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A. Statistical Data Chart

	DA NANG	PHU BAI	TOTALS
Patrols	92	57	149
Sightings	456	20	476
VC Sighted	6253	393	6646
Fire Missions	346	15	361
Air Strikes	36	6	42
NGF Missions	3	0	3
VC KIA	701	26	727
IWC	1	4	5
VCC	0	0	0
Detainees	2	0	2
USMC Casualties	44	19	63
DOW	2	0	2
KIA	4	1	5
WIA (Evac)	26	15	41
MIA	0	0	0
NBC (Evac)	11	2	13
NBC KIA	1	1	2

Operations

QUICK TRACK
BALLARD VALLEY
MAMBLUKE THRUST
ALLEN BROOK
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PART V

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

PHU BAI COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
010001H May 68 TO 312400H May 68

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

1st Force Reconnaissance Company (Rein) — Maj. B.H. WALKER IV 1-2May68
Maj. J.V. SULLIVAN 2-31May68

ATTACHED UNITS

Company "C" 1st Recon Bn (Rein) — Capt. H.R. METZLER 1-31May68

2. LOCATION

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

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Capt. W.E. NELSON 1-31May68
S-2	Capt. F.J. VOGEL 1-27May68
	1stLt. C.N. RILEY 28-31May68
S-3	Capt. F.J. VOGEL 1-27May68
	1stLt. C.N. RILEY 28-31May68
Supply Officer	1stLt. W.C. CRAVEN 1-31May68
Comunications Officer	1stLt. C.N. RILEY 1-27May68
	2dLt. R.W. HANSEN 28-31May68
Motor Transport Officer	1stLt. W.C. CRAVEN 1-31May68

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
1stForReconCo (Rein)	8	160	0	16
Company "C"	4	134	0	0

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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

C1May68 During the month of May 1968, the Company continued to support Task Force X-Ray in reconnaissance operations.

C1May68 During the month of May 1968, Operation Houston continued with 1st Force Recon Co (Rein) in general support.

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A. Statistical Data Chart

B. Operation Orders and Patrol Reports

C. SITREPS: 1May-31May68

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Enclosure 2:
Tab B-#1: Co Operation Order #162-68 dtd 24 Apr 68
#2: Patrol Report C-3-2 Mable Ann dtd 01 May 68
#3: Co Operation Order #164-68 dtd 25 Apr 68
#4: Patrol Report C-1-2 Lunch Meat dtd 03 May 68
#5: Co Operation Order #165-68 dtd 26 Apr 68
#6: Patrol Report F-2 Fudge Cake dtd 03 May 68
#7: Co Operation Order #166-68 dtd 26 Apr 68
#8: Patrol Report C-4-2 Date Palm dtd 06 May 68
#9: Co Operation Order #168-68 dtd 26 Apr 68
#10: Patrol Report C-2-2 Dublin City dtd 03 May 68
#11: Co Operation Order #170-68 dtd 29 Apr 68
#12: Patrol Report F-4-1 Veal Stew dtd 03 May 68
#13: Co Operation Order #171-68 dtd 30 Apr 68
#14: Patrol Report F-3 Record dtd 06 May 68
#15: Co Operation Report #172-68 dtd 30 Apr 68
#16: Patrol Report F-4-2 Veal Stew II dtd 02 May 68
#17: Co Operation Order #173-68 dtd 01 May 68
#18: Patrol Report F-1 Spill Way dtd 08 May 68
#19: Co Operation Order #174-68 dtd 01 May 68
#20: Patrol Report C-4-1 Flag Dip dtd 07 May 68
#21: Co Operation Order #175-68 dtd 01 May 68
#22: Patrol Report C-2-1 Achilles dtd 07 May 68
#23: Co Operation Order #176-68 dtd 01 May 68
#24: Patrol Report C-1-1 Coffee Time dtd 03 May 68
#25: Co Operation Order #176-68 Change #1 dtd 04 May 68
#26: Patrol Report C-1-1 Coffee Time dtd 16 May 68
#27: Co Operation Order #177-68 dtd 01 May 68
#28: Patrol Report C-3-1 Crochet dtd 08 May 68
#29: Patrol Report Diving Mission #5-68
#30: Co Operation Order #178-68 dtd 01 May 68
#31: Patrol Report F-5 Stone Pit dtd 10 May 68
#32: Co Operation Order #179-68 dtd 02 May 68
#33: Patrol Report F-6 Desk Work dtd 06 May 68
#34: Patrol Report Diving Mission 6-68 dtd 08 May 68
#35: Co Operation Order #180-68 dtd 03 May 68
#36: Patrol Report F-4-2 Veal Stew II dtd 13 May 68
#37: Co Operation Order #181-68 dtd 03 May 68
#38: Patrol Report C-3-2 Mable Ann dtd 10 May 68
#39: Co Operation Order #182-68 dtd 04 May 68
#40: Patrol Report F-2 Fudge Cake dtd 12 May 68
#41: Co Operation Order #183-68 dtd 04 May 68
#42: Patrol Report C-2-2 Dublin City dtd 11 May 68
#43: Co Operation Order #184-68 dtd 05 May 68
#44: Patrol Report F-4-1 Veal Stew I dtd 10 May 68
#45: Co Operation Order #185-68 dtd 05 May 68
#46: Patrol Report C-1-2 Lunch Meat dtd 13 May 68
#47: Co Operation Order #186-68 dtd 07 May 68
#48: Patrol Report C-4-2 Date Palm dtd 15 May 68
#49: Co Operation Order #187-68 dtd 07 May 68
#50: Co Operation Order #188-68 dtd 08 May 68
#51: Co Operation Order #188-68 Change #1 dtd 08 May 68
#52: Patrol Report F-3 Desk Work & Record dtd 19 May 68

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#54: Co Operation Order #189-68 Change #1 dtd 12 May 68
#55: Patrol Report C-4-1 Flag Dip dtd 18 May 68
#56: Co Operation Order #190-68 dtd 09 May 68
#57: Patrol Report C-2-1 Achilles dtd 16 May 68
#58: Co Operation Order #191-68 dtd 08 May 68
#59: Patrol Report F-1 Spill Way dtd 19 May 68
#60: Diving Report Diving Mission #7-68 dtd 14 May 68
#61: Co Operation Order #192-68 dtd 10 May 68
#62: Patrol Report C-3-1 Crochet dtd 14 May 68
#63: Co Operation Order #193-68 dtd 10 May 68
#64: Co Operation Order #193-68 Change #1 dtd 13 May 68
#65: Patrol Report F-5 Stone Pit dtd 17 May 68
#66: Co Operation Order #194-68 dtd 10 May 68
#67: Co Operation Order #194-68 Change #1 dtd 13 May 68
#68: Patrol Report C-1-1 Coffee Time dtd 19 May 68
#69: Co Operation Order #195-68 dtd 10 May 68
#70: Patrol Report C-3-2 Mable Ann dtd 18 May 68
#71: Diving Report Diving Mission 9-68
#72: Co Operation Order #196-68 dtd 12 May 68
#73: Patrol Report F-4-1 Veal Stew I dtd 18 May 68
#74: Co Operation Order #197-68 dtd 14 May 68
#75: Patrol Report F-4-1 Veal Stew II dtd 22 May 68
#76: Co Operation Order #198-68 dtd 14 May 68
#77: Patrol Report C-2-2 Dublin City dtd 21 May 68
#78: Co Operation Order #199-68 dtd 14 May 68
#79: Patrol Report F-2 Fudge Cake dtd 18 May 68
#80: Co Operation Order #200-68 dtd 15 May 68
#81: Patrol Report C-1-2 Lunch Meat dtd 22 May 68
#82: Patrol Report C-4-1 Flag Dip dtd 21 May 68
#83: Patrol Report Diving Mission #10-68
#84: Co Operation Order #201-68 dtd 24 May 68
#85: Patrol Report C-2-1 Achilles dtd 24 May 68
#86: Co Operation Order #202-68 dtd 16 May 68
#87: Patrol Report C-4-2, & C-3-1 Date Palm & Coffee Time dtd 24 May 68
#88: Co Operation Order #203-68 dtd 19 May 68
#89: Patrol Report C-3-2 Mable Ann dtd 26 May 68
#90: Co Operation Order #204-68 dtd 19 May 68
#91: Co Operation Order #204-68 Change #1 dtd 20 May 68
#92: Patrol Report F-5 Stone Pit dtd 26 May 68
#93: Diving Report Diving Mission #11-68 dtd 26 May 68
#94: Co Operation Order #205-68 dtd 20 May 68
#95: Co Operation Order #205-68 Change #1 dtd 23 May 68
#96: Patrol Report C-4-1 Flag Dip dtd 28 May 68
#97: Co Operation Order #206-68 dtd 20 May 68
#98: Patrol Report F-1 Spill Way dtd 27 May 68
#99: Co Operation Order #207-68 dtd 20 May 68
#100: Patrol Report F-4-1 Veal Stew I dtd 23 May 68
#101: Co Operation Order #208-68 dtd 21 May 68
#102: Patrol Report F-2 Fudge Cake dtd 28 May 68
#103: Co Operation Order #209-68 dtd 21 May 68
#104: Patrol Report F-6 Desk Work dtd 28 May 68
#105: Co Operation Order #210-68 dtd 21 May 68
#106: Patrol Report F-3 Record dtd 28 May 68

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#109: Co Operation Order #212-68 dtd 23 May 68
#110: Co Operation Order #212-68 Change #1 dtd 27 May 68
#111: Patrol Report C-2-2 Dublin City dtd 27 May 68
#112: Patrol Report C-2-2 Dublin City dtd 29 May 68
#113: Diving Report Diving Mission 12-68
#114: Co Operation Order #213-68 dtd 24 May 68
#115: Patrol Report F-4-2 Veal Stew II dtd 31 May 68
#116: Co Operation Order #217-68 dtd 26 May 68
#117: Patrol Report C-4-2 Date Palm Dtd 30 May 68
#118: Co Operation Order #218-68 dtd 26 May 68
#119: Patrol Report C-3-1 Crochet dtd 30 May 68

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241300H Apr 1968

Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6541 III, IV
(b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.IF (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #163-68

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Unit/Call Sign: MABLE ANN (C-342) Patrol Leader: Cpl PODSCHELNE

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration west of Route #545. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 270730H; insert vic YD884027. Extract at 011300H vic YD872037.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-calls", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, C/1/27 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, C/1/27 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
BEECH NUT "D" 46.8 (105&155 HOW)
LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO
IMPRESSIVE NOVEMBER

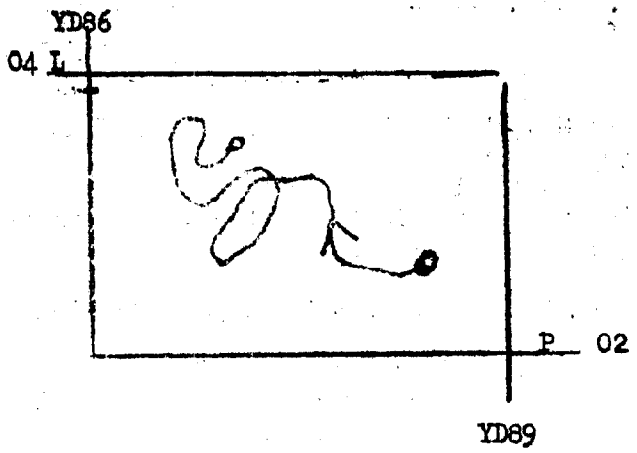
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OPERATION ORDER: 162-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: MADIE ANN C-3-2
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III&IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN MAY
DTG 010900H ~~APR~~ 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 1 M-14

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION WEST OF ROUTE #545. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPAIED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 270946H/010850H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 95 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN 2 SIGHTINGS OF 8 VC/NVA. ONE FM CALLED RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA CONF BY ARTY, AND 3 VC/NVA KIA PROB BY ARTY.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 291600H YD884033 PATROL SPOTTED 4 NVA MOVING E-W ON TRAIL. GREEN UTILITIES. 3 PACKS, ONE BAG AND 4 AK-47'S. PATROL CALLED FM. OUTSTANDING COVERAGE ON TARGET, RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA CONF. 3 NVA PROB KIA BY ARTY.

301600H YD884033 SPOTTED 4 VC WITH AK-47'S, MIXED UNIFORMS AND PACKS, MOVING ON TRAIL IN WESTERLY DIRECTION. PATROL CALLED FM AND REQUESTED AO. ONE ROUND OF WP WAS FIRED FOR SPOTTER ROUND, BUT AO COULD NOT OBSERVE VC. FM WAS CANCELLED.

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH THICK UNDERGROWTH. CANOPY RANGED UP TO 70 FT. MOVEMENT WAS APPROX 100 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YD886026. GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ AT YD878036 ROLLING HILLS. MULTI CH-46 ZONE.
OP AT YD876033. GOOD OBSERVATION TO NORTH. A LARGE TREE WAS USED.

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291105H YD872028 PATROL HEARD VOICES OF AT LEAST 3-4 PEOPLE MOVING SE. COULD NOT CALL ARTY FM DUE TO CLOSE PROXIMITY OF PATROL.

301600H YD876034 PATROL FOUND AN UNEXPLODED NAPALM BOMB. PATROL BLEW IT IN PLACE.

YD884033 PATROL OBSERVED DAILY, PEOPLE COMING OUT OF A TREELINE AND PICKING UP ILLUMINATION CHUTES, AND THEN DISAPPEARING BACK INTO THAT SAME VICINITY. ARTY WAS CALLED IN THAT AREA WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

YD877026 PATROL FOUND A WELL USED TRAIL. TRAIL WAS 3 FT WIDE AND COULD NOT BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 NVA KIA CONF BY ARTY, AND 3 NVA KIA PROB BY ARTY.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

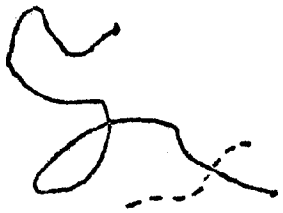
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
CPL PODSCHELING	CPL PODSCHELNE
CPL MORRIS	3RD PLT, Co "C", 1ST RECON BN.
CPL STARK	
HM3 SUTHERLAND	
LCPL DENNES	
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(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.IF (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #164-68

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Unit/Call Sign: LUNCH MEAT (C-1-2) Patrol Leader: Sgt STAIR

1. Situation. (a) See current INSTUM'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 vicinity of Route #545. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench,lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houstom.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 280730H; insert vic YD918021. Extract at 021300H vic YD889025.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-calls", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, B/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, B/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Gun)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Gun)
BEECH NUT "D" ~~46.00~~ (105 & 155 HOW) 45.35
LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW SP)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO
IMPRESSIVE NOVEMBER

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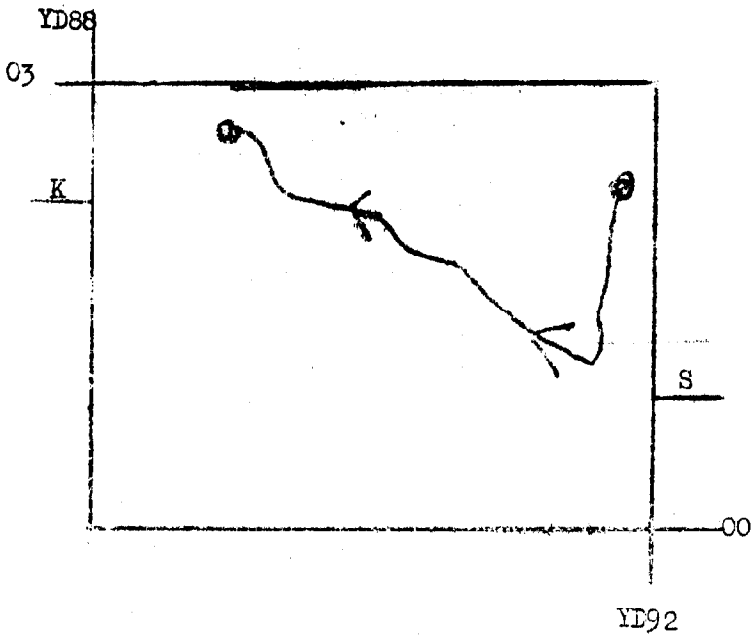
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OPERATION ORDER: 164-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: LUNCH MEAT C-1-2
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 IV&III

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 031330H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT: 10 ENL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M-14'S, 1 M-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 VICINITY OF ROUTE #545. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 300955H/031125H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 74 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT, 7 SIGHTINGS OF MORTARS BEING FIRED AND VOICES OF 10 VC/NVA MOVING ON TRAIL. 2 FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS PATROL WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 301330H YD905021. PATROL RECEIVED 8-9 INCOMING 81/82 MM MORTARS. SOME EXPLODED 40-50 METERS FROM PATROLS POSITION, ONE DUD LANDED 15 METERS FROM PATROL. HUEYS WERE ON STATION AND REQUESTED TO STRAFE AREA. 3RD RUN MADE BY GUNSHIPS, PATROL HEARD WHAT SOUNDED LIKE A SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

301745 YD905022. PATROL HEARD ONE MORTAR TUBE FIRING TOWARDS THE SOUTH. APPROX 5 ROUNDS WERE HEARD. NO FM CALLED. COULD NOT FIX MORTAR POSITION.

011430H YD908019. PATROL HEARD APPROX 10 VC/NVA MOVING SW ON TRAIL. PATROL COULD NOT SEE THEM DUE TO THICK CANOPY. FM NOT CALLED DUE TO CLOSENESS OF TEAMS POSITION.

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011830H YD906023. PATROL HEARD 4 ROUNDS OF 81/82 MM MORTARS GOING OFF. PATROL CALLED FM OUTSTANDING COVERAGE, RESULTS UNKNOWN. MORTAR FIRING STOPPED.

011930H YD906023. HEARD 7 ROUNDS OF MORTARS BEING FIRED TOWARDS UNKNOWN LOCATION. NO FM CALLED DUE TO PROXIMITY OF PATROLS POSITION.

012150H YD905023. PATROL HEARD 6 ROUNDS OF MORTARS BEING FIRED TOWARDS THE SOUTH. FM CALLED, OUTSTANDING COVERAGE. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

020425H YD905023. HEARD 4 ROUNDS OF MORTARS BEING FIRED TOWARDS S AND W. NO FM CALLED.

021115H YD907023. HEARD 3 MORTAR ROUNDS BEING FIRED TOWARDS THE WEST. FM NOT CALLED DUE TO FRIENDLIES IN AREA.

021745H YD905023. 7 ROUNDS OF 81/82 MM MORTARS BEING FIRED TOWARDS N, S, E AND W. FM NOT CALLED DUE TO FRIENDLIES IN AREA.

6. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS, WITH THICK VEGETATION. MOVEMENT WAS 100 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YD905024. GOOD CH-46 ZONE. GRASS 4-5 FT HIGH. EXTRACT LZ AT YD908025. GOOD CH-46 ZONE
NUMEROUS TRAILS THROUGHOUT THE OPERATING AREA. NONE OF THE TRAILS COULD BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
SGT STAIR	SGT STAIR
LCPL BURNEY	1ST PLT, "C" CO. 1ST RECON BN.
PFC TENDER	
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Unit/Call Sign: FUDGE CAKE (F-2) Patrol Leader: LT NICHOLS

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the western Truoi River Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, and trail networks. Also maintain surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites and mortar positions. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 280830H; insert vic YD952005. Extract at 021400H vic YD948018.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5thMar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.0 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155HOW SP)
(c) BEECHNUT "D" 45.80 (105 & 155HOW)
(d) BEECHNUT "E" 58.05 (155 HOW)
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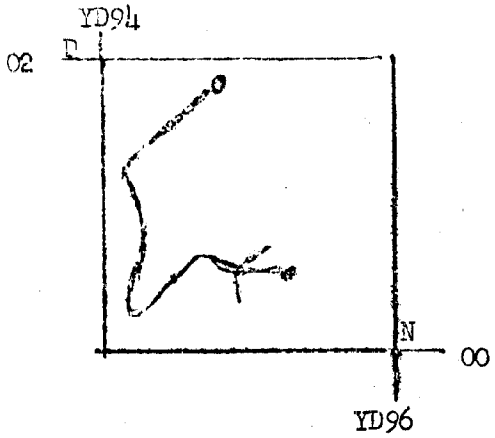
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OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: FUDGE CAKE F-2
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 8 ENL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60, 1 M-12, 1 M-14, 1 M-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 WESTERN TRUOI RIVER VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, AND TRAIL NETWORKS. ALSO MAINTAIN SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES AND MORTAR POSITIONS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 291704H/030850H

4. ROUTE: OP AT YD948018

5. SYNOPSIS: 88 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN ENEMY.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 030345H YD948018. PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT AROUND THEIR OP SITE. PATROL THREW 3 M-26 GRENADES TWO OF WHICH WERE DUDS. AFTER THE EXPLOSION NO MORE MOVEMENT WAS HEARD.

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH NO UNDERBRUSH OR CANOPY. WIDE OPEN AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AND EXTRACT LZ AT YD948018. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE PATROL CALLED FM IS SUPPORT OF COFFEE TIME WHEN COFFEE TIME MADE CONTACT. WHEN TEAM WAS EXTRACTED, THIS TEAM CALLED SATURATION FIRE ON THE CONTACT AREA WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: OUTSTANDING

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THIS AREA IS NOT SUITABLE FOR RECON OPNS, DUE TO LACK OF CONCEALMENT.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
LT NICHOLS	LT NICHOLS
SGT BUDA	2ND PLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO.
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Unit/Call Sign: DATE PALM (C-4-2) Patrol Leader: CPL RININGER

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 at IMPRESSIVE BRAVO Radio Relay Site (Hill 230) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Phu Bai area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis to be placed on improving defensive positions and fields of fire on Hill 230. Provide communications personnel to assist the Radio Relay Team (IMPRESSIVE BRAVO). Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 290730H; insert vic YD848086. Extract at 061300H vic YD848086.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination with the senior Marine at IMPRESSIVE BRAVO relay.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 1st MAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-calls", and counter battery fires.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 47.0
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW.SP)
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Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO

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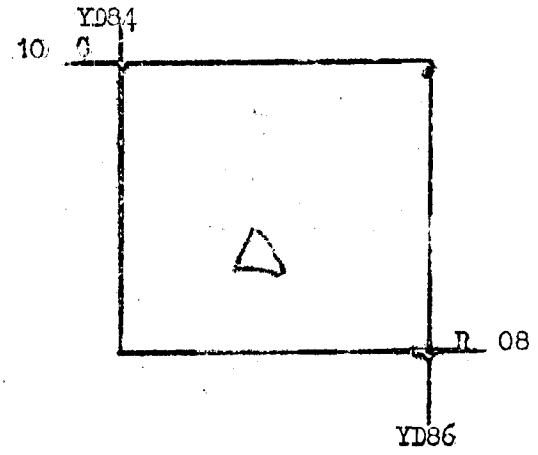
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DTG 060900H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 15 ENL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, STARLIGHT SCOPE, 1 M-49, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-12, 1 M-14, 1 M-60, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AND OBSERVATION POST AT IMPRESSIVE BRAVO RADIO RELAY SITE (HILL 230) AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE PHU BAI AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS AND EGRESS. EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON IMPROVING DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND FIELDS OF FIRE ON HILL 230. PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS PERSONNEL TO ASSIST THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (IMPRESSIVE BRAVO). BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 290830H/060800H

4. ROUTE: YD848086 (OP ON HILL 230)

5. SYNOPSIS: 168 HOURS OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN SIGHTING MORTAR FLASHES FIRING TOWARDS PHU BAI FROM 3 LOCATIONS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 020115H PATROL OBSERVED MORTAR FLASHES AT THE FOLLOWING COORD. YD884114, YD893112, AND YD897117. AO WAS ON STATION AND CALLED ARMY 40 MM ON TARGET. OUTSTANDING COVERAGE. 8 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS WERE SEEN BY OP.

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS AROUND HILL 230, WITH VERY LITTLE BRUSH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

021005H. PATROL HAD ONE NBC CASUALTY. MED EVAC WAS REQUESTED AND ACCOMPLISHED. MAN HAD A CUT SHOULDER FROM A PEACE OF METAL STICKING OUT FROM BUNKER.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: VERY GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
CPL RININGER	CPL RININGER
CPL ENGERAD	4TH PLT, "C" Co, 1ST RECON BN
CPL HASTERT	
L/CPL SELL	
PFC PENNINGTON	
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Unit/Call Sign: DUBLIN CITY (C-2-2) Patrol Leader: CPL LOPEZ

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 Da Den - Mo Tau Mountain area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, and trail networks. Also maintain surveillance to ob to observe possible rocket launching sites and mortar positions. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 290800H; insert vic YD834059. Extract at 031300H vic YD859056.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-calls", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5thMar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
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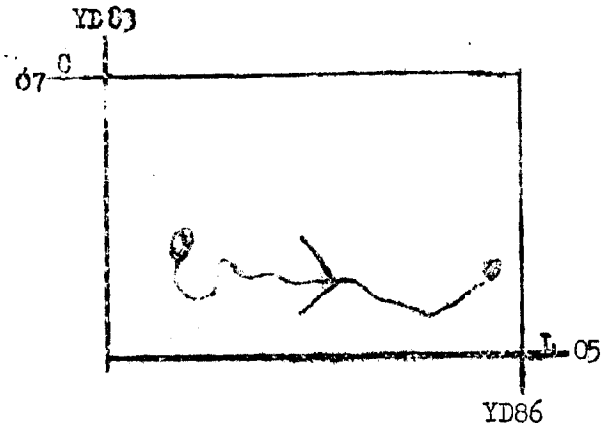
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 M-49, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 1 M-14

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE DA DEN-MO TAU MOUNTAIN AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, AND TRAIL NETWORKS. ALSO MAINTAIN SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES AND MORTAR POSITIONS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 290935H/030820H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 95 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NO CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS PATROL.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE OBSERVED

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS, WITH SPARSE SECONDARY BRUSH. MOVEMENT WAS FAIRLY EASY, APPROX 200 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YD836055. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. LOW GRASS ON KNOLL. EXTRACT LZ AT YD844062. MULTI CH-46 ZONE. LOW GRASS 3 FT HIGH.

YD834054 HILL 200, EXCELLENT OP TO THE NORTH.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

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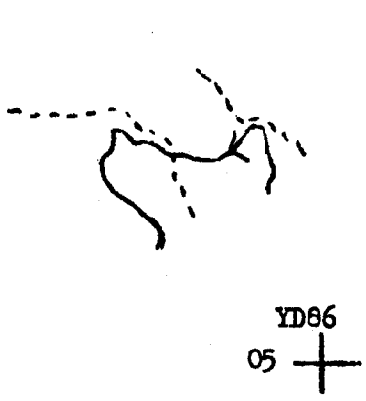
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
CPL LOPEZ	CPL LOPEZ
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Uit/Call Sign: VEAL STEW Patrol Leader: Cpl DORRIS

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 Eastern Tamoi River Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, and trail networks. Also maintain surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites and mortar positions. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 010730H; insert vic YC938977. Extract at 051300 vic YC993969.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5th Mar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.0 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
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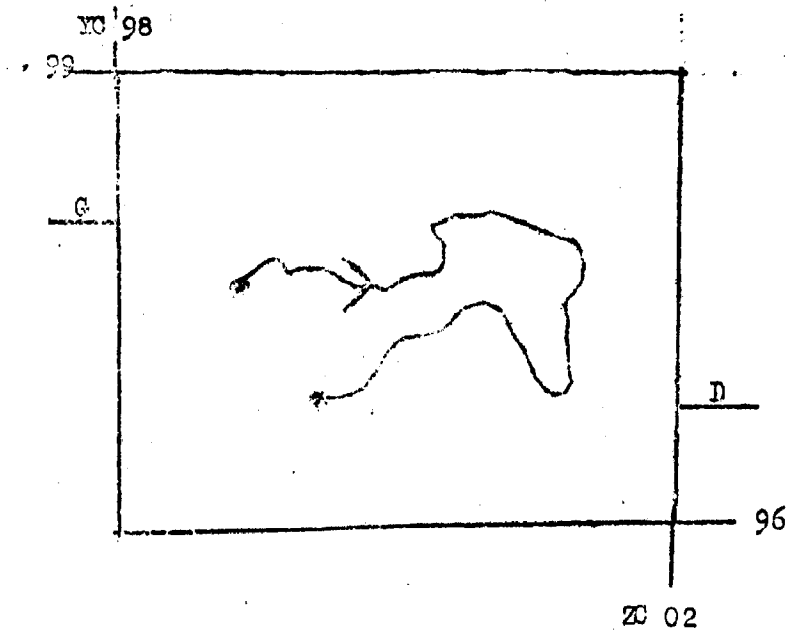
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OPERATION ORDER: 170-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 031300H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 8 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 1 M-14

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE EASTERN TRUOI RIVER AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, AND TRAIL NETWORKS. ALSO MAINTAIN SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES AND MORTAR POSITIONS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 010920H/031100H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 49 HOURS OF PATROLLING RESULTED IN CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC/NVA. RESULTS OF CONTACT WAS ONE VC/NVA KIA CONF BY SA, 1 VC/NVA KIA PROB BY SA AND 1 USMC WIA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 030930H ZC005973. PATROL WAS IN A REST AREA AND SET IN A 360° SECURITY WHEN PATROL LEADER SPOTTED ONE VC/NVA WITH AN SKS 20 METERS FROM HIS POSITION. PATROL LEADER NOTED VC/NVA REMOVING HIS WEAPON OFF HIS SHOLDER. PATROL LEADER FIRED ONE ROUND IN BETWEEN THE VC/NVA EYES, KILLING THAT VC/NVA. ASST PATROL LEADER RAISED UP JUST A LITTLE FROM THIS PRONE POSITION TO GET A BETTER VIEW WHEN A SECOND NVA WITH AK-47 OPENED FIRE ON THE ASSISTANT PATROL LEADER WOUNDING HIM. TWO MORE WERE OBSERVED 20 METERS AWAY. PATROL OPENED FIRE WITH A HEAVY VOLUMN OF AR FIRE RESULTING IN ONE VC/NVA PROB KIA.

030935H ZC005973. MED EVAC WAS REQUESTED AND ON STATION A SHORT TIME LATER. GUNSHIPS STRAFED THE AREA WITH ROCKETS AND MG FIRE. OUTSTANDING COVERAGE. MED EVAC HELO RECEIVED FIRE. ONE MEMBER ON THE HOIST REPORTED SEEING MUZZIE FLASHES FROM 4 LOCATIONS. PATROL FIRED SUPPRESSIVE FIRE INTO VC/NVA POSITION. AFTER COMPITION OF MED EVAC, PATROL BROKE CONTACT AND MOVED TOWARDS EXTRACT LZ. AT EXTRACT FIXED WING WAS USED TO SATURATE LOCATION OF CONTACT. PATROL OBSERVED FIXED WING RECEIVING SA AND AR FIRE.

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0311OOH PATROL WAS EXTRACTED WITH NO FURTHER INCIDENTS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YC986974 GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. ELEPHANT GRASS. EXTRACT LZ AT ZC004973. FAIR 1 CH-46 ZONE. NOT RECOMMENDED. NUMEROUS TRAILS IN THIS AREA, RUNNING IN NO CERTAIN PATTERN.

PATROL FOUND .. OUTSTANDING AMBUSH SITE AT COORD ZC005974. THIS SITE COULD BE USED BY FRIENDLY PATROLS. IT CONSISTS OF A SMALL CLEARING 15 METERS BY 10 METERS AND A TRAIL RUNNING THRU THIS AREA. THE AREA IS VERY THICK AND INFESTED WITH LEECHES AND MOSQUITOS ESPECIALLY IN THE LOW GROUND.

A TOTAL OF 4 VC/NVA WERE ACTUALLY SIGHTED ALL DRESSED IN KHAKI SHIRTS AND BLUE SHORTS, WITH AK-47 AND SKS WEAPONS. MOVEMENTS WERE HEARD DURING CONTACT FROM THE SOUTH AND NE.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 NVA KIA CONF BY SA, 1 NVA KIA PROB BY SA, 1 USMC WIA BY SA.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

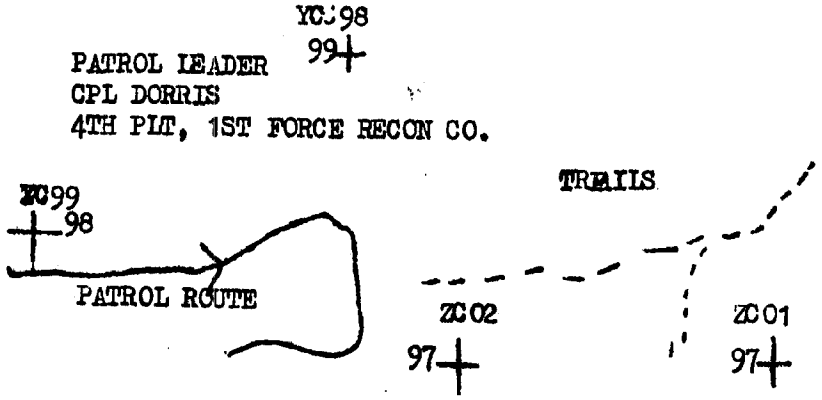
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THIS IS THE 1ST SIGHTING OR CONTACT IN THAT VICINITY IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS. NUMEROUS OLD HARBOR SITES HAVE BEEN LOCATED THERE PREVIOUSLY, BUT NO SIGNS OF ENEMY ACTIVITY UNTIL TODAY.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL DORRIS
CPL WARE
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LCPL ALVARADO
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(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #171-68

Unit/Call Sign: RECORD (F-3) Patrol Leader: LT JOHNSON

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the southwestern Truoi River Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, and trail networks. Also maintain surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites and mortar positions. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 020730H; insert vic YC993956. Extract at 061330H vic YC989965.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5thMar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 47.0
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
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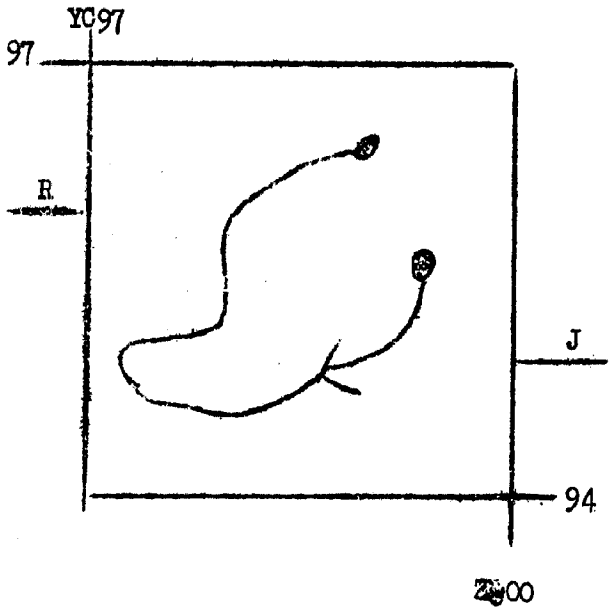
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OPERATION ORDER: 171-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: RECORD F-5
LEADER: GYSGT C.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 I&II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 060930H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 8 ENL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M-14'S, 2 M-79'S

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE SOUTHWESTERN TRUOI RIVER VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, AND TRAIL NETWORKS. ALSO MAINTAIN SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES AND MORTAR POSITIONS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 020915H/060855H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 95 HOURS OF PATROLLING RESULTED IN 3 CONTACTS, EACH WITH 1 VC/NVA. NO EM CALLED. 1 CONF KIA, AND 1 PROB KIA BY SA. ONE SKS CAPTURED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 020900H YD993956. WHILE HOVERING IN LZ MEMBERS OF PATROL SPOTTED ONE VC/NVA, GREEN UTILITIES AND A SKS RUNNING TOWARDS HELO. PATROL OPENED FIRE FROM CH-46 AND OBSERVED VC/NVA DROPPING TO THE GROUND. PATROL DID NOT INSERT IN THAT LZ DUE TO ENEMY ACTIVITY. 1 VC/NVA KIA PROB BY SA.

051628H YD989969. PATROL SPOTTED NVA COMING UP ON PATROLS BASE. REAR SECURITY SAW HIM 15 METERS AWAY ON A WELL USED TRAIL AND OPENED FIRE. NVA RETURNED 3 ROUNDS AND DROPPED HIS SKS. PATROL SEARCHED AREA FINDING ONE SKS. NVA HAD ON GREEN CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES AND CARTRIDGE BELT. NVA RAN TOWARDS HILL 562.

060905H YD989969. PATROL WAS BEING EXTRACTED WHEN ONE MAN SPOTTED A VC/NVA 20 METERS. PATROL OPENED FIRE WITH AR AND SAW VC/NVA FALL FACE DOWN IN THE TRUOI RIVER. VC/NVA HAD A WEAPON BUT TEAM COULD NOT DISTINGUISH THE TYPE. RESULTS 1 VC/NVA KIA CONF BY S/A.

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B. TERRAIN: MOUNTAINOUS, WITH THICK VEGETATION AND UNDERGROWTH. CANOPY IN HIGH GROUND 200 FT. MOVEMENT APPROX 50 METERS PER HOUR IN THE LOW GROUND.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ: YG985977. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. ROCKS AND GRASS 3 FT HIGH. EXTRACT LZ AT YG989969. GOOD 2 CH-46 ZONE. IN A STREAM BED. NUMEROUS TRAILS RANGING FROM 2-4 FT WIDE, NONE HAD SIGNS OF RECENT USEAGE.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC/NVA KIA CONF BY SA, 1 VC/NVA KIA PROB BY SA, 1 SKS CAPTURED SER #8173538

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

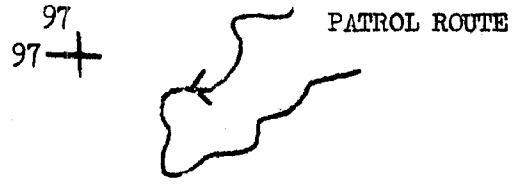
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
LT JOHNSON	CPL PALMER
CPL PALMER	3RD PLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO. (REIN)
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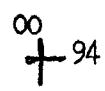


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Unit/Call Sign: VEAL STEW II (F-4-2) Patrol Leader: SGT MATHIS

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the eastern Ta Trach River Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 010800H; insert vic YD816040. Extract at 051330H vic YD828017.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "linking up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
(c) BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (155HOW)
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Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO

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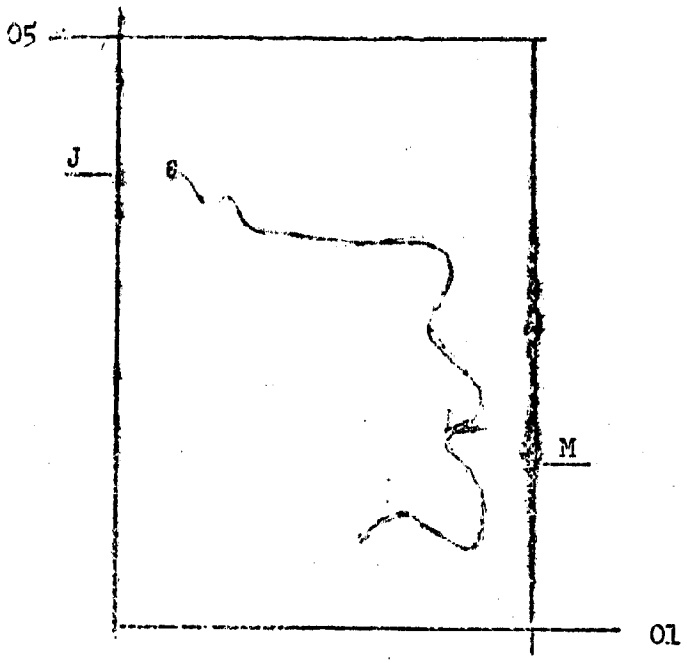
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OPERATION ORDER: 172-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: VEAL STEW II F-4-2
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III&IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 021630H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60, 1 M-14, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: CONDUST RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE EASTERN TA TRACH RIVER VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 010840H/021620H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 31 HOURS OF PATROLLING RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT WITH A ESTIMATED 40 NVA. ONE FM CALLED. PATROL WAS EXTRACTED UNDER FIRE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 021400H YD824038. WHILE PATROL WAS IN PATROL BASE CAMP, THEY HEARD MOVEMENTS COMING TOWARDS THEM. PATROL MOVED TOWARDS THE TRAIL TO RETRIEVE THE CLAYMORE THEY HAD SET UP ON TRAIL. JUST AS PATROL WAS ON THE TRAIL THEY OBSERVED 5 NVA ON THE TRAIL 25 METERS AWAY. ALL DRESSED IN GREEN UTILITIES, CHICOM HELMETS, IDENTIFIED BY PATROL AS OUTLINED IN DEPT OF ARMY PAMPLET #30-55, PP #4, BOTTOM ROW, FIRST PHOTO. ONE OF THE NVA SIGHTED WAS APPROX 6 FT 2 INCHES AND WEIGHTED APPROX 180 LBS. HE WAS DEFINITELY IDENTIFIED AS AN ORIENTAL. ALSO IT WAS NOTED THAT HE HAD VERY PROMINENT CHEEK BONES, AND HIS EYES WERE VERY SLANTED. PATROL OPENED FIRE KILLING 4 NVA AND PROBABLY KILLING THE 5TH ONE. AT THIS TIME THE PATROL RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME OF SA AND AR FIRE ALSO 3 INCOMING GRENADES. PATROL SPOTTED 5 MORE NVA BEHIND THE 1ST GROUP. ALL WITH THE SAME EQUIPMENT AS 1ST FIVE. PATROL OPENED UP WITH M-60, AND M-16 ON THE GROUP RESULTING IN 2 MORE KIA CONF AND 3 PROB. PATROL HEARD HEAVY MOVEMENT COMING UP THE TRAIL SO THE PATROL TRIED TO BREAKCONTACT AND MOVED TOWARDS THE LZ, PATROL MEMBER OBSERVED 2 MORE COMING 10 METERS AWAY. PATROL OPENED FIRE ON FULL AUTOMATIC KILLING BOTH NVA. ALL THE TIME WHILE MOVING TOWARDS THE LZ PATROL RECEIVED AR AND SA FIRE.

