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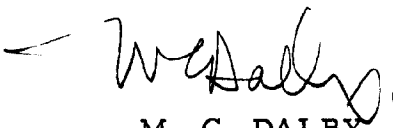
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 Dec to 31 Dec 1966

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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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DESIGNATION

First Marine Division (Rein)

MajGen H. NICKERSON JR.

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Task Force X-Ray

5th Marines (-)

7th Marines (-) (Rein)

1st FAG

Chu Lai Defense Command

1st Engr Bn (-)

1st SP Bn (-)

1st MT Bn (-)

3d Amtrac Bn (-)

7th Comm Bn (-)

1st Hospital Co

Headquarters Bn

1st Marines (Rein)

11th Marines (-) (Rein)

2d Bn, 5th Marines

9th Marines (-) (Rein)*

4th Bn (Rein), 503d Abn Inf, 173d
Bde, USA (To opcon 173d Bde, USA
4 Dec 1966)*

1st Recon Bn (-) (Rein)

1st AT Bn (-)

1st Med Bn (-)

1st Tank Bn

3d Tank Bn (-)*

3d AT Bn (-)*

3d MT Bn (-) (Rein)*

7th MT Bn (-) (Rein)

1st Amtrac Bn (-) (Rein)*

3d Dental Co (-) (Rein)*

§ 1st MP Bn

§ 7th Engr Bn

§ 9th Engr Bn

Det, Hq Bn, 3d MarDiv*

BGen W. A. STILES

BGen C. F. WIDDECKE (To 26 Dec 66)

Col F. E. HAYNES (Fr 27 Dec 66)

Col L. F. SNODDY JR.

LtCol J. B. STRIBLING

Col W. W. CURTIS

Maj C. O. NEWTON

LtCol E. H. JONES

LtCol R. E. JOHNSON (To 4 Dec 66)

Maj J. T. ELKINS (Fr 5 Dec 66)

Maj J. D. ROWLEY

LtCol W. M. CLELLAND

Cdr F. M. ROBERTS USN

Col W. A. LEITNER

Col D. L. MALLORY

Col G. E. NORRIS

LtCol W. C. AIRHEART

Col R. M. RICHARDS

LtCol D. M. HEALY, USA

LtCol D. N. McKEON

Maj J. J. KEEFE

Cmdr R. H. MITCHELL, USN

LtCol J. W. GLAYBORNE

LtCol W. R. CORSON

Maj C. R. STIFFLER

Maj R. F. ARMSTRONG

Maj S. H. BATCHELDER JR.

Maj W. W. DAMEWOOD

Capt L. H. CORDONIER USN

LtCol P. G. STAVRIDIS

LtCol F. W. HARRIS III

LtCol R. W. CRISPEN

Col G. C. SCHMIDT, JR.

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ATTACHED UNITS (cont.)

Det, 3d Engr Bn*
Det, 3d SP Bn*

Maj J. A. SHEARMAN, JR.
Maj R. L. SCRUGGS

* OPCON ONLY
\$ ADCON ONLY

2. LOCATION

1-31 December: Danang, RVN

3. Staff Officers

Division Commander
Assistant Division Commander
Commanding General, Task Force X-Ray
Chief of Staff
Deputy Chief of Staff
Staff Secretary
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5
Assistant Chief of Staff, Compt
Adjutant
Air Officer
Artillery Officer
Band Officer
Chaplain
Comm-Electronic's Officer
Dental Officer
Division Clubs Officer
Division Exchange Officer
Embarkation Officer
Engineer Officer
Field Historian

Food Services Officer
Informational Services Officer
Inspector

Legal Officer
Motor Transport Officer
Naval Gunfire Officer

Ordnance Officer
Photographic Officer
Postal Officer
Provost Marshal
Reproduction Officer
Special Services Officer

MajGen H. NICKERSON, JR.
BGen W. A. STILES
BGen W. A. STILES
Col S. J. ALTMAN
Col F. E. HAYNES, JR. 27Oct-25Dec66
Capt H. S. HAUPT
Col C. C. CROSSFIELD II
Col J. J. O'DONNELL
Col H. POGGEMEYER, JR.
Col E. L. BALE, JR.
Col W. MOORE
LtCol J. E. DAUSMAN
LtCol E. R. SCHIFFMAN
Col F. C. LANG
Col G. E. NORRIS
CWO F. E. BARTHOLD
Capt D. J. CASAZZA, USN
Col E. P. CLAUDE
Capt P. C. CONGLIS, USN
Maj J. H. GEMSKE
Maj A. T. FISHER
Maj R. L. EPTER
LtCol G. A. MERRILL
LtCol R. H. USKURAIT (To 4Dec66)
Maj H. T. KENNEDY (Fr 5Dec66)
Capt V. E. COX
Maj G. HUBBARD
Col S. DAVIS (To 19Dec66)
Col A. L. EMILS (Fr 20Dec66)
LtCol T. P. CASEY
LtCol K. M. BUSS
LtCmdr W. S. RILEY (To 15Dec66)
LtCmdr R. A. WHITCOMB (Fr 16Dec66)
LtCol W. J. DINSE
WO H. L. HUNTLEY
2dLt W. NEW
LtCol J. J. ROOTHOFF
2dLt D. MARLAND
Maj J. E. FORDE

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Supply Officer
Surgeon
Tank Officer

Col P. J. DUPRE
Capt J. J. MCGREEVY, USN
LtCol J. W. CLAYBORNE

4. Average Monthly Strength

| | | | | | |
|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|
| | <u>USMC</u> | | <u>USN</u> | | <u>OTHER (U.S. ARMY)</u> |
| <u>OFF</u> | | <u>ENL</u> | <u>OFF</u> | <u>ENL</u> | <u>OFF</u> |
| 1198 | | 23,274 | 144 | 1,212 | 5 |
| | | | | | 101 |

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PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARYPERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION1. Replacement and Rotation of Personnel

a. Total of Marine Replacements received and Marines rotated during December 1966 were:

Replacements:
 Officer 72
 Enlisted 2848

Rotation:
 Officer 41
 Enlisted 619

b. There were 5 officers and 181 enlisted personnel medically evacuated. Forty-five enlisted personnel who were previously evacuated were returned to duty. Twenty-seven personnel departed on emergency leave/permanent change of station orders.

c. A total of 4 officers and 920 enlisted personnel extended their overseas tour in RVN in conjunction with the 30 day free leave policy. 3 officers and 493 enlisted departed on 30 day leave during the period 4-23 December 1966.

2. Casualty and Graves Registration. The below casualties were sustained by units ADCON to the 1st Marine Division during December 1966.

| | KIA | WIA | **DOW | MIA | CPTR | OTHER | *NON-BATTLE | | **TOTAL |
|-------|-----|-----|-------|-----|------|-------|-------------|---------|---------|
| | | | | | | | DEATH | INJURED | |
| USMC | | | | | | | | | |
| OFF | | 18 | | | | | 2 | 2 | 18 |
| ENL | 68 | 476 | 5 | | | | 3 | 30 | 579 |
| USN | | | | | | | | | |
| OFF | | | | | | | | | |
| ENL | 2 | 26 | | | | | | 2 | 30 |
| TOTAL | 70 | 522 | 5 | | | | 3 | 32 | 627 |

* Injuries which result in absence from duty for more than 24 hours.

** DOW figures included in WIA totals and not in vertical total.

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3. Discipline, Law and Order. The following criminal investigations were reported. Thirty-one cases are presently under investigation:

| <u>Offense</u> | <u>Number</u> |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Larceny of Government Property | 6 |
| Larceny of Private Property | 10 |
| Homicide | 3 |
| Narcotics | 5 |
| Unlawful Discharge of Explosives | 3 |
| Blackmarket | 14 |
| Assault | <u>14</u> |
| Total | 55 |

Seventeen traffic violations were reported for the month of December 1966.

Two hundred forty offense reports were issued to violators as follows:

| <u>Offense</u> | <u>Number</u> |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Drunkenness | 2 |
| Curfew | 46 |
| Off Limits | 110 |
| Weapons Violation | 30 |
| Uniform Violation | 21 |
| Unauthorized Absence | 5 |
| Property damage | 2 |
| Other | <u>24</u> |
| Total | 240 |

4. Morale and Personal Services

a. Chaplain. At the end of December the on board strength of Chaplains assigned to the 1st Marine Division was as follows:

| <u>Number</u> | <u>Denomination</u> |
|---------------|---------------------|
| 17 | Protestant |
| 7 | Catholic |
| <u>1</u> | Eastern Orthodox |

Total 25

In addition to the above 4 Protestant and 2 Catholic Chaplains were under the operational control of the 1st Marine Division. Their parent command being the 3rd Marine Division.

The following Services were conducted during the Month:

| <u>Service</u> | <u>Number</u> | <u>Number Attending</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Catholic | 337 | 8,655 |
| Protestant | 317 | 7,067 |
| Memorial | 17 | 876 |
| Protestant Lay Leader | <u>3</u> | <u>43</u> |

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Division Clubs. The gross income during December was \$138,028.90. Three officers, nine Staff NCO's and ten enlisted personnel operated the forty-four clubs and eighteen battalion accounts. Eleven additional clubs are planned.

c. Exchange System. Gross sales during the month of December were \$530,904.61. Three officers and sixty-three enlisted personnel operated fifteen stores within the Danang and Chu Lai TAOR's.

d. Division Band. The Division Band performed at seven military formations. In addition five military concerts were presented and the Band performed at one civic action function.

e. Informational Services. During December the Informational Services Section produced 164 news releases, 2,225 Fleet Home Town News Center releases, 17 hometown radio tapes and 9 taped radio features.

Writer - Photographer teams covered the following named operations:

Mississippi
Sierra
Glenn
Sutter

Cortez
County Fair 3rd Tank-1
Trinidad

In addition, teams covered all county fair operations, a rough rider, and several company sized operations. Despite a low kill count on Operation Mississippi, the Marine Corps garnered extensive coverage with the exodus of several thousand refugees. Four writer-photographer teams were assigned to the operation.

Writer-photographer teams were active in civic action projects providing coverage to two Elders Day Festivals, several county fair operations and Christmas parties for Vietnamese. Two of the events received extensive media interest. The First Elders Day Festival in the hamlet of Hoa My and the party in Tich Tay hamlet sponsored by the 1st Tank Battalion. The Tank Battalion Party was dubbed Operation Keyerstown by citizens of Waukegan, Illinois who gathered gifts for the party held 22 December at Chu Lai. The Keyerstown Party was photographed, filmed and recorded for media in the Midwest.

The Division was visited by correspondents 126 times during the month. The most notable visitors being Mr. John Steinbeck, well known author, and Mr. William Randolph Hearst, Jr. The majority of the correspondents visited combined action companies and the land mine warfare and booby trap school.

f. Postal

(1) The following figures represent pounds of U. S. Mail this command has received and dispatched during December 1966:

Total Received
957,009

Total Dispatched
332,317

Total Handled
1,289,326

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(2) The following figures represent financial business transacted during December 1966:

f. S. Money Orders and Fees \$632,029.72
Stamps, postage and insurance sales \$27,959.10

g. Career Advisory. The following statistics represent reenlistment and extension of enlistment percentages for the month of December 1966:

(1) Reenlistment Percentages

a. First term 18.2%
b. Career 84.6%
*c. Total 32.3%

(2) Extensions of enlistment executed

a. Career 6
b. Short term 15
c. Total 21

* Includes 54 Sgt's and above who were returned to CONUS in accordance with paragraph 4110, Marine Corps Personnel Manual.

h. Special Services. Personnel of the Division were entertained during the month of December by the appearance of the following shows and/or well known personalities:

23Dec66 - Vietnamese Cultural Show
24Dec66 - Chris Noel
25Dec66 - Bob Hope Show
26Dec66 - Australian Show

i. Distinguished Visitors. Distinguished persons who visited the command during December and the purpose of their visits are listed in Part III.

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ENEMY, WEATHER AND TERRAIN

1. ENEMY Over the past month, there have been increasing indications of a re-emphasis of guerrilla and local force activity on the part of the enemy. The lack of contact with main forces and the continuing reports of personnel and logistic shortages are worthy of note. Also to be noted is the increase in activity on the part of the provisional mobile battalions. For instance, in what was nearly a running engagement between the 2d Battalion, 5th Marines and what is believed to have been the R.20 Battalion, the latter expended, according to reports, at least 15,000 rounds of small arms/automatic weapons fire and 80 rounds of 60/81mm mortar fire in five engagements. Such a quantity of fire and the resistance encountered by Marine units in these contacts indicates a logistic capability and a willingness to engage not previously characteristic of provincial mobile battalions. It would appear that the enemy has shifted emphasis from a policy of building up the main force 2d Division in the hope of gaining a quick military victory to a policy of bolstering guerrilla and local forces to conduct protracted guerrilla warfare possibly in the hope of an ultimate political accomodation.

2. WEATHER AND TERRAIN

a. General. The weather for the month within the tri-province area was generally cloudy with rain and/or scattered showers. The average maximum and minimum temperatures ranged from 79 degrees to 72 degrees respectively, while humidity averaged a mild 85 percent. Visibility averaged 6 miles. Precipitation for the month was 22.62 inches. Winds were from a northerly direction with a velocity of 8-13 knots and gusting to 20.

b. Effects of the Weather. For the early part of the month, there was little or no effect from the weather on ground and air operations as the days remained partly cloudy with only slight scattered showers. However, this condition deteriorated during the last 10 days of the month when approximately 16 inches of rain fell resulting in reduced activity. Air activity was also limited due to the low cloud cover caused by the "crachin" phenomenon which is characterized by low cloud cover with scattered rain showers often lasting from 2-5 days.

c. Effect of the Weather on the Terrain. During the past month, weather had little or no effect on the terrain, although during the latter part of the month, the majority of the main roads and rice paddies were semi-inundated. This condition did not remain long enough to hamper travel, however, because of the small amount of rainfall during the early part of the reporting period.

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INTELLIGENCE SECTION ACTIVITY

1. GENERAL. During the period the G-2 Section continued its assigned function of collecting, processing and disseminating intelligence to the Commanding General, his staff, and the subordinate units.
2. ACQUISITION AND PRODUCTION UNIT. Requests were initiated for the procurement of photo coverage to support the Division's Operation Plan 311-66. A program was initiated to determine the areas of intelligence coverage. This highlighted certain gaps and steps were taken to cover these areas. An Intelligence Library Index File was established in December and, although new, it has already proven its value in giving quick reference on such subjects as last known locations of enemy units, and what units are operating in certain areas, etc.
3. PHOTO IMAGERY INTERPRETATION UNIT. A total of nine (9) missions were requested during the month with six (6) received. Bad weather plagued the photographic effort and twenty-six (26) missions for the Division are currently pending.
4. AIR OBSERVATION UNIT. During December 183 sorties were flown for a total of 341.9 hours. Sixteen (16) photo, thirty-one (31) artillery, and ninety-four (94) CAS/TAC(A) were conducted in conjunction with normal VR flights.
5. 3d ITT. A total of 407 detainees were interrogated at the III MAF Collection Point during the month. Of these, 155 had Viet Cong association.
6. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE. The Staff Counterintelligence Unit was provided support by the 3d CIT. A total of fourteen (14) investigations of various categories were completed with nineteen (19) more still pending.

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ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

1. The major change in organization during December occurred with the departure of the 4th Battalion, 503d Airborne Infantry to rejoin its parent unit. This departure resulted in a shift of infantry battalions and a series of phased reliefs with the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines relieving the 4th Battalion, 503d and the 2d Battalion, 5th Marines relieving the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines. Upon completion of the moves, the 2d Battalion, 5th Marines was placed under the operational control of the Division.

2. Division units concluded eight major operations during the month of December. The operations and their controlling headquarters are as follows:

| <u>OPERATION</u> | <u>CONTROLLING HEADQUARTERS</u> |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sutter | 1st Bn, 5th Marines |
| Trinidad I & II | 1st Bn, 1st Marines |
| Mississippi | 9th Marines |
| Cortez | 3d Bn, 5th Marines |
| Sterling | 3d Bn, 9th Marines |
| Glenn | 3d Bn, 9th Marines |
| Shasta II | 1st Bn, 1st Marines |

These operations, coupled with the increase of small unit activities within the TAORs, continued to keep the VC off balance and inflicted severe casualties upon his ranks. During the month the enemy suffered a total of 305 KIA, 312 KIA (Prob), 43 WIA, 91 WIA (Prob), 126 VCC, 557 VCS, and 13 Rolliers. In addition, numerous items of equipment and supplies were captured including 45 weapons and 103 hand grenades. Of significance was the estimated 45 tons of rice captured by the 2d Bn, 5th Marines during Operation MISSISSIPPI.

3. The Division continued to assist the RVN in its Revolutionary Development Program by conducting five County Fairs in the DA NANG TAOR. The 1st Marines conducted County Fairs 1-26 and 1-27, and the 3d Tank Battalion, 2d Bn, 5th Marines, and the 9th Marines conducted one each. These operations screened an estimated 6000 Vietnamese civilians, medically treated 1128, provided dental treatment to 117 and distributed several tons of food. During the screening operations, nine VC were identified, 143 Vietnamese were detained for further investigation, and three VC were killed. Although complete results will not be known for some time, these operations have been very successful in restoring the

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authority of the government of RVN and destroying the infrastructure of the VC cadre within the hamlets. Of particular value was the employment of a KIT CARSON Scout during County Fair 3 TK-1. His series of personal speeches gained an immediate response, and on several occasions he received applause from the people. In addition, he ventured into the VCC/VCS compound and spoke to them on various GVN themes. A definite response was observed by the facial expressions of some of the individuals. Attention seemed to follow the KIT CARSON Scout wherever he went, including an apparent interest generated among the ARVN troops who participated in the operation.

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PLANS

In December of 1966 the First Marine Division published four new operation plans. Operation Plan 303-66 was published to provide a contingency plan for the relief or reinforcement of the Civilian Irregular Defense Group camps within the First Marine Division area of responsibility. Operation Plans 316-66 and 317-66 were developed to provide the necessary planning for the introduction of all or portions of the U.S. Army 9th Infantry Division into the CHU LAI TAOR and the subsequent relief of U.S. Marine Corps units. In addition, Operation Plan 318-66 was published to provide for the possible introduction of ROK Army units into the CHU LAI TAOR as a relief for U.S. Marine units.

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TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

1. Formal schools during the month of December provided training for 110 personnel of the division. As the monsoon season exerted increasing influence on mobility and communications, difficulty was experienced in timely delivery of orders to personnel and travel of personnel to attend the formal schools.
2. A training conference was conducted at CHU LAI and another was scheduled for DA NANG on 8 Jan 1967. Training officers and noncommissioned officers of regiments and separate battalions attended. The purpose of the conference was to improve coordination of training throughout the division and to use training resources more effectively.
3. The 1st Marine Division assumed administrative control of 1st Military Police Battalion and 7th Engineer Battalion and, for the remainder of the 2d Quarter, issued TAD orders for these units based upon quota allocations made by the 3rd Marine Division.
4. Contact Instruction Teams conducted instruction on communications equipment, tracked and wheeled vehicle waterproofing, and operations of the five ton wrecker. This instruction was held for 1st Marine Division units in early December, and the comments and evaluation of the instruction were submitted to III MAF.
5. Technical Inspections of Regimental and Battalion S-3 Training Sections were concluded during the month. A few discrepancies, resulting primarily from lack of training facilities in the field, were noted and recommendations have been made to overcome them. Overall results were considered satisfactory.
6. Requests for 696 school quotas were submitted for in-country and Okinawa based schools being conducted during 3d Quarter FY67. By the end of the month 313 quotas to eleven schools had been approved with an estimated 272 quotas to six schools yet to be approved.
7. Scout Sniper indoctrination training for thirty students was completed on 12 December 1966. Included in this training were personnel from all regiments and the 1st Reconnaissance Battalion. The Remington M700 and telescopic sights have not been received as expected, however, the Division Scout Sniper Instruction Team is prepared to conduct ten days of detailed instruction upon the arrival of the equipment. Match ammunition, both 7.62mm and .30-06, has been received to support the platoons when they are formed and trained.
8. Twenty-five XM16E1 rifles were issued along with training ammunition to each infantry battalion and the 1st Reconnaissance Battalion for familiarization training. The instructional cadres of each unit have begun orientation training of all personnel. The full transition is dependent upon the arrival of weapons and ammunition; currently, the target date is March 1967.

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9. Twenty-five Manpack Personnel Detectors are on hand for an evaluation period of approximately ninety days. Six battalions are participating, with each battalion receiving four detectors for evaluation. An instruction contact team was formed and has commenced training operations in each battalion. Maintenance problems have occurred during the initial instruction, indicating possible problems in the future.

10. Evaluation of the Starlight Scope was completed and the final report submitted to III MAF on 25 December 1966. It was found to be an excellent device and was highly recommended for use in Vietnam.

11. The Stoner 63A Weapons system field evaluation program was organized and the following units were selected to participate:

- a. Co L, 3d Bn, 1st Marines
- b. 1st Plat, Co B, 1st Recon Bn
- c. 3d Plat, 1st Force Recon Co

12. The Land Mine, Demolition and Boobytrap School syllabus has been changed to a three day course to meet with III MAF standards and criteria. In order to meet the personnel training goals set by III MAF, schools have been established at both DA NANG and CHU LAI.

13. In order to improve tank gunnery, all tank units under the operational control of the 1st Marine Division were directed to conduct tank gunnery training culminating in live firing. This training commenced on 15 December and will end in February.

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Combined Action Company (CAC) Program

1. Four new CAC platoons were activated in the DA NANG TAOR for a total of eighteen, and four in the CHU LAI TAOR for a total of fourteen. Currently 353 Marines, 20 Navy personnel and approximately 811 Popular Forces personnel participate in the program.
2. Two Sub-Units of Headquarters Battalion, Sub-Unit #1 at DA NANG and Sub-Unit #2 at CHU LAI, were assigned the responsibility to exercise administrative control of Marine and Navy personnel assigned to the 1st Marine Division CAC program, all of whom will be transferred to these Sub-Units.
3. Combined Action patrols and ambushes were conducted on a regular basis by all units for a total of 906 patrols and 689 ambushes conducted during the month in the two TAORs.
4. Enemy casualties from CAC contacts for the month were 21 KIA, 16 KIA (P), 7 WIA, 2 VCC and 30 VCS apprehended. Friendly casualties in these actions were 3 USMC KIA, 5 USMC WIA, 1 USN KIA, 1 USN WIA, 7 PF KIA, and 9 PF WIA.
5. Training was conducted on a regular basis, with the overall CAC program showing a marked increase in the hours of training accomplished and in attendance of PF's at training periods. Training of the PF element of CAC platoons is adjusted to the particular needs and requirements of the individual unit.
6. Recognition of the increasing value and potential of this program has resulted in plans for a continuing increase in CAC platoons in both the DA NANG and CHU LAI TAORs. The accomplishment of reorganization goals and the activation of CAC Sub-Units in Headquarters Battalion should lend a stability to this program which will result in its continued growth and improvement.
7. Division Order 049001A was published to provide instructions for the conduct of the Division Combined Action Company Program.

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LOGISTICS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLY

1. The major logistic activity during this reporting period was directed toward the support of combat operations and the introduction of the 11th Motor Transport Battalion and the 1st Armored Amphibian Company into the Republic of Vietnam.
2. The Division Embarkation Officer conducted Embarkation Readiness Inspections on seven units; the Division Supply Inspection/Instruction Team visited three units; and the Division Ordnance Officer conducted technical inspections of two units during this reporting period. Additionally, the Division Surgeon, Engineer Officer, Motor Transport Officer and Food Services Officer conducted informal staff visits and inspections.
3. Quantities of 60mm Illumination and White Phosphorous ammunition became available for issue during December. These cartridges now give the Infantry Company Commander greater selectivity of ammunition for use in his organic 60mm mortars. Heretofore, only the 60mm High Explosive cartridge was available.
4. Throughout the month, Division Embarkation coordinated the airlift of 96.4 short tons of 105mm ammunition from Chu Lai to Tien Phouc. The air movement of 25,600 pounds of supplies for Battery E, 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines from Danang to An Hoa was also coordinated.
5. The 1st Motor Transport Battalion conducted eight tactical convoys outside the Chu Lai TAOR, and the 7th Motor Transport Battalion conducted four tactical convoys outside the TAOR.
6. The receipt of 451 General Purpose Tents during this reporting period helped alleviate a critical shortage of tentage assets. Serviceable General Purpose Tents still remain in short supply, however.
7. As of 18 December 1966, the following FY 67 R&E equipment has been received by this Division:

Nine M48A3 Gun Tanks
One M53 155mm Gun (SP)
One M55 8" Howitzer (SP)
Two M109 155mm Howitzer (SP)
One LVTR1
Three LVTP5 (Command)

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
CIVIL AFFAIRS/CIVIC ACTION
PART II

1. Narrative Summary for the period 1-31 December 1966.

The initial meeting of the Provincial Joint Coordinating Council for Quang Tin Province was conducted at Tam Ky. The meeting was attended by the Chief of Staff and Assistant Chief of Staff G-5 of Task Force X-Ray, the Province Chief, District Chiefs, Provincial Government Officials, Sector Advisor and Representatives of U. S. Civilian Agencies. The meeting covered two main themes: Mission of the Council and Provincial Revolutionary Development achievements for 1966 and plans for 1967.

The first Elders Day Festival sponsored by the 1st Marine Division was conducted. It was hosted jointly by Headquarters Battalion and the 6th AA Platoon, 29th C.A. Company attached to the division. The festival was held at Hoa Minh Village for the people of Hoa My Hamlet. Guest speakers included the Commanding General, 1st Marine Division, Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion, Hoa Vang District Chief and a Chieu Hoi Rallyer. The festival was well received and it is intended to continue these functions throughout the Division TAOR. Operation MISSISSIPPI conducted during the period 29 Nov - 7 Dec generated 2216 refugees. The Assistant G-5 coordinated the efforts of GVN and U. S. agencies to provide for evacuation and temporary care for the refugees pending resettlement.

The Assistant Chief of Staff G-5 conducted a conference with Civic Action Officers in the Danang TAOR. The primary topic of discussion was the necessity for thorough, accurate and timely reporting of contacts with local government officials and other persons commanding respect.

A Flying Tigers Airliner crashed in Binh Thai Hamlet, Hoa Tho Village, Hoa Vang District causing the death of 116 Vietnamese civilians and 4 U.S. civilian crewmen of the airliner; injury to 27 Vietnamese civilians; destruction of 37 houses; damage to 14 houses and a pagoda. Evacuation of the dead and injured and clearing of the area has been completed and was coordinated by the Assistant Chief of Staff G-5. Reconstruction and repair is being planned.

