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

AN NOA COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

010001H December 68 TO 312400H December 68

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PART A

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION — COMMANDER

1st Force Reconnaissance Company — Maj. R.E. SIMMONS 1-31Dec68

ATTACHED UNITS

3rd Reconnaissance Battalion, Company "B", 2nd Platoon — 2ndLt. S.D. HELLMANN 1-31Dec68

2. LOCATION

1-11 Dec 1968: 1st Force Reconnaissance Company: DaNang, RVN.
11-31 Dec 1968: 1st Force Reconnaissance Company(-) (Rein):An Hoa,RVN.

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Capt. W.M. LINGENFELTER 1-31Dec68
S-2	1stLt. B.E. MEINERS 1-31Dec68
S-3	1stLt. A.R. FINLAYSON 1-31Dec68
Supply Officer	2ndLt. G.T. PICKETT 1-31Dec68
Communications Officer	1stLt. R.W. HANSEN 1-31Dec68
Motor Transport Officer	Capt. W.M. LINGENFELTER 1-31Dec68

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	USMC		USN	
	OFF	EML	OFF	EML
1stForceReconCo.	9	153	0	8
2ndPlt,Co."B", 3rdReconBn.	1	23	0	2

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PART B

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The First Force Reconnaissance Company conducted normal patrolling activities in general support of the 1st Marine Division (Rein), and Task Force Yankee, during the month of December 1968. The results of this activity are documented in PART IV.

PART C

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

01Dec68 During the month of Dec 1968, the Company continued to support 1st Marine Division (Rein) and commenced support of Task Force Yankee in reconnaissance operations.

07Dec68 First Force Reconnaissance Company placed in direct support of Task Force Yankee.

10Dec68 First Force Reconnaissance Company departed Da Nang, RVN and proceeded by helicopter and motor convoy to An Hoa, RVN. Movement completed 111200H.

11Dec68 Second Platoon, Company "B", 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion arrived at An Hoa, RVN 111000H.

11Dec68 First Force Reconnaissance Company commenced operations in support of Operation TAYLOR COMMON.

13Dec68 First Force Reconnaissance Company's first team was inserted in support of Operation TAYLOR COMMON at 130900H.

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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A. Statistical Data Chart

	Da Nang	An Hoa	Totals
Patrols	87	18	105
Sightings	267	104	371
VC/NVA Sighted	2249	581	2830
Fire Missions	119	8	127
Air Strikes	11	6	17
NGF Missions	0	0	0
VC/NVA KIA	220	17	237
INC	4	2	6
Detainees	4	0	4
USMC Casualties	23	2	25
KIA	0	1	1
WIA (Evac)	9	1	10
MIA	0	0	0
NEC (Evac)	14	0	14
MEC	0	0	0

OPERATIONS: MEADE RIVER, TAYLOR COMMON, HENDERSON HILL; TAYLOR COMMON

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#21: Patrol Report F-71 Hunt Club dtd 23 Dec 68
#22: Co Operation Order #12-68 dtd none
#23: Patrol Report F-21 Pickwick Paper dtd 21 Dec 68
#24: Co Operation Order #13-68 dtd 18 Dec 68
#25: Patrol Report F-62 Paddle Boat dtd 27 Dec 68
#26: Co Operation Order #14-68 dtd 12 Dec 68 Cancelled
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SPECIAL OPERATION ORDER #1-68

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AN HOA, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
171630H Dec 1968

Ref: (a) Map(s)
(b) 1stReconBno P03000.4
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragOrder (Special) #1-68

Unit/call Sign: STEEL RIM (F-72) Patrol Leader: LCPL MCDANIELS

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

2. Mission: Provide security for engineer platoon. Be prepared to call arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 150800H insert vic ZC283400. Extract 151600H vic ZC183400.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate: 37.1.
Artillery: PUPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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A. R. FINLAYSON
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110900H Dec 1968

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(b) 1st ReconBno 103000.4
(c) 1st MarDivO 3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1st MarDivO 1003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CombatOrder 1-68

Unite call sign: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM
(b) See current OPSUM AND WIRING (G-2, G-3).
(c) Attachments: NONE

2. Mission. Establish a radio relay on Hill 452 to support reconnaissance patrols conducting reconnaissance and surveillance operations in support of Operation TAMPON COLUMN.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 111000H: insert vic AT837378. Extract at [illegible] vic AT837378.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.1 Alternate: 36.8
Artillery: PUPET SHOW 33.05

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A. K. FINLAYSON
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Distribution:

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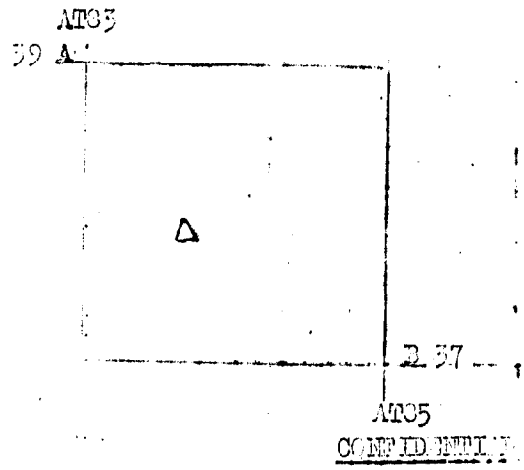

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OPERATION ORDER SPECIAL OPERATION #1
PATROL: STEEL RIM
DEBRIEFER: LT E. G. MEINERS
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014
SHEET(S) 6540 II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY
AN HOA, RVN.
152240H DEC 1968

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 24 ENL, 2 USN
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPT: 3 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50
   D. SPECIAL EQUIPT: 1 M-14, 3 M-79, 2 M-60 MACHINE GUNS

2. MISSION: LZ SECURITY
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 150830H/151530H
4. ROUTE: N/A
5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 7 HRS WITH 1 SIGHTING OF 4 VC/NVA
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
   A. ENEMY: 151000H ZC185403 MAN ON LZ SIGHTED 4 VC/NVA W/2 PACKS. ENEMY SIGHTED MARINES AND MOVED INTO TREE LINE

   151015H 185403 TWO TREES WITH LADDER BETWEEN THEM LEADING TO OP IN TREES. DID NOT INVESTIGATE DUE TO MISSION.

   151100H 184400 FOUND ENEMY OP IN TWO TREES. 1X1 MAN FIGHTING BUNKER UNDER TREE, BUNKER HAD BEEN DESTROYED BY AIR. 1X2 MAN HOOCH, DESTROYED BY AIR, SEARCHED HOOCH. RES: FOUND LIST OF RADIO FREQUENCIES AND CALL SIGNS. FORWARDED LIST TO G-2.

   151115H ZC184400 FOUND BLACK COMM WIRE LEADING DOWN TRAIL TO NORTH FOLLOWED COMM WIRE 100M TO BOMB CRATER WHERE TRAIL AND WIRE ENDED.

   B. TERRAIN: STEEP WITH SECONDARY GROWTH/UNDERGROWTH THICK, CONSISTING OF VINES, ELEPHANT GRASS AND BAMBOO. MOVEMENT AT 200-300 M/HR IS POSSIBLE WITH WATER BEING SPARCE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC184400, EXTRACT LZ ZC184400, OP LOCATED ZC184400 OUTSTANDING. COMM WAS GOOD, AND NO OBSTACLES. 1X3 FOOT TRAIL RUNNING 100M NORTH FROM 184400, ENDS IN BOMB CRATER.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: RESULTS NEG.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

2ND LT HELLMAN	0106283	CPL OTT	2319808
LCPL MCDANIEL	2409136	CPL MANNERING	2357114
PFC CUSTER	2361056	LCPL SULLIVAN	2371351
HN ESTABROOK	P180713	LCPL DUNLAP	2354173
LCPL ERNEST	2411661	PFC COX	2428588
PFC ROBINSON	2386924	PFC DAVIS	2407642
PFC BELL	2398720	PFC GRIMES	2469416
PFC GARZA	2435186	CPL STOCKHAM	2251309
LCPL DONAVAN	2393998	CPL TURNER	2240864
LCPL GREEN	2406417	CPL SPANGLER	2309690
PFC HELLMANN	2292765	PFC THIRKIELD	2416963
PFC WILTON GROVE	2442677	PFC BILLIOT	2325306
PFC HOLT	2254560	PFC CHRISTIAN	2171434
LCPL KUTAY	2457606		

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(c) 1stMarDivO P3000.4 (Intelligence SOP)
(d) 1stMarDivO P00530.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFmrgOrder #2-68

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Unit/Call Sign: PICKWICK (F 21) Patrol Leader: SGT PETERS
PAPER

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations in your assigned AWN. Place special emphasis on trails in the An Hoa area vic (ZC155476). Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation TAYLOR COMMON.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 120800H; insert vic ZC114416. Extract at 150900 vic ZC114417.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.1 Alternate: 36.8
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.05
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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OPERATION: #2-68
PATROL: PICKWICK PAPER (F-21)
DEBRIEFER: LT E. G. MEINERS
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014, SHEET(S) 6540 II

1ST FORCE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY
AN HOA, RVN.
152030H DEC 68

PATROL REPORT

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS IN YOUR ASSIGNED HAVEN. PLACE SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON TRAILS IN THE NUI BEN AREA VIC (ZC 122429). BE PREPARE TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION TAYLOR COMMON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 131030H/151215H
4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY
5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 50 HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS OF ENEMY BUNKERS, AND CONTACT BY FIRE DURING EXTRACTION. NO SUPPORTING USE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY:

   131130H ZC115411 ONE RIFLE SHOT, 100 METER SOUTHEAST OF LZ. PROBABLY A CARBINE.

   131215H ZC109410 5 ONE MAN FIGHTING HOLES COVERED WITH 3" DIAMETER LOG AND DIRT. HOLES WERE ALONG TRAIL RUNNING EAST TO WEST TRAIL HAD OPEN FOOT-TYPE PUNJI PITS IN IT.

   131400H ZC116412 19 ONE MAN FIGHTING HOLES. HOLES WERE IN 360 DEGREE PERIMETER ON SMALL KNOLL. TWO FRAMES FOR SLEEPING SHELTER WERE WITHIN THE PERIMETER. A 2 FT WELL USED TRAIL CONNECTS ZC116412 WITH ZC109410.

   141030H ZC109418 12 VOICES WITHIN 40 METERS OF PATROL. REQUESTED AIR SUPPORT. WHILE WAITING FOR AIR ENEMY TRACKERS MOVED CLOSE TO PATROL. PATROL MOVED OUT OF AREA.

   141200H ZC105417 FOUND FIVE ONE MAN FIGHTING HOLES. HOLES WERE RECENTLY DUG. PATROL SAW EVIDENCE OF MORE FIGHTING HOLES FURTHER UP HILL BUT COULD NOT CHECK DUE TO CLOSENESS OF TRACKERS. HOLES 4'-6' DEEP WITH LOG REINFORCING. ONE L-SHAPED WITH TWO ENTRANCES.
   141300H ZC106417 FOUND BANANA PATCH 40X50 METERS WITH EVIDENCE OF CULTIVATION & HALF EATEN FRUIT.

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151030H ZC[illegible]2420H HEARD RIFLE SHOTS WITH 10[illegible]METERS OF PATROL TO NORTH AND SOUTH.

151155H ZC102420 DURING HOIST EXTRACTION HELICOPTERS RECEIVED SA/AW FIRE. GUNSHIPS SUPPRESSED FIRE RESULTS UNKNOWN.

151210H EXTRACT HELICOPTER CARRYING 3 PATROL MEMBER ON JUNGLE PENETRATOR WHEN ONE MARINE FELL FROM PENETRATOR. RESULT 1 USMC KIA.

B. TERRAIN: VARIED STEEP TO ROLLING HILLS. CANOPY 60-70 FT ON HIGH GROUND NO CANOPY ON LOW GROUND. SECONDARY GROWTH/UNDERGROWTH 8-10 FT HIGH MODERATE TO THICK, SPARCE ON SLOPES, CONSISTING OF VINES, BAMBOO AND ELEPHANT GRASS. MOVEMENT EASY TO DIFFICULT DEPENDING ON UNDERGROWTH & STEEPNESS OF SLOPE. WATER: PLENTIFUL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ AT VIC ZC115411 IS FAIR 1 CH-46 ZONE ELEPHANT GRASS 8 FT HIGH. EXTRACT LZ AT VIC ZC102420 HOIST 60 FT CANOPY. PATROL LOCATED ONE OP AT ZC108419 WITH GOOD VISION OF VALLEY TO THE EAST. COMM POOR ON LOW GROUND FAIR TO POOR ON HIGH GROUND. CLOUD COVER BURNS OFF ABOUT 1000 DAILY. TEMPERATURE REMAINS IN 70'S. TRAILS 109410 TO ZC116412 A TWO FOOT WIDE WELL USED TRAIL CONNECTS THESE TWO POINTS. THE TRAIL FOLLOWS THE CONTOUR OF THE LAND. NUMEROUS OTHER TRAILS IN AREA RUNNING IN ALL DIRECTIONS AND MOST OF THEM HAVE BEEN RECENTLY USED. 106414 A SIX FOOT WIDE TRAIL RUNNING NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST. THE TRAIL WAS RECENTLY USED. MULTIPLE SMALLER TRAILS IN AREA. 1041 GRID SQUARE: FOUR TO FIVE TRAILS ONE TO TWO FEET WIDE RUNNING NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST ON SLOPE OF HILL 508.

8. RESULT OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 1 USMC KIA

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION: PATROL AREA IS INHABITED. WHEN USING A JUNGLE PENETRATOR FOR EXTRACTION RIG IT TO THE SIDE OF HELICOPTER TO FACILITATE ENTRY INTO THE AIRCRAFT. ONLY ATTEMPT TO HOIST TWO MEN AT ONE TIME.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:
SGT PETERS 2044051
LT SLATER 0106368 (KIA)
SGT OWEN 2224761
PFC LOPEZ 2400573
PFC CLAGETT 2455360
PFC [illegible] 2429279
PFC CARERS 2321993

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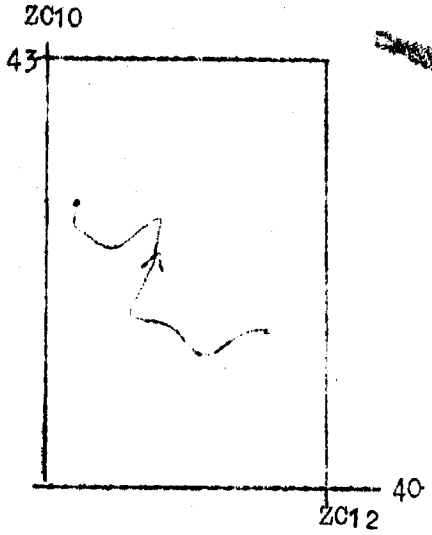

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(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (rules of Engagement)
Unit/Call Sign: PADDLE BOAT (F-62) Patrol Leader: [illegible]

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operation in your assigned HAVEN. Place special emphasis on the trail vic (Z0157320) for VC/NV. troops and arms infiltration. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation TAYLOR COMMON.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 131130H; insert vic Z0148327. Extract at 160900H vic TBD.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.1 Alternate: 36.8
Artillery: PUPET SHOW 33.65
Radio relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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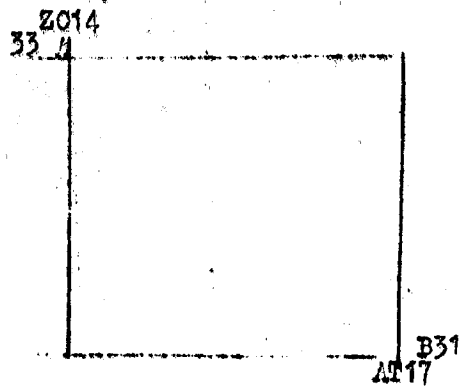

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OPERATION ORDER: 3-68
PATROL: PADDLE BOAT
DEBRIEFER: LT M.G. MEINERS
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014, 6540 II
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1ST RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DA NANG, RVN.
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: OFF, 5 ENL, 1 USN
B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 6x30
D. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 IL-14, 1 IL-79, 2 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATION IN YOUR ASSIGNED HAVEN. PLACE SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON THE TRAIL VIC (ZC157320) FOR VC/NVA TROOPS AND ARMS INFILTRATION. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION TAYLOR COMMON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 130900H/161515H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 78HRS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY:

131615H VIC ZC153307 1 EXPLOSION APPROXIMATELY 400 METERS EAST OF PATROL'S POSITION. ESTIMATE 1 POUND TNT.

131640H VIC ZC153307 PATROL HEARD 3-4 ROUNDS OF AUTOMATIC RIFLE FIRE.

131700H VIC 1533 GRID SQ. 1 EXPLOSION 500-1000 METERS NORTH OF PATROL'S POSITION.

141130H VIC 1532 GRID SQ. HEARD 7 RIFLE SHOTS FROM RIDGE LINE.