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AT ONE TIME PATROL SAW MOVEMENT 10 METERS AWAY, PATROL FIRED INTO THAT POSITION, RESULTING IN NO MORE MOVEMENT.. TWO WERE SIGHTED 30 METERS AWAY ON THE LZ. 3 MEMBERS OPENED FIRE KILLING THESE 2 NVA.

021600H YD817043. WHILE PATROL WAS IN LZ AWAITING EXTRACTION THEY HEARD AND SAW MOVEMENT FROM THE NE. PATROL FIRED INTO NVA POSITION. CH-46 RECEIVED FIRE ON APPROACH INTO LZ, WHILE IN LZ, AND DURING EXTRACTION. CH-46'S AND GUNSHIPS WERE UTILIZED FOR SUPPRESSIVE FIRE. PATROL CALLED ONE CONTINUOUS TM WHILE BREAKING CONTACT ALL THE WAY UP TO THE LZ.

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH THICK SECONDARY BRUSH, INTERMINGLED WITH THORNS AND VINES. MOVEMENT WAS 100-150 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YD816040. FAIR LZ , NOT RECOMMENDED TO BE USED DUE TO THICK BRUSH. EXTRACT LZ AT YD816042. GOOD CH-46 ZONE. 3-4 FT HIGH BRUSH.

ONE WELL USED TRAIL WAS FOUND 3 FT WIDE, AND COULD NOT BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR. (SEE TRAIL OVERLAY)

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 10 NVA KIA CONF. BY SA, 7 NVA KIA PROB BY SA, UNKNOWN NUMBER OF KIA BY SUPPORTING ARMS. 2 USMC WIA MINOR

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: OUTSTANDING

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THIS IS THE SECOND SIGHTING OF CHICOM HELMETS BEING USED BY NVA IN THIS AREA. 1ST REPORT ON THIS HELMET WAS ON PATROL REPORT NO. 163-68 DATED 28 APR 1968. THIS SIGHTING WAS MADE ONLY 2000 METERS NORTH OF THE 1ST SIGHTING. ALSO OF INTEREST IS THE FACT OF THE INDIVIDUAL THAT WAS EXCEPTIONALLY TALL AND WITH DIFFERENT FEATURES THAT HAVE BEEN SEEN BY PATROLS BEFORE. INCREASED CONTACTS AND SIGHTINGS AND MOVEMENTS INDICATE THE POSSIBILITY OF STRONG ENEMY CONCENTRATION IN THAT VICINITY.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

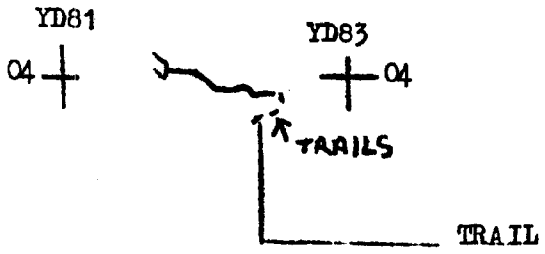
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Unit/Call Sign: SPILLWAY (F-1) Patrol Leader: SGT HOLTON

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 Nui Mo Tau area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 0/0730H; insert vic YD863045. Extract at 0/1300H vic YD867046.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-calls", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW SP)
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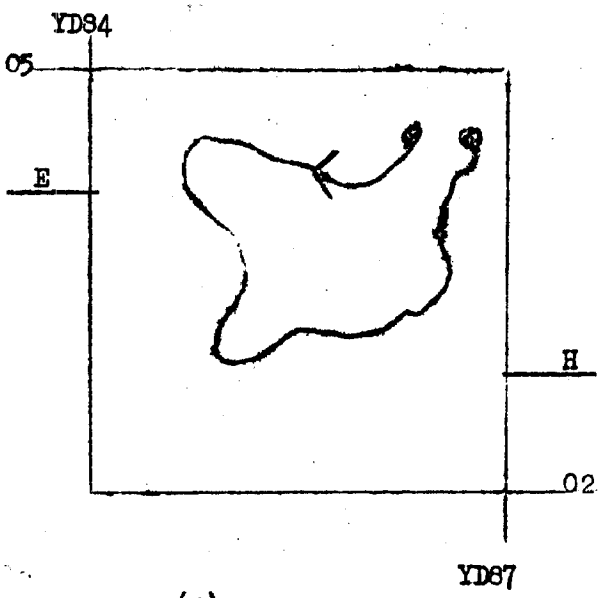
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OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: SPILLWAY F-1
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III&IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 6X30'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60, 1 M-14, 1 M-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 NUI MO TAU AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 040835H/080925H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 97 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN ONE SIGHTING OF 3 VC. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS PATROL.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 071915H YD870045 WHILE PATROL WAS OBSERVING THE VALLEY, ARTY WAS PREP FIRING THE TREE LINE WHEN THEY SPOTTED 3 VC RUNNING AWAY FROM THE INCOMING ARTY. ALL WERE WEARING BLACK AND WHITE CLOTHING, WEAPONS COULD NOT BE SEEN DUE TO THE DISTANCE FROM OBSERVER TO VC.

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH STEEP APPROACHES. VERY THICK SECONDARY GROWTH IN THE LOW GROUND. MOVEMENT 75-100 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YD857044. OUTSTANDING MULTI CH-46 ZONE. LOW GRASS. EXTRACT LZ AT YD868045. GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE. [redacted] AREA. YD847045. PATROL FOUND ONE FAIR LZ THAT COULD BE USED WITH LITTLE CUTTING OF SMALL STUMPS 3 FT HIGH IN THE LZ. THIS ZONE CAN BE CLEARED WITHOUT ANY EFFORT.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

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9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMEDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
SGT HOLTON	SGT HOLTON
CPL DORSETT	1ST PLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO. (REIN)
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Unit/Call Sign: FLAG DIP (C-4-1) Patrol Leader: LT JANCZUK

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the western Truoi River Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy stowage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, and trail networks. Also maintain surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites and mortar positions. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 030800H; insert vic YD974987. Extract at 071330H vic YC969994.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5th Mar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.0 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
PONY BOY "B" 50.00 (8" HOW)
BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
BEECH NUT "E" 58.05 (155 HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE NOVEMBER
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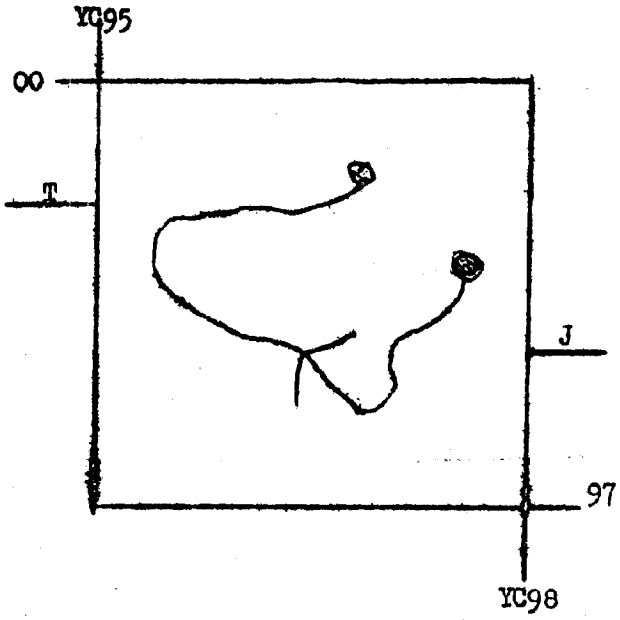
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DTG 070930H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 9 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-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 WESTERN TRUOI RIVER VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, AND TRAIL NETWORKS. ALSO MAINTAIN SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES AND MORTAR POSITIONS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 030915H/070845H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 95 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NO CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: MOUNTAINOUS. HIGH GROUND CANOPY 50-65 FT. IN THE LOW GROUND THICK VEGETATION INTERMINGLED WITH VINES AND THORN BUSHES. MOVEMENT IN THE LOW GROUND WAS 100 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YC976989. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE, WITH GRASS 6 FT HIGH. EXTRACT LZ YC964995. GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE, WITH GRASS 3 FT. HIGH. YC960990. GOOD WELL USED TRAIL. AT TIMES 6 FT WIDE, CANNOT BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR. THIS TRAIL RUNS E TO W.

YC965992. FAIR OP, OBSERVATION TO THE NORTH.

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YC965982. PATROL FOUND A SMALL HARBOR SITE THAT HAD BEEN USED WITHIN THE PAST 24 HOURS.

YC960985. WHILE PATROL WAS CUTTING AN LZ FOR MED EVAC THEY RECEIVED 5 ROUNDS OF AR FIRE FROM AN UNKNOWN LOCATION TOWARDS THE SW.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
LT JANCZUK	LT JANCZUK
LCPL SANDERS	4TH PLT, "C" Co. 1ST RECON BN
PFC SALDANA	
PFC CROSS	
PFC HOLSHOE (NEC)	MED EVAC
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Unit/Call Sign: ACHILLES (C-2-1) Patrol Leader: LT LANGDON

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration east of Route #545. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 030830H; insert vic YD898027. Extract at 071400H vic YD885019.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
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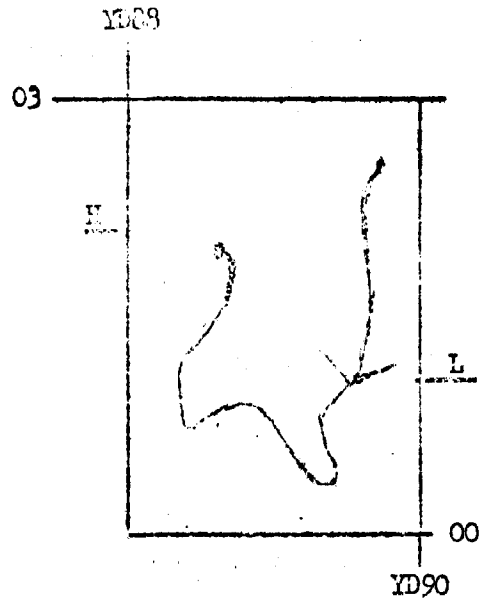
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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 070900H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

   A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 9 ENL, 1 USN
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S
   D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-12, 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 1 M-60

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION WEST OF ROUTE #545. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 030805H/070810H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 96 HOURS OF PATROLLING RESULTED IN NO CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY: NONE

   B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH LITTLE SECONDARY GROWTH. MOVEMENT WAS 200-300 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YD900030. GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ AT YD888023. GOOD 2 CH-46 ZONE.

050100H YD012894. PATROL RECEIVED WHAT SOUNDED LIKE 75 MM RECOILLESS RIFLE ROUNDS FROM AN UNKNOWN LOCATION. 3 ROUNDS WERE RECEIVED.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

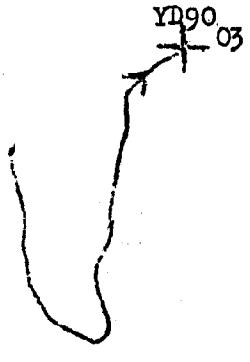
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

PATROL LEADER: LT LANGDON
2ND PLT, "C" Co, 1ST RECON BN

LT LANGDON
PFC BALDWIN
SGT DAHLMAN
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(e) OpFragOrder #176-68

Unit/Call Sign: COFFEE TIME (C-1-1) Patrol Leader: CPL POPPA

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the western Truoi River Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, and trail networks. Also maintain surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites and mortar positions. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ LC5 at 030900H; insert vic YD938016. Extract at 071430H vic YD952998.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.0 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) PONY BOY "B" 50.00 (8"HOW)
(c) BEECHNUT "D" 58.05 (105 & 155 HOW)

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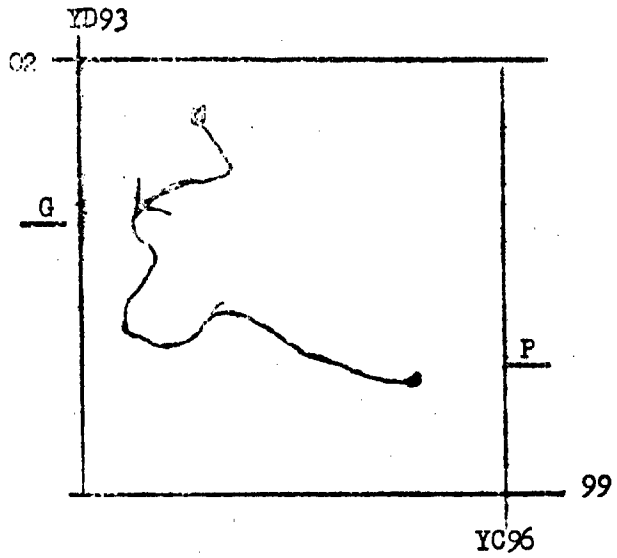
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OPERATION ORDER: 176-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: COFFEE TIME C-1-1
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 I&II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

   A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
   D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-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 WESTERN TRUOI RIVER VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, AND TRAIL NETWORKS. ALSO MAINTAIN SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES AND MORTAR POSITIONS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 030845H/031410H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 5 HOURS OF PATROLLING RESULTED IN NO CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. PATROL HAD SIX HEAT CASUALTIES AND WERE EXTRACTED WITH OUT INCIDENT.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY: NONE

   B. TERRAIN: WIDE OPEN, ROLLING HILLS, NO CANOPY AT ALL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

1ST INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ AT YD933025. WIDE OPEN AREA. 2ND INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ AT YD942018. WIDE OPEN AREA.
PATROL WAS INSERTED THE FIRST TIME AT COORD YD933025. PATROL HEADER REQUESTED EXTRACTION TO BE REINSERTED IN THE CORRECT LZ AS OUTLINED IN HIS OPERATION ORDER. HELOS RETURNED AND EXTRACTED PATROL AND INSERTED PATROL AT COORD YD942018, WHICH IN TURN WAS 1000 METERS AWAY FROM THE CANOPY. PATROL MOVED OUT TOWARDS THEIR OBJECTIVE WHEN THEY RECEIVED 6 NBC CASUALTIES (HEAT EXAUSTION). PATROL WAS EXTRACTED DUE TO THE NUMBER OF CASUALTIES.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: FAIR

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: RECOMMEND THAT PATROL LEADERS STAY IN COCKPIT OF INSERT HELOS, AND DIRECT PILOTS TOWARDS LZ, AND ONLY DEBARK A/C WHEN 100% SURE OF THEIR LOCATION. ALSO IT IS APPARANT THAT THIS PATROL WAS NOT IN TOP PHYSICAL CONDITION TO CARRY OUT ITS ASSIGNED MISSION.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
CPL POPPA HEAT CAS.	CPL POPPA
PFC GARCIA HEAT CAS.	1ST PLT, "C" Co. 1ST RECON BN
LCPL KINLEY	
LCPL GLATZER HEAT CAS.	
PFC LOGRICCHIO HEAT CAS.	
PFC ESPINOZA	
PFC GRACE HEAT CAS.	
PFC KINNEY HEAT CAS.	
LCPL GRIGGS	
PFC SHANDS	

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Unit/Call Sign: COFFEE TIME (C-1-1) Patrol Leader: CPL POPPA

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the western Truoi River Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, and trail networks. Also maintain surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites and mortar positions. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 050800H; insert vic YD938016. Extract at 091330H vic YC952998.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, C/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, C/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.0 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
(c) BEECHNUT "E" 58.05 (105 & 155 HOW)

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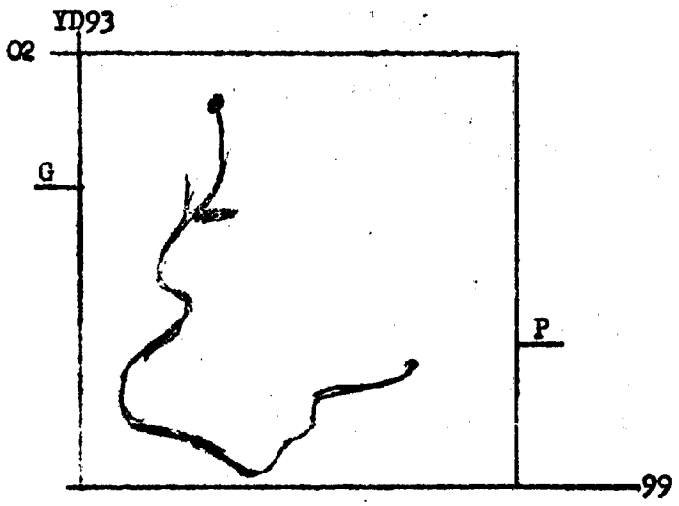
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OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: COFFEE TIME C-1-1
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 I&II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 161500H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENTS: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 3 M-14'S, 1 M-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 WESTERN TRUOI RIVER VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, AND TRAIL NETWORKS. ALSO MAINTAIN SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES AND MORTAR POSITIONS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 050820H/101440H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 126 HOURS OF OBSERVATION AND PATROLLING RESULTED IN NO CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH LITTLE SECONDARY GROWTH. MOVEMENT WAS 200-300 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YD937017. 1 CH-46 ZONE ON TOP OF LITTLE KNOLL. EXTRACT LZ YD950014. GOOD 2 CH-46 ZONE. LOW GRASS AND BRUSH. OP AT YD942012 GOOD OBSERVATION TO THE N AND NE.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

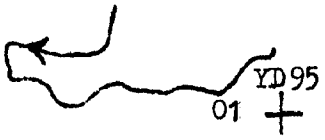
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
CPL POPPA	CPL POPPA
HM2 COGHE	1ST PLT, "C" Co, 1ST RECON BN
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LCPL GLATZER	
LCPL GARCIA	
PFC LOCRICCHIO	
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Unit/Call Sign: CROCHET (C-3-1) Patrol Leader: SGT WOLFF

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration east of Route 545. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 040730H; insert vic YD922017. Extract at 081300H vic YD915024.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "linking-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Logistics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) PONY BOY "B" 50.00 (8"HOW)
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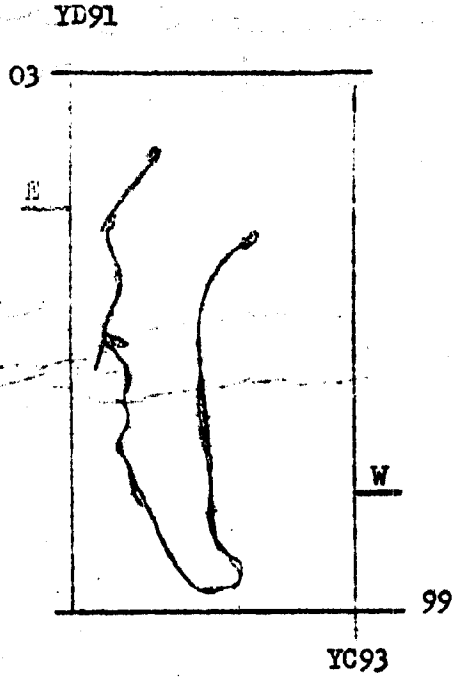
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OPERATION ORDER: 177-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: CROCHET C-3-1
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 080930H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60, 1 M-79, 1 M-14

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED FFZ/FPZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION EAST OF ROUTE 545. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 040850H/080930H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 97 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN 3 CONTACTS WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC/NVA. 2 FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS PATROL WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 051400H YD914021. POINT MAN MADE CONTACT WITH ONE VC/NVA. THIS ENEMY WAS WALKING ON A TRAIL TOWARDS THE PATROL. POINT MAN OPENED FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AREA WAS CHECKED OUT BUT COULD FIND NO SIGNS OF THE ENEMY.

072115H YD930010. WHILE PATROL WAS DIGGING IN THEIR HARBOR SITE FOR THE NIGHT, THEY RECEIVED 12 INCOMING ROUNDS OF 60 MM MORTAR INSIDE THEIR GENERAL VICINITY. FM WAS CALLED ON SUSPECTED MORTAR POSITION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. FAIR COVERAGE ON TARGET.

072215H YD924029-923029. PATROL WAS PROBED BY AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC/NVA FROM TWO LOCATION. TWO GRENADES EXPLODED INSIDE PERIMETER. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH M-60 AND SA. RESULTS UNKNOWN. NO MORE GRENADES RECEIVED.

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH DENSE UNDERBRUSH. MOVEMENTS APPROX 200 METERS AN HOUR.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YD916029. EXCELLENT 1 CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ AT YD925029. EXCELLENT 1 CH-46 ZONE.
NUMEROUS SMALL TRAILS WERE ENCOUNTERED BUT HAD NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE. ALL WERE USED BY ANIMALS OF SOME SORT.

080700H PATROL LEADER CALLED FM TO PREP THE TREE LINE FROM WHERE MORTARS HAD BEEN FIRED. FROM WHEN FM WAS REQUESTED THE 1ST SIX ROUNDS OF 155 MM FROM SANDHURST WERE DUDS.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

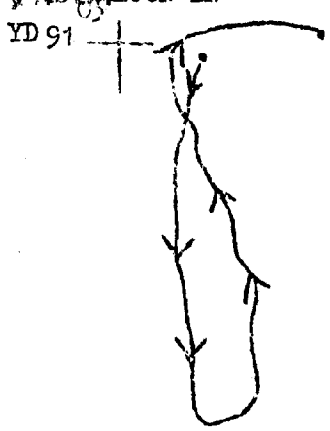
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: FAIR

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFING: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT WALKER	PATROL LEADER
SGT WILLIAMS	
CPL BLACKWELL	3RD PLT, CO "C", 1st RECON BN
CPL FERGUSON	
LCPL CLARK	
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DIVING MISSION: 5-68 1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH PHU BAI, RVN
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS DTG 031645H MAY 1968
L7014; SHEET 6541 I&II, AND 6641 III

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 5 ENL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 PRC-25
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 4 72'S, 1 90'S, 6 REGULATORS

2. MISSION: CONDUCT COMBAT DIVING OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON TO DETERMINE THE PRESENCE AND LOCATION OF ENEMY EXPLOSIVE CHARGES RIGGED ON THE LANG CO BRIDGE (AT886957), THE TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE (YD967063), THE NONG RIVER BRIDGE (YD927104), AND HOUNG THUY (YD8381

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 030800H/031645H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS MISSION COVERED A PERIOD OF 8 HOURS AND ALL 4 BRIDGES WERE CHECKED WITHOUT INCIDENT.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

DIVING TEAM FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF MINING ACTIVITY ON ALL 4 BRIDGES CHECKED. AT LANG CO BRIDGE DIVING TEAM FOUND EVIDENCE OF CUT CONCERTINA WIRE ON THE 4TH PYLON GOING SOUTH. ENTRANCE TO THAT PYLON AT THIS MOMENT WOULD BE WITH EASE.

PATROL FOUND 200 ROUNDS OF LINKED 30 CAL AMMO AT LANG CO BRIDGE AND 6 81 MM MORTAR DUDS LEFT IN PLACE.

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

9. CONDITION OF DIVING TEAM: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: DRY SUITS SHOULD BE USED TO DIVE ON THESE BRIDGES DUE TO THE CREOSOL ON THE BRIDGE PYLONS.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: N/A

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13. DIVING MEMBERS:

SGT HUGHES (DIVE SUPERVISOR)
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CPL STEILING
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(b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #178-68

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Unit/Call Sign: STONE PIT (F-5) 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 VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the southern Phu Loc Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, trails, and HLZ's in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on taggets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 040800H; insert vic ZC094956. Extract at 081330H vic ZC093951.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5th Mar (Rear)in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.0 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: BEECH NUT "D" 58.05 (105 & 155 HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE NOVEMBER

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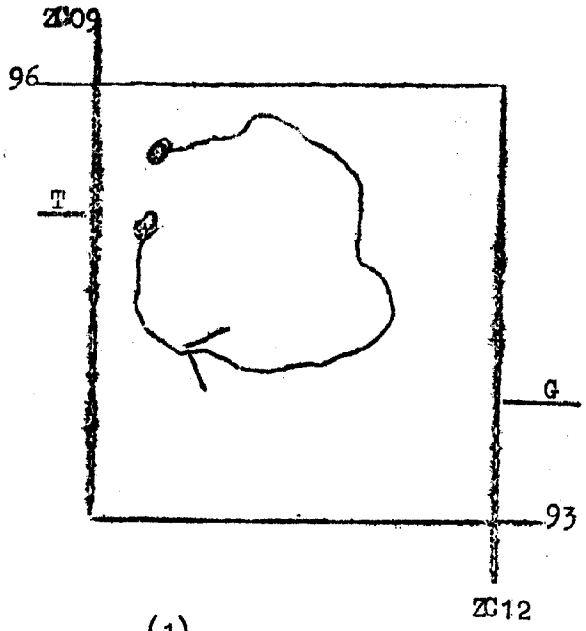
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OPERATION ORDER: 178-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: STONE PIT F-5
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
L7014; SHEET 6541 I&II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 101530H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S, 1 6X30'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 1 M-14

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE SOUTHERN PHU LOC VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, TRAILS, AND HLZ'S IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 050915H/101520H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 127 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NO CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. ONE FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: EXTREMELY STEEP AND MOUNTAINOUS. VEGETATION THIN WITH CANOPY 60-75 FT. SLOPES WERE FROM 55-60°.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AND EXTRACT LZ AT ZC095960. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. 2-3 INCHES GRASS.
071015H ZC109943. PATROL HEARD PEOPLE CUTTING BRUSH ON TRAIL. COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO UNDERGROWTH. CALLED FM OUTSTANDING COVERAGE RESULTS UNKNOWN.

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ZC105955. PATROL FOUND WHAT LOOKED LIKE SOME TYPE OF AIMMING STAKES POINTING TOWARDS THE LOC TU VALLEY. THERE WERE HOWEVER, NO INDICATION OF GUN EMPLACEMENTS AROUND. THE AREA HAD BEEN CLEARED OF BRUSH AND TREES OF AN AREA 20LY30 FT.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
SSGT GRIGGS	SSGT GRIGGS
CPL THOMPSON	5TH PLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO. (REIN)
CPL CICALESE	
HM2 HILGENDORF	
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LCPL TREURNIET	
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(b) 1stReconBn0 P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDiv0 P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDiv0 P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #179-68

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Unit/Call Sign: DESK WORK (F-6) Patrol Leader: CPL MORENO

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

2. Mission. Establish an observation post at Hill 78 (YD809186) and conduct surveillance operations to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the 1/27 TAOR. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, and resupply activity. Provide one man to act as liaison at the 1/27 CP. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart 1st Force Recon Co (Rein) area at 041300H; proceed by vehicle to Hill 78 vic YD809186. Extract at 071500H vic YD809186; proceed by vehicle to 1st Force Recon Co (Rein) area.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination with the senior Marine at Hill 78.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with S-3, 1/27 (Maj GIBBONS) with regard to duties of liaison at the 1/27 CP, the scheme of maneuver of infantry elements in the area, and the calling and clearing of arty/air.

(3) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG, to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-calls", and counter-battery fires.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) TERRAPIN "B" 53.60 (105HOW)
(c) LUNGA POINT "L" 56.50 (155HOW SP)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO

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CO, HML-36?	(1)
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OPERATION ORDER: 179-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: DESK WORK F-6
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 061700H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 2 OFF, 12 ENL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 M-49, 2 PPS-6
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60, 1 M-14

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST AT HILL 78 (YD809186) AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE 1/27 TAOR. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, AND RESUPPLY ACTIVITY. PROVIDE ONE MAN TO ACT AS LIAISON AT THE 1/27 CP. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 041500H/061720H

4. ROUTE: YD809186 (OP AT HILL 78)

5. SYNOPSIS: 50 HOURS OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NO CONTACTS OR OBSERVATION. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION AND ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: FLAT TERRAIN SURROUNDING HILL 78 WITH HEDGE GROWTH AND RICE FIELDS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: THAT RECON TEAMS BE ONLY SENT UP THERE ON THAT OP TO CARRY OUT ITS ASSIGNED MISSION, NOT AS A SECURITY FORCE AS IN THIS CASE.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER:

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
CPL MORENO	CPL MORENO
CPL TAYLOR	6TH PLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO. (REIN)
PFC WHITLOCK	
PFC ROSE	
PFC CASSELL	
PFC THOMAS	
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DIVING MISSION: 6-68
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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 080800H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 4 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 PRC-25
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 4 72'S, 1 90'S, 6 REGULATORS

2. MISSION: CONDUCT COMBAT DIVING OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON TO DETERMINE THE PRESENCE AND LOCATION OF ENEMY EXPLOSIVE CHARGES RIGGED ON THE LANG CO BRIDGE (AT886957), THE TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE (YD967063), THE NONG RIVER BRIDGE (YD927104), AND HOUNG THUY (YD838817).

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 080800H/081730H

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS MISSION COVERED A PERIOD OF 9 HOURS. 1 BRIDGE WAS CHECKED AND NO EVIDENCE OF MINES WAS FOUND.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 081130H ZD128012. DIVING TEAM WAS MOVING BY PC ON ROUTE #1 WEST. DIVING TEAM SPOTTED ONE ARMY PC ON THE ROAD DAMAGED BY A MINE PLANTED IN SANDBAG. TEAM SET UP SECURITY AROUND THE VEHICLE. ARMY HELO ARRIVED ON THE SCENE AND PICKED UP THE WOUNDED DRIVER AND PASSENGER. THE PATROL SPOTTED 3 VC RUNNING 300 METERS TOWARDS THE NE. DIVING TEAM PURSUED THE VC FOR 150 METERS WHEN THE TEAM RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM A TREE LINE TOWARDS THE NE. TEAM WAS INFORMED TO BREAK CONTACT. TEAM RETURNED FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

THE TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE WAS THE ONLY BRIDGE CHECKED AND FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF MINES ON THAT BRIDGE.

ZD067012. PATROL FOUND 100 ROUNDS OF LINKED 7.62 AMMO. ALSO 50 ROUNDS OF LOOSE 7.62 AMMO ALONG ROUTE #1.

ZD976068. PATROL WAS REQUESTED TO DIVE AT THIS COORD TO DIVE FOR WEAPONS LOST FROM A PREVIOUS AMBUSH SET UP BY C-1-5. DIVING TEAM RECOVERED ONE US CARBINE M-2. THIS WEAPON WAS TURNED OVER TO CO "C" 1ST BN 5TH MAR.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT HUGHES (DIVE SUPERVISOR)
CPL. UNKNOWN
CPL WEST
HM3 MERRITHEW
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(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
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Unit/Call Sign: VEAL STEW II (F-4-2) Patrol Leader: SGT MATHIS

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

2. Mission. Establish an observation post at IMPRESSIVE BRAVO Radio Relay Site (Hill 230) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Phu Bai area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis to be placed on improving defensive positions and fields of fire on Hill 230. Provide communications personnel to assist the Radio Relay Team (IMPRESSIVE BRAVO). Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 060730H; insert vic YD848086. Extract at 141300H vic YD848086.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination with the senior Marine at IMPRESSIVE BRAVO Relay.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) PONY BOY "B" 50.00 (8"HOW)
(c) BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (155 & 105 HOW)
(d) LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW SP)

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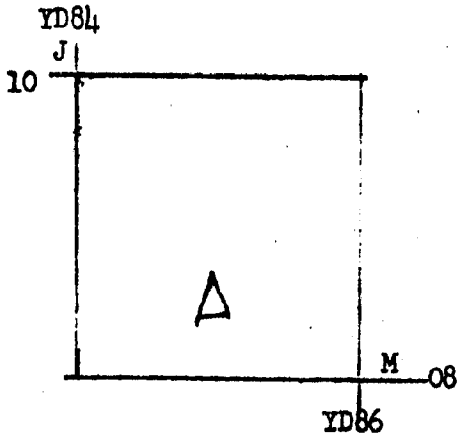
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OPERATION ORDER: 180-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: VEAL STEW II F-4-2
DEBRIEFER: CPL W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III,IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 131000H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST AT IMPRESSIVE BRAVO RADIO RELAY SITE (HILL 230) AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE PHU BAI AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS AND EGRESS. EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON IMPROVING DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND FIELDS OF FIRE ON HILL 230. PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS PERSONNEL TO ASSIST THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (IMPRESSIVE BRAVO). BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 060730H/130900H

4. ROUTE: (OP AT HILL 230 YD848086)

5. SYNOPSIS: 146½ HOURS OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NO SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS, WITH VERY LITTLE BRUSH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AND EXTRACT LZ AT YD848086

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: OUTSTANDING

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: TEAMS SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST 12 MEN FOR SECURITY.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

PATROL LEADER
CPL BELL
4TH PLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO. (REIN)

CPL BELL
CPL PLOUNT
CPL MURPHY
PFC [illegible]
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(b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #181-68

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Unit/Call Sign: MABLE ANN (C-3-2) Patrol Leader: CPL PODSCHELNE

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the eastern Truoi River Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, and trail networks. Also maintain surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites and mortar positions. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 060800H; insert vic YC985983. Extract at 101300H vic YC985996.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5thMar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.0 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) BEECHNUT "E" 58.05 (105 & 155 HOW)
(c) LUNGA POINT "L" 45.35 (155 HOW SP)

Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE NOVEMBER
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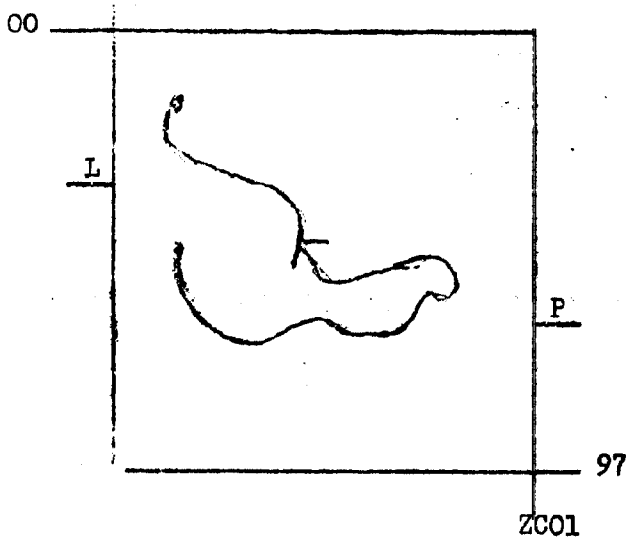
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OPERATION ORDER: 181-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: MABLE ANN C-3-2
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 I&II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO.(REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 101530H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

   A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
   D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60, 1 M14

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE EASTERN TRUOI RIVER VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACE ON ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, AND TRAIL NETWORKS. ALSO MAINTAIN SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES AND MORTAR POSITIONS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 060850H/101540H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 103 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NO CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS WITH THE ENEMY. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS PATROL.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY: NONE

   B. TERRAIN: MOUNTAINOUS WITH STEEP INCLINES. THICK SECONDARY GROWTH WITH CANOPY APPROX 25 FT. MOVEMENT RESTRICTED TO 150 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORAMATION:

   INSERT LZ AT YC984985. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE NEXT TO STREAM BED. LOW GRASS. EXTRACT LZ AT YC987998. LOW GRASS,,MULTI CH-46 ZONE.