Christmas parties were conducted by units of the division primarily for Christian children. Parties were conducted in coordination with local officials in each case. The largest single affair was conducted by the 1st Tank Bn in Tich Tay Hamlet in the Chu Lai TAOR. 1181 pounds of gifts donated by citizens of Waukegan, Illinois were donated. The project was designated "Operation Keysertown" in honor of the 1st Tank Bn Civic Action NCO, SSgt. William F. Keyser, who arranged for receipt of the gifts and affected coordination with local Vietnamese officials to make the affair a success. The affair received extensive news coverage by various U.S. news media representatives.

VIP visits to the G-5 Section included: Ambassador LODGE; Ambassador KOREN; Congresswoman Mrs. John THOMAS; Congressman Mr. J. O. MARSH; Mr. John E. DAVIS, National Commander American Legion; Lieutenant General CHAPMAN; Lieutenant General KRULAK and Colonel Jose A. MEDRANO El Salvador.

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2. Recapitulation of assistance rendered (Chu Lai & Danang 1-31 December).

SERVICES:

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| Medical treatments (cases) | 35,548 |
| Immunizations (Plague & Cholera) | 500 |
| Medical evacuations (cases) | 72 |
| Dental treatments (cases) | 1,129 |
| Vocational training (students) | 28 |
| English Language Training (student hrs.) | 345 |

COMMODITIES:

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| Food (lbs) | 33,662 |
| Animal feed, garbage (lbs) | 11,600 |
| Toothbrushes | 307 |
| Soap (bars) | 7,215 |
| Clothing (lbs) | 688 |
| Cement (bags) | 40 |
| Lumber/Dunnage (truck loads) | 11 |
| Carpenter kits | 1 |
| Paint (gal) | 11 |
| Vitamins (each) | 508 |
| Sewing kits | 63 |
| School kits | 250 |
| Shower shoes (pr) | 60 |
| Blankets, paper | 480 |
| Blankets, wool | 79 |
| Bulletin boards (constructed) | 2 |
| Hog shelter, built | 1 |
| Toys | 10,120 |

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CIVIL AFFAIRS/PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS
PART II

1. Narrative Summary for the period 1-31 December 1966.

Psychological Operations Exploitation Team (POET): This team continued to prove its value. They again enabled us to take advantage of exploitable situations, i.e., Ralliers, VC terrorist acts, and Civic Action efforts. Leaflets, tapes, and posters were quickly produced and distributed in the areas the incidents occurred.

Kit Carson Scout Program (KCS): These scouts have really proven their worth and have drawn interest in the Highest Command levels during December. The results attributed directly to the efforts of the KCS this period are as follows: VCS - 7; VCC - 14 (includes the 7 VCS later confirmed); VC - KIA 3 (confirmed); mines - 5 (not including a mine field 20x60 meters, unable to be accurately counted); loudspeaker broadcasts - 3; an intangible result but extremely noteworthy was the fact that on one occasion a KCS on patrol with a Company from 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, alerted the CO he was about to be ambushed. The company deployed and was almost immediately taken under fire from a thick hedgerow ahead. The KCS had noted clippings missing from the tree tops and realized that they were being used as camouflage by the VC. No one in the Company had noted this, and the outcome might have been different had not the KCS been so alert. There are seventeen (17) KCS employed with the 1st Marine Division now, and more are being sought, hopefully to reach a total of fifty (50) by April 1967.

Leaflets, Posters, Newspapers: Our efforts to distribute this material have been successful and the rate and numbers distributed have not been greatly effected by the monsoon as was expected. Rewards for information about VC activities, mines, and booby traps were emphasized during December.

Chieu Hoi Program: Our continuous concentrated Psy Ops effort to produce defectors has started to show some results. Fifteen (15) Hoi Chanh (Ralliers) turned in to 1st Marine Division units during December.

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Pledge of Allegiance Cards: To broaden the limited scope of unity and loyalty now focused primarily on and within the Vietnamese family, Major General NICKERSON the Commanding General, 1st Marine Division, has launched a drive to unite all the people regardless of their religious, political or cultural views to support their new government.

Pledge of allegiance cards were produced and are distributed at all dedication ceremonies in which 1st Marine Division units participate. The ceremonies are opened by having the entire assembly stand, place their right hand over their hearts, and recite from the printed cards.

CAM-KẾT TRUNG-THÀNH

TÔI CAM-KẾT TRUNG-THÀNH VỚI LÁ CỜ
VIỆT-NAM, VÀ GIỮ VỮNG
CHẾ-ĐỘ DÂN-CHỦ, MỘT QUỐC-ĐA,
ĐOÀN-KẾT, VỚI TỰ-DO VÀ CÔNG-BẰNG,
CHO TẤT CẢ.

KHI KÉO CỜ, ĐÓ NÓN RA, ĐỂ TAY MẮT LÊN,
NGỰC VÀ ĐỌC LỜI CAM-KẾT TRUNG-THÀNH.

TRANSLATION

FRONT

I pledge allegiance to the flag
of the Republic of Vietnam and
to the democracy for which it
stands, one nation, indivisible,
with liberty and justice for all.

BACK

When the flag is being raised,
take off your hat, put your
right hand on your chest and
read the pledge of allegiance.

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COMPTROLLER FUNCTIONS

Comptroller functions for the month of December continued without any items considered significant enough for comment.

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COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS COMMAND CHRONOLOGY DECEMBER 1966

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Communication operational highlights during December 1966 included activation of additional multichannel voice and teletype circuits, expansion of the Division Danang cable plant, and increase in the employment of the KY-8 secure voice equipment. The first quarter cyclic communication inspection program was completed and test and evaluation were conducted for squad radios AN/PRT-4 and AN/PRR-9 as well as for vehicular mounting kits for radio sets AN/PRC-41 and AN/PRC-47. To overcome operator and technician deficiencies on the teletypewriter set AN/TEG-14A, a one hour course was conducted at each battalion and regimental headquarters. Instruction assistance was provided by the MITE Corporation Technical Representative assigned to the Force Logistics Command. Communication support was provided Senator Stuart SYMINGTON (Dem-Mo) Member, Senate Armed Services and Foreign Relations Committee, during his visit to 1st Marine Division TAOR. Also during December, the Division CEO attended the CG FMFPAC Communication-Electronics Conference at Camp Smith, Hawaii.

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PART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

The following distinguished visitors visited the command during December 1966:

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>BILLET</u> | <u>REASON</u> |
|-------------|--|---|---|
| 1Dec | Amb Henry Cabot LODGE | | Toured 1stMarDiv |
| 6Dec | Mr. John E. DAVIS | NatCmdrAmerLeg | Toured 1stMarDiv |
| 7Dec | Sen Strom THURMOND | | Toured 1stMarDiv |
| 9Dec | LtGen L. F. CHAPMAN | Asst Commandant MGen R. R. MURRAY, AC/S, G-3 HQMC | Toured 1stMarDiv |
| 10Dec | Sen(E) E. F. HOLLINGS | | Toured 1stMarDiv |
| 13Dec | Col J. A. MEDRANO | Cmdr PresMilStaff | Toured 1stMarDiv |
| 14Dec | Amb KOREN | DepAmerAmb to RVN LtGen WALT | Visited AnMy(3) and CAC B2-1 |
| 16Dec | LtGen CHAE MYUNG SHIN | CG, ROKFVN | Toured/lunch 1stMarDiv |
| 17Dec | Mr. J. W. UNGER | NatCmdr DAV | Toured 1stMarDiv |
| 19Dec | BGen G. S. BLANCHARD | USA, ADC, 1stCal(Air) | Toured/lunch 1stMarDiv |
| 20Dec | LtGen L. W. WALT | CG, III MAF | Toured 1st&9th Marines |
| 24Dec | Radm J. W. KELLY | CHC, USN | Dedicated new 1st Marine Division chapel |
| | LtGen Nguyen Huu CO | ARVN, Minister of Def | Visited 3dMedBn |
| 25Dec | Dr. Billy GRAHAM | | Preached at III MAF Amp |
| 26Dec | Mrs. Albert THOMAS Francis Cardinal SPELLMAN | (DTex) Archbishop, Military Ordinate | Toured 1stMarDiv Special Christmas Mass III MAF Amp |
| 27Dec | BGen R. G. OWENS, JR. Mr. J. O. MARSH, JR. | AWC, 1stMAW Member House AppropCom | Toured 1stMarDiv Toured 1stMarDiv Civic Action Projects |
| | Sen STUART SYMINGTON | Member, Senate Armed Services and Foreign Relations Committee | Toured 1stMarDiv |
| 28Dec | Mr. Bob HOPE | | Presented annual Christ- mas Show at the III MAF Amp |

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| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>BILLET</u> | <u>REASON</u> |
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| 30Dec | Dr. Clark KERR LtGen V. H. KRULAK | Pres, U of C, Berkeley CG, FMFPAC | Toured/lunch 1stMarDiv Toured 3d Tank Bn |

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~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ENEMY ACTIVITY

- 8 December: During the night, 2 VC companies attacked the Ba-Ren Bridge (BT 102510) with 10 rounds of 60mm mortars. The VC force was dispersed with negative friendly casualties and with slight damage to the bridge. (Tab B, Part I, PERINTREP #16).
- 9 December: During the morning an estimated 2 VC platoons attacked one platoon of the 606th Regional Forces (RF) Company (AT 927-867), who were guarding the bridge. The two VC platoons were dispersed with unknown number of casualties. (Tab B, Part I, PERINTREP #16).
- 17 December: G/2/5 between 0810H and 1100H at (AT 947536) received 24 rounds small arms fire from an estimated 4-5 VC. An AO/OE overhead reported sighting 5 fighting-holes and 1 man dressed in black PJ's running away. Company G then marked the area and called for an air strike. While waiting for the air strike, Company G received 40 additional rounds of small arms fire and 2 rounds of 60mm mortar. Subsequently the enemy fired 2,000 rounds of small arms, 10 rounds of 60mm mortar and about 100 rounds of .50 caliber from the north resulting in 1 USMC KIA and 3 WIA. Company G then swept the area finding a trench line, fighting holes and mortar positions. It was estimated these fortifications were built for a company size unit. Total VC losses were 3 VC KIA confirmed, 17 VC KIA probable. (Tab B, Part II, PERINTREP #17).
- 19 December: At 1330H, E/2/5 at (AT 955545) received 1,000 rounds of small arms/automatic weapons fire and 10 rounds of RFG rockets fire from an estimated VC reinforced company resulting in 4 Marine casualties. Company E returned 500 rounds of small arms, 2 M-79 rounds, 6 LAAWS, 1,000 rounds automatic weapons and assaulted 75 meters through a rice paddy, treeline and bunker positions and overran the VC position. Enemy losses were 5 VC KIA confirmed, 15 WIA probable, 1 rocket launcher with 3 rounds, 1 BAR, 1 AK-47, 1 ChiCom K-44, 7 grenades, 4 packs and 15 pounds of documents. The VC were wearing camouflaged uniforms and helmets. (Tab B, Part II, PERINTREP #17).
- G/2/5 on the evening of 191815H at (AT 972518) received 1,000 rounds automatic weapons/small arms fire from an estimated company size VC unit resulting in 1 USMC KIA and 5 WIA (3 evacuated). Company G returned 3,000 rounds small arms/automatic weapons, 20 M-79's, 8 LAAWS, 5 3.5" rockets and 20 grenades and closed with the enemy. The VC withdrew to the east. The initial heavy contact ended at 1910H but Marines continued to receive sporadic fire. About 2020H, as resupply and medical evacuation helicopters were in the area, the enemy

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fired 200 rounds of small arms and 8 rounds of 82mm mortar from the north. Fixed wing aircraft conducted an air strike on the suspected mortar position with unknown results. (Tab B, Part II, PERINTREP #17).

- 20 December: E/2/5 on 1555H at (AT 976531) received 3000-4000 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire from an estimated 2 VC companies to their north and southeast. Company E returned 6000 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire, 20 3.5 rockets, 40 LAAWS, 20 60mm mortar and 40 grenades. They were unable to assault due to heavy volume of fire. Company G moved from the west to link up with Company E at 1615H. Both units continued to receive heavy small arms/automatic weapons fire. Company F crossed the river and moved north to join Companies G & E. At 1625H, Company F received heavy fire (AT 983527) but continued to advance north against resistance. An air strike was called by Company G. The volume of enemy fire began to slack off at 1720H and medical evacuation for Company F was able to get in and out at 1830. Medical evacuation and re-supply lifts for the other companies were held off by heavy fire at the landing zone. A link up of all companies was finally effected at 1925H. A flare ship provided illumination while the units consolidated their positions. They continued to receive sporadic small arms fire but due to darkness and the tactical situation, could make no assessment of enemy casualties. Friendly casualties were 3 USMC KIA, 16 WIA (evacuated). (Tab B, Part II, PERINTREP #17).
- 21 December: AT 1130H, a C/1/1 platoon combat patrol engaged a VC unit, reportedly 2 squads totalling 20 men from the Q-15B Company. These squads had just ambushed a PF unit to the southwest and were fleeing when cut off by the C/1/1 platoon (BT 062-588). C/1/1 took the VC under fire with small arms and M-79's resulting in the killing of 14 VC confirmed and 2 VCC (one captured by USMC, the other by ARVN). They also captured 10 individual weapons. There were no Marine casualties. (Tab B, Part II, PERINTREP #17).
- 24 December: At 1445H to 241925H, E/2/5 had 2 separate contacts with VC in an estimated battalion size (350-400 men). Elements of Company G at (AT 955547) received 2500 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire and 20 rounds 82mm mortar fire from (AT 963541) resulting in 2 USMC KIA and 7 WIA (evacuated). The unit in contact returned 4500 rounds small arms fire and directed a fire mission of 79 rounds 155mm on the VC positions. Nearby elements of Company G directed 300 rounds automatic weapons fire at VC's left flank. Fire ceased at

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1630H. Later at 1840H, as Company E was moving to link up with Company G it received 2000 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire from a VC unit and 15 rounds 82mm mortar at (AT 971536) resulting in 2 USMC WIA (evacuated). The unit returned 2500 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire and directed 18 rounds 155mm and 41 rounds of 81mm mortar at the VC positions. Company G sent a platoon to link up with Company E. The VC ceased fire at 1925H. Total USMC casualties for the 2 actions were 2 USMC KIA, 9 WIA (evacuated). VC losses were 9 VC KIA confirmed, 14 KIA probable. (Tab B, Part II, PERINTREP #17).

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ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

- 1 December - CG III MAF informed CG 1st MarDiv that the current artillery allocation for III MAF was appropriate in light of assets available and that additional deployment of artillery units to SVN would not occur during 1967.
Ref: CG III MAF 010816Z Dec66.
- 1 December - Operation SUTTER commenced 010630H Dec66.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 011817Z Dec66.
(Tab D)
- 2 December - CG 1st MarDiv published change one to FRAG ORDER 40-66 which directed the 11th Marines to displace Btry F 2d Bn 11th Marines from QUE SON to AN HOA commencing 021200H Dec. CG TF XRAY was directed to return to CHU LAI the rifle company minus which had been providing security for the battery.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 020245Z Dec66.
- 2 December - CG 1st MarDiv published FRAG ORDER 41-66 which directed the 9th Marines to assume responsibility for the 4th Bn, 503d ABN Inf sector effective 021045H Dec66. The change was necessitated by the return of the 4th Bn, 503d ABN Inf to its parent organization.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 021351Z Dec66.
- 2 December - Ninth Marines informed CG 1st MarDiv that the 3d Bn 9th Marines had assumed responsibility for the 4th Bn, 503d ABN Inf sector effective 021045H Dec66.
Ref: Ninth Marines 020820Z Dec66.
- 2 December - CG 1st MarDiv directed 3d MT Bn to chop 1st Plat Rein, Co C to CG 3d MarDiv for employment with BLT 1/4 and to be prepared to receive and employ the motor transport platoon which was to arrive RVN with BLT 3/26. The 3d Med Bn was also directed to chop a clearing platoon of Co D to CG 3d MarDiv for employment with BLT 1/4.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 022359Z Dec66.
- 3 December - CG 1st MarDiv published FRAG PLAN 41-66 (HOME RUN) which provided plans and forces to exploit special intelligence reports which would pinpoint the location enemy battalion or higher headquarters.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 030715Z Dec66.
- 5 December - CG 1st MarDiv notified CG 3d MarDiv that the clearing platoon of Company D 3d Med Bn would report for OPCON 3d MarDiv as a reinforcing element for BLT 1/4.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 050755Z Dec66.

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- 5 December - CG 3d MarDiv requested CG 1st MarDiv to organize a ROUGH RIDER convoy to bring elements for BLT 1/4 from DA NANG to PHU BAI on 7 Dec 1966.
Ref: CG 3d MarDiv 051407Z Dec66.
- 6 December - CG 1st MarDiv published FRAG ORDER 28-66 which assigned sectors of responsibility and missions to be conducted within the 1st MarDiv area of responsibility.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 060249Z Dec66.
- 6 December - CG 1st MarDiv directed 11th Marines to employ two 105mm howitzers for support of HOME RUN operations. 9th Marines was directed to provide one rifle platoon for security for the howitzers.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 060345Z Dec66.
- 6 December - CG 1st MarDiv directed that a ROUGH RIDER convoy be conducted from DA NANG to PHU BAI on 7 Dec 1966.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 060747Z Dec66.
- 6 December - Operation SUTTER terminated 061800H Dec66.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 061927Z Dec66.
(Tab D)
- 7 December - Operation TRINIDAD I commenced 070630H Dec66.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 070755Z Dec66.
(Tab D)
- 7 December - Operation MISSISSIPPI terminated 071730H Dec66.
Ref: 1st MarDiv COC 171257Z Dec66 .
(Tab D)
- 7 December - CG 1st MarDiv published FRAG ORDER 43-66 which directed that a ROUGH RIDER convoy be conducted from DA NANG to CHU LAI and to return. The convoy was to depart 10 December and to return on or about 11 December.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 071305Z Dec66.
- 7 December - Operation CORTEZ commenced 071200H Dec66.
Ref: 1st MarDiv COC 071931Z Dec66.
(Tab D)
- 7 December - CG III MAF reiterated his policy regarding the use of reconnaissance units within the I Corps Tactical Zone.
Ref: CG III MAF 072314Z Dec66.
- 7 December - Operation TRINIDAD I terminated at 071600H Dec66.
Ref: 1st MarDiv COC 071220Z Dec66.
The forces were moved to a new location to exploit a more lucrative target. This new operation was named TRINIDAD II and commenced 081300H Dec66.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 080847Z Dec66.
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8 December - CG 1st MarDiv published his initiating directive for Operation STERLING.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 080009Z Dec66.

10 December- 1st Marines requested from CG 1st MarDiv that two LVTH-6 be made available for direct support commencing 120800H Dec for an indefinite period. The request was prompted by the extensive water barriers encountered in the western portion of the 1st Bn 1st Marines sector.
Ref: First Marines 100335Z Dec66.

10 December - CG 1st MarDiv initiated Operation HOME RUN at 101735H Dec66.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 101013Z Dec66.

10 December -CG 1st MarDiv published initiating directive for an operation to be conducted by TF XRAY in the MO DUC area.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 101231Z Dec66.

11 December- CG 1st MarDiv published FRAG ORDER 45-66 which directed the deployment of one LVTH platoon (Rein) and one Force Reconnaissance Team for special operations in IV CTZ.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 110255Z Dec66.
(Tab C)

11 December- Operation TRINIDAD II terminated 111600H Dec66.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 110622Z Dec66.

11 December- CG 1st MarDiv directed 2d Bn, 5th Marines to maintain a SPARROW HAWK squad as provided by Division Op Order 304-66. All units were directed to make maximum use of the squads to exploit enemy contact.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 110851Z Dec66.

11 December- Operation STERLING commenced 111200H Dec66.
Ref: 1st MarDiv COC 11423Z Dec66.
(Tab D)

12 December- CG III MAF published planning guidance for January 1967 to CG 1st MarDiv.
Ref: CG III MAF 120326Z Dec66.

12 December- Operation SIERRA commenced 121030H Dec66.
Ref: 1st MarDiv COC 120915Z Dec66.
(Tab D)

12 December- Operation CORTEZ terminated 121700H Dec66.
Ref: 1st MarDiv COC 120627Z Dec66.
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12 December- CG 1st MarDiv directed 11th Marines to make two LVTH-6's available for direct support of the 1st Marines commencing 131200H Dec for an indefinite period.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 120725Z Dec66

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13 December - CG 1st MarDiv issued his planning guidance for the month of January 1967.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 130219Z Dec66.

16 December - Operation STERLING terminated 160800H Dec66.

Ref: 1st MarDiv COC 160841Z Dec66.

(Tab D)

16 December - CG 1st MarDiv published FRAG ORDER 46-66 which activated BLT 3/9 for planning, issued instructions for the rotation of the BLT out of country, and for the relief of 3d Bn 9th Marines by BLT 2/4.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 160917Z Dec66.

(Tab C)

16 December - CG 1st MarDiv published FRAG ORDER 47-66 which directed that a ROUGH RIDER convoy be conducted from DA NANG to CHU LAI and to return during the period 18-19 December 1966.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 160701Z Dec66.

17 December - CG 1st MarDiv published instructions and guidance to the command for a curtailment of military activities during the Christmas truce period between 240700H Dec - 260700H Dec.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 170053Z Dec66.

17 December - Operation GLENN commenced 170930H Dec66.

Ref: 1st MarDiv COC 170553Z Dec66.

(Tab D)

17 December - CG 1st MarDiv terminated Operation HOME RUN which was initiated 10Dec66. Artillery units which displaced for the special operation were ordered to return to their original positions.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 170605Z Dec66.

18 December - CG 1st MarDiv notified CG III MAF of the planned operations for January 1967.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 180001Z Dec66.

19 December - Operation SHASTA II commenced at 190600H Dec66.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 200521Z Dec66.

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21 December - Operation GLENN terminated 210600H Dec66.

Ref: 1st MarDiv COC 211251Z Dec66.

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- 21 December - Operation SHASTA II terminated 211200H Dec66.
Ref: 1st MarDiv COC 211343Z Dec66.
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- 23 December - CG 1st MarDiv published Change One to FRAG ORDER 46-66 which established the Task Organization for BLT 3/9 and issued instructions for the exchange of equipment.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 230825Z Dec66.
- 24 December - CG 1st MarDiv directed all units to be especially alert on Christmas Eve as it has been demonstrated that the VC do not intend to honor the truce.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 240807Z Dec66.
- 25 December - CG 1st MarDiv published Change Two to FRAG ORDER 46-66 deleting Det, 3d Dental Co.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 250519Z Dec66.
- 29 December - CG 1st MarDiv published FRAG ORDER 48-66 which dealt with the relief of ARVN units by Marine units to enable the ARVN units to support the 1967 Revolutionary Development Plan.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 290251Z Dec66.
- 30 December - CG 1st MarDiv published Change Three to FRAG ORDER 46-66 which substituted units in the Task Organization of BLT 3/9.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 300345Z Dec66.
- 30 December - CG 1st MarDiv notified CG TF XRAY that the request to extend the CHU LAI TAOR had been approved.
Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 301450Z Dec66.
- 30 December - 2d Bn 5th Marines assumed responsibility NONG SON coal mine complex and the proposed extended TAOR extension effective 301800H December.
Ref: 2d Bn 5th Marines 310215Z Dec66.

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PLANS

- 6 December - CG 1st MarDiv published OP PLAN 316-66 (GEORGIA I) which provided plans for the reinforcement of the CHU LAI TAOR by a brigade of the 9th Inf Div. CG 1st Mar Div 061031Z Dec 66.
- 10 December- CG 1st MarDiv published OP PLAN 317-66 (GEORGIA II) which provided plans for the assumption of the responsibility of the CHU LAI TAOR by the 9th Inf Div (USA) and the subsequent move of TF XRAY units to the DA NANG TAOR. CG 1st MarDiv 100831Z Dec 66.
- 13 December- CG 1st MarDiv published OP PLAN 318-66 which provided for the relief of a portion of the CHU LAI TAOR by a POK Army regiment and the subsequent move of a Marine infantry regiment (-) from the CHU LAI TAOR to the DA NANG TAOR. CG 1st MarDiv 131011Z Dec 66.
- 16 December- CG 1st MarDiv published OP PLAN 303-66 which established contingency plans for the relief or reinforcement of CIDG camps in the 1st MarDiv area of responsibility.

(Tab F)

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COMBINED ACTION COMPANY PROGRAM

- 6 December - CAC unit D-2 was formed in the 3d Bn 1st Marines sector of the DA NANG TAOR.
- 15 December - CAC units D-4 and D-5 were formed in the 1st Bn 1st Marines sector of the DA NANG TAOR.
- 30 December - CAC unit D-6 was formed in the 2d Bn 1st Marines sector of the DA NANG TAOR.
- 30 December - CAC unit M-2 was formed in the CLDC sector of the CHU LAI TAOR.
- 31 December - CAC units I-4, I-5 and I-6 were formed in the 1st Bn 5th Marines sector of the CHU LAI TAOR.

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LOGISTICS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLY

- 2-4 December 1966 Division Embarkation coordinated the airlift of the 4th Battalion, 503rd Airborne Infantry, 173rd Brigade and Battery B, 3rd Battalion, 319th Artillery, U. S. Army from Danang to Binh Hoa. Thirty-six C-130 aircraft lifts were required for the move.
- 5 December 1966 Division Embarkation coordinated the airlift of 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines from Danang to An Hoa. A total of 389,796 pounds was lifted.
- 6 December 1966 Division Embarkation coordinated the sealift of Headquarters, 11th Marines and elements of 3rd Amphibian Tractor Battalion from Chu Lai to Danang.
- 11 December 1966 Division Embarkation coordinated the airlift of 33.5 short tons of 105mm ammunition to resupply elements of 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines at Minh Long.
- 12 December 1966 Division Motor Transport coordinated a Rough Rider convoy from Danang to Chu Lai.
- 14 December 1966 Division Embarkation coordinated the sealift of elements of the 1st Armored Amphibian Company from Danang to Subic Bay.
- 16-17 December 1966 Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4 and Division Supply Officer attended FMFPac Logistic Conference on Okinawa.
- 21 December 1966 Division Motor Transport coordinated a Rough Rider convoy from Danang to Chu Lai.
- 23 December 1966 Division Embarkation coordinated the sealift of 3rd Bridge Company elements from Danang to Phu Bai.
- 24 December 1966 Division units were warned about possible accidental firing of 106mm rifles on the M50A1 QNTOS due to worn firing mechanism parts.
- Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 241115Z Dec 66 (C)
- 24 December 1966 1st Medical Battalion assumed responsibility for the Danang Medical Facility formerly run by 3rd Medical Battalion.

