USED. GOOD OP AT ZD039009 OF VALLEY TO "N" AS WELL AS OF HIGHWAY #1, ALSO GOOD LCH-46 ZONE, 2'-3' GRASS. AT ZD049008 EXCELLENT OP OF HIGHWAY #1 BOTH TO "E" AND "W", ALSO GOOD LCH-46 ZONE, SPARSE SCRUB GROWTH. AT ZD039010 FOUND DRAG MARKS AND BLOOD STRAINS NOT MORE THAN 24 HRS. OLD, APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN TWO PERSONS DRAGGING BODY. ON TRAIL AT ZD053004 FOUND WHAT LOOKED LIKE SCRIBBLING ON GROUND WITH ARROW DOWN ON GROUND POINTING "NW" INTO BRUSH. NUMEROUS 1-3 MEN HARBOR SITES 2-3 DAYS OLD VIC ZD040009. AT ZD054008 FOUND FRESH TRENCH 6" WIDE, 1' DEEP, 3' LONG, LESS THAN 24 HRS. OLD. FOUND EVIDENCE OF MANY WOODCUTTERS IN AREA.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: 3 NBC DUE TO HEAT AND ROUGHNESS OF TERRAIN

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TAKE AT LEAST 6-7 CANTEENS OF WATER PER MAN. COMM. WAS POOR, NEEDED WHIP ANTENNA IN BRUSH.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

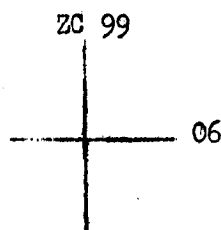
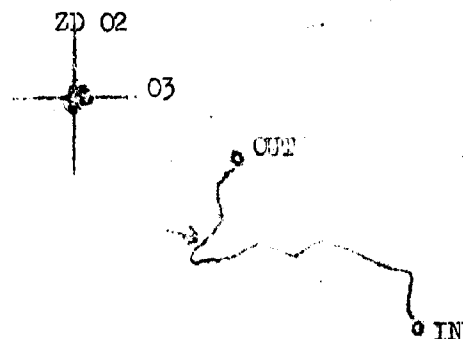
LT. H.W. LANGDON
2D PLT, Co "C", 1ST RECON BN
PATROL LEADER

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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	S-3 1ST RECON BN.	(1)
	CO, HMM-164	(1)
	S-2 HMM-164	(1)
	S-3 HMM-164	(1)
	CO, HMM-364	(1)
	S-2 HMM-364	(1)
	S-3 HMM-364	(1)
	CO, VMO-3	(1)
	S-2 VMO-3	(1)
	S-3 VMO-3	(1)
	CO, 11TH MAR	(4)
	CO, 5TH MAR	(5)
	MAG-36	(1)
	MAG-16	(1)
	MAG-11	(1)
	CO, 1ST FORCE	(1)
	CO, Co "C"	(1)
	Co. S-2	(5)
	Co. S-3	(2)



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OPERATION ORDER: #29-68

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Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6541 IV
 (b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
 (c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
 (d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
 (e) CoFragOrder msg #29-68

Unit/Call Sign: C-1-2 (MAD HATTER) Patrol Leader: SSGT. HATTON, C.W.

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

2. Mission: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration along the Ta Trach River or toward the Nam Hoa District Headquarters by establishing an observation post in the vicinity of YD778073. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to confirm the reported presence of an unidentified NVA Bn in the area. Emphasis also to be placed on ambush sites with a secondary mission of capturing a prisoner. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ JENSEN (301) at 281030H; Insert via YD775062. Extract at 021530H; via YD778073. Alternate insertion: Depart 1st Force Recon Co at 281000H; proceed by truck to Whiskey Relay via YD763128; proceed by foot along route shown in overlay to extract LZ; proceed along assigned patrol route in reverse direction.

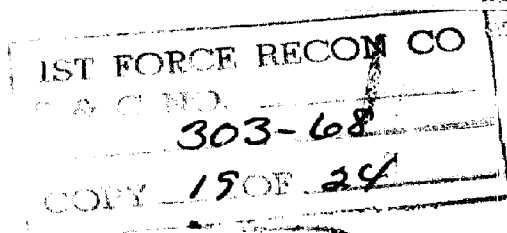
a. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Ensure thorough coordination with all friendly units operating in the Ta Trach River area.
- (2) Ensure thorough coordination of passage of lines with personnel at Whiskey Relay.
- (3) In the event helicopter extraction is impossible, on order from this Headquarters proceed by foot from extract LZ to Whiskey Relay, making maximum utilization of escape and evasion techniques. This Headquarters will provide transportation from Whiskey Relay to 1st Force Recon Co area.
- (4) Ensure that entry of friendly lines is made only during hours of daylight.

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

5. Communications/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.00; Alternate 31.6;
 Artillery: (a) DATE PALM 47.00 (155 Gns) -
 (b) HEAD COLD "E" 47.00 (105 HOW & 155 HOW)
 (c) RUSH ACT "B" 47.00 (8" HOW)

Radio Relay: (a) NIGHT SCHOLAR RELAY
 (b) WHISKEY RELAY



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OPERATION ORDER: 6
PATROL: C-1-R MAD HATTER
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. F.J. VOGEL
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
17024; SHEET 3541 IV

1ST FORCE RECONnaissance COMPANY (RBTN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 292300H JAN 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 9 INL. 1 USN.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S; 2 7x50'S
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-14; 1M-79; 4M-72'S; 4 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR NPZ/TPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION ALONG THE TA STRACH RIVER OR TOWARD THE NAM HOA DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS BY ESTABLISHING AN OBSERVATION POST IN THE VICINITY OF YD778073. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO CONFIRM THE REPORTED PRESENCE OF AN UNIDENTIFIED NVA BN IN THE AREA. EMPHASIS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON AMBUSH SITES WITH A SECONDARY MISSION OF CAPTURING A PRISONER. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 281114H/292236H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 35 HRS. WITH 4 SIGHTINGS OF 10 VC, 1 COMPLEX, 3 STRUCTURES AND ONE TUNNEL COMPLEX AND ONE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 150 NVA. 4 FM'S WERE CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS; 1 USMC DIED OF WOUNDS AND 1 USMC WAS SLIGHTLY WOUNDED AS A RESULT OF THE CONTACT.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN: 261500H YD787066 5 HOCCHES AND ONE TUNNEL COMPLEX, COOKING WARE, 1 KEROSENE LAMP. AREA ABANDONED AT LEAST ONE MONTH AGO AND HAS BEEN HIT BY AIR STRIKES SINCE THEN. TUNNEL LEADS DOWN TO STREAM.

291105H YD762059 VC CAMPFIRE. CALLED FM, GOOD COVERAGE, UNABLE TO OBSERVE DUE TO CANOPY.

291130H YD796073 3 VC MOVING "N" ALONG TRAIL. MIXED KHAKI UNIFORMS, 3 RIFLES. CALLED FM, GOOD COVERAGE, COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO CANOPY.

291150H YD817066 7 VC SITTING UNDER TREE, MIXED KHAKI UNIFORMS, 3 RIFLES. CALLED FM, EXCELLENT COVERAGE, COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO VC MOVING INTO TREE LINE.

292300H YD782063 ESTIMATED 150 NVA MOVING "NE" IN COLUMN OF THREE'S TOWARD TEAM POSITION AT YD789071. MIXED KHAKIS AND BLK. PJ'S. AK-47'S, GRENADES, OBSERVED SEVERAL ENEMY, WEARING BLK. SHORTS AND CARRYING POSSIBLE MORTAR TUBES, WHO WERE MUCH LARGER THEN NORMAL VIETNAMESES, MOST OF ENEMY WEARING VERY LARGE PACKS, ALL HEAVILY CAMOFLAGED WITH BRUSH. ENEMY DETOYED ON LINE BELOW TEAM POSITION AND COMMENCED ASSULT, FIRING AK-47'S AND THROWING GRENADES. CALLED FM, OUTSTANDING COVERAGE ALL AROUND POSITION; UP-RE GUNSHIPS, PLARSHIP, AND SPOOKY CAME ON STATION TO SUPPORT AND TEAM RECEIVED EARLY EXTRACTION AT 292236H. COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS OF SUPPORTING ARMS DUE TO DARKNESS AND SECONDARY GROWTH.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT YD793059, GOOD 1CM-46 ZONE FLAT, CPEN AREA. EXTRA AT YD789072, GOOD 1CM-46 ZONE FINGER WITH 4' SCRUB GROWTH. TRAIL SHOWN ON MAP SHOWED NO EVIDENCE OF RECENT USE ON 28 JAN BUT ON 29 JAN WAS USED BY NVA IN APPROACHING TEAM'S POSITION. NUMEROUS GOOD OP'S IN AREA BUT ALL WERE VERY OPEN. ON INSERTION OBSERVED POSSIBLE SURVEILLANCE PERSONNEL ON HIGH GROUND VIC HILL 274 YD775056 WATCHING TEAM ENROUTE; MAY HAVE PLOTTED TEAM'S POSITION FOR ATTACK OF 291830H.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 USMC DOW, 1 USMC WIA (MINOR); ENEMY CASUALTIES UNKNOWN.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: FOR UNWOUNDED MEMBERS, EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: AVOID INSERTING CLOSE TO CANOPY; ATTEMPT TO INSERT TO "NE" MASKED BY SMALL RIDGELINE, AND THEN MOVE "S" INTO OP. RECOMMEND GOING HEAVY, TAKE 1CM-72'S; TAKE M-49 SCOPE OR BC SCOPE FOR OBSERVATION.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: ARTILLERY, GUNSHIPS, SPOOKY, AND FLARESHIP, ALL OUTSTANDING.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THE AREA IN WHICH CONTACT WAS MADE IS THE REPORTED LOCATION OF AN NVA BN. THIS CONTACT WAS THE FOURTH CONTACT BY RECON TEAMS IN THIS AREA SINCE 14 JAN 1968 AND IS STRONG CONFIRMATION OF THE PRESENCE OF LARGE SIZE ENEMY UNITS THERE.

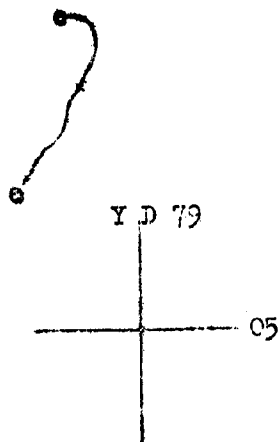
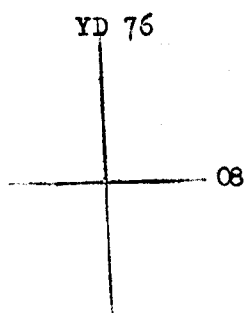
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