YC994992 GOOD OBSERVATION TOWARDS N AND NE.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

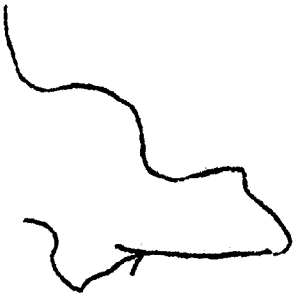
12. COMMENTS BY [redacted]: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
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CPL STARK	
LCPL DENNIS	
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(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #182-68

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

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the vicinity of Route 545. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 070730H; insert vic YD880028. Extract at 111300H vic YD908024.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, C/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, C/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
(c) LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW SP)

Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO

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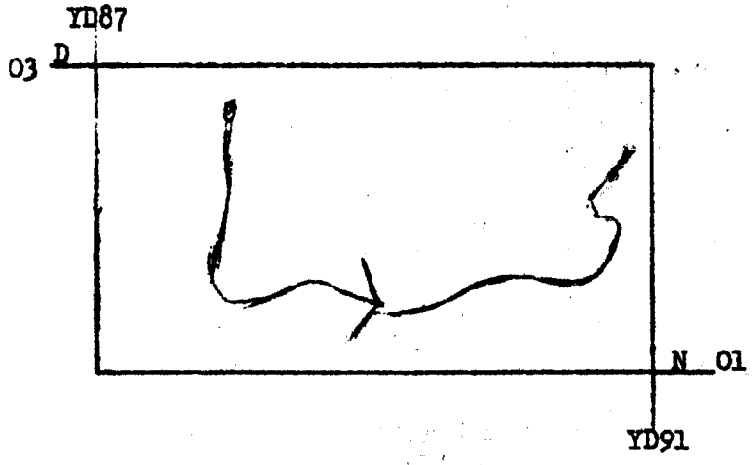
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OPERATION HOUSTON
OPERATION ORDER: 182-68
PATROL: FUDGE CAKE (F-2)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III, IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 121130H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL. 1 OFF.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M-14'S, 2 M-60, 1 M-12

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/TFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE VICINITY OF ROUTE 545. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATION (BUNKER LINES, FOXHOLES), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 070730H/120912H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 123½ HOURS OF OBSERVATION AND PATROLLING RESULTED IN NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A

B. TERRAIN: GENTLY ROLLING HILLS, WITH SECONDARY GROWTH. MOVEMENT WAS 75-200 METERS PER HOUR. PLENTY OF WATER IN THIS AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YD884027, GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE.
EXTRACT LZ YD896028, GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE, GRASS 2-3 FT HIGH.
TRAILS: YD882018 DOUBLE TRAILS RUNNING N&S. THE TRAIL IS WELL USED, APPROX 2 FT WIDE. ALSO ANOTHER INTERSECT THIS TRAIL AND RUNS WEST.
CP'S: GOOD CP YD901018 OF ROUTE #545. 180° OBSERVATION TO "W". LZ ALSO GOOD 2 CH-46 ZONE.
OTHER LZ'S: YD898016 POSSIBLE LZ GOOD 2 CH-46 ZONE.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: OUTSTANDING

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE

12. COMMENTS BY INTERPRETER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

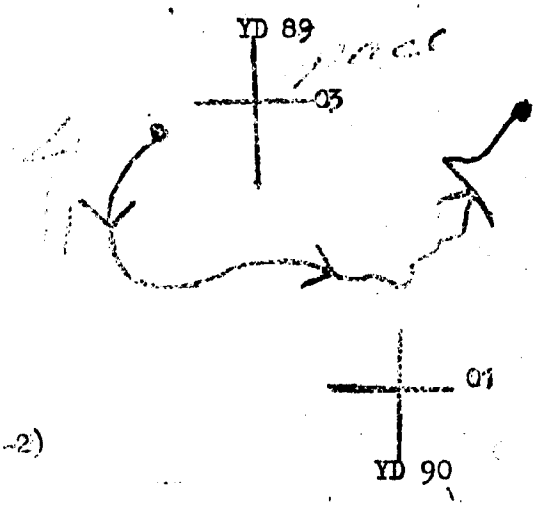
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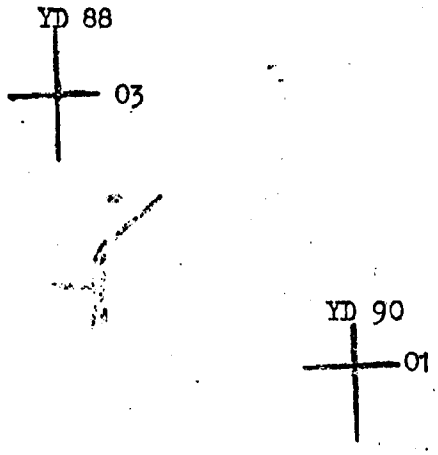
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(e) CoFragOrder #183-68

Unit/Call Sign: DUBLIN CITY (C-2-2) Patrol Leader: CPL LOPEZ

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration east of Hill 602. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, trails, and HLZ's in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 070800H; insert vic ZC138967. Extract at 111300H vic ZC142968.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5th Mar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 47.0
Artillery: (a) BEECHNUT "E" 58.05 (105 & 155HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE ALPHA

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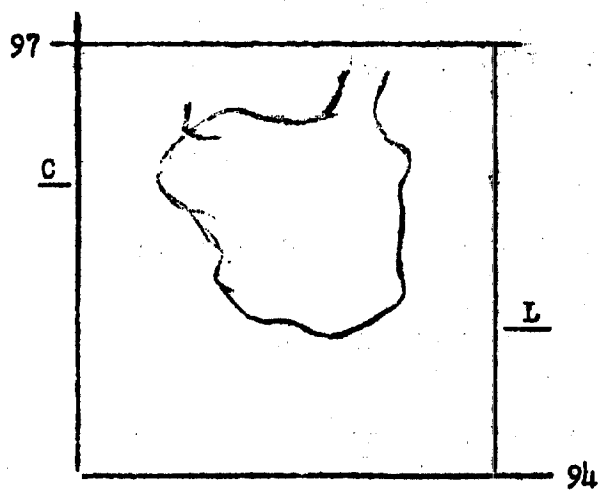
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OPERATION HOUSTON
OPERATION ORDER: 183-68
PATROL: DUBLIN CITY (C-2-2)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 I, II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
[redacted] MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: M-14

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION EAST OF HILL 602. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, TRAILS, AND HLZ'S IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 070800H/121000H

4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 123 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NO CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS PATROL.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A

B. TERRAIN: THICK VEGETATION. CANOPY 20-25 FT HIGH. MOVEMENT 150 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ ZC138968 1 CH-46 ZONE. SHORT GRASS ABOUT 2 FT HIGH.
TRAILS: ZC137962 NUMEROUS TRAILS THROUGHOUT AREA. THE PATROL FOUND ONE TRAIL THAT WAS RUNNING "N" TO "S", AND WAS APPROX 4-5 FT WIDE. ALSO ON TRAIL, PATROL NOTICED THAT THERE WERE TRACKS THAT HAD BEEN MADE BY SOME TYPE OF WOODEN WHEEL. PATROL NOTED THAT THROUGHOUT THE AREA, LARGE TREES WERE CUT, AND HAD BEEN DRUG "S".

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: OUTSTANDING

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS: CPL. L. LOPEZ JR.
2ND PLT,"Co." "C"

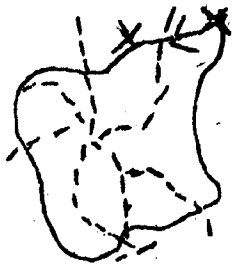
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(b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #184-68

Unit/Call Sign: VEAL STEW (F-4-1) Patrol Leader: CPL DORRIS

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-3/S-2)
(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 southwestern Trueoi River Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating a reported NVA base camp vic Hill 1048 (YC953962) and enemy storage areas, fortifications(trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, and trail networks. Also maintain surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites and mortar positions. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 080800H; insert vic YC982976. Extract at 121330H vic YC986968.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5thMar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 47.0
Artillery: (a) BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155HOW)
(b) BEECHNUT "E" 58.05 (105 & 155HOW)
(c) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE NOVEMBER
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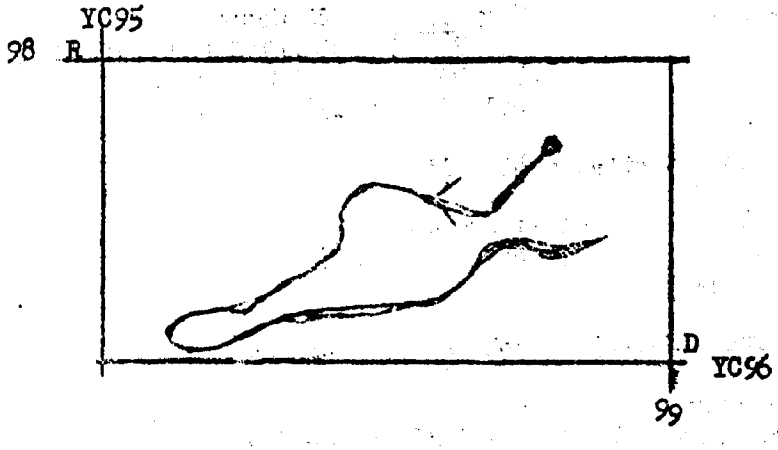
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OPERATION ORDER: 184-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: VEAL STEW I F-4-1
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 I,II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 100915H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M-14'S, 1 M-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 SOUTHWESTERN TRUOI RIVER VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING A REPORTED NVA BASE CAMP VIC HILL 1048 (YC953962) AND ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, AND TRAIL NETWORKS. ALSO MAINTAIN SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES AND MORTAR POSITIONS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 080800H/101000H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 50 HOURS OF PATROLLING RESULTED IN 2 CONTACTS WITH AN ESTIMATED 40 NVA. ONE FM AND ONE AIR STRIKE WAS CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION, RESULTING IN 3 NVA KIA BY SA, AND 2 NVA KIA PROB BY SA. RESULTS OF SUPPORTING ARMS UNKNOWN. ONE AK-47 CAPTURED SER #11087430.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 091045H YC970968. PATROL WAS MOVING ON WELL USED TRAIL TOWARDS HILL 1048 WHEN THEY ENCOUNTERED 4 NVA MOVING EAST TOWARDS PATROL. ALL IN KHAKIS AND AK-47'S. PATROL OPENED FIRE KILLING ON NVA AND PROBERLY KILLING THE 2ND, NVA BROKE CONTACT. PATROL CHECKED OUT THE AREA AND FOUND ONE NVA KIA. THE WEAPON WAS REMOVED BY THE NVA. PATROL CHECKED THE BODY AND FOUND U.S. WEB BELT AND CANTEEN. ALSO A CIVILIAN SHIRT WITH INITIALS ON LEFT BREAST POCKET OF R.E.D.

091205H YC986965. PATROL MOVED BACK DOWN THE TRAIL 200 METERS WHEN THE POINT MAN SPOTTED AN NVA AMBUSH. POINT MAN OPENED FIRE AND KILLED ONE NVA INSTANTLY. PATROL SET UP IN A 360° ONE MEMBER SAW ONE NVA IN THE BRUSH 10 METERS AWAY. PATROL FIRED AND KILLED HIM. AT THIS TIME PATROL SPOTTED AND HEARD NUMEROUS MOVEMENTS AROUND THEIR PERIMETER, PATROL REQUESTED ARTY FM WITH OUTSTANDING COVERAGE. GUNSHIPS WERE ON STATION AND UTILIZED. GUNSHIPS WERE RELIEVED ON STATION BY FIXED WING WITH OUTSTANDING COVERAGE ON TARGET. RESULTS OF SUPPORTING ARMS UNKNOWN.

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B. TERRAIN: MOUNTAINOUS WITH THICK VEGETATION AND STEEP SLOPES UP TO 45°. VEGETATION CONSISTED OF THORN BRUSH AND VINES. MOVEMENT WAS RESTRICTED TO 100 METERS PER HOUR WHEN NOT USING THE TRAILS.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ AT YC989966. VERY GOOD 3 CH-46 ZONE. CONSISTS OF GRASS AND ROCKS. SOME ROCKS 3 FT WIDE CLOSE TO RIVER BED.

WELL USED TRAIL WAS LOCATED. THIS TRAIL WAS 3 FT WIDE AND HAD BEEN USED VERY RECENTLY. THIS TRAIL LEADS TO HILL 562 AND THEN UP TO HILL 1048.

NUMEROUS TRAIL MARKERS WERE FOUND ALONG THE TRAIL LEADING UP TO HILL 1048. THESE MARKERS CONSISTED OF [redacted] VINES BEING TIED TO TWO BRANCHES OR SMALL TREES.

ONE PEACE OF SCRAP PAPER FOUND ON ONE OF THE BODIES HAD THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS WRITTEN ON THAT PAPER: 11081042, 11052243, 11083316. NO OTHER MARKINGS, WRITINGS OR DOCUMENTS WERE FOUND ON THE TWO BODIES CHECKED.

091635H BALD EAGLE ARRIVED AT LZ WITH OUT INCIDENTS AND LINKED UP WITH PATROL AT 091740H. DURING MOVEMENT OF BALD EAGLE TOWARDS HILL 562 MOVEMENTS WERE HEARD ON BOTH SIDES BUT NO CONTACT MADE.

DURING INITIAL CONTACTS, FIXED WING, GUNSHIPS, AND CH-46 RECEIVED MODERATE TO HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE WHILE SUPPORTING PATROL.

BETWEEN HILL 562 AND 1048 PATROL FOUND NUMEROUS LOCATIONS WITH FIGHTING HOLES AND CUT BAMBOO POSSIBLY FOR BUILDING MATERIAL.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 3 NVA KIA CONF BY SA, 2 NVA KIA PROB BY SA.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THIS PATROL REACTED ON CHIEU HOI INFORMATION REGARDING A VC/NVA BASE CAMP AND TRAINING AREA IN VICINITY OF HILL 1048. PATROL ACTUALLY REACHED COORD YC965965 WHEN THEY MADE THEIR MAJOR CONTACT. THIS COULD POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN ONLY A SECURITY FORCE THAT WAS CONTACTED.
IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDATED THAT IF BALD EAGLE IS UTILIZED THAT MEMBERS OF RECON BE UTILIZED THAT HAD BEEN IN THIS AREA AND ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE TERRAIN AND TRAILS AS IN THIS CASE, MINIMUM TIME WAS LOST FINDING THE TRAIL LEADING UP TO PATROLS LOCATION. BY THE USE OF RECON GUIDES ON SUCH OCCASION, WILL CUT DOWN THE CHANCES OF MISSING A LINKUP WITH A PATROL.

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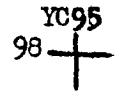
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	PATROL LEADER
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SSGT MATHIS	4TH PLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO. (REIN)
LCPL CARPENTER	
LCPL BONDS	
PFC ARTHURS	
LCPL ALVARADO	
PFC COURTNEY	
PFC WILSON	
PFC THOMSON	
LCPL SUMMERS	

ALSO INSERTED WITH BALD EAGLE WERE 3 MEMBERS OF 1ST FORCE RECON CO, [illegible] 5, IMPRESSIVE 2, RECORD 6, AND CPL PALMER (RECORD).

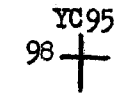
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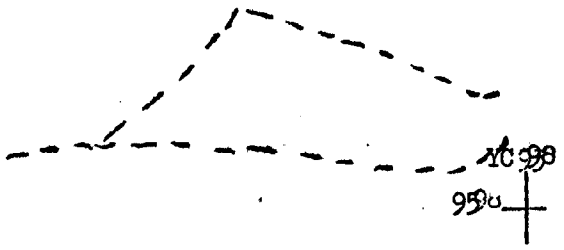


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ITEMS CAPTURED BY VEAL STEW I

1 AK-47 SER #11087430
200 ROUNDS OF AK-47 AMMO
4 MAGZINES AK-47 WITH MAGZINE POUCHS
100 SOUTH VIETNAMESE PIASTERS
20 NVA PIASTERS
1 AMMO POUCH
1 SHIRT (KHAKI)
1 LIGHTWEIGHT POUCHO
1 TROUSERS (KHAKI)
1 PT SHORTS
1 GREEN SHORT SLEEVE SHIRT (MADE IN HONG KONG)
1 CARTIDGE BELT (US)
1 CANTEEN WITH CANTEEN COVER (US)
1 BLACK TROUSER (CIVILIAN TYPE)
1 LARGE GRAY PLASTIC PONCHO
1 MOSQUITO NET
1 CAMOUFLAGE CAPE
1 PLASTIC BAG (SEA BAG TYPE)
1 SMALL BOWL
1 ROUND OF 380 AUTO WESTERN
1 RUSSIAN BANDAGE
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(b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #185-68

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Unit/Call Sign: LUNCH MEAT (C-1-2) Patrol Leader: SGT STAIR

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-3/S-2)
(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 Da Den - Mo Tau Mountain area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 080730H; insert vic YD840060. Extract at 121300H vic YD843058.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, C/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, C/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: (a) LUNGA POINT "L" 63.85 (155 HOW)
(b) SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
(c) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
(d) BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO

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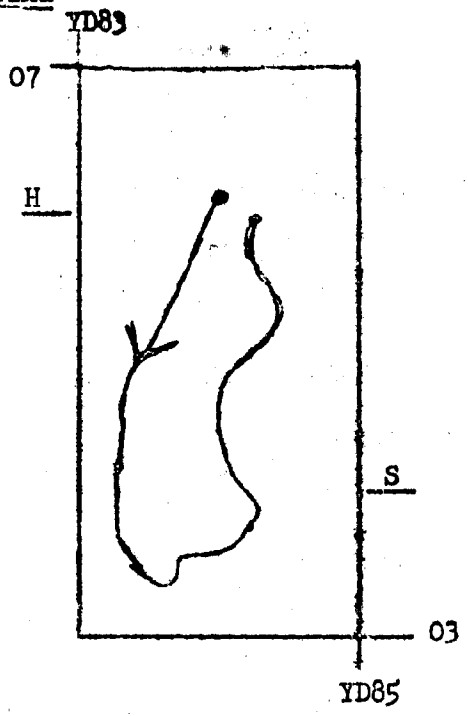
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OPERATION ORDER: 185-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: HENRY MAT 9-4-2
DEBRIEFER: CPT W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS
L7014, SHEET 6531 II, IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 151050H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 11 EM, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED AO'S/PZ'S TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS CONCENTRATIONS IN THE DA DEN-NO NUI MOUNTAIN AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 080805H/130930H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SUMMARY: 121½ HOURS OF OBSERVATION AND PATROLLING RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT WITH 12 NVA. ONE EM CALLED AND GUNSHIPS UTILIZED. 1 NVA KIA CONF BY SA, 2 NVA KIA PROB BY SA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 1212DOH YD8[illegible]98. PATROL WAS AT EXTRACT LZ, WHEN THEY WERE TOLD THAT THEY HAD BEEN EXTENDED. PATROL MOVED SOUTH BACK UP THE HILL. PATROL WAS TAKING A BREAK WHEN THE REAR SECURITY SPOTTED ONE VC/NVA. NVA WAS APPROX 15 METERS FROM REAR SECURITY. NVA WAS WEARING WHAT'S GRAY PITH HELMENT, WITH LIGHT BLUE SHORT SLEEVE SHIRT, AND LIGHT BLUE SHORTS. REAR SECURITY COULD NOT DISTINGUISH THE EXACT TYPE OF WEAPON, BUT HE THINKS IT WAS A CARBINE RIFLE. THE NVA SAT DOWN AND TOOK OUT A PIECE OF PAPER AND LOOKED AT HILL 230, AND THEN TURNED TO THE 2ND NVA AND SAID SOMETHING TO HIM. THE SECOND NVA HAD ON GREEN UNIFORM, WITH BRUSH HAT. MEMBER OF PATROL COULD NOT DISTINGUISH TYPE OF WEAPON, DUE TO VEGETATION. AT THIS TIME PATROL OPENED UP WITH AUTOMATIC SA FIRE AND THREW TWO M-26'S. REAR SECURITY KILLED THE NVA WITH SA. RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA CONF BY SA, AND 2 NVA PROB BY SA. PATROL LEADER CALLED ARTY WITH SAND HURST A, WITH VERY POOR RESULTS, SO PATROL LEADER SWITCHED TO BEENCHNUT D, AND GOT OUTSTANDING RESULTS, BUT WAS UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO CANOPY. AT THIS TIME GUNSHIPS WERE ON STATION, AND STRAFED THE AREA. GUNSHIPS DID OUTSTANDING JOB. PATROL CHECKED OUT AREA, AND FOUND 2 BIG PUDDLES OF BLOOD AND TWO SEPARATE DRAG MARKS.

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PATROL MOVED SOUTHWEST UP HILL AND SET UP 360°. REAR SECURITY HEARD MORE MOVEMENT TO THE NORTHWEST, OF AT LEAST 4 OR MORE VC/NVA. AFTER THE CONTACT SECURED AREA ALL MOVEMENT STOPPED.

B. TERRAIN: CANOPY WAS 15-20 FT HIGH WITH VINES. MOVEMENT WAS ABOUT 100-150 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

PRIMARY LZ AT YD838062. MULTI CH-46 ZONE. GRASS 2-3 FT HIGH. ALTERNATE LZ AT YD836058. 1 CH-46 ZONE. THIS IS A POOR ZONE. AT YD836059 IS A 3-4 CH-46 ZONE ON THE FINGER.

LOCATION YD842052. PATROL FOUND NUMEROUS TRAILS AND ONE-MAN FIGHTING HOLES. FIGHTINGS HOLES WERE 3-4 FT DEEP. THE MAIN TRAIL RAN NORTHWEST AND SOUTHEAST. PATROL ALSO FOUND NUMEROUS MEDICAL BOTTLES. ALSO PATROL FOUND WHAT POSSIBLY COULD HAVE BEEN A HOSPITAL SITE. THERE WAS A FOUNDATION, WHICH LOOKED LIKE THE START OF A HOOCH. THE FIGHTING HOLES WERE SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THIS AREA.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC/NVA KIA CONF BY SA, 2 VC/NVA KIA PROB BY SA.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: SAND HURST A HAD BAD COVERAGE, BUT RECHNUT D HAD OUTSTANDING COVERAGE. GUNSHIPS WERE OUTSTANDING, "C" COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO CANOPY.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
SGT STAIR	SGT STAIR
LCPL MURREY	1ST PLT, "C" Co, 1ST RECON BN
LCPL GREGGS	
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Unit/Call Sign: DATE PALM (C-4-2) Patrol Leader: CPL RININGER

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 vicinity of Hill 273. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 100730; insert vic YD947006. Extract at 141330H vic YD949998.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, D/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "linking-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, D/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Logistics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW SP)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE NOVEMBER
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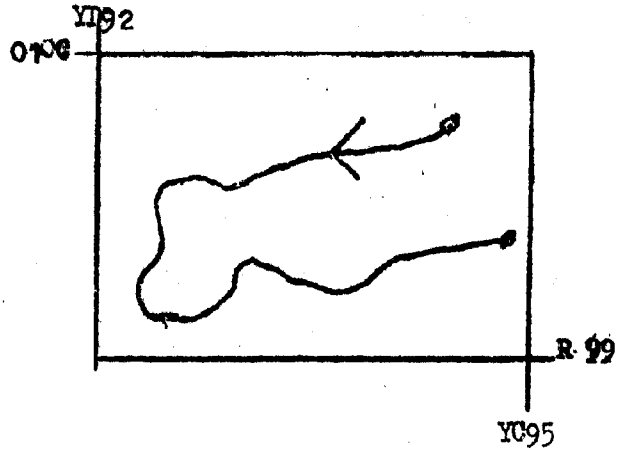
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OPERATION ORDER: 186-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: DAEM PALM C-4-2
DETRIMENT: GYSGT C.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-12, 1 M-14, 1 M-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 VICINITY OF HILL 273. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 111445H/151015H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 93 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NO CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. PATROL HEARD SA AND AR FIRE ON 3 DIFFERENT OCCASIONS, AND VOICES ON ONE. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS PATROL.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: NONE

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH VERY THICK VEGETATION. CANOPY 20 FT HIGH AND BROKEN. MOVEMENT 75-100 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ YD952003 OUTSTANDING MULTI CH-46 ZONE. ELEPHANT GRASS 2-5 FT HIGH. EXTRACT LZ YD950007 OUTSTANDING MULTI CH-46 ZONE. GRASS 3-5 FT HIGH.

120600H TO 120645H YD925998 PATROL HEARD SA AND AR FIRE FROM THE ABOVE COORDINATES. COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO DISTANCE AND CANOPY.

121400H YD925998 HEARD 4 SEMI AUTOMATIC SHOTS AND ONE AR BURST. COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO CANOPY.

131600H YD958002 PATROL HEARD LAUGHTER AND 3 VOICES APPROX 300 METERS FROM THEIR POSIT. THE TALKING LASTED APPROX 15 SECONDS.

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1407ZOH YC948995 PATROL HEARD 4 RIFLE SHOTS. PATROL THOUGHT THAT THESE SHOTS WERE SOME TYPE OF SIGNAL SHOTS.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
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LCPL SELL	
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Unit/Call Sign: DESK WORK (F-6) Patrol Leader: LT O'DONNELL

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

2. Mission. Establish a radio relay site and observation post on Hill 897 (vic YC926968) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ben Tau area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis is also to be placed on establishing a suitable HLZ and defensive positions on Hill 897. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 100800H; insert by rappelling vic YC926968. Extract at 141400H vic YC926968.

a. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, D/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis is to be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, D/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
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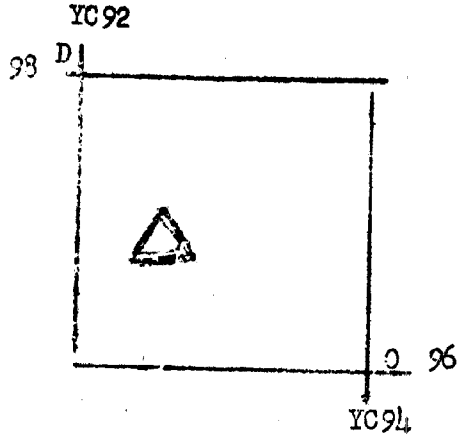
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Unit/Call Sign: RECORD (F-3) Patrol Leader: LT JOHNSON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-3/S-2)
(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 vicinity of Hill 324. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and traffica-bility of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 110800H; insert vic YC904961. Extract at 151330H vic YC898975.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

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(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, D/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
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Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE DELTA
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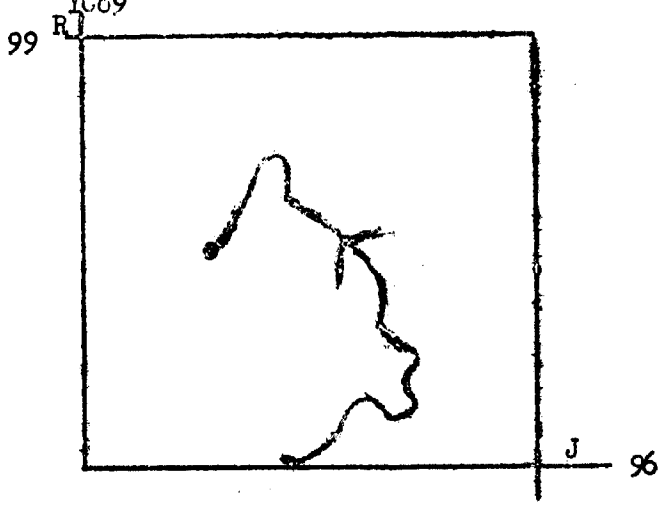
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Unit/Call Sign: RECORD (F-3) Patrol Leader: LT JOHNSON

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

2. Mission. Establish a radio relay site and observation post on Hill 897 (vic YC926968) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ben Tau area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis is also to be placed on establishing a suitable HLZ and defensive positions on Hill 897. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 101600H; insert vic YC926968. Extract at 141400H vic YC926968.

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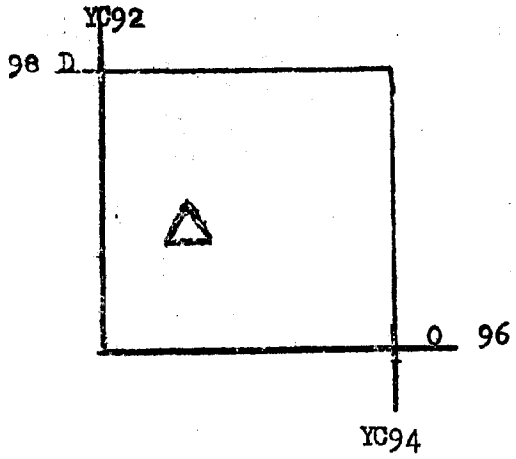
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OPERATION HOUSTON
PATROL: DESK WORK AND RECORD
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT. G.A. KOCH
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DTG 191030H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 3 OFF. 21 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 2 ENGINEERS
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 5 PRC-25'S, 3 PRC-93'S, 2 7x50'S, 1 M-49
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2,000 LBS C-4, CHAIN SAW. NUMEROUS OTHER EQUIPMENT NEEDED TO CLEAR AN HLZ.

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH A RADIO RELAY SITE AND OBSERVATION POST ON TRUOI MTS. (VIC YC946967) AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE TRUOI MTS AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS AND EGRESS. EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ESTABLISHING A SUITABLE HLZ AND DEFENSIVE POSITIONS ON TRUOI MTS BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 150900H/191015H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 97 HOURS OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION. PATROLS COMPLETED ONE GOOD CH-46 ZONE ON TOP OF TRUOI MOUNTAIN.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 172315H (YC94409675) BUNKER TO THE SOUTH HEARD SOME MOVEMENT. 10 MINUTES LATER SECURITY BUNKER HEARD SOME MOVEMENT. AT THE SAME TIME BUNKER TO "NW" HEARD MOVEMENT. 2 TRIPFLARES IN FRONT OF "NW" POSITION WENT OFF SAME POSITION BLEW ONE CLAYMORE. AFTER CLAYMORE EXPLODED THAT POSITION RECEIVED ONE INCOMMING GRENADE, EXPLODING 30 FT. FROM THAT POSITION. AT THIS SAME INSTANT POSITION TO "NW" BLEW A SECOND CLAYMORE AND OPENED WITH AR FIRE. AT THIS TIME MOVEMENTS STOPPED. BUT A WHILE LATER PATROL HEARD SOME MOVEMENT FURTHER DOWN HILL. ALSO OP THOUGH THAT SOME ONE THREW A ROCK INTO THEIR POSITION.

182330H (YC94409675) POSITION TO SOUTH HEARD MOVEMENT APPROX 15-20 METERS AND SHORTLY THERE AFTER THE MOVEMENT WAS HEARD TO THE EAST. ONE M-26 GRENADE WAS THROWN WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

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B. TERRAIN: VERY MOUNTAINOUS WITH STEEP CLIFFS, WITH MEDIUM TO LIGHT UNDERGROWTH. CANOPY APPROX 50 FT.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: SOME OF ANIMALS ENCOUNTERED ON TOP OF TROI MOUNTAIN WERE 2 MEDIUM SIZE TURTLES APPROX 15 LBS EACH. 1 SCORPION, 1 CENTIPEDE. THIS ONE WAS EXTREMELY LARGE APPROX 8 INCHES LONG AND ORANGE IN COLOR. NO SNAKES, MONKEYS, MOSQUITOS WERE ENCOUNTERED. SOME SMALL LEACHES WERE FOUND. NO FRUITS OR VEGETABLE. NO WATER WAS FOUND AT THAT LOCATION, BUT IT RAINS EVERY NIGHT DURING THE HOURS OF 1900H-2000H. TEMPERATURE RUNS GENERALLY [illegible] 75° TO 85° DURING THE HOURS OF NOON TO 1400H. AT NIGHTS IT IS COOL BUT QUITE COMFORTABLE.

7. INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ YC944967. THIS IS A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. BEST APPROACH IS FROM THE "N" TO "S". DANGER AREA TO THE "W" & "N". SMALL HILLS CLOSE TO HLZ. LZ ALTITUDE 3770 FT. ONE SMALL TRAIL WAS FOUND THAT RUNS GENERALLY "N" TO "S". THIS TRAIL IS APPROX 2' WIDE AND WELL USED.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELIENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL UTILIZING THAT OP SHOULD TAKE OUT A DC AND STARLIGHT SCOPE.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THIS PATROL REPORT COVERS TWO TEAMS COMBINED, AND TWO DIFFERENT OPERATION ORDERS.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

RECORD:

2dLT. R. JOHNSON
CPL. E. PALMER
CPL. J.W. LYONS
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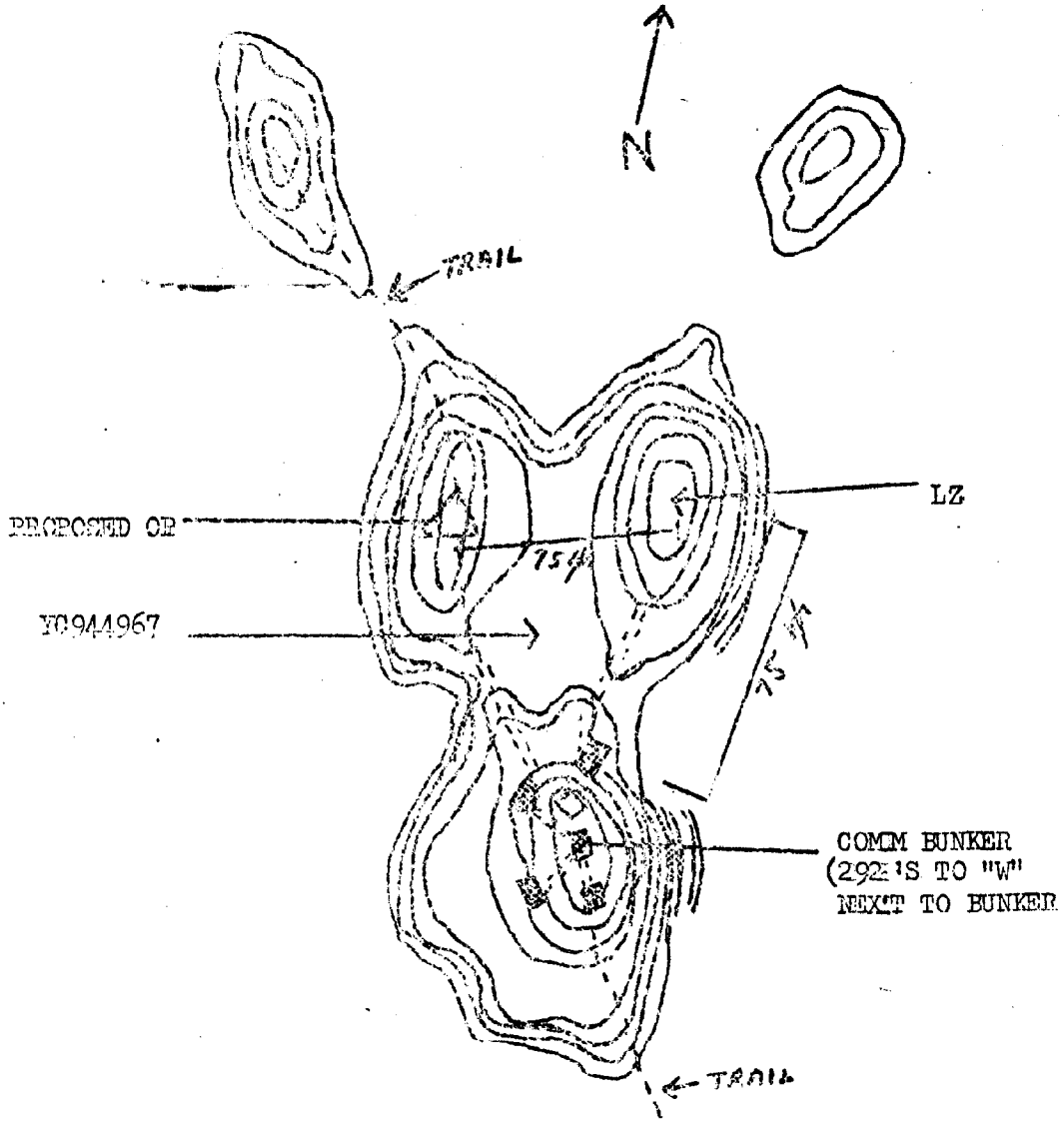
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HILL 3770 FT. TRUOI MOUNTAIN
RECON OP/RADIO RELAY SITE



EXISTING BUNKERS
PROPOSED BUNKERS
TRAILS CUT BY RECON
PREVIOUSLY EXISTING TRAILS

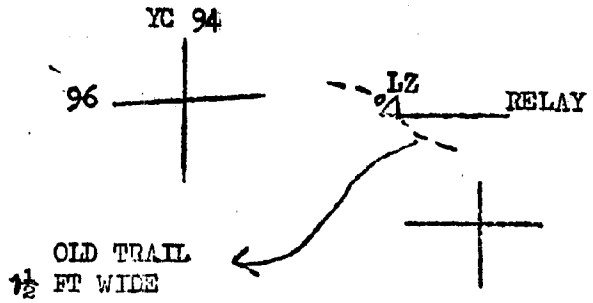
NOTES: (1) LZ AND HILL TO W ARE SAME HEIGHT.
(2) COMM BUNKER IS LARGE ENOUGH FOR 5-6 MEN
(3) OTHER BUNKERS ARE FOR 4 MEN
(4) WATER PROBABLY ABOUT 200 METERS TO "SW"
(5) LZ 50-70FT LOWER THAN COMM BUNKER

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Unit/Call Sign: FLAG DIP (C-4-1) Patrol Leader: LT JANCZUK

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 Li Hi mountain area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 110730H; insert vic YC857977, Extract at 151300H vic YC877973.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, D/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order an order that the CO, D/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (155 HOW)
SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
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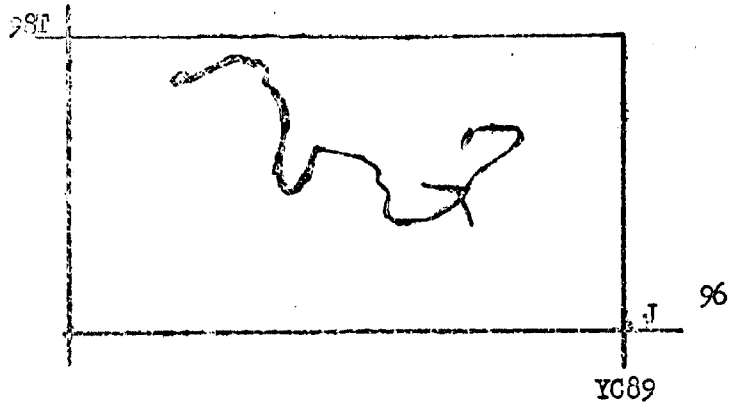
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Unit/Call Sign: FLAG DIP (C-4-1) Patrol Leader: LT JANCZUK

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 area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 140800H; insert vic YD888021. Extract at 181330H vic YD872033.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW)
SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
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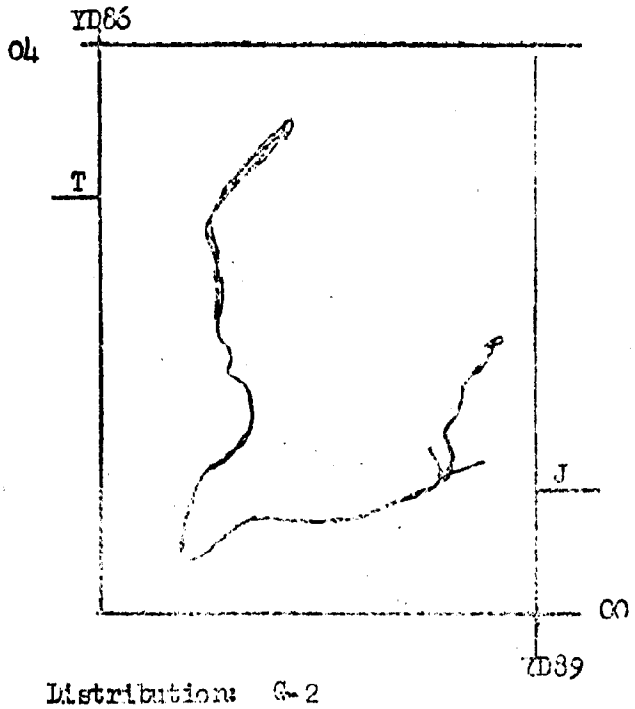
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OPERATION HOUSTON
PATROL: FLAG DIP (C-4-1)
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT. G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III.& IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 181100H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 10 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2PRC-25'S, 1 7X50
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1M-12, 1M-14, 1M-79

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE MO TAU MOUNTAIN AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 141210H/181050H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 95 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT WITH AT LEAST 8 NVA AND NUMEROUS VOICES AND MOVEMENTS WERE HEARD DURING THIS PATROL.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 171600H YD864030 PATROL FOLLOWED A SMALL TRAIL WHEN THE POINT MAN SPOTTED ONE NVA 20 METERS AWAY. POINT MAN OPENED FIRE PROBABLY KILLING THIS NVA. THIS NVA WAS DRESSED IN SHORTS AND BROWN SHIRT. ONE M-1 RIFLE OBSERVED. PATROL BROKE CONTACT, BUT AT LEAST 8 NVA WERE FOLLOWING THE PATROL. PATROL LOST NVA IN THE UNDERBRUSH.

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS, WITH HIGH CANOPY ON THE HIGH GROUND 50-75 FT. IN THE LOWGROUND THICK VEGETATION WITH TANGLE VINES.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: 141330H YD885016 PATROL FOUND ONE OLD HOOTCH WITH ONE LARGE BUNKER. THE BUNKER WAS NOT USED FOR THE PAST 6 MONTHS.

160900H YD867011 PATROL HEARD VOICES FROM APPROX 5-10 PEOPLE 50-100 METERS EAST OF PATROLS POSITION. FM NOT CALLED DUE TO PATROLS LOCATION.

161115H YD864014 PATROL FOUND 3 ONE MEN FIGHTING HOLES CLOSE TO THE TRAIL. THESE FIGHTING HOLES HAD BEEN USED WITHIN THE PAST 24 TO 48 HOURS.

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161215H YD863015 THE PATROL HEARD NUMEROUS VOICES AND WOOD CHOPPING IN THE VICINITY OF THE STREAM. THE PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT COMMING TOWARDS THEM. PATROL EVADED THE MOVEMENT.