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- 24 December 1966 Division Embarkation coordinated the sealift of 3rd Bridge Company elements from Danang to Dong Ha.
- 28 December 1966 Road safety regulations were published for both the Chu Lai and Danang TAOs. These regulations are designed to reduce the frequency of sniper and ambush activity by requiring vehicles to travel in pairs with two occupants per vehicle wearing helmets and upper torso body armor. At least one occupant must be armed with a rifle.
- Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 280909Z Dec 66 (C)
- 28-29 December 1966 Division Embarkation coordinated the offloading of the 1st Marine Division December Draft from the USS GAFFEY and USS ELTINGE at Danang.
- 29 December 1966 Elements of the 11th Motor Transport Battalion began entering the Republic of Vietnam at Danang.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
CIVIL AFFAIRS/CIVIC ACTION
PART III

1. Sequential listing of significant events for the period 1-31 December 1966
- 1 Dec 1966 First Joint Coordinating Council for Quang Tin Province was conducted.
- 3 Dec 1966 First Elder's Day Festival conducted by 1st MarDiv Units.
- 21 Dec 1966 AC/S G-5 conducted conference with Civic Action Officers, Danang TAOR.
- 24 Dec 1966 Airliner crashed in Binh Thai Hamlet causing death, injury and destruction.
- 25 Dec 1966 Christmas parties conducted for Vietnamese children.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS
PART III

1. Sequential listing of significant events for the period 1-31 December 1966.

- 1 Dec 1966 6 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
 - 175,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
 - 50,000 Safe Conduct Passes
 - 25,000 VC use women as shields
 - 250,000 Showing how a Vietnamese bus hit a VC mine and injured innocent people
- 2 Dec 1966 3 ralliers turned into L/3/9 and leaflets and tapes are being made to use against the VC.
 4 new Kit Carson Scouts (KCS) were assigned. 2 each to the 1st and 9th Marines. Total now 16.
 KCS convinced residents of Hamlet of Phong Le (1) to move to collection point after repeated tries by interpreter had failed. 6 VCS found.
 B/1/26 distributed 75 leaflets at AT927538: theme, "Marines are friends of civilians"
- 3 Dec 1966 9th Mar broadcasts reported to be annoying VC in area, causing them to threaten Vietnamese
- 4 Dec 1966 A broadcast was made in market place at Thanh Quit (2) concerning VC wounding 3 civilians, about 500 people listened and received message well (favorable reaction).
- 5 Dec 1966 9 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
 - 335,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals and Safe Conduct Passes
- 6 Dec 1966 Aerial Observers dropped 5,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals and Safe Conduct Passes
- 7 Dec 1966 7 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
 - 360,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
 - 200,000 Rewards for Mines and Boobytraps
 - 60,000 Choice of Peace or Death
 - 30,000 Safe Conduct Passes
- 8 Dec 1966 10 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
 - 693,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
 - 145,000 Safe Conduct Passes
 - 25,000 Refugee comments about treatment
 - 25,000 Rallier comments about how they were received

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9 Dec 1966 8 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
 300,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
 75,000 Safe Conduct Passes
 35,000 Recent rallier comments on how they were treated
 2 aerial broadcasts were conducted with no results reported

10 Dec 1966 7 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
 170,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
 45,000 Safe Conduct Passes
 25,000 VC mines kill innocent women and children
 40,000 Don't fire at Marines

11 Dec 1966 1 Psy War broadcast at AT963625
 4 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
 140,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
 20,000 Safe Conduct Passes
 25,000 VC mines kill innocent people
 25,000 VC steal people's rice
 60,000 Weapons reward

KCS found 2 mines and identified 10 VCS

12 Dec 1966 3,000 rewards for mines and boobytraps distributed by
 2/1 patrols
 3 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
 250,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
 70,000 Safe Conduct Passes

13 Dec 1966 6 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
 400,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
 65,000 Safe Conduct Passes
 30,000 Appeal for VC to return to GVN
 An audio/visual team was utilized for 30 minutes today in an
 aerial broadcast role: theme, Chieu Hoi tapes and announcement
 of MEDCAP's.

14 Dec 1966 Loudspeaker broadcast by a Chieu Hoi Rallier while observing
 air strike in distance explaining that VC are the ones who
 caused it when they are allowed to hide in the hamlets.

15 Dec 1966 6 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
 20,000 Overwhelming power against VC
 20,000 Warning villagers, "Do not run"
 40,000 Fear of death by bombing
 230,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
 60,000 Safe Conduct Passes
 30,000 Showing how a VC bus hit a VC mine injuring innocent
 people
 50,000 Weapons Rewards
 25,000 Boobytraps and mines kill innocent people

KCS confirmed 1 VC

1 new KCS selected and placed with 9th Mar. Total now 17.

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- 16 Dec 1966 KCS pointed out a mine field for 2/1.
1 aerial leaflet drop today consisting of 110,000 Chieu Hoi Appeal and Safe Conduct Passes
- 17 Dec 1966 KCS confirmed 2 VC POW's and participated in patrols
2 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
300,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals, Weapons Reward, Cooperate with the Marines and Mines Reward
- 18 Dec 1966 1 aerial leaflet drop made today comprised of 160,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals and Safe conduct Passes
- 19 Dec 1966 6 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
125,000 GVN gives better life and Chieu Hoi Appeals
170,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals and Weapons Reward
25,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
- 20 Dec 1966 KCS, utilized in operation GLENN, broadcast appeals day and night.
2 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
20,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals.
Marines distributed following leaflets, in addition to newspapers and magazines:
1,600 Chieu Hoi Appeals
1,000 Don't run from Marines
1,000 Rewards for Weapons
- 21 Dec 1966 5 aerial leaflet drops comprised of the following were made:
240,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals and Weapons Reward
10,000 Safe Conduct Passes
30,000 VC mines destroy innocent people
50,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
10,000 Thought provoking leaflets to raise doubt about the VC cause
KCS identified 1 VCC and 2 VCS during operation GLENN.
KCS also used for Chieu Hoi Appeals and audio broadcasts.
Marines passed out 1,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals and 1,000 Safe Conduct Passes.
- 22 Dec 1966 1 aerial leaflet drop was made today comprised of the following:
20,000 Safe Conduct Passes
30,000 Letters from captured VC stating how they were treated
25,000 Explanation for Allied Forces in Vietnam
35,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
Marines distributed 6,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals and 1,000 Safe Conduct Passes.
- 23 Dec 1966 Marines distributed 1,000 "Don't run from Marines!" leaflets

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24 Dec 1966 Marines passed out 1,000 Chieu Hoi and 1,000 "Don't run from Marines" leaflets

KCS distributed literature and told of VC life before a County Fair gathering.

25 Dec 1966 1 hour broadcast by KCS. Theme: Chieu Hoi and Life with RVN.

26 Dec 1966 4 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following:
225,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
250,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals and Allied Power against VC leaflets mixed

1st Mar distributed 4,000 Chieu Hoi appeal leaflets

A Psy War team utilizing KCS, broadcast for about 2 hours after a helicopter received small arms fire, theme: explaining to people that the VC who fired at helicopter would cause artillery and air bombardment and that to protect the innocent they were asked to withdraw their support of the VC.

27 Dec 1966 Marines passed out 4,000 Chieu Hoi Appeal leaflets today while on patrols.

28 Dec 1966 Marines distributed 1,000 Chieu Hoi Appeal and Weapons Reward leaflet today.

29 Dec 1966 10 aerial leaflet drops were made today comprised of the following leaflet mixtures:
520,000 GVN offer better life, Chieu Hoi Appeals, and rewards for weapons and mines
100,000 Don't harbor VC, Don't let VC fire from your village, Chieu Hoi Appeal and Rewards for Weapons and Mines
400,000 Chieu Hoi Appeal and Rewards for Mines and Boobytraps

Marines from 2/1 handed out 24,000 Chieu Hoi Appeal, Don't run from Marines and Safe Conduct Passes in 24 different positions (this is to replace those destroyed by VC collection teams and the elements of nature).

30 Dec 1966 There were 3 aerial leaflet drops today which contained a mixture of 320,000 leaflets: Rewards for Mines and Boobytraps, Safe Conduct Passes and Chieu Hoi Appeals.

KCS utilized to broadcast to people telling of the futility of the VC and Chieu Hoi Appeal

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31 Dec 1966 Marines passed out the following leaflets today:

- 4,000 Chieu Hoi Appeals
- 2,000 Rewards for Weapons
- 2,000 Safe Conduct Passes
- 1,000 Don't run from Marines

4 KCS wrote letters to their friends in the VC ranks explaining how to rally and how happy they were.

A VC Plt Ldr who had defected made a tape for broadcasts explaining treatment and how VC cause was unjust. Also, made statement to be utilized on leaflets.

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COMMUNICATIONS - ELECTRONICS
 SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

5 Dec 66

AN/MRC-62 and AN/TSC-15 multichannel circuit activated between Division Hqs Danang and 2d Bn, 5th Marines and Artillery Group AN/HOA.

8 Dec 66

AN/TSC-14A technical and operation school at each Bn and Regt'l Hqs by Mr. SHERIDAN MITE Corporation Technical representative with FLC.

Ref: CG III MAF ltr 10B/yas over 2000 dtd 26 Nov 66.

12 Dec 66

Reterminated NAVCOMOPNET from Chu Lai to Danang.

Ref: CG III MAF msg 090256Z Dec 66 (C)

18 Dec 66

Terminated DCS TT circuit between Division Hq Danang and new Danang DCS relay.

Ref: COMUSMACV 011120Z Dec 66 (C)

21 Dec 66

Completed 1st Qtr Comm Cyclic Inspections

Ref: 1st MarDiv memo 10/FLB/wha dtd 23 Nov 1966.

CG ltr 10/ADF/wha over 2050 dtd 26 Sep 66

25 Dec 66

Completed Test and Evaluation of Squad Radios AN/PRT-4 and AN/PRR-9.

Ref: ADMINO FMFPAC 230112Z Nov 66 (C)

CG 1st MarDiv ltr 10/FLB/wha 3900 dtd 25 Dec 1966

25 Dec 66

Comm Support provided Senator Stuart SYMINGTON (DEM-Mo) Member, Senate Armed Forces Committee.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 251211Z Dec 66 (C)

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27 Dec 66

Activated AN/TRC-97 Multichannel Circuit
between Division Hq Danang and TF X-RAY
Chu Lai.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 180729Z Dec 66 (C)

31 Dec 66

Completed Test and Evaluation Vehicle
Mounting Kits for Radio Sets AN/PRC-41
and AN/PRC-47.

Ref: CG 1st MarDiv 030515Z Jan 67 (UNCLAS
EFTO) msg report

CG 1st MarDiv ltr 10/FLE/11g over 3900
dtd 4 Jan 1967 (follow up ltr report)

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TASK ORGANIZATION

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1. TASK ORGANIZATION AS OF 31DEC66 FOLLOWS:

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2ND BN (-) REIN, 12TH MAR

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| CO A, 1ST MT BN | DO |
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| CO A (-), 3RD AMTRAC BN | DO |
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1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
Da Nang, Republic of Vietnam
151600H December 1966

PERINTREP NO. 16

Period Covered: 301200H November to 141200H December 1966

Ref: (a) Maps: Vietnam AMS Series L701 and L7014

1. GENERAL ENEMY SITUATION

A. Adjacent Areas

(1) After a period of comparative lull, enemy activity increased considerably during the past week. Interdiction along Route # 1 has been stepped up and on 10 December, several ARVN positions between Hue and Quang Tri were hit simultaneously. The scale of the action indicated main force involvement, believed to have been the 6th NVA Regiment. No forces additional to the 804th are believed located along the Thua Thien - Quang Nam border.

(2) Enemy forces in Binh Dinh province are believed in a defensive and training phase in central and northern Binh Dinh province. According to a defector at Ba To, the 2nd Regiment has crossed the border and is presently in southern Quang Ngai province.

(3) A new division has been accepted as probably in existence in the Kontum - Pleiku area. This division, the 10th, is believed composed of previously independent and newly infiltrated regiments. The 24th Regiment which had been reported possibly moving to Quang Ngai province has been located by captive statements in western Kontum province.

B. First Marine Division's Area of Responsibility

(1) Quang Nam Province. Enemy activity has increased markedly throughout the southern part of the TAOR. Thung Duc Special Forces camp was mortared twice and a further attempt was made on the Vinh Dinh power plant. 2/5 in particular had significant contacts in the An Hoa area. Reports of enemy intentions to attack the Da Nang air base were unusually rife during the reporting period. Agent reports and defectors report that the T-89 (AKA 402nd) Sapper Battalion moved to the vicinity of (ZC 1140) after Operation Allegheny destroyed their former base area. The battalion is further reported now to possess 120mm mortars. The battalion is believed possibly to have moved to a position in the mountains south of the TAOR where it has been working with the R.20 and V.25 Battalions reportedly in preparation for some later attack. Elements of

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one or several of these three battalions are believed to be responsible for the increase of comparatively heavy contacts in the 2/5 area.

(2) Quang Tin Province. The increase in enemy activity noted in Quang Nam extended to this province, although not to the northern portion of the Chu Lai TAOR. Most spectacular in terms of activity was the 13-14 December attack on Tam Ky during which several points in that area were attacked simultaneously not without some degree of success. A force of regimental size, possibly the 21st NVA Regiment, is believed responsible for the attack. Significant contact was also made out of the Tien Phuoc CIDG camp during the past fortnight. The 21st NVA Regiment, presumably the 2nd Division CP and possibly the 3rd NVA Regiment are in this province.

(3) Quang Ngai Province. Quang Ngai province experienced its share of enemy activity with solid contacts made out of the Tra Bong and Ba To CIDG camps, mortar incidents at Mo Duc and in the southern part of the Chu Lai TAOR and increased road interdiction. A rallier to the KMC's, whose identity and unit association have yet to be verified, claims to be from the 3rd NVA Regiment indicating the possible movement of that regiment to Quang Ngai province. A recon member of the 3rd Division rallied at Ba To and indicated that the 2nd Regiment was located in Vuc Lien (BS 6536) with the 22nd NVA Regiment within reinforcing distance in the northern An Lao valley. Light contact has so far been made in Operation Sierra in the Mo Duc area.

C. General Statement. The increased incidence of significant contacts indicates, at the least, a new willingness on the part of the enemy to attack on a limited scale and to hazard engagement with friendly forces. The ultimate intent of the increased activity has yet to be clearly discerned. It may be that this represents no more than the resumption of normal operations after a period of unusual quiet. The Tam Ky attack demonstrates that, despite the generally poor personnel and logistic posture of the enemy, he still is willing to attack comparatively fortified positions in strength. It is uncertain whether this attack was a one-shot affair or part of a more extended campaign of limited offensives against selected targets. The recent increase and the activity that possibly will ensue may be coordinated with the long-expected offensive in the DMZ area. The introduction of additional forces into Quang Ngai province, as indicated by recent ralliers, suggests that the objective for the presumed diversionary attack may be in this province. The activity of the past fortnight is largely the result of an intensification of activity on the part of guerrilla, local and sapper elements throughout the coastal lowlands. It is too early to say whether the possible, indeed probable, involvement of main force units in some of the recent contacts indicates a continuing intensification coordinated with guerrilla, local and sapper forces and/or with a major offensive across the DMZ or whether the main force participation is a one-time affair largely unrelated to other activity and usually not followed by further attacks.

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Past behavior of the 2nd Division would indicate that the latter is the case.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING THE PERIOD

A. Strength and Dispositions

(1) See Annex A.

(2) A compilation of interrogations reports of captives and ralliers from the 1st VC Regiment taken in Operation Rio Blanco has revealed the following information. The regiment is reported now to consist of 4 rifle battalions (the 40th, 60th, 70th and 90th) together with six separate companies (recon, signal, sapper, mortar, anti-tank and anti-air). The 70th Battalion was reported administratively absorbed in February 1966 and came under the operational control of the regiment in April or May, and is reported as formerly a Quang Ngai Provincial Force Battalion. Based on these reports a summary of the 70th Battalion activity have been compiled below for the purpose of a recapitulation analysis.

(a) The 70th battalion was originally organic to the 1st VC Regiment until early 1964 when it was detached to become the Quang Tin Provincial Mobile Battalion. As a provincial force, its normal operation area was northern Quang Tin in the Thang Binh - Que Son District areas. In early September 1966 low level agents began reporting with some consistency that the battalion was operating west of Tam Ky.

(b) An MR-V rallier of 20 October stated that the 70th Battalion was an independent unit subordinate to the 2nd Division; and, although still operating in Quang Tin, would soon join the 1st Regiment in Quang Ngai where the 1st Regiment was to form a five battalion brigade, although thus far only four battalions, 40th (ARM 00th), 60th, 70th and 90th, have been reported with the 1st VC Regiment, (see 40th Battalion below).

(c) Documents from a USMC contact with VC elements revealed a 307th unit, believed possibly to be the 3rd Company of the 70th Battalion. This contact took place on 20 November in the Que Son - Thang Binh area.

(d) During Operation Rio Blanco, a warrant officer (supply finance) from the 60th Battalion, 1st Regiment defected to the ROKMC on 24 November at Nui Tron CP. He stated that a Quang Ngai Provincial Battalion was designated 70th Battalion and attached to the 1st Regiment during February 1966. He further stated that on 20 November the CP of the 70th Battalion was located at (BS 498614). Documents with the Warrant Officer defector also mentioned the 70th Battalion along

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with other elements of the 1st VC Regiment, listing secret names of the units, this rallier stated the 70th Battalion was not the 48th Battalion.

(e) At least two other defectors from the 1st Regiment about 1 December claimed the 70th Battalion was part of the 1st VC Regiment and was in the Operation Rio Blanco area. Another defector from the 90th Battalion, 1st VC Regiment on 3 December reported never having heard of the 70th Battalion and meanwhile low level agent reports continue to locate the 70th Battalion in the area of west Tam Ky, in Quang Tin province.

(f) A related subject: there is very strong evidence that the 48th Battalion assisted the attack on the 90th Company, ROKMC on 20 November, vicinity (BS 565774). Judging from similar instances when the 48th Battalion reportedly crossed the Tra Khuc river and attacked friendly units, the Battalion probably retreated immediately to its normal operating area in Ma Duc district. Agent reports continue to place the 48th Battalion in its normal operating area, while other low level agent reports indicate a 48th Battalion having been redesignated the 50th Battalion and operating with the 1st Regiment. This designation of 50th Battalion would fit into the designation of other battalions in the 1st VC Regiment, and could well have been the 5th Battalion to form the brigade mentioned by the MR-V rallier. However this plan is reported to have been scuttled because of insufficient personnel plus logistic problems.

(g) Conclusion: From the evidence at hand, it cannot be determined at this time whether there are now two units designated the 70th Battalion, or whether the possible 70th Battalion has in fact moved to Quang Ngai and is operating with the 1st Regiment in its original capacity. The bulk of evidence favors the latter.

(3) Tran Thanh, platoon leader of the Sao Vang recon platoon, 3rd NVA Division (AKA 610th Division) who was captured near Ba To USSF camp on 30 November 1966 states that he was in the area for the purpose of conducting an up-to-date recon of that area and further that a recon group of MR-V Headquarters has been located in the area for nearly a year acquiring detailed information on disposition and activity in and around the Ba To area. The purpose of these recon missions being an impending attack. On the 2-3 of December 1966 a cadre delegation of the 3rd NVA Division Headquarters and 2nd VC Regiment Headquarters were to observe this area and decide on a plan for the date and time of attack.

The 2nd Regiment will be used for the main attack while the 22nd NVA Regiment will be used to attack any reinforcements coming from the direction of Highway # 1 (East). Thanh believes that the 2nd VC Regiment at present was moved to the vicinity of Vuo Lien (BS 640370) and the 22nd NVA Regiment is located vicinity (BS 760160).

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Thanh further mentioned that on 25 November another recon group from the 3rd NVA Division were to reconnoiter the area of Gia Vuc USSF camp. Detailed information of this reconnaissance were unknown. Comment: RF Forces of 300 men from Ba To USSF Camp made contact at 100910H with an estimated VC battalion vicinity of (BS 600402) and recent agent reports of elements of the 3rd NVA Division moving into southern Quang Ngai province further substantiate this information as probably true. Ballier interrogation of Dieu, squad leader, 1st Squad, 1st Platoon, 1st Company, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Regiment, 3rd (NVA) Division who defected to Thach Tru outpost on 29 November located his unit vicinity (BS 748280). (See paragraph C (1) below, Reserves and Reinforcements)

B. Order of Battle

(1) See Annex A.

(2) See Annex B (History and Organization of the 402nd Sapper Battalion).

C. Reserves and Reinforcements. Nguyen Van Dieu, Squad Leader, 1st Squad, 1st Platoon, 1st Company, 3rd Battalion, 3rd NVA Regiment, 3rd NVA Division who defected to Thach Tru outpost on 29 November gave the following information on his unit which reads in substance that Dieu left his unit on or about 22 November when his unit was located vicinity (BS 748280). Other elements of the regiment were generally located: Regimental CP (BS 759278), 1st Battalion (BS 765273) and the 2nd Battalion (BS 765290). Dieu stated that the regiment left Binh Dinh province on or about 10 November for the purpose of recuperating and the collection of rice location some place east of the regiment's present position. Comment: Elements of the 3rd NVA Division have been reported several times within the last few months located vicinity of the Binh Dinh/Quang Ngai province boundary and have been reported crossing into Quang Ngai province (see paragraph A.(3) above). Based on this information and passed reports, it is considered probable that this regiment may now be moving or have moved into southern Quang Ngai to reinforce and support the 1st VC Regiment and those elements of the 2nd VC Regiment reported preparing to launch attacks on Ba To and possible Gia Vuc USSF camps.

D. New Enemy Tactics. Negative

E. Administrative and Political Units. Negative

F. Anti-Air Activity. There were a total of thirteen incidents of intense small arms/automatic weapons fire being received by aircraft/helicopters during the subject period. These occurred on 4 December at (BT 1345) and (BS 9322); 7 December at (BT 0551) and (BT 296101); 8 December at (BS 789415), (BT 026605), (AT 992591), (AT 924515) and (BS 323868); 10 December at (ZE 1755) and (AT 968520); 12 December at (BT 1617); and on 13 December at (BS 600448). Tracers were in evidence on incidents of 7 and 8 December. There were no reports of .50 caliber machine gun fire.

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G. Anti-Personnel/Anti-Tank Mine Activity. During the subject period there were a total of 44 mine and booby trap incidents within the TACR's. There was one mine incident of significance when a truck from I/3/11 hit a command detonated type mine which destroyed both the truck and bridge that it was crossing.

H. Artillery/Mortar/RR Activity. There were a total of seven mortar attacks during the subject period within the TACR's. On 2 December, Coastal Group 16 base received unknown number of 57mm RR's and 60mm mortars from an estimated VC company located 500 meters west of the base. Sporadic small arms fire was also received. The VC dispersed when ARVN artillery support was received. On 8 December, F/2/5 received six rounds 60mm mortars and approximately 1000 rounds small arms fire. There were two mortar incidents on the 9th December. In one case, G/2/5 received what was believed to be one round 57mm RR and 30 rounds small arms fire, and in the other E/2/5 received eight rounds 82mm mortar and heavy small arms fire. On 10 December, G/2/5 received two rounds 60mm mortar rounds and approximately 200 rounds of small arms. On 12 December, again two mortar incidents took place, I/3/1 received three rounds 60mm mortar and approximately 920 rounds of small arms fire. On the other incident, F/2/7 received two rounds 60mm mortar followed by one grenade and 8 rounds small arms fire. On 13 December, F/2/5 S&D received 250 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire resulting in one USMC KIA and one USMC WIA (evac). While waiting for the helicopter, Co E received 5-6 rounds 60mm mortar. Air strike was requested and the VC dispersed. During search, Co "E" found 15 rounds 57mm rounds and 50 pounds of plastic explosive in a dugout. Also 2 VC bodies dressed in black and gray uniforms. On 7 December, Thuong Luc District Headquarters received mortar and small arms fire. Again on the 9th December, the Thuong Luc District Headquarters received 20 rounds of 82mm mortar rounds.

I. Interdiction Activities. On 5 December, an unknown number of VC ambushed a train at (AT 947898). The train received heavy small arms and automatic fire and struck a mine while in a tunnel resulting in four cars derailed. On 10 December, the bridge at (AT 932891) was 30% destroyed and made impassable along with the bridge at (AT 933521) which was 50% destroyed on the same day. VC forces in both of these incidents were unknown.

J. Guerrilla Activity. During the period there were a total of 242 incidents of harassing small arms fire, 23 grenade incidents, 4 acts of sabotage and 3 M-79 incidents in the TACR's. There were 3 incidents where the enemy used machine guns against Marines. On two occasions on 4 December, M/3/1 received .50 caliber machine gun fire. Marines returned fire and the VC withdrew.

K. Guided Missiles. Negative

L. Infantry.

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(1) On the morning of the 8th, an estimated VC platoon launched a coordinated attack on A/1/7 CAC L-4 position. Prior to the attack, 10-15 VC infiltrated the combat base from the northeast; entrance was gained through a hole in the fence and a gate opened by a VC sympathizer. The VC inside the position used approximately 20 grenades while an unknown number of VC outside the position fired approximately 1000 rounds of small arms and automatic weapons fire, then withdrew northwest. Marines and PF's pursued by fire resulting in one VC KIA confirmed.

(2) On the night of 8 December, 2 VC companies attacked the Ba-Ren Bridge (BT 102510) with 10 rounds 60mm mortars. The VC force was dispersed with negative friendly casualties with slight damage to the bridge. The identity of the VC unit engaged is as yet unknown.

(3) On the morning of the 9th, an estimated 2 VC platoons attacked one platoon of the 606th RF Company (AT 927867), who were guarding the bridge. The two VC platoons were dispersed with unknown number casualties.

M. Reconnaissance. Negative

N. Infiltration. Negative

O. Other Elements. Negative

3. OTHER INTELLIGENCE FACTORS

A. Enemy Organization and Combat Efficiency. Enemy organization and combat efficiency within the tri-province area remains the same for all units. Reports still tend to indicate that most units are still having a leadership problem at company level due to the loss of officers and the recruitment of replacements from the ranks of personnel with insufficient combat experience and training. One notable report is that of the 402nd Sapper Battalion which had been in the past accepted as having five to six companies of 100 men each. Recent reports indicate that this unit may have split forces to form 2 sapper units, the T-89 (AKA for the 402) with three companies and the reported T-87 with three companies (see Annex B). If this information is true, it may be their intent to establish a more flexible task organization for greater support to VCMF units located in and around the Da Nang Combat Base.

B. New Unit Identification. Negative

C. New Enemy Weapons and Equipment. MACV report (C): Grenades similar to US type MK 3 have been found in Phong Dinh Province. They are equipped with a time delay fuze feature of up to six hours. These grenades have been placed near US compounds to apparently lure souvenir collectors.