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP. CANOPY 60 FEET AND THICK. SECONDARY GROWTH MODERATE 10-15 FEET CONSISTING OF SMALL TREES AND BRUSH. MOVEMENT WAS MODERATE. WATER IS PLENTIFUL ON LOW GROUND.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: RAPPELLED INTO BOMB CRATER AT ZC143327 EXTRACT LZ (ROIST) ZC143327. NEGATIVE OP'S. VERY GOOD COMM. OBSTACLES: N/A. A.O. BULLDOZER X-RAY SPOTTED WELL USED TRAIL VIC 153324 SOUTH WEST SLOP OF HILL 515. ALSO SAW FLASHES ON TRAIL AS IF SUN WAS REFLECTING OFF METAL.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: AREA IS INHABITED. NAVIGATION IS DIFFICULT. USE LADDER FOR INSERTS AND EXTRACTS.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL HINES	2306202
LCPL WILSON	2368854
PFC ROSE	2386937
PFC GRADY	2446983
PFC WARD	2392439
HM2 MERCIER	B818384

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Unit/Call Sign: FOREFATHER (F-11) Patrol Leader: ~~CWO2~~ HUMMER

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations in your ASSIGNED AREA. Place special emphasis on trail running North-South from vic (ZC155476 to ZC155464). Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation TAILOR COMMON.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 130800H; insert vic ZC138478. Extract at 161000 vic ZC154472.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.1 Alternate: 36.8
Artillery: PURPLE SHOT 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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By direction

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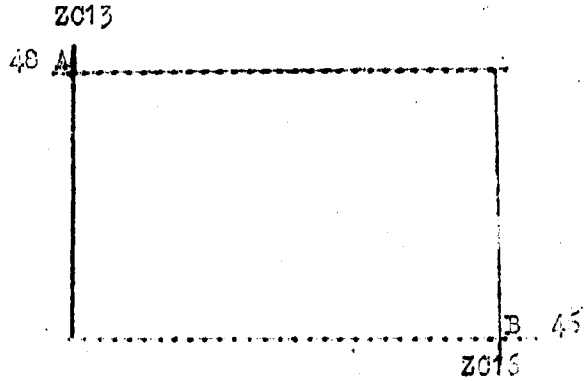

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Unit/Call Sign: SCANDINAVIA (F-41) Patrol Leader: SGT GREEN

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned AREA in support of Operation TAYLOR COMMON. Establish a covert OP on Hill 89 vic (ZC199369) and observe the trail junctions at (ZC198372). Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BAKER at 130830H; insert vic ZC191366. Extract at 131030H vic ZC198369.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.1 Alternate: 36.8
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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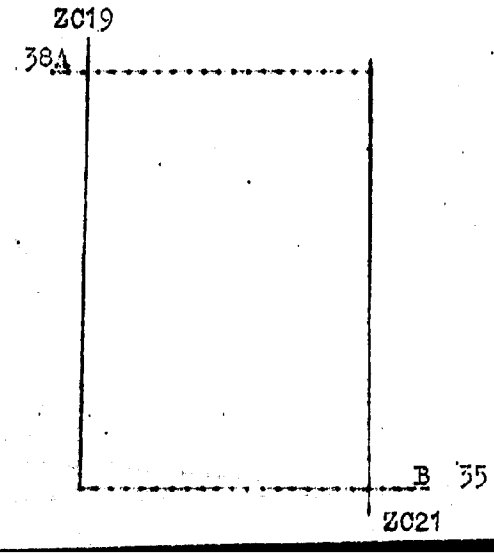

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PATROL: SCANDANAVIA
DEBRIEFER: MAJ. E. G. REINERS
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014,
SHEET (S) 6590 II

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AN HOA,
201500H DEC. 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILANCE OPERATIONS IN YOUR ASSIGNED HAVEN. PLACE SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON TRAILS IN THE NUI BEN AREA VIC (ZC 122429). BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION TAYLOR COMMON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 150930H, 191500H

4. ROUTES: SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 102 HOURS WITH SIGHTINGS OF 30 VC/NVA. THE PARTOL HAD ONE CONTACT AND 2 VC/NVA KIA.

6. ENEMY:

161000H AT ZC213355 OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING EAST, WEARING BLACK PJ SHORTS AND KHAKI TOPS. THEY WERE CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. ENEMY MOVED OUT OF SIGHT BEFORE FIRE MISSION COULD BE CALLED.

161010H AT ZC218348 OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING INTO 2 HOOTCHES, WEARING BLACK PJS AND KHAKI UNIFORMS AND CARRYING RIFLES AND PACKS. CALLED FIRE MISSION, RESULT 1 HOOTCH DESTROYED, 1 HOOTCH PARTIALLY DESTROYED. 1 VC/NVA KIA.

161430H AT ZC21834 OBSERVED 22 VC/NVA MOVING INTO VILLAGE, WEARING BLACK PJS', KHAKI UNIFORMS AND WEB GEAR, CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES.

161031H AT ZC218348 OBSERVED 12 VC/NVA MOVING INTO VILLAGE. THEY WERE WEARING KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ UNIFORMS. THEY WERE ALSO CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES.

161440H AT ZC218348 OBSERVED 10 VC/NVA MOVING INTO VILLAGE. THEY WERE WEARING KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ UNIFORMS. CARRYING PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FOR A. O.

161615H 161735H AT ZC218348 A. O. RAN THREE AIR STRIKES. RESULTS FIVE STRUCTURES DESTROYED AND 1 VC/NVA KIA.

191500H AT ZC203358 OBSERVED 1 NVA ON TRAIL NEAR OUR PATROL WHILE AWAITING EXTRACTION. NVA WORE TAN UNIFORMS. MARINES FIRED SMALL ARMS. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: TRAIL FROM ZC213365 TO 105355. RUNS ALONG RIDGELINE, IT IS 7FT. WIDE. [illegible]IS WELL TRAVELED AND RECENTLY U[illegible]D. INSERT LZ: ZC2013363 FAIR. 1[illegible]46 ZONE, SCRUBS 3-6 FT. HIGH. [illegible]TRACT LZ: ZC 203356 FAIR. 1CH46 ZONE COVERED WITH ELEPHANT GRASS. OP'S: HILL 330 THIS HILL HAS GOOD NORTH AND EAST OBSERVATION. COMMUNICATIONS: EXCELLENT.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 2 VC/NVA KIA.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: VILLE AT 218348 TRAIL RUNNING NEAR IT. FURNISHES TRAIL GUIDES TO THE VC/NVA. THERE IS A GOOD AMBUSH OR PRISIONER SNATCH SITE AT ZC211357.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT GLENN	2055492
CPL MURRAY	2244052
L/CPL BRICKUM	2375343
L/CPL THOMPSON	2392108
L/CPL HUBBARD	2211048
PFC COSCI	2424768
PFC TAYLOR	2432064
HM3 PRATTEN	B318205
L/CPL MCGOVERN	2359540
PFC ROTH	2315049

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Unit/Call Sign: MOOSE PEAK (F-31) Patrol Leader: SGT BUDA

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

2. Mission. Conduct a reconnaissance of a NVA "Waystation" area vic (ZC099422). You have a secondary mission of monitoring all enemy traffic on the trail running E-W from ZC080418 to ZC110423. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 160830H; insert vic ZC083409. Extract at 191000H vic ZC102414.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate: 37.1
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

A. R. Finlayson
A. R. FINLAYSON
By direction

Distribution:

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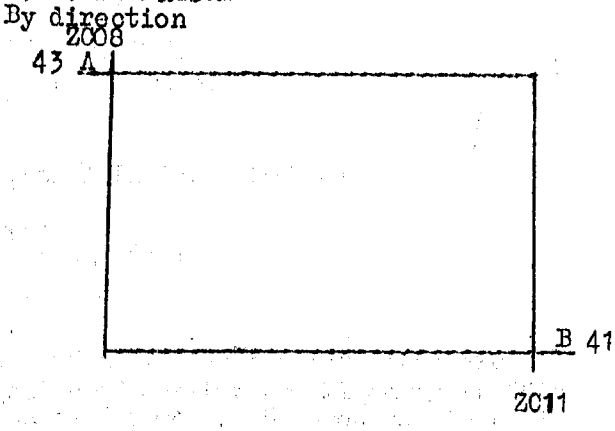

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Unit/Call Sign: HUNT CLUB Patrol Leader: LCPL JONES

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

2. Mission. Monitor all enemy traffic on trail running E-W between ZC140285 and ZC160286. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on all targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 160900H; insert vic ZC153289. Extract at 191030H vic TBA.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate: 37.1
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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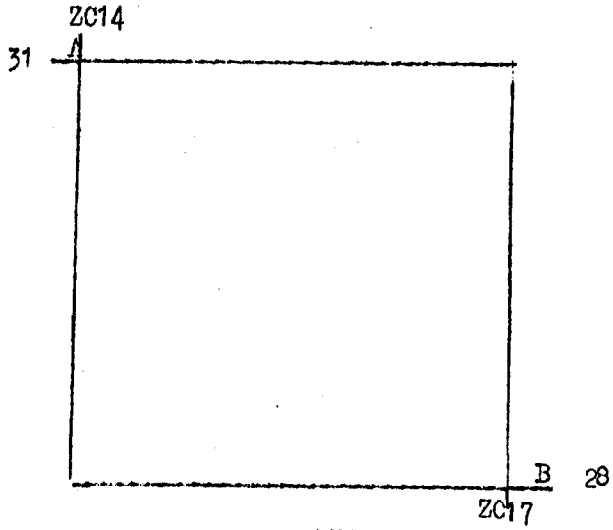

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OPERATION ORDER: 7-68
PATROL: HUNT CLU[redacted]
DEBRIEFER: LT E.[redacted] MARINERS
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D[redacted] NANG, RVN.
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

   A. COMPOSITION: 6 USMC, 1 USN
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S
   D. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-79, 4 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: MONITOR ALL ENEMY TRAFFEC ON TRAIL RUNNING E-W BETWEEN ZC140285 AND ZC160286. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON ALL TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 161035H/161700H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 6½ HOURS WITH 2 CONTACTS RESULTING IN 3 NVA KIA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY:

   161445H ZC169285 OBSERVED 5 FOOT 10 INCH VC/NVA WALKING SOUTHWEST ON TRAIL, VC/NVA STOPED AT CLEARING, OBSERVED AREA AND CONTINUED. MAN WORE BLACK SHIRT AND KHAKI SHORTS, BLACK BERET, CARRIED AK47, WELL FED.

   162445H ZC169285 OBSERVED 1 MALE AND 1 FEMALE ON TRAIL, FEMALE WORE BLACK PJ'S, MALE WORE BLACK TOP AND GREY SHORTS AND WORE BLACK BERET. FEMALE CARRIED PACK, MAN CARRIED PISTOL.

   161500H ZC169285 OBSERVED 1 MALE NVA ON TRAIL ARMED WITH PISTOL AND CARRYING CHICKENS IN CAGE. NVA SAW MARINES AND TRIED TO DRAW PISTOL. MARINE KILLED NVA. NVA WORE DARK GREEN SHIRT KHAKI SHORTS AND COOLIE HAT. MARINES DRAGGED BODY OFF TRAIL AND SEARCHED IT FINDING DOCUMENTS AND WALLET.

   161520H ZC169285 MARINES WENT BACK TO TRAIL TO RETRIEVE NVA HAT AND COVER BLOOD. SAW 2 NVA IN SHORTS 1 DARK T-SHIRT ONE BLACK SHIRT ARMED WITH AK-47'S. MARINES FIRED AND KILLED NVA.

   161545H ZC169285 ESTIMATED 35 VC/NVA AROUND PATROL. ONE MEMBER OF PATROL COULD SMELL MARIJUANA. EXTRACTION AUTHORIZED. VC BEGAN JAMMING PATROL'S FREQ. PATROL SWITCHED FREQ. 161625 MADE GUNSHIPS SUPPRESSED FIRE, COMPLETED EXTRACT UNDER FIRE. COULD NOT OBSERVE RESULTS OF GUNSHIP FIRE.

   B. TERRAIN:

   VERY STEEP. CANOPY OF 53-40 FEET. SECONDARY GROWTH, SPARCE, CONSISTING OF VINES, ELEPHANT GRASS. MOVEMENT HARD DUE TO TERRAIN. WATER IS PLENTIFUL.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC167284 POOR 1xH46 ZONE. EXTRACT LZ ZC16728[illegible] 1xCH46 ZONE. OP ZC169285 [illegible] VIEW FOR 100 METERS SOUTHEAST ON TRAIL. COMM. POOR WITH TAPE, GOOD WITH WHIP. THE TRAIL ZC169285 1½ FEET WIDE, VERY WELL USED, TRAIL IS AS SHOWN ON MAP. THE TRAIL ZC169287 3-4 FEET WIDE, VERY WELL USED. ORIENTATED NORTHWEST TO SOUTHEAST. ENDED IN TRAIL MARKED ON MAP. TRAIL IS PARTIALLY OBSERVABLE FROM AIR.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 3 NVA KIA.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: WITHIN PERIOD OF 1 HOUR PATROL OBSERVED 6 ENEMY ON TRAIL. RECOMMEND TPQ-10 ON CONTACT GRID.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LCPL JONES	2240170
LCPL MARTIN	2381880
HM2 COFFIN	B514347
LCPL MYERS	2388814
LCPL HOAFER	2428669
LCPL MCCALLISTER	2407627
PFC CARTER	2437376

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Unit/Call Sign: STEEL RIM (F-72) Patrol Leader: LCPL MCDANIELS

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

2. Mission. Make a reconnaissance of the trail junction vic ZC197323 and monitor all enemy traffic. Place special emphasis on all enemy activity to the east of your ASSIGNED HAVEN. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on all targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 170830; insert vic ZC192312. Extract at 201000 vic ZC196322.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate: 37.1
Artillery: PURPLE SNOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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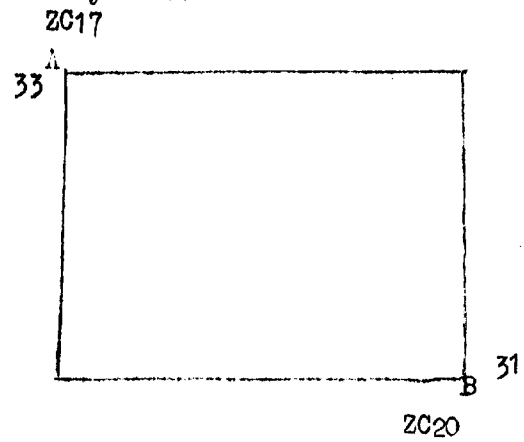

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OPERATION OFFER: 8-68
PATROL: STEEL RIM
DEBRIEFER: LT. E. G. MEINERS
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014, SHEET (S) 6590 II

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   A. COMPOSITION: 7 USMC, 1 USN.
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50'S
   D. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-79, 2 CLAYMORES, 1 M60MG

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS IN YOUR ASSIGNED HAVEN. PLACE SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON TRAILS IN THE NUI BEN AREA VIC (ZC 122429). BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION TAYLOR COMMON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 171530H/201739H

4. SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 96 HOURS WITH SIGHTINGS OF 196 NVA/VC AND 1 KIA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY:

   171730H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 25 VC AND NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE CAMOUFLODGED UTILITIES, GREEN UTILITIES BLACK PJ'S, CIVILIAN CLOTHING, U. S. TYPE FLAK JACKETS, NVA AND SOVIET TYPE HELMETS AND BOOTS. ENEMY CARRIED 2 AK47'S, 3 OR 4 CARBINE RIFLES. ALSO CARRYING LARGE EST. 100 LBS. BAGS OF RICE ONE LIVE PIG, LIVE CHICKENS, AND ONE GOATSKIN BAG. PATROL CALLED A. O. WHO WORKED OVER AREA. RESULTS AFTER A. O. LEFT. THERE WAS SCREAMING AND YELLING FROM ENEMY'S POSITION. NO OTHER EVIDENCE OF ENEMY CASUALTIES.

   181135H AT ZC196311 OBSERVED 2 NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. NVA WORE DARK GREEN UTILITIES., FLAK JACKETS AND HELMETS. ENEMY CARRIED 1 AK47 AND 1 SKS, ONE WORE BACK PACK, ONE WORE PACK ON LOWER BACK.

   181305H AT ZC196314. OBSERVED 4 VC, 3 MOVING NORTH 1 MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. 3 VC MOVING NORTH CARRIED BACK PACKS AND 1 CARRIED A SKS RIFLE. 1 VC HEADING SOUTH HAD NO EQUIPMENT.

   181330H AT ZC196314H OBSERVE 4 NVA HEADING NORTH ON TRAIL AND 1 VC HEADING SOUTH ON TRAIL. 4 NVA WORE GREEN UTILITIES, FLAK JACKETS AND 2 HELMETS; NVA CARRIED BACK PACKS, 1 AK47 2 SKS'S. VC WORE SHORTS, BLACK PJ'S TOPS AND CARRIED RUCK SACK.

   181400H AT ZC 196314 OBSERVED 1 NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE SHORTS, GREEN UTILITY TOP, FLAK JACKET AND HELMET. NVA CARRIED HALF FULL RUCK SACK AND A FRENCH MAS M1948 TYPE C 4 SUBMACHINEGUN.

   181455H AT ZC 196314 OBSERVED 3 NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE SAND COLORED AND GREEN UTILITIES, AND FLAK JACKETS. ENEMY CARRIED 3 HEAVY PACKS 1 AK47 AND 2 METAL DISKS 24 INCHES IN DIAMETER. LOOKED LIKE COOKING UTENSILS.

   181600H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 3 NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND 3 HELMETS. NVA CARRIED 3 PACKS AND 1 CARRIED A LARGE DISK ON HIS BACK. PACK WAS 36 INCHES IN DIAMETER, DARK GREEN OR BLACK IN COLOR WITH WHITE TAPE CROSS ON IT.

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181627H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 8 NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE 2 LIGHT GREEN UTILITIES AND 6 SAND COLORED UTILITIES, ALL WORE BUSH COVERS. NVA CARRIED 5 PACKS AND 5 SKS RIFLES. ALL PACKS WERE CAMOUFLAGED ALL WEAPONS LOOKED NEW AND IN OUTSTANDING SHAPE. ONE NVA CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A RADIO.