161930H YD871035 PATROL WAS FOLLOWED BY AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC/NVA THEY MOVED UP HILL. GUNSHIPS CHECKED OUT AREA BUT COULD NOT FIND ANYTHING. AFTER GUNSHIPS LEFT, PATROL LEFT THE HILL TO MOVE INTO A DIFFERENT HARBOR SITE WHEN AT 1930H THE HILL WAS ATTACKED WHERE THE PATROL HAD ORGINALLY BEEN ON, BY AN ESTIMATED FORCE OF 10-20 VC/NVA. HAND GRENADES WERE THROWN AND THEN FOLLOWED UP BY SA FIRE. THIS WAS A WELL INITIATED ASSAULT. HOWEVER PATROL HAD MOVED FROM THAT HILL DURING COVER OF DARKNESS. PATROL DID NOT RETURN FIRE SINCE THEY DID NOT WANT TO GIVE THEIR POSITION AWAY.
INSERT LZ YD885018, GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE. GRASS 6-8 FT. EXTRACT LZ YD872039 FAIR 1 CH-46 ZONE. NUMEROUS WELL USED TRAILS WERE LOCATED IN THIS PATROLS OPS AREA. ALL OF THEM HAD BEEN RECENTLY USED AND COULD NOT BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 NVA KIA PROB. BY S/A

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THIS TRAIL HAD BEEN REPORTED BY PREVIOUS PATROLS AS A WELL AND RECENT USED TRAIL. CHIEU HOIS REPORTED THAT THE VC/NVA USE THIS TRAIL FOR RICE COLLECTION. THE VC/NVA USUALLY DEPART THE CANOPY AREA AT COORD. YD872034 DURING THE HOUR OF 1900H TO 2000H AND RETURN 0400H TO 0600H AND ENTER THAT LOCATION. ALSO REPORTS RECEIVED FROM SAME SORCE, THAT A RICE STORAGE AREA IS LOCATED IN THIS VICINITY. RECON PATROL HAD BEEN SENT OUT TO CHECK OUT THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE FINDINGS, HOWEVER NUMEROUS SIGHTINGS CONTACTS , AND VOICES HAVE BEEN HEARD AND MADE BY RECON PATROLS IN THE PAST 30 DAYS. THIS PATROL ONCE AGAIN CONFIRMS THE TRAFFIC ON THE TRAILS AND THE TIME PHASE OF THE MOVEMENTS. RECOMMEND A PLATOON OR COMPANY AMBUSH TO APPROACH THIS AREA UNDER COVER OF DARKNESS. DAYLIGHT APPROACH TO THIS AREA WOULD NOT HAVE THE ELEMENTS OF SURPRISE AND IT WOULD BE OBSERVED BY TRAIL WATCHERS THAT ARE STATIONED JUST INSIDE CANOPY.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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CPL. J.W. KELLNER
LCPL L.T. SANDERS
PFC R.L. CROSS
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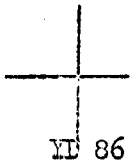
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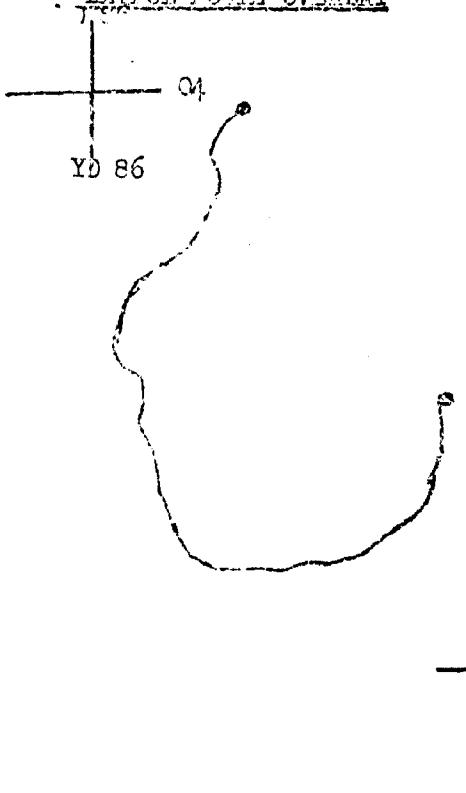
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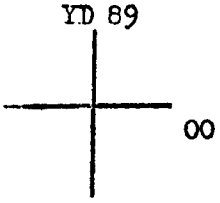


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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY





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

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-3/S-2)
(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 Tron Mountain area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, trails, and HLZ'S in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 120730H; insert vic AU832076. Extract at 161300H vic AU828052.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5thMar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 47.0
Artillery: (a) BEECHNUT "F" 45.85 (105 & 155HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE ALPHA
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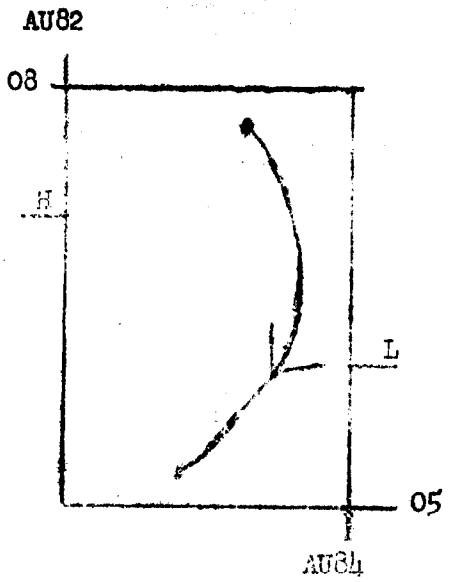
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PATROL: ACHILLES C-2-1
DEBRIEFER: CPL W.D. KEARNEY
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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 161500H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 10 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 2 ENG
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-12, 1 M-60, 2 MINE DETECTORS

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE TRON MOUNTAIN AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, TRAILS, AND HLZ'S IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 120950H/161450H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 96 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NO CONTACTS AND ONE SIGHTING OF LIGHTS. ONE FM CALLED. UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 150945H AU823053. PATROL WAS IN HARBOR SITE WHEN THEY SPOTTED 16-20 LIGHTS MOVING IN A NORTHERN DIRECTION. LIGHTS WERE MOVING TOWARDS TEAMS POSITION. PATROL TRIED TO CALL IN ARTY BUT THEY WERE TOO FAR AWAY. GUNSHIPS AND FLARESHIPS WERE ON STATION. GUNSHIP'S STRAFED AND ROCKETED THE LIGHTS. GUNSHIPS RAN OUT OF AMMO AND HAD TO RETURN FOR MORE AMMO. PATROL THEN CALLED ARTY AGAIN. THIS TIME THEY GOT ARTY WITH OUTSTANDING COVERAGE. LIGHTS WERE EXTINGUISHED. MOVEMENT WAS HEARD AGAIN TO THE WEST. PATROL CALLED GUNSHIPS AND FLARESHIP AGAIN. AFTER GUNSHIPS STRAFED AND ROCKETED AREA, NO MORE MOVEMENT WAS HEARD.

B. TERRAIN: CANOPY WAS SPARSE. VERY EASY MOVEMENT THROUGHOUT AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT AU828077. GOOD 2 CH-46 ZONE. LZ WAS BLOWN BY TEAM. EXTRACT LZ AT AU835067. GOOD ONE CH-46 ZONE. BOULDERS ARE SCATTERED THROUGHOUT AREA.

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AU828056 ONE WELL USED TRAIL RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH. TRAIL WAS 2 FT WIDE, COULD BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

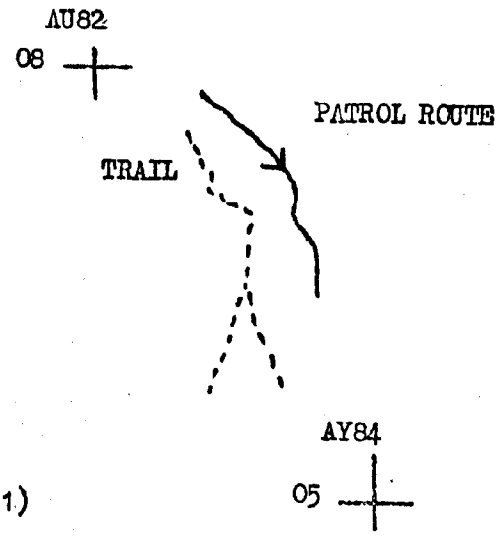
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

	PATROL LEADER
LT LANGDON	LT LANGDON
SGT DAHLMAN	2ND PLT, "C" Co, 1ST RECON BN
HM2 EMERSON	
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Unit/Call Sign: SPILLWAY F-1 Patrol Leader: SGT HOLTON

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 at IMPRESSIVE BRAVO Radio Relay Site (Hill 230) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement of arms infiltration in the Phu Bai area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis to be placed on improving defensive positions and fields of fire on Hill 230. Provide communications personnel to assist the Radio Realy Team (IMPRESSIVE BRAVO). Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart WZ 405 at 130730H; insert vic YD848086. Extract at 191390H vic YD848086.

a. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Ensure thorough coordination with the Senior Marine at IMPRESSIVE BRAVO Relay.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of right defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 57.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155HOW)
LUNGA POINT "L" 63.68 (155 HOW SP)

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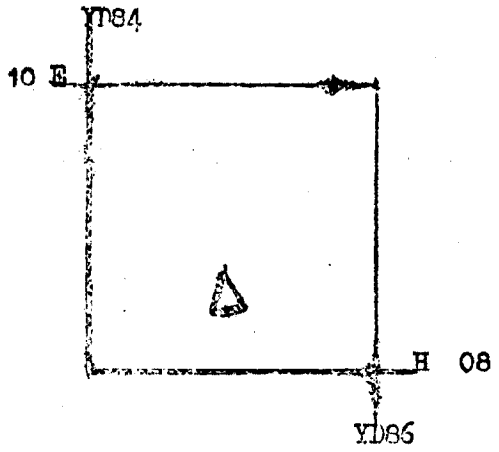
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OPERATION ORDER: 191-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: SPILLWAY (F-1)
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT, G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III & IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 190830H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT;

A. COMPOSITION: 16 ENL. 1 USN.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE, 1 M-49, 1 6x30
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60, 1 M-14, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST AT IMPRESSIVE BRAVO RADIO RELAY SITE (HILL 230) AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/TFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OF ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE PHU BAI AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, SMUGGLE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS AND EGRESS. EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON IMPROVING DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND FIELDS OF FIRE ON HILL 230. PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS PERSONNEL TO ASSIST THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (IMPRESSIVE BRAVO). BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 130900H/190810H

4. ROUTE: OP HILL 230 YD848086.

5. SYNOPSIS: 143 HOURS OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT WITH 3 VC/NVA. RESULTS OF CONTACT UNKNOWN. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 182305H YD848087 OP OBSERVED 3 LIGHTS MOVING UP THE NORTHERN FINGER OF HILL. PATROL OPENED FIRE WITH S/A AND ONE GRENADE. LIGHTS WENT OUT.

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH LOW BRUSH 1-3 FT.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ AT YD848086.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: VERY GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: MINE FIELD SHOULD BE RECHARTED. NO CHARTS ARE AVAILABLE OF THE MINE FIELD ON HILL 230.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. E. HOLTON
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CPL. C. RAMIREZ
HM3 A. TRAINO
LCPL D. MILLER
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DEBRIEFER: GYSGT C.A. KOCH
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DIVING REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 5 ENL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 PRC-25
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 3 72'S, 4 REGULATORS

2. MISSION: CONDUCT COMBAT DIVING OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON TO DETERMINE THE PRESENCE AND LOCATION OF ENEMY EXPLOSIVE CHARGES RIGGED ON THE LANG CO BRIDGE (AT886957), THE TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE (YD967063), THE NONG RIVER BRIDGE (YD927104), AND HOUNG THUY RIVER BRIDGE (YD8383[illegible]).

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 140800H/141640H

4. MODE OF TRAVEL TO AND FROM DIVING AREA: 3/4 TON TRUCK

5. SYNOPSIS: 9 HOURS OF DIVING RESULTED IN FINDING LIVE DISCARDED FRIENDLY ORDENANCE (ITEMIZED IN PARAGRAPH 7 BELOW).

6. INCIDENTS DIRECT RESULT OF DIVING MISSION: NONE

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

YD927104 NONG RIVER BRIDGE, THE TEAM FOUND THE SUSPECTED EXPLOSIVES LAYING AT THE BOTTOM OF THE RIVER: 2 60 MM MORTARS, 1 M-72 UNFIRED, 350 ROUNDS OF LINKED AMMO (7.62), 50 ROUNDS OF LOOSE AMMO IN SANDBAG.

YD967063 TROUI RIVER BRIDGE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE FOUND AT THE BOTTOM: 2 BLOCKS (1 LBS) TNT AND TIME BLASTERS, 1 FULL LINE OF CLAYMORE WIRE WITH BLASTING CAP.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: VERY GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: ALL LIVE ORDERANCE FOUND AT BRIDGES WILL BE TURNED OVER TO BRIDGE SECURITY FOR PROPER DISPOSAL.

12. DIVING MEMBERS:

SGT HUGHES
SGT LAWSON
LCPL MURRY
LCPL BERRY
LCPL BROWN (DRIVER)

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(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
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(e) CoFragOrder #192-68

Unit/Call Sign: CROCHET (C-3-1) Patrol Leader: SGT WOLFF

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-3/S-2)
(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 Hill 384 area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 130800H; insert vic YC915937. Extract at 171300H vic YC904963.

a. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
(c) BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (155 HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE DELTA

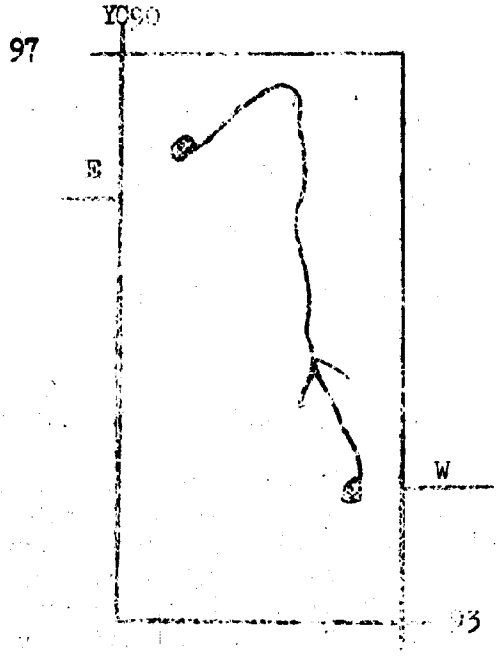
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PATROL: SQUEET C-5-1
OPERATION: HOUSTON
DEBRIEFER: SGT G.A. KOSH
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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 141400H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 2 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 1 M-14, 1 M-60

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED AVN/ATV TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE HILL 384 AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), BARRIER SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 131020H/141530H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 29 HOURS OF PATROLLING RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED PLATOON OF NVA. NO EM CALLED. RESULTS OF CONTACT, 3 USMC WIA. ENEMY UNKNOWN.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 141345H YC912956. PATROL WAS IN PROCESS OF SETTING UP AN AMBUSH, WHEN REAR SECURITY RECEIVED HEAVY AUTOMATIC SA AND AR FIRE FROM 15 FT AWAY. PATROL ACTUALLY SIGHTED 3 NVA BUT FROM THE AMOUNT OF FIRING RECEIVED THEY ESTIMATED TO BE A PLATOON FORCE. PATROL RETURNED FIRE INTO NVA POSITION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. THE ORIGINAL CONTACT RESULTED IN 3 USMC WIA'S. ALL WERE DRESSED IN GREEN UTILITIES AND BUSH COVERS. PATROL UTILIZED M-26 GRENADES. GUNSHIPS AND CH-46'S WERE REQUESTED FOR EMERGENCY EXTRACTION. CH-46'S RECEIVED MODERATE SA AND AR FIRE WHILE MAKING AN APPROACH. GUNSHIPS STRAFED AND ROCKETED THE NVA POSITION. PATROL WAS EXTRACTED BY HOIST WITHOUT FURTHER FIRE.

B. TERRAIN: GENTLE SLOPES WITH MEDIUM VEGETATION AND LITTLE CANOPY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YC902964. FAIR 1 CH-46 ZONE, POMB CRATER. EXTRACT LZ AT YC912957. NOT AN LZ, PATROL WAS HOISTED OUT. OTHER LZ YC912957, GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. BRUSH AND GRASS 8-10 FT HIGH.

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YC912957. PATROL FOUND 3 LARGE TIMBERS CUT IN A SQUARE. THEY WERE 30X30 INCHES AND 20 FT LONG. THESE HAD JUST RECENTLY BEEN CUT. ALSO NOTED WERE NUMEROUS LARGE TREES HAD BEEN CUT VERY RECENTLY, AND CUT WITH A SMALL SAW. ELEPHANT DUNG WAS FOUND IN THAT SAME VICINITY. PATROL ESTIMATED THAT ELEPHANTS HAD BEEN IN THAT AREA IN THE PAST MONTH.

YC913955. ONE VERY LARGE ROAD WAS FOUND RUNNING GENERALLY N TO S. IT WAS AT LEAST 10 FT WIDE AND DIRT WAS WELL PACKED. THIS ROAD COULD NOT BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR WITH THE EXCEPTION WHERE TPQ BROKE UP CANOPY.

PATROL FOUND THAT MOST OF THE VEGETATION HAD VERY LITTLE FOILAGE, JUST AS THIS AREA HAD BEEN DEFOLIATED AT ONE TIME. MOST OF THE VEGETATION WAS COMPLETELY DEAD.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 3 USMC WIA, ENEMY UNKNOWN.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. SUGGESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: AIR WAS OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY BRIGADIER: FINDING OF THE RECENTLY LARGE LOGS, COULD CONSIDER BE AN INDICATION THAT THE NVA MAY STOCK THESE LOGS AT A PREDETERMINED LOCATION FOR POSSIBLE USE OF BRIDGE REPAIR FOR VEHICULAR TYPE TRAFFIC ON ROUTE 545. ALSO OF INTEREST TO NOTE IS THE FACT THAT THE BRIDGE AT COORD YC916931 IS DESTROYED AND IS ONLY 2,000 METERS FROM WHERE THESE LOGS HAD BEEN FOUND.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

PATROL LEADER
GPL JANNINGTON — GPL DUNNINGTON
GPL MEADOWELL — 3RD PLT, "C" Co, 1ST RECON BN
CPL [illegible]
LCPL CLARK
[illegible]
LCPL [illegible] WIA
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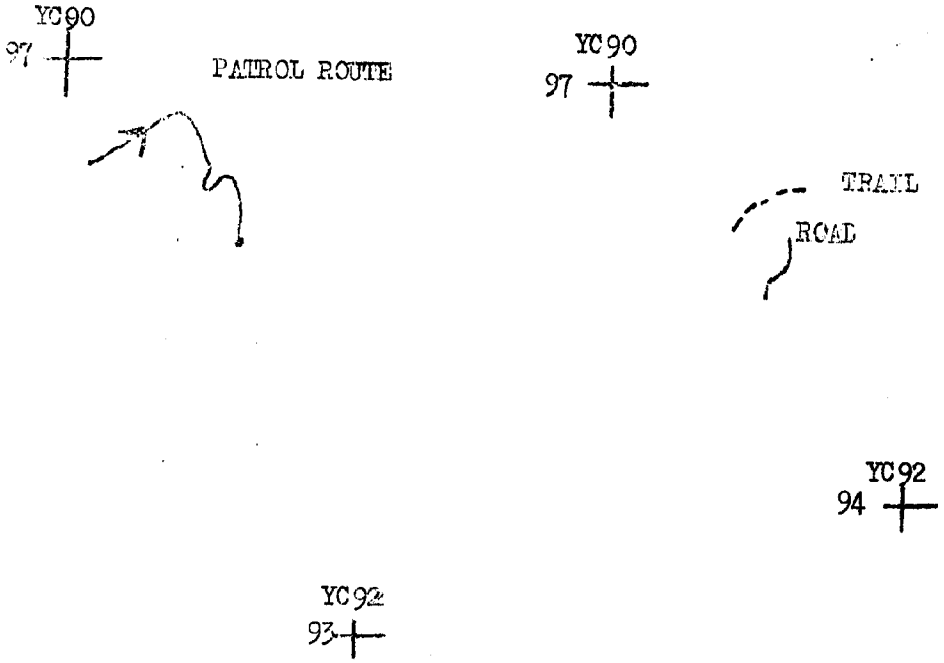
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(e) CoFragOrder #193-69

Unit/Call Sign: STONE PIT (F-5) Patrol Leader: SSGT GRIGGS

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

2. Mission. Establish a radio relay site and observation post on Hill 897 (vic YC926968) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ben Tau area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis is also to be placed on establishing a suitable HLZ and defensive positions on Hill 897. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 150730H; insert vic YC926968. Extract at 191330H vic YC926968.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis is to be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO

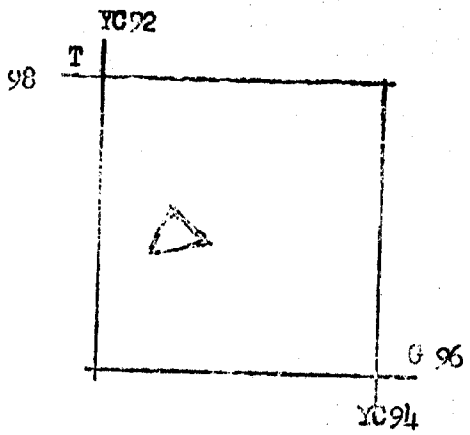
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Unit/Call Sign: STONE PIT (F-5) Patrol Leader: CPL THOMPSON

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 southeastern Phu Loc Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, trails, and HLZ's in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 150830H; insert vic ZC163969. Extract at 191330 vic ZC164968.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5thMar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 47.0 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: (a) BEECHNUT "E" 58.05 (105 & 155HOW)
(b) BEECHNUT "F" 45.85 (155 HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE ALPHA
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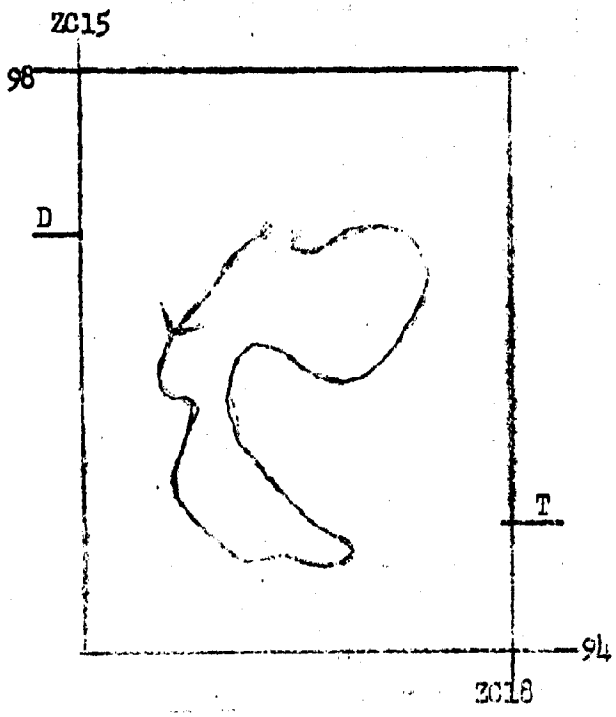
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PATROL: STONE PIT F-5
OPERATION ORDER: 193-68 CH#1
OPERATION: HOUSTON
DEBRIEFER: SGTSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 I&II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 171200H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S, 1 6X30'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 2 M-79'S

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE SOUTHEASTERN PHU LOC VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, TRAILS, AND HLZ'S IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 151120H/160825H 1ST INSERT. 171110H/171200H 2ND INSERT.

4. ROUTE: N/A

5. SYNOPSIS: 20 HOURS OF PATROLLING RESULTED IN 3 NEC CASUALTIES, BY FRIENDLY H&I FIRE. 2ND INSERT RESULTED IN AN CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN FORCE OF VC/NVA PRIOR TO ACTUAL INSERTION. THIS CONTACT RESULTED IN 7 WIA'S.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 171135H ZC155063. CH-46 WAS HOVERING IN THE LZ JUST READY TO LAND THE TEAM IN THE LZ, WHEN THE HELO WAS IN HOVERING POSITION 30 FT FROM LZ THE A/C RECEIVED [illegible] INTENSE S/A AR AND MG FIRE, CALIBER UNKNOWN, FROM NOT MORE THAN 15-20 METERS FROM THE WEST AND SOUTHWEST. HELO PILOTS PULLED AIRCRAFT OUT OF THE LZ AND CRASHED LANDED HELO AT COORD ZD162008. MEMBERS OF PATROL RETURNED FIRE DURING THE INITIAL ACTION, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. PATROL WAS PICKED UP BY THE SECOND CH-46 AND TAKEN TO MED EN IN PHU BAI.

B. TERRAIN: MOUNTAINOUS WITH STEEP ELEVATION. THICK SECONDARY GROWTH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ AT ZC155068. GOOD CH-46 ZONE.

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THIS PATROL WAS INSERTED ON THE 15TH THE 1ST TIME. WHILE IN HARBOR SITE FOR THE NIGHT H&I FIRE WAS REQUISTED AND FIRED.3 ROUNDS LANDED IN PATROL HARBOR SITE RESULTING IN ONE NBC KIA AND 2 NBC WIA. PATROL WAS EXTRACTED THE NEXT DAY AT 0825H.

THIS PATROL HAD 3 REPRESENTATIVES OF LUNCH MEAT (C-1-2) PATROL, AND ONE S-2 REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE OVERFLIGHT TO CHECK OUT THE TERRAIN, AND HLZ'S IN THEIR NFZ, AND THEY WERE INVOLVED IN THIS CONTACT.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 USMC NBC KIA, 2 USMC NBC WIA, 7 USMC WIA.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: FAIR

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL THOMPSON
SSGT GRIGGS WIA
CPL CICALESE WIA
LCPL DUNLAP
HM2 HILGENDORF NBC WIA
CPL SCHLOSSER WIA
LCPL TREURNICHT NBC WIA
PFC WARDLOW WIA
LCPL SEARS
CPL MURPHY NBC KIA
CPL BLACKWELL
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(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #194-68

Unit/Call Sign: COFFEE TIME (C-1-1) Patrol Leader: CPL POPPA

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 a radio relay site and observation post on Hill 897 (vic YC926968) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ben Tau area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis is also to be placed on establishing a suitable HLZ and defensive positions on Hill 897. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart YD 405 at 150800H; insert vic YC926968. Extract at 191400H vic YC926968.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of HAI, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis is to be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO

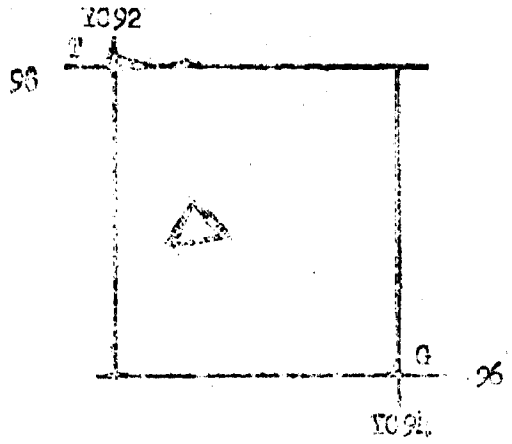
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Unit/Call Sign: COFFEE TIME (C-1-1) Patrol Leader: CPL POPPA

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 lower, eastern Ta Trach River area, and the Li Hi Mountain Range. Particular emphasis is to be placed on enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be parepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houstion.

3. Execution. Depart L2 405 at 150730H; insert vic YC858978. Extract at 191300H vic YC877973.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes neceasary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
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Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO

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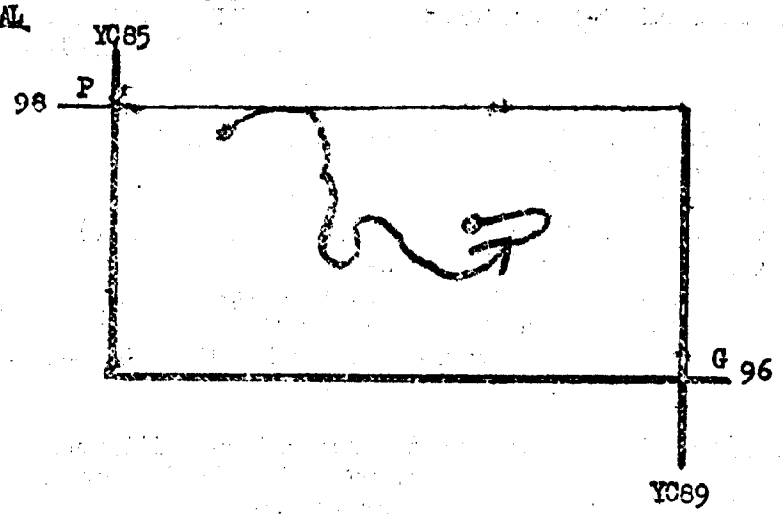
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OPERATION ORDER: 194-68 CH#1
OPERATION HOUSTON
PATROL: COFFEE TIME C-1-1
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III & IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 191130H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-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 LOWER, EASTERN TA TRACH RIVER AREA, AND THE LI HI MOUNTAIN RANGE. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 150730H/191120H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 100 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A
B. TERRAIN: CANOPY WAS 50-60 FT HIGH WITH SECONDARY GROWTH. MOVEMENT ON RIDGELINE VERY EASY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YC858970 FLAT, SANDY, WITH SMALL ROCKS. GOOD 3 CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ YC882982 GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. BRUSH AND SCRUB 3-4 FT HIGH.
TRAILS: YC876975. TRAIL WAS 3-4 FT WIDE. TRAIL WAS SANDY, AND WORN DOWN. FRESH TIRE PRINTS ABOUT THE SIZE OF A BICYCLE, OR MORTOR SCOOTER TRACKS WERE FOUND ON TRAIL WERE 1-2 DAYS OLD. TRAIL RAN "N" & "W". COULD OBSERVE FROM AIR. YC882982 PATROL FOUND FIGHTING HOLE 2' WIDE, 3' DEEP. THIS FIGHTING HOLE WAS FRESH, ON THE HLZ.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

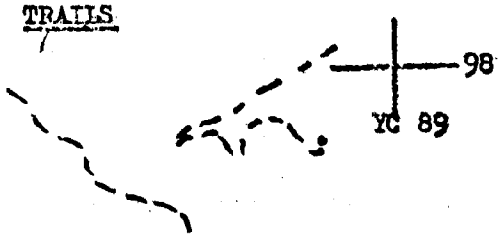
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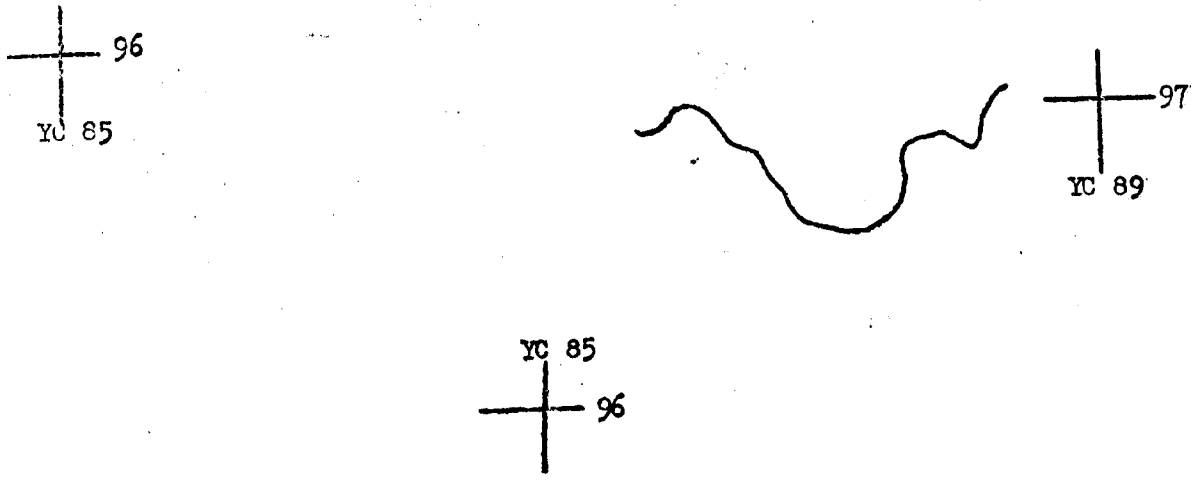
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(e) CoFragOrder #195-68

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Unit/Call Sign: MABLE ANN (C-3-2) Patrol Leader: CPL PODSCHELNE

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-3/S-2)
(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 area. Particular emphasis is to placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 140730H; insert vic YD863050. Extract at 181300H vic YD865045.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter-battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
(b) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
(c) BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
(d) LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW SP)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO

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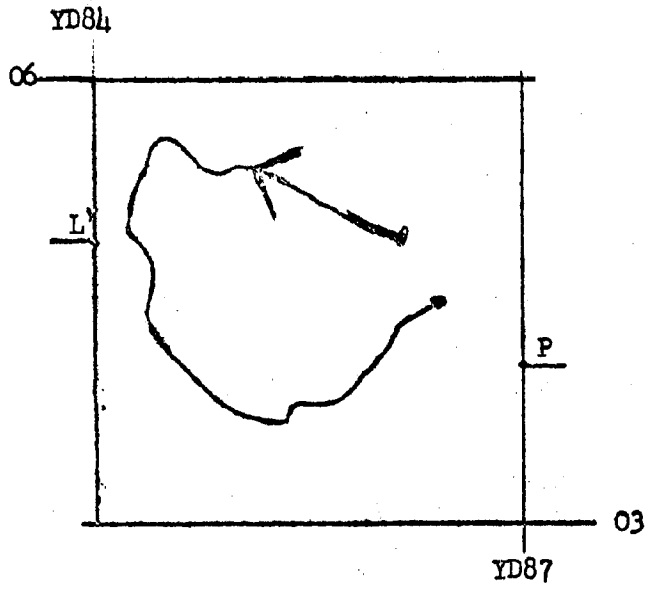
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PATROL: MABLE ANN (C-3-2)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III & IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 181300H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL. 1 USN.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 1 M-14

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 AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 140730H/181000H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 99 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A

B. TERRAIN: STEEP HILLS WITH CANOPY APPROX 100 FT. MOVEMENT WAS 100 METERS PER HOUR. THIS AREA IS VERY DRY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT YD863048. LOW GRASS AND SCRUB. GOOD 3 CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ AT YD857046. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. LOW GRASS AND SCRUB.

NUMEROUS TRAILS THROUGHOUT AREA, BUT TRAILS SHOWED NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE. TRAILS WERE NOT RUNNING IN ANY CERTAIN DIRECTION.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PILOTS SHOULD NOT PREP FIRE LZ AREA WITH WP BECAUSE THE AREA IS TOO DRY.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

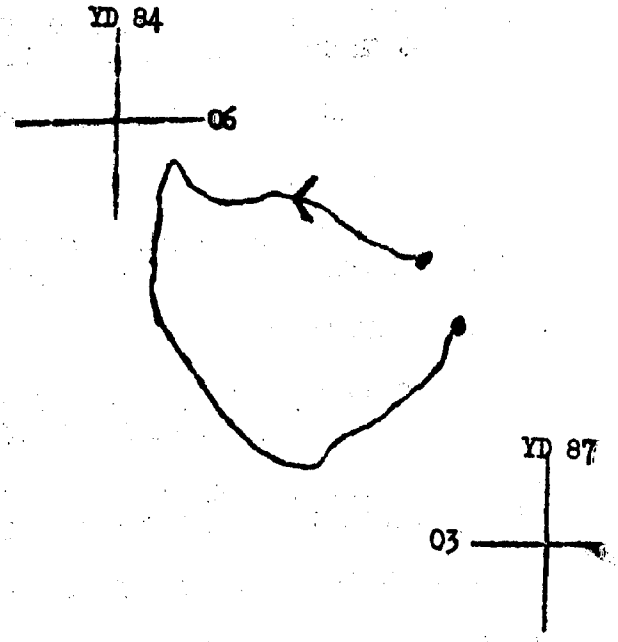
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DIVING REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 5 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 PRC-25
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 3 REGULATORS, 2 90'S

2. MISSION: CONDUCT COMBAT DIVING OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON TO DETERMINE THE PRESENCE AND LOCATION OF ENEMY EXPLOSIVE CHARGES RIGGED ON THE LANG CO BRIDGE (AT886957), THE TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE (YD967063), THE NONG RIVER BRIDGE (YD927104), AND HOUNG THUY RIVER BRIDGE (YD838817).

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 180830H/181730H

4. MODE OF TRAVEL TO AND FROM DIVING AREA: PC ¼ TON TRUCK

5. SYNOPSIS: 9 HOURS OF DIVING RESULTED IN NO FINDINGS OF MINES OR BOOBY TRAPS ON ALL FOUR BRIDGES CHECKED AS OUTLINED IN DIVING MISSION.

6. INCIDENTS DIRECT RESULT OF DIVING MISSION: YD967063 THE PATROL FOUND 6 60mm MORTAR ROUNDS UNEXPLODED AND ONE B-40 ROCKET UNFIRED. THIS GEAR WAS TURNED OVER TO BRIDGE SECURITY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: VERY GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

12. DIVING MEMBERS:

SGT. HUGHES
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Unit/Call Sign: VEAL STEW (F-4-1) Patrol Leader: CPL DORRIS

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 vicinity of Hill 273. Particular emphasis is to be placed on plotting and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 140830H; insert vic YD918023. Extract at 181400H vic YD906023.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW)
SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
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Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO
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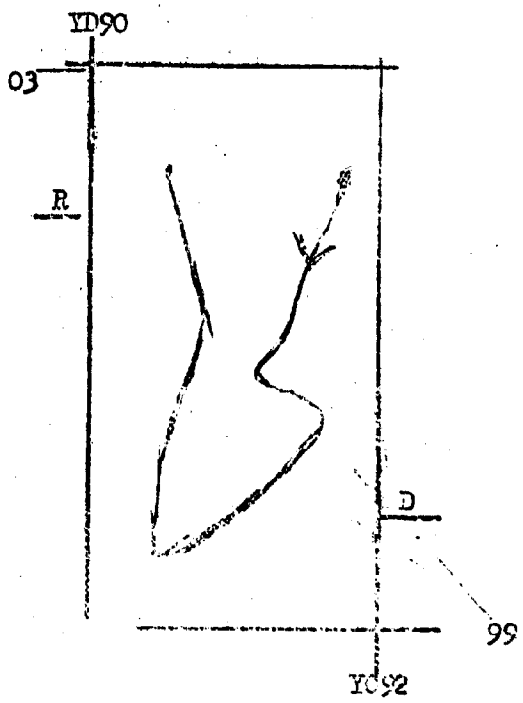
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OPERATION HOUSTON
PATROL: VEAL STEW I (F-4-1)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III & IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 181330H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-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 VICINITY OF HILL 273. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 140830H/181105H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 99 HOURS OF OBSERVATION AND PATROLLING RESULTED IN NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A
B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH CANOPY 20-40 FT. THICK SECONDARY GROWTH. MOVEMENT ABOUT 300 METERS PER HOUR. NO WATER IN THIS AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YD918023, LOW GRASS 2-3 FT HIGH. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ YD913024, FLAT GROUND, GOOD 2-3 CH-46 ZONE. PATROL HAD ONE NBC ON THE 15TH RESULTING FROM A FALL. THE TEAM MEMBER WAS HOISTED OUT, WITHOUT INCIDENT.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENT BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL. R. DORRIS
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Unit/Call Sign: VEAL STEW II (F-4-2) Patrol Leader: CPL FELL

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the area between Route 545 and the Ta Trach River. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 170730H; insert vic YC904963. Extract at 271300H vic YC908953.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, A/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, A/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: BEECH NUT "F" 35.35 (155 HOW)
SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
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Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO
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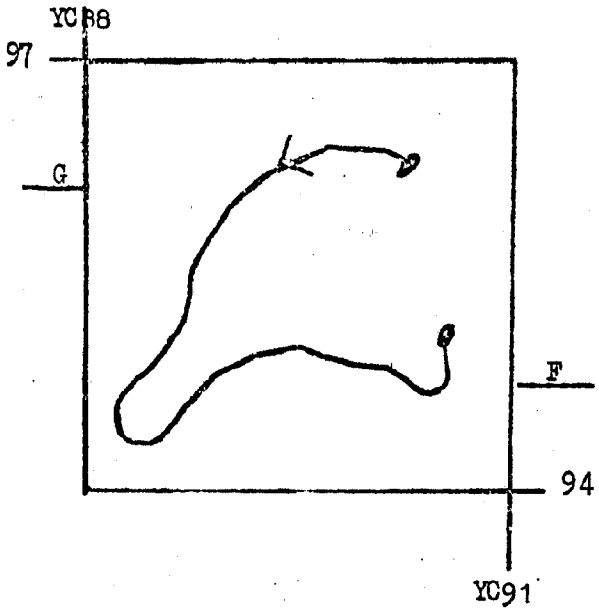
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PATROL: VEAL STEW II (F-4-1)
OPERATION ORDER: 197-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III & IV

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PHU BAI, RVN
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-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 AREA BETWEEN ROUTE 545 AND THE TA TRACH RIVER. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 170730H/220932H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 122 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A;

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP TERRAIN MOST OF THE WAY. CANOPY WAS 40-60 FT HIGH, BUT NEAR THE LZ THE AREA WAS VERY THICK, WITH VINES AND THORNS. MOST OF THE AREA WAS DEFOLIEDATED. THIS AREA IS VERY DRY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ "D" DELAY. YC944966. EXTRACT LZ YC903964, EXCELLENT FOR CH-46 ZONE. LOW GRASS, WITH FLAT GROUND.