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D. Personalities. Negative

E. Enemy Losses. During the subject period, VC losses within the Da Nang and Chu Lai TAOR's totalled 91 VC KIA confirmed, 119 VC KIA probable, 23 VCC and 230 VCS. VC casualties on Operation Mississippi, which commenced at 291030H November 1966 and terminated 071730H December, totalled 8 VC KIA confirmed, 9 KIA probable, 19 VCC, 13 Ralliers and 15 VCS. Enemy losses for Operation Sutter, which commenced on 010630H and terminated 081800H December 1966 totalled 13 VC KIA confirmed, 1 VCC and 6 VCS. Operation Trinidad Phase I, which commenced at 070730H and terminated 071600H December, were 1 KIA probable and 13 VCS. Operation Cortes, which commenced at 071300H and terminated 121850H December, were 1 VCC and 14 VCS. Enemy losses for Operation Trinidad Phase II, which commenced at 081300H and terminated at 111600H December, totalled 33 KIA confirmed, 10 VC KIA probable, 27 VCC and 6 VCS. Other operations are Operation Sterling, which commenced at 111200H December and is still in progress, are 16 VCS; and Operation Sierra, which commenced at 120600H December and is still in progress, with 8 VC KIA confirmed, 10 VC probable and 11 VCS.

F. Morale. During the subject period, several defector reports indicate VC morale within the tri-province area still remains in a low state for the usual reasons such as air and artillery attacks, shortage of food, high incidence of disease and general lack of medicine, supplemented by a general lack of faith in officers and NCO's for their shortcomings in leadership and training.

G. Details of Administrative Installations and Support. Duc Duc district VC runner captured on 1 December gave information on the location of administrative and locations of installations in that area. He stated that when Marines were seen on current operations (Mississippi), a VCMF platoon (50 men) fled to the Hon Tau mountains vicinity (AT 9738). In October of this year all the people of the captive's hamlet carried rice in large amount (exact amount unknown) to the base of the Hon Tau mountains and left it there. Also on 4 September 1966, approximately 200 wounded NVA soldiers came to the captive's hamlet overnight and were carried/taken to the mountains, possibly Hon Tau mountains (exact location unknown), but captive thinks it's the same area where the rice was taken because the people were gone only one day.

(2) A squad leader from Quang Ngai Provincial Headquarters who defected on 9 December gave some information on the location of certain administrative and logistic installations. He stated that there is a cache located at (BS 616456), supply depot serving the headquarters located (BS 645642), large provincial hospital with 1 doctor, 60 nurses and 100 patients at (BS 625464).

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(3) ITT interrogation report obtained from 4 captives and 3 ralliers on Operation Mississippi that a central rice collection point is located at Tu Tan (AT 932371).

H. Terrain. Negative

I. Weather. The weather in the TAOR's from 301200H November to 141200H December 1966 was generally cloudy with rain and/or scattered showers. The average maximum and minimum temperatures were 79 degrees and 71 degrees respectively. Mean humidity was 82%. Visibility averaged 7 miles. There was 1.98 inches of rainfall during the subject period. The wind tended to blow in a northerly direction with a velocity of 8-10 knots during the first part of the period and in a north-easterly direction with a velocity of 5 knots during the latter part of the period.

J. Intelligence Operations. Negative

4. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE. Negative

5. CAPABILITIES AND VULNERABILITIES

A. Capabilities

(1) With a redistribution of force, the enemy can attack the Da Nang Combat Base with a division minus consisting of two less than combat efficient regiments (3rd NVA and 21st NVA), supported by combat support and combat service support battalions. The enemy can deploy in his attack, or reinforce, with two battalions from Quang Nam (R.20 and V.25), the 804th Battalion from Thua Thien, and the 402nd Sapper Battalion in Quang Nam province.

(2) With a redistribution of force, the enemy can attack the Chu Lai Combat Base with a division consisting of three infantry regiments, (1st VC, 3rd NVA and 21st NVA), two less than combat efficient, supported by combat support and combat service support battalions. The enemy can deploy in his attack, or reinforce, with one battalion from Quang Tin (72nd), two battalions (38th and 46th) and the 409th Sapper Battalion from Quang Ngai.

(3) Attack CIDG camps, district towns, provincial capitals and vulnerable ARVN outposts, singly or several, simultaneously, in strength of one or more reinforced regiments.

(4) Covertly infiltrate and attack friendly positions with sapper elements in platoon or company strength, particularly those proximate to or guarding villages, bridges, artillery positions, fuel and ammo dumps and airfields.

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(5) Introduce into the 1st Marine Division Area of Responsibility the 6th NVA Regiment from Thua Thien province within 5 days after movement commences, the 3rd Division from Binh Dinh province within 1 day after movement commences and the 1st Division from Pleiku province within 10 days after movement commences.

(6) Harass friendly forces and installations with small arms, grenades, mortars, booby traps and small ambushes at a time and place of the enemy's choice utilizing his guerrilla and local forces.

(7) Interdict lines of communication throughout Quang Nam, Quang Tin and Quang Ngai provinces, particularly National Route # 1, Liberty Road and the railroad lines in Hai Van Pass area at a time and place of the enemy's choice, using trained demolitions personnel working in conjunction with guerrilla and local forces.

(8) Conduct political agitation and propaganda, combined with a selective use of politically-inspired violence, including assassination, terrorism and sabotage in an effort to thwart the Revolutionary Development Program.

(9) Evade significant contact with friendly forces to protect the integrity of his force while awaiting more favorable circumstances for offensive operations or repeated harassment, to include at least periods of reduced visibility.

(10) Continue to improve his force structure by introducing personnel and material resources from North Viet Nam into the 1st Marine Division Area of Responsibility.

B. Probable Enemy Course of Action

(1) Continue to utilize local and guerrilla forces for harassment and political violence throughout the three provinces, interspersed with raids on selected key installations and positions within the Combat Bases and infrequent reinforced battalion size attacks on isolated outposts elsewhere. Continue interdiction of lines of communication with emphasis on National Route #1, Liberty Road and the Hai Van Pass area. Concurrently, continue to improve his force structure and to evade significant contact with friendly forces whenever possible.

(2) Attack district towns, CIDG camps and isolated ARVN outposts, singly or several, simultaneously, in up to reinforced regimental strength probably with the further objective of ambushing relief/reaction forces.

(3) Attack friendly forces within the southern half of the Da Nang Combat Base in up to reinforced battalion strength.

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(4) Attack installations and forces in the Chu Lai Combat Base, Tam Ky or Quang Ngai city in up to reinforced regimental strength.

(5) Attack the An Hoa industrial complex in reinforced regimental strength.

(6) Attack the Chu Lai Combat Base with the forces enumerated in capability (2) above.

(7) Attack the Da Nang Combat Base with the forces enumerated in capability (1) above.

(8) Introduce elements of the 6th NVA Regiment or 1st Division into the three province area.

C. Vulnerabilities. The enemy has four major vulnerabilities.

(1) The enemy is vulnerable to air attack at all times. His logistic system and supply bases are always vulnerable to interdiction and destruction by air. Unless properly concealed, his movements and bivouac sites are constantly in danger of air strikes.

(2) The enemy is vulnerable to psychological warfare operations. Life for the Viet Cong is hard at best and filled with deprivation and danger. This constant difficulty and peril, the lack of dedication on the part of the rank and file, as well as some of the cadre, plus the proffered leniency of the Chieu Hoi Program, combine to make the enemy unusually susceptible to exploitation by psychological warfare techniques.

(3) The enemy is vulnerable to rapid, bold and unexpected maneuvers in the developing tactical situation. His insistence on minutely planned and carefully rehearsed operations precludes a quick and flexible reaction to friendly maneuvers, unless in keeping with his preconceived battle plan.

(4) The enemy is vulnerable to sustained combat operations and aggressive pursuit. The inherent weakness of the enemy's logistic system and its continuing susceptibility to interdiction by air deny the enemy the capability of supporting sustained combat operations. The enemy's rigidity of tactical doctrine induces him to avoid and/or quickly disengage from contact whenever the tactical situation does not develop according to plan.

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A. MAIN FORCE

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| 2ND DIV (620TH, NONG TRUONG 2) | C | 7,050 | Q'TIN (BT 009 224) 1 NOV | MR-V |
| FWD HQ | C | 100 | Q'NGAI (BS 540710) 1 NOV | 2ND DIV |
| 1ST VC REGT (CONG TRUONG 1) | C | 2,000 | Q'NGAI (BS 430830) 1 DEC | 2ND DIV |
| HQ & SPT UNITS | C | 800 | Q'NGAI (BS 430810) 1 DEC | 1ST REGT |
| 40TH VC BN (80TH BN) | C | 500 | Q'NGAI (BS 443869) 2 DEC | 1ST REGT |
| 60TH VC BN (THANH HA) | C | 200 | Q'NGAI (BS 470830) 7 DEC | 1ST REGT |
| 90TH VC BN (THANH TRUC) | C | 500 | Q'NGAI (BS 437810) 1 DEC | 1ST REGT |
| 21ST NVA REGT (2D REGT) | C | 1,800 | Q'TIN (BT 208338) 26 NOV | 2ND DIV |
| HQ & SPT UNIT | C | 600 | Q'TIN (BT 205243) 22 NOV | 21ST REGT |
| 1ST NVA BN (11TH BN) | C | 400 | Q'TIN (BT 165221) 22 NOV | 21ST REGT |
| 2ND NVA BN (22ND BN) | C | 400 | Q'TIN (BS 745862) 16 SEP | 21ST REGT |
| 3RD NVA BN (33RD BN) | C | 400 | Q'TIN (BT 060280) 2 SEP | 21ST REGT |
| 3RD NVA REGT (31ST REGT) | C | 1,800 | Q'NAM/Q'TIN (BT 205161) 5 DEC | 2ND DIV |
| HQ & SPT UNIT | C | 600 | Q'NAM/Q'TIN (BS 535828) 24 SEP | 3RD REGT |
| 1ST NVA BN (BINH MINH X-1) | C | 700 | Q'NAM/Q'TIN (BT 255 158) 18 OCT | 3RD REGT |

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| 2ND NVA BN (BINH DA X-2) | C | 700 | Q'NAM/Q'TIN (BS 787330) 4 DEC | 3RD REGT |
| 3RD NVA BN (BINH THIEN X-3) | C | 700 | Q'NAM/Q'TIN (BT 118266) 24 SEP | 3RD REGT |
| RQ 20 NVA SIG BN (GK-30) | C | 300 | Q'TIN/Q'NGAI (UNLOC) 1 NOV | 2ND DIV |
| 33RD ARTY REGT | U | UNK | Q'TIN/Q'NGAI (UNLOC) 1 NOV | 2ND DIV |
| RQ 21 NVA AA BN (GK-31) | C | 280 | Q'TIN/Q'NGAI (BT 132 486) 8 NOV | 33RD REGT |
| RQ 22 NVA RR BN (GK-32) | C | 300 | Q'TIN/Q'NGAI (UNLOC) 1 NOV | 33RD REGT |
| RQ 23 NVA MORT BN (120MM)(GK-33) | C | 300 | Q'TIN/Q'NGAI (UNLOC) 1 NOV | 33RD REGT |
| RQ 24 NVA ENGR BN (GK-40) | C | 150 | Q'TIN/Q'NGAI (UNLOC) 1 NOV | 2ND DIV |
| 409TH VC BN (SAPPER)(CONG TY) | C | 400 | Q'NGAI (BS 492853) 7 DEC | MR-V |
| 1506TH ENGR BN | P | 325 | Q'NGAI (BS 340780) 10 DEC | MR-V |
| U/I MEDICAL BN | P | UNK | Q'NAM/Q'TIN (UNLOC) 1 NOV | 2ND DIV |
| 36TH SECURITY BN | C | UNK | Q'TIN (BT 009224) 1 NOV | 2ND DIV |
| U/I TRANSPORTATION BN | P | UNK | Q'NAM/Q'TIN (UNLOC) 1 NOV | 2ND DIV |
| B. LOCAL FORCE | | | | |
| 70TH VC BN (108TH BN) | C | 500 | Q'TIN (BT 157250) 5 DEC | Q'TIN PROV |
| 72ND VC BN (X-72) | C | 450 | Q'TIN (BT 211215) 5 DEC | Q'TIN PROV |
| 38TH VC BN (83RD BN) | C | 400 | Q'NGAI (BS 667572) 7 DEC | Q'TIN PROV |

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| 48TH VC BN (CONG TY 84) | C | 400 | Q'NGAI (BS 800482) 5 DEC | Q'TIN PROV |
| R-20TH BN | C | 390 | Q'NAM (AT 985535) 7 DEC | Q'NAM PROV |
| V-25TH BN | C | 500 | Q'NAM (AT 865515) 7 DEC | Q'NAM PROV |
| T-89TH BN | C | 600 | Q'NAM (AT 8062) 7 DEC | MR-V |
| <u>QUANG NAM PROVINCE</u> | | | | |
| Q.12 CO (HOT AN CO) | | 80 | (BT 180538) 5 DEC | DISTRICT |
| Q.13 CO (DUY XUYEN CO) | | 60 | (BT 009500) 7 DEC | DISTRICT |
| Q.14 CO (DAI LOC CO) | | 70 | (AT 7955) 13 NOV | DISTRICT |
| Q.15 CO (DIEN BAN CO) | | 80 | (BT 023635) 9 NOV | DISTRICT |
| Q.16 CO (HOA VANG CO) | | 80 | (AT 953650) 22 NOV | DISTRICT |
| N-59 CO | | 100 | (AT 835830) 30 SEP | DISTRICT |
| <u>QUANG TIN PROVINCE</u> | | | | |
| K.50 CO (QUE SON CO)(105) | | 70 | (BS 650965) 15 AUG | DISTRICT |
| K.51 CO (THANG BINH CO) | | 70 | (BS 570705) 17 SEP | DISTRICT |
| K.52 CO (TIEN PHUOC CO) | | 80 | (BT 1017) 1 JUN | DISTRICT |

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| UNIT | STR | LAST ACCEPTED/REPORT LOCATION AND DATE | SUBORDINATION |
|----------------------------|-----|---|---------------|
| K.53 CO (S. TAM KY CO) | 70 | (BT 344080) 4 DEC | DISTRICT |
| K.54 CO (N. TAM KY CO) | 80 | (BT 348277) 4 DEC | DISTRICT |
| K.55 CO (A.21 CO) | 60 | | DISTRICT |
| K.57 CO (TRA MY I CO) | 50 | (BT 0303) 28 MAY | DISTRICT |
| K.58 CO (TRA MY 2 CO) | 50 | (BS 1499) 12 APR | DISTRICT |
| K.59 CO (PHUOC SON CO) | 40 | (BT 365043) 23 AUG | DISTRICT |
| 75TH SAPPER CO (V.18) | UNK | (BT 265205) 4 DEC | TAM KY CITY |
| 706TH CO | UNK | (BT 260120) 1 NOV | PROVINCE |
| 74TH CO | UNK | (UNLOC) | PROVINCE |
| V-16 CO | UNK | (UNLOC) | PROVINCE |
| <u>QUANG NGAI PROVINCE</u> | | | |
| T.19 CO (BINH SON CO) | 80 | (BS 470890) 5 DEC | DISTRICT |
| T.20 CO (SON TINH CO) | 100 | (BS 540830) 6 DEC | DISTRICT |
| 8TH CO (TRA BONG CO) | 80 | (BS 690585) 1 NOV | DISTRICT |
| G.17 CO (MO DUC CO) | 70 | (BS 750637) 2 DEC | DISTRICT |
| 89B CO (NGHIA HANH CO) | 80 | (UNLOC) | DISTRICT |

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| UNIT | STR | LAST ACCEPTED/REPORTED LOCATION AND DATE | SUBORDINATE |
|------------------------|-----|---|-------------|
| 206 CO (TU NGHIA CO) | 100 | (BS 735780) 1 NOV | DISTRICT |
| C.212 CO (BA TO CO) | 80 | (BS 575330) 26 SEP | DISTRICT |
| C.219 CO (DUC PHU CO) | 80 | (BS 793467) 30 NOV | DISTRICT |
| 614 (SON HA CO) | 80 | (BS 842420) 1 NOV | DISTRICT |
| 20TH BR (Q.20) | 400 | (BS 363653) 2 DEC | DISTRICT |
| T.18 CO (DONG SON) | 60 | (BS 678857) 6 DEC | DISTRICT |
| 96TH CO | 100 | (BS 530560) 1 NOV | DISTRICT |
| C-19 CO (POSS) | UNK | (BS 747596) 4 DEC | DISTRICT |
| 195TH CO (P-38) (POSS) | UNK | (BS 673586) 6 DEC | DISTRICT |
| C-21 CO | UNK | (BS 698544) 30 AUG | DISTRICT |

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ANNEX B (SIGNIFICANT AGENTS, VCC/RETURNEES, AND DOCUMENT REPORTS) TO LST
MARDIV PERINTREF NO. 15

1. History and OOB of 402nd Sapper Battalion

The following attached report was compiled from the below listed sources:

SOURCE # (1)

Defector: Bui Quang Hoi, Sgt, Squad Leader
Unit: MG Sqd, 307th Co, 402nd Sapper Bn
Date & Place: 100600H Jun 66, Post 60, Dai Loc Dist, Quang Nam Prov.

SOURCE # (2)

Defector: Huynh Dang AKA Phan Dao, Sgt, Squad Leader
Unit: 3rd Sqd, 2nd Plt, 402nd Sapper Bn
Date & Place: 14 Sep 66, Dai Loc Dist, Quang Nam Prov.

SOURCE # (3)

Defector: Phan Van Dong AKA Pham Kim Tuan, Sgt, Comm-Liaison Sqd Ltr
Unit: Comm-Liaison Sqd, Danang City Unit
Date & Place: 19 Nov 66, Xuyen Hiep (V) (BT 010477), Duy Xuyen Dist.

SOURCE # (4)

Captured Documents - "Roster of V-3, T.89"
Date & Place: 20 Aug 66, (AT 813613)

NOTE: Numbers in parentheses are keyed to the sources listed above. These numbers appear periodically on charts and at endings of paragraphs to denote the source that provided the information. In instances where two or more source number appear together, this indicates that both sources have provided the same information.

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I. TRAINING

The 5th Battalion of the 219th Engineer Regiment was trained in Villages of Chi Linh District, Hai Duong Province, North Vietnam. Training took place for two months from 1 May 1965 to 30 June 1965 and was composed of political and military subjects. All of these subjects were taught by the company and battalion cadres. (1)

Types of training were: Squad-Company attack and defense. Sapper training was: individual and squad road, fence, wall, airfield crossing. Escape from search light, flare, dog bark, leaves and branches, sandy field, mud, rice paddy, plowed fields, and river crossing. Engineer training were: lecture and practical application on AT mine, strip mine, percussion mine, anti-personnel mine, stick grenade and hand grenade, formula and capacity of explosive to detonate bridge and road highway, locomotive and vehicle etc...(1)

II UNIT HISTORY

20 August 1965: Companies 16th and 17th of the 5th Battalion, subordinate to the 219th Engineer Regiment infiltrated South Vietnam. The 16th Company led the group and was commanded by a 3rd Lt Quang, the CO of the 16th Company. Infiltration started from Hai Duong, then by train to Ninh Binh. The two companies then marched through the areas of Nam Dong Bridge in Thanh Hoa, then by Nghe An and Quang Binh, then to Hill 1001 in lower Laos. Here the 17th Company separated from the 16th Company and headed south. Recommendation letter of the 16th Company indicated that the 17th Company's destination was Bao De or Kentum. Company 16th kept on moving in the direction of Nong Thong. On 16 October 1965 it arrived in the mountainous area of Dai Loc District (AT 797 629) previously abandoned by another unknown engineer unit. (1)

13 October 1965: At (AT 797 625) the 16th Company was pursued by enemy forces and was forced to withdraw to the vicinity of (ZC 170 654). (1)

27 October 1965: The T.89th Sapper Battalion of Danang City activated with 4 companies designated V.1 through V.4. (1)(2)(3)

December 1965: The battalion moved to the plains area of Loc Tan (AT 835 535) and Loc Quang (AT 860 562) to undergo a months training in sapper techniques. (1)

January 1966: Battalion moved back to its former location in the forest area of vicinity (ZC 170 654) for more retraining in AT and sapper techniques. Here it was reinforced by another company that had just infiltrated South Vietnam. This company consisted of artillery personnel but did not infiltrate with any artillery pieces. Its mission was to

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 overrun an enemy artillery position and deploy it for its own use. (1)
 (G-2 Comment: Probably the 6th 81mm Mortar Company).

21 January 1966: The 81mm Mortar Platoon of the 4th Company (now the 6th Company) coordinated an attack with a Main Force unit of Quang Nam and shelled the Danang Airfield. (1). This attack on Danang East, resulted in 4 KIA and 8 WIA. (2)

Late January 1966 through April 1966: Battalion in training and production mission. (1). March 1966: Attack on Phu My (H), Phu Tan (V), Dien Ban (D), the 2nd Company lost 4 KIA and 6 WIA.

April 1966: The 2nd Company coordinated an attack on a US artillery position at Son Cha. Friendly losses (VC) were 8 killed or captured. As a result of the possible capture of the above VC, the T.89th was redesignated the 402nd and its companies redesignated from 301st through 309th in old number sequence. (1)(2)

Early May 1966: The 1st Company with a Quang Nam Main Force unit attacked a US artillery position at Thanh Vinh, Hoa Vang District. In this action, the company lost 26 killed. (1). In this attack, the 1st Company lost 14 killed and the 4th Company had 22 wounded. (2)

15 May 1966: The battalion moved back to its former location and had food stocked for 4 months because of a fear that the ARVN forces would soon reoccupy Nui To (AT 880572) to Thuong Duc in the coming rainy season. (1)

June 1966: Battalion located (AT 305605). (1)

27-28 August 1966: Battalion returned to its former area vicinity (AT 8060) and began rebuilding its base area, previously destroyed by USMC on Operation Allegheny. (2)

The Danang City Unit was previously located in the mountainous area of Dai Loc District since September 1966. As a result of Operation Allegheny, it moved to the Diemne Mountains vicinity (ZC 119403). (3)

T.89th and unconfirmed T.87th battalions deployed in the general area of (AT 790340).

15 September 1966: T.89 moved from An Dinh Mountain to Ban Co Mountain area. (3)

T.89th is presently having a recruiting drive which source believes is for the upgrading of the Danang City units to a regimental-size unit and the formation of a new battalion designated T.87th. (3). (G-2

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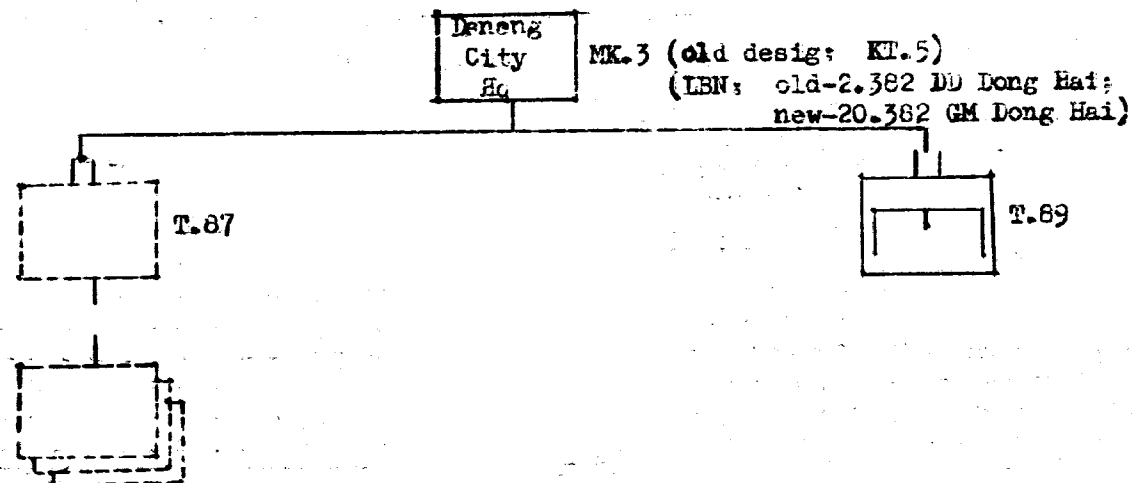
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Comment: It should be noted that the present T.89th Battalion may refer to a more flexible task organization for the former unit. However, it could easily form another battalion, as stated by source #3 with its existing strength of 600 men. G-2 I Corps comments that the T.87th is probably a cover designation for the Danang City Unit Headquarters).

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COMPOSITION OF THE DANANG CITY UNIT AS PROVIDED BY SOURCE #(3)



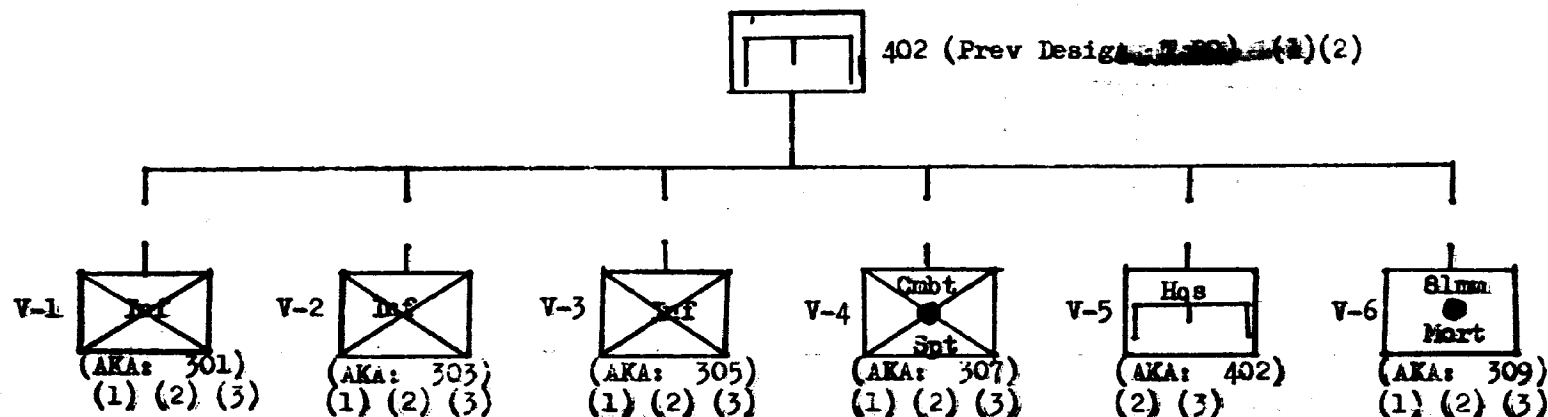
PERSONALITIES:

Pham Nhu Hieu, Maj, Danang City Unit Ldr
Ban, Capt, Political Officer
Ha AKA Tuan, Capt, Asst Political Officer
Van, Capt, Chief of Staff
Hat, 1stLt, Asst Chief of Staff

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COMPOSITION OF THE 402ND SAPPER BATTALION SUBORDINATE TO THE DANANG CITY



Letter Box Numbers (LBN) as provided by Source #2

| | | | |
|-------|-------------|-------|--------|
| 21395 | GM Dong Hai | ----- | Bn Hqs |
| 21391 | GM Dong Hai | ----- | 1st Co |
| 21392 | GM Dong Hai | ----- | 2nd Co |
| 21393 | GM Dong Hai | ----- | 3rd Co |
| 21394 | GM Dong Hai | ----- | 4th Co |
| 21396 | GM Dong Hai | ----- | 6th Co |

Weapons

(2) 16-81mm Mort (9 in V-6Co, 7 in reserve)
 2-12.7mm AAMG (V-4 CmbtSptCo)
 6-60mm Mort (V-4 CmbtSptCo)
 B.40 Rkt Lehr (3-4 in each Co.)
 4-FRC-10 Rde
 1-SRC-300 Chicom Rde

(3) 1-120mm Mort
 2-81mm Mort
 3-unk cal MG
 1-unk cal HMG
 18-B.40 Rkt Lehr

Source #1: 1 Recon & 1 Signal Sqd also subordinate to Bn Hqs.