181630-181650H AT ZC 196314 OBSERVED 37 NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE MOSTLY DARK GREEN UTILITIES WITH SOME CAMOUFLAGE UTILITIES. TWO MEN WORE WHITE CONSTRUCTION HELMETS. ALL CARRIED LARGE PACKS, 16 PACKS, 3 COILS OF ROPE, WOODEN CRATES, 1 CHEST OF DRAWERS VARIOUS SLEEPING GEAR, 7 BASKETS OF RICE, 1 CASE C RATIONS, SEVERAL ROLLS OF WHITE ELECTRICAL WIRE 16 RIFLES AND FIRE WOOD.

1817-181800H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 59 NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE DARK GREEN UTILITIES, SOME HAD FLAK JACKETS AND HELMETS. THOSE WHO DID NOT HAVE HELMETS WORE BUSH COVERS. ENEMY CARRIED AK47'S, SKS'S AND 1 RPG. PATROL OBSERVED 3 TUBES 1½ TO 2 INCHES IN DIAMETER, AND 8 FT LONG. IT LOOKED LIKE BANGALORE TORPEDOS. OF THIS 59 APPROXIMATELY 10 WERE HEADED SOUTH WITHOUT PACKS.

181800H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 24 NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES FLAK JACKETS WEB GEAR PACKS AND 24 AK47'S. CONTROL UTILIZED OV-10 AIR STRIKE. AFTER STRIKE TEAM OBSERVED ONE NVA BEING DRUG OFF. THIS GROUP APPEARED TO BE A UNIT AND WAS VERY PROFESSIONAL IN APPEARANCE. THEY WERE SPREAD OUT IN COLUMN, REACTED AT ONCE TO A. O. AND REASSEMBLED AFTER AIR STRIKE ONE NVA APPEARED TO BE THE LEADER BECAUSE THE UNIT REACTED TO HIS COMMANDS. TWO MARINES HEARD THIS MAN SHOUTING ORDERS. THEY UNDERSTOOD THE VIETNAMESE WORD FOR "COMPANY". RESULTS: 1 NVA KIA.

190930H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 4 NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, HELMETS, AND FLAK JACKETS. ENEMY CARRIED 3 PACKS 2 SKS RIFLES AND 1 U. S. ENTRENCHING TOOL.

191230H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN SHORTS AND SHIRTS. ENEMY CARRIED 1 SKS AND 1 AK47, ONE CARRIED 1 LARGE BAG OF RICE.

201530H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 5 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES. ALL CARRIED PACKS. ONE WORE HELMET, OTHERS WORE BUSH COVERS.

[illegible] AT [illegible] OBSERVED [illegible] VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S. [illegible] CARRIED HEAVY PACKS.

[illegible]H AT ZC192210 FOUND ONE 30 MAN HARBOR SITE.

B. TERRAIN: VERY STEEP. SECONDARY UNDERGROWTH 6 TO 8 FEET CONSISTING OF ELEPHANT GRASS, VINES AND BAMBOO. MOVEMENT 100 METERS AN HOUR. WATER POINT ON HIGH GROUND, PLENTIFUL IN LOW GROUND.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC191311 1XCH46 ZONE LOW HILL BURNT OFF EXTRACT LZ ZC191311 1XCH46 ZONE STREAM BED 3 TO 4 FEET GRASS. TRAILS THU FROM VIC ZC192310 TO ZC200320, FORKS VIC ZC195312 TO ZC199313 FORDS OVER STREAM AT ZC193312, ZC195314 AND ZC195316. OP'S HILL 83 GOOD OBSERVATION TO EAST AND SOUTHEAST. COMMUNICATIONS GOOD. MISCELLANEOUS THIS PATROL HAD EXCELLENT OBSERVATION POST OF A SMALL CLEARING AND ON A TRAIL. THE NVA SEEN CROSSING IT WERE EXCELLENTLY DRESSED AND FED. THEY HAD SHORT HAIRCUTS AND IN GENERAL GAVE A VERY NEAT APPEARANCE. THEIR WEAPONS WERE NEW AND WELL CARED FOR. WHEN THEY WERE OBSERVED BY THE PATROL THEY ALL WERE CARRYING HEAVY LOADS BUT DID NOT SEEM TO HAVE BEEN TRAVELING LONG. OFTEN TIMES IN THE EVENING VOICES COULD BE HEARD TO THE SOUTH IN THE VALLEY. ON THE NIGHT OF THE 18-19 THE PATROL WAS ADJUSTING 3 BTRYS OF ARTILLERY ON SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS. BEFORE THE ROUNDS WERE PROPERLY ON TARGET THE PATROL WAS ADVISED BY THE ARTY. THAT THEY WOULD NOT ADJUST ANY MORE BUT WANTED TO FIRE FOR EFFECT. THE PATROL CALLED FOR FIRE FOR EFFECT.

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

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD.

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND INFANTRY SWEEP

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: A. O. OUTSTANDING ARTY. POOR BECAUSE OF RAPID ENEMY MOVEMENT.

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

L/CPL MCDANIEL	2409136
PFC CUSTER	2361056
HN ESTABROOK	B180713
L/CPL ERNEST	2411661
PFC ROBINSON	2386924
PFC HART	2442677
PFC GARZA	2435186
PFC DUNCAN	2431355

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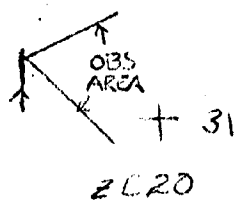

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Unit/Call Sign: ICEBOUND (F-32) Patrol Leader: CPL OTT

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

2. Mission. Make a reconnaissance of a suspected regimental headquarters vic ZC104473. You have a secondary mission of monitoring all enemy traffic within your assigned HAVEN. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on all targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart 5th Marine BAS at 170900H; insert vic ZC100489. Extract at 201030 vic ZCTBA.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate 37.1
Artillery: PUFFT SHOW 33.65
RAdio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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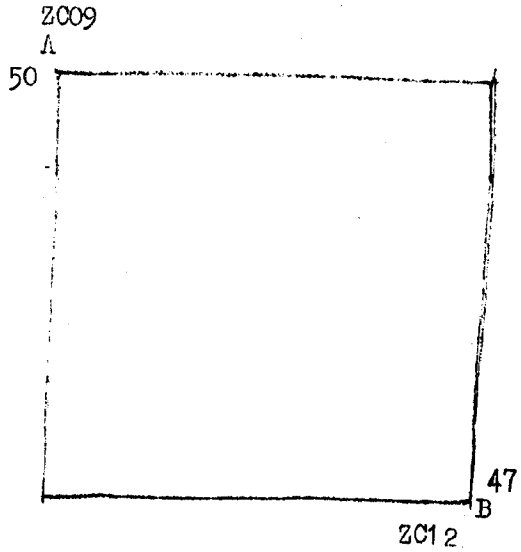

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OPERATION ORDER: 9-68
PATROL: ICE BOUND
DEBRIEFER: LT. D. C[redacted]INERS
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014, SHEET (S) 6590 I

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PATROL REPORT

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS IN YOUR ASSIGNED HAVEN. PLACE SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON TRAILS IN THE NUI BEN AREA VIC (ZC 122429). BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION TAYLOR COMMON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 171510H 201130H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 92 HOURS WITH 1 SIGHTING OF A 20 MAN HARBOR SITE.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY:

   171735H AT ZC098494 FOUND ONE 20 MAN HARBOR SITE WITH 10 TO 15 FIGHTING HOLES ARRANGED IN A 360 PERIMETER.

   B. TERRAIN:

   CONSISTS OF ROLLING HILLS. CANOPY OF SCATTERED TREES. [illegible] SECONDARY GROWTH 20 FEET. HIGH. MADE UP OF BAMBOO, ELEPHANT GRASS, VINES AND SHRUBS. MOVEMENT IS EASY 300 METERS AN HOUR. WATER IS PLENTIFUL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC099494 GOOD 2XCH46 ZONE OLD RICE PATTY. EXTRACT LZ ZC099491 GOOD 1XCH46 ZONE OLD RICE PATTY. TRAILS RUNNING SOUTH-WEST FROM ZC098494, 1½ FT. WIDE WELL USED. TRAIL RUNNING SOUTH FROM ZC098498, TO ZC097482, CONTINUES SOUTH-EAST INTO VALLEY. IT IS 2 FT. WIDE WELL AND RECENTLY USED. TRAIL RUNNING FROM ZC097482 TO TOP OF HILL 327 AND SOUTH ALONG RIDGELINE. TRAIL VARIES IN WITH FROM 2½FT. TO 6FT. TRAIL HAS NOT BEEN USED IN ABOUT 6 MONTHS. TRAIL RUNNING FROM ZC096469 RUNS WEST AND THEN SOUTH AROUND HILL 327. TRAIL IS 2FT. WIDE AND HAS NOT BEEN USED IN ABOUT 3 MONTHS. TRAIL FROM ZC096469 RUNS SOUTH PARALLEL TO RIDGELINE TRAIL MENTIONED ABOVE. EVENTUALLY TRAIL LEADS SOUTH-EAST TO VALLEY FLOOR. TRAIL HAS NOT BEEN USED IN ACOUT 3 MONTHS. COMMUNICATIONS FAIR ON HIGH GROUND WITH WHIP ANTENNA. POOR ON LOW GROUND.

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8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTER WITH THE ENEMY: NONE

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: HILL 327 AT ZC094468 IS NOT BEING USED BY THE VC/NVA AT THIS TIME.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: NONE USED

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL OTT	2319808
CPL MANLERING	2359114
1/CPL DUNLAP	2354173
PFC DAVIS	2408042
PFC GRIMES	2469416
PFC ANKONS	2435481
SGT ELLISON	2022497
PFC MARTIN	2441749

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Unit/Call Sign: CRAZY BONE (F-73) Patrol Leader: LCPL DONOVAN

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 a reconnaissance of the trail junction vic ZC097267 placing special emphasis on enemy traffic at this junction and through out your assigned haven. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on all targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart 5th Marine BAS at 180900H; insert vic ZC109252. Extract at 211030H vic ZC TBA.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8, Alternate 37.1
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A".

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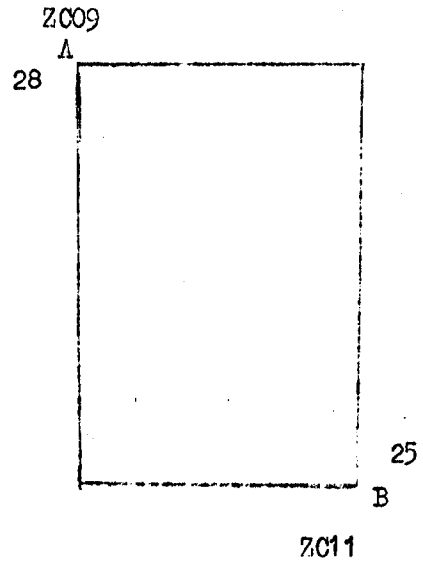

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OPERATIONS ORDER: #10-68
PATROL: CRAZY BOMB
DEBRIEFER: 1LT E. G. MEIERS
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014, SHEET 6540 II

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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 EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50.
   D. SPECIAL EQUIP: 3 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE OF THE TRAIL JUNCTION VIC ZC097267 PLACING SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON ENEMY TRAFFIC AT THIS JUNCTION AND THROUGH OUT YOUR ASSIGNED HAVEN. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON ALL TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 261705H/291323H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 68 HOURS WITH 9 SIGHTING OF 36 NVA/VC 2 CONTACTS RESULTS: 1 VC/NVA KIA.

6. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY: 261810H AT ZC108247 OBSERVED 1 BUNKER 10X20 WITH 4 INCH TO 6 INCH DIAMETER LOGS AS OVERHEAD COVER.

   261820H ZC107256 HEARD TWO PISTOL SHOTS.

   261902 AT ZC105254 OBSERVED 3 CAMP FIRES.

   271010H AT ZC102254 OBSERVED 15 TO 20 SETS OF HUMAN FOOT PRINTS, 3 SETS OF CLOVEN HOOF PRINTS AND 2 SETS OF BOOT PRINTS. THE BOOT PRINTS WERE SIMILAR TO COWBOY BOOTS IN THAT THEY HAD HIGH HEELS. PRINTS WERE 2-3 DAYS OLD.

   271445H AT ZC103253 OBSERVED 2 NVA/VC MOVING SOUTH-WEST TO NORTH-EAST. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED ONE RIFLE. ENEMY SHOPPED PUT RIFLE IN HIS SHOULDER AND POINTED IT AT PATROL. PATROL SHOT HIM AND MOVED OUT OF AREA. RESULT: UNKNOWN

   271645H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 2 NVA MOVING WEST TO EAST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE FLAK JACKETS AND HELMETS.

   280600H AT ZC10256 HEARD FOOTSTEPS OF 10-15 PEOPLE MOVING WEST TO EAST ON TRAIL.

   "280900-280930 AT ZC108256 OBSERVED 27 VC/NVA, 22 MEN AND 5 WOMEN, MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UNIFORMS BLACK PJ'S, KHAKI SHIRTS, BUSH COVERS, SHORTS 1 HELMET AND ONE FLAK JACKET. ENEMY CARRIED 4 CARBINES, 2 SUBMACHINE GUNS 4 AK47'S, 3 PISTOLS, 1 RPG, 20 HEAVY PACKS, 3 BASKETS AND 2 SATCHEL CHARGES. ONE MAN CARRIED A BAG SIMILAR TO OUR UNIT ONE AND IT HAD A RED CROSS ON IT. ONE MAN CLIMBED ON TOP OF A LOG AND WAVED A WHITE RAG OVER HIS HEAD FOR 15-20 SECONDS. TWO OF THE MEN THAT CARRIED PISTOLS HAD LIGHTER PACKS THAN THE OTHERS.

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281020H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 3 NVA/VC, 2 MEN AND 1 WOMAN, WALKING WEST ON TRAIL. THE MEN WORE KHAKIS AND CARRIED LIGHT PACKS, 1 CARBINE AND 1 AK47. WOMEN WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED HEAVY SACK. VC/NVA WERE AT EASE IN THE AREA. THEY TALKED FREELY AND CARRIED THEIR WEAPONS AT SLING ARMS.

281125H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE KHAKI SHIRTS AND SHORTS AND 1 BUSH COVER. ENEMY CARRIED 1 PISTOL, 2 PACKS. ENEMY MOVED OFF TRAIL WHEN A. O. VIEW OVERHEAD.

281130H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 9 VC/NVA, 7 MEN AND 2 WOMEN, MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE KHAKIS SHIRTS AND SHORTS. ENEMY CARRIED 1 CARBINE 2 AK47'S 1 PISTOL AND PACKS. PISTOL WAS IN A HOLSTER THAT SHOWED THE PISTOL GRIP. THE ENEMY CROSSED THE OPENING IN GROUPS OF 2 OR 3.

281145H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 1 VC/NVA. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND COOLIE HAT. ENEMY CARRIED 1 LIGHT PACK, 1 45 CAL. PISTOL IN U. S. HOLSTER. PISTOL WAS ON BLACK LEATHER BELT, PISTOL HAD GOLD BRAID ATTACHED TO IT. MAN APPEARED TO BE NEAT, CLEAN AND HAD A NEAT HAIRCUT.

281235H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 19 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, KHAKIS AND GREEN UTILITIES. ENEMY CARRIED 19 PACKS, 8 HELMETS, 2 AK47'S, 4 CARBINES AND 2 PISTOLS. ONE MAN CARRIED MEDICAL GEAR. ENEMY STOPPED BEFORE CLEARING BECAUSE OF AIRCRAFT OVERHEAD. ENEMY HAD 10-15 METER INTERVAL BETWEEN MEN. MEN WHO WERE ARMED ALL WORE KHAKIS.

281350H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 3 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE SHORTS AND KHAKI SHIRTS, ONE WORE A BUSH COVER AND ONE HAD A RAG TIED AROUND HIS HEAD. ENEMY CARRIED 1 AK47'S, 1 CARBINE AND 3 PACKS. PACKS WERE CAMOUFLAGED WITH LEAVES.

281408H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 1 VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE KHAKIE SHIRT AND SHORTS AND CARRIED A HEAVY PACK.

281515H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE 1 BLACK PJ SHIRT, 1 MAROON SHIRT AND KHAKI SHORTS. ENEMY CARRIED 1 CARBINE AND 2 PACKS, RIFLE SLUNG FROM PACK.

281535H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 9 VC/NVA, 4 MOVING EAST AND 5 MOVING WEST. ENEMY MOVING WEST WORE BLACK PJ'S AND 2 WORE KHAKIS, CARTRIDGE BELT, AND FAN WITH HELMETS. THESE ENEMY CARRIED 5 PACKS 2 AK47'S 1 PISTOL IN SHOULDER HOLSTER, AND 2 RADIOS. MAN IN KHAKIS WITH PISTOL HAD A VERY SHORT HAIRCUT AND HIS PACK WAS SMALLER THAN OTHERS. ONE RADIO WAS IN A CANVAS PACK AND MEASURED ABOUT 8X10X4 INCHES WITH A SILVER TELESCOPING ANTENNA, THE OTHER RADIO WAS A PINK TRANSISTER MEASURING 7X4X2 INCHES. ENEMY MOVING EAST WERE 4 MEN AND 1 WOMAN. ENEMY MEN WORE KHAKIS SHIRTS AND SHORTS, WOMAN WORE BLACK PJS. ENEMY CARRIED 4 PACKS, 1 CARBINE AND 1 BASKET. THE 2 GROUPS STOPPED AND TALKED WHEN THEY PASSED EACH OTHER.

290610H AT ZC106256 HEARD 2 NVA/VC MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. TOO DARK TO OBSERVE FURTHER.

290825H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA ENEMY WAS MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. 2 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND 2 WORE KHAKIES. ENEMY CARRIED 4 PACKS AND 1 CARBINE.

290855H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE KHAKIES, SHORTS AND BUSH COVERS. ENEMY CARRIED 3 PACKS AND 2 CARBINES.