TRAILS: YC913968 & YC913964.

TRAIL RUNS "S", AND WAS 1-2 FT WIDE. COULD NOT BE OBSERVED FROM AIR.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

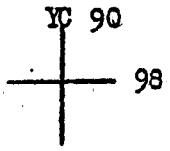
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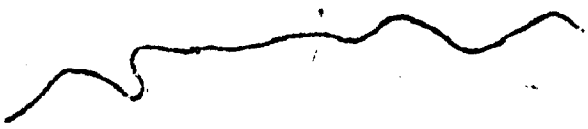
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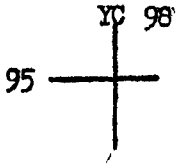
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Unit/Call Sign: DUBLIN CITY (C-2-2) Patrol Leader: CPL LOPEZ

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 vicinity of Hill 562. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, trails, and HLZ's in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houstion.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 170800H; insert vic YC963988. Extract at 211330H vic YC976988.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5thMar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: [illegible]
BEECH NUT "E" 58.05 (105 & 155 HOW)
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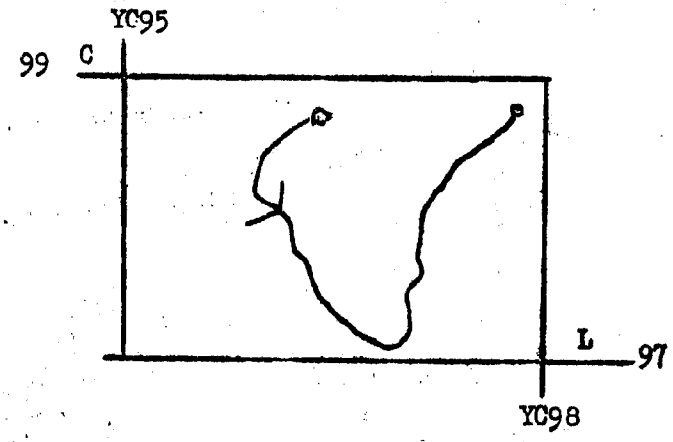
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PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 211300H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

   A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL.
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50'S
   D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-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 VICINITY OF HILL 562. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, TRAILS, AND HLZ'S IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 170800H/211110H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 99 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY: N/A

   B. TERRAIN: CANOPY WAS 20-25 FT HIGH WITH THICK SECONDARY GROWTH. MOVEMENT WAS 100-200 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ YC960994, GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE. LOW GRASS 2-3 FT HIGH. EXTRACT LZ YC974985, GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE. LOW GRASS.

TRAILS: YC969974.

TRAIL WAS APPROX 2-3 DAYS OLD, AND RUNNING "S". TRAIL WAS 2-3 FT WIDE. COULD NOT BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR. LARGE TREES WERE CUT IN THIS AREA, AND DRUG OR CARRIED TOWARDS THE "WEST".

TEAM HAD 4 NON HEAT CASUALTIES THAT WERE ALL MED-EVAC WITHOUT INCIDENT.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL. LOPEZ, L. JR.
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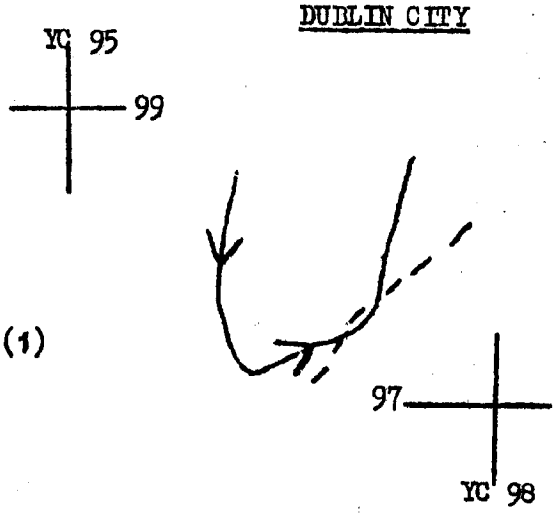
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Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6541 I, II
(b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.IF (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #199-68

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

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration north of Hill 602. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, trails, and HLZ's in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 170830H; insert vic ZC093958. Extract at 211400H vic ZC137966.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call" and counter battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5thMar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 47.0
Artillery: BEECH NUT "E" 58.05 (105 & 155 HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE ALPHA
IMPRESSIVE NOVEMBER

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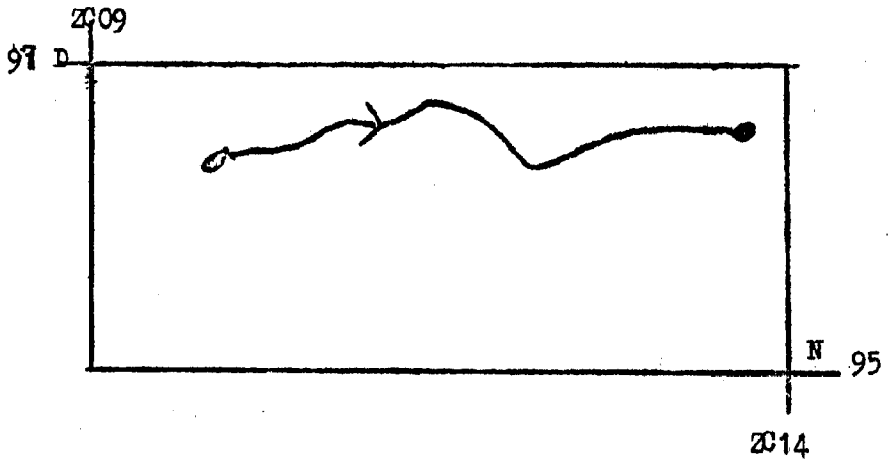
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OPERATION ORDER: 199-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: FUDGE CAKE F-2
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 I&II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE CO. (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 180930H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-12, 1 M-14, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION NORTH OF HILL 602. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, TRAILS, AND HLZ'S IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 171115H/180910H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 22 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT WITH AT LEAST 15 NVA. ONE FM CALLED AND GUNSHIPS GAVE SUPPORT. RESULTS OF CONTACT RESULTED IN ONE NVA KIA CONF BY SA AND 3 PROB BY SA. RESULTS OF SUPPORTING ARMS UNKNOWN.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 180800H ZC114963. PATROL STARTED MOVING OUT OF THEIR HARBOR SITE AND MOVED FOR 50 METERS, WHEN PATROL MADE CONTACT WITH AT LEAST 15 NVA. THE NVA WERE SITUATED ON THE HIGH GROUND AND INITIATED THE CONTACT. PATROL RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE FROM THE SE AND E. PATROL RETURNED FIRE AND BROKE CONTACT. WHILE BREAKING CONTACT FM WAS CALLED WITH FAIR COVERAGE ON TARGET. PATROL COULD NOT ADJUST DUE TO MOVING. NVA FOLLOWED THE PATROL AT LEAST 15-20 METERS BEHIND. REAR SECURITY OBSERVED 2 NVA DRESSED IN DARK GREEN UTILITIES, NO COVER. ONE CARRIED AN AK-47 AND THE OTHER HAD A RPD LIGHT MG. REAR SECURITY KILLED THE NVA WITH THE RPD, AND IMMEDIATELY KILLED THE SECOND ONE. GUNSHIPS WERE ON STATION, WHILE SUPPORTING TEAM RECEIVED MODERATE SA AND AR FIRE FROM NUMEROUS LOCATIONS ON HIGH GROUND. PATROL WAS EXTRACTED BY HOIST UNDER FIRE. GUNSHIPS GAVE OUTSTANDING COVERAGE ON TARGET WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

B. TERRAIN: MOUNTAINOUS WITH STEEP SLOPES. VERY THICK WITH VINES. CANOPY 20-30 FT HIGH. MOVEMENT 150-200 METERS PER HOUR.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ AT ZC108965. VERY GOOD 3 CH-46 ZONE. GRASS AND DIRT ON LZ. EXTRACT LZ ZC114964. POOR LZ. PATROL WAS HOISTED OUT. TRAILS WERE 4 FEET WIDE, WELL PACKED DIRT. CANOPY COMPLETELY CONCEALED THIS TRAIL.

171800H ZC117969. THE PATROL HEARD NUMEROUS VOICES AND LAUGHTER FROM THE VALLEY TO THE NE. NO FM CALLED DUE TO PATROLS POSITION. PATROL ALSO HEARD AT LEAST 3 FEMALES IN THAT GROUP.

180615H ZC119963 PATROL HEARD VOICES EXTREMELY LOUD THIS TIME MOVING ABOVE THEM. IT APPEARED THAT THESE PEOPLE WERE WALKING ON A TRAIL DUE SOUTH TOWARDS HILL 602.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 NVA KIA CONF BY SA, 3 NVA KIA PROB BY SA.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: ARTY WAS FAIR, GUNSHIPS OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NUMEROUS SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS HAVE BEEN MADE BY RECON PATROLS IN THE VICINITY EAST OF GRID LINE ZC08 TO GRID LINE ZC15. HEAVY CONTACT WAS MADE WITH AN UNKNOWN FORCE OF NVA ON THE 17TH OF MAY AT COORD ZC155068; STONE PAT WAS IN PROCESS OF INSERTION, WHEN HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE WAS RECEIVED WHILE INSERT HELO HOVERED OVER LZ. IT IS QUITE POSSIBLE THAT THE NVA HAVE OP'S AND TRAIL WATCHERS IN THE EDGE OF CANOPY TO WATCH FOR FRIENDLY PATROLS ON OPERATIONS THAT MAY APPROACH HILL 602 OR POSSIBLY HILL 1184 AT COORD ZC144919. (SEE PATROL REPORT NO 161-68 DATED 1 MAY 68 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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CPL. T. COOK
LCPL P. HAMMHURST
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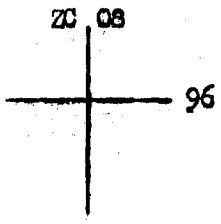
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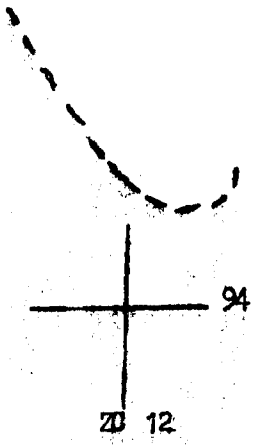
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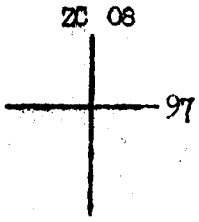
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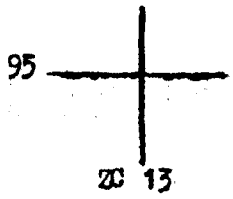




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(b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO 2003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #200-68

Unit/Call Sign: LUNCH MEAT (C-1-2) Patrol Leader: SGT STAIR

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 west of Route 545. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 180730H; insert vic YD885026. Extract at 221300H at vic YC893997.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1stFAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, B/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, B/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
PONY BOY "B" 53.60 (8" HOW)
TERRAPIN "B" 53.60 (105 HOW)
BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW SP)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO

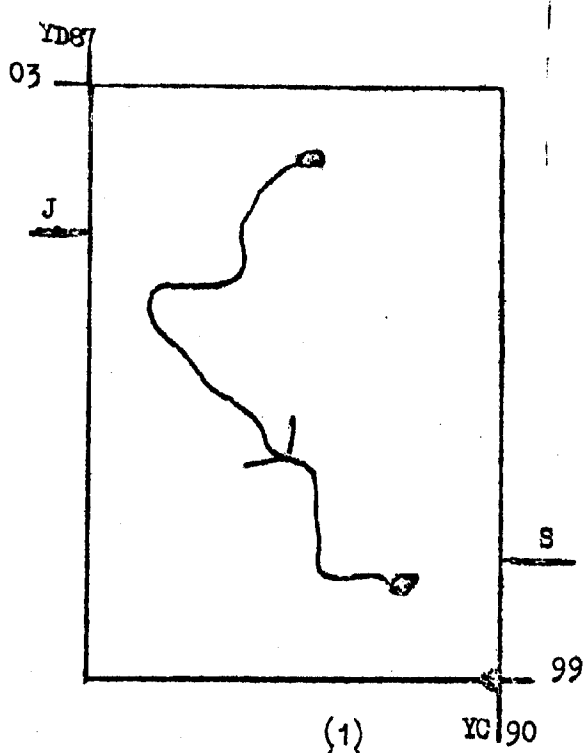
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OPERATION ORDER 200-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: LUNCH MEAT (C-1-2)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III & IV

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PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 221030H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL. 1 USN.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION WEST OF ROUTE 545. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 180730H/220958H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 98 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A;

B. TERRAIN: FLAT, TO GENTLY ROLLING HILLS. CANOPY WAS 20 FT HIGH. MOVEMENT IN SOME PLACES 50-75 METERS, OTHERS 100 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ YD882024, LOW GRASS. MULTI CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ YD886007, BOMB CRATER. 1 CH-46 ZONE.

TRAILS: YD883012 & YD882016 SAME. TRAIL RUNS "E" TO "W". 3 FT WIDE. NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE. COULD NOT BE OBSERVED FROM AIR. YD883022 TRAIL RUNS PARALLEL TO THE ONE SHOWN ON THE MAP. 2-3 FT WIDE. NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE.

YD880216 PATROL FOUND TWO UNKNOWN TYPES OF MORTARS.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

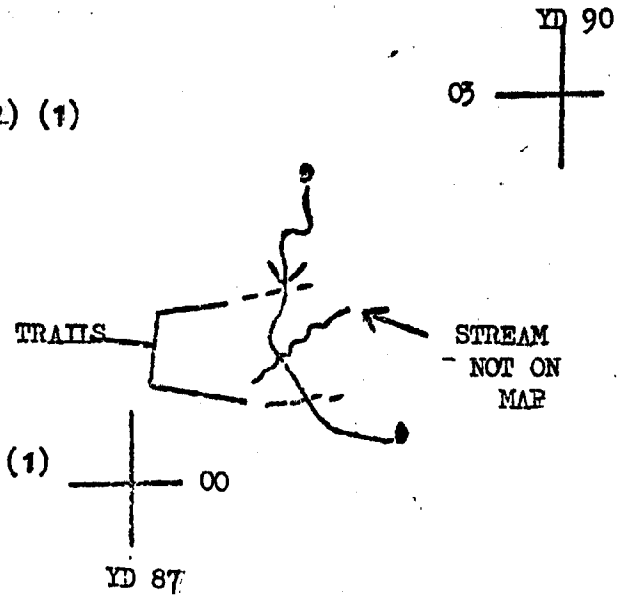
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OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: FLAG DIP (C-4-1)
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT. G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L/014; SHEET 6541 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 211530H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 2 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 2nd PLT "D" Co. 1st BN. 5th MAR
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: NONE
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-12, 1 M-79

2. MISSION: SPECIAL MISSION

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 200945H/211500H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 29 HOURS OF PATROLLING RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT WITH AT LEAST 60 VC/NVA. ONE FM CALLED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 202000H (YD874057) PLATOON WAS IN AMBUSH SITE WHEN LISTENING POST REPORTED 10 VC/NVA ... ON TRAIL MOVING "SOUTH". 5 MINUTES LATER LISTENING POST REPORTED APPROX 60 VC/NVA MOVING BEHIND THE 1ST GROUP. THE 1ST GROUP WAS ALLOWED TO WALK THROUGH THE AMBUSH SITE AND THE SECOND GROUP WAS ATTACKED WITH CLAYMORES, M-26, SA/AR AND MG. RESULTING IN 10 VC/NVA KIA CONF. BY SA. NUMEROUS BLOOD TRAILS AND DRAG MARKS WERE FOUND IN THE AREA.

B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH BRUSH 3-5 FT HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 10 VC/NVA CONF. BY SA.
10 VC/NVA PROB. BY SA.

CAPTURED WEAPONS:

1 AK-47, 1 U.S. CARBINE, 1 9mm PISTOL, 1 SKS, 2 M-26 FRAG, 1 CHICOM GRENADE, 3 SATCHEL CHARGES.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: VERY GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: FAIR

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THIS AMBUSH WAS SET UP BY THE INFANTRY UNIT WITH RECON PERSONNEL AS GUIDES. THE INFORMATION THAT VC/NVA USE THIS TRAIL FOR RICE RUNS, AND POSSIBLY ATTACKS, IN THE PHU BAI AREA WAS DERIVED FROM RECON PATROLS OPERATING AROUND THIS TRAIL AND REPORTING [illegible] VOICES AND MOVEMENTS. THIS INFORMATION WAS PASSED TO 1/5 WITH RECOMMENDATIONS TO SET UP AN AMBUSH AT THAT LOCATION. (SEE PATROL REPORT 1S9-69 CH#1 DATED 18 MAY 1969).

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

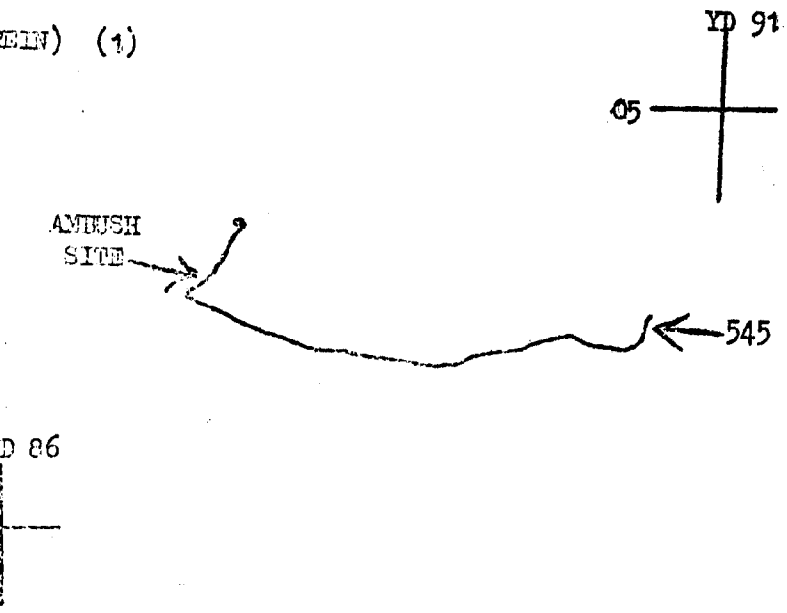
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DIVING MISSION: 10-68
DEBRIEFER: GYSGT. G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 I

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 211700H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 8 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 PRC-25
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 5 72'S, 6 REGULATORS

2. MISSION: CONDUCT COMBAT DIVING OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON TO DETERMINE THE PRESENCE AND LOCATION OF ENEMY EXPLOSIVE CHARGES RIGGED ON THE LANG CO BRIDGE (AT886957), THE TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE (YD967063), THE NONG RIVER BRIDGE (YD927104), AND HOUNG THUY RIVER BRIDGE (YD838817).

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 210800H/211630H

4. MODE OF TRAVEL TO AND FROM DIVING AREA: PC 3/4 TON TRUCK.

5. SYNOPSIS: 8 HOURS OF DIVING ON ALL 4 BRIDGES RESULTED IN FINDING 24 MORTAR (U.S. TYPE) ROUNDS UNEXPLODED AND ONE SATCHEL CHARGE.

6. INCIDENTS DIRECT RESULT OF DIVING MISSION: YD967063, DIVING TEAM FOUND 24 MORTAR ROUNDS ON THE BOTTOM. 5 81mm NEW UNFIRED ROUNDS, HE ROUNDS, 19 60mm MORTAR ROUNDS NEW, AND A POUND BLOCK TNT RIGGED AS A SATCHEL CHARGE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: ZC886954. PATROL FOUND ONE 82mm CHICOM MORTAR ROUND UNEXPLODED IN THE WATER. THIS ROUND WAS LEFT IN PLACE. BRIDGE SECURITY WAS INFORMED OF THIS.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: VERY GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: IT IS APPARENT THAT AMMUNITION IS BEING DISCARDED INTO THE WATER. DIVERS REPORTED THAT THIS AMMO WAS BRAND NEW AND HAD NOT BEEN FIRED, SUCH PRACTICES SHOULD BE DISCONTINUED. IF AMMO IS NOT USED IT SHOULD BE BLOWN. DIVING MEMBERS REPORT THAT EVERY TIME THEY DIVE THEY FIND DISCARDED AMMO OF ALL TYPES AT THE TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE.

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12. DIVING MEMBERS:

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Unit/Call Sign: ACHILLES (C-2-?) 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. Establish an obsevation post at IMPRESSIVE BRAVO Radio Relay site (Hill 230) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Phu Bai area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis to be placed on improving defensive positions and fields of fire on Hill 230. Provide communications personnel to assist the Radio Relay Team (IMPRESSIVE BRAVO). Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 190730H; insert vic YD848086. Extract at 251300H vic YD848086.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination with the Senior Marine at IMPRESSIVE BRAVO Relay.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW)
SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
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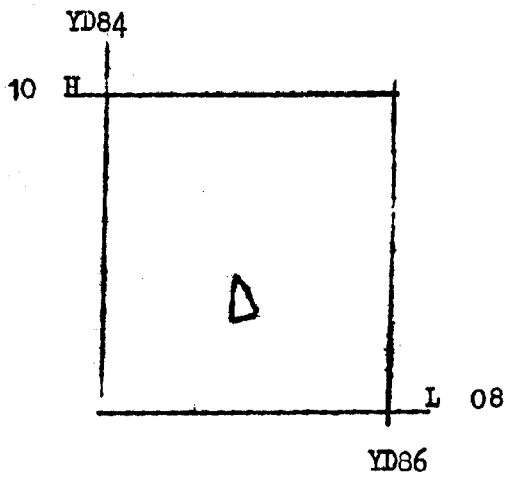
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OPERATION ORDER: 201-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: ACHILIES (C2-1)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
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PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 240800H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 11 ENL. 1 USN.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHEMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50'S, 1 M-49
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-60, 1 M-79, 1 M-14, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST AT IMPRESSIVE BRAVO RADIO RELAY SITE (HILL 230) AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE PHU BAI AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS AND EGRESS. EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON IMPROVING DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND FIELDS OF FIRE ON HILL 230. PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS PERSONNEL TO ASSIST THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (IMPRESSIVE BRAVO). BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 190730H/240800H

4. ROUTE: OP HILL 230 YD848086.

5. SYNOPSIS: 120 HOURS OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN PATROL CALLING 3 FM. RESULTS UNKNOWN. PATROL OBSERVED NUMBEROUS ROCKET FLASHES.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 211045H YD845062 PATROL SAW 15-20 ROCKET FLASHES. PATROL CALLED IN ARTY, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS AND TERRAIN. HOWEVER, FLASHES DIDN'T STOP RIGHT AWAY, BUT ABOUT 15-20 MINUTES LATER.

211045H YD797060 PATROL OBSERVED 12-15 ROCKET FLASHES. ROCKETS WERE GOING TOWARDS CAMP GIA LE. PATROL CALLED FM, BUT COULD NOT OBSERVE DUE TO DARKNESS. FLASHES STOPPED FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, BUT LATER CONTINUED. AT THIS TIME GUNSHIPS STRAFED AREA. FLASHES CEASED.

211045H YD777063 PATROL SPOTTED APPROX 10 LIGHTS. CALLED FM WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE. LIGHTS WERE EXTINGUISHED.

B. TERRAIN: LOW BRUSH 1-3 FT HIGH.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ AT YD848086.

211300H PATROL HAD FIRE IN 106 BUNKERS, AND 22 OF 26 OF THE ROUNDS WERE EXPENDED. NO ONE WAS HURT SERIOUSLY.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: PATROL SUGGESTS OTHER TEAMS TAKE AT LEAST 10-12 5 GAL WATER CANS.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL LEADER

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Unit/Call Signs: DATE PALM (C-4-2) Patrol Leader: CPL RININGER
CROCHET (C-3-1)

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 a radio relay site and observation post on Truoi Mountain (vic YC944967) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ben Tau area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis is also placed on establishing a suitable HLZ and defensive positions on Truoi Mt. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 190800H; insert vic YC944967. Extract at 241300H vic YC944967.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, B/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis is to be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, B/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

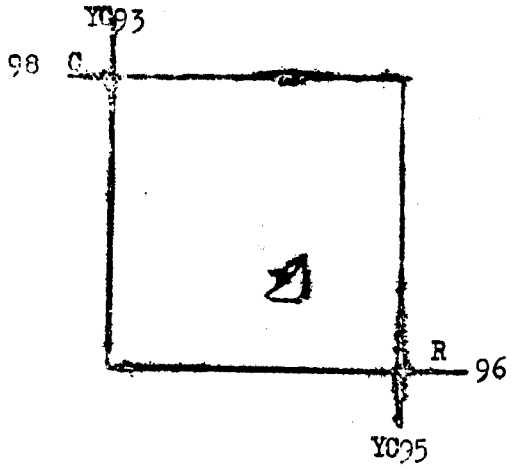
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OPERATION: HOUSTON — PHU BAI, RVN
PATROL: DATE PALM AND COFFEE TIME — DTG 240900H MAY 1968
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 II & III

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 22 ENL. 2 USN. 1 OFF.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 2 ENGINEERS
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 3 7x50'S, 3 M-49
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE, 1 M-60, 1 H-60, 2 M-79'S, 2 M-14

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH A RADIO RELAY SITE AND OBSERVATION POST ON TRUOI MOUNTAIN (VIC YC944967) AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE HEN TAU AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS AND EGRESS. EMPHASIS IS ALSO PLACED ON ESTABLISHING A SUITABLE HLZ AND DEFENSIVE POSITIONS ON TRUOI MT. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AN D RETURN: 190800H/240853H

4. ROUTE: RELAY "D" YC944967.

5. SYNOPSIS: 120 HOURS OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN 2 CONTACTS WITH VC/NVA. RESULTS UNKNOWN. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 201450H YC943969 PATROL MEMBER WAS WORKING ON BUNKER, WHEN ONE NVA WAS SPOTTED RUNNING "NW". NVA WAS DRESSED IN GREEN UTILITIES WITH UNKNOWN TYPE OF WEAPON. NVA OPENED UP WITH AUTOMATIC FIRE RESULTING IN ONE USMC WIA. AT THIS TIME OTHER MEMBERS OF PATROL OPENED UP WITH AUTOMATIC FIRE. PATROL REPORTED HITTING NVA, BUT NOT KILLING HIM. RESULTS UNKNOWN. AT THIS TIME MED EVAC HELO WAS CALLED TO EXTRACT THE WOUNDED MAN. WHEN TEAM GOT TO LZ, ANOTHER NVA, OPENED UP WITH AUTOMATIC FIRE, WOUNDING TWO MORE MARINES. PATROL RETURNED AUTOMATIC FIRE. RESULTS WITH ENEMY UNKNOWN.

201448H WEST BUNKER RECEIVED 1 INCOMING GRENADE, M-26 TYPE. NO CASUALTIES WERE SUSTAINED FROM THIS INCIDENT. PATROL THEN RETURNED MORE M-26'S. RESULTS: UNKNOWN.

211925H THE HILL WAS STRUCK BY LIGHTING, WHICH IN TURN DETONATED 22 CLAYMORES SIMULTANEOUSLY. 2 PATROL MEMBERS WERE FORWARD OF THE PERIMETER AT THIS TIME, SETTING OUT TRIP FLARES WHEN THE LIGHTING STRUCK. RESULTS: 2 WIA'S, ONE MAN FROM THE SCRAPNEL, AND ONE FROM SHOCK. ONE MAN KIA. WHEN THE LIGHTING STRUCK, BOTH TEAMS WERE TEMPORARILY STUNNED FROM THE BLAST AND SHOCK. FOR ABOUT 5-10 MINUTES.

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RESULTS OF DAMAGE DONE TO EQUIPMENT BY LIGHTING: 22 CLAYMORES PLUS WIRE DESTROYED, 70 FT OF COMM WIRE, 100 RDS OF M-60 AMMO, AND 2 TA-1/PT DESTROYED.

B. TERRAIN: VERY MOUNTAINOUS WITH STEEP CLIFFS, AND MEDIUM TO LIGHT UNDERGROWTH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT YC944967. THIS IS A GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE BEST APPROACH FROM THE "N" TO "S".

TRAILS: 211630H TEAM FOUND TRAIL 100 METERS "SE" OF TEAMS POSITION. TRAIL WAS 1-2 FT WIDE. TRAIL SHOWED SIGNS OF RECENT USE. TRAIL COULD NOT BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR. TRAIL RUNS FROM "E" ALONG FINGER. (SEE OVERLAY).

PATROL HAD MOVEMENT EVERY NIGHT THAT THEY WERE ON THE RELAY. MOVEMENT WOULD CEASE AFTER ARTY WAS CALLED IN. TEAMS COULD HEAR MOVEMENT GOING BACK DOWN HILL. MOVEMENT WAS [redacted] ON THE "W" AND "S" SIDE OF HILL.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC/NVA PROD. KIA BY SA. 1 [redacted] BY NDC (LIGHTING). 5 WIA'S USMC.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RELAY CAN BE DEFENDED AFTER DARKNESS WITH THE USE OF S/A WEAPONS AND ARTY. EXTREMELY EFFICIENT USE OF GUNSHIPS OR SPOOKIE ARE VERY EFFECTIVE. AS CONDITIONS IMPROVE, EXCELLENT OBSERVATIONS TO "N", "E", AND "W".

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD BUT SLOW.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

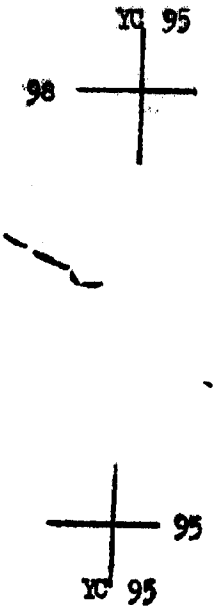
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Unit/Call Sign: MABLE ANN (C-3-2) Patrol Leader: CPL PODSCHELNE

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 area between Route 545 and the Ta Trach River. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 220800H; insert vic YC872934. Extract at 261330H vic YC916932.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, B/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be played on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon 6o eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, B/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW SP)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE DELTA
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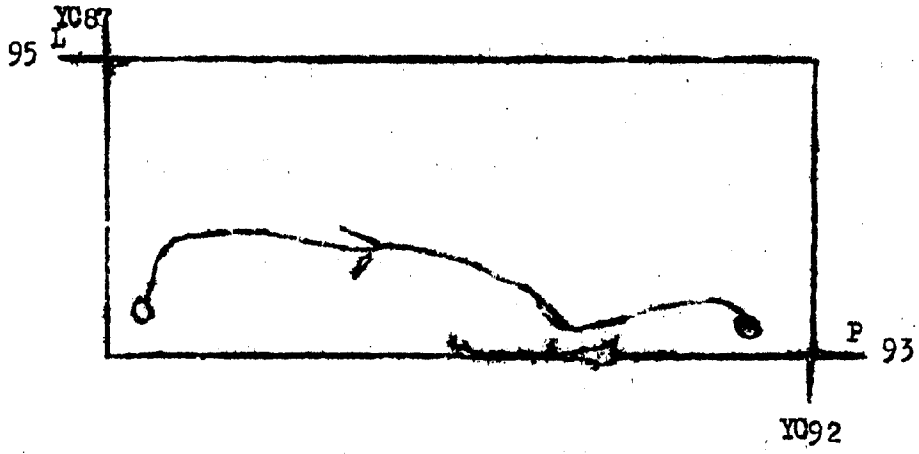
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DTG 261900H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL. 1 USN.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-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 AREA BETWEEN ROUTE 545 AND THE TA TRACH RIVER. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 220800H/261830H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 107 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NEGATIVE CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A.

B. TERRAIN: SECONDARY GROWTH WAS SPARSE UNTIL THE RIDGELINE, WHICH HAD THICK SECONDARY GROWTH. CANOPY WAS 150-200 FT. HIGH. MOVEMENT WAS FAIRLY EASY UNTIL YOU REACH RIDGELINE. MOVEMENT WAS VERY SLOW ON THE RIDGELINE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YC870945 SAND BAR. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ YC900947: STREAM BED. TEAM WAS HOISTED OUT.

TRAILS: 10-15 FT WIDE, WELL USED. PATROL THINKS THIS WAS A POSSIBLE ELEPHANT HARBOR SITE. PATROL FOUND ELEPHANT DUNG, BUT IT WASN'T FRESH. TRAIL WAS RUNNING "E" TO "W".

PATROL RAN ACROSS ABUNDANCE OF STREAMS IN THIS VICINITY. ALSO, PATROL RAN ACROSS NUMEROUS LEECHES IN THIS AREA.

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OTHER LZ'S: YC913946- GOOD 2-3 CH-46 ZONE. 1-2 FT GRASS.
YC915937- GOOD 2-3 CH-46 ZONE. 1-2 FT GRASS.
YC915930- MULTI CH-46 ZONE. THIS LZ IS NEAR VILL.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: FAIR

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

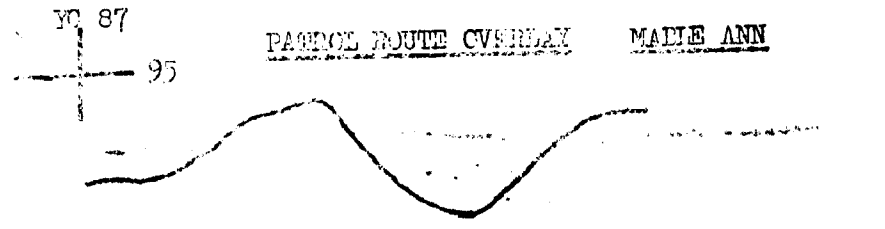
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY PERIMETER: NONE

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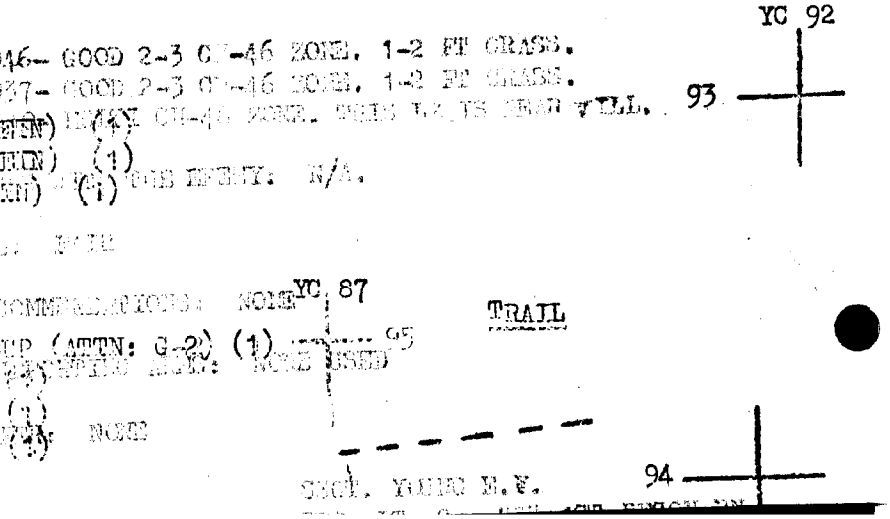
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MULTI CH-46 ZONE. THIS LZ IS NEAR VILL.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A.
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: FAIR
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED
12. COMMENTS BY PERIMETER: NONE
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Unit/Call Sign: STONE PIT (F-5) Patrol Leader: SGT NOLTE

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 east of the Ta Trach River. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers) harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 220730H; insert vic YD816042. Extract at 261300H vic YD828015.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, B/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, B/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
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BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (155 HOW)
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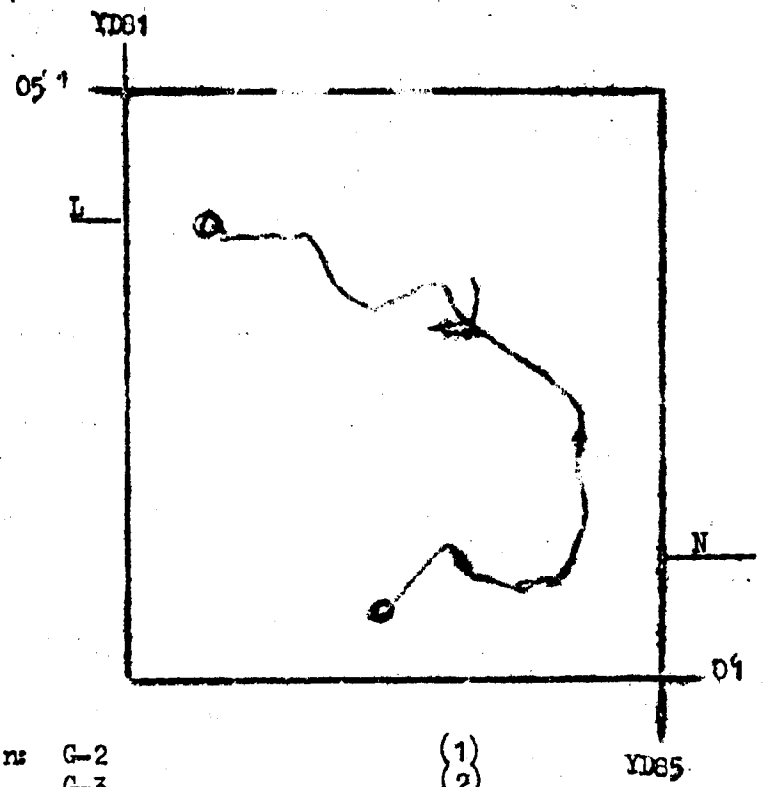
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Unit/Call Sign: STONE PIT (F-5) Patrol Leader: SGT NOLTE

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 and provide security for IMPRESSIVE DELTA radio relay site on Truoi Mountain (vic YC944967) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ben Tau area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, moratr positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis is also placed on establishing a suitable HLZ and defensive positions on Truoi Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 210730H; insert vic YC944966. Extract at 261300H vic YC944966.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including the use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, B/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis is to be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, B/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
PONY BOY "B" 53.60 (8" HOW)

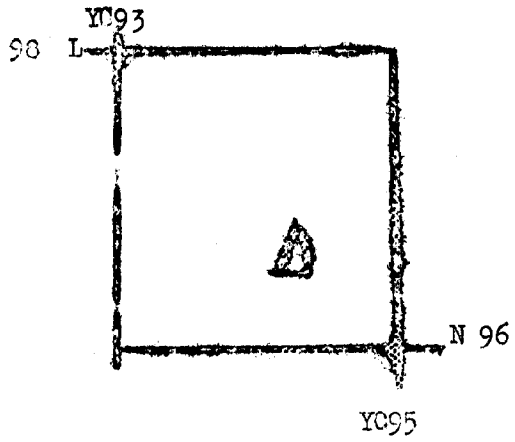
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OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: STONE PET (F-5)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 II & III

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 12 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: NONE
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-12

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST AND PROVIDE SECURITY FOR IMPRESSIVE DELTA RADIO RELAY SITE ON TRUOI MOUNTAIN (VIC YC944967) AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE BEN TAU AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS AND EGRESS. EMPHASIS IS ALSO PLACED ON ESTABLISHING A SUITABLE HLZ AND DEFENSIVE POSITIONS ON TRUOI MOUNTAIN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 210730H/260837H

4. ROUTE: DELTA RELAY YC944967.

5. SYNOPSIS: 121 HOURS OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A

B. TERRAIN: MOUNTAINOUS WITH STEEP CLIFFS. MEDIUM TO LIGHT UNDERGROWTH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ AT YC944967. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. BEST APPROACH FROM THE "N" TO "S".