Source #2: 1 Recon, 1 Signal & 1 Liaison Platoon subordinate to Bn Hqs.

Source #3: Each company consists of 3 sapper platoons of about 32 men each. Platoons is broken down into 3 squads. Each squad consists of 3-4 men cells.

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PERSONALITIES OF THE T.69TH BN

| NAME | RANK | POSITION | SOURCE |
|------------------|-------|----------------|--------|
| Nguyen Van Thuan | Capt | Bn CO | (1) |
| Y | Capt | Bn CO | (2)(3) |
| Kim Hung | Capt | Bn PO | (1)(2) |
| Lu Hung | | Bn PO | (3) |
| Nguyen Van Than | 1stLt | Bn XO | (2)(3) |
| Bi | | Bn Asst PO | (3) |
| Pham Nho Hien | 2ndLt | Bn Recon O | (2) |
| Ba | 2ndLt | Bn Training O | (2) |
| Pham Duy Dai | | Chief of Staff | (3) |
| Dan | SrLt | 1stCo CO | (1) |
| Ngon | 2ndLt | 1stCo CO | (2)(3) |
| Nhu | WO | 1stCo XO | (2) |
| Nam | 2ndLt | 1stCo PO | (2) |
| Xuyen & Ban | 2ndLt | 2ndCo CO | (2) |
| Du | 1stLt | 2ndCo CO | (3) |
| Hoang Han | Lt | 2ndCo XO | (1) |
| Dang Ngoc Qua | WO | 2ndCo XO | (2) |
| Quy & Ly | WO | 2ndCo XO | (2) |
| Thanh | 2ndLt | 3rdCo CO | (2) |
| Khuan | WO | 3rdCo XO | (2) |
| Dinh Van Cuong | | 3rdCo CO | (4) |
| Pham Dinh Can | | 3rdCo CO/PO | (4) |
| Tran Ban | | 3rdCo Asst PO | (4) |
| Vu Van Toai | | 3rdCo PO | (4) |
| Nguyen Van Xiem | | 3rdCo Adj | (4) |
| Vu Van Toan | | 3rdCo CO/PO | (4) |
| Nguyen Van Xuan | Aspt | 4thCo CO | (1) |
| Toan | 2ndLt | 4thCo CO | (2) |
| Vu Van Toan | SrLt | 4thCo PO | (1) |

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1. Total cases of Vietnamese Nationals volunteering information to U.S. Forces are as follows:

1st Marines 1
1/1 1

5th Marines 2
1/5 1
3/5 1

7th Marines 2
1/7 1
3/7 1

9th Marines 6
1/26 5
3/7 1

11th Marines 1
1/11 1

12th Marines 1
2/12 1

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ANNEX D (ASTRONOMICAL DATA) TO 1ST MARDIV PERINTREP NR. 16

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>BMCT</u> | <u>SUNRISE</u> | <u>SUNSET</u> | <u>EECT</u> | <u>MOONRISE</u> | <u>MOONSET</u> | <u>MOONPHASE</u> | <u>% ILLUM</u> |
|-------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| DEC 15 | 0644 | 0707 | 1818 | 1841 | 0956 | 2116 | NEW | 9 |
| 16 | 0644 | 0707 | 1818 | 1841 | 1041 | 2210 | NEW | 16 |
| 17 | 0645 | 0708 | 1819 | 1842 | 1122 | 2303 | NEW | 24 |
| 18 | 0645 | 0708 | 1819 | 1842 | 1200 | 2351 | NEW | 32 |
| 19 | 0646 | 0709 | 1820 | 1843 | 1234 | ---- | NEW | 42 |
| 20 | 0646 | 0709 | 1820 | 1843 | 1307 | 0038 | 1ST | 51 |
| 21 | 0647 | 0710 | 1821 | 1844 | 1340 | 0122 | 1ST | 60 |
| 22 | 0647 | 0710 | 1821 | 1844 | 1413 | 0209 | 1ST | 69 |
| 23 | 0648 | 0711 | 1822 | 1845 | 1455 | 0257 | 1ST | 78 |
| 24 | 0648 | 0711 | 1822 | 1845 | 1527 | 0347 | 1ST | 85 |
| 25 | 0649 | 0712 | 1823 | 1846 | 1611 | 0440 | 1ST | 92 |
| 26 | 0649 | 0712 | 1823 | 1846 | 1700 | 0537 | 1ST | 96 |
| 27 | 0650 | 0713 | 1824 | 1847 | 1756 | 0637 | 1ST | 99 |
| 28 | 0650 | 0713 | 1824 | 1847 | 1857 | 0737 | FULL | 100 |
| 29 | 0651 | 0714 | 1825 | 1848 | 2000 | 0836 | FULL | 98 |
| 30 | 0651 | 0714 | 1825 | 1848 | 2104 | 0931 | FULL | 93 |
| 31 | 0652 | 0715 | 1825 | 1849 | 2205 | 1020 | FULL | 87 |

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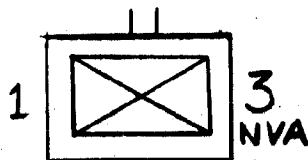
1. **PURPOSE.** This directive announces policy and prescribes responsibilities and procedures for the use of standard graphic symbols of enemy forces to be used by all US military forces subordinate to this headquarters.

2. **GENERAL.** To prevent misunderstanding and confusion in the graphic depiction of various enemy forces in the Republic of Vietnam (RVN), this headquarters and JGS, RVNAF have agreed on the use of a set of standard map symbols.

3. **GRAPHIC PORTRAYALS**

a. Maps and Publications in Black and White. The following symbols will be used for NVA and VC units in the acceptance criteria of Confirmed, Probable and Possible:

(1) Example (Infantry Battalion).



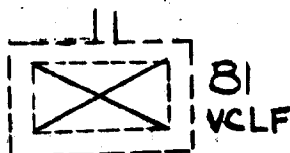
1st Infantry Battalion,
3rd Regiment NVA,
CONFIRMED.

(2) Example (Sapper Battalion).



K 76 Sapper Battalion
VC Local Force, PROBABLE.

(3) Example (Infantry Battalion).



81st Infantry Battalion,
VC Local Force, POSSIBLE.

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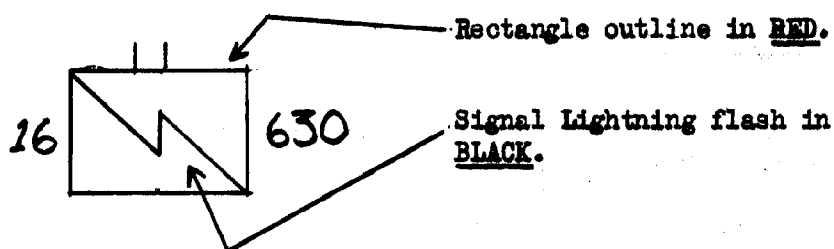
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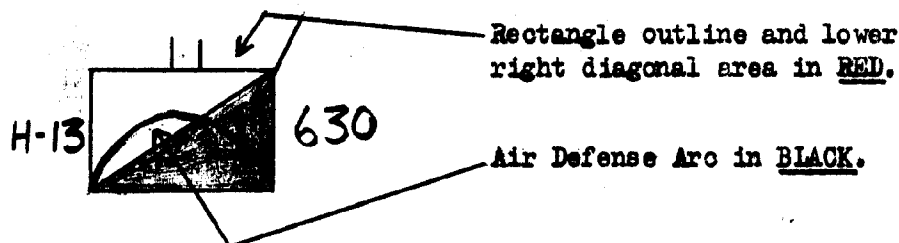
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b. Maps and Publication in Color. The following symbols will be used for NVA and VC units in the acceptance criteria of Possible, Probable and Confirmed:

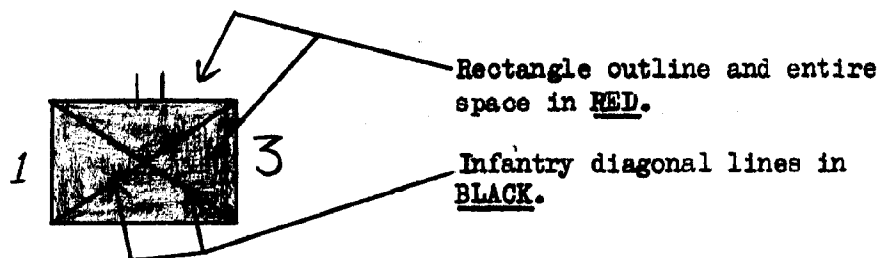
(1) Example (NVA Signal Battalion) POSSIBLE.



(2) Example (NVA AA Battalion) PROBABLE.



(3) Example (NVA Infantry Battalion) CONFIRMED.



(4) VC MAIN FORCE Units will follow the same criteria prescribed in paragraph 3b(1), (2), and (3), above, except that the color will be GREEN.

(5) VC LOCAL FORCE Units will follow the same criteria prescribed in paragraph 3b(1), (2), and (3), above, except that the color will be YELLOW.

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5. RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. Use of symbols established herein is mandatory for all staff offices of this headquarters.
- b. Subordinate commands of USMACV will insure that symbols established herein are used for all operations plans, orders, map overprints, map substitutes and overlays where applicable.

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Period Covered: 141200H to 281200H December 1966

Ref: (a) Maps: Vietnam AMS Series L701 and L7014

1. GENERAL ENEMY SITUATION

A. Adjacent Areas

(1) Heavy contact was established by 3/26 with elements of the 6th NVA Regiment in Operation Chinoak in the area between Hue and Quang Tri cities. No unusual activity was noted along the Quang Nam - Thua Thien border area during the period of this report.

(2) The 3rd (AKA 610th) Division is believed in an essentially defensive posture in central and northern Binh Dinh province with at least one regiment, almost certainly the 2nd VC, reported across the border in Quang Ngai province.

B. First Marine Division's Area of Responsibility

(1) Quang Nam Province. The bulk of significant activity in this province continues to center on the area where the 2/5, 1/26 and 1/1 sectors converge. 2/5 was heavily engaged with enemy forces of company size on the 16th, 17th, 19th, 20th and 24th of December. In several instances, in excess of 1,000 rounds of small arms and automatic weapons fire were received, often combined with 60mm or 81mm mortar fire. In addition to the quantity and types of fire received, the camouflaged uniforms, helmets and bunkers used by the enemy indicate that the force encountered was probably units of the B.20 and/or V.25 Provincial Mobile Battalions. On the 21st and the 27th December, 1/1 had heavier contacts than usual. The contact on the 21st is believed to have been with the same elements that were engaged by 2/5 on the two preceding days. A captive identified the unit in contact on the 27th as the Q.15B Local Force Company. Enemy activity occurred in a normally quiet part of the TAOR when an A-1J position at the Nam O Bridge was harassed by mortar fire on the 25th of December. Overall, a general increase in enemy activity has been noted within the TAOR. No significant activity took place in those parts of the province outside of the TAOR.

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(2) Quang Tin Province. Interrogation of a captive from the 14 December attack against Tam Ky reveal that two local force companies and elements of the 72nd Provincial Mobile Battalion participated. It would appear that the 72nd Battalion coordinated and directed the execution of the attack. Elsewhere in the province, activity was sparse. ARVN positions at Phu Tra, west of Tam Ky, came under moderate mortar fire on 19 December. On 18 December, a PF patrol out of Thang Binh was ambushed by an unknown force and suffered heavy losses. According to a defector from the 21st Regiment, both the 21st and 3rd NVA Regiments are in Quang Tin province generally northwest of Tien Phuoc. The headquarters of the 2nd Division is assumed to be in the same general area, although no recent reports of its location have been received.

(3) Quang Ngai Province. No significant enemy activity has taken place in this province during the reporting period. A defector from the 70th Battalion states that his unit forms the fourth battalion of the 1st VC Regiment, instead of being an independent battalion in southern Quang Nam province, as had been believed. Other defectors and captives from the 1st Regiment had stated that the 70th was a part of the 1st Regiment, but this man is the first actually from the 70th Battalion and able to give an account of its activity over the past six months. The case of this battalion, which agents consistently averred to be located in southern Quang Nam province when it actually was in Quang Ngai province, is not dissimilar to that of the 52nd Battalion which was reported by agents, and believed by nearly all, to have been in eastern Son Tinh district for more than six months after it changed designations and moved to No Duc district as the 48th Battalion. As for the 48th now, it is reported by a recent defector to be engaged chiefly in production activities to be reported in the province from the Tra Khuc river south. According to the latest defector from the 3rd Division, the 2nd VC Regiment is located in the mountainous area between Ba To and Duc Pho. It is considered doubtful that elements of the 3rd Division are north of the Thach Tru - Ba To road.

C. General Statement. Over the past month, there have been increasing indications of a re-emphasis of guerrilla and local force activity on the part of the enemy. The lack of contact with main forces and the continuing reports of personnel and logistic shortages are worthy of note. Also to be noted is the increase in activity on the part of the provincial mobile battalions. For instance in the nearly running engagement between 2/5 and what is believed to have been the R.20 Battalion, the latter expended, according to reports, at least 15,000 rounds of small arms/automatic weapons fire and 80 rounds of 60/81mm mortar fire in five engagements. Such a quantity of fire and the resistance encountered by Marine units in these contacts indicates a logistic capability and a willingness to engage not previously characteristic of provincial mobile battalions. It would appear that

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the enemy has shifted emphasis from a policy of building-up the main force 2nd Division in the hope of gaining a quick military victory to a policy of bolstering guerrilla and local forces to conduct protracted guerrilla warfare possibly in hope of an ultimate political accommodation. It is believed that, in the face of the Revolutionary Development Program which challenges the basis of the enemy's power -- his control of the people -- and in view of the lack of success, and of any prospects for the same, on the part of the main forces, the enemy will find it imperative to stress the guerrilla and local forces if ever he is to be successful in gaining his ultimate goal. If this policy has been, or is to be adopted, greater activity can be expected throughout the tri-province area from guerrillas, district-concentrated companies and provincial motile battalions, in that their ranks will no longer be drawn down to replace main force losses and ammunition and other supplies will become more available as these items are increasingly diverted from main to local and guerrilla forces. While the 2nd Division is not receiving replacements for battle losses and is also suffering from shortages of ammunition, food and medicine, there are no indications that the disbanding of the main force units is to be expected. Although not fully combat effective, nor likely to become so in the near future, it would appear that the main force 2nd Division will continue to pose a limited, but no less real, threat to isolated outposts and to other forces whenever overextended and when the circumstances are favorable enough virtually to ensure the success of the enemy attack.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING THE PERIOD

A. Strength and Dispositions

(1) See Annex A, lat WarDiv PERINTREP No. 16.

(2) Recent low level agent reports, rallier/captured document reports have revealed, over the period that the V.25 and R.20 Battalions are still presently located in and adjacent to the southern boundary of the Daeng TAOR.

(a) Duc Duc district rallier revealed on 15 December that the V.25 Battalion is now operating mostly within the 2/5 TAOR, with its CP located vicinity (AF 872540) and had been for a period of 30 days prior to interrogation. Further reports received plus captured documents indicate the R.20 Battalion now operating astride the AF/RT north south grid line vicinity (AF 9953 and RT 0654). Recent heavy contacts in this area by 2/5 and documents captured by 1/26 on 17 December with letter box number 2111 (R.21 Company) and 2113 (R.23 Company) corroborate agent reports that the R.20 Battalion is now operating this area, and not the 2/5 area as suspected by early low level agent reports.

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(3) Captive Vo Thanh Trough, captured by I/3/7 on 22 December 1966, revealed that he was a rifleman for the 3rd Cell, 1st Platoon, 2nd Company, Q-14 unit, Dai Loc district force and that his unit has a strength of 270 men. Trough stated that the Q-14 unit has 3 companies, each consisting of 3 platoons, with 3 squads with 3 cells. His company, the 2nd, has 90 men with 30 men per platoon, 12 men per squad and 3 men per cell. The weapons for the unit are 1-60mm mortar, 1-30 caliber machine gun, 2 M-79, 3 BAR's, 10 M-14's, 10 AK-47's, 5 K-50's, an unknown number of MAS 36, M-1's and carbines. The Q-14 unit command post locations used are in the vicinity of (AT 850550, AT 805555, ZC 195545, ZC 105565). Trough further stated that the Q-14 sometimes has 30 village guerrillas from Loc Quang (V) (AT 805555) operating with it. The mission of the Q-14 unit is to defend against US/ARVN operations within the Q-14 area. Trough states that morale is low due to the constant artillery and air attacks, insufficient food/medical supplies. Comment: The reported location for the Q-14 unit is accepted based on current Order of Battle holdings showing this area to be the normal operating area of the Q-14 Company. Previous interrogation reports also located the Q-14 Company in this area but each differs in size and organization. Rallier statement of 12 November shows the Q-14 Company having only 3 platoons for a total strength of 115 men and a captive's statement of 17 December put the strength at 100 men, while another rallier's statement of 15 December shows the Q-14 unit broken down into 2 companies of 40 men each. Based on these reports, it is felt that the captive may be exaggerating and/or just trying to please the interrogator. This captive was only 18 years old and a rifleman who had been with this unit for only 2 months and may be confused on unit strength and organization. What may appear as 3 companies may only be the Q-14 company broken down into operating platoons utilizing the A and B suffix to denote units within a company (Refer Rallier's statement, 1st MarDiv PERINTREP NO. 14, Paragraph 2.b.(2)). Also a Q-14B unit has been reported by low level agent reports of late, indicating this system in use. The strength differences may be the augmentation of local village guerrillas supporting this company as stated by captive.

(4) Disposition and strength of K-16 Company (2nd Company), Bing Trang Battalion (70th Battalion), Cuu Long Regiment (1st VC Regiment), 2nd NVA Division. Refer Annex B (Operational Interrogation Report - Nguyen Van Mao).

B. Order of Battle

(1) See Annex A, 1st MarDiv PERINTREP NO. 16.

(2) See Annex B (History and OOB of the 3rd NVA Regiment, 2nd Division).

(3) Hoa Vang District (Quang Nam) agent report of 24 November, 1966, rated B-2, reports the Quang Da province Committee has decided to

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dissolve the Hoa Vang District Company (AKA Q-16) and to assign the personnel of this company into the V-25 and R-20 Battalions which are suffering shortages of strength caused by many recent battles. Comment: This report is evaluated as possibly true based on recent agent reports and interrogation reports that the Q-16 Company normally operates with these units and if the need for personnel to bolster their strength is required, this would be the normal procedure of procuring additional strength from the district company.

(4) Evidence available to this headquarters indicates the 1506th Engineer (MF) Battalion sub-unit to MR-V meets the criteria established by COMUSMACV Dir 381-12 dtd 15 November 1965, for confirmation and has been requested in accordance with said directive. Although not confirmed to date, the following information available on this unit was compiled for your records in anticipation of confirmation.

(a) Sources: VCC, Nguyen Van Minh, member of Signal and Liaison unit, Platoon C, 1506th Engineer Battalion; Rallier, Trinh Thanh Ba, Lieutenant, Field Reconnaissance Officer, MR-V; Rallier, Nguyen Dang Hong, metal worker, 1st Squad, D-HQ platoon, 1506th Engineer Battalion.

(b) Structure

1. 1506th Engineer Battalion, strength, 330.

Bn CO Capt Nguyen Huy Kinh
Bn XO SrLt Dao
Bn PO SrLt Thanh
Asst Bn PO SrLt Xa

The Battalion is composed of three companies (9th, 10th, and 11th) and one Headquarters Platoon (D-HQ Platoon).

2. 9th Company (AKA 1st Company), strength, 100

Co CO SrLt TOAN
Co XO Lt Duc
Co PO SrLt Sau

3. 10th Company (AKA 2nd Company), strength, 100

Co CO SrLt Sauo
Co XO Lt Nhi
Co PO Lt Lai
Asst Co PO Lt Dan

4. 11th Company (AKA 3rd Company), strength, 100

Co CO SrLt Long
Co XO Lt Chi
Co PO SrLt De
Asst Co PO Lt Toan

(c) Weapons and Equipment. Each company has the following:

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1 AR, 9 AK-47 assault rifles (1 per squad) and approximately 14 SKS rifles. In addition, each man carries 1 grenade. The battalion is equipped with shovels, hammers, rakes and hoes. The Signal Squad has no signal equipment.

(d) Unit History. In October 1965 the 1506th Engineer Battalion was in Trung Ha (V), Quang Dai (D), Son Tay (P), NVN. In late October or early November the 1506th Engineer Battalion left NVN for RVN. It traveled through Thanh Hoa, Nohe An, An Thinh, Quang Sinh and Laos. It arrived in Chi Lang (H), Ha Thanh (V), Son Ha (D), Quang Ngai (P), SVN in March 1966. Here the battalion set up defensive positions and began agricultural work to support themselves and to store food for future use. During this time, the unit participated in no battles, however, 1 squad was sent to blow up a bridge (location unknown).

C. Reserves and Reinforcements. Recent reports and indications show no overt or covert change in VC units' disposition and organization outside the tri-province area. Elements of the 3rd NVA Division are still reported located adjacent to and within the Quang Ngai province boundary. Interrogation report of captive Private Dang Van Dong, 4th Squad, 2nd Platoon, 2nd Company, 802nd Battalion (AKA K-2), 6th NVA Division gave information on that unit's present disposition and reported planned activities (See Annex B (Interrogation Report, PVT Dang Van Dong, Captive, 2nd Co, 802nd Battalion, 6th NVA Division)).

D. New Enemy Tactics. Negative

E. Administrative and Political Units. Negative

F. Anti-Air Activity. There were a total of two incidents of intense small arms/automatic weapons fire being received by aircraft/helicopters during the reporting period. These occurred on 13 December at (BS 600448) and on 20 December at (AT 976533), where tracers were in evidence. Also there has been a noticeable increase in anti-aircraft fire over the past month, however, this increase has been in light small arms and automatic weapons fire characteristic of the guerrillas and local forces rather than in the .50 caliber fire typical of main force units. (The total number of AA incidents for subject period were 198).

G. Anti-Personnel/Anti-Tank Mine Activity. From 141200H to 281200H December there were a total of 44 mine/booby trap incidents within the Danang and Chu Lai TAOR's. There was nothing unusual in the type of mines/booby traps utilized by the VC or in the manner they were employed except for one incident when a 2½ ton truck belonging to the ARVN, 37th Ranger Battalion, travelling on Highway #1, was blown off the Highway by a command detonated mine. The truck was thrown approximately 50 meters off the road and was completely destroyed. The road crater was 8-10 feet deep. Casualties were: 16 KIA and 7 WIA.

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H. Artillery/Mortar/RR Activity. There were a total of seven mortar attacks during the subject period within the TAOR's. These incidents were as follows:

(1) Between 170810H and 171100H, G/2/5 at (AT 947536) received 12 rounds 60mm mortar fire (See paragraph 2.L.(1) this PERINTREP).

(2) At 181500H, I/3/1 perimeter defense (BT 044661) received 2 rounds 60mm mortar fire from (BT 045657). Returned fire with inconclusive results.

(3) At 192020H, G/2/5 received 8 rounds 82mm mortar fire from a northern direction. No casualties were inflicted. Air strikes were run on suspected enemy position with inconclusive results. (See paragraph 2.L.(3) this PERINTREP).

(4) At 192045H, E/2/5 Company S&D (AT 960550) received 10 rounds 82mm mortar and automatic weapons fire from vicinity of (AT 962550) resulting in 2 USMC WIA (non evac). Unit returned fire and searched area with inconclusive results.

(5) Between 211130H and 211230H, C/1/1 at (AT 997595) made contact with 20 VC with small arms and 60mm mortars at (BT 007596). On contact the VC broke into two groups with elements moving northeast and east. Company C pursued the VC and established blocking positions vicinity (BT 005595 - 004584). Air/artillery missions were run at which time Company C received 14 rounds 60mm mortar resulting in 4 USMC KIA and 2 USMC WIA (evac). Fire was returned resulting in 1 VC KIA confirmed, 6 VC KIA probable and capturing 1 sub machine-gun and 1 M-14 rifle.

(6) Between 241445H and 242000H, E/2/5 and G/2/5 received 35 rounds 82mm mortar fire. (See paragraph 2.L.(4) this PERINTREP).

(7) At 251955H, I/3/9 platoon defense position (AT 929841) received 300 rounds small arms and 2 rounds 60mm mortar from estimated VC squad (AT 925835). Fire was returned and a search of the area was made at first light with inconclusive results. No casualties inflicted.

I. Interdiction Activities. Negative

J. Guerrilla Activity. Throughout the period the VC conducted 179 harassing small arms, 14 grenades, 4 rifle grenades, 2 M-79, 1 propaganda and 1 terrorism incidents in the Danang and Chu Lai TAOR's. There was one incident of significance: On 15 December, a 3rd A/T Battalion Ontos in support of C/1/26 was ambushed vicinity (AT 968598) by an estimated 25-30 VC who delivered heavy automatic weapons fire wounding 3 USMC. The infantry and Ontos returned 17 rounds of 106 RR and over 2200 rounds of small arms resulting in 3 VC KIA confirmed and 2 VC KIA prob.

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K. Guided Missiles. Negative

L. Infantry. There were 6 significant contacts within the TAOR's during the reporting period:

(1) G/2/5 between 170810H and 171100H at (AT 947536) received 24 rounds small arms fire from an estimated 4-5 VC. An AO/OE overhead reported sighting 5 fighting-holes and 1 man dressed in black PJ's running away. G Company then marked the area and called for an airstrike. While waiting for the airstrike, G Company received 40 additional rounds small arms and 2 rounds 60mm mortar. Subsequently the enemy fired 2000 rounds small arms, 10 rounds 60mm mortar and about 100 rounds .50 caliber from the north resulting in 1 USMC KIA and 3 WIA. Company G then swept the area finding a trench line, fighting holes and mortar positions. It was estimated these fortifications were built for a company size unit. Total VC losses were 3 VC KIA confirmed, 17 VC KIA probable.