291000H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 22 VC/NVA MOVING EAST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ[illegible] GREEN UTILITIES AND KHAKIES. [illegible] WORE SHORTS AND 4 WORE PITH HELMETS. ENEMY CARRIED 1 CARBINE 4 AK47'S AND 21 PACKS.

291030H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 19 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJS, GREEN UTILITIES, KHAKIESSHORTS AND 7 PITH HELMETS. ENEMY APPEARED DIRTY AND SLOPPY. ENEMY CARRIED 19 PACKS AND NO WEAPONS.

291043H AT ZC106256 OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA MOVING WEST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WOREBLACK PJS. ENEMY CARRIED 2 CARBINES AND 4 PACKS.

291250H AT ZC106256 PATROL STRUNG AMBUSH/PRISONER SNATCH ON 1 NVA ENEMY WOUNDED IN INITIAL FIRE AND FELL OVER STEEP HILL. PATROL PURSUED BY FIRE AND PATROL FOLLOWED ENEMY FOUND LARGE BLOOD TRAIL A PIECE OF HUMAN FLESH. RESULTS: 3 ELECTRONIC BOOKS, ASSORTED DOCUMENTS AND 1 PACK CAPTURED. 1 NVA KIA.

NOTE: WEAPONS NOTED AS CARBINES IN THE REPORT WERE LARGELY SKS'S WITH 3-4 USM-1 CARBINES AND A FEW UNKNOWN RIFLES ALSO REPORTED AS CARBINES.

D. TERRAIN: WAS VERY STEEP WITH A CANOPY 20-50FT. THE SECONDARY GROWTH WAS THICK CONSISTING OF VINES ON HILLS. BRUSH AND GRASS IN VALLEY. MOVEMENT WAS EASY ON LOW GROUND, DIFFICULT ON HIGH GROUND. WATER STREAMS ON LOW GROUND.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC111240 GOOD 1XCH46 ZONE LOW GRASS 2X2FT. STUMPS. EXTRACT LZ ZC107254 FAIR 1XCH46 6 FT. ELEPHANT GRASS. TRAILS VIC ZC105250 RUNNING EAST TO WEST IS OLD AND OVERGROWN. TRAIL VIC ZC106251 WHICH IS EAST TO WEST IS ALSO OLD. TRAIL VIC ZC108257 RUNS EAST TO WEST. IT IS 3FT. WIDE. IT IS WELL USED, AND WELL CLEARED. OP'S ZC106256 OUTSTANDING OBSERVATION SOUTH-EAST, SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST. COMMUNICATIONS FAIR TO GOOD.

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

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

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PATROL MEMBERS:

CPL FINKLE	2375675
LCPL GREEN	2406417
LCPL KELLY	2254560
PFC WILKINS	2304349
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(e) CoFragO #11-68

Unit/Call Sign: HUNT CLUB (F-71) Patrol Leader: LCPL JONES

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 clandestine OP within your assigned HAVEN from which you will be able to monitor all enemy traffic through the Tu Xuan Village vic ZC2135. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on all targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 181030H; insert vic ZC208356. Extract at 211000H vic ZC TBA.

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

5. Comm/Eletronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate 37.1
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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By direction

Distribution.

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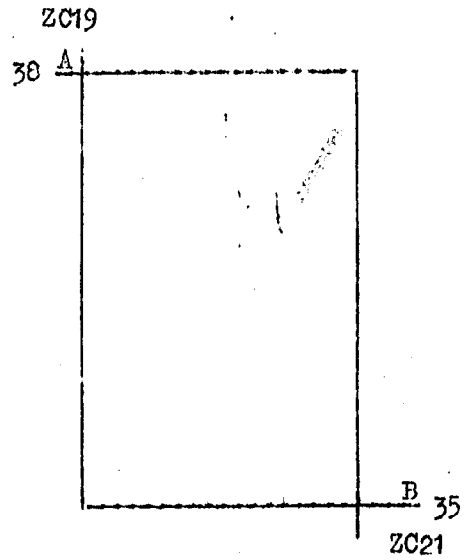

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OPERATION ORDER: 11-68
PATROL: HUNT CLU[redacted]
DEBRIEFER: LT. E. G. MEINER
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014, SHEET 6540 I

1ST [redacted]E RECONNAISSENCE CO.
AN H[redacted]RVN
231030H DEC 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   A. COMPOSITION: 7 ENL, 1 USN
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 M-49 SCOPE
   D. SPECIAL EQUIP: 2 M-79'S, 6 CLAYMORES, 1 M-60

2. MISSION: ESTABLISH A CLANDESTINE OP WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED HAVEN FROM WHICH YOU WILL BE ABLE TO MONITOR ALL ENEMY TRAFFIC THROUGH THE TU XUAN VILLAGE VIC ZC2135. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON ALL TARGETS OF OPPORUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 191445H/221700H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 74 HOURS WITH 4 SIGHTINGS OF 22 VC/NVA. CALLED 5 FIRE MISSIONS RESULTING IN 6 VC/NVA KIA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY:

   201030H AT AT791353, OBSERVED 10 VC MOVING EAST TOWARDS VILLAGE. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FIRE MISSION WITH EXCELLENT RES: 5 VC KIA, 1 STRUCTURE DESTROYED.

   201615H AT AT794354 OBSERVED 2 VC MOVING INTO DESTROYED STRUCTURE MENTIONED IN ABOVE REPORT. VC WERE RECOVERING BODIES OF VC KIA'S. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND COOLIE HATS AND CARRIED RIFLES, PROBABLY CARBINES. CALLED FIRE MISSION, EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET. RES: 1 VC KIA.

   201930H AT ZC215330 OBSERVED 35 LIGHTS MOVING NORTHEAST NEXT TO RIVER. CALLED FIRE MISSION EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET: RESULTING IN THE LIGHTS GOING OUT. COULD NOT OBSERVE FURTHER DUE TO DARKNESS.

   211330H AT ZC199369 PATROL HEARD UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC/NVA MOVING TOWARDS PATROL'S POSITION. PATROL WITHDREW AND CALLED FIRE MISSION ON NOISE. RES: NOISE STOPPED.

   211835H AT AT75346. OBSERVED 16 VC/NVA SITTING AROUND FIRE, EATING. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED PACKS AND RIFLES. CALLED FIRE MISSION. EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF TARGET. RESULTS: CAMPFIRE EXTINGUISHED, COULD NOT OBSERVE FURTHER DUE TO DARKNESS.

   B. TERRAIN: STEEP. WITH A CANOPY OF 50-60 FEET. UNDERGROWTH 4-5 FEET CONSISTING OF ELEPHANT GRASS AND VINES. MOVEMENT 200 METERS AN HOUR. WATER IS SCARCE.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION:

INSERT LZ ZC206356 GOOD 1XCH-46 ZONE, TOP OF BALD HILL. EXTRACT LZ ZC206354, GOOD 1XCH-46 ZONE, TOP OF BALD HILL. TRAILS: ZC204356 RUNS EAST AND WEST, SHOWS SIGNS OF DISUSE WITH LEAVES ON TRAIL ETC. OVERGROWN IN SPOTS. OP'S ZC203357 EXCELLENT OBSERVATION TO SOUTHEAST AND SOUTHWEST. COMMUNICATIONS GOOD. MISC: 201630H-201700H RADIO OPERATOR USING A PRC-25 WITH WHIP ANTENNA HEARD WHAT APPEARED TO BE A SLAVIC LANGUAGE TRANSMISSION. TRANSMISSION CONSISTED OF TWO MALE OPERATORS. NO RADIO PROCEDURE COULD BE DETECTED. TRANSMISSION SEQUENCE WAS: FOUR MINUTES TRANSMISSION, BREAK, ONE MINUTE TRANSMISSION, BREAK, THEN SEQUENCE WAS REPEATED. DURING THE FOUR MINUTES TRANSMISSION, BACKGROUND NOISE WAS HEARD, AS IF OTHER PEOPLE WERE IN A ROOM TALKING. RECEPTION WAS LOUD BUT WITH STATIC. FOREIGN STATION COULD BE HEARD ONE ST NEAR KEYING SWITCH. FOREIGN STATION COULD NOT BE HEARD WITH TAPE ANTENNA. THE RECON OPERATOR WAS ABLE TO COPY FOUR WORDS OR PARTS OF WORDS, THEY ARE: DOBYE, RADIUM, PLUOGA, AND ZONNENTLAK. THESE WORDS MAY NOT BE CORRECTLY SPELLED BECAUSE THEY WERE SPELLED PHONETICALLY. ONE PATROL MEMBER HAD A GOOD KNOWLEDGE OF GERMAN. PATROL MEMBERS STATED THAT TRANSMISSION WAS NOT GERMAN.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH ENEMY: 6 VC/NVA KIA

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMEND INFANTRY SWEEP VILLAGE AT AT795354.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: GOOD

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LCPL JONES	2240170
LCPL BAUMAN	2381880
CPL HANCOCK	2357994
HM2 COFFIN	B514347
LCPL MYHEN	2388834
LCPL MOANE	2428669
PFC GANTER	2437376
PFC CRUM	2326843

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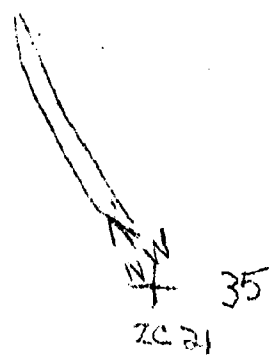

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Unit/Call Sign: PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) Patrol Leader: SGT PETERS

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

2. Mission. Monitor all enemy traffic on the main NE-SW trail vic ZC160272. Be prepared to call end adjust arty/air on all targets of oportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 200830H vic ZC164275. Extract at 231000H vic TBA.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.1 Alternate: 36.8
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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By direction

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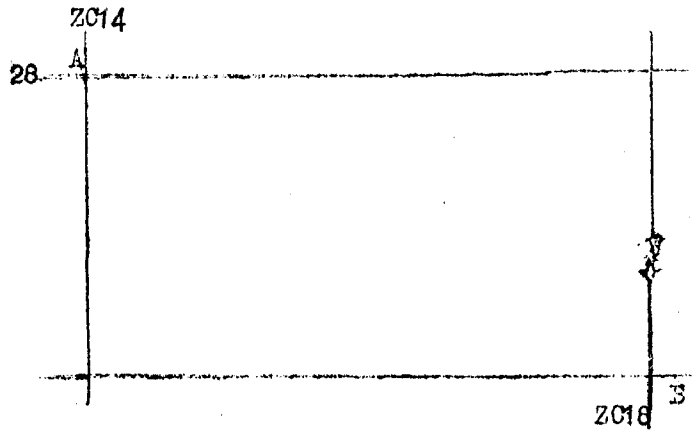

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OPERATION ORDER: 12-60
PATROL: PICKWICK PAPERS
DEBRIEFER: LT. E. G. MEINERS
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1/50,000, AMS L7014, SHEET(S) 6540 II

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212000H DEC 60

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 6 ENL,
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S 1 7X50'S 1 PRC 93
   D. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 2 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: MONITOR ALL ENEMY TRAFFIC ON THE MAIN NE-SW TRAIL VIC ZC160272. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON ALL TARGETS OF OPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 201645/211720

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 25 HR WITH 2 VC/NVA SIGHTED

6. OBSERVATIOS OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY:

   211330H AT ZC161273 FOUND OLD ABANDONED TUNNEL 4X2X6 FT. VINES WERE GROWING OUT OF IT.

   211425H ZC156273 HEARD PEOPLE SHOUTING AND TALKING AND SMELLED COOKING

   211430H ZC156273 OBSERVED 2 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH-EAST ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE KHAKIS UNIFORM AND BLUE SHIRT AND BLACK TROUSERS, ONE WORE HELMET; VC/NVA CARRIED PACKS 1 AK47 AND 1 UNIDENTIFIED RIFLE. 1 INDIVIDUAL DID NOT HAVE MILITARY HAIRCUT. ONE APPEARED TO BE ABOUT 47 YEARS OLD.

   211500H-211530H HEARD MOVEMENT ON 3 SIDES OF PATROL POSITION. MOVEMENT CEASED UPON A. O. ARRIVAL

   2115005H ZC156273 OBSERVED 4 VC/NVA ON TRAIL

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC162276 GOOD CXM46 ZONE, 12 FT GRASS EXTRACT LZ ZC156273 GOOD CXM45 ZONE 12 FT GRASS. TRAILS: ZC156273 RUNS NW TO SE, 1 FT WIDE HARD PACKED TRAIL. OP'S: NONE. COMM: GOOD OBSTACLES: UNDERGROWTH. MISC: TERRAIN IS AFFICABLE TO TRACKED VECHILES. AVERAGE TREES ARE 3-4 INCHES IN DIAMETER. SOIL IS SANDY. STREAM IS 10 FT WIDE SANDY BOTTOM PROBABLY CAN BE WADED.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH ENEMY: N/A

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: INSERT PATROL ON EAST SIDE OF RIVER AREA IS RECONNAISSANCED AND NOISE DISCIPLINE IS DIFFICULT. RECOMMEND MARLIN STRING IN VALLEY AFTER 1400.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: EXCELLENT

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

		PATROL OVERLAY
SGT MEYERS	2044051	
SGT OLEN	2224761	
PFC LOPEZ	2400573	
PFC CLAGETT	2455366	ZC 14
PFC BARIS	2429279	
LT HEIMLICH	0106283	28 +

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Unit/Call Sign: PADDIE BOAT (F-62) Patrol Leader: LT. BECK

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

2. Mission. Conduct a reconnaissance of your assigned haven in an effort to discover any covert enemy infiltration routes into the THOUNG DUC and BASE 112 AREAS. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on all targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 200830H; insert vic ZC079515. Extract at 231030 vic ZC065509.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate 37.1
Artillery: PUPPET SIGN 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "E"

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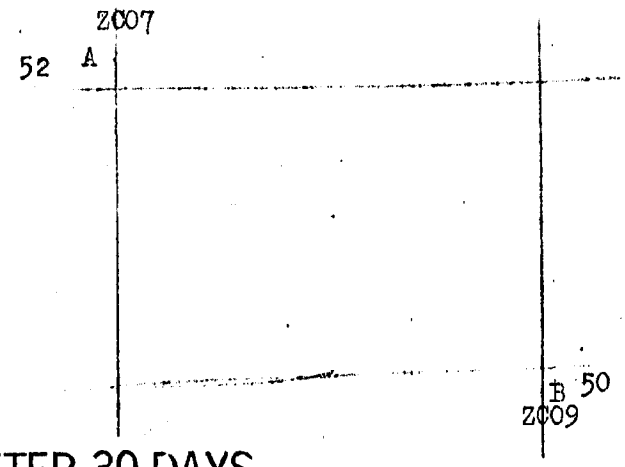

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DEBRIEFER: LT. E. G. NEINERS
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014, SHEET 6340 I

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AN H[redacted]RVN
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PATROL REPORT

1. [redacted], COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF, 7 ENL
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 1 PRC-25, 1 PRC-93, 1 SX30
   D. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-14, 1 M-79, 2 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE OF YOUR ASSIGNED HAVEN IN AN EFFORT TO DISCOVER ANY COVERT ENEMY INFILTRATION ROUTES INTO THE THONG DUC AND BASE 112 AREAS. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON ALL TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 241530H/271645H

4. ROUTE SEE OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 73 HOURS AND HAD NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS

6. OBSERVATIONS OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY: 241700 AT ZC068512 FOUND 6 FIGHTING HOLES. HOLES MEASURED 2½X3½X3½ FEET, 3 HOLES WERE HALF COVERED WITH 4 IN DIAMETER LOGS AND 6 IN DIRT. HOLES WERE ALONG CREST OF A FINGER. HOLES WERE COLLAPSING FROM WEATHER.

   241830H VIC ZC057504 HEARD 4 RIFLE SHOTS IN VIC OF RIVER BANK

   241935 AT ZC057504 HEARD 15 ROUNDS OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE

   250845 AT ZC057504 HEARD 15 ROUNDS OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE

   261100H AT ZC069504-ZC069507 FOUND 4 TUNNELS SPREAD OVER 300 METERS DISTANCE. TUNNELS WERE 2½X3½ FEET AND 10 FEET DEEP. INTERIOR OF TUNNEL WAS REINFORCED WITH 8 IN DIAMETER LOGS. ONE TUNNEL HAD HOLES CUT INTO IT'S WALL ABOUT 1X1X1½ FT. ONE TUNNEL HAD EATING UTENSILS IN IT. TUNNELS WERE COLLAPSING FROM WEATHER.

   261730H AT ZC067506 TWO DESTROYED STRUCTURES, OLD HOMES. METAL COOKING UTENSILES WERE RUSTED THROUGH.

   261515H-261600 AT ZC055504 OBSERVED 3 VIETNAMESE MOVING IN FIELD. VIETNAMESE WORE BLACK AND WHITE PJ'S.

   261830 NORTH OF SONG BOUNG BETWEEN GRID LINES ZC01 AND ZC04 HEARD 4 RIFLE SHOTS.

   271530 AT ZC055504 SAME VIETNAMESE AS MENTIONED IN 261515-261600 ENTRY APPEARED TO BE LOOKING FOR SOMETHING.

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B. TERRAIN: WAS MADE UP OF ROLLING HILLS, WITH A CANOPY OF 20-30 FEET. THE SECONDARY GROWTH WAS THICK CONSISTING OF VINES AND SHRUBS. MOVEMENT WAS EASY AT 300 METERS AN HOUR WITH WATER SPARCE.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC076514 GOOD MULTI CH-46 ZONE, GRASS 5 FEET TALL. EXTRACT LZ ZC067505 EXCELLENT MULTI CH-46 ZONE ON A SANDBAR. COMM WAS VERY POOR.