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: THIS TEAM WAS ON THE RELAY THE SAME TIME AS DATE PALM/GOLDEN TIME, OPERATION ORDER 202-68. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REFER TO THIS DEBRIEF.

SGT. L.G. NOLTE
5TH PLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO. (REIN)
PATROL LEADER

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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DIVING REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 6 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 PRC-25
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 5 72'S, 6 REGULATORS

2. MISSION: CONDUCT COMBAT DIVING OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON TO DETERMINE THE PRESSURE AND LOCATION OF ENEMY EXPLOSIVE CHARGES RIGGED ON THE LANG CO BRIDGE (AT886957), THE TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE (YD967063), THE NONG RIVER BRIDGE (YD927104), AND HOUNG THUY RIVER BRIDGE (YD858817).

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 250800H/251830H

4. MODE OF TRAVEL TO AND FROM DIVING AREA: 6 BY ½ TON TRUCK.

5. SYNOPSIS: 10½ HOURS OF DIVING ON ALL 4 BRIDGES RESULTED IN FINDING 15 SUPER QUICK FUZES, ONE CLAYMORE, ONE 3.5 ROCKET LAUNCHER, AND ONE 81mm MORTAR.

6. INCIDENTS DIRECT RESULT OF DIVING MISSION: AT886957. LANG CO BRIDGE TEAM FOUND 15 SUPER QUICK FUSES TO 105 HOWITZER, AND ONE CLAYMORE MINE BLASTING CAP AND WIRE. TEAM GAVE FUZES TO BRIDGE SECURITY.

YD967063 TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE- TEAM FOUND ONE 3.5 ROCKET LAUNCHER STILL IN TACT, ONE 81mm MORTAR WITH C-4 TAPED ON THE SIDE OF THE ROUND. TEAM RETURNED ORDIANCE TO BRIDGE SECURITY.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: THE NONG RIVER BRIDGE AND HOUNG RIVER BRIDGE; NEGATIVE RESULTS.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: EVERY DIVE AT THE TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE TURNS UP WHAT APPEARS TO BE GOOD EQUIPMENT DISCARDED BY USMC PERSONNEL.

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Unit/Call Sign: FLAG DIP (C-4-1) Patrol Leader: LT JANCZUK

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 vicinity of Hill 273. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 230730H; insert vic YD922016. Extract at 271300H vic YC906996.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-calls", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, B/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, B/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (155 HOW)
LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW SP)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO
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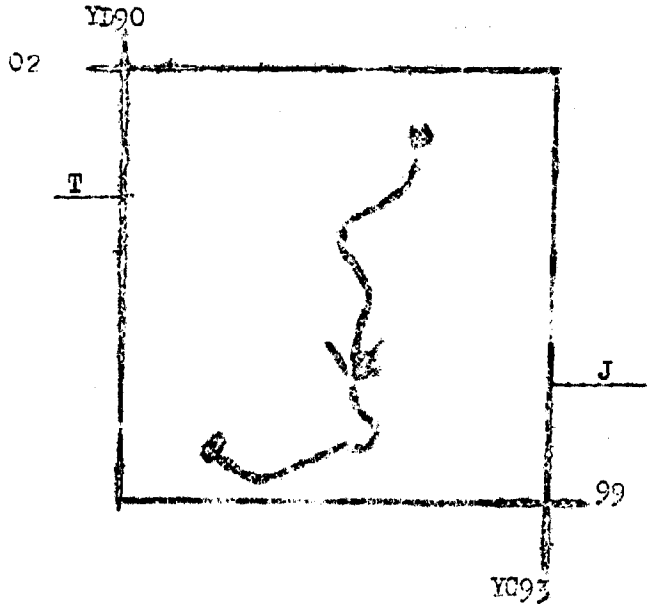
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Unit/Call Sign: FLAG DIP (C-4-1) Patrol Leader: LT JANCZUK

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 vicinity of Hill 273. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 240730H; insert vic YD926019.
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a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with the S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the 5thMar who have been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placedon "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
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SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO
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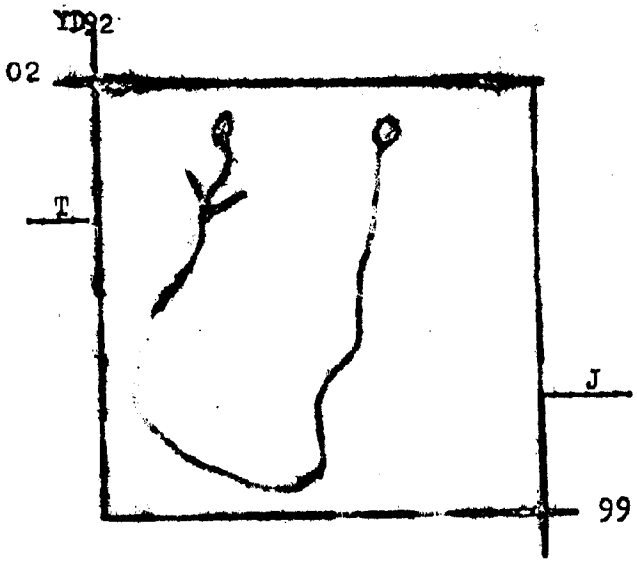
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OPERATION ORDER: 205-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: SEAG DIP (C-4-4)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS 1/014; SHEET 6541 III & IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 281400H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 9 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-12, 1 M-14

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED RFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE VICINITY OF HILL 273. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240730H/281200H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 100 HOURS OF OBSERVATION AND PATROLLING RESULTED IN NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A.
B. TERRAIN: STEEP HILLS, WITH 50 FT CANOPY ON TOP OF HILL. SECONDARY GROWTH WITH VINES AND THORNS. MOVEMENT 200 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YD923018 GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE ON A LITTLE KNOLL, WITH LOW SCRUB BRUSH 1-2 FT HIGH. EXTRACT LZ YD939021- POOR 1 CH-46 ZONE, SCRUB BRUSH 1-2 FT HIGH. IT WAS ON SIDE OF HILL.

YD923014- TEAM FOUND 5-6 FIGHTING HOLES. THESE WERE ONE MAN FIGHTING HOLES, NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE. YD924004- TEAM FOUND 12 FIGHTING HOLES. THESE WERE 2 MEN FIGHTING HOLES, THESE FIGHTING HOLES WERE 2-3 WEEKS OLD.

YD938014- TEAM FOUND 1 NVA ~~WITH~~ HELMET NEAR STREAM.

TRAILS: YD935006- PATROL FOUND WELL USED TRAIL, 3-4 FT WIDE. TRAIL SHOWED SIGNS OF RECENT USE. TRAIL RAN NORTH UP FINGER TOWARD HILL. YD933003- PATROL FOUND ANOTHER WELL USED TRAIL 3-4 FT WIDE. THESE TRAILS COULD NOT BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR. YD940020- WELL USED TRAIL, THAT PATROL OBSERVED FROM AIR. TRAIL RAN GENERALLY "SW" TOWARD VALLEY. ALL TRAILS FOUND IN THIS AREA GENERALLY LEAD TOWARD HILL 224.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED.

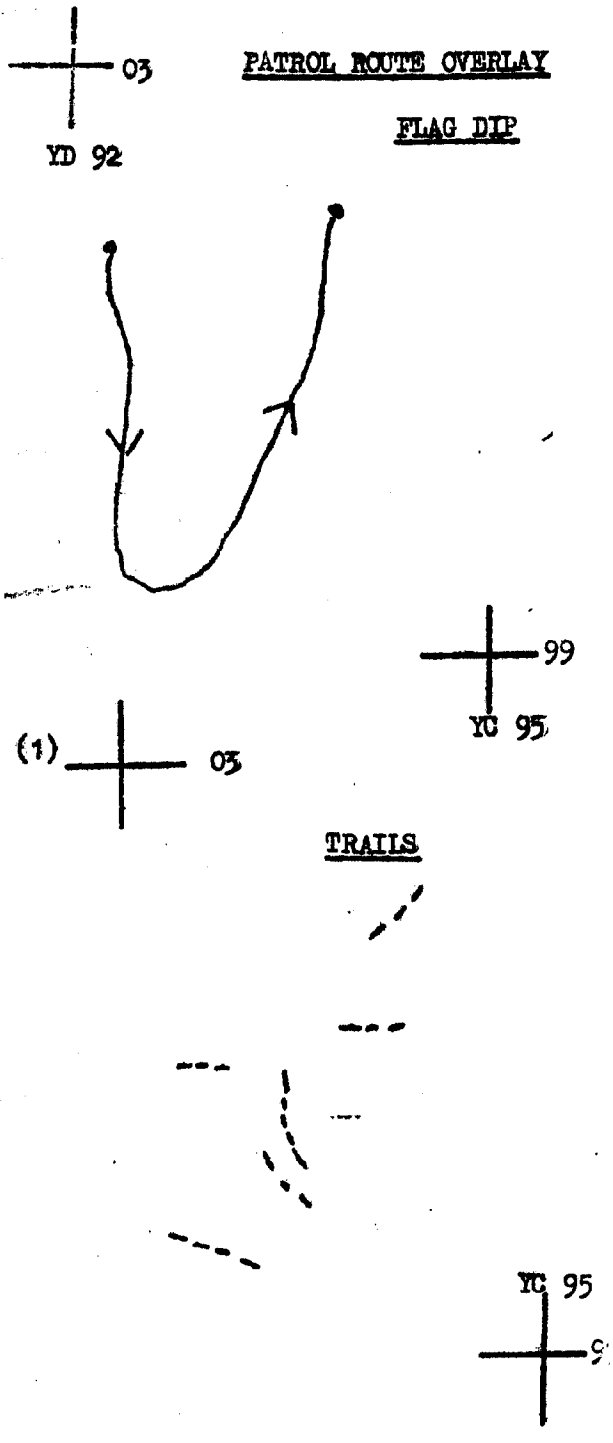
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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(b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
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(e) CoFragOrder #206-68

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

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 Kun Sáo Mountain Area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, trails, and HLZ's in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 230800H; insert vic YC976997. Extract at 271330H vic YC989998.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5thMar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: SANDHURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SANDHURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (105 & 155 HOW)
BEECHNUT "E" 58.05 (105 & 155 HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE DELTA
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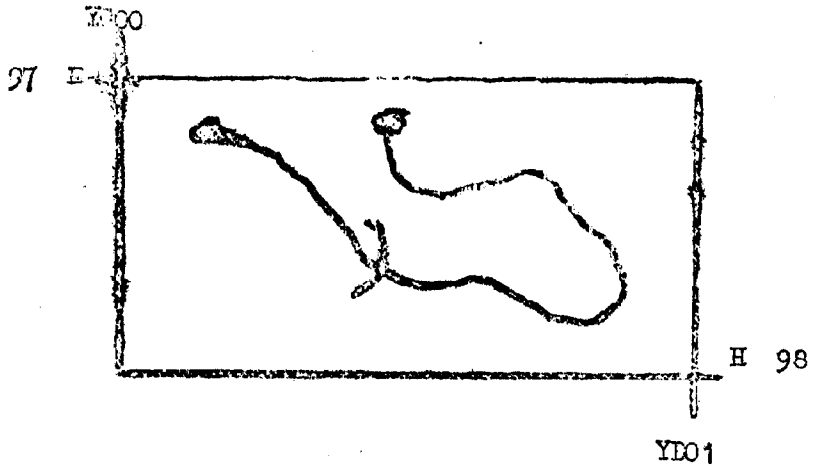
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OPERATION ORDER: 206-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: SPILLWAY (F-1)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6641 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 270900H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

   A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL.
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 6x30
   D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M-14'S, 1 M-60, 1 M-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 HUN SAC MOUNTAIN AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, TRAILS, AND HLZ'S IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 230800H/270830H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 96 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NEGATIVE CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY: N/A.
   B. TERRAIN: CANOPY WAS 5-15 FT HIGH. VERY HEAVY SECONDARY GROWTH, WITH VINES AND THORNS. MOVEMENT WAS APPROX. 25-50 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YC986986- ROCKY, ON EDGE OF STREAM. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ YC987996- MULTI CH-46 ZONE. RICE PADDY AREA.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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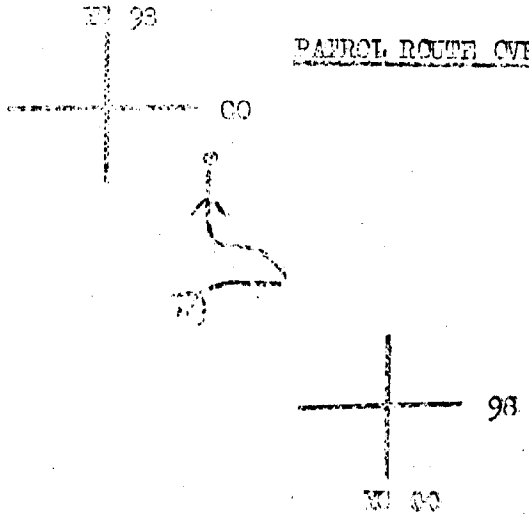
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PATROL LEADER

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(e) CoFragOrder #207-68

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Unit/Call Sign: VEAL STEW (F-4-1) Patrol Leader: CPL DORRIS

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 Loc Thuy Valley area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites, trails, and HLZ's in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 230830H; insert vic ZC134969. Extract at 27?40OH vic ZC 163968.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 5thMar (Rear) in order to establish close liaison with any infantry elements operating near the patrol's NFZ.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 44.7 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: TERRAPIN "B" 53.60 (105 & 155 HOW)
BEECH NUT "B" 58.05 (105 & 155 HOW)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE ALPHA

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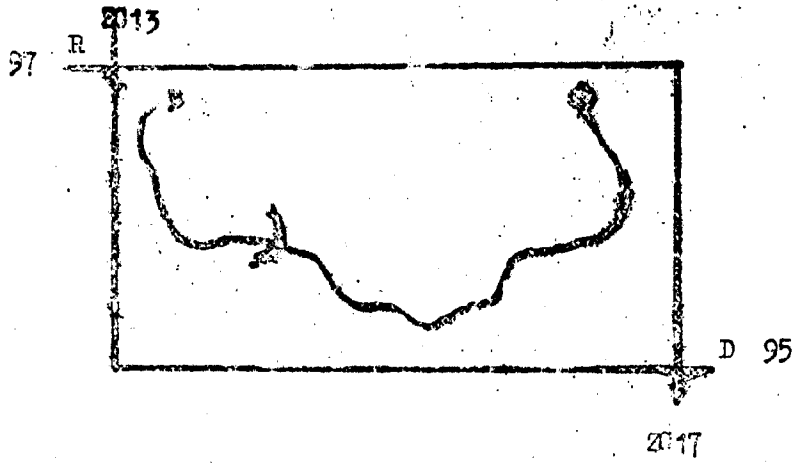
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OPERATION ORDER: 207-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: VEAL STEW I (F-4-1)
DEIRJEFER: GYSGT: G.A. KOCH
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6641 IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 231900H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7x50
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-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 LOC THUY VALLEY AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES, TRAILS, AND HLZ'S IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 230900H/231830H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 9½ HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN 3 CONTACTS WITH AT LEAST 30 NVA. GUNSHIPS AND FIXED WING WERE USED GIVING OUTSTANDING COVERAGE ON TARGET, RESULTS UNKNOWN. PATROL KILLED ONE NVA AND 2 PROD. BY SA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 230930H ZC133969 PATROL WAS BREAKING BUSH WHEN THEY CAME UPON A WELL USED TRAIL. POINT MEN SPOTTED 4 NVA 25 METERS AWAY. ALL HAD AK-47'S AND KHAKIE UNIFORM. TWO MEN IN FRONT OPENED FIRE KILLING ONE NVA. THE REST JUMPED INTO THE BRUSH. PATROL PROCEEDED TO CHECK OUT THE BODY. WHEN THE TEAM WAS 10 FT AWAY THEY RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE FROM AT LEAST 3 NVA. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS AND THEN BROKE CONTACT. WHILE PATROL MOVED "SE" THEY HEARD CONTINIOUS MOVEMENT AROUND THEM.

231100H ZC135967 PATROL CAME UPON A TRAIL WHEN THEY SPOTTED 3 NVA SETTING DOWN 10 METERS AWAY. ALL WITH AK-47'S AND KHAKIES. PATROL INITIATED CONTACT AND FIRED SA INTO THE NVA POSITION. AT THAT SAME MOMENT THEY RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE FROM 3 POSITIONS TO THEIR LEFT. PATROL BROKE CONTACT AND MOVED TOWARDS "SE". ONE INCOMING GRENADE WAS RECEIVED FROM AN UNKNOWN LOCATION. HEAVY MOVEMENT WAS HEARD FROM 2 SIDES AND PATROL RECEIVED SA/AR FIRE. GUNSHIPS HAD BEEN REQUESTED, AND WERE ON STATION. WHILE MAKING STRAFING RUNS GUNSHIPS RECEIVED FIRE FROM 4 DIFFERENT POSITIONS ON THE HIGH GROUND. GUNSHIPS HAD EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET.

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FIXED WING WERE ON STATION AND UTILIZED BY PATROL. ORDANANCE WAS DROPPED ON THE EXACT LOCATION WHERE MOVEMENT AND VOICES HAD BEEN HEARD. OUTSTANDING COVERAGE OF TARGET.

231645H ZC144960 PATROL WAS SEARCHING FOR A HARBOR SITE WHEN THEY SPOTTED ONE NVA 20 FT AWAY BEHIND A TREE POINTING HIS AK-47 TOWARDS THE PATROL. BOTH FRONT MEN JUMPED BACK INTO A GULLY WHEN AT THAT SAME INSTANT THE NVA OPENED FIRE FROM AT LEAST 10 POSITIONS. PATROL FOLLOWED THIS GULLY AND REQUESTED GUNSHIPS AND FIXED WING TO WORK THAT AREA OVER. A/C GAVE OUTSTANDING SUPPORT.

D. TERRAIN: THICK UNDERGROWTH, CANOPY 20-40 FT HIGH. THE TERRAIN IS VERY STEEP AND MOUNTAINOUS. IT IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO MOVE IN THIS AREA UNLESS TRAILS ARE USED.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC133969. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE 2-3 FT HIGH GRASS. EXTRACT LZ ZC139968 POOR ZONE, BOMB CRATER.

231305H ZC136972 REACTION FORCE REQUESTED AND LANDED IN LZ UNAPPOSED. NO CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS MADE BY THIS FORCE. LINKUP WAS NOT MADE, AND AT 1515H THE REACTION FORCE WAS EXTRACTED.

231600H THE PATROL HEARD WHAT SOUNDED LIKE SOME TYPE OF ROCKETS BEING FIRED FROM THE VICINITY OF HILL 602. THESE COULD HAVE BEEN B-40 TYPE ROCKETS. 6 ROUNDS WERE HEARD BEING FIRED IN A TIME FRAME OF 10 MINUTES.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 NVA KIA CONF BY SA.
2 NVA KIA PROB. BY SA.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: AIR OUTSTANDING, ARTY NOT USED.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: EVERY TIME RECON TEAM IS INSERTED IN THIS AREA THEY MAKE CONTACT WITHIN 24 HOURS AFTER INSERTION. THIS AREA IS DEFINITELY HOTTEST AREA AT THE PRESENT TIME. 6 PATROLS WERE INSERTED IN THIS VICINITY IN THE PAST 4 WEEKS AND ALL 6 MADE HEAVY CONTACT. ONE PATROL WAS IN PROCESS OF LANDING IN THE HLZ WHEN CH-46 RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE RESULTING IN HEAVY DAMAGE TO A/C AND NUMEROUS WIA'S. REQUEST A B-52 OR TPQ BE FLOWN INTO THIS AREA.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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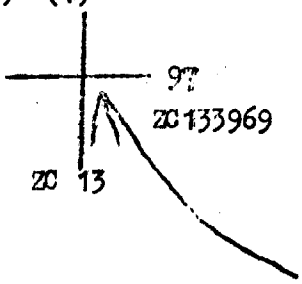
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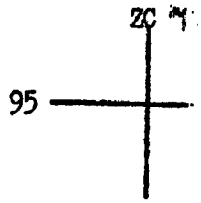
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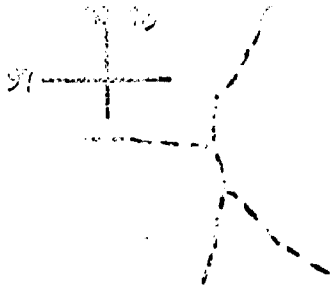
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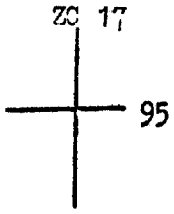
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Unit/Call Sign: FUDGE CAKE (F-2) Patrol Leader: LT NICHOLS

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

2. Mission. Establish an observation post at IMPRESSIVE BRAVO Radio Relay site (Hill 230) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Phu Bai area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis to be placed on improving defensive positions and fields of fire on Hill 230. Provide communications personnel to assist the Radio Relay Team (IMPRESSIVE BRAVO). Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 240730H; insert vic YD848086. Extract at 301300H vic YD848086.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Ensure thorough coordination with the Senior Marine at IMPRESSIVE BRAVO Relay.

(2) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: LUNGA POINT "L" 63.65 (155 HOW)
SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
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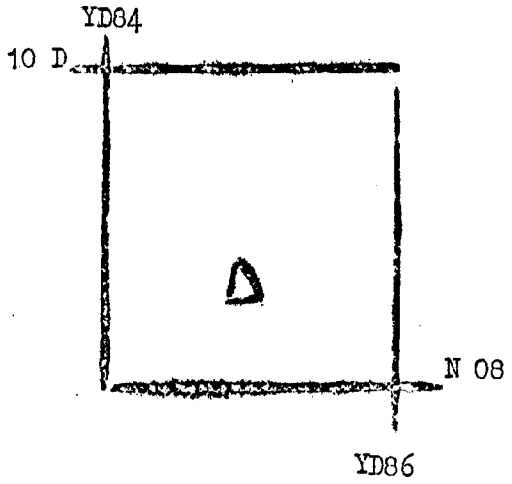
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OPERATION ORDER: 208-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: FUDGE CAKE (F-2)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS;
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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 261345H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST AT IMPRESSIVE BRAVO RADIO RELAY SITE (HILL 230) AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE PHU BAI AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS AND EGRESS. EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON IMPROVING DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND FIELDS OF FIRE ON HILL 230. PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS PERSONNEL TO ASSIST THE RADIO RELAY TEAM (IMPRESSIVE BRAVO). BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240730H/281145H

4. ROUTE: HILL 230. BRAVO RELAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: 100 HOURS OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A.
B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS WITH BRUSH 1-3 FT HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT & EXTRACT LZ YD848086. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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Unit/Call Sign: DESK WORK (F-6) Patrol Leader: LT O'DONELL

1. Situation. (a) See cuurent 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 east of the Ta Trach River. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 240800H; insert vic YC816042. Extract at 281300H vic YC828015.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, B/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, B/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate 37.6
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (155 HOW)
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Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO

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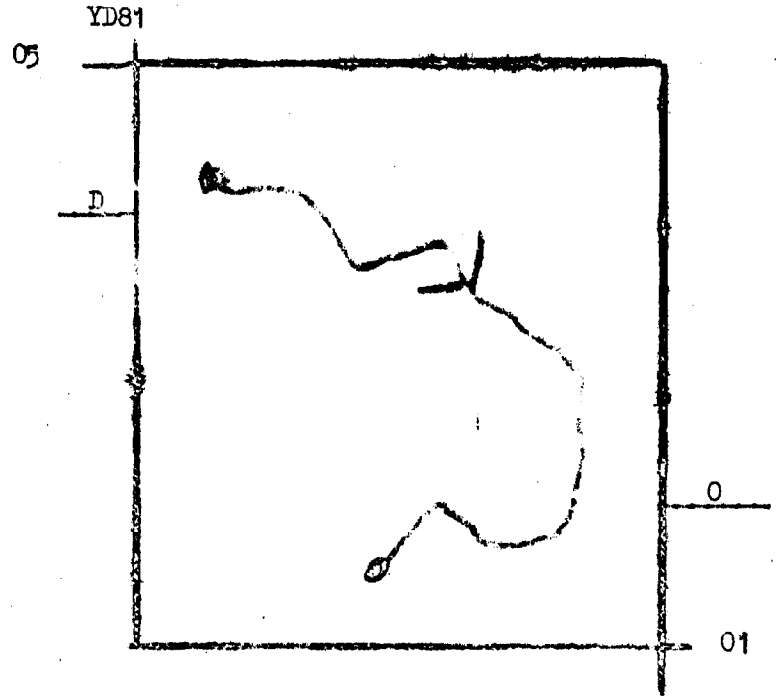
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OPERATION ORDER: 209-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
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DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 281300H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION EAST OF THE TA TRACH RIVER. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (BUNKER LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240800H/281140H

5. SYNOPSIS: 99 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A.
B. TERRAIN: LOW ROLLING HILLS. NO CANOPY. FAIRLY THICK UNDERGROWTH WITH ELEPHANT GRASS. MOVEMENT 25-50 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YD816045: GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. ELEPHANT GRASS 6-12 FT HIGH. EXTRACT LZ YD822025: GOOD CH-46 ZONE. MOSTLY SAND AND SPARSE BRUSH.

TRAILS: YD809043- TRAIL APPROX. 2 FT WIDE, RUNNING EAST TO WEST. YD807034- TRAIL APPROX. 2 FT WIDE, RUNNING SOUTHWEST AND NORTHEAST. BOTH TRAILS SHOW NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NO SIGNS OF ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA.

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11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

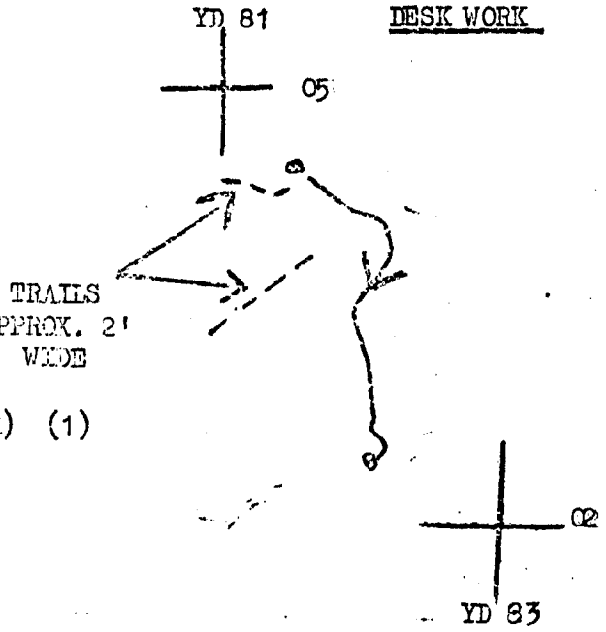
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Unit/Call Sign: RECORD (F-3) Patrol Leader: LT JOHNSON

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

2. Mission: Establish an observation post and provide security for IMPRESSIVE DELTA radio relay site on Truoi Mountain (vic YC944967) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or ammo infiltration in the Ben Tau area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis is also to be placed on establishing a suitable HLZ and defensive positions on Truoi Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 240730H; insert vic YC944966. Extract at 281330H vic YC944966.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the CO, B/1/5 who has been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis is to be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, B/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
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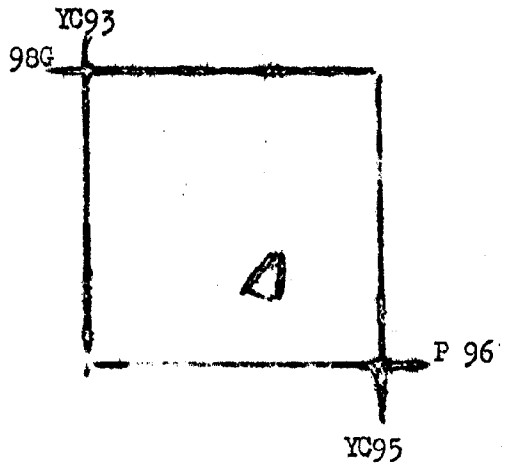
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OPERATION ORDER: 210-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: RECORD (R-3)
LEADER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
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PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 281100H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL. 1 OFF. 1 USN.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 6x30, 1 STARLIGHT SCOPE, 1 M-49 SCOPE
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 M-14, 2 M-79'S

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST AND PROVIDE SECURITY FOR IMPRESSIVE DELTA RADIO RELAY SITE ON TRUOI MOUNTAIN (VIC YC944967) AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE BEN TAU AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS AND EGRESS. EMPHASIS IS ALSO TO BE PLACED ON ESTABLISHING A SUITABLE HLZ AND DEFENSIVE POSITIONS ON TRUOI MOUNTAIN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240730H/281030H

4. ROUTE: DELTA RELAY YC944967.

5. SYNOPSIS: 99 HOURS OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN ONE INCOMING GRENADE. PATROL CALLED IN NIGHT DEFENSIVE FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 272100H TO 280530H EAST AND WEST END BUNKERS RECEIVED 5 INCOMING GRENADES. NO CASUALITIES WERE SUSTAINED FROM THE GRENADES. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH NUMEROUS GRENADES. RESULTS UNKNOWN. MOST OF MOVEMENT WAS ON SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST SIDE OF HILL.

B. TERRAIN: VERY MOUNTAINOUS WITH STEEP CLIFFS. MEDIUM TO LIGHT UNDERGROWTH. CANOPY APPROX. 50 FT.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ AT YC944967. GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. BEST APPROACH IS FROM NORTH TO SOUTH.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET, BUT UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO DARKNESS.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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Unit/Call Sign: COFFEE TIME (C-1-1) Patrol Leader: SGT HAYES

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 and provide security for IMPRESSIVE DELTA radio relay site on Truoi Mountain (vic YC944967) and conduct surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC/NVA troop movement or arms infiltration in the Ben Tau area. Particular emphasis is to be placed on surveillance to observe possible rocket launching sites, mortar positions, storage areas, fortifications, and routes of access and egress. Emphasis is also placed on establishing a suitable HLZ and defensive positions on Truoi Mountain. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 240730H; insert vic YC944966. Extract at 301300H vic YC944966.

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(3) Notify the S-3, 1st Force Recon Co eight hours prior to the issuing of the patrol order in order that the CO, B/1/5 can be present for the issuing of the order.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 45.8
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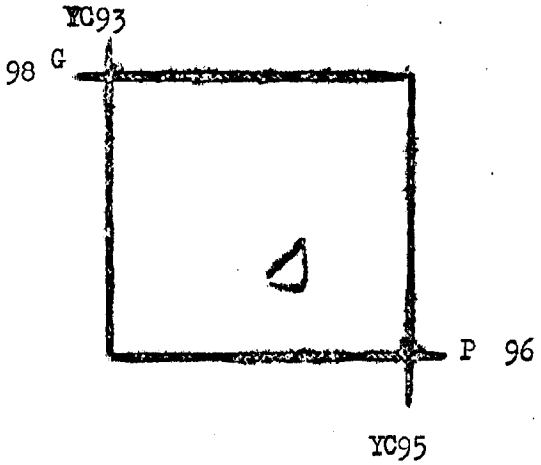
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OPERATION ORDER: 211-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: COFFEE TIME (C-1-1)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 II & III

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 310945H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH AN OBSERVATION POST AND PROVIDE SECURITY FOR IMPRESSIVE NEIRA RADIO RELAY SITE ON TRUOI MOUNTAIN (VIC YC944966) AND CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE DEN TAU AREA. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON SURVEILLANCE TO OBSERVE POSSIBLE ROCKET LAUNCHING SITES, MORTAR POSITIONS, STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS, AND ROUTES OF ACCESS AND EGRESS. EMPHASIS IS ALSO PLACED ON ESTABLISHING A SUITABLE HLZ AND DEFENSIVE POSITIONS ON TRUOI MOUNTAIN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 240730H/310930H

4. ROUTE: NEIRA RELAY YC944966.

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL SPENT A TOTAL OF 170 HOURS OF OBSERVATION WHICH RESULTED IN NEGATIVE CONTACTS OR SIGHTINGS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A.
B. TERRAIN: VERY MOUNTAINOUS WITH STEEP CLIFFS. MEDIUM TO LIGHT UNDERGROWTH. CANOPY APPROX. 50 FT HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT & EXTRACT LZ AT YC944967. GOOD ONE CH-46 ZONE. BEST APPROACH IS FROM NORTH TO SOUTH.

292045H PATROL OBSERVED 15-18 MORTAR FLASHES. PATROL COULD NOT OBSERVE POSITION DUE TO DARKNESS.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED.

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. HAYES, S.
LCPL KELLEY, T.
LCPL CRAFZER, D.
LCPL GARCIA, M.
PFC GRACE, M.
PFC ESPINOZA, R.
PFC DOLLARD, B.
PFC LISEK, W.F.
PFC SELLERS, W.A.
PFC SPRUCE, A.L.
PFC PASKIN, J.
PFC LOCKLOCHIO, J.F.
PFC WRIGHT, J.
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SGT. S. HAYES
1ST PLT, Co. "C" 1ST RECON BN.
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(b) 1stReconBnO P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #212-68

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Unit/Call Sign: DUBLIN CITY (C-2-2) Patrol Leader: CPL LOPEZ

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 vicinity of Hill 254. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart Lz 405 at 260730H; insert vic YD895981. Extract at 301300H vic YD873990.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the 5th Mar. Regt. who have been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: BEECH NUT "D" 45.35 (155 HOW)
SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO
IMPRESSIVE DELTA

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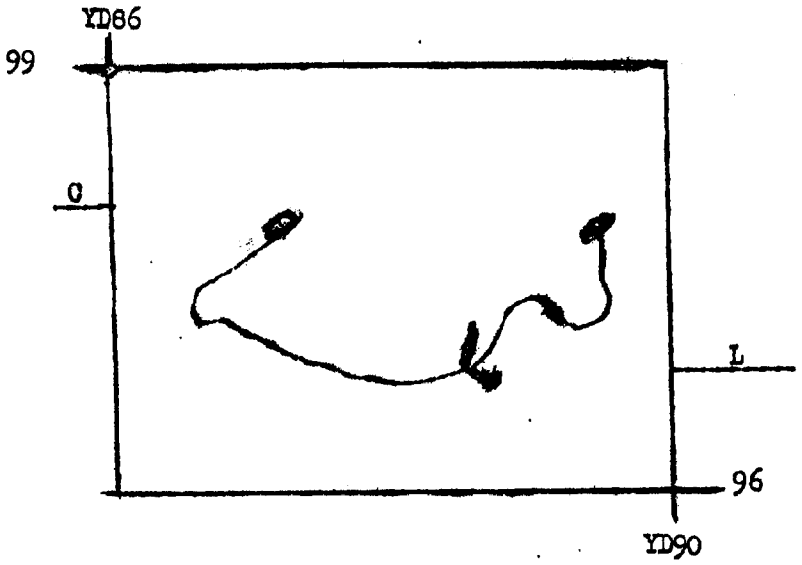
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(d) 1stMarDivO P00J330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder #212-68 Ch I

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Unit/Call Sign: DUBLIN CITY (C-2-2) Patrol Leader: CPL LOPEZ

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-3, S-2)
(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 vicinity of Hill 254. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, forbifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 290830; insert vic YC882983. Extract at 011400 vic YC868930.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the 5th MarRegt who have been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: (a) BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (155 HOW)
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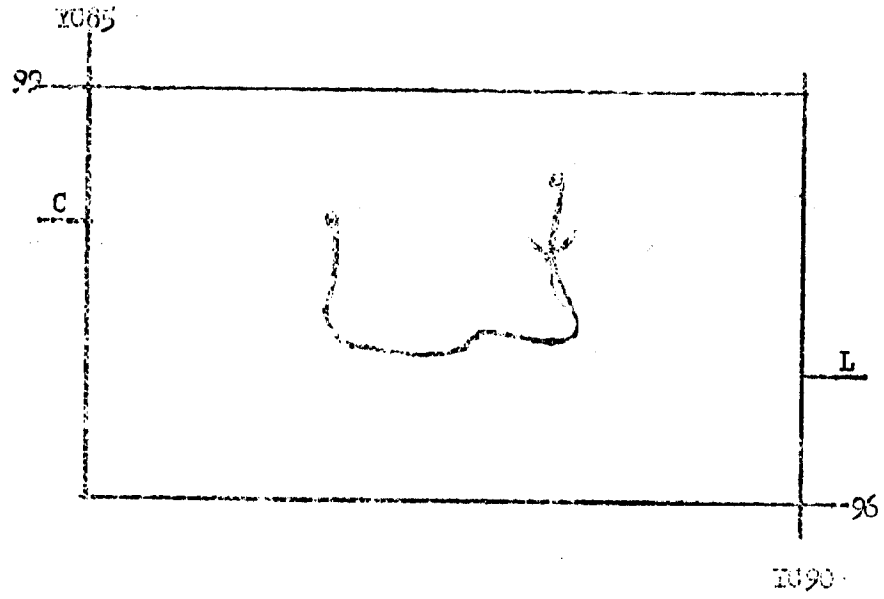
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OPERATION ORDER: 212-68
OPERATION: HOUSTON
PATROL: DUBLIN CITY (C-2-2)
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6341 III & IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 27[illegible]H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 5 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 PRC50'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-14, 1 M-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 VICINITY OF HILL 234. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 27[illegible]H/27[illegible]H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 5½ HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT WITH EST. 20-30 VC/NVA. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 271015H (YC863978) PATROL HAD MOVED APPROX. 300 METERS FROM LZ WHEN THEY CAME UPON A TRAIL. POINT MAN SIGHTED 2 VC/NVA RUNNING ACROSS TRAIL INTO THE BUSHES. THE PATROL HEARD WHAT SOUNDED LIKE THE VC/NVA PUT HIS MAGAZINE INTO HIS WEAPON. PATROL HEARD MOVEMENT TOWARD THE FRONT. PATROL LEADER SET UP 360° SECURITY. POINT MAN OPENED UP WITH AUTOMATIC FIRE, RESULTS UNKNOWN. PATROL PULLED BACK AND SET UP ANOTHER 360°. PATROL STILL HEARD MOVEMENT FROM ALL DIRECTIONS, SO THE PATROL THREW 2 M-26'S, AND MOVEMENT STOPPED MOMENTARILY. AT THIS TIME, PATROL LEADER SENT TWO MEN ACROSS RIVER BANK TO SET UP SECURITY. THE TWO MEN RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE FROM UNKNOWN SOURCE. THEN THE REST OF TEAM PROCEEDED TO FOLLOW. WHEN TEAM REACHED THE OTHER SIDE, THE SNIPER FIRED AT THE REAR SECURITY. AT THIS TIME GUNSHIPS AND FIXED WERE ON STATION. GUNSHIPS ROCKETED AND STRAFFED THE AREA. FIXED WING DROPPED NAPALM BOMBS. GUNSHIPS AND FIXED WING DID OUTSTANDING JOB. PATROL OBSERVED ONE VC/NVA IN TREE, BUT FIXED WING DROPPED NAPALM BOMB ON TREE, RESULTING IN ONE VC/NVA KIA CONF. BY AIR. PATROL ALSO HEARD MOANNING AND SCREAMING COMING FROM THE VC/NVA. AT THIS TIME, THE REAR SECURITY SPOTTED THE SNIPER IN TREE, THAT HAD PREVIOUSLY SHOT AT THEM. REAR SECURITY SHOT M-79 AT THE SNIPER AND THE ROUND LANDED RIGHT IN FRONT OF HIM, RESULTING IN ONE VC/NVA KIA PROB BY S/A. GUNSHIPS AND FIXED WING WERE CONSISTANTLY WORKING OVER THE AREA.