(2) At 191330H, E/2/5 at (AT 955545) received 1000 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire and 10 rounds RPG rockets fire from an estimated VC reinforced company resulting in 4 Marine casualties. E Company returned 500 rounds small arms, 2 M-79 rounds, 6 LAAWS, 1000 rounds automatic weapons and assaulted 75 meters through a rice paddy, treeline and bunker positions and overran the VC position. Enemy losses were 5 VC KIA confirmed, 15 WIA probable, 1 rocket launcher with 3 rounds, 1 BAR, 1 AK 47, 1 Chiocom K-44, 7 grenades, 4 packs and 15 pounds of documents. The VC were wearing camouflaged uniforms and helmets.

(3) G/2/5 on the evening of 191815H at (AT 972518) received 1000 rounds automatic weapons/small arms fire from an estimated company size VC unit resulting in 1 USMC KIA and 5 WIA (3 evac). G Company returned 3000 rounds small arms/automatic weapons, 20 M-79's, 8 LAAWS, 5 3.5 rockets and 20 grenades and closed with the enemy. The VC withdrew to the east. The initial heavy contact ended at 1910H but Marines continued to receive sporadic fire. About 2020H, as resupply and med evac helos were in the area, the enemy fired 200 rounds small arms and 8 rounds of 82mm mortar from the north. Fixed wing conducted an airstrike on the suspected mortar position with unknown results.

(4) E/2/5 on 201555H at (AT 976531) received 3000-4000 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire from an estimated 2 VC companies to their north and southeast. E Company returned 6000 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire, 20 3.5 rockets, 40 LAAWS, 20-60mm mortar and 40 grenades. They were unable to assault due to heavy volume of fire. G Company moved from the west to link up with Company E at 1615H. Both units continued to receive heavy small arms/automatic weapons fire. Co F crossed the river and moved north to join Co's G & E. At 1625H, Co F received heavy fire (AT 983527) but continued to advance north against resistance. An airstrike was called by Co G. The volume of enemy fire

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began to slack off at 1720H and med evac for Co F was able to get in and out at 1830. Med evac and resupply lifts for the other companies were held off by heavy fire at the landing zone. A link up of all companies was finally effected at 1925H. A flare ship provided illumination while the units consolidated their positions. They continued to receive sporadic small arms fire but due to darkness and the tactical situation, could make no assessment of enemy casualties. Friendly casualties were 3 USMC KIA, 16 WIA (evac).

(5) At 211130H, a C/1/1 platoon combat patrol engaged a VC unit, reportedly 2 squads totalling 20 men from the Q-15B Company. These squads had just ambushed a PF unit to the southwest and were fleeing when cut off by the C/1/1 platoon (BT 062588). C/1/1 took the VC under fire with small arms and M-79's resulting in the killing of 14 VC confirmed and 2 VCC (one captured by USMC, the other by ARVN). They also captured 10 individual weapons. There were no Marine casualties.

(6) At 241445H to 241925H, E/2/5 had 2 separate contacts with VC in an estimated battalion size (350-400 men). Elements of G/2/5 at (AT 955547) received 2500 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire and 20 rounds 82mm mortar fire from (AT 963541) resulting in 2 USMC KIA and 7 WIA (evac). The unit in contact returned 4500 rounds small arms fire and directed a fire mission of 79 rounds 155mm on the VC positions. Nearby elements of G/2/5 directed 300 rounds automatic weapons fire at VC's left flank. Fire ceased at 1630H. Later at 1840H, as E/2/5 was moving to link up with G/2/5, it received 2000 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire from a VC unit and 15 rounds 82mm mortar at (AT 971536) resulting in 2 USMC WIA (evac). The unit returned 2500 rounds small arms/automatic weapons fire and directed 18 rounds 155mm and 41 rounds of 81mm mortar at the VC positions. G/2/5 sent a platoon to link up with Co E. The VC ceased fire at 241925H. Total USMC casualties for the 2 actions were 2 USMC KIA, 9 WIA (evac). VC losses were 9 VC KIA confirmed, 14 KIA prob.

M. Reconnaissance. Negative

N. Infiltration. Negative

O. Other Elements. Negative

3. OTHER INTELLIGENCE FACTORS

A. Enemy Organization and Combat Efficiency. Enemy organization and combat efficiency within the tri-province area remains the same for all units. Reports still tend to indicate that most units are still having a leadership problem at small unit level due to personnel losses and recruitment of replacements from the ranks of personnel with insufficient combat experience and training. One notable agent report is that which

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states the Q.16 Company being dissolved and personnel from that unit augmenting the V.25 and R.20 Battalion ranks due to recent losses by these units (See Para 2.B.(3) This Perintrep).

B. New Unit Identification. Negative

C. New Enemy Weapons and Equipment. Two reports received this headquarters during the subject period gave information on the introduction of a new type sniper rifle being utilized by the VC forces. The first report came from a returnee interrogation report conducted by the Combined Military Interrogation Center, report # (Log # 08-061-66, Translated 15 December 1966). In this report the subject returnee, Nguyen Van Sinh, Platoon Leader, 2nd Platoon, C.100 Sniper Company, 32nd Group, MR-III, described this scope-equipped rifle as similar to the K-44 rifle, 7.62mm, but differs in characteristics described below:

Size and caliber are the same as the K-44 except that the barrel is longer (approx 18.3 cm) and a scope is affixed to the weapon.

The scope magnifies an image approximately 3 times, for example: at 1050 meters, the scope magnifies the target to appear to be only 300 meters away. Maximum range of the weapons is reportedly 5000 meters with an effective range of 1,500 meters. Weight, including scope, approximately 5.7 kilos. Rate of fire is single shot, six rounds per minute.

The scope is 12 cm long and 4 cm in diameter. It has two knobs for adjusting range and windage. The range knob is computed from zero to twelve with each graduation equaling 100 meters. The windage scale (source didn't remember the numerical designation) but he described the scale to have a zero center with one direction plus and the other minus scale. Inside the scope there is a level and fixed blade type direction finder.

The second report received came from a Quang Ngai National Police Report of a defector in the Khanh Hoa sub-sector. On 22 October 1966, a VC battalion was seen vicinity of Mo Duc District, Quang Ngai province. This battalion was armed with Hungarian weapons with telescopic sights. The weapons had been issued to a squad whose activities were primarily in remote regions. Based on these reports, it is felt that the VC may have introduced a new and different type sniper rifle in SVN. Other than the normally reported and captured weapon, the Soviet 7.62mm sniper rifle M1891/30.

D. Personalities. Negative

E. Enemy Losses. VC losses during the period in the Danang and Chu Lai TAOR's totaled 146 KIA confirmed, 187 KIA probable, 31 VCC, 2 ralliers, and 217 VCS. In addition, enemy losses on Operation STERLING, which commenced at 111120H and terminated 170830H December, were 16 VCS. Oper-

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ation GLENN which commenced at 170930H and terminated at 211200H December were: 3 KIA confirmed, 2 KIA probable, 3 VCC, and 12 VCS. Operation SHASTA II which commenced at 200600H and terminated at 211200H December were: 11 KIA confirmed, 1 KIA probable, 1 VCC, and 9 VCS. VC losses on Operation SIERRA, which began at 120600H December and is still in progress, are 61 KIA confirmed, 53 KIA probable, 11 VCC, 1 RALLIER, and 24 VCS. These losses are assessed against the enemy's guerrilla and local forces.

F. Morale. During the subject period, defector/rallier reports still indicate VC morale within the Tri-Province Area remains low for the usual reasons of air and arty harassment, shortage of food/medical supplies causing disease and lack of physical stamina. These factors supplemented by a general lack of faith in officers and NCO for their shortcomings in leadership and training add to and compound the state of low morale.

G. Details of Administrative Installation and Support. A Hieu Nhon District Rallier, Bui Gioi, 15, Corpsman, C-2 Unit, B-2 Company, 21st VC Medical/Combat Battalion revealed that there are two aid stations vicinity of Ngoc Lung Mountain, exact location unknown. The journey to these aid stations lasted 3 nights, and went north around the hamlets of Ha My Tay #1 vicinity (BT 120625) and Ha My Dong; vicinity (BT 125632), then south through the villages of Cam An; vicinity (BT 154607) and Cam Chau vicinity (BT 162584) then into the village of Cam Thanh vicinity (BT 174 576). The aid stations are on Ngoc Long Mountain approximately one mountain apart. Each aid station is composed of two buildings which are wards and are approx 32' X 32' and made of bamboo. Each building can accommodate approximately 20 patients. On 23 November there were approximately 40 patients in these wards. Also at these aid stations there are two buildings 16' X 16' in which one doctor, five corpsmen, and 3 nurses live.

(2) The following information was obtained on 5 December from interrogation of refugee from the Opn Mississippi area.

- (A) Two rice warehouses vicinity (AT 955378)
- (B) One medical warehouse vicinity (AT 951382)
- (C) Twelve rice warehouses vicinity (AT 915350)
- (D) Ninety-four tons of rice vicinity (AT 922405)

(E) Vicinity of grid square (AT 7850) the following supplies are stored in unknown amounts; salt, salted fish, clothing, sugar, and rice.

(3) Preliminary interrogation report of detainee Opn SIERRA, captured 12 December 1966, reported the following: Rice storage site of 2 ton capacity located (BS 615581). Also subject reported that there is a VC hospital located (BS 585587) capable of treating 40 patients. Captive was at the above locations on 2nd and 9 December 1966.

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(4) Quang Ngai province agent reports as of 30 November 1966, a VC arms repair factory was located in the vicinity of (BS 286810). This factory is protected by a lumber bunker. The factory contains 10-81mm mortars, an unknown number of 57mm RR, and more than 300 small arms. The factory has approximately 50 VC engineers working there.

H. Terrain. Negative

I. Weather. The weather in the TAOR's from 141200H to 281200H December was cloudy and wet. The average maximum and minimum temperatures were 77 degrees and 72 degrees respectively, average humidity was 87%, visibility - 4 miles, and winds were variable with light velocity the first part of the subject period and toward the latter, at a north-easterly direction with an average velocity of 8-15 knots with gusts up to 20 knots. There was approximately 16.61 inches of rainfall during the subject period, most of it occurring on 23-28 December.

J. Intelligence Operations. Negative

4. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE. Negative

5. CAPABILITIES AND VULNERABILITIES

A. Capabilities

(1) With a redistribution of force, the enemy can attack the Da Nang Combat Base with a division minus consisting of two less than combat efficient regiments (3rd NVA and 21st NVA), supported by combat support and combat service support battalions. The enemy can deploy in his attack, or reinforce, with two battalions from Quang Nam (R.20 and V.25), the 804th Battalion from Thua Thien, and the 402nd Sapper Battalion in Quang Nam province.

(2) With a redistribution of force, the enemy can attack the Chu Lai Combat Base with a division consisting of three infantry regiments, (1st VC, 3rd NVA and 21st NVA), two less than combat efficient, supported by combat support and combat service support battalions. The enemy can deploy in his attack, or reinforce, with one battalion from Quang Tin (72nd), two battalions (38th and 48th) and the 409th Sapper Battalion from Quang Ngai.

(3) Attack CIDG camps, district towns, provincial capitals and vulnerable ARVN outposts, singly or several, simultaneously, in strength of one or more reinforced regiments.

(4) Covertly infiltrate and attack friendly positions with sapper elements in platoon or company strength, particularly those proximate to

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or guarding villages, bridges, artillery positions, fuel and ammo dumps and airfields.

(5) Introduce into the 1st Marine Division area of responsibility the 6th NVA Regiment from Thua Thien province within 5 days after movement commences, the 3rd Division from Binh Dinh province within 1 day after movement commences and the 1st Division from Pleiku province within 10 days after movement commences.

(6) Harass friendly forces and installations with small arms, grenades, mortars, booby traps and small ambushes at a time and place of the enemy's choice utilizing his guerrilla and local forces.

(7) Interdict lines of communication throughout Quang Nam, Quang Tin and Quang Ngai provinces, particularly National Route #1, Liberty Road and the railroad lines in Hai Van Pass area at a time and place of the enemy's choice, using trained demolitions personnel working in conjunction with guerrilla and local forces.

(8) Conduct political agitation and propaganda, combined with a selective use of politically-inspired violence, including assassination, terrorism and sabotage in an effort to thwart the Revolutionary Development Program.

(9) Evade significant contact with friendly forces to protect the integrity of his force while awaiting more favorable circumstances for offensive operations or repeated harassment, to include at least periods of reduced visibility.

(10) Continue to improve his force structure by introducing personnel and material resources from North Viet Nam into the 1st Marine Division area of responsibility.

B. Probable Enemy Course of Action

(1) Continue to emphasize local and guerrilla forces for harassment and political violence throughout the three provinces, interspersed with raids on selected key installations and positions within the combat bases and infrequent reinforced battalion size attacks on isolated outposts elsewhere. Continue interdiction of lines of communication with emphasis on National Route #1, Liberty Road and the Hai Van Pass area. Concurrently, continue to improve his force structure at the provincial, district and hamlet levels.

(2) Attack friendly forces within the southern half of the Da Nang combat Base in up to multi-battalion strength, (R.20 and V.25).

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(3) Attack district towns, CIDG camps and isolated ARVN outposts, singly or several, simultaneously, in up to reinforced regimental strength probably with the further objective of ambushing relief/reaction forces.

(4) Attack installations and forces in the Chu Lai Combat Base, Tam Ky or Quang Ngai city in up to reinforced regimental strength.

(5) Attack the An Hoa industrial complex in reinforced regimental strength.

(6) Attack the Chu Lai Combat Base with the forces enumerated in capability (3) above.

(7) Attack the Da Nang Combat Base with the forces enumerated in capability (1) above.

(8) Introduce elements of the 6th NVA Regiment or 1st Division into the three province area.

C. Vulnerabilities. The enemy has four major vulnerabilities.

(1) The enemy is vulnerable to air attack at all times. His logistic system and supply bases are always vulnerable to interdiction and destruction by air. Unless properly concealed, his movements and bivouac sites are constantly in danger of air strikes.

(2) The enemy is vulnerable to psychological warfare operations. Life for the Viet Cong is hard at best and filled with deprivation and danger. This constant difficulty and peril, the lack of dedication on the part of the rank and file, as well as some of the cadre, plus the preferred leniency of the Chieu Hoi program, combine to make the enemy unusually susceptible to exploitation by psychological warfare techniques.

(3) The enemy is vulnerable to rapid, bold and unexpected maneuvers in the developing tactical situation. His insistence on minutely planned and carefully rehearsed operations precludes a quick and flexible reaction to friendly maneuvers, unless in keeping with his preconceived battle plan.

(4) The enemy is vulnerable to sustained combat operations and aggressive pursuit. The inherent weakness of the enemy's logistic system and its continuing susceptibility to interdiction by air deny the enemy the capability of supporting sustained combat operations. The enemy's rigidity of tactical doctrine induces him to avoid and/or quickly disengage from contact whenever the tactical situation does not develop according to plan.

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ANNEX B (SIGNIFICANT AGENTS, VCC/RETURNEES, AND DOCUMENT REPORTS) TO 1ST
MARDIV PERINTREP NO. 17

I. HISTORY AND OOB OF THE 3RD NVA REGIMENT

The following attached report is a compilation of the below listed captives and defectors.

Source #1

Defectors: Do Nhu Phuong, PFC
Unit: 11th Sqd, 4th Plt, 10th Co, 3rd Bn, 3rd Regt
Date & Place: 8 Jun 66, Que Son Dist

Source #2

Captive: Le Chi Vien, Cpl, Co Aidman
Unit: 3rd Co, 1st Bn, 3rd Regt
Date & Place: 17 Jun 66, (BT 105160)

Source #3

Captive: Nguyen Van Ngoc, Cpl, Asst Sqd Ldr
Unit: 3rd Plt, 3rd Co, 1st Bn, 3rd Regt
Date & Place: 17 Jun, (BT 100180)

Source #4

Defectors: Dinh Long Truong, SrLt, Plans Officer
Unit: Rear Service Staff, 3rd Regt, 620th Div
Date & Place: 6 Jul 66, Thang Binh Dist Hqs

Source #5

Captives: Ta Van Dan, Sgt
Unit: Telephone Plt, 18th Signal Co, 3rd Regt
Date & Place: 6 Aug 66, (AT 985325)

Source #6

Captives: Dang Van Ho, Cpl, Sqd Asst
Unit: 2nd Telephone Plt, 18th Signal Co, 3rd Regt
Date & Place: 6 Aug 66, (AT 985325)

Source #7

Captive: Dang Duc Manh
Unit: 18th Signal Co, 3rd Regt
Date & Place: 6 Aug 66, (AT 985325)

Source #8

Captive: Kieu Van Vi, Cpl, Asst Sqd Ldr
Unit: 2nd Telephone Plt, 18th Signal Co, 3rd Regt
Date & Place: 6 Aug 66, (AT 985325)

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Source #9

Captive: Do Minh Hien, Pvt
 Unit: 18th Signal Co, 3rd Regt
 Date & Place: 6 Aug 66, (AT 985325)

Source #10

Captive: Le Van Dong, Cpl
 Unit: 18th Signal Co, 3rd Regt
 Date & Place: 6 Aug 66, (AT 985325)

Source #11

Captive: Nguyen Van Tien, PFC
 Unit: 18th Signal Co, 3rd Regt
 Date & Place: 6 Aug 66, (AT 985325)

Source #12

Captive: Nguyen Ba Trung, Pvt
 Unit: 18th Signal Co, 3rd Regt
 Date & Place: 6 Aug 66, (AT 985325)

Source #13

Captive: Nguyen Huu Taa, Pvt
 Unit: 18th Signal Co, 3rd Regt
 Date & Place: 6 Aug 66, (AT 985325)

Source #14

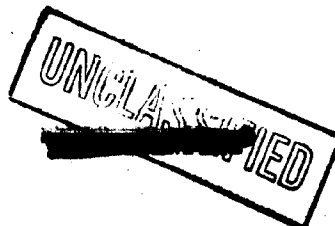
Defector: Le Xuat Ngoai, Pvt
 Unit: B-1 Staff, 3rd Regt, 2nd Div
 Date & Place: 22 Aug 66, Lac Son, (BT 0228)

Source #15

Captive: Than Duc Dua, Rifleman
 Unit: 1st Co, 1st Bn, 31st Regt, 2nd Div
 Date & Place: 18 Oct 66, (AT 8439)

HISTORY OF THE 3RD NVA REGIMENT

This regiment was activated during the French Indochina War as the 64th Capital Defense Regiment subordinate to the 320th NVA Division. It maintained the responsibility as the home guard for Hanoi until August 1965 when it moved to Hoa Binh province for infiltration training. During this time, the regiment was composed of 70% veterans while the remainder were new draftees.



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In December 1965, the unit moved to Ninh Binh province from whence the unit began to infiltrate South Vietnam in 4 groups beginning in January 1966. Group 1 consisted of the 1st Battalion, Group 2 consisted of the Support Companies, Group 3 consisted of the 2nd Battalion and Group 4 consisted of the 3rd Battalion. All groups were spaced approximately 24 hours apart.

On or about 20 January, the entire regiment in groups began its infiltration. During infiltration the regiment passed Hill 1001, Hill 1800, Sepone River and then entered South Vietnam in Quang Tri province. From Quang Tri province approximately 40 kilometers west of Hue, it continued its trek southward passing through Thua Thien, and stopping for approximately 1 month in the mountainous regions of Quang Nam province, for retraining and rest. It then continued its movement southward, arriving in the Hiep Duc basin in late May or early June 1966.

Cover Designations:

While in North Vietnam, this regiment was known as the 64th Regiment subordinate to the 320th NVA Division. During its infiltration the regiment had the cover designation Bac Ha or Group 306. Entering South Vietnam in Quang Tri province it received the designation 31st Regiment and later upon arrival in the Hiep Duc area, redesignated to 3rd Regiment and subordinated to the 620th NVA Division AKA 2nd Division.

Past Activities:

Source #2 and 3 states that the unit that participated in the attack on USMC positions on a hill in Tien Phuoc District was the 3d Company, 1st Battalion, 3rd NVA Regiment. Casualties for that operation were stated at approximately 20 KIA and 50 WIA, majority of which were caused by airstrikes. They (VC) estimated at the time of the attack, that the USMC unit on the hill to be at least 50. (NOTE: This was the attack on a hill occupied at the time by a platoon from 1st Recon Battalion numbering approximately 18 men).

Source #15 provided the following information: 3rd NVA Regiment was the unit involved in Nang Son OP attacks of 17 and 19 October 1966. Source participated in the attack and knew the attack plans. The 1st and 2nd Battalions were the attacking force, while the 3rd Battalion acted as the reserve unit with the regimental CP. The 2nd Battalion conducted the main attack against what the source described as the main outpost. Only the 1st Company of the 1st Battalion attacked. One platoon assaulted the PF positions while the remaining 2 platoons assaulted RF positions.

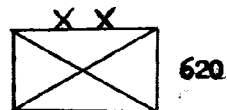
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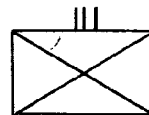
COMPOSITION OF THE 3RD NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMY REGIMENT, 620TH DIVISION

Regt Hqs Personalities

CO LtCol Viet SON
PO LtCol Trong THANH (H)
XD Maj Tranh Anh KIEM alias
Bui KIEM
Asst PO Maj LUOC & HIEN
CofS SrCapt TOAN

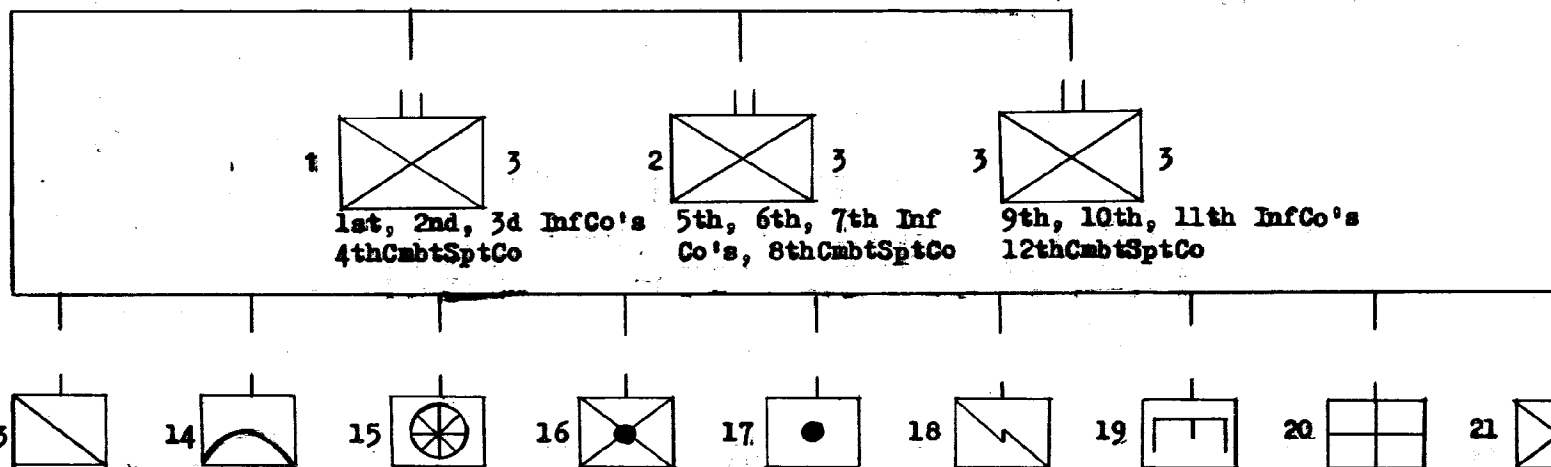


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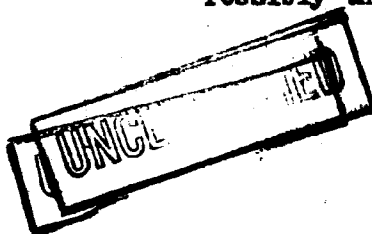
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designations Bac Ha. During infil:
Group 306, in SVN 31st Regt, 620th Div)



Source #6 states: 21st is a Security Plt for the Regimental Hqs.

Source #8 states: 21st is a Security Co for the Regimental Hqs.

Source #14 states: Each Bn composed of 3 Co's and 4 attached plts: 81 Mort, 75 RR, Comm & ME Plt's. (G-2 Cmt:
Possibly this is not attached elements, but the Hvy Wpns Supt Co in each Bn).