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

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMANDATIONS: RECOMMEND A PATROL ON WEST OR NORTH OF RIVER.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

PATROL MEMBERS:

LT BECK	0105023
CPL HIMES	2306202
CPL STOCKHAM	2251309
PFC GRADY	2446983
PFC THURKEILD	2416963
PFC WARD	2292439
SGT KARKOS	1866644
CPL SPANGLER	2309690

PATROL OVERLAY

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Unit/Call Sign: SCANDANAVIA (F-41) Patrol Leader: SGT GLENN

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 a reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned HAVEN. Place special emphasis on all trails leading to the low ground. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on all targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 220830H; insert vic ZC150290. Extract at 250900H vic ZC [illegible].

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate: 37.1
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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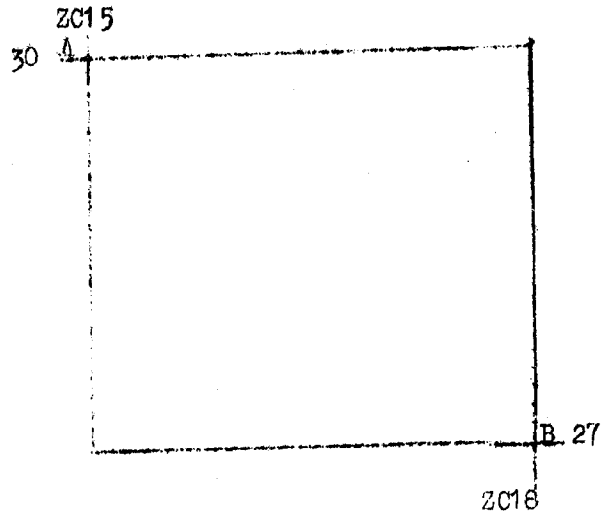

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Unit/Call Sign: FOREFATHER (F-11) Patrol Leader: GYSGT HUMMER

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

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations in your assigned RAVEN. Place special emphasis on trail running North-South from vic (ZC155476 to ZC155464). Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity in support of Operation TAYLOR COMMON.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 200900H; insert vic TBA. Extract at 271000H vic TBA.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 37.1 Alternate: 36.8
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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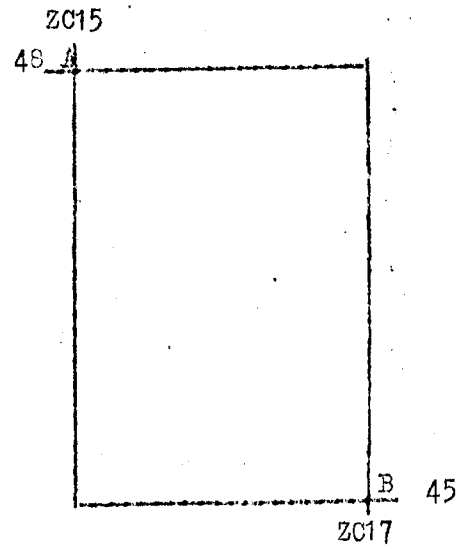

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DEBRIEFER: LT. E. G. EINERS
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000 AMS L7014, SHEET 6540 I

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242000H DEC 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL.
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50, 1 PRC-93 1 35MM CAMERA
   D. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1M-79, 2 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS IN YOUR ASSIGNED HAVEN. PLACE SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON TRAIL RUNNING NORTH-SOUTH FROM VIC ZC155476 TO ZC155464. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION TAYLOR COMMON.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 201120H/241200H

4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 97 HOURS WITH 2 SIGHTINGS OF 21 VC/NVA. NO SUPPORTING ARMS WERE USED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY: 201200H AT ZC165456 OBSERVED 4 HOOTCHES AND 3 HOLES. HOOTCHES WERE WELL BUILT AND RECENTLY USED HOOTCHES MEASURED 10X15 FT. HOLES WERE 10X15X5FT. OVERHEAD COVER CONSISTED OF LEAVES. TRENCHES LED INTO HOLES. PATROL OBSERVED AMMO BOXES AND COOKING CANS IN AND AROUND HOOTCHES. PATROL ALSO SAW BLACK ITEM 8INC. LONG, 1½ INC. WIDE AN 3/4INC. THICK. ONE END WAS ROUNDED AND ENLARGED WITH A SMALL ROUND HOLE IN IT. BROWN PAPER TOWELS WERE SCATTERED IN AREA AS WERE U. S. PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS THAT HAD BEEN USED AS TOILET PAPER.

   HUMAN WASTE, APPROXIMATELY ONE DAY OLD ALSO FOUND, INDIVIDUAL WHO DEPOSITED WASTE WAS NOT SUFFERING FROM DYSENTARY.

   201440H AT ZC160463 FOUND TWO STRANDS OF BLACK COMM WIRE. WIRE WAS MORE FLEXIBLE THAN U. S. TYPE. WIRE RAN EAST AND WEST.

   201450H AT ZC160463 OBSERVED 15 NVA/VC WEARING DARK CLOTHING MOVING NORTHEAST ON TRAIL. PATROL COULD NOT OBSERVE FURTHER DUE TO BRUSH.

   201530H AT ZC160463 OBSERVED 1 MAN AND 1 CHILD WEARING WHITE PJ'S MOVING SOUTH-EAST ON TRAIL.

   211400H AT ZC164460 OBSERVED AND HEARD 6 VC/NVA AND 8 HOOTCHES. 1 VC/NVA WAS FEMALE. AREA WAS NEAT. ONE HOOTCH WAS SEPERATED FROM THE REST BY A 6 FT. BAMBOO FENCE. GROUND AROUND THE BUILDING WAS COVERED WITH WHITE SAND. HOOTCH ALSO SURROUNDED BY STONES AS IF SOMEONE HAD MADE A FLOWER BED. BED CONTAINED CACTUS PLANTS HOOTCH WAS 10X15FT. OTHER HOOTCHES IN AREA WERE 10X30FT. ALL STRUCTURES HAD STEEP PITCHED ROOFS COVERED WITH PALM LEAVES. PALM TREES WERE NOT PLENTIFUL IN AREA. PATROL ALSO FOUND ONE DOCUMENT IN THIS AREA SMELLED FISH AND GOATS, HEARD CHICKENS AND SMELLED ALCOHOL THE TYPE USED IN SICK BAY.

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B. TERRAIN: GENTLE SLOPE WITH A CANOPY [illegible] 80 FEET, SECOND [illegible] MONTH 20-40 FEET CONSISTING [illegible] SHRUBS, FAIRLY OPEN. VISIBILITY 10-20 METERS. MOVEMENT WAS EASY AT 300 METERS AN HOUR. WATER WAS PLENTIFUL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT IN XC164455, BOMB CRATER, RAPPELLED IN, CAN BE EASILY IMPROVED TO A 6X46 ZONE, EXTRACT LZ ZC462457, HOIST EXTRACT. TRAIL VC ZC162453 TO ZC159466 APPROX 1 FOOT WIDE AND WELL USED, ALSO TRAIL VC ZC162457 TO ZC162463 1 FOOT WIDE AND WELL TRAVELED. COMM WAS EXCELLENT. MISC: TEAM HEARD TALKING FROM HOOCHS AREAS FOR OVER TWO DAYS. TOO MANY PEOPLE WERE IN AREA FOR TEAM TO MOVE AND REMAIN CLANDESTINE. 241200H AT ZC162457 TEAM HEARD ZORDS AT AUTOMATIC FIRE SHOT AT EXTRACT HELICOPTER. FIRE CAME FROM ZC164445.

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

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: EXCELLENT

10. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMENDATIONS, FREQ CHANGE DURING DAYLIGHT ONLY. CONCLUSIONS, AREA HAS BEEN RECENTLY MOVED IN THERE ARE MORE HOOCHES THAN PEOPLE IN AREA.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: N/A

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

GYSGT HUMMER	0667392
SGT THOMPSON	2161829
PFC FIELDING	2203031
PFC MARR	1328425
PFC GREENE	2403476
PFC GRIGGS	2482186
PVT GRANT	2431575
SGT DANIELS	1396183
PFC BOWMAN	2463097

PATROL OVERLAY

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HOOCHES SHOWN NOT TO SCALE

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(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragO #16-68

Unit/Call Sign: MOOSE PEAK (F-31) Patrol Leader: SGT BUDA

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

2. Mission. Conduct a reconnaissance of hill 1050 (vic ZC144410). Place special emphasis on possible HLZ SITES, amount of engineer work needed on prospective HLZ'S, and any signs of enemy construction or fortification efforts. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 211500H; insert vic ZC144410. Extract at 231000H vic 144410.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate: 37.1
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

A. R. Finlayson
A. R. FINLAYSON
By direction

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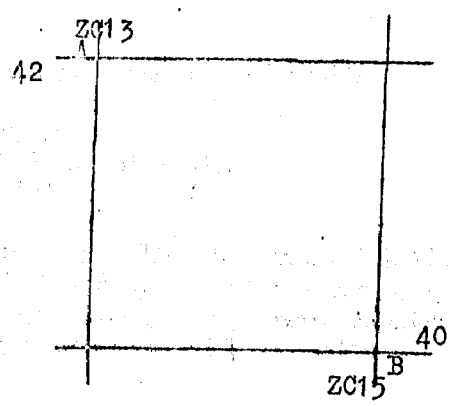

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(e) CoFragO #17-68

Unit/Call Sign: SCREEN TEST (F-51) Patrol Leader: CPL ZUBKOW

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

2. Mission. Conduct a reconnaissance of suspected main infiltration route vic ZC145290. Monitor all enemy traffic on this route with emphasis on direction of flow and weapons and equipment of enemy personnel. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on all targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 230800H; insert vic ZC 153289 Extract at 260900H at vic ZCTBA

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate: 37.1
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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CO, 1st FAG	(1)
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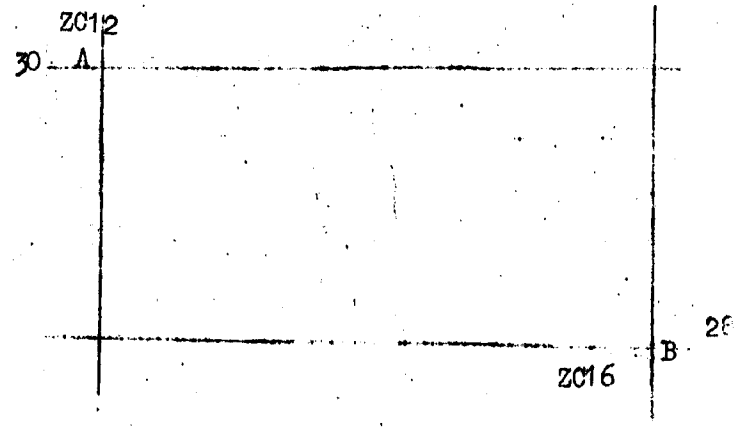

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OPERATIONS ORDER: #17-68
PATROL: SCREENTEST
DEBRIEFER: LT. E. G. [redacted]
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, MS L7014, SHEET(S) 6540 II

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AN HOA, RVN [redacted]
301300H DEC 6[redacted]

PATROL REPORT

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

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE OF SUSPECTED MAIN INFILTRATION ROUTE VIC ZC145290. MONITOR ALL ENEMY TRAFFIC ON THIS ROUTE WITH EMPHASIS ON DIRECTION OF FLOW AND WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT OF ENEMY PERSONNEL. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON ALL TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 271400H/301600H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY.

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 74 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO SUPPORTING ARMS USED.

6. OBSERVATIOS OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY: 280730H AT ZC166285 PATROL HEARD 1 SHOT. THEN A PAUSE. 7-8RDS. AUTOMATIC FIRE. THEN A PAUSE. THEN ANOTHER SINGLE SHOT. ALL SHOTS WERE FIRED FROM TRAIL. VIC ZC166285 (SEE TRAIL OVERLAY)

   B. TERRAIN: WAS STEEP. CANOPY OF 50-75 FEET. SECONDARY GROWTH EXTREMLEY THICK. MOVEMENT WAS HARD 100 METERS AN HOUR. WATER WAS PLENTIFUL.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT IZ166286 POOR 1CH46 ZONE ELEPHANT GRASS AND DITCHES. EXTRACT IZ ZC154290HOIST. TRAILS TRAIL AT ZC166285 EXTREMELY WELL USED TRAIL 3-4FEET WIDE. UNDERBRUSH HAD BEEN CLEARED OFF TRAIL. TRAIL WAS DUG INTO SIDE OF HILL TO LEVEL IT. EAST-WEST RIDGE LINE FROM ZC155245 TO ZC173243 HAS MULTIPLE TRAILS RUNNING NORTH AND SOUTH. SMALLER TRAILS RUNNING EAST AND WEST CONNECT NORTH AND SOUTH TRAILS. TRAILS IMPROVE IN QUALITY NEAR TOP OF RIDGE. ALL TRAILS HAD FALLEN LEAVES ON THEM. OP'S NONE. COMMUNICATIONS GOOD WITH WHIP.

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

9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD

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10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: LACK OF ACTIVITY INDICATES NORTHERN PART OF RAVEN NOT TO BE PATROLLED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

PFC COOMER	2396247
SGT KILLEN	1850321
PFC ANDERSON	2465306
PFC BELL	2448555
PFC CRANE	2442435
PFC GUTTO	2413062
1ST LT BRACKEEN	0100065

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ROUTE OVERLAY

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(e) CoFragO #18-68

Unit/Call Sign: STEEL RIM (B-72) Patrol Leader: LCPL MCDANIALS

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

2. Mission. Monitor all enemy traffic moving along the trail vic ZC194374 placing special emphasis on direction of movement and arms and equipment of enemy troops. You have a secondary mission of conducting an ambush/prisoner snatch on 26-27 Dec 68 vic ZC194314. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on all targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 240830H; insert vic ZC191311. Extract at 270930H at vic ZC191311.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate 37.1
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"
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OPERATION ORDER: [redacted]-68
PATROL: SIGNAL HILL
LEADER: LT. E. G. MEINERS
MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000 AMS L7014
SHEET 6540 II

1ST F[redacted] RECONNAISSANCE CO.
AN HOA, RVN
261700H DEC 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
   A. COMPOSITION: 11 USMC, 1 USN
   B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
   C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S, 1 7X50
   D. SPECIAL EQUIP: 2 M-79'S, 8 CLAYMORES, 1 M-60

2. MISSION: MONITOR ALL ENEMY TRAFFIC MOVING ALONG THE TRAIL VIC ZC194314 PLACING SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON DIRECTION OF MOVEMENT AND ARMS AND EQUIPMENT OF ENEMY TROOPS. YOU HAVE A SECONDARY MISSION OF CONDUCTING AN AMBUSH/PRISONER SNATCH ON 26-27 DEC 68 VIC ZC194314. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON ALL TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 241600/261430

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 47 HOURS WITH 22 SIGHTINGS OF 122 NVA/VC. THERE WAS ONE CONTACT WITH 2 NVA/VC KIA.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY: 241715H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 5 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 1 ENEMY WORE CIVILIANS CLOTHES, 4 WORE BLACK PJ'S, ALL CARRIED PACKS, NO WEAPONS WERE VISABLE.

   241750H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 32 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. 12 ENEMY IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES, 20 ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND 7 WORE SOVIET TYPE HELMETS. 5 ENEMY CARRIED RIFLES AND ALL CARRIED PACKS. ENEMY WERE 5'6" TO 5'9" TALL AND HAD VERY LIGHT COLORED SKIN. ENEMY HAD VERY LARGE MUSCULAR LEGS AND DID NOT WALK LIKE A VIETNAMESE.

   241835H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 1 VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED SKS RIFLE.

   250840H AT ZC194330 OBSERVED 7 NVA/VC GOING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE BLACK AND WHITE PJ'S AND ONE CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES AND NVA HELMETS. ENEMY CARRIED 4 AK-47'S, 1 PISTOL, AND 6 PACKS ENEMY IN CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES WAS CLEANER AND NEATER IN APPEARANCE THAN THE OTHERS, HE ALSO CARRIED A PISTOL. MAN DIRECTLY BEHIND HIMCARRIED AN EXTRA PACK SLUNG BENEATH HIS REGULAR PACK.

   250905H AT ZC194308 OBSERVED 2 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND BLACK PJ'S AND 1 NVA HELMET. ENEMY CARRIED 2 PACKS AND HAD NO VISABLE WEAPONS.

   250935H AT ZC194308 OBSERVED 4 NVA/VC GOING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ONE ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND THREE WORE BLACK PJ'S. ENEMY CARRIED FOUR PACKS, 3 SKS'S AND 1 THOMPSON SUBMACHINEGUN WITH DRUM TYPE MAGAZINE. ENEMY APPEARED TO BE MOVING TACTICALLY. AFTER THEY DISAPPEARED TO THE SOUTH ONE SHOT WAS HEARD FROM THE SOUTH AND NORMAL TRAFFIC STARTED ON TRAIL.

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251010H-251030H AT ZC194308 OBSERVED 5 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ONE ENEMY FEMALE. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED 4 AK-47'S AND 1 SKS.

251055H AT ZC194308 OBSERVED 6 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND NVA EMBLEMS. ENEMY CARRIED 5 PACKS, 3 AK-47'S, AND 2 SKS'S. SECOND MAN IN COLUMN DID NOT CARRY PACK AND WORE LEATHER BELT WITH SHINY METAL BUCKLE.

251115H AT ZC194308 OBSERVED 3 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. TWO ENEMY WORE GREEN SHIRTS AND RED SHORTS, ONE WORE SAND COLORED UTILITIES. ALL WORE BUSH COVERS. ALL CARRIED PACKS BUT NO WEAPONS WERE VISABLE. ONE MAN CARRIED A BAG OF RICE OR GRAIN ON HIS SHOULDER.