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FIXED WING DROPPED H.E. AND PATROL COULD STILL HEAR MOANING AND SCREAMING.

PATROL MOVED TO EXTRACT LZ WITHOUT FURTHER INCIDENT. SCARFACE 6-7 HAD FAILURE RADIO. ALSO TEAMS PRIMARY RADIO WENT DEAD. BEFORE EXTRACTION.

B. TERRAIN: LOW BRUSH WITH THICK SECONDARY GROWTH. CANOPY WAS 30-35 FT.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: 260815H YC895980 THIS WAS TEAMS INSERT LZ. SCARFACE WENT DOWN TO WORK TEAMS INSERT LZ WITH GUNSHIPS RECEIVED AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC/NVA. TEAM WAS RETURNED TO BALL PARK LZ.

260930I YC873980 TEAM FLEW OVER THIS LOCATION, BUT COULD NOT FIND SUITABLE LZ.

YC858980- GOOD 2 CH-46 ZONE. TEAM SIGHTED 2 VC/NVA RUNNING ACROSS THE CANOPY. GUNSHIPS MARKED AREA WITH RED SMOKE, AND THEN FIXED WING STRAFED THE AREA.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC/NVA PROB. KIA BY S/A. 1 VC/NVA CONF. KIA BY FIXED WING. 1 VC/NVA PROB. KIA BY FIXED WING. 1 VC/NVA CONF. KIA BY GUNSHIPS.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GUNSHIPS AND FIXED WING:OUTSTANDING COVERAGE OF TARGET.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: 3 ATTEMPTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO PUT TEAM IN THIS AREA. BUT EACH TIME THEY HAVE BEEN SHOT OUT. THIS ISLAND HAS BEEN TPQ BEFORE.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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PFC WARD, W.H.
LCPL BLACK, D.R.
PFC GIBSON, W.R.
CPL. MAYNES, T.E.
PFC SLAUGHTER, G.W.
LCPL SHERMAN, E.J.
LCPL BROWN, C.C.
PFC WHEELER, J.A.

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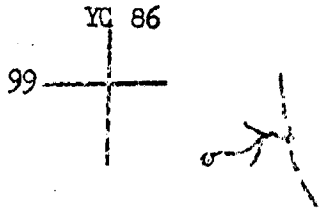
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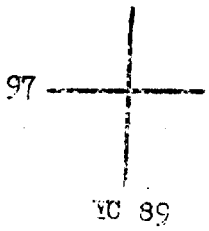
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PATROL: DUBLIN CITY (C-2-2)
REFERENCES: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III & IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 291845H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 10 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25'S
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M-79, 1 M-14

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE VICINITY OF HILL 254. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 291710H/291820H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: 1 HOUR 10 MINUTES OF PATROLLING RESULTED IN ONE CONTACT WITH UNKNOWN SIZE OF ENEMY. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION. GUNSHIPS AND FIXED WING WERE UTILIZED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 291715H (YC887985) PATROL WAS ON LZ WHEN ONE VC/NVA OPENED FIRE WITH AUTOMATIC BURST. THEN VC/NVA TURNED AND RAN. VC/NVA WAS DRESSED IN GRAY SHIRT. PATROL MEMBERS RETURNED FIRE AND SET UP 360° SECURITY. THE PATROL NOTICED THAT VC/NVA RAN TO A CAMOUFLAGED BUNKER AT COORD. YC884984, ON THE WEST SIDE OF STREAM. GUNSHIPS WERE ON STATION AND WERE MARKING TARGETS FOR FIXED WING. WHILE FIXED WING WAS DROPPING ORDNANCE PATROL HEARD WHAT SOUNDED LIKE ONE PARTICULAR VC/NVA SHOUTING OUT COMMANDS TO THE OTHER VC/NVA. AT THIS TIME, PATROL RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE FROM COORD. YC883976. GUNSHIPS [redacted] AND ROCKED THE AREA. NO MORE FIRE FROM THAT POSITION WAS RECEIVED. PATROL HEARD [redacted] SCREAMING AND MOANING. ON THE SECOND AIR STRIKE, FIXED WING GOT A LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSITION ABOUT 25 FT HIGH. AS TEAM WAS BEING EXTRACTED, HELO RECEIVED MODERATE VOLUME OF FIRE FROM COORD. YC882989, AND ALL ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF STREAM.

PATROL ALSO NOTICED U.S. TYPE BARBED WIRE ON THEIR LZ. THIS BARBED WIRE WAS SET UP IN A CIRCULAR PATTERN AROUND THE LZ, WITH SINGULAR [redacted] STRUNG WEST TO EAST.

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COMMUNICATER. [illegible] TROUBLE COMMUNICATING WITH SCARFACE, BECAUSE NVA OR [illegible] ON THE SAME NET.

B. TERRAIN: NO CANOPY. VERY HILLY WITH SPARSE VEGATATION.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT & EXTRACT LZ YC887985: GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE WITH LOW GRASS.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: WITHIN PAST 3 DAYS THIS PATROL HAS BEEN INSERTED & EXTRACTED 3 TIMES IN THIS AREA BECAUSE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY & HVY SA/AW

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GUNSHIPS AND FIXED WING DID [illegible] FIRE. OUTSTANDING JOB, WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

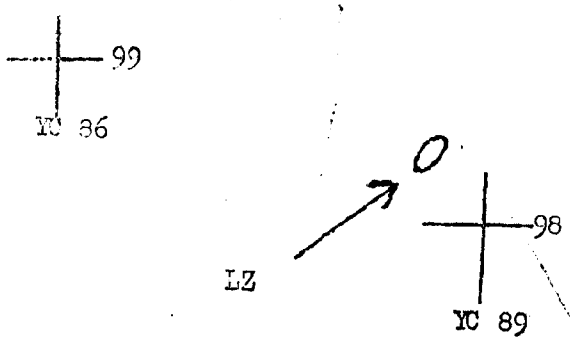
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DIVING MISSION: 12-68
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 I

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
PHU BAI, RVN
DTG 291700H MAY 1968

DIVING REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL.
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 1 PRC-25
D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 72'S, 3 REGULATORS

2. MISSION: CONDUCT COMBAT DIVING OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON TO DETERMINE THE PRESSURE AND LOCATION OF ENEMY EXPLOSIVE CHARGES RIGGED ON THE LANG CO BRIDGE (AT886957), THE TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE (YD967063), THE NONG RIVER BRIDGE (YD927104), AND HOUNG THUY RIVER BRIDGE (YD838817).

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 290800H/291700H

4. MODE OF TRAVEL TO AND FROM DIVING AREA: 2½ TON TRUCK.

5. SYNOPSIS: 9 HOURS OF DIVING RESULTED IN ONE ONE BRIDGE CHECKED, THE LANG CO BRIDGE. THE OTHER THREE BRIDGES COULDN'T BE CHECKED BECAUSE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THAT AREA.

6. INCIDENTS DIRECT RESULT OF DIVING MISSION: PATROL CHECKED LANG CO BRIDGE (AT886957). BRIDGE WAS CHECKED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. PATROL COULDN'T CHECK OTHER BRIDGES BECAUSE BRIDGE SECURITY HAD ALL THE OTHER THREE BRIDGES BLOCKED OFF, BECAUSE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THE AREA.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

12. DIVING MEMBERS:

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CPL. THOMPSON
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Unit/Call Sign: VEAL STEW II (F-4-2) Patrol Leader: CPL FELL

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 vicinity of the Truoi Mountains. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart ZZ 605 at 270730; insert vic YB944966. Extract at 311300 vic YC973966.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with the S-3, 1st MAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the 5thMar, who have been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

(3) Special emphasis is placed on coordinating with RECORD 6 for passage from the "D" relay perimeter and, if necessary, for return through the perimeter.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: (a) BEECHNUT "D" 45.35 (155 HOW)
(b) BEECHNUT "E" 58.05 (105 & 155 HOW)
(c) SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE DELTA
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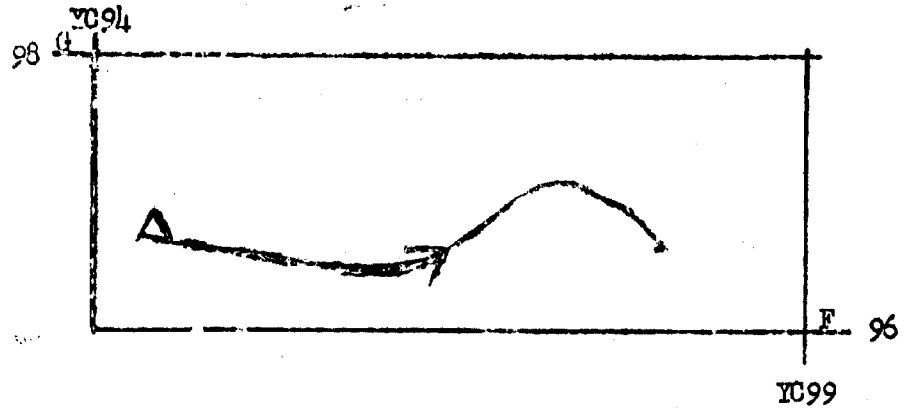
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OPERATION ORDER: 213-68
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PATROL: VEAL STEW II (F-4-2)
DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014; SHEET 6541 III & IV

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFA/FFA TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE VICINITY OF THE TRUOI MOUNTAIN. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 270730H/310800H

4. ROUTE: (SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: THIS TEAM SPENT A PERIOD OF 96 HOURS OF PATROLLING AND OBSERVATION WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: N/A.
B. TERRAIN: STEEP WITH LIGHT UNDERGROWTH. CANOPY WAS 60-100 FT HIGH. MOVEMENT 300 METERS PER HOUR.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YC944966, 1 CH-46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ YC984977, GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. OLD RIVER BED.

TRAILS: 294[illegible] YC968972- TRAIL RUNS "N" TO "S", WELL USED TRAIL, 3-4 FT WIDE. PATROL HEARD VOICES ON THE TRAIL.

YC979969- TRAIL RAN "SE", AND WAS APPROX. 10 FT WIDE. TRAIL COULDN'T BE OBSERVED FROM THE AIR.

YC968972- PATROL HEARD ABOUT 10-15 PEOPLE MOANING, TALKING, AND SOME MOVING AROUND. PATROL THINKS THIS MAY BE A HOSPITAL SITE.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: ENEMY CONTINUES TO USE HILL 562 (YC968972). A GOOD AVENUE OF APPROACH FOR AN INFANTRY FORCE TO HILL 562 IS FROM "D" RADIO RELAY SITE (YC944966).

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL. G.C. FELL
CPL. J.E. FLOUNT
CPL. J.P. MURPHY
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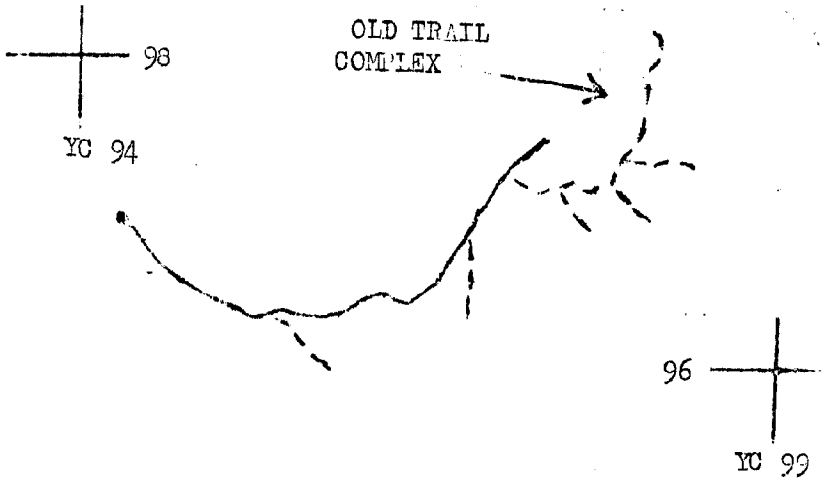
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Unit/Call Sign: DATE PALM (C-4-2) Patrol Leader: CPL RININGER

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 vicinity of Hai Dong and east of Route 545. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines, bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 290730H; insert vic YC915891. Extract at 021300H vic YC919928.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the 5thMar Regt who have been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.6 Alternate: 33.1
Artillery: SAND HURST 56.50 (155 Guns)
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Radio Relay: IMPRESSIVE BRAVO
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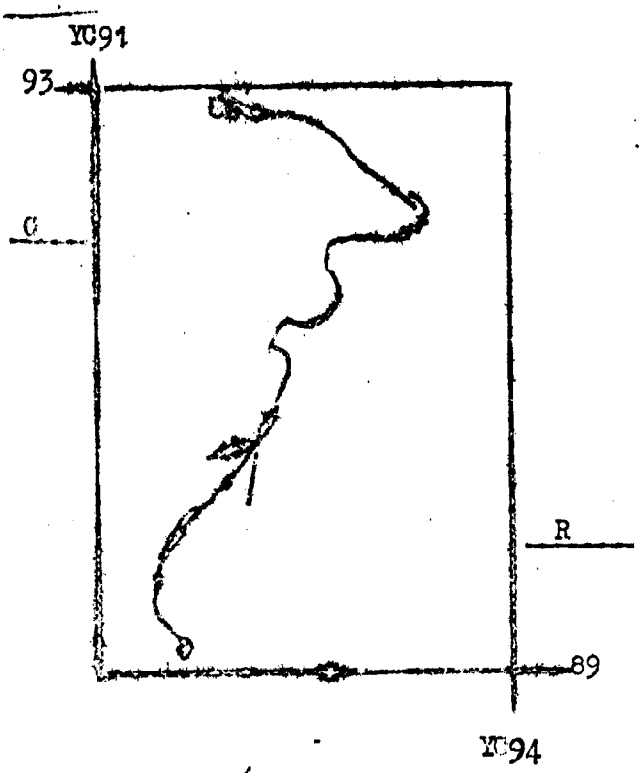
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DEBRIEFER: CPL. W.D. KEARNEY
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1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY (REIN)
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DTG 301230H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE VICINITY OF HAI DONG AND EAST OF ROUTE 545. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 301130H/301200H

4. ROUTE: N/A.

5. SYNOPSIS: ½ HOUR OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN PATROL BEING SHOT OUT FOR THE SECOND TIME. GUNSHIPS AND FIXED ALSO TOOK FIRE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 291020H YC895914 HELO WAS GETTING READY TO LAND, WHEN HELO'S RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME OF S/A FIRE. TEAM WAS BROUGHT BACK TO AREA. FIXED WING AND GUNSHIPS WERE UTILIZED.

301135H YC923929 HELO WAS READY TO LAND, WHEN IT RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME OF S/A FIRE. FIRE WAS TAKEN FROM YC917927 ALL THE WAY UP TO YC917934. FIXED WING ALSO TOOK HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE FROM ABOVE COORD. PATROL ACTUALLY SAW 6 VC/NVA. ONE MEMBER OF PATROL SAW VC/NVA STANDING ABOUT 25 METERS FROM HELO, AND THE TEAM MEMBER OPENED FIRE ON THE NVA. PATROL MEMBER THINKS HE KILLED THE NVA, BUT CANNOT BE CERTAIN. HE DID OBSERVE THE VC/NVA FALL. THE VC/NVA WAS DRESSED IN GREEN UTILITES. PATROL NOTED THAT A BRIDGE AT COORD. YC916930, WAS BLOWN ON THE 29th OF MAY, AND ON THE 30th OF MAY, IT WAS REBUILT. THE BRIDGE WAS 2-3 FT WIDE.

B. TERRAIN: LOW BRUSH WITH SPARSE VEGETATION.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ YC923928, GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE. LOW GRASS.

TRAILS: NUMEROUS WELL USED TRAILS THROUGHOUT AREA.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 VC/NVA KIA PROB BY S/A.

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC/NVA OCCUPY THE HIGH GROUND ALONG ROUTE 545 IN THIS AREA AND ARE ABLE TO DELIVER A HIGH VOLUME OF FIRE ON ANY PATROLS BEING INSERTED IN THE VALLEY.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GUNSHIPS AND FIXED WING WERE OUTSTANDING.

12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER:

THIS TEAM HAS BEEN SHOT OUT OF THIS AREA TWICE, WITHOUT GETTING TO LAND. FIXED WING ALSO TOOK A HEAVY VOLUME OF FIRE. THE VC/NVA HIT ITS RIGHT ENGINE. THE LZ THAT DATE PALM WAS TO USE WAS OVERRAN BOTH TIMES, AND STILL VC/NVA WERE IN THE AREA.

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL. R.B. HASTART
LCPL SEAL, W.A.
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Unit/Call Sign: CROCHET (C-3-1) Patrol Leader: CPL DUNNINGTON

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
(b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-3, S-2)
(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 vicinity of Leech Island and west of the Ta Trach River. Particular emphasis is to be placed on locating and fixing enemy storage areas, fortifications (trench lines; bunkers), harbor sites and the direction and trafficability of trails in the area. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air only if necessary for the safety of the patrol in support of Operation Houston.

3. Execution. Depart LZ 405 at 290800H; insert vic YC832004. Extract at 021330 vic YC832004.

a. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Coordinate with the S-3, 1st FAG to ensure maximum effectiveness of supporting arms, including use of H&I, night defensive, "on-call", and counter battery fires.

(2) Ensure thorough coordination with the 5th Mar Regt, who have been assigned the mission of providing the Bald Eagle capability. Special emphasis will be placed on "link-up" procedures in the event it becomes necessary to employ the Bald Eagle.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.1 Alternate: 37.6
Artillery: (a) SAND HURST 55.50 (155 Guns)
(b) SAND HURST "A" 56.50 (155 Guns)
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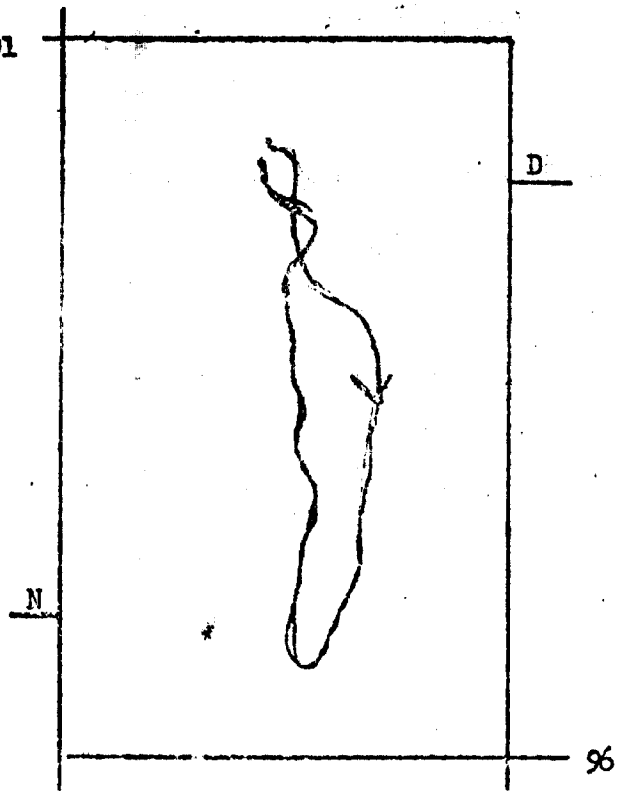
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DTG 300930H MAY 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/WFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC/NVA TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE VICINITY OF LEECH ISLAND AND WEST OF THE TA TRACH RIVER. PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS TO BE PLACED ON LOCATING AND FIXING ENEMY STORAGE AREAS, FORTIFICATIONS (TRENCH LINES, BUNKERS), HARBOR SITES AND THE DIRECTION AND TRAFFICABILITY OF TRAILS IN THE AREA. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ONLY IF NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATROL IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HOUSTON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 300830H/300900H

4. ROUTE: PATROL DIDN'T GET OFF HELO.

5. SYNOPSIS: ½ HOUR OF OBSERVATION RESULTED IN TEAM BEING SHOT OUT OF LZ. NO FM CALLED IN SUPPORT OF THIS MISSION.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: 300900H YD833005 PATROL WAS STILL IN HELO WHEN HELO RECEIVED S/A FIRE FROM NORTHERN SIDE. ONE MEMBER OF TEAM NOTICED 2 BAMBOO POLES 8-10 FT HIGH, APPROX. 10 FT APART ON THE LZ. PATROL SIGHTED ONE VC/NVA, DRESSED IN GREEN UTILITIES, WITH PITH HELMET. PATROL FIRED AT VC/NVA, RESULTS UNKNOWN. VC/NVA WAS RUNNING FROM "P" TO "S".

B. TERRAIN: VEGATATION NOT VERY THICK WITH CANOPY 15-20 FT HIGH.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: UNKNOWN

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GUNSHIPS OUTSTANDING COVERAGE OF TARGET.

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12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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3RD PLT, 1ST RECON BN.
PATROL LEADER

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #122 010001H TO 012400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS(2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 AT 0108[illegible]H VIC YD8104(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. INSERT VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 010920H VIC YD9697 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. EXTRACT MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 010850H VIC YD0703(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. EXTRACT DESK WORK F-6 AT 010940H VIC YD1296 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 011430H: TM HEARD EST 10 YD/M[illegible] MVG "SW" ON TRAIL VIC YD908019. FM NOT CALLED DUE TO FRIENDLIES IN AREA. TM CONT ON PATH.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC YD9401 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. DATE PALM C-4-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 VIC YD8103 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 VIC YD8305 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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5. VEAL STEW F-4-1 VIC YC9997 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 VIC YD9002 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. RECORD F-3 AT 020730H VIC YC9995 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 030730H VIC YD8902 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 030800H VIC YC9599 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 030930H VIC YC9798 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 030800H VIC YD8605 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 030900H VIC YD8802 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 031000H VIC YI9401 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REA AREA) 010001H-010000H MAY 68

NONE

PATR #1 010900H- 011030H: 13 PERSONNEL FROM CO D 1ST RECON BN (REIN) PARTICIPATED IN HEL RAPPELLING TRAINING VIC YD8[illegible]7, FROM TWO UH-34'S IN PREPARATION FOR FUTURE INSERTIONS & CLEARANCE OF H.Z'S BY RAPPELLING.

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ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #123 020001H TO 022400H MAY 68

I. FMU MAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT REC'D F-3 AT 020855H VIC YD 696 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. EXTRACT TEAL SEAw II F-4-2 AT 022[illegible]H VIC YD8203 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. RECORD F-3 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 020900H: TM OBSR 1 VC RUNNING [illegible] OF TREELINE VIC YD9935 TOWARDS ACFT. GRUEN UTILITIES & RIFLE. [illegible] SA & AW. OBSR VC FAIL. UNABLE TO OBSR FURTHER. TM CONT MISSION.

2. LUNCH TEAM C-1-2 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. (L.E.) 011830H: TM HEARD IN [illegible]. 6N FIRED 1 RDS VIC YD9502. FM CALLED, GOOD COVERAGE OF AGI. UNABLE TO OBSR FURTHER. TM CONT MISSION.

b. (L.E.) 011920H: TM HEARD IN [illegible]. 6N FIRED 1 RDS VIC YD9[illegible]. TM CONT MISSION.

c. (L.E.) 012150H: TM HEARD IN [illegible]. 6N FIRED 6 RDS VIC YD9[illegible]. FM CALLED. EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF [illegible]. UNABLE TO OBSR FURTHER.

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d. 020425H: TM HEARD EN PORT. EN FIRED 4 RDS VIC YD905029. TM CONTINUED.

e. 021115H: TM HEARD EN PORT. EN FIRED 3 RDS VIC YD907029. TM CONTINUED.

3. DATE PALM C-4-2 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 020115H: M CONTACT FLASHES VIC YD893112, YD893112, & YD893117. EST 10 NVA. EN CALLED, EXCELLENT COVERAGE, 8 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS OBSD.

4. VIAL STEW II F-4-2 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 021405H: TM MADE CONTACT WITH EST 40 NVA. AK-47'S, UTILITIES, CARTRIDGE BELTS, & HAMLETS. TM FIRED SA & AW FIRE. RPS IN TO NVA WIA. EN CALLED. UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED, UNABLE TO OBSR RES DUE TO CANOPY. 021615H: EN EXTRACTED UNDER FIRE VIC YD817043.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC YD9401 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. DATE PALM C-4-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 VIC YD8405 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. VIAL STEW F-4-1 VIC YC0197 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. LUNCH WAGON C-1-2 VIC YD9101 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. RECORD F-3 VIC YC9796 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. MOVIES C-2-1 AT 030730H VIC YD8902 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. COKE TIN C-1-1 AT 030830H VIC YC9[illegible] (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 030930H VIC YC9798 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. SPILLWAY F-1 AT 040730H VIC YD9402 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 040800H VIC YD9201 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. STONE PIT #5 AT 040830H VIC ZC0995 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 030800H VIC YD8405 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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2. LAUNCH TEAT C-1-2 AT 030900H VIC YD6602 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 031000H VIC YD9401 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 020001H-030400H MAY 68

NONE

NOTE #1

021600H: PRIORITY TPQ-10'S (RIPPLE) REQ ON GC'S: YD8240 38 TO YD8238038 TO YD825036.

GRID SATURATION REQ ON GC'S: YD8103, YD8203, YD8104, YD8204.

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT [illegible] 030001H TO 032400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 030805H VIC YD6902 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 030845H VIC YD9302 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. INSERT FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 030915H VIC YC9798 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. EXTRACT DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 030820H VIC YD8505 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. EXTRACT FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 030850H VIC YD[illegible] IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. EXTRACT VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 031115H VIC YD9007 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. EXTRACT LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 031130H VIC YD9002 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

8. EXTRACT COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 031410H VIC YD9301 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON DUE TO FIVE CASES OF HEAT EXHAUSTION.

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. FUDGE CAKE F-2 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. 030345H: TM HEARD MOVEMENT VIC YD948018. TM THREW THREE M-26 GRENADES. MOVEMENT CEASED.

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2. VIC STEW F-4-1 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 030940H: TM MADE CONTACT WITH FOUR NVA VIC ZC005973, RES IN ONE USMC WIA (MEDEVAC). KHAKI SHIRTS, BLUE SHORTS, AK-47'S, & SKS'S. TM FIRED SA & AW FIRE, RES IN ONE NVA KIA. UH-1E GUNSHIPS & FIXED WING UTILIZED. UNABLE TO OBSR RES DUE TO TERRAIN. 031115H: TM EXTRACTED UNDER FIRE VIC ZC004973.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. DATE PALM C-4-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUPPORT OF HOUSTON
2. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC YD8902 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON
3. RECORD F-3 VIC YC9896 IN SUP OF HOUSTON
4. FLAG DIP C-4-1 VIC YC9798 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 AT 040730H VIC YD8604 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON
2. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 040800H VIC YD9201 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON
3. STONE PIT F-5 AT 040830H VIC ZC0995 IN SUP OF HOUSTON
4. DESK WORK F-6 AT 041300H VIC YD8018 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

NONE

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1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 030001H-032400H MAY 68

NOTE #1

030800H-031630H: 5 MAN SCUBA DIVING TM FROM FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) CONDUCTED BRIDGE SECURITY CHECKS IN SUP OF HOUSTON AT THE SONG RIVER BRIDGE VIC YD967063, TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE VIC YD967063, & LANG CO RIVER BRIDGE VIC AT 086957, W/NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN) SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3) ACofS, G-2,3

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #125 040001H TO 042400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT SPILLWAY F-1 AT 040835H VIC YD8604 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT CROCHET C-3-1 AT 040845H VIC YD9201 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. INSERT DESKWORK F-6 BY TRUCK/FOOT AT 041500H VIC YD8018 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

NONE

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. DESK WORK F-6 VIC YD8018 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DATE PALM C-4-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. SPILLWAY F-1 VIC YD8404 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC YD8901 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. CROCHET C-3-1 VIC YD9102 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. FLAG DIP C-4-2 VIC YC9698 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. RECORD F-3 AT VIC YC9895 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 050730H VIC YD9301 IN SUP OP HOUSTON (CLANDESTINE)

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2. STONE PIT F-5 AT 050800H VIC ZC0995 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. VEAL STEW II F-4-2 AT 060730H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 060800H VIC YC9898 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

C. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 060730H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. RECORD F-3 AT 060830H VIC YC9896 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 040001H-042400H MAY 68

NONE

NOTE #1

040700H-041100H 40 PARACHUTISTS FROM 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) PARTICIPATED IN A TRAINING JUMP FROM A C-117D ACFT IN PREP FOR FUTURE INSERTIONS BY PARACHUTE.

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)
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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #126 050001H TO 052400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 050820H VIC YD9301(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. INSERT STONE PIT F-5 AT 050915H VIC 200995 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. CROCHET C-3-1 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 051400H: TM OBSR ONE VC MVG "S" ON TRAIL VIC YD914021. TM INIT ACT W/SA FIRE. VC RAN "S" ON TRAIL. TM UNABLE TO OBSR RES DUE TO UNDER GROWTH. TM CONT ON MSN.

2. RECORD F-3 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 051620H: TM OBSR ONE NVA MVG "S" ON TRAIL VIC YD989569. GREEN CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES, CARTRIDGE BELT, & ONE AW. TM INIT ACT W/SA RES IN ONE AW CAPTURED. TM CONT ON MSN.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 VIC YD8503(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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2. DATE PALM C-4-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC YD8801(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. CROCHET C-3-1 VIC YD9104(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. DESK WORK F-6 VIC YD8018 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YD9301(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

7. RECORD F-3 VIC YD9896 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

8. FLAG DIP C-4-1 VIC YD9798 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

9. SHORE PIN F-5 VIC YD8995 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

D. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 AT 060730H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. MAPLE ARM C-3-2 AT 060800H VIC YD9498 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 070730H VIC YD8003(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. BERLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 070830H VIC YD1396 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 060730H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. RECORD F-3 AT 060830H VIC YD9896 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 070800H VIC YD8801(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 070900H VIC YD9798 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. DESK WORK F-6 AT 071300H VIC YD8018 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: CONTACT 0

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IX. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN)(REAR AREA) 050001H-052400H MAY 68

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #127 060001H TO 062400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT VEAL SKEW II F-4-2 AT 060800H VIC YD8406 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 060855 VIC YC9896 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. EXTRACT DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 060800H VIC YD8406 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. EXTRACT RECORD F-3 AT 060855H VIC YC9896 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. RECORD F-3 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. 060855H; DURING EXTRACTION TM RECD FIRE FROM UNK NO EN. TM & ACFT RTN SA, AW, & .50 CAL FIRE, W/UNK RES.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. DESK WORK F-6 VIC YD 8018 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 VIC YD8406 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. SPILLWAY F-4 VIC YD8604 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC YD8802 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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5. CROCHET C-3-1 VIC YD9102 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. COFFEE TITE C-1-1 VIC YD9301 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. FLAG DIP C-4-1 VIC YC9799 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

8. MABLE ANN C-3-2 VIC YC9997 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

9. STONE PIT F-5 VIC ZC1095 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 070730H VIC YD9002 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DUBLIN CITY F-2-2 AT 070830H VIC ZC1396 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 080730H VIC YD8405 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 080830H VIC YC9896 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTS

1. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 070800H VIC YD8801(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 070900H VIC YC9796 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. DESK WORK F-6 AT 071300H VIC YD8018 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. SPILLWAY F-2 AT 080800H VIC YD8604(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 080900H VIC YD9102(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN)(REAR AREA) 060001H - 062400H MAY 68

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ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN) SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO (REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3) V/R Burdelski CofS, G-2

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #128 070001H TO 072400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 070805H VIC YD8902 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 070855H VIC ZC1396 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. (L.E.) EXTRACT DESK WORK F-6 AT 061720H VIC YD8018 BY FOOT/TRUCK IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. EXTRACT ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 070810H VIC YD8802 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. EXTRACT FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 070845H VIC YD9799 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. STONE PIT F-5 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. 071015H: TM HEARD UNK NO OF BN ON TRAIL VIC ZC109943. FM CALLING RES UNK.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. VEAL STEW II F-4-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. SPILLWAY F-1 VIC YD8604 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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3. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC YB8801 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. CROCHET C-3-1 VIC YB9101(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YB9300(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. MAPLE ANN C-3-2 VIC YB9998 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. STONE PIT F-5 VIC ZB1094 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

8. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 VIC ZB1396 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 080730H VIC YB8405(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 080830H VIC YB9896 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 AT 080800H VIC YB8604(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 080900H VIC YB9102(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 091300H VIC YB9999(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. STONE PIT F-5 AT 091330H VIC ZB0995 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

SPOT RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) DAILY SPOT RAY REAR: COMMENCE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN)(REAR AREA) 070001H - 072400H MAY 68

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY DRAFTER

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN) SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3) ASofS, G-2

CO, FIRST MAR REGT O

CO, FIFTH MAR REGT P

CO, FIRST FAG CONFIDENTIAL

CO, 1ST BN, 27th MAR REGT

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #129 080001H TO 082400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 080805H VIC YD8306 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 080915H VIC YC9897 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. EXTRACT SPILLWAY F-1 AT 080925H VIC YD8604 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. EXTRACT CROCHET C-3-1 AT 080930H VIC YD9203 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. (L.E.) 071915H: TM OBSR 3 VC. BLK & WHITE PJS VIC YD870045. FM CALLED. OUTSTANDING COVERAGE, UNABLE TO OBSR RES.

2. CROCHET C-3-1 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. (L.E.) 072115H: TM RECD 12 INCOMING 60 MM MORT RDS FROM VIC YD930010. FM CALLED. OUTSTANDING COVERAGE. EN CEASED FIRING.

b. (L.E.) 072215H: UNK NO OF EN PROBED TM'S POSIT VIC YD930010. EN FIRST PROBED W/ROCKS, THEN 2 FRAG GREN. TM RTND [illegible] CALLED FM. EXCELLENT COVERAGE. MOVEMENT CEASED.

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C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. VEAL STEW II F-4-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
2. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 VIC YD8305 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON
3. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC YD8801 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON
4. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YD9400 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON
5. VEAL STEW F-4-1 VIC YC9896 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
6. MABLE ANN C-3-2 VIC YC9999 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
7. STONE PIT F-5 VIC ZC0995 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
8. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 VIC ZC1395 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 100730H VIC YD9400 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON
2. DESK WORK F-6 AT 100830H VIC YC9297 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 091300H VIC YC9599 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON
2. STONE PIT F-5 AT 091330H VIC ZC0995 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
3. MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 100800H VIC YC9899 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0
TERMINATE 0
CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 080001H-082400H MAY 68

NONE

NOTE #1

080800H-081630H: A 5 MAN SCUBA DIVING TM FROM FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) CONDUCTED BRG SECURITY CHECK IN SUP OP HOUSTON AT THE TRUOI RIVER BRIDGE VIC YD967063 W/NEGATIVE RES. 081130H: TM OBSR 3 VC W/PACKS AND RIFLES VIC ZD129012 [illegible] RES.

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0815H,CH: WHILE CONDUCTING A ROUTINE DIVE TO RECOVER BN BODIES AND WPNS VIC YD976067, TM FOUND 1 U.S. M-2 CARBINE W/2 FULL MAG. WPN & MAG TURNED OVER TO C/1/5.

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091220Z MAY 68

FROM: CG, TF X-RAY

DRAFTER

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN) SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3) ACofS, G-2

CO, FIRST MAR REGT O

CO, FIFTH MAR REGT P

CO, FIRST FAG CONFIDENTIAL

CO, 1ST, 27TH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #130 090001H TO 092400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

NONE

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. VEAL STEW F-4-1 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. 091015H: TM OBSR 4 NVA MVG "E" ON TRAIL VIC YC970968. KHAKI'S & AK-47'S. TM FIRED SA/AW RDS IN 1 NVA KIA (CONF).

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. VEAL STEW II F-4-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 VIC YD8304 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC YD8901 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YD9400 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. VEAL STEW F-4-1 VIC YC9796 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. MABLE ANN C-3-2 VIC YC9999 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. STONE PIT F-5 VIC ZC0995 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

8. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 VIC ZC1495 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. DESK WORK F-6 AT 100730H VIC YC9296 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
2. RECORD F-3 AT 101600H VIC YC9296 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
3. FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 110730H VIC YC8597 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
4. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 110830H VIC YD9400 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 100800H VIC YC9599 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON
2. MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 100830H VIC YC9899 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
3. STONE PIT F-5 AT 100900H VIC ZC0995 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
4. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 110800H VIC YD9002 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
5. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 110900H VIC ZC1496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0
TERMINATE 0
CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 090001H-092400H MAY 68

NOTE #1

090800H-091500H: A 4 MAN SCUBA DIVING TM CONDUCTED BRG SCTY CHECKS IN SUP OP HOUSTON AT THE NONG RIVER, YD927104; HUONG THUY RIVER, YD837176, & LANG CO RIVER, AT886957 BRGS W/NEG RES.

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OP 1ØLF572 MAY 68

FROM: CG, TF X-RAY

DRAFTER

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)

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CO, FIRST MAR REGT

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CO, FIFTH MAR REGT

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CO, FIRST FAG

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CO, 1ST BN, 27TH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #131 100001H TO 102400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. EXTRACT VEAL STEW F-1-1 AT 100900H VIC YD9897 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. EXTRACT COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 101145H VIC YD9501 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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3. EXTRACT MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 101450H VIC YC9899 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. EXTRACT STONE PIT F-5 AT 101520H VIC ZC0995 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. VEAL STEW F-4-1 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. (L.E.) 091205H: TM MADE CONTACT W/EST 30 NVA VIC YC970968. EN WE[illegible] SETTING IN AMBUSH WHEN TM OBSR THEM. RES OF CONTACT, 3 NVA KIA, 1 [illegible] W/4 MAGS, ASS'T CLOTHING, 1 CHICOM GREN, & 1 RUSSIAN BATTLE DRESSING CAPTURED. TM WAS SURROUNDED, & REQUIRED THE "BALD EAGLE". 091700H: TM LINKED UP W/BALD EAGLE, MADE WAY TO HLZ VIC YC989966. 100900H: TM RE[illegible]

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. VEAL STEW II F-4-2 VIC [illegible] IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 VIC [illegible] (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. PEPPER GAME F-2 VIC [illegible] (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 VIC ZC1396 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. DESK WORK F-6 AT 110730H VIC YC9297 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. RECORD F-3 AT 110830H VIC YC9297 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 110930H VIC YD9400 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 120730H VIC YC8597 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 110800H VIC YD9002 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 110900H VIC YC1496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 120800H VIC YD8405 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) (NEAR AREA) 100001H-102400H MAY 68

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY 111218Z DRAFTER

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN) SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO (REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3) AC of S, G-3

CO, FIRST MAR RECON

CO, FIFTH MAR RECON P

CO, FIRST FAS CONFIDENTIAL

CO, 1ST BN, 26TH MAR RECON

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #132 110001H TO 112400H MAY 68

1. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT DATE PALM G-4-2 AT 111445H VIC YD9400(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. DUE TO NON-AVAILABILITY OF ACFT THE INSERTIONS OF DESK WORK F-6 & RECORD F-3, & THE EXTRACTIONS OF FUDGE CAKE F-2 & DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 WERE NOT ACCOMPLISHED. THIS ARE RESCHEDULED FOR 12 MAY 68.