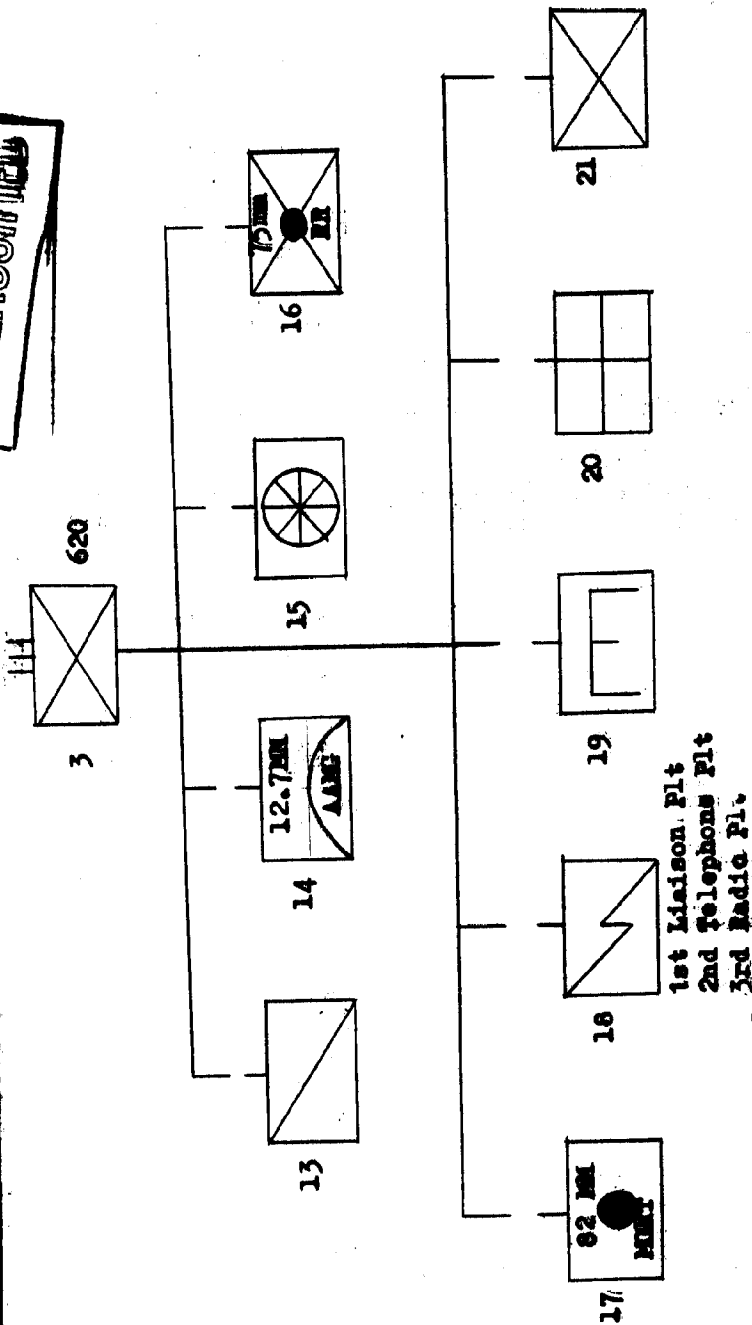
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COMPOSITION OF SUPPORT COMPANIES, 3RD NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMY REGIMENT

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| 13thCo CO: | SrLt THANH | 15thCo CO: | SrLt BINH | 17thCo CO: | | 19thCo CO: | SrLt DAI |
| IO: | IO: | IO: | IO: | IO: | IO: | IO: | IO: |
| PO: | PO: | PO: | PO: | PO: | PO: | PO: | PO: |
| AsstPO: | AsstPO: | AsstPO: | AsstPO: | AsstPO: | AsstPO: | AsstPO: | AsstPO: |
| 14thCo CO: | | 16thCo CO: | | 18thCo CO: | | 20thCo CO: | SrLt (Dr) LE |
| IO: | IO: | IO: | IO: | IO: | IO: | IO: | SrLt TOAN |
| PO: | PO: | PO: | PO: | PO: | PO: | PO: | SrLt HIEP |
| AsstPO: | AsstPO: | AsstPO: | AsstPO: | AsstPO: | AsstPO: | AsstPO: | SrLt CO |
| Source #6: | 21st is a SctyPlt | Source #7: | 21st is a SctyCo | | | | Chf, Med-Sect, Capt (Dr) |
| | | | | | | | Nguyen TAN |

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WEAPONS & EQUIPMENT

| <u>TYPE</u> | <u>NO.</u> | <u>SOURCE #</u> | <u>REMARKS</u> |
|-------------|------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 82 Mortars | 4 | 4 | Each Rifle Bn |
| 12.7 AA MG | 4 | 4 | Each Rifle Bn |
| 75mm RR | 2 | 4 | Each Rifle Bn |
| 12.7 AA MG | 4 | 4 | 14th AA Co |
| 75mm RR | 6 | 4 | 16th RR Co |
| 82mm Mort | 6 | 4 | 17th Mort Co |

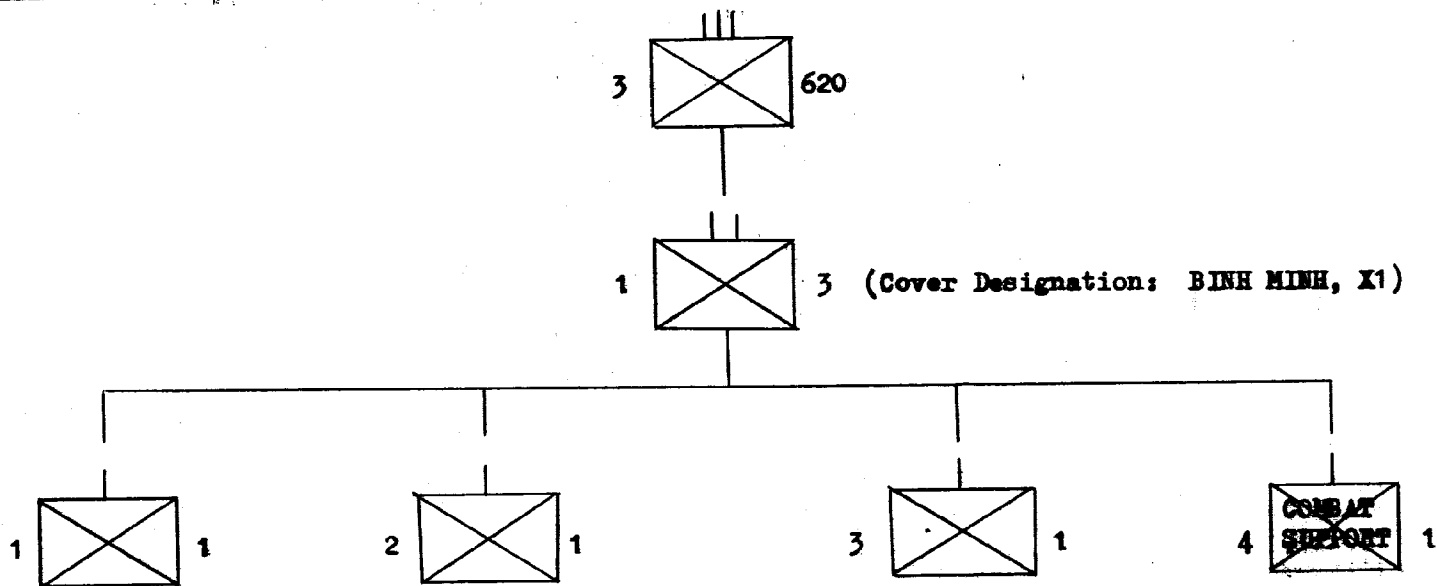
COVER DESIGNATIONS/AKA

| <u>SOURCE #</u> | <u>COVER DESIGNATIONS/AKA</u> | <u>REMARKS</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 4 | LBN: 20803 GM An Binh | Rear Serv Sect of Regt |
| 4 | LBN: 20802 GM An Binh | Polit Sect of Regt |
| 4 | LBN: 20801 GM An Binh | Staff Sect of Regt |
| 14 | B-1 | Opns of Regt |
| 14 | B-2 | Polit of Regt |
| 14 | B-3 | Supply of Regt |
| 14 | B-4 | Guard of Regt |
| 14 | B-5 | Population control & Civil relations |

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COMPOSITION OF THE 1ST BATTALION, 3RD NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMY REGIMENT



Bn CO:
XO:

PO:
CofS:

Capt THAO
KIEM
Capt CONG
SrCapt DAU
Capt DAU
LUOC

1stCo CO:
XO:
PO:
AsstPO:

2ndCo CO:
XO:
PO:
AsstPO:

3dCo CO: 1stLt GUNG
XO: THAI
PO: NAM
AsstPO: TAI

Source #1: CmbtSptCo composed of 1-75 RR Plt, 1-82 Mort Plt & 1 HMG Plt.

Source #14: Each Bn composed of 3 Co's and 4 attached Plts, 81 Mort, 75 RR, Comm & MG Plt's. (G-2 Cmt; Poss this is the CmbtSptCo).

Source #4: Bn supported by a Signal Plt and a Recon Sqd.

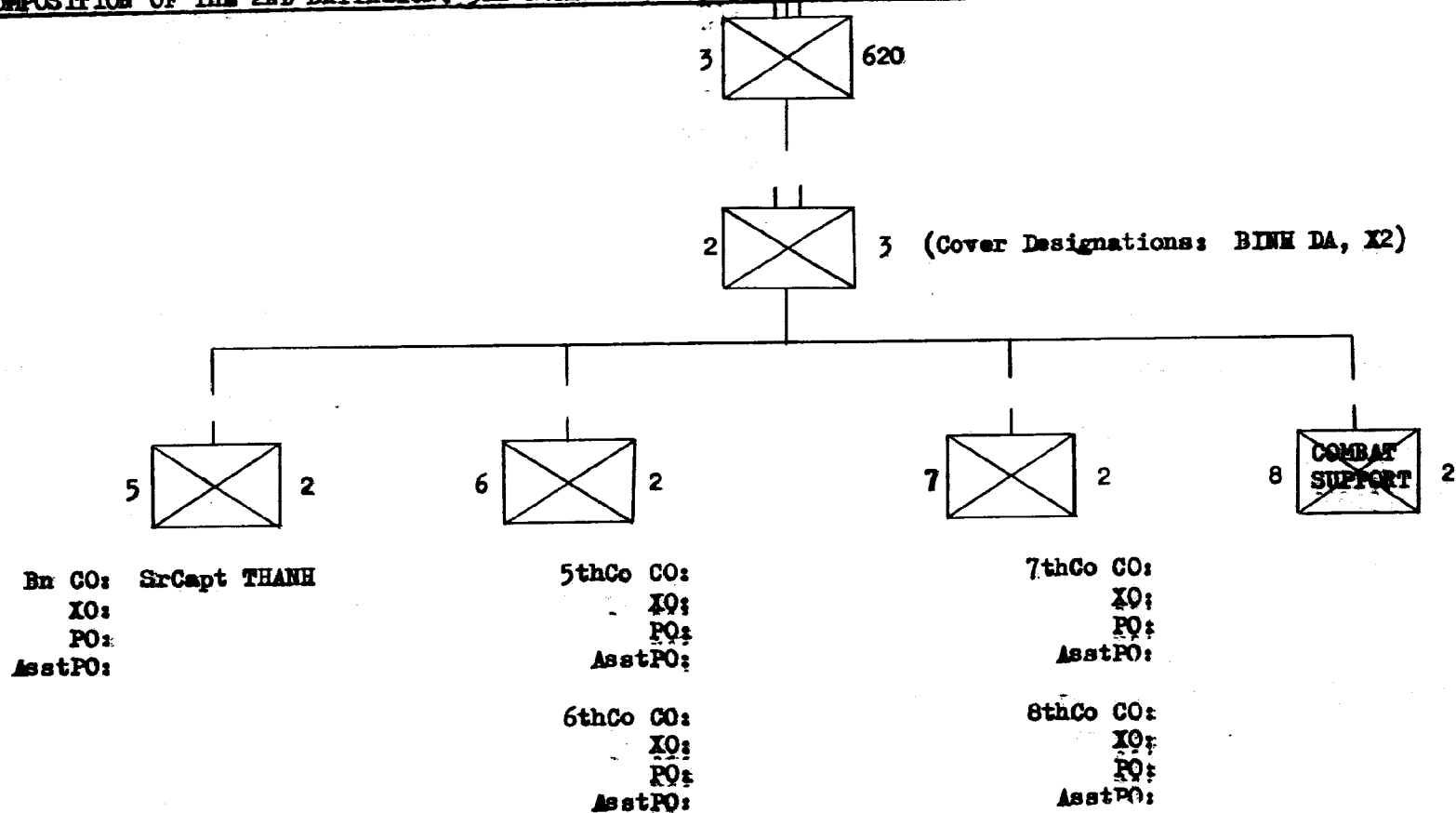
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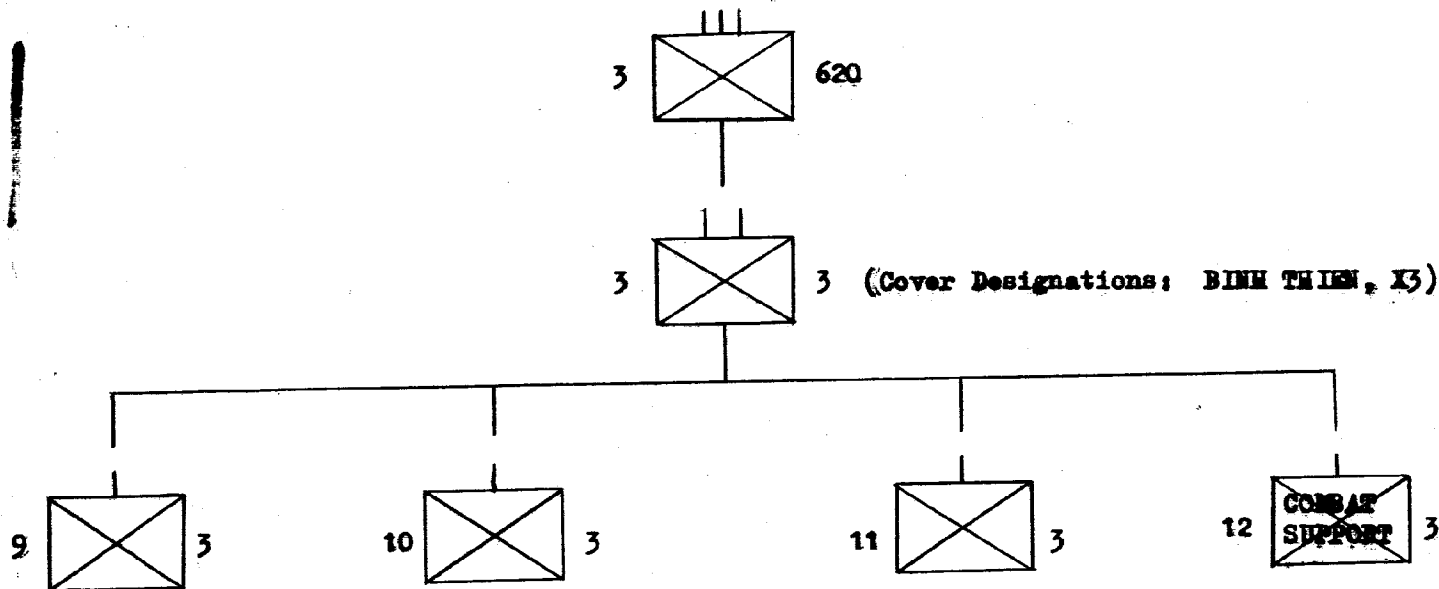
Source #14: Each Bn composed of 3 Co's and 4 attached Plts: 81 Mort, 75 RR, Comm & MG Plts. (G-2 Cmt: Poss this is the CmbtSptCo)

Source #4: Bn supported by Signal Plt and a Recon Sqd

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Bn CO: SrCapt Nguyen TIEP
 XO:
 PO: SrCapt Nguyen Viet LIEN
 AsstPO: Capt VAN
 CofS: SrCapt Dao Quy SAC
 O&T: SrLt TIEP

9thCo CO: SrLt QUY
 XO: Lt. CO
 PO: SrLt DOAN
 SrLt NGOC

11thCo Co:
 XO:
 PO:
 AsstPO:

10thCo CO: SrLt Doan Hong TU
 SrLt Nguyen Kim THEO
 XO: Lt. SU
 PO: SrLt Le THICH
 SrLt TRU
 AsstPO: Lt. KIEU

12thCoCO: SrLt SON
 XO:
 PO: SrLt DAT
 AsstPO:

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II. OPERATIONAL INTERROGATION REPORT ON NGUYEN VAN MAO

The following is a report from Nguyen Van MAO, 16 years, 2nd Company, 70th Battalion, 1st VC Regiment who defected at NUI TRON Outpost vicinity (BS 515778) the morning of 13 December 1966. He is a member of the A-1 Squad, B-6 Platoon, E-16 Company (2d Company), Bing Trang Battalion (70th Battalion), CUU LONG Regiment (1st VC Regiment), 2d Division.

MAO stated that he was drafted into the Duc Duc district Training Center which trains people from Dai Loc District, Hoa Vang District, Dien Ban District and Duy Xuyen District. This training center is located 15 days march west of LOC SON Village but still in Duc Duc district. At the training center he studied the following subjects during the 3 month training period:

1. Bayonet training
2. Grenade throwing, offensive grenades and defensive grenades. The long handled Chicom grenade is a defensive grenade and the short handled Chicom grenades is an offensive grenade.
3. Digging trenches and defenses
4. Demolitions - TNT and TNB (unknown type of explosives). They studied how to place charges on bamboo fences and barb wire fences, and how to place block charges in outposts or tunnels.
5. Tactics: how to attack houses, underground tunnels, ambushes, and attack outposts.
6. Mobile tactics: if they see the enemy they attack head on and engage the enemy.
7. Swimming
8. How to walk silently on leaves or mud or gravel
9. Marksmanship: CKC and AK. He fired 3 rounds with each weapon at a target from 200 meters. They also had dry fire practice on fixed and mobile targets. In addition they studied assembly and disassembly of these two weapons.

The hours of study in the training center were 0700-1100 and 1400-1600 for military training and also 1800-2100 for military training. MAO stated that he had very little political training while in the training center.

In March of 1966 MAO joined the 2d Company, 70th Battalion in Tien Phuoc district, Quang Tin province. The 2nd Company remained in Tien Phuoc only 6 or 7 days and then the 70th Battalion moved to Quang Ngai to join the rest of the 1st VC Regiment.

Note: At this point MAO stated he joined the 70th Battalion as such but that at some time in the past it had been redesignated from the 7/2 Battalion of the Quang Tin Provincial Force. He explained that this 7/2

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was only the provincial force and not part of any unit. He could not explain the designation "7/2".

At this time all the 1st VC Regiment was located in Quang Ngai province and the 70th Battalion joined them there. The 1st VC Regiment remained in this position 4 or 5 months. During this time the 1st VC Regiment participated in no engagements. One time they were bombed by what he called B-57's and 3 men were killed but no one was wounded. This area where they stayed for 5 months was about 2 hours walk west of the Song Tra Khuc river but further south than the 1st VC Regiment present location. During the aforementioned 5 months the 2nd Company studied and practiced all the things Mao had studied previously in the training center. In approximately August of 1966 the 1st Regiment moved to Ba To (D), Ba Dong (V). The 1st VC Regiment remained in Ba Dong approximately 15 days and studied how to infiltrate enemy lines. After this 15 days training the 1st Regiment moved back to Son Ha in the mountains and lived with Montagnards. They stayed there for 7 days. During this 7 days the 1st VC Regiment sent some sappers to attack an outpost in Son Ha. The 70th and 90th Battalions were on stand-by but were never committed to the engagement. This engagement lasted less than 5 minutes and the results are unknown. At this time, late August or early September, the 1st VC Regiment moved to its present location in the mountainous area (BS 4178, BS 4278, BS 4378, BS 4379 and BS 4479). The 1st VC Regiment was in this location as of 10 December 1966.

In these positions are headquarters for the 1st VC Regiment, 40th Battalion, 60th Battalion, 70th Battalion and 90th Battalion. Mao claimed that the 40th, 60th, 70th and 90th Battalions are all Infantry Battalions.

Mao listed the 70th Battalion as follows:

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Headquarters Company | "Bong Trang" |
| 1st Company - Infantry | K-15 |
| 2nd Company - Infantry | K-16 |
| 3rd Company - Infantry | K-17 |
| 4th Company - Artillery | K-18 |

At this point Mao claimed he wasn't sure but he thought other companies in the battalion and other platoons in the other companies were divided and equipped like his company and platoon which is given as follows:

2nd Company

Headquarters Group: CO, XO, Political Officer, Assistant Political Officer, Male Nurse, 2 Messengers, an administrative NCO and his assistant. There are others but he does not know what their jobs were.

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6th Platoon - (the infantry platoons of the 2nd Company are numbered 4, 5 and 6): Platoon Leader, Assistant Platoon Leader and an aid man. 3 squads per platoon. Each squad has 4 (3 man) cells. 1 cell is the automatic weapons cell and it has 1 RBD automatic rifle, 1 CKC, and 1 AK. The other 3 cells have 2 CKC's and 1 AK.

Each platoon has one machine gun (ChiCom Type 53) and one mortar that Mao stated he believed was a 45mm mortar. This mortar is the same size as a 60 in height and the base plate is the same but it is operated by one man and Mao was adamant in the fact it was not a 60mm mortar.

In addition to the 3 infantry platoons each company has an artillery battery which has the following weapons:

- 2 60mm mortars
- 2 MATTS machine guns
- 4 Flame throwers - Mao did not know the nomenclature but stated these flame throwers have a 300 meter maximum range. He had seen one fire one time.
- 4 B-40 bazookas. Again he did not know the full nomenclature but he stated it has a maximum range of 200 meters and will stop an APC, 113 type.

This battery has over 30 men with a battery chief and assistant battery chief and the following gun crews:

- 1 mortar 5 men
- 1 machine gun 4 men
- 1 flame thrower 2 men
- 1 B-40 Bazooka 2 men

All of this battery in the 2nd Company are North Vietnamese soldiers.

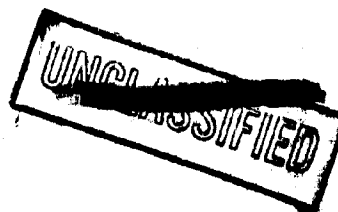
The K-18 Company or 4th Company Artillery of the 70th Battalion has the following weapons:

- 4 57mm Recoilless Rifles
- 4 82mm mortars
- 4 MATTS machine guns
- 5 Flame throwers
- 5 B-40 Bazookas

Mao stated that he did not know how many men were in K-18. Mao further stated that over $\frac{1}{2}$ of the 2nd Company or K-16 are draftees from Central Vietnam.

Mao claimed that since joining the 1st Regiment he has participated in no battles.

In the 2nd or K-16 Company several months ago almost half of the people had malaria but recently they have gotten a new medicine which



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is in the pill form, red sugar coated, taken 3 times a day and after 2 or 3 days the ill person can perform normal duties. Note: After talking with a Chief Corpsman U.S.N. it is believed that this medicine could be CHLOROQUIN, also known as ARALEN. Mao stated that now there is only an average of one man per squad who has malaria very bad. He did not know where this medicine came from.

Mao denied any knowledge of ammo dumps or supply dumps. He stated that the normal amount of ammo for a man armed with a CKC was 50 rounds and for a man with an AK 100 rounds. Mao stated all future plans for the 1st VC Regiment and subordinate units are secret and therefore he knew of none. He further stated that he did not think the regiment would move just because he defected and that he knew of no future plans to move. He claimed he did not know of the morale of others in the 2nd Company but he claimed he was the first defector from the 2nd Company since he joined it in March of 1966.

He stated that his reasons for defection were, he has had malaria, he is homesick, and it is cold in the mountains.

PERSONALITIES:

CO, 2nd Company: LY, about 25, CVN
 XO, 2nd Company: SON, about 25, CVN
 Political Officer, 2nd Company: DUNG, about 25, CVN
 Assistant Political Officer, 2nd Company: NGOC, about 25, CVN
 Platoon Leader, 6th Platoon: Unknown
 Assistant Platoon Leader, 6th Platoon: NHIEU, about 25, CVN
 1st Squad Leader, 6th Platoon: NGHIA, about 25, NVN
 Battery Chief, 2nd Company: TUAN, about 28, NVN
 Battery XO, 2nd Company: HAI, about 24, NVN

G-2 Comment: F/2, a returnee from MR-V of 20 October stated that the 70th Battalion was an independent unit subordinate to the 2nd Division, which could account for the "7/2" designation. All thought many low-level agent reports indicate presence of the 70th Battalion in Quang Tin province. This is probably the 70th Battalion that at one time the provincial mobile force of Quang Tin and has since March or April moved to Quang Ngai and been operating as a battalion of the 1st VC Regiment. Other statements by Mao on location of the 1st VC Regiment in Son Ha district and its attacks on outposts in Son Ha corroborate reports from other returnees thus far evaluate the information obtained probably true.

III. INTERROGATION REPORT - PVT DANG VAN DONG - CAPTIVE - 2ND CO, 802ND BN, 6TH NVA DIV

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A captive taken by I/3/26 on 21 December vicinity (YD 544313) has revealed under interrogation that he was a member of the 2nd Company, K-2 Battalion (AKA 802nd Battalion, 6th NVA Regiment). He is a native of NVN and infiltrated SVN, via Laos, in August 1966. His Battalion operates generally out of the area indicated at vicinity (YD 5717). The strength of the K-2 Battalion is 480 men and is one of the four battalions now under the Cong Truong Sau Regiment (probably AKA 6th NVA Regiment). This regiment is supported by one mortar company and 3 anti-air companies, and has an overall strength of 2000. According to the captive, the regiment has been operating in Thua Thien and Quang Tri provinces. The captive said the other battalions, also believed to have strength of 480, are the K-1, K-4, and K-6. K-1 is AKA for 800th Battalion, K-4 is AKA for 804th and K-6 is AKA for 806th. In addition he said that 2 other battalions, the K-8 and K-10 are operating in Quang Tri and Thua Thien provinces respectively and are highly mobile. There is also a battalion of unknown designation operating in Hue City.

The mission of the K-2 Battalion is to attack outposts and positions along Highway #1 in the northern province in order to weaken the enemy and make way for a major operation in mid 1967.

Three months ago, high ranking officers gathered at the 12th Committee meeting and received the following information which was later handed down to the soldiers through the chain of command and by political cadres:

In the dry season of 1967, the NVA will move to SVN concentrating on the provinces south of and including Quang Nam. North Vietnam itself will be guarded by Chinese Communists troops with SAM sites along the coast and key avenues of approach. The units presently operating in Quang Tri province and Thua Thien province will not be reinforced but will operate as follows: 1 division plus (designation unknown) will attempt to lure the enemy in the vicinity of Highway #9 (west Quang Tri) and destroy it. After which, this division-plus will move to Thua Thien province to join forces with all the local units including the Cong Truong Sau Regiment where they intend to overrun Phu Bai and Hue City. When this is accomplished, all of these forces will be formed in two groups with 1 group holding ground at the Thua Thien province and Quang Nam province border and the other group sweeping north to the DMZ to destroy the remaining enemy units. To facilitate this operation, it was pointed out that presently all of the ARVN bases and outposts in Quang Tri province and Thua Thien province are infiltrated by the VC and that the VC operate in all hamlets, villages and cities. With stepped up activity all over the country, the ARVN and allied forces will be too busy to defend everywhere and the people will be too busy protecting their own hamlet, villages and cities to provide reinforcement to the military. Victory is insured.

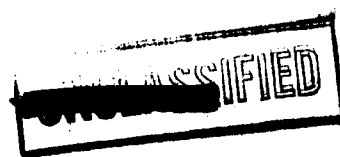
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G-2 Comment: F/2. K-2 is AKA for 802nd Battalion, 6th NVA Regiment. K-1 is AKA for 800th Battalion. K-4 is AKA for 804th Battalion and K-6 is AKA for 806th Battalion. Cong Truong Sau is probably AKA of 6th NVA Regiment. K-8 is AKA for 808th Battalion and K-10 is AKA for the 810th Battalion. This is the first indication of four battalions subordinate to the 6th NVA Regiment. Current OOB carries 800, 802, and 806 battalions subordinate to the 6th Regiment. All units mentioned by the captive in the same general area except the 804th Battalion which normally operates in Phu Loc district, Thua Thien province. F/5 as to plans of NVA activity for I Corps.

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ANNEX C (PARAGRAPH 13 ENTRIES) TO 1ST MARDIV PERINTREP

1. Total cases of Vietnamese Nationals volunteering information to U.S. Forces are as follows:

1st Marines 1
2/1 1

5th Marines 2
2/5 2

7th Marines 3
1/7 2
2/7 1

9th Marines 7
1/26 3
3/9 4

11th Marines 1
1st 8" How Btry .. 1

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ANNEX D (ASTRONOMICAL DATA) TO 1ST MARDIV PERINTREP NO. 17

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>BMCT</u> | <u>SUNRISE</u> | <u>SUNSET</u> | <u>MECT</u> | <u>MOONRISE</u> | <u>MOONSET</u> | <u>MOONPHASE</u> | <u>% ILLUM</u> |
|-------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|
| DEC 30 | 0651 | 0714 | 1825 | 1848 | 2104 | 0931 | FULL | 93 |
| 31 | 0652 | 0715 | 1825 | 1849 | 2205 | 1020 | FULL | 87 |
| JAN 1 | 0652 | 0715 | 1826 | 1849 | 2304 | 1105 | LAST | 70 |
| 2 | 0652 | 0715 | 1826 | 1849 | ---- | 1148 | LAST | 68 |
| 3 | 0652 | 0715 | 1827 | 1850 | 0001 | 1228 | LAST | 57 |
| 4 | 0653 | 0716 | 1828 | 1851 | 0057 | 1308 | LAST | 45 |
| 5 | 0653 | 0716 | 1828 | 1851 | 0154 | 1349 | LAST | 34 |
| 6 | 0653 | 0716 | 1829 | 1852 | 0251 | 1433 | LAST | 24 |
| 7 | 0654 | 0717 | 1830 | 1853 | 0350 | 1521 | LAST | 15 |
| 8 | 0654 | 0717 | 1830 | 1853 | 0451 | 1613 | LAST | 8 |
| 9 | 0654 | 0717 | 1831 | 1854 | 0551 | 1708 | LAST | 3 |
| 10 | 0654 | 0717 | 1832 | 1855 | 0649 | 1805 | LAST | 1 |
| 11 | 0654 | 0717 | 1832 | 1855 | 0743 | 1903 | NEW | 0 |
| 12 | 0655 | 0718 | 1833 | 1856 | 0835 | 1959 | 1ST | 2 |
| 13 | 0655 | 0718 | 1834 | 1857 | 0917 | 2052 | 1ST | 5 |
| 14 | 0655 | 0718 | 1834 | 1857 | 0956 | 2142 | 1ST | 10 |
| 15 | 0655 | 0718 | 1834 | 1857 | 1032 | 2230 | 1ST | 17 |

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- 1- PLANNED MAJOR OPERATION DECEMBER 1966
- 2- TERMINATION OPN DOVER
- 3- HQ BTRY FIRST BATTAL ASSIGNMENT (U)
- 4- THIRD MARDIV REQUEST FOR FORCES (U)
- 5- COMBINED ACTION COMPANIES
- 6- FRAG O 40-66 (ADD) ARTY DEPLOYMENT CH 1
- 7- RIVER PATROL
- 8- OPN MISSISSIPPI
- 9- REPORT OF INF BN OPNS 27 NOV-3 DEC 66
- 10- GUN FIRE RUN (U)
- 11- OPN MISSISSIPPI
- 12- CHOPPING OFF OF UNITS AS RESULT OF
(TERMINATION OF OPN MISSISSIPPI)
- 13- FRAG O 45-66 (UNIT DEPLOYMENTS)
- 14- POSSIBLE VC ATTACK ON AIR FIELDS
- 15- ALERT POSTURE
- 16- FRAG O 46-66 (BLT ROTATION)
- 17- TASK ORGANIZATION CHANGE (U)
- 18- ROUGH RIDER OPNS REPORT (U)

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 III MAF COC 300259Z OCT 66
 CG FIRST MARDIV REIN 010723Z DEC 66
 CG FIRST MAR DIV 010951Z DEC 66
 CG III MAF 011356Z DEC 66
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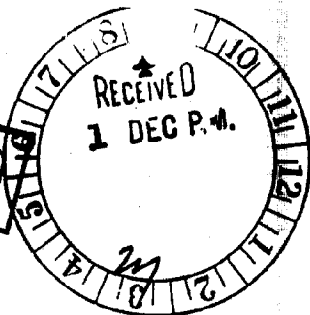
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SUBJ PLANNED MAJOR OPERATION DECEMBER 1966

AL MACV PLANNING DIRECTIVE 9-66

1. IN COMPLIANCE WITH REFERENCE (A) FOLLOWING REPORT OF MAJOR OPERATIONS PLANNED FOR DECEMBER 66 IS SUBMITTED.

A. (1) SUTTER

(2) 1ST MARDIV

(3) ONE BN (-) SEVENTH MAR COORDINATED WITH ARVN FORCES

(4) SEARCH AND DESTROY

(5) AREA NORTH OF CHU LAI RZ INCLUDING THE SUOI GIANG AND

SUOI CAU VALLEYS SOUTHEAST OF HILL 110 VIC COORD 2319

(6) CHANGED FROM NOVEMBER TO FIRST HALF DEC.

(7) NONE

B. (1) LAFAYETTE

(2) 1ST MARDIV

(3) ONE BN MINUS

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(4) SEARCH AND DESTROY

(5) AREA BOUNDED BY NORTH SOUTH GRID LINES BT 17 AND BT 21
AND EAST WEST GRID LINES BT 56 TO BT 59.

(6) LAST HALF DEC

(7) NONE

C. (1) IDAHO

(2) 1ST MARDIV

(3) ONE BN MINUS

(4) SEARCH AND DESTROY

(5) AREA BOUNDED BY NORTH SOUTH GRID LINES BT 01 TO BT 06
AND EAST WEST GRID LINES BT 60 TO BT 56.

(6) FIRST HALF DEC

(7) NONE

D. (1) GLENN

(2) 1ST MARDIV

(3) BN MINUS

(4) SEARCH AND DESTROY

(5) KHAI TAY (1), (2), AND (3) GRID SQ BT 0568, BT 0467, AND
BT 0466.

(6) FIRST HALF DEC.

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(7) NONE

E. (1) MISSISSIPPI

(2) 1ST MARDIV

(3) BN MINUS COORDINATED WITH ARVN FORCES

(4) SEARCH AND DESTROY

(5) NONG SON AREA SOUTH OF AN HOA.

(6) LAST HALF DEC

(7) NONE

F. (1) PAWNEE III

(2) 3D MARDIV

(3) ONE INF BN (-) (MINUS ONE COMPANY)

(4) SEARCH AND DESTROY

(5) PHU LOC DISTRICT, SOUTHEASTERN THUA THIEN PROVINCE

(6) COMMENCED 29 OCT 66

(7) NONE

G. (1) COMANCHE

(2) THIRD MARDIV

(3) ONE INF BN (REINF)

(4) SEARCH AND DESTROY

(5) NAM DONG, VIC (YD 9188)

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(6) DATE: TO BE ANNOUNCED

(7) NONE

H. (1) PRAIRIE

(2) THIRD MARDIV

(3) FIVE INF BN

(4) SEARCH AND DESTROY

(5) NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE

(6) COMMENCED 3 AUG 66

(7) NONE

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A. YR 291343Z OCT 66

1. REF A APPROVED. TERMINATE OPN DOVER 301200H OCT.

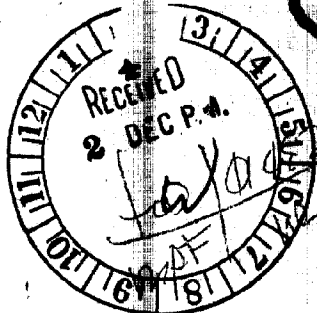
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ZEN/FIRST FIELD ARTY GP
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HQ BTRY FIRST FAG ASSIGNMENT (U)

- A. FIRST MARDIV COC 301330Z NOV66 (NOTAL)
- B. CG NINTH MAB 150834Z NOV66 (NOTAL)
- C. CG III MAF 301502Z NOV66 (NOTAL)
- D. CG FIRST MARDIV 270601Z NOV66
- E. CG FIRST MARDIV 080949Z NOV66 (NOTAL)
1. AT 301636H NOV66 HQ BTRY FIRST FAG ARRIVED CHU LAI REPORTED
OPCON III MAF AND ADCON FIRST MARDIV, AS INDICATED REFA, IAW
REF B. BY REF C OPCON FIRST FAG ASSIGNED FIRST MARDIV 300836Z
NOV66
2. IAW REF D, AT 301636H NOV66:

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- A. OPCON HQ BTRY FIRST FAG FURTHER PASSED TO CG IF XRAY
FOR EMPLOYMENT OF GROUP IAW REF E.
- B. ELEVENTH MAR ASSUME ADCON HQ BTRY FIRST FAG.

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THIRD MARDIV REQUEST FOR FORCES (U)

A. THIRD MARDIV 300815Z NOV 66

B. III MAF 090924Z OCT 66

1. REQUEST FOR OPCON OF CLEARING PLAT, CO 3, THIRD MED BN AND FIRST PLAT (REIN) CO C, THIRD MT BN CONTAINED IN REF A NOT IPW WITH REF B. CLEARING PLAT CO D, THIRD MED BN SCHEDULED FOR EVENTUAL MVMT TO THIRD MARDIV AREA AVAILABLE FOR ALT ROTATION. MT PLAT NOT AVAILABLE WITHOUT REPL IN KIND FROM INCOMING ELT.
2. RQST CONCURRENCE SUBSTITUTION CLEARING PLAT CO D VICE CO B THIRD MED BN AND IN KIND REPLACEMENT OF FIRST PLAT (REIN) CO C THIRD MT BN.

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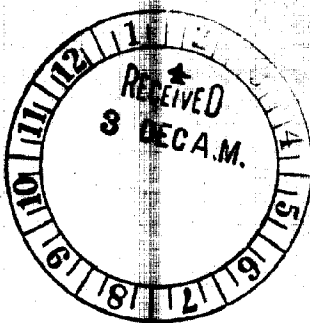
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SUBJECT: COMBINED ACTION COMPANIES

1. III MAF GOAL OF 74 COMBINED ACTION PLATOON BY END OF CY 66 HAMPERED BY NOVEMBER GROWTH LAG. IF GOAL IS TO BE REACHED, 24 PLATOONS MUST BE ACTIVATED DURING DECEMBER. REQUIRES MAXIMUM EFFORT AT ALL LEVELS OF COMMAND.

2. REQUEST ADEES SUBMIT TO THIS HQ PLANS FOR GROWTH TO INCLUDE WHERE AND WHEN NEW UNITS WILL BE ACTIVATED.

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TO CG TF XRAY

ELEVENTH MAR

INFO NINTH MAR

FIRST RECON BN

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FRAG 0 40-66 (ADDN ARTY DEPLOYMENT) CHANGE ONE (U)

A. CG FIRST MARDIV 300611Z NOV66

1. ELEVENTH MAR: MOVE BTRY E SECOND BN ELEVENTH MAR FROM QUE SON TO AN HOA COMMENCING 021200H DEC66

2. CG TF SRAY: RETURN RIFLE CO MINUS FROM QUE SON TO CHU LAI ON DEPARTURE BTRY E SECOND BN ELEVENTH MAR FROM QUE SON.

3. REF A MODIFIED ACCORDINGLY.

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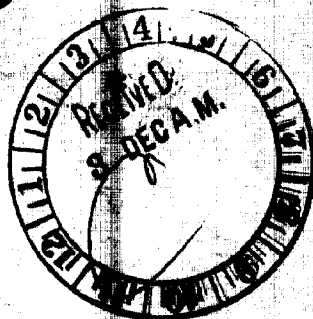
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FM CG III MAF

TO ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV

INFO RUMNVH/FIRST COASTAL ZONE ADVISOR

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ZEN/IST MP BN

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RIVER PATROL

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1. III MAF 020606Z JUL 66 (NOTAL)

2. III MAF 061012Z OCT 66 (NOTAL)

1. REF A DIRECTED CG THIRD MARDIV EST 24 HOUR DAILY RIVER PATROL ON DANANG RIVER FROM VIC BT 060723 TO CAK LE BRIDGE VIC BT 015716.

REF B INTER ALIA DIRECTED CG, FIRST MARDIV ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIRD MARDIV MISSIONS IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE.

2. FIRST COASTAL ZONE ADVISOR INDICATES COMMANDER, FIRST NAVAL ZONE AS AUTH BY CG I CORPS WILL RESUME CONDUCT DANANG RIVER PATROL O/A 3 DEC.

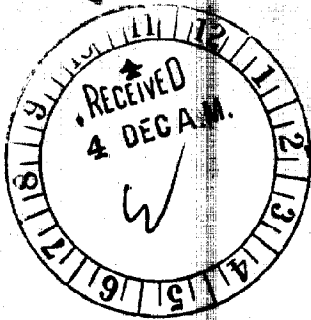
3. ACCORDINGLY, REQUIREMENT EST BY REF A CANCELLED. REQUEST CG FIRST MARDIV PROVIDE 2-MAN COMMUNICATION TEAM WITH PRC-25 RADIO ON NIGHTLY BASIS TO VN VEDETTE RIVER PATROL. DIRLAUTH WITH FIRST COASTAL ZONE ADVISOR.

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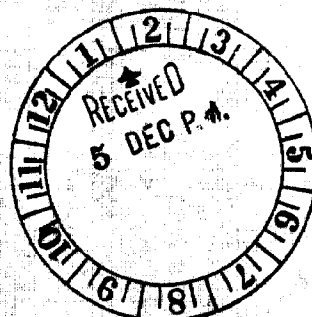
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REPORT OF INF BN OPNS 27 NOV-3DEC66

A. CG III MAF 220702Z

1. FOLLOWING RPT SUBMITTED IAW REF A:

A. MANUEVER BNS AVAILABLE: 12US

B. DAYS ON:

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TO NINTH MAR

ELEVENTH MAR

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CG FIRST MAW

FIRST RECON BN

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OPN HOME RUN (U)

A. TELECON BETWEEN FIRST MARDIV, G-3; CO ELEVENTH MAR AND XO
 NINTH MAR 5 DEC 66

B. CG FIRST MAR DIV 030715Z DEC 66

1. THIS MSG CONFIRMATION REF A. FOR DEPLOYMENT OF FORCES
 DIRECTED IN PREPARATION SPI REF B.

A. ELEVENTH MAR: COMMENCING AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE DEPLOY TWO
 105MM HOW W/PERS AND EQUIP TO HILL IN GRID SQUARE BT 8138.

B. NINTH MAR: COMMENCING AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE DEPLOY REIN RIFLES
 PLAT TO HILL IN GRID SQUARE BT 8138. PROVIDE SECURITY FOR ARTY.

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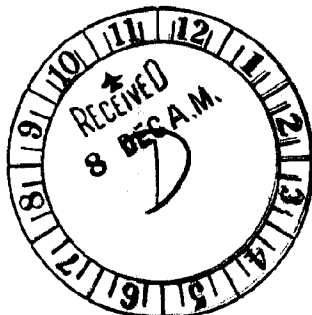
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FIRST MARINES

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CHOPPING OPCON OF UNITS AS A RESULT OF TERMINATION OF OPN MISS.

1. CO 1, 3D BN, 1ST MARINES CHOPPED OPCON FROM CO, 2D BN, 5TH MAR
EFFECTIVE 081320H TO CO, 1ST MARINES.

2. CO 2, 1ST BN, 26TH MARINES CHOPPED OPCON FROM CO, 2D BN,
5TH MAR EFFECTIVE 081320H TO CO, 1ST BN 26TH MARINES.

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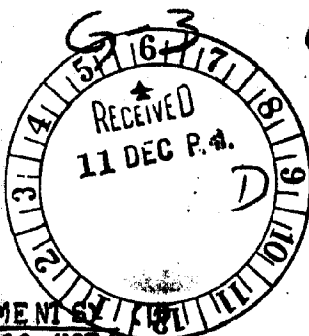
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FRAG 0 45-66 (UNIT DEPLOYMENT BY 1001)

- A. CG III MAF 071548Z DEC66 NOTAL
- B. CG NINTH MAB 030200Z DEC66 PASEP
- C. FIRST MARDIV ADMIN O 301-66
- D. FOR O P4000.5

1. TERRAIN ANALYSIS, EN SIT AND MWR REQMS DICTATE NEED FOR ONE LVTH FLAT REIN AND ONE FORCE RECON TM FOR JAN SPECIAL OPN IN IV CTZ. PLANS CALL FOR AUGMENTATION TO ARR SUBIC BY 15 DEC FOR RIVERINE TRNG AND RETURN TO DIV ON COMPLETION SPEC OPNS. REF A APPLIES.

2. ELEVENTH MAR: WHEN DIRECTED DEPLOY ONE LVTH FLAT REIN BY SEA TO SUBIC BAY. COMPOSITION AS FOLLS:

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A. EQUIPMENT

- (1) SIX LVTH 6
- (2) ONE LVIP 5
- (3) ONE LVIC
- (4) OTHER ITEMS TO BE PROVIDED BY NINTH MAB AS INDICATED REF B.

B. PERS REIN

- (1) MAINT PERS: ONE SGT 2142, ONE CPL 2142, TWO LCPL 2142, ONE CPL 2151.

- (2) COMM PERS: ONE CPL 2841

- (3) SPT PERS: ONE CPL 3371, ONE PVT 3371, ONE HM-3 8404.

- (4) OTHER REIN PERS TO BE PROVIDED BY NINTH MAB AS INDICATED

REF B.

3. FIRST RECON BN: DEPLOY ONE FORCE RECON TEAM BY AIR TO SUBIC BAY ON OR ABOUT 12DEC66.

4. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS:

A. UPON DEPARTURE DANANG: FORCE RECON TEAM OPON FIRST MARDIV. CHOP IF SEVEN NINE POINT FIVE ON ARRIVAL SUBIC BAY.

B. UPON DEPARTURE DANANG LVTH FLAT CHOPS COMSEVENTH FLT FURTHER CHOPS IF SEVEN NINE POINT FIVE ON ARRIVAL SUBIC BYA.

C. MOVREPS IAW SUPPLEMENT TO NWIP 10-1(A).

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D. OPSTAT CHANGES IAW FMFPAC O 03000.5 A.

5. ADMIN AND LOG

A. ADMINISTRATION

(1) IAW PROVISIONS OF ANNEX D REFERENCE C.

(2) INITIAL CASUALTY REPORTING WILL BE MADE BY UNIT TO WHICH ATTACHED. SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS TO BE SUBMITTED BY PARENT ORGANIZATION.

B. LOGISTICS

(1) PRESCRIBED LOADS.

(A) LVTH-6 FLAT

CLASS I - 15 DAYS MCI

CLASS I - T/E ALLOWANCES, ON HAND OP STOCKS: 30 DAY REQUIREMENTS AT COMBAT ACTIVE RATES OF CLASS II ITEMS INCLUDING INDIVIDUAL CLOTHING AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES (ONLY 15 DAYS OF DRY CELL BATTERIES REQUIRED), AND 30 DAYS REQUIREMENTS NON T/A ITEMS.

CLASS III - 2 DAYS MOGAS, 4 DAYS DIESEL AND 15 DAYS OF SPECIAL OILS, LUBRICANTS AND PACKAGED PRODUCTS.

CLASS V - BASIC ALLOWANCE

(B) RECON TM

ALL CLASSES AS PRESCRIBED BY CO FIRST RECON BN.

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(2) TRANSPORTATION. SUBMIT REQUIREMENTS TO THIS HQ (ATTN MT O).

(3) EMBARKATION - SUBMIT LIFT REQUIREMENTS TO THIS HQS (ATTN DIV EMB O) IAW REFERENCE D.

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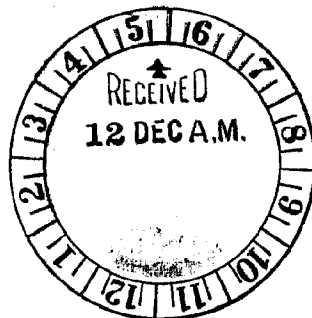
1. 1ST MARDIV RPT FOLLOWS:
SUBJ: POSSIBLE VC ATTACK ON AIR FIELDS
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FROM THE NATIONAL POLICE AT HOW AN:
ONE VC BN DESIG A40 MOVED FROM QUANG NGAI TO THANH THIN (BT 070650)
AND THEM TO HOI AI (BT 035675) APPROX 10 KM SE OF DANANG EAST AIR
BASE. IT IS BELIEVED THIS BN INTENDS TO USE BOATS TO APPROACH D.
DANANG EAST AIR BASE DURING THE NIGHT 10 DEC 66. DURING NIGHT 11-14
DEC VC BN INTENDS TO MORTAR DANANG MAW BASE [REDACTED] (11-14 DEC IS TIME
FRAME-ONE NIGHT WILL BE CHOSEN). IT IS VERY PROBABLE THAT VC WILL ATTEMPT
ATK ON MAJOR BASES OR OBJECTIVES PRIOR TO 20 DEC 66. 20 DEC IS THE
ANNIVERSARY OF FOUNDATION OF NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT.
2. G-2 COMMENT F-3-SEVERAL AGENT REPORTS AND INTERROGATION OF
FORMER MEMBERS T89 BN (SAPPER) INDICATES ATTACK ON DANANG AIR BASE
IS PLANNED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.
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I CORPS (DSA)

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1. 1ST MARDIV RPT FOLLOWS:

SUBJ: POSSIBLE VC ATTACK ON AIR FIELDS

1. THE HOI AN LNO REC'D THE FOLLOWING REPORT

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FROM THE NATIONAL POLICE AT HOW AN:

ONE VC BN DESIG A40 MOVED FROM QUANG NGAI TO THANH THIN (BT 070650)

AND THEM TO HOI AI (BT 035675) APPROX 10 KM SE OF DANANG EAST AIR

BASE. IT IS BELIEVED THIS BN INTENDS TO USE BOATS TO APPROACH D.

DANANG EAST AIR BASE DURING THE NIGHT 10 DEC 66. DURING NIGHT 11-14

DEC VC BN INTENDS TO MORTAR DANANG MAW BASE (11-14 DEC IS TIME

FRAME-ONE NIGHT WILL BE CHOSEN). IT IS VERY PROBABLE THAT VC WILL ATTEMPT

ATK ON MAJOR BASES OR OBJECTIVES PRIOR TO 20 DEC 66. 20 DEC IS THE

ANNIVERSARY OF FOUNDATION OF NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT.

2. G-2 COMMENT F-3-SEVERAL AGENT REPORTS AND INTERROGATION OF

FORMER MEMBERS T89 BN (SAPPER) INDICATES ATTACK ON DANANG AIR BASE

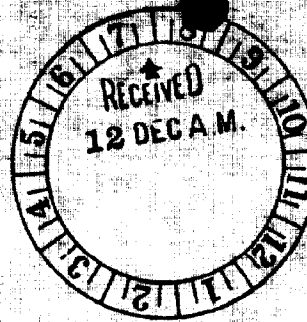
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MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE ALERT AND SECURITY POSTURE.

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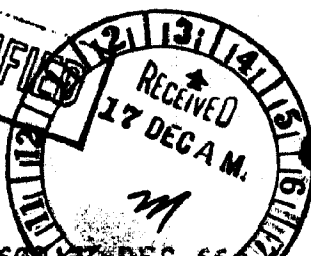
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- C. CG NINTH MAB 130215Z DEC 66 (NOTAL)
- D. CG FMFPAC 122056Z DEC 66 (PASEP)
- E. FIRST MARDIV 0 P02000.2C
- F. THIRD MARDIV 0 P02000.2E

TASK ORGANIZATION: TO BE PROMULGATED.

1. MISSION. FIRST MARDIV RECEIVES BLT TWO FOUR AT DANANG, EFFECTS RELIEF OF THIRD BN NINTH MAR WITH SECOND BN FOURTH MAR, AND EMBARKS BLT THREE NINE FOR ROTATION TO OKI.

2. EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT.

(1) IN PREP FOR ROTATION TO OKI FIRST MARDIV ACTIVATES BLT THREE SLASH NINE FOR PLANNING AND PREPARES BLT FOR ROTATION IAW REFS A AND B.

(2) ON ARRIVAL DANANG, BLT TWO SLASH FOUR CHOPS TO III MAF IAW REF C. ON CHOP FIRST MARDIV DEBARKATION, BLT TWO SLASH FOUR DEACTIVATED, AND OPCCN 2 BN FOURTH MAR

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 PASSES TO NINTH MAR, OPCON FORMER ATTACHMENTS PASS TO
 PARENT ORGN EXCEPT BTRY M THIRD BN TWELFTH MAR OPCON ELEVENTH MAR,
 FIRST PLT (REIN) CO B THIRD ENGR BN OPCON DET THIRD ENGR BN AND,
 PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS, DET HQ CO FOURTH MAR OPCON NINTH MAR.

(3) CONCURRENT WITH SECOND BN FOURTH MAR DEBARKATION,
 ELEMENTS SECOND BN FOURTH MAR COMMENCE RELIEF IN PLACE OF THIRD BN
 NINTH MAR AND BLT THREE SLASH NINE ELEMENTS COMMENCE EMBARKATION.
 DEBARKATION BLT TWO SLASH FOUR, RELIEF IN PLACE AND
 EMBARKATION OF BLT THREE NINE ELEMENTS TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN
 NINETY-SIX HR TIME FRAME.

(4) BLT THREE NINE TO BE TASK ORGANIZED IAW ENCL (4) OF
 REF A. ON COMPLETION OF RELIEF AND EMBARKATION O/A 6JAN67. BLT
 THREE NINE ROTATES TO OKI.

B. NINTH MAR.

(1) PREPARE THIRD BN NINTH MARINES FOR ROTATION TO OKI
 O/A 8JAN67.

(2) ASSUME OPCON SECOND BN FOURTH MAR ON ARRIVAL AND
 DEACTIVATION BLT TWO FOUR O/A 6JAN67 AND EFFECT IMMEDIATE IN PLACE
 RELIEF THIRD BN NINTH MAR.

(3) DESIGNATE DET HQ CO (RADIO RELAY) FOR ATTACHMENT TO

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 BLT THREE SLASH NINE ON ACTIVATION FOR OPNS.

C. THIRD BN NINTH MAR.

(1) BLT THREE NINE ACTIVATED FOR PLANNING PURPOSES 161800H
 DEC66 FOR OPERATIONS ON ORDER O/A 6JAN67.

(2) DESIGNATE ADVANCE PARTY TO PROCEED BY AIR TO OKI O/A
 20DEC66 TO EFFECT LIAISON WITH NINTH MAB REGARDING LOGISTIC
 AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.

(3) ON DEPARTURE DANANG, OPCON PASSES CTF SEVEN NINE,
 ADCON TO CG NINTH MAB. ON ARR OKI CHOP NINTH MAB.

(4) PERSONNEL ASSIGNED CAC PROGRAM REMAIN IN SECTOR.
 OPCON AS DIRECTED BY CO NINTH MAR, ADCON SUB-UNIT HQ BN.

D. DET, HQ BN, THIRD MARDIV.

DETACHED: DET (POSTAL, DISBURSING, PHOTO, RADIO RELAY).