251345H AT ZC194308. OBSERVED 2 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN SHIRTS AND SHORTS, ONE WORE CLEAR PLASTIC RAIN JACKET WITH HOOD, ONE WORE NVA HELMET. ENEMY CARRIED 1 M-1 CARBINE, 1 SKS AND 2 PACK.

251305H AT ZC194308 OBSERVED 3 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. TWO ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, ONE WORE KHAKI SHIRT AND SHORTS. ENEMY CARRIED PACKS AND ONE PISTOL. THE MAN CARRING PISTOL WORE A WHITE CLOTH FROM HIS HELMET TO HIS SHOULDERS, PROBABLY A SUN SHIELD.

251530H AT ZC194308 OBSERVED 2 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND BUSH COVERS. ENEMY CARRIED 2 PACKS.

251555H AT ZC192347 OBSERVED 4 NVA/VC CUTTING GRASS ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE SAND COLORED SHIRTS AND SHORTS.

251600H ZC194308 OBSERVED 4 NVA/VC. TWO WERE MOVING NORTH, TWO WERE MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S AND CARRIED 4 PACKS, 1 AK-47, 1 SKS AND 1 SUBMACHINE GUN. ONE ENEMY WORE A WHITE CONSTRUCTION HELMET AND CARRIED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A CHINESE COMMUNISM SMM MK II STEN GUN.

251620H AT ZC194308 OBSERVED 3 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES. TWO WORE NVA HELMETS, ONE WORE A SOVIET TYPE HELMET AND ONE WORE US TYPE FLAK JACKET. ALL CARRIED PACKS, 2 CARRIED SKS'S AND ONE CARRIED THOMPSON SUBMACHINE GUN WITH DRUM MAGAZINE. MAN CARRYING THOMPSON ISTHE SAME MAN SEEN GOING SOUTH AT 250935H.

260700H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 3 NVA/VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. TWO ENEMY WORE CIVILIAN CLOTHES AND ONE WORE BLACK PJ'S. ENEMY WORE ONE CARTRIDGE BELT AND ONE SUN HELMET.

260735H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 19 NVA/VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. SEVEN ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S, ONE WORE CAMOUFLAGED UTILITIES, 10 GREEN UTILITIES AND ONE WORE CIVILIAN CLOTHES. 16 ENEMY CARRIED PACKS, ONE CARRIED FRUIT, 7 CARRIED AK-47'S, 10 CARRIED SKS'S, 6 WORE NVA HELMETS AND 5 WORE FLACK JACKETS.

260935H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 9 NVA/VC ON TRAIL, 8 MOVING NORTH AND 1 MOVING SOUTH. 4 ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, THREE WORE SAND COLORED UTILITIES, TWO WORE BLACK PJ'S, 3 WORE NVA HELMETS AND TWO WORE US TYPE FLAK JACKETS. ENEMY CARRIED 9 PACKS 6 SKS'S, AND 1 CARTRIDGE BELT.

261030H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 5 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. THREE ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES, TWO WORE SAND UTILITIES AND TWO WORE NVA HELMETS. ENEMY CARRIED FIVE PACKS AND TWO RIFLES.

261110 AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 1 NVA/VC MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE GREEN UTILITIES AND NVA HELMET. ENEMY CARRIED PACK ON LOWER BACK.

261200H AT ZC196314 OBSERVED 1 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE CLEAN GREEN UTILITIES AND CARRIED A RIFLE.

261330H ZC196314 PATROL ATTEMPTED PRISONER SNATCH ON TWO NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S. NVA ORDERED TO HALT BUT ATTEMPTED ESCAPE. MARINE FIRED SA KILLING ONE NVA AND WOUNDING ONE. PATROL RECEIVED 1 ROUND SNIPER FIRE FROM UNKNOWN LOCATION. PATROL EXTRACTED. PRISONER DIED IN HELICOPTER ON WAY TO BAS. RESULTS: 1 PACK, 4 WATCHES, 4 BLASTING CAPS, 2 FEET TIME FUZE, 1 TRANSISTOR RADIO, ASSORTED DOCUMENTS, 1 M-1 CARBINE AND 1 CHICOM 7.62 TYPE 54 CAPTURED AND TWO NVA KIA.

B. TERRAIN: STEEP HILLS WITH NO CANOPY. SECONDARY GROWTH THICK, 6-8' CONSISTING OF YOUNG BAMBOO. MOVEMENT IS 100 METERS AN HOUR. WITH WATER PLENTIFUL ON LOW GROUND.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC191311 GOOD 2 CH-46 ZONE TOP OF SMALL HILL. EXTRACT LZ ZC195312 GOOD 1 CH-46 ZONE 3' GRASS. ONE 2 FT WIDE TRAIL RUNNING NORTH FROM ZC193362 TO ZC197315. ZC191313 OUTSTANDING OBSERVATION TO SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST. ZC192315 GOOD OBSERVATION TO EAST COMM WAS GOOD. PATROL EXPERIENCED RADIO INTERFERENCE FROM THE TIME PRISONER SNATCH WAS STRUNG UNTIL EXTRACTION HELICOPTERS WERE OVERHEAD. ALL PEOPLE PATROL OBSERVED WOULD IMMEDIATELY CAMOUFLAGE THEMSELVES WITH NATURAL VEGITATION WHENEVER THEY HEARD ANY AIRCRAFT.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: 2 NVA KIA, 1 PISTOL, 1 CARBINE CAPTURED.

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: OUTSTANDING

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NAPALM STRIKE AFTER DRY SPELL IN VALLEY. WAIT FOR AREA TO COOL OFF AND TRY ANOTHER SNATCH.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

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13. PATROL MEMBERS:

LCPL MCDANIEL	2409136
LCPL CUSTER	2361056
HN ESTABROOK	B180713
PFC ROBINSON	2386924
LCPL ERNEST	2411661
PFC GARZA	2435186
PFC HART	2442677
PFC SELL	2398720
PFC CARLISLE	2420355
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PFC WALLIS	2408899
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(e) CoFragO #22-68

Unit/Call Sigh: HUNT CLUB (F-71) Patrol Leader: CPL JONES

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 a reconnaissance of Hill 734 vic ZC081379. Place special emphasis on all avenues of approach into this area keeping in mind that it has been reported that a VC messenger route runs through your assigned FAVEN. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on all targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 280900H; insert vic ZC081379. Extract at 311000H vic ZC TBA.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 36.8 Alternate: 37.1
Artillery: PUPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Relay: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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Distribution:

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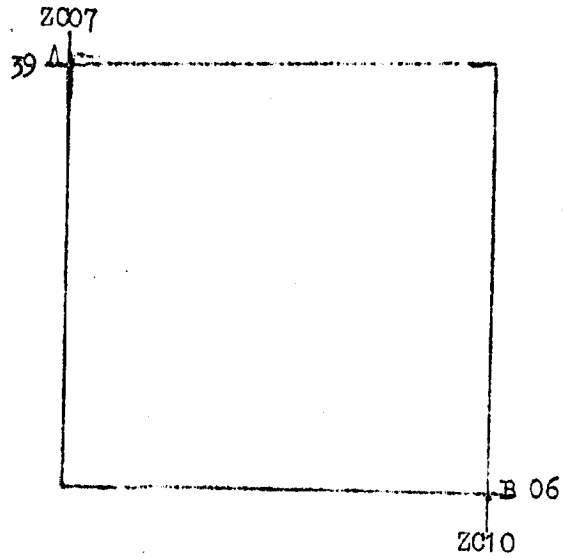

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(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
(e) CoFragO #23-68

Unit/Call Sign: SCANDANAVIA (F-41) Patrol Leader: SGT GLENN

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

2. Mission. Conduct a reconnaissance a suspected enemy base camp vic ZC175262. Place special emphasis on all trails in your assigned HAVEN and monitor all enemy traffic. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on all targets of opportunity.

3. Execution. Depart LZ BARNES at 300900H ; insert vic ZC170280. Extract at 021000H vic ZC173257.

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

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 40.85 Alternate 37.1
Artillery: PUPPET SHOW 33.65
Radio Realy: NIGHT SCHOLAR "A"

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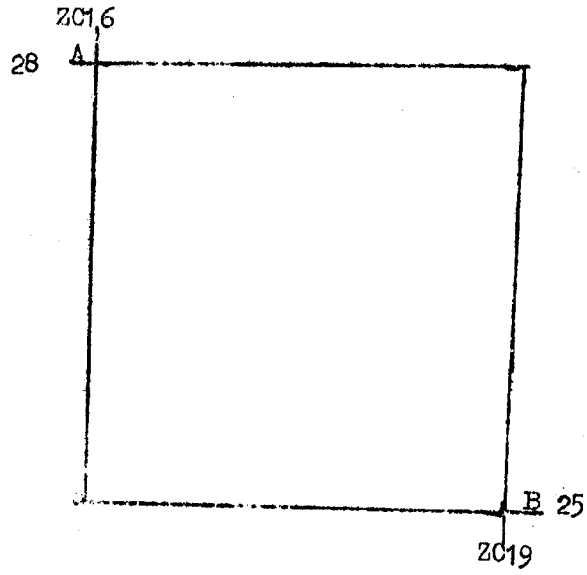

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MAPS: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS L7014, SHEET(S) 6540 II

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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 EQUIP: 2 PRC-25'S 1 7X50'S
   D. SPECIAL EQUIP: 1 M-79, 2 CLAYMORES

2. MISSION: CONDUCT A RECONNAISSANCE A SUSPECTED ENEMY BASE CAMP VIC ZC175262. PLACE SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON ALL TRAILS IN YOUR ASSIGNED HAVEN AND MONITOR ALL ENEMY TRAFFIC. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON ALL TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 311100H/311400H

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 3 HOURS WITH 1 CONTACT. RESULTS: 1 NVA KIA, 1 USMC WIA, CALLED AIR STRIKE, RESULTS: UNOBSERVED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

   A. ENEMY:

   311110H AT ZC169279 PATROL MOVED OUT OF ZONE AND APPROACHED WITHIN 10 METERS OF CANOPY. AT THIS TIME PATROL FOUND 4 FOOT WIDE TRAIL AND OBSERVED A 10 MAN BUNKER SITE VIC ZC171278. PATROL STARTED CHECKING TRAIL WHEN THEY HEARD 2 NVA CLICK THEIR AK47'S OFF SAFE. PATROL SPOTTED ENEMY. ENEMY WORE TAN SHIRTS AND TROUSERS WITH WEB GEAR. PATROL EXCHANGED FIRE WITH NVA AND TRIED TO BREAK CONTACT. PATROL SET 360 AND CALLED GUNSHIPS. ENEMY MOVED TO POSITIONS ON 3 SIDES AND STARTED TO THROW ROCKS AND CHICOM GRENADES TO DRAW FIRE. GUNSHIPS ARRIVED AND SUPPRESSED ENEMY FIRE. PATROL CROSSED THE RIVER WHILE FIXED WING WORKED OVER THE AREA. PATROL REACHED BOMB CRATER AND HAD MOVEMENT TO THEIR NORTH. PATROL THREW M-26 GRENADES AND THE MOVEMENT STOPPED. EXTRACT BIRD LANDED UNDER FIRE AND PICKED UP PATROL. 1 USMC WIA DURING EXTRACTION. RESULTS: 1 NVA KIA 1 USMC WIA.

   B. TERRAIN: ROLLING HILLS. CANOPY NEGATIVE. SECONDARY GROWTH MEDIUM 8-10 FT. CONSISTING OF SHRUBS AND BUSH. MOVEMENT EASY 300 METERS AN HOUR. WATER WAS PLENTIFUL.

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7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC170200 GOOD 1 CXH46 ZONE SANDBAR. EXTRACT LZ ZC169279 POOR 1CXH46 ZONE ROID CRATER. TRAILS 4 FOOT WIDE TRAIL GOING SOUTH-WEST. TRAIL WELL USED. CP'S NONE. COMMUNICATIONS GOOD.

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

9. CONDITION OF THE PATROL: GOOD

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMENDATIONS: PATROL LEADERS OPINION: HE WALKED ON TRAIL WATCHERS AND CONTACTED, ALERTED A LARGER FORCE IN AREA. RECOMMEND ARNLIGHT.

11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: OUTSTANDING

12. COMMENTS BY THE DEBRIEFER: NONE

13. PATROL LEADERS:

CPL MURRAY	2244052
PFC COSCI	2424760
LCPL MCGOVERN	2359540
LCPL HUBBARD	2411748
HM3 PRATTEN	1310205
PFC CUTT	2411297
SGT ARTHEY	1996637
SGT GREEN	2055492

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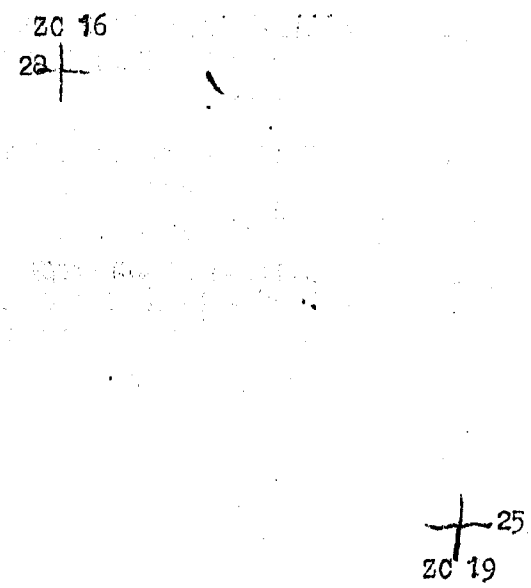

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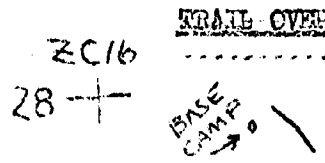

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I. AN HOA-7

A. INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTIONS (1 MARINE CH-46D & 2 UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT (RADIO RELAY) NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" AT 111100H VIC AT8337 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS

NONE

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8337 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) AT 120800H "HAVEN" UL ZC1043, LR ZC1341 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) AT 120830H "HAVEN" UL ZC1433, LR ZC1731 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

NONE

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I. AN BOA-7

A. INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTIONS

NONE

B. SIGHTINGS AND CONTACTS

NONE

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8537 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) AT 130800H "HAVEN" UL ZC1643, LR ZC1341 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) AT 130830H "HAVEN" UL ZC1433, LR ZC1731 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. FOREFATHER (F-11) AT 130900H "HAVEN" UL ZC1348, LR ZC1646 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

4. SCANDANAVIA (F-41) AT 130930H "HAVEN" UL ZC1930, LR ZC2135 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO SITUATION REPORT #348 130001H TO 132400H DEC 68

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) AT 131100H VIC ZC1041 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. INSERT PADDLE BOAT (F-62) 131200H VIC ZC1432 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 131110H: PICKWICK (F-21) VIC (ZC1141) TM HEARD ONE (1) RIFLE IN THIS AREA. POSSIBLE SIGNAL. TM CONTINUES MISSION.

2. 131610H-131645H: PADDLE BOAT (F-62) VIC (ZC1530 & ZC1533). TM HEARD TWO (2) SMALL EXPLOSIONS FROM ABOVE GRIDS; AT 131640H, TM HEARD SHORT (3-4 RDS) BURST OF A/W FIRE FROM FIRST GRID.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" RADIO RELAY VIC AT8337 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) VIC ZC1141 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

3. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) VIC ZC1432 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. FOREFATHER (F-11) AT 140600H "HAVEN" UL ZC1348, LR ZC1646 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. SCANDANAVIA (F-41) AT 140830H "HAVEN" UL ZC1078, LR ZC1176 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

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I. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

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1ST FORCE RECON CO DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

NONE

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 141130H: PADDLE BOAT (F-62) VIC ZC1532. TM HEARD (7) RIFLE SHOTS FROM ABOVE GRID. SHOTS WERE FROM 7 DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS TO TM'S FRONT. AO OVER TM'S POSITION NOTED LARGE TRAIL IN SAME AREA. TRAIL HAD MUCH ACTIVITY.

2. 141030H: PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) VIC ZC108418. TM HEARD 10-12 NVA/VC TALKING AND MOVING IN AREA.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. HIGHT SCHOLAR "A" RADIO RELAY VIC AT8337 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) VIC ZC1041 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

3. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) VIC ZC1432 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. FOREFATHER (F-11) AT 150800H "HAVEN" UL ZC1348, LR ZC1646 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. SCANDANAVIA (F-41) AT 150830H "HAVEN" UL ZC1938, LR ZC2135 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

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E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. PICNICK PAPER (F-21) AT 160800H "HAVEN" UL ZC1043, LR ZC1341 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) AT 160830H "HAVEN" UL ZC1433, LR ZC1731 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO SITUATION REPORT 550 150001H TO 152400H DEC 68

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT SCANDANAVIA (F-41) AT 150940H VIC XC2035 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. EXTRACT PICKNICK PAPER (F-21) AT 151210H VIC XC1042 (TM EXTRACTED UNDER FIRE) IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 151400H: SETTL REN (F-72) VIC (XC184400): TM, WHILE SERVING AS SECURITY FOR MORTAR PIT, FOUND A TWO-MAN BUNKER (1½X2'X5') AND A TWO-MAN SHELTER. BOTH HAD BEEN DESTROYED BY AIR STRIKES. FROM THIS POSITION TM OBSERVE A TRAIL (3) METERS WIDE, WHICH HEADED N. TM INVESTIGATED TRAIL FOR (100) METERS, CONTINUE WAS ALONG TRAIL. TRAIL & DIRT BOTH BROKEN BY BOMB CRATER. TM SEARCHED AREA OF BUNKER & FOUND VARIOUS DOCUMENTS. VIC 183405, TM OBSERVED EN OP SITE WHICH CONSISTED OF A PLATFORM OF LIMBS TIED IN A TREE.

2. 151115H: PICKNICK PAPER (F-21) VIC (XC102420): TM WAS DETECTED BY ENEMY. ENEMY USED SEMI-AUTO RIFLE FIRE TO SIGNAL EACH ELEMENT. ENEMY WAS TO SE, NE, & NW OF TM. AERIAL OBSERVER WAS UTILIZED BY TM, AS WAS MARINE GUNSHIPS. DURING EXTRACT OF TM, GUNSHIPS,

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AERIAL OBSERVER, & TRANSPORT HELOS TOOK A/W FIRE FROM N, NW & SE. DURING EXTRACTION UNDER FIRE ONE (1) TF MEMBER FELL FROM HOIST AND WAS RETRIEVED. MAN LATER DIED OF INJURIES. RESULTS: 1 USMC KIA & UNK EN CAS.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" RADIO RELAY VIC AT8337 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
2. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) VIC ZC1432 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
3. SCANDANAVIA (F-41) VIC ZC2033 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. FORMATHER (F-11) AT 160800H "HAVEN" UL ZC1348, LR ZC1646 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
2. MINT CLUB (F-71) AT 160830H "HAVEN" UL ZC1431, LR ZC1728 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
3. ~~HOOST PEAK (F-31) AT 160900H "HAVEN" UL ZC0843, LR ZC1141 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON~~

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) AT 160930H "HAVEN" UL ZC1433, LR ZC1731 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT HUEY CLUB (F-71) AT 161130H VIC 201628 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. EXTRACT PADDLE BOAT (F-62) AT 161445H VIC 201432 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. EXTRACT HUEY CLUB (F-71) AT 161625H VIC 201628 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 161000H-161300H: SCANDANAVIA (F-41) VIC (20219339): WE OBSERVED A TOTAL OF THIRTEEN (13) VC/NVA MOVING ON TRAIL SOUTHEAST OF KHEO VIC (2) SMALL STRUCTURES VIC (20219340). WE WERE DRESSED IN KHAKIS AND BLACK PJ'S. WE WAS EQUIPPED WITH PACKS, WEB GEAR, AND RIFLES. WE CALLED OUT FIRE MISSION ON GROUP OF MEN (10) VIC. RESULTS: 1 VC/NVA KIA, 1 STRUCTURE DESTROYED AND 1 STRUCTURE DAMAGED.

2. 161430H-161430H: SCANDANAVIA (F-41) VIC (20219340): WE OBSERVED A TOTAL OF THIRTY-FOUR (34) VC/NVA MOVING W ACROSS PADDIES TOWARD VILLAGE. WE RECEIVED AS. AS SOON AS CONTACT WAS MADE WE [illegible]

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ATTACK FJ'S. AIR STRIKES CONCLUDED AT 161745H. RESULTS: 3 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, 2 VC/NVA KIA, AND 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION. AO AND FIXED WING RECD SA & A/W FIRE.

3. 161535H: HUEY CLUB (F-79) VIC (ZC179205): EN MADE CONTACT WITH 3 NVA. EN WORE BLACK SHIRTS, KHAKI SHORTS, SANDALS AND GOOLIE HATS. EN ARMED WITH (1) 9MM PISTOL, (2) AK-47'S. RESULTS: 3 NVA KIA. CAPTURED EQUIP: (1) 9MM PISTOL, (3) WRIST WATCHES, AND ASSORTED DOCUMENTS. ALL FWD TO TF "Y" (L-2).

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. HIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AE8337 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. SCANDANAVIA VIC ZC2035 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. FORMATION (F-11) AT 170800H "HAVEN" UL ZC1348, LR ZC1646 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. STEEL MIN (F-72) AT 170830H "HAVEN" UL ZC1735, LR ZC2031 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. ICE BOUND (F-32) AT 170900H "HAVEN" UL ZC0950, LR ZC1247 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO SITUATION REPORT #352 170001H DC 172400H DEC 68

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1E GUNSHIP'S UTILIZED)

1. INSERT STEEL RIM (F-72) AT 171635H VIC ZC191312 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. INSERT NIGHT SCHOLAR "2" AT 171632H VIC ZC1353 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. INSERT IRONBOUND (F-32) AT 171700H VIC ZC700689 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 171600H: STEEL RIM (F-72) VIC ZC19311: TM OBSERVED 15 VC/NVA VIC ZC196314 MOVING NORTH TRANSPORTING SUPPLIES. IN MORE CAMOUFLAGE AND GREEN UTILITIES, BLACK PJ'S AND MIXED CIVILIAN CLOTHING AND CARRIED 2 AK-47'S, 3 CARBINES, SIDE ARMS, FLAK JACKETS, HELMETS AND BOOTS. ENEMY ALSO CARRIED RICE BAGS, CHICKENS AND 1 PIG. TM CALLED AO AND RAN FM. TM HEARD SCREAMING AND YELLING AFTER BN ENDED. UNABLE TO OBSERVE RESULTS DUE TO CANOPY AND LOCATION.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. SCANDANAVIA (F-31) VIC ZC1933 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. [illegible] VIC ZC1937 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

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3. SUGAR RIM (F-72) VIC ZC1931 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

4. ICEBOUND (F-32) VIC ZC0949 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

5. HIGH SCHOLAR "B" VIC ZC1353 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. MOOSE PEAK (F-31) AT 180730H "HAVEN" UL ZC0643, LR ZC1141 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. CRAZY BONES (F-73) AT 180800H "HAVEN" UL ZC0920, LR ZC1125 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. MUSK OX (F-8) AT 180830H "HAVEN" UL ZC1043, LR ZC1341 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

4. HUNT CLUB (F-71) AT 180930H "HAVEN" UL ZC1938, LR ZC2135

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. SCANDANAVIA (F-41) AT 180900H "HAVEN" UL ZC1938, LR ZC2135 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. MUSK OX (F-8) AT 181600H "HAVEN" UL ZC1043, LR ZC1341 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

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NONE

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

NONE

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 180958H: ICEBOUND (F-32) VIC ZC0949: TM FOUND EN HARBOR SITE VIC ZC098494 FOR APPROX 20 PEOPLE. 10 TO 15 FIGHTING HOLES A. ROUND HARBOR SITE. TRAIL HEADING FROM EAST TO WEST & APPROX 1½ FT WIDE. TRAIL IS WELL USED. ALSO FOUND WELL USED TRAIL HEADING SOUTH WITH NUMEROUS FOOT PRINTS.

2. 181145H TO 181846: STEEL RIM (F-72) VIC ZC1951: DURING THIS PERIOD TM SIGHTED A TOTAL OF 147 NVA AND 5 VC AT VIC ZC196574. EN WAS MOVING NORTH AND SOUTH IN GROUPS FROM 3 TO 59 MEN ON TRAIL. EN WORE CAMOFLAGE, SAND COLORED, & GREEN UTILITIES, BLACK PJ'S AND MIXED CIVILIAN CLOTHING. EN ALSO WORE BUSH COVERS, HELMETS, FLAK JACKETS, PACKS AND WEB GEAR. EN HAD AK-47'S AND SKS RIFLES, ONE MACHINE GUN, AND ONE RPG. EN CARRIED 2 METAL DISKS ON PACK APPROX 36" IN DIAMETER. ALSO CARRIED SEVERAL ROLLS OF WIRE, 1 CASE OF C-RATIONS, SLEEPING GEAR, WOODEN BOXES, 7 BASKETS OF RICE, AND 6 COILS OF ROPE. ONE EN WAS OBSERVED TO BE CARRYING A POSSIBLE RADIO ON HIS PACK. TM CALLED AO. AO UTILIZED RESULTING IN ONE NVA KIA.

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C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. SCANDANAVIA (F-41) VIC ZC2033 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
2. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8337 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
3. STEEL RIM (F-72) VIC ZC1931 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
4. ICEBOUND (F-32) VIC ZC0946 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
5. NIGHT SCHOLAR "E" VIC ZC1353 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. MOOSE PEAK (F-31) AT 190730H "HAVEN" UL ZC0843, LR ZC1141 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
2. CRAZY BONES (F-73) AT 190800H "HAVEN" UL ZC0928, LR ZC1125 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
3. FOREFATHER (F-11) AT 190830H "HAVEN" UL ZC1348, LR ZC1646 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
4. HUNT CLUB (F-71) AT 190900H "HAVEN" UL ZC1938, LR ZC2135 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. SCANDANAVIA (F-41) AT 190930H "HAVEN" UL ZC1938, LR ZC2135 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
2. ICEBOUND (F-32) AT 200730H, "HAVEN" UL ZC0950, LR ZC1246 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
3. STEEL RIM (F-72) AT 200800H "HAVEN" UL ZC1733, LR ZC2031 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

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1ST FORCE RECON CO DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT ABORTED FOR FOREFATHER (F-11) AT 191000H VIC ZC1547 (EN RECEIVED S/A & A/W FIRE AT DLZ) IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. INSERT ABORTED FOR MOOSE PEAK (F-31) 191430H VIC ZC0840 (GUNSHIPS APPROACHED LZ & RECD SA FIRE) IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. EXTRACT SCANDANAVIA (F-41) AT 191450H VIC ZC2035 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

4. INSERT HOME CLUB (F-71) AT 191450H VIC ZC2035 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 190920H-191720H: STEEL RIM (F-72) VIC (ZC196314): EN OBSERVED A TOTAL OF (69) INA/VC. EN WORE GREEN AND SAND COLORED UTILITIES & BLACK PJ'S. EN WERE ARMED WITH (29) SKS, (1) AK-47 & (1) RPG; (15) EN WORE FLAK JACKETS & HELMETS. (1) EN CARRIED E.TOOL. (2) EN, WEARING BLACK PJ'S, CARRIED RICE AND FIREWOOD. (3) EN MOVED S, REMAINDER MOVED N. (58) EN WORE PACKS; ONE OF THESE WAS MOVING S WITH EMPTY PACK; ALL OTHERS WERE FULL.

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C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. HIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8337 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. HIGHT SCHOLAR "B" VIC ZC1453 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. STEEL MILL (E-72) VIC ZC7931 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

4. ICEBOUND (E-32) VIC ZC0949 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

5. HOVT CLUB (E-71) VIC ZC2035 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. FORERUNNER (E-44) AT 200830H "HAVEN" UL ZC1340, LR ZC1646 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. MOOSE PEAK (E-32) AT 200900H "HAVEN" UL ZC0843, LR ZC1141 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. GRAY SCENES (E-73) AT 201000H "HAVEN" UL ZC0929, LR ZC1125 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

4. PADDLE MOAT (E-62) AT 201030H "HAVEN" UL ZC0833, LR ZC0930 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

5. PLEASANT PAPER (E-21) AT 201100H "HAVEN" UL ZC1423, LR ZC1626 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. ICEBOUND (E-32) AT 200845H "HAVEN" UL ZC0950, LR ZC1247 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT FORTHER (F-11) AT 201120H VIC ZC1646. IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. INSERT PICKTICK PAPER (F-21) AT 201650 VIC ZC1627. IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. INSERT MOOSE PEAK (F-31) ABORTED AT 201530H VIC ZC1441 (INSERT ZONE BAD HEAVY CLOUD COVER)

4. EXTRACT ICEBOUND (F-32) AT 201130H VIC ZC0943. IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

5. EXTRACT STEEL RIM (F-72) AT 201700H VIC ZC1931. IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 201020H-201612H STEEL RIM (F-72) VIC ZC196314: TM OBSERVED A TOTAL OF 20 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH AND EAST ON TRAILS. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S GREEN UTILITIES AND MIXED CIVILIAN CLOTHING. EN [illegible] WITH 3 SKS RIFLES, ALL CARRIED PACKS EXCEPT 2 FEMALES. 2 [illegible] APPEARED TO BE WASHING CLOTHES ON RIVER BANK. 4 EN WORE HELMETS AND 4 ENEMY WORE BUSH COVERS. TM RECEIVED ONE ROUND OF S/A FIRE FROM N.E. VIC [illegible]. [illegible] RESULTS

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2. 201205H HUNT CLUB (F-71) VIC AT7935. TM OBSERVED 10 VC MOVING EAST TOWARDS VILLAGE VIC AT791353. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S, COOLIE HATS, PACKS, AND CARRIED RIFLES. TM CALLED F.M. OBSERVED 5 CONFIRMED KIA'S, 5 PROBABLES. 1 HOOCH DESTROYED. OBSERVED NEG. FURTHER MOVEMENT.

3. 201200H FOREFATHER (F-11) VIC ZC1645. TM OBSERVED 4 HOOCHES & 3 BUNKERS VIC ZC163458. HOOCHES APPROX. 10'x15' IN SIZE, WELL USED AND RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED, WITH LEAVES ON ROOFS AND BOXES, & COOKING CANS IN AND AROUND HOOCHES. HUMAN WASTE, APPROX 1 DAY OLD ON TRAIL BY HOOCHES.

4. 201450H FOREFATHER (F-11) VIC ZC162459. TM HEARD APPROX 15 NVA/VC MOVING NE. UNABLE TO OBSERVE EQUIPMENT OR UNIFORM DUE TO TERRAIN

5. 201500H FOREFATHER (F-11) VIC ZC161458. TM OBSERVED 1 MAN, 1 WOMAN, AND 1 CHILD MOVING SE. ON TRAIL WEARING CIVILIAN CLOTHING

6. 201600H FOREFATHER (F-11) VIC ZC162459. TM FOUND COMM WIRE RUNNING EAST & WEST. WIRE IS SOFT NOT HARD LIKE OURS

7. 201615H HUNT CLUB (F-71) VIC AT794354. TM OBSERVED 2 VC MOVING INTO HOOCH. ENEMY WORE BLACK PJ'S & COOLIE HATS & CARRIED RIFLES. TM CALLED FM. EXCELLANT COVERAGE. 1 VC KIA CONFIRMED & 1 PROB. KIA

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8537 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
2. NIGHT SCHOLAR "E" VIC ZC1453 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
3. FOREFATHER (F-11) VIC ZC1646 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
4. PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) VIC ZC1627 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
5. HUNT CLUB (F-71) VIC ZC2055 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. MOOSE PEAK (F-31) AT 210730H "HAVEN", ULZC1342, LRZC1540. IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON
2. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) AT 210800H "HAVEN" ULZC0652 LRZC0950. IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

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3. CRAZY BONES (F-73) AT 210830H "HAVEN" UL ZC0928 LR ZC1125

IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. HOLT CLUB (F-71) AT 220730H "HAVEN" UL ZC1938 LR ZC2135

IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

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NONE

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO SITUATION REPORT #356 210001H TO 212400H DEC 68

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS(2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. EXTRACT PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) AT 211710H VIC ZC1527 (TM EXTRACTED EARLY DUE TO EN ACTIVITY IN AREA) IN SUP OF TAYLOR CORDON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. BEGIN TO 210730H: HUNT CLUB (F-71) VIC (ZC215330): TM OBS APPROX 30 VC/NVA MOVING NE AND PARALLEL TO RIVER. EN UTILIZED LANTERNS. TM CALLED FIRE MSN THAT EXTINGUISHED LIGHTS. NEG CASUALTIES AFTER FIRE MSN.

2. 211400H: [redacted] (1ST FORCE RECON CO) VIC (AT072472): ONE (1) VCS WAS APPREHENDED AT ABOVE LOCATION. MALE H/D NO ID CARD & WAS WEARING CIVILIAN CLOTHES. VCS WAS SEARCHED & ONE (1) SET GREEN UTILITIES & ONE (1) BAG OF RICE WERE FOUND. DETAINEE WAS FORWARDED TO 5THMARREGT. (S-5)

3. 211400H-211710H: PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) VIC (ZC1527): TM OBS 2 VC/NVA MOVING SE ON TRAIL VIC (ZC156273). EN WERE WEARING CIVILIAN CLO & KHAKIS. BOTH EN WORE PACKS. EN ARMED W/AK-47 & SKS. TM ATTEMPTED TO EVADE EN AND A LARGER EN FORCE MOVED INTO THE AREA. TM SUCCESSFULLY AVOIDED CONTACT W/APPROX 20 VC/NVA AND

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4. 271430H: FORESTER (F-17) VIC (ZC164460): TM HEARD APPROX 6 VC/NVA TALKING & MOVING IN VIC. TM APPROACHED AREA EN MOVED AWAY. TM OBS 6 STRUCTURES IN AREA. EN WERE TOO NEAR FOR THOROUGH CHECK OF STRUCTURES. TM CONTINUED MSN.

5. 271033H-271950H: HUNT CLUB (F-71) VIC (AT795346): TM OBS 10 VC/NVA SITTING AROUND CAMP FIRE EATING. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S HAD PACKS & RIFLES. TM CALLED FIRE MSN. EXCELLENT COVERAGE; CAMPFIRE EXTINGUISHED. UNK EN CASUALTIES

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT83537 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. NIGHT SCHOLAR "B" VIC ZC1453 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

3. HUNT CLUB (F-71) VIC ZC2033 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

4. FORESTER (F-17) VIC ZC1645 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) AT 220930H "HAVEN" UL ZC0632, LR ZC0930 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. CRAZY BONE (F-73) AT 221000H "HAVEN" UL ZC0928, LR ZC1123 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

3. MOON PEAK (F-31) AT 220900H "HAVEN" UL ZC0843, LR ZC1141 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. HUNT CLUB (F-71) AT 220945H "HAVEN" UL ZC1930, LR ZC2135 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. EXTRACT HUMP CLUB (F-71) AT 221705H VIC ZC2133 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

NONE

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8337 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. NIGHT SCHOLAR "B" VIC ZC1433 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. FOREFATHER (F-11) VIC ZC1643 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) AT 230900H "HAVEN" UL ZC0652, LR ZC0930 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. CRAZY BONE (F-73) AT 230950H "HAVEN" UL ZC0920, LR ZC1123 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. MOOSE PEAK (F-52) AT 231000H "HAVEN" UL ZC1442, LR ZC1640 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

4. SCREEN TEST (F-51) AT 231030H "HAVEN" UL ZC1230, LR ZC1628 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

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E. PLANNED INTERACTIONS

1. FOREFATHER (F-11) AT 251100H "HAVEN" UL ZC1548, IN ZC1[illegible]

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REAR AREA) 220001H TO 222400H DEC 68

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO SITUATION REPORT #358 230001H TO 232400H DEC 68

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

NONE

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

NONE

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8337 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. NIGHT SCHOLAR "E" VIC ZC1453 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

3. FORETATHER (F-11) VIC ZC1646 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) AT 240930H "HAVEN" UL ZC0632, LR ZC0950 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. CRAZY BONE (F-75) AT 241000H "HAVEN" UL ZC0928, LR ZC1125 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

3. MOOSE PEAK (F-31) AT 241030H "HAVEN" UL ZC1442, LR ZC1640 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

4. SCREEN TEST (F-51) AT 241100H "HAVEN" UL ZC1230, LR ZC1628 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

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5. STEEL RIM (F-72) AT 241130H "HAVEN" UL ZC1833, LR ZC2130 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. FOREFATHER (F-11) AT 240900H "HAVEN" UL ZC1546, LR ZC1745 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

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1ST FORCE RECON CO DAILY STING RAY RECAP: CONTENCE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REAR AREA) 230001H TO 232400H DEC 68

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO SITUATION REPORT #339 24000H TO 242400H DEC 68

1. AN NDA-80

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT MIDDLE BOAT (R-62) AT 241530H VIC ZC0751 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. INSERT STEEL RIM (R-72) AT 241630H VIC ZC1931 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. INSERT INTERPRETER (R-99) AT 241225H VIC ZC1645 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON (AC WAS DISTURBED OUT AND EXTRACTION HEL RECD FIRE) IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 241715H TO 241835H STEEL RIM (R-72) VIC ZC996394: TM SIGHTED TOTAL OF 35 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S AND MIXED CIVILIAN CLOTHING & ALL CARRIED PACKS. 6 EN HAD RIFLES. 20 EN WORE HELMETS. EN CONTINUES TO OBSR TRAIL.

C. PATROL MOVEMENTS

1. MAKE SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8337 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. MAKE SCHOLAR "B" VIC ZC1453 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. PATROL BOAT (R-62) VIC ZC0651 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

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D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

NONE

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

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XI. ACTIVITIES FIRST BORCP RECON CO (REAR AREA) 240001H TO 242400H DEC 66

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO SITUATION REPORT #360 250001H TO 252400H DEC 68

I. AN NOA-10

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS

NONE

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 250910H: (LATE ENTRY) 241700H: PADDLE BOAT (F-62) VIC ZC068512: TM DISCOVERED SIX (6) FIGHTING HOLES. HOLES HAD NOT BEEN RECENTLY OCCUPIED. TM CONTINUED MSN.

2. 250840H TO 251600H: STEEL RIM (F-72) VIC ZC194508: TM OBSR A TOTAL OF 41 NVA/VC MOVING ALONG TRAIL, 13 NVA/VC HEADING SOUTH, REMAINDER HEADING NORTH. EN ARMED W/9 AK-47'S, 9 SKS, 1 CARBINE, 1 THOMPSON SMG W/DRUM MAG, 1 MG W/DRUM MAG, AND 2 PISTOLS. EN WHO HAD PISTOLS ALSO WORE WHITE HELMETS & CARTRIDGE BELTS W/SHINY BUCKLES. EN WORE COMBINATIONS OF GREEN UTILITIES, SAND COLORED UTILITIES, BLACK PJ'S & ONE EN WORE SOLID WHITE CLOTHING. ONE EN APPEARED TO BE FEMALE.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8337 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. NIGHT SCHOLAR "B" VIC ZC1453 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

3. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) VIC ZC0650 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

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4. STEEL RIT (F-72) VIC ZC1931 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. CRAZY BONE (F-73) AT 260930H "HAVEN" UL ZC0928, LR ZC1123 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. SCREEN TEST (F-51) AT 261000H "HAVEN" UL ZC1230, LR ZC1628 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

NONE

STING RAY REPORT

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REAR AREA) 250001H TO 252400H DEC 68

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT CRAZY BONE (F-73) AT 261745H VIC ZC1023 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. EXTRACT STEEL RIM (F-72) AT 261410H VIC ZC1931 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

261020H TO 261410H: STEEL RIM (F-72) VIC ZC196314: TM OBSR TOTAL OF 35 NVA/VC MOVING NORTH & SOUTH ON TRAIL. EN WORE CAMOUFLAGE, GREEN & SAND COLORED UTILITIES, AND BLACK PJ'S. NVA/VC CARRIED 7 AK-47'S & 19 SKS RIFLES. EN ALSO WORE TOTAL OF 7 HELMETS AND 8 FLAK JACKETS, & ALL CARRIED PACKS. TM AMBUSHED 2 NVA, RESULTING IN ONE NVA KIA, AND ONE NVA WIA. EN WIA LATER SUCCUMB TO WOUNDS WHILE ENROUTE TO AN HOA BY HEL. TM RECD ONE SNIPER ROUND DURING AMBUSH. TM CAPTURED 1 K-54 PISTOL, & CARTRIDGE BELT, 1 U.S. M-1 CARBINE, 1 TRANSISTOR RADIO, 2 FT TIME FUSE, 4 BLASTING CAPS, 4 WATCHES & ASSORTED DOCUMENTS. TM WAS EXTRACTED WITHOUT FURTHER INCIDENT. ALL CAPTURED GEAR FORWARDED TO TF YANKEE G-2

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

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1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8337 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
2. NIGHT SCHOLAR "E" VIC ZC1453 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
3. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) VIC ZC0650 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
4. CRAZY BONE (F-73) VIC ZC1024 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. MOOSE PEAK (F-31) AT 270900H "HAVEN" UL ZC0843, LR ZC1141 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
2. ICEBOUND (F-32) AT 270930H "HAVEN" UL ZC0649, LR ZC0946 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
3. SCREEN TEST (F-31) AT 271000H "HAVEN" UL ZC1230, LR ZC1628 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. PADDLE BOAT (F-62) AT 271030H "HAVEN" UL ZC0552, LR ZC0950 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

STING RAY REPORT

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0
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I. AN HOA-10

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS(2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1E GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT SCREEN TEST (F-51) AT 271405H VIC ZC1626 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. EXTRACT PADDLE BOAT (W-62) AT 271645H VIC AC0330 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. (LATE ENTRY) 261840H: CRAZY BONE (F-73) VIC ZC1082[illegible]7: TM DISCOVERED ONE BUNKER, 20'X10' IN SIZE. BUNKER APPEARED TO BE CONSTRUCTED OF LOGS. TM CONTINUED MSN.

2. 271445H: CRAZY BONE (F-73) VIC ZC1032[illegible]: TM OBSR TWO NVA/VC MOVING SW TO NE. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S. ONE EN ATTEMPTED TO TAKE TM UNDER SA FIRE. TM FIRED AT EN. EN WAS HIT W/AW FIRE FROM TM. DUE TO [illegible] MSN TM BROKE CONTACT AND CONTINUED WITH ASSIGNED MSN. RESULTS: NEG USMC CAS & UNK EN CAS.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT6337 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. NIGHT SCHOLAR "B" VIC ZC1453 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. SCREEN TEST (F-51) VIC ZC1628 IN SUP OF TA

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4. CRAZY BONE (F-73) VIC ZC1025 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. MOOSE PEAK (F-31) AT 280930H "HAVEN" UL ZC0343, LR ZC1141 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. ICEBOUND (F-32) AT 281000H "HAVEN" UL ZC0649, LR ZC0946 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

3. HUNT CLUB (F-71) AT 281030H "HAVEN" UL ZC0739, LR ZC1036 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

4. PICKNICK PAPER (F-21) AT 281100H "HAVEN" UL ZC1227, LR ZC1524 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

NONE

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1ST FORCE RECON CO DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0
TERMINATE 0
CONTINUE 0

XI. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REAR AREA) 270001H TO 272400H DEC 68

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO SITUATION REPORT #363 280001H TO 282400H DEC 68

I. AN HDA-10

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS(2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1G GUNSHIPS UTILIZED)

1. INSERT ICEBOUND (F-32) AT 281530H VIC ZC0747 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. INSERT PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) AT 281233H VIC ZC1426 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 280900H TO 281610H: CRAZY BONE (F-75) VIC ZC1023: TM OBSE TOTAL OF 70 VC/NVA & 9 WOMEN MOVING EAST AND WEST ON TRAIL VIC ZC106256. EN WORE BLACK PJ'S, GREEN UTILITIES, KHAKI SHIRTS & SHORTS, BUSH COVERS, HELMETS, & ALL CARRIED PACKS. ONE VC/NVA CARRIED RADIO, & 2 VC/NVA CARRIED MEDICAL GEAR. EN CARRIED 14 CARBINES, 9 PISTOLS, ONE OF WHICH WAS U.S. .45 CALIBER, 11 AK-47'S, 2 SUB MG, 1 RPG, & 2 SATCHEL CHARGES.

2. 281730H: ICEBOUND (F-32) VIC ZC0764880: TM MADE CONTACT WITH 1 VC/NVA MOVING SOUTH ON TRAIL. TM ENGAGED WITH S/A FIRE WITH UNK RESULTS. MANY TRAILS IN AREA, SOME 5 FT WIDE. NEG USMC CAS. TM CONTINUES MSN.

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C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8337 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. NIGHT SCHOLAR "E" VIC ZC1453 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

3. SCREEN TEST (F-51) VIC ZC1629 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

4. CRAZY BONE (F-73) VIC ZC1023 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

5. PICKNICK PAPER (F-21) VIC ZC1325 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

6. ICEBOUND (F-32) VIC ZC0848 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. FOREFATHER (F-11) AT 290730H "HAVEN" UL ZC0344, LR ZC0641 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. CRAZY BONE (F-73) AT 290800H "HAVEN" UL ZC0928, LR ZC1124 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. SCREEN TEST (F-51) AT 300900H "HAVEN" UL ZC1230, LR ZC1628 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

STING RAY REPORT

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO SITUATION REPORT 1364 290001H TO 292400H DEC 68

I. AN ADA-10

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS(2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1G UTILIZED)

1. INSERT FOREFATHER (F-11) AT 291245H VIC ZC0342 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. EXTRACT CRAZY BONE (F-73) AT 291320H VIC ZC1025 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

3. INSERT NIGHT SCHOLAR "D" AT 291400H VIC ZC1441 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 291250H: CRAZY BONE (F-73) VIC ZC106256: TM INITIATED CONTACT WITH 1 NVA/VC. EN WORE KHAKIS AND A PACK. TM ATTEMPTED TO CAPTURE EM. EN FLED AND WAS KIA. RESULTS: 1 NVA/VC KIA, CAPTURED 1 PACK WITH ASSORTED BOOKS, DOCUMENTS & PERSONAL GEAR. ALL FORWARDED TO TF "Y" G-2. ENJ UNKS CAS.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8337 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. NIGHT SCHOLAR "D" VIC ZC1441 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

3. NIGHT SCHOLAR "E" VIC ZC1453 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

4. PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) VIC ZC1323 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

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5. FOREFATHER (F-11) VIC ZC0342 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

6. SCREEN TEST (F-51) VIC ZC1529 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

7. ICEBOUND (F-32) VIC ZC0648 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. MOOSE PEAK (F-51) AT 300930H "HAVEN" UL ZC1651, LR ZC1948 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

2. SCANDANAVIA (F-41) AT 301030H "HAVEN" UL ZC1628, LR ZC1925 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. SCREEN TEST (F-51) AT 301000H "HAVEN" UL ZC1230, LR ZC1728 IN SUP OP TAYLOR COMMON

STING RAY REPORT

NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO DAILY STING RAY RECAP: COMMENCE 0

TERMINATE 0

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II. ACTIVITIES FIRST FORCE RECON CO (REAR AREA) 290001H TO 292400H DEC 68

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO SITUATION REPORT 1965 300001H TO 302400H DEC 66

I. AN ODA-10

A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS (2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1G UTILIZED)

1. INSERT MOOSE PEAK (F-31) AT 301555H VIC ZC1752 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. EXTRACT SCREEN TEST (F-31) AT 301630H VIC ZC1529 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

3. EXTRACT NIGHT SCHOLAR "E" AT 301530H VIC ZC1453 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 300930H-301030H: PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) VIC ZC1756: TM OBSR TOTAL OF 6 VC/NVA MOVING NORTH ON TRAIL. EN WORE KHAKI SHIRTS, GREEN TROUSERS & BLACK PJ'S & CARRIED PACKS & ONE RIFLE. TM HEARD 2 RIFLE SHOTS VIC ZC1454.

2. 301500H: MOOSE PEAK (F-31) VIC ZC1800 & ZC1746: TM ATTEMPTED INSERTION AT ABOVE GRIDS. INSERTION ABORTED DUE TO EN S/A & A/W FIRE IN ZONE. TM INSERTED AT VIC ZC1752. TM WILL MOVE INTO ASSIGNED NFZ AT 310700H.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. NIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8337 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. NIGHT SCHOLAR "D" VIC ZC1449 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

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3. PICNICK PAPER (F-27) VIC ZC1423 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COTTON

4. FORETATHER (F-17) VIC ZC0342 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COTTON

5. ICEBOUND (F-32) VIC ZC0647 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COTTON

6. MOOSE PEAK (F-37) VIC ZC1732 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COTTON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. SCANDANAVIA (F-41) AT 310730H "HAVEN" UL ZC1628, LR ZC1925 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COTTON

2. PADDLE BOAT (F-61) AT 310800H "HAVEN" UL ZC1532, LR ZC1930 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COTTON

3. PADDLE BOAT II (F-62) AT 310830H "HAVEN" UL ZC0233, LR ZC0330 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COTTON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. ICEBOUND (F-32) AT 310900H "HAVEN" UL ZC0649, LR ZC0946 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COTTON

2. PICNICK PAPER (F-27) AT 310930H "HAVEN" UL ZC1227, LR ZC1524 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COTTON

3. FORETATHER (F-17) AT 010800H "HAVEN" UL ZC0344, LR ZC0647 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COTTON

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NONE

1ST FORCE RECON CO DAILY STING RAY RECAP: CONTINUE 0

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SECTION FIRST FORCE RECON CO SITUATION REPORT #356 310000H TO 312400H DEC 68

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A. INSERTIONS & EXTRACTIONS(2 MARINE CH-46D'S & 2 MARINE UH-1C UTILIZED)

1. INSERT SCANDANAVIA (F-41) AT 311100H VIC ZC1723 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

2. EXTRACT (UNDER FIRE) SCANDANAVIA (F-41) AT 311400H VIC ZC1627 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

B. SIGHTINGS & CONTACTS

1. 311100H TO 311400H: SCANDANAVIA (F-41) VIC ZC171278: TM FOUND TRAIL APPROX 4 FT WIDE THAT HEADED SW. TM CHECKED TRAIL WHICH LED TO AN EN BUNKER SITE. TM MADE CONTACT W/2 NVA. EN WORE PAN SHIRTS & TROUSERS, W/WEB GEAR. EN ARMED W/AK-47'S. TM ATTEMPTED TO BREAK CONTACT. APPROX 15-20 NVA MOVED AROUND TM & BROUGHT TM UNDER SA/AW FIRE & THREW CHICOM GRENADES. TM UTILIZED MARINE UH-1C & FIXED WING TO BREAK CONTACT. TM MOVED TO BOMB CRATER & WAS EXTRACTED UNDER FIRE. RESULTS: 1 NVA KIA, 1 USMC WIA.

2. 311400H: MOSS PILAR (F-32) VIC ZC179307: TM OBSR 4 NVA MOVING FROM N TO S ON HILL TOP. EN ARMED W/4 AK-47'S. EN WORE GREEN UNIFORMS. TM CONTINUED MSN.

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3. 311600H: MOOSE PEAK (F-31) VIC ZC782511: TF OBSR 13 NVA OBSR VALLEY. BN WORE GREEN UTILITIES, CARRIED 5 AK-47'S & 3 PACKS & HAMMOCKS, 1 PISTOL, GRENADES, 4 WEB GEAR & 1 PAIR OF 7X50 BINOCULARS. 8 NVA OBSR VALLEY. JOINED BY 5 MORE NVA FROM THE NE. ENTIRE GROUP LEFT TOGETHER TO NE WITH CAMOUFLAGE MATERIAL & BUSHES ON THEIR BACK.

C. PATROL LOCATIONS

1. HIGHT SCHOLAR "A" VIC AT8357 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
2. HIGHT SCHOLAR "D" VIC ZC1441 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
3. MOOSE PEAK (F-31) VIC ZC1751 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
4. FORGEATHER (F-11) VIC ZC0342 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
5. ICEBOUND (F-32) VIC ZC0647 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
6. PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) VIC ZC1423 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

D. PLANNED INSERTIONS

1. PADDLE BOAT (F-61) AT 010400H "HAVEN" UL ZC1532, LR ZC1930 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
2. PADDLE BOAT II (F-62) AT 010900H "HAVEN" UL ZC0233, LR ZC0530 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

E. PLANNED EXTRACTIONS

1. PICKWICK PAPER (F-21) AT 010830H "HAVEN" UL ZC1227, LR ZC1524 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
2. ICEBOUND (F-32) AT 010830H "HAVEN" UL ZC0649, LR ZC0946 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON
3. FORGEATHER (F-11) AT 011000H "HAVEN" UL ZC0344, LR ZC0641 IN SUP OF TAYLOR COMMON

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