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

NONE

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. VEAL STEW II F-4-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 VIC YD8405(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC YD9002(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. DATE PALM C-4-2 VIC YD9400(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 VIC YD1596 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. DESK WORK F-6 AT 120630H VIC YD9296 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. REGOID F-3 AT 120700H VIC YD9296 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. ASHELLES C-2-1 AT 120800H VIC ZD8307 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. SPILLWAY F-1 AT 130730H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 130800H VIC YD8597(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 130830H VIC YD9193(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 120730H VIC YD9002(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 120830H VIC YD8405 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 120900H VIC ZC1496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. VEAL STEW II F-4-2 AT 130730H VIC YD8408

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN)(REAR AREA) 110001H - 112400H MAY 68

NONE

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY 121250Z — DRAFTER

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN) — SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3) — ACofS, G-2

CO, FIRST MAR REGT — O

CO, FIFTH MAR REGT — P

CO, FIRST FAG — CONFIDENTIAL

CO, 1ST BN, 27TH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #133 120000H TO 122400H MAY 68

I. FMU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT ACTIVE C-2-1 AT 121000H VIC AU8307 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. EXTRACT FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 120910H VIC YD9002 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. EXTRACT DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 121005H VIC ZC1396

4. INSERTIONS OF DESK WORK F-6, RECORD F-3, AND THE EXTRACTION OF LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 WERE NOT ACCOMPLISHED DUE TO TACTICAL REQUIREMENTS. TM'S ARE RESCHEDULED FOR 13 MAY 1968.

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. DATE PAIN C-4-2 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 120600H-120645H: TM HEARD AW & SEMI AW FIRING VIC YD925998. FM NOT CALLED DUE TO TM'S MSN, TM CONT ON MSN.

2. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 121200H: TM OBSR EST 12 VC/NVA MVG TOWARD TM'S POS VIC YD836058. GREEN JUNGLE COVERS, MIXED BLUE SHIRTS, SHORTS & UTILITIES, 3 RIFLES. FM CALLED, GOOD COVERAGE. TM USED SA/AW RES IN ONE NVA KIA. TM [illegible]

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C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 VIC YD8305 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. DATE PALM C-4-2 VIC YC9499 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC AU8407 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 AT 130730H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DESK WORK F-6 AT 130800H VIC YC9296 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. RECORD F-3 AT 130800H VIC YC9296 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 130830H VICYC9[illegible]3 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 140730H VIC YD8605 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. FLAG DAY C-[illegible]-1 AT 140800H VIC YD8802 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 140630H VIC YD9102 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 AT 130730H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 130900H VIC YD8405 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 120001H-122400H MAY 68

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)

CO, FIRST MAR RECON

CO, FIFTH MAR RECON

CO, FIRST FAG

CO, 1ST BN, 27TH MAR RECON

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO (REIN)

V.R. Burdekin ACofS, G-2

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #134 130001H TO 132400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46A'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT SPILLWAY F-1 AT 130905H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT CROCHET C-3-1 AT 131020H VIC YD9096(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. EXTRACT VEAL STEW II F-4-2 AT 130905H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. EXTRACT LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 130935H VIC YD8305(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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4. DUE TO LOW CEILING THE INSERTIONS OF DESK WORK F-6, & RECORD F-3 WERE NOT ACCOMPLISHED. TM'S ARE RESCHEDULED FOR 14 MAY 68.

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. DATE PALM C-4-2 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. 131400H: TM HEARD SA/AW FIRE VIC YC925998. FM NOT CALLED DUE TO TIME MSN.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. CROCHET C-3-1 VIC YC9096(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. DATE PALM C-4-2 VIC YD9300(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC ZD8307 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. RECORD F-3 AT 140730H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DESK WORK F-6 AT 140730 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. MAPLE AFW C-3-2 AT 140800H VIC YD8605(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. FLAG DEP C-4-1 AT 140830H VIC YD8802(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 140900H VIC YD9102 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 150730H VIC YD8597(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. STONE PIT F-5 AT 150830H VIC ZC1696(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 150800H VIC YD9499(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN)(REAR AREA) 130001H - 132400H MAY 68

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7TH COMM 2110/2 (4/68)

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)

CO, FIRST MAR REGT

CO, FIFTH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST FAG

CO, 1ST BN, 27TH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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DRAFTER

SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO (REIN)

V.R. Burdelski ACofS, G-2

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #135 140001H TO 142400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS(2CH-46D'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 141150H VIC YD8605(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 141210H VIC YD8802(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. INSERT VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 141215H VIC YD9102 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. EXTRACT CROCHET C-3-1 AT 141525H VIC YC9195(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. BECAUSE OF LOW CEILING THE INSERTIONS OF DESK WORK F-6, & RECORD F-3 WERE NOT ACCOMPLISHED. TM'S ARE RESCHEDULED FOR 15 MAY 68.

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. DATE PALM C-4-2 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. (L.E.) 131600H: TM HEARD VOICES & LAUGHTER VIC YD938002. TM NOT CALLED DUE TO TM'S MSN.

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141220H: TM HEARD 4 RIFL[illegible]HOTS VIC YC9[illegible]95. FM NOT CALLED DUE TO TM'S MSN.

2. FLAG DIP C-4-1 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. 141330H: TM FOUND AN ABANDONED HUT VIC YD885016. STRUC WAS OLD, NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE.

3. CROCHET C-3-1 (CLANDES TINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. 141335: TM MADE CONTACT W/UNK NO OF VC/NVA VIC YC912956. RES IN 2 USMC WIA(MEDEVAC), 1 USMC WIA(LINOR). EN CAS UNK. TM EXTRACTED AT 141525H. GRID SATURATIONS REQ ON YC9096, YC9196, YC9095, & YC9195. TP-10'S REQ ON YC912956, YC914958 TO YC944968, YC912962, & YC913965.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. MAILE ANN C-3-2 VIC YD8604 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. FLAG DIP C-4-1 VIC YD8801 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. VEAL STEW F-4-1 VIC YD9101 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. DATE PALM C-4-2 VIC YD9400 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC AN8306 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. RECORD F-3 AT 150730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DESK WORK F-6 AT 150800H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 150900H VIC YC8597(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. STONE PIT F-5 AT 150930H VIC AC1696 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 150830H VIC YC9499(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 161300H VIC AN8205 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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SPINE RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) DAILY SPING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN)(NEAR AREA) 140001H - 142400H MAY 68

NONE

NOTE #1

140800H - 141630H: A 5 MAN SCUBA DIVING TM CONDUCTED BDG SCTY CHECKS IN SUP OF HOUSTON AT THE LANG CO RIVER BDG, AT886957 W/BDG RES, THUOI RIVER BDG YD967063. TM FOUND TWO BLOCKS OF TNT & ONE BAG OF 7.62 AMMO APPROX 350 RDS. TM CHECKED HONG RIVER BDG YD927104: TM FOUND 2 MORT RDS (1 WP & 1 HE) & ONE M-72 LAW. TM WAS UNABLE TO CHECK HUONG THUY RIVER BDG YD838177 DUE TO INSUFFICIENT DAYLIGHT.

#2 140700H - 141100H: 29 PARACHUTISTS FROM 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) PARTICIPATED IN A TRAINING JUMP FROM A C-117D ACFT IN PREP FOR FUTURE INSERTIONS BY PARACHUTE.

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151515Z MAY 68

FROM: CG, TF X-RAY

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)

CO, FIRST MAR REGT

CO, FIFTH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST FAG

CO, 1ST BN, 27TH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST RECON BN(REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #136 150001H TO 152400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46D'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT DESK WORK F-6 AT 150845H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT RECORD F-3 AT 150900H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. INSERT COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 151005H VIC YD8597(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. INSERT STONE PIT F-5 AT 151145H VIC ZC1696 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. EXTRACT DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 151045H VIC YD9400(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

NONE

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YD8698(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. MABLE ANN C-3-2 VIC YD8405(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. FLAG DIP C-4-1 VIC YD8700(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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5. DESK WORK F-6 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. RECORD F-3 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. VEAL STEW F-4-1 VIC YC9100(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

8. STONE PIT F-5 VIC ZC1596 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

9. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC AU8307 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. VEAL STEW II F-4-2 AT 170730H VIC YC2096(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 170800H VIC YC9698 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 170830H VIC ZD0995 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 161300H VIC AU8205 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN)(REAR AREA) 150001H - 152400H MAY 68

NOTE #1 150900H: 1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) ESTAB A RADIO RELAY (IMPRESSIVE "D") VIC YC944966.

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY

DRAFTER

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO (REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)

ACofS, G-2

CO, FIRST MAR REGT

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CO, FIFTH MAR REGT

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CO, FIRST FAG

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CO, 1ST BN, 27TH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #137 160001H TO 162400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS(1 CH-46A, 1CH-46D, & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. EXTRACT STONE PIT F-5 AT 160820H VIC ZC1596 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. EXTRACT ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 161450H VIC AU8306 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. ACHILLES C-2-1 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. (L.Z.) 152145H: TM OBSR EST 20 LIGHTS MVG TOWARD TMS POS [illegible] CALLED. EXCELLENT COVERAGE. UNABLE TO [illegible] UTILIZED GUNSHIPS & FLARESHIP TO OBSERVE LIGHTS AND MOVEMENT AROUND TMS POS. EXCELLENT COVERAGE.

2. FLAG DIP C-4-1 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 160900H: TM HEARD VOICES OF EST 10 PEOPLE MVG ALONG STREAM VIC YD867011.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. [illegible] VIC YD8406 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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2. DESK WORK F-6 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. RECORD F-3 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. MABLE ANN C-3-2 VIC YD8405(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. FLAG REP C-4-1 VIC YD8602(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. VEAL STEW F-4-1 VIC YD910[illegible](CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YD8697(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. VEAL STEW II F-4-2 AT 170730H VIC YD 9096(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DUBLIN CITY C-3-2 AT 170800H [illegible] IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 170830H [illegible] IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. STONE PIT F-5 AT 170900H VIC ZC1696 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 180730H VIC YD8802(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 180800H VIC YD8604(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. FLAG REP C-4-1 AT 180830H VIC YD8703(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 180900H VIC YD9002(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN)(REAR AREA) 160001H - 162400H MAY 68

NONE

RCE #1 (L.E.) 152300H: RECON TM STONE PIT F-5 WHILE FIRING H&I'S REC ONE SHORT ROUND VIC ZC154967 APPROX 35-50M "SE" OF TM'S POS. RES IN ONE USMC KIA, 1 USN WIA(MINOR), & 1 USMC WIA (MINOR). 160620H: TM EXTRACTED WITH MED EVAC DUE TO LOSS OF COMM BECAUSE OF DAMAGED RADIO. TM SCHEDULED FOR REINSERTION ON 17 MAY 68.

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FROM: CG. TF X-RAY

DRAFTER

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO (REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)

ACofS, G-2

CO, FIRST MAR REGT

CO, FIFTH MAR REGT

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CO, FIRST FAG

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CO, 1ST BN, 27TH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST RECON BN(REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #138 170001H TO 172400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS(3 CH-46D'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 171100H VIC YD9699 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 171120H VIC ZD0995 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. INSERT VEAL STEW II F-4-2 AT 171440H VIC YC9496(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. INSERT STONE PIT F-5 AT 171135H VIC ZC1506 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. EXTRACT STONE PIT F-5 AT 171136H VIC ZC1506 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. FLAG DIP C-4-1 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. (L.E.) 161600H: TM OBSR EST 10 NVA SITTING ON TRAIL VIC YD869030. GREEN UTILITIES, MIXED KHAKIS, RIFLES, & WEB GEAR. TM USED SA & GUNSHIPS TO WITHDRAW FROM THE AREA. TM UNABLE TO DETERMINE RES DUE TO UNDERGROWTH.

b. (L.E.) 161930H: TM OBSR UNK NO OF EN ATK HILL(TM'S OLD POS) VIC YD871035. EN USED SA & GREN. TM REMAINED CLANDESTINE.

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2. STONE PIT F-5 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. 171135H: AS TM WAS BEING INSERTED TM & HEL REC HEAVY SA, AR, AND MG FIRE FROM VIC ZC155068. RES IN 4 USMC WIA(MED EVAC) & 3 USMC WIA(MINOR). TM & HEL RTN MG & SA FIRE. RES UNK. HEL LIFTED & CRASH LANDED VIC ZD162008.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DESK WORK F-6 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. RECORD F-3 VIC YC9[illegible]96 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. VEAL STEW F-4-1 VIC YD9102(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. FLAG DIP [illegible]-4-1 VIC YD8703(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. MABLE ANN C-3-2 VIC YD8504(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 VIC YC9699 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

8. VEAL STEW II F-4-2 VIC YC9496(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

9. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC ZC1096 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

10. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YC8797(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 180730H VIC YD8802(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 190730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 190800H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 190830H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 180800H VIC YD8604(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 180830H VIC YD8703(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 180900H VIC YD9002(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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4. DESK WORK F-6 [illegible] YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. RECORD F-3 [illegible] YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. SPILLWAY F-4 AT 190830H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. COFFEE MINE F-4-1 AT 190900H VIC YD8797(CLANDESTINE LAT SUP HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: CONTACTS 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITES FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN)(REAR AREA) 170001H - 172400H MAY 68

NONE

NOTE #1 170830H - 171000H: 13 PERSONNEL FROM CO "C" 1ST RECON BN(REIN) PARTICIPATED IN HEL RAPPELLING TRAINING VIC YD877137, FROM A CH-46A IN PREPARATION FOR FUTURE INSERTIONS & CLEARANCE OF HLZ'S BY RAPPELLING.

#2 170645H: RADIO RELAY SITE(IMPRESSIVE "N") VIC ZD058032 DISPLACED TO 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) CP (PHU BAI).

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)

CO, FIRST MAR REGT

CO, FIFTH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST FAG

CO, 1ST BN, 27TH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #139 180001H TO 182400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46D'S & 3 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 181030H VIC YD9802(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. EXTRACT FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 180910H VIC ZC1196 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. EXTRACT FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 181045H VIC YD8703(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. EXTRACT MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 181055H VIC YD8504(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. EXTRACT VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 181105H VIC YD9102(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. DESK WORK F-6 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. (L.E.) 172315H: TM HEARD EST 6 VC/NVA PROBING TM'S POS VIC YC944966. TM REC ONE INCOMING GREN RES IN ONE USMC WIA(MINOR). TM RTN SA FIRE & GREN. RES UNK.

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2. FUDGE CAKE F-2 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. 180800H: TM REC HEAVY AR FIRE FROM EST 15 NVA VIC ZC114963. GREEN UTILITIES, AK-47'S, RPD LIGHT MG. TM RTN SA FIRE & BROKE CONTACT. FM CALLED. FAIR COVERAGE. EN FOLLOWED TM AS TM MVD TO EXTRACT LZ. TM RTN SA FIRE RES IN ONE NVA KIA. TM USED GUNSHIPS FOR SUPPRESSIVE FIRE. TM EXTRACTED BY HOIST UNDER FIRE.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
2. DESK WORK F-6 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
3. RECORD F-3 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
4. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YC8797(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON
5. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 VIC YD8802(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON
6. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 VIC YC9698 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
7. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 VIC YC9396 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 190730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
2. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 190800H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
3. ACHILLES C-1-2 AT 190830H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. DESK WORK F-6 AT 190730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
2. RECORD F-3 AT 190800H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
3. SPILLWAY F-1 AT 190830H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON
4. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 190900H VIC YC8797(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN)(REAR AREA) 180001H - 182400H MAY 68

NONE

NOTE #1 180830H - 181730H: 5 MAN SCUBA DIVING TM CONDUCTED BRG SCTY CHECKS IN SUP OF HOUSTON AT THE LANG CO RIVER BRG, AT886957 W/NEG RES. TRUOI RIVER BRG YD967063, TM FOUND SIX 60MM MORT RDS & ONE B-40 RKT. TM CHECKED NONG RIVER BRG YD927104 W/NEG RES.

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191240Z MAY 68

FROM: CG, 1ST X-RAY

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)

CO, FIRST MAR REGT

CO, FIFTH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST FAG

CO, 1ST BN, 27TH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST RECON BN(R EIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #140 1900H TO 1924

MAY 68

1. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

1. INSERT ACTIVITY C-2-1 AT 190640H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT OBSERVATION C-3-1 AT 191000H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. INSERT DATA BASE C-4-2 AT 191025H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. EXTRACT SPILLWAY F-1 AT 190810H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. EXTRACT DESK WORK F-6 AT 191000H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. EXTRACT RECORD F-5 AT 191025H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. EXTRACT COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 191125H VIC YD8898 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. (L.E.) 182305H: TM OBSR 3 LIGHTS MVG UP HILL NEAR TM'S POS VIC YD846087. TM USED SA & GREN. LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED. TM CONT TO OBSR.

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C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. CROCKER C-3-1 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. DATE PALM C-4-2 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 VIC YC9797 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. VEAL STEW TWO E-4-2 VIC YC9296(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. LUNKN MEAT C-1-2 VIC YD8801(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

NONE

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 211300H VIC YC9797

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) MAIN STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN)(REAR AREA) 190000H - 192400H MAY 68

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY DRAFTER

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN) SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO (REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3) ACofS, G-3

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CO, FIRST FAG CONFIDENTIAL

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #141 200001H TO 202400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

NONE

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. CROCHET C-3-1 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 200215H: TM RECD ONE GREN IN THEIR POS VIC YC944966. TM USED GREN. RES UNK.

b. 201210H: TM RECD ONE BURST AW FIRE FROM VIC YC943969. RES IN ONE USMC WIA (MED EVAC). TM OBSR ONE NVA MVG "NW" OF TM'S POS VIC YC944966. GREEN UTILITIES, CARTRIDGE BELT, & RIFLE. TM REC SA FIRE RES IN TWO USMC WIA (MED EVAC). FM CALLED. GOOD COVERAGE. TM RTN SA & M-79 FIRE. RES UNK. TOTAL CASUALTIRS THREE USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. CROCHET C-3-1 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. WHITE PALM C-4-2 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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4. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 VIC YC9798 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 VIC YD8800(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 VIC YC9196(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. STONE PIT F-5 AT 210730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. MAPLE ANN C-3-2 AT 220730H VIC YC8793(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 210600H VIC YC9798 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 220800H VIC YC8999(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN)(REAR AREA) 200001H - 202400H MAY 68

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY — DRAFTER

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN) — SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO (REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3) — [illegible], G-2

CG, FIRST MAR REGT — O

CG, NINTH MAR REGT — F

CG, FIRST FAG — CONFIDENTIAL

CG, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #142 210000H TO 212400H MAY 68

I. BDA BAL-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (1 CH-46A, 1 CH-46D, & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT STONE PIT R-5 AT 211145H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. EXTRACT DUBLIN CITY G-2-2 AT 211110H VIC YD9798 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. ACHILLES G-2-1 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 210200H - 210400H: TM OBSR THREE ENY LCHR SITES VIC YD845062, YD797060, & YD777063. FM CALLED. GOOD COVERAGE OF TGT. TM UNABLE TO OBSR RES DUE TO DARKNESS.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. ACHILLES G-2-1 VIC YD2408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. DATE PALM G-4-2 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. CROCHET G-3-1 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. STONE PIT R-5 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. LUNCH MEAT G-1-2 VIC YD8800(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. VEAL STEW TWO R-4-2 VIC YD9196(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 220730H VIC YC8793(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. SPILLWAY F-1 AT 230730H VIC YC9799 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 230800H VIC ZC1396 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 220800H VIC YC8999(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 AT 220830H VIC YC9055(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY SITREP RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN)(REAR AREA) 210001H - 212400H MAY 68

NONE

NOTE #1 210800H - 211645H: A 7 MAN SCUBA DIVING TM CONDUCTED BDG SOTY CHECKS IN SUP OF HOUSTON AT THE NONG RIVER, YD927104, HUONG THUY RIVER, YD837176, LANG CO RIVER, AT886957 W/E'S RES. WHILE CHECKING THE THUOC RIVER BRG VIC YD967063, TM FOUND FIVE U.S. 81MM MORT RDS & 19 U.S. 60MM MORT RDS THAT WERE NOT PRESENT WHEN LAST BRG SOTY INSPECTION CONDUCTED ON 10 MAY 68.

NOTE #2 (L.E.) 201000H -211500H: THREE MEN FROM RECON TEAM FLAG DEP C-4-1 ESCORTED A PLAT FROM MILLBROOK "D" TO A TRAIL WHERE NUMEROUS VOICES HAD BEEN HEARD BY RECON PATROLS. PLAT AMBUSHED EST 60 VC/NVA RES IN 10 VC/NVA KIA.

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY 221220Z C Kelley DRAFTER

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN) SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO (REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3) [illegible] G-2, G-2

CO, FIRST MAR REGT 0

CO, FIFTH MAR REGT P

CO, FIRST FAG CONFIDENTIAL

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #143 220001H TO 222400H

MAY 68

I. BHU BAL-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46D'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT MABLE ANN G-3-2 AT 220925H VIC YD8793(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. EXTRACT VEAL STEW TWO B-4-2 AT 220930H VIC YD9096(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. EXTRACT LUNCH MEAT G-1-2 AT 221000H VIC YD8800(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. CROCHET G-3-1 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. 220400H: TM OBSR 2 LIGHTS MVG "NW" TOWARDS TM'S POSIT. FM CALLED. OUTSTANDING COVERAGE.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. ACHILLES G-2-1 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. CROCHET G-3-1 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. DATE PALM G-4-2 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. STONE PIT F-5 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. MABLE ANN G-3-2 VIC YD8793(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. SPILLWAY F-1 AT 230730H VIC YC9799 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 230800H VIC YD1396 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 240730H VIC YD9201(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 240800H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. DESK WORK F-6 AT 240830H VIC YD8104(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. RECORD F-3 AT 240900H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

7. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 240900H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 240730H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 240830H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 240830H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN)(REAR AREA) 220001H - 222400H MAY 68

NONE

NOTE #1 211840H: RECON TM CROCHET HAD 1 CLAYMORE MINE ACCIDENTALLY DETONATED BY LIGHTNING. RES IN 1 USMC KNB, 1 MBC (EVAC), & 1 MBC (MINOR).

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FROM: CO, TF X-RAY 231255Z CMR Day DRAFTER

ACTION: CO, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN) SECTION FIRST FOR/RECON CO (REIN)

INFO: CO, FIRST MAW (G-3) sfors, G-2

CO, FIRST MAR REGT 0

CO, FIRST MAR REGT 2

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN) CONFIDENTIAL

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #144 230001H TO 232400H MAY 68

I. BDA BAL-15

A. INSERTION & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46D'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT VEAL STEW P-4-1 AT 230900H VIC ZD1396 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. INSERT SPILLWAY P-1 AT 230930H VIC YD9898 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. VEAL STEW P-4-1 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 230935H: TM RECD AW FIRE & ONE GREN FROM EST PLT VC/NVA VIC ZD134969. TM MTN SA FIRE RES IN ONE VC/NVA KIA. "BALD EAGLE" INSERTED TO EXPLOIT CONTACT W/MED RES. TM CONT ON MSN.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. ACHILLES C-1-1 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. CROCHET C-3-1 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. DATE PALM C-4-2 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. STONE PIT P-5 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. MAPLE ASH C-3-2 VIC YD8994(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. VEAL STEW P-4-1 VIC ZD1396 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

7. SPILLWAY P-1 VIC YD9898 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. PLAN REP C-4-1 AT 240730H VIC YD9201(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 240800H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. DESK WORK F-6 AT 240830H VIC YD8104(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. RECORD F-3 AT 240900H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 240930H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 240730H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 240900H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. CROCKER C-3-1 AT 240930H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN)(REAR AREA) 230001H - 232400H MAY 68

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY 241322Z Mar Riley DRAFTER

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN) SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3) ASofS, G-2

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CO, FIFTH MAR REGT P

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN) CONFIDENTIAL

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) SITUATION REPORT #145 240001H TO 242400H MAY 68

I. PHU BAI-JJ

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46D'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 240805H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT RECORD F-3 AT 240830H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. INSERT COFFEE TIME C-3-1 AT 240900H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. INSERT DESK WORK F-6 AT 240950H VIC YD8104 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. INSERT FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 241000H VIC YD9201 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. (L.E.) EXTRACT VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 231830H VIC ZC1396 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. EXTRACT ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 240805H VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

8. EXTRACT CROCHET C-3-1 AT 240830H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

9. EXTRACT DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 240900H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. VEAL STEW F-4-1 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. (L.E.) 230930H: TM MADE CONTACT W/4 NVA, KHAKI'S & AK-47'S, VIC ZC133969. RES IN 1 NVA KIA CONF. TM BROKE CONTACT & CONT MSN.

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b. (L.E.) 231030H: TM MADE CONTACT W/UNK NO OF NVA. OBSR 3, KHAKI'S & AK-47'S VIC ZC135967. TM RECD HVY VOL OF SA/AW FIRE, ALSO 1 HAND GREN. TM RTN FIRE, CALLED FOR & RECD GUNSHIPS & FIXED WING SUPPORT. ACFT PROVIDED EXCELLENT COVERAGE. TM BROKE CONTACT, CONT MSN.

c. (L.E.) 231100H: BALD EAGLE REQUESTED. 1ST FORCE RECON CO PROVIDED 1 MAN TO ACT AS POINT. BALD EAGLE INSERTED 231305H. LINK UP NEVER MADE. BALD EAGLE EXTRACTED 231530H.

d. (L.E.) 231545H: TM OBSR 1NVA W/1 AK-47 VIC ZC144960. CONTACT MADE. TM RECD SA/AW FIRE FROM EST 10 NVA. GUNSHIPS USED. PROVIDED OUTSTANDING COVERAGE. TM BROKE CONTACT, MVD TO HLZ. 231830H: TM EXTRACTED.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON
2. MABLE ANN C-3-2 VIC YC9094 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON
3. DESK WORK F-6 VIC YD8209 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON
4. FLAG DIP C-4-1 VIC YD9201 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON
5. RECORD F-3 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON
6. STONE PIT F-5 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON
7. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON
8. SPILLWAY F-1 VIC YC9899 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 260730H VIC YC8998 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 260800H VIC YC9193 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON
2. STONE PIT F-5 AT 260830H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 240001H-242400H MAY 68

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ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN) SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3) ADVS, G-2

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #146 242001H TO 252400H MAY 6

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

NONE

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

NONE

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. STONE PIT F-5 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. RECORD F-3 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. MABLE ANN C-3-2 VIC YC9093 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. DESK WORK F-6 VIC YD8203 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

7. SPILLWAY F-1 VIC YC9899 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

8. FLAG DIP C-4-1 VIC YD9200 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 260730H VIC YC8998 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 AT 270730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. HABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 260800H VIC YC9193 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. STONE HIT F-5 AT 260830H VIC YC9896 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. SPILLWAY F-1 AT 270800H VIC YC9899 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 250001H-252400H MAY 68

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY

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ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO (REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)

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CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #147 260000H TO 262400H

MAY 68

I. RHU BAL-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46D'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. EXTRACT STONE PIT F-5 AT 260825H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. EXTRACT MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 261035H VIC YD9194 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. RECON TM DUBLIN CITY, HELOS & FIXED WING RECD AW FIRE FROM UNK NO OF NVA/VC VIC YD895980. AT EXTRACT LZ VIC YD898980 TM OBSR 2 NVA. SCARFACE PROVIDED SUPPRESSIVE FIRE. TM RTN TO CP. TM IS RESCHEDULED FOR 27 MAY 68

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

NONE

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. DESK WORK F-6 VIC YD8203(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC YD8406 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. FLAG HILL C-4-1 VIC YD9300(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. RECORD F-3 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. SPILLWAY F-1 VIC YD9099 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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I. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. VEAL STEW TWO R-4-2 AT 270730H VIC YD9496(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 270830H VIC YD8998(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 280730H VIC YD8603(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 280830H VIC YD8104(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. SPILLWAY R-1 AT 270800H VIC YD9699 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DESK WORK R-6 AT 280800H VIC YD8201(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. FLAG HOP C-4-1 AT 280900H VIC YD9301(CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. RECORD R-3 AT 280930H VIC YD9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

SPIKE RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN) DAILY SPIKE RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO (REIN)(NEAR AREA) 260001H - 262400H MAY 68

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FROM: CG, TF X-RAY

ACTION: CG, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAR REGT

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CO, FIFTH MAR REGT

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #148 270001H TO 271600H

I. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (3 CH-46A'S, 1 CH-46D & 6 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UT

1. INSERT VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 AT 270820H VIC YC9496 (CLANDESTINE) IN OP HOUSTON

2. INSERT DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 270940H VIC YC8597 (CLANDESTINE) IN SU OP HOUSTON

3. EXTRACT SPILLWAY F-1 AT 270830H VIC YC9899 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. EXTRACT DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 271305H VIC YC8597 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. 271047H: TM RECD SA/AW FIRE FROM EST 30 VC/NVA VIC YC863978. TM RTN AW FIRE & THREW TWO GREN. RES UNK. TM USED GUNSHIPS & FIXED WING RES IN ONE VC/NVA KBA & MUCH MOANING & SCREAMING. 271305H: TM EXTRACTED.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC YD8408 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. RECORD F-3 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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3. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 VIC YC9596 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. DESK WORK F-6 VIC YD8202 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. FLAG DIP C-4-1 VIC YD9302 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 AT 280730H VIC YD8605 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 280800H VIC YD8104 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 280900H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. DATE PAIM C-4-2 AT 290730H VIC YC9189 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 290800H VIC YD8300 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 290830H VIC YC8896 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. DESK WORK F-6 AT 280830H VIC YD8201 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. RECORD F-3 AT 280900H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 280930H VIC YD9301 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 270001H-271600H MAY 68

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ATTN: C. T. [illegible]

SUBJ: [illegible]

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A. [illegible]

2. [illegible] AT C-3-2 AT 2307[illegible] VIC [illegible]

2. [illegible] AT F-4-3 AT 2810[illegible] VIC YC9495 [illegible]

3. [illegible] C-2-1 AT 2811[illegible] VIC YB8104 (CLA DESTITS) [illegible]

[illegible]

4. EXTRACT [illegible] F-3 AT 2[illegible] VIC YC9490 [illegible]

5. EXTRACT [illegible] WORK F-6 AT 2811[illegible] VIC YB8202 (CLA [illegible]) [illegible]

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6. EXTRACT [illegible] CAL. F-2 AT 2811[illegible] VIC YB8[illegible] [illegible]

7. EXTRACT FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 2812[illegible] VIC YB9302 (CLA [illegible]) [illegible]

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B. SIGNIFICANT CONTACTS

NONE

C. PERSONAL [illegible]

1. [illegible]

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2. LUNCH MEAT C-1-2 VIC YD8703 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. VEAL STEW C-1-2 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. VEAL STEW F-1-2 VIC YC9796 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. DATE NUT C-4-2 AT 290730H VIC YC9189 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 290800H VIC YD8300 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 290830H VIC YC8898 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 300730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 300730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

STING RAY REPORTS

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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II. AGTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 271600H-281600H MAY 68

NONE

NOTE #1

RADIO RELAY SITE (IMPRESSIVE "D") VIC YC944966 RECD EST 9 INCOMING GREN. FIRE RTN. FM CALLED, GOOD COVERAGE. RES UNK DUE TO DARKNESS.

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ACTION: CO, FIRST MAR DIV (REIN)

INFO: CG, FIRST MAW (G-3)

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CO, FIRST FAG

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #150 281600H TO 292400H MAY 68

I. 3RD MAR-35

A. ASSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 CH-46D'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT DUNLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 291700H VIC YG8898 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. EXTRACT DUNLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 291815H VIC YG8898 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

WHILE ATTEMPTING TO INSERT DATE FAIL C-4-2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS & CH-46D'S RECD HEAVY SA/AW FIRE FROM INSERT LZ VIC YG915892. GUNSHIPS & FIXED WING UTILIZED IN LZ. CROCHET C-3-1 WAS NOT INSERTED DUE TO DARKNESS. TM'S ARE RESCHEDULED FOR 30 & 31 MAY 68.

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 291515H: TM HEARD EST 15 PEOPLE TALKING & MOANING VIC YG869972. TM CONT ON PSN.

2. DUNLIN CITY C-2-2 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 291715H: TM RECD AW FIRE FROM TEN VC/NVA VIC YG887985, TM RPT SA FIRE. VC/NVA RAN TO BUNKER VIC YG888984. TM RECD SECOND FIRE FROM VIC YG888976. GUNSHIPS & FIXED WING UTILIZED. RES IN ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION & MUCH SCREAMING. 291715H: TM EXTRACTED FROM VIC YG882989.

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1. VEAL STEW F-4-1 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. COFFEE TIME C-3-1 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 VIC YC9897 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. HIGH YEAR C-3-2 VIC YD8405 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. ACHILLES C-2-3 VIC YD8103 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS:

1. DATE PAM C-4-2 AT 300730H VIC YC9189 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 300800H VIC YC8898 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 310730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. MAPLE ANN C-3-2 AT 310830H VIC YD9002 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. STEAK FIT F-5 AT 310930H VIC YD8801 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. DURHAM CITY C-3-2 AT 311000H VIC YC8898 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. COFFEE TIME C-3-1 AT 310800H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 AT 310900H VIC YC9896 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 281600H-292400H MAY 68

291840H: SPARROW HAWK FROM 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DEPARTED TO DEFEND 1/5 CP.

NOTE #1

290800H-291630H: 6 7 MAN SCUBA DIVING TM CONDUCTED BDG SCTY CHECKS IN SUP OF HOUSTON AT THE LANG CO RIVER, AR868957 & MOC RIVER, YD927104 W/NEG RES. TM WAS UNABLE TO CHECK THE THUOI RIVER BDG DUE TO THE TACTICAL SITUATION.

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FROM: CG, TF X-[illegible]

ACTION: CG, FIRST [illegible]

INFO: CG, FIRST [illegible]

CO, FIRST MAR [illegible]

CO, FIFTH MAR [illegible]

CO, FIRST FAG

CO, FIRST RECON [illegible]

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1. PHU BAI-25

A. INSERTION

THE INSERT BY CROCHET WAS NOT ACCOMPLISHED DUE TO HVY [illegible] IN LZ & DATE FAIL NOT ACCOMPLISHED AS TF,HELO & FIXED WING A/C RECD HVY SA/AW FIRE FROM [illegible]. THREE CAMS NOT INSERTED BECAUSE RESULTED AT SUNSET HAWK. COMBAT WINGS NOT EXTRACTED BECAUSE OF TACTICAL SITUATION.

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. ACHILLES C-2-1 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. 300945H: IN F.U.D LOC [illegible] MAU BASE CAMP VIC YD809025. CAMP CONTAINED 10 STRUCTURES W/10 MAN CAPACITY, RIFLE RACKS, 3 PRONE FIGHTING HOLES. TM ALSO OBSR TWO VC TVG TO "SW".

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC YD8003 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. [illegible] VIC [illegible] (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. [illegible] VIC [illegible] IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. CURTIS TIME C-1-1 VIC YD2[illegible] IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. [illegible] IN F-1-2 VIC YD7[illegible] (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. DATE PATH C-4-2 AT 310630H VIC YC9189 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. STEAK PIE F-5 AT 310730H VIC YD8801 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 310800H VIC YD9002 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. CROCHET C-3-1 AT 310830H VIC YD8300 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 310900 VIC YC9[illegible]5 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 010730H VIC YC8898 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. VEAL STEW II F-[illegible]-2 AT 310700H VIC YC9896 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. COFFEE TIME C-[illegible]-1 AT 310900H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. LUNCH MEAT C-[illegible] AT 010800H VIC YD8605 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 010830H VIC YC8898 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

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NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

CONTINUE 0

II. ACTIVITIES 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 300001H -302400H MAY 68

NOTE #1

300800H: THE 1ST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SPARROW HAWK RTN TO CO AREA W/O INCIDENT.

NOTE #2

301000H: RADIO RELAY (IMPRESSIVE "A") VIC ZD1400 DISBANDED.

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FROM: CO, TF X-RAY

ACTION: CO, FIRST MAR DIV(REIN)

INFO: CG, III MAF (C-3)

CO, FIRST MAR REGT

CO, FIFTH MAR REGT

CO, FIRST FAG

CO, FIRST RECON BN (REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FOR RECON CO(REIN)

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) SITUATION REPORT #352 310600H TO 312400H MAY 68

1. PHU BAI-15

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS(2 CH-46D'S & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT STONE PIT F-5 AT 310730H VIC YD8701 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

2. INSERT MABLE ANN C-3-2 AT 310830H VIC YD9302 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

3. INSERT CROCHET C-3-1 AT 310900H VIC YD8201 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

4. INSERT FUDGE CAKE F-2 AT 310940H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

5. EXTRACT VEAL STEW TWO F-4-2 AT 310755H VIC YC9897 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON

6. EXTRACT COFFEE TIME C-1-1 AT 310940H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. VEAL STEW F-4-1 IN SUP OF HOUSTON

a. (L.E.) 301830H: VC CLSR CAR NVA AVG AGE MID 30'S VIC YC9496. CAUGHT UTILIZING ONE RADIO. TM USED SA, NVA RIFLE OUT OF STOCK, VC COAT OF MSN.

2. ACTIVITY C-2-1 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OF HOUSTON UNCLASSIFIED

a. (L.E.) 310945H: TM UNSR EST 90 MAN BASE

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DUE TO TM'S PROXIMITY. 301500H: FM CALLED. OUTSTANDING COVERAGE. RES IN FIVE SECONDARY EXPLO.

b. (L.E.) 301845H: TM HEARD EST 2 VC/NVA INVG [illegible] VIC YD8100[illegible]. FM NOT CALLED DUE TO TM'S MSN. TM CONT ON MSN.

3. MABLE ANN C-3-2 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

a. 311435H: TM HEARD TWO BURST AW FIRE FROM VIC YD897017. TM CONT ON MSN.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. ACHILLES C-2-1 VIC YD8103 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. CROCHET C-3-1 VIC YD8301 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. LUNCH MEAT C-3-2 VIC YD8505 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. STONE PIT F-5 VIC YD8801 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. MABLE ANN C-3-2 VIC YD9002 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

6. VEAL STEW F-4-1 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

7. FUDGE CAKE F-2 VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. DATE PALM C-4-2 AT 010730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. DUBLIN CITY C-2-2 AT 010830H VIC YD9400 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. SPILLWAY F-1 AT 010930H VIC YD8201 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

4. RECORD F-3 AT 020700H VIC YC8996 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

5. FLAG DIP C-4-1 AT 020730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. LUNCH MEAT C-3-2 AT 010800H VIC YD8605 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

2. ACHILLES C-2-1 AT 010900H VIC YD8104 (CLANDESTINE) IN SUP OP HOUSTON

3. VEAL STEW F-4-1 AT 020730H VIC YC9496 IN SUP OP HOUSTON

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TERMINATE 0

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MONTHLY STING RAY RECAP

A. 0

B. 0

C. 0

D. 0

E. 0

II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO(REIN) (REAR AREA) 310001H-312400H MAY 68

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NOTE #1

311400H: WHILE BURNING UNDERBRUSH GAS EXPLODED AT RADIO RELAY SITE (IMPRESSIVE DELTA) VIC YC944966. ONE MAN FROM RECON TM VEAL STEW F-4-1 RECD FLASH BURNS RES IN ONE USMC NBC (MED EVAC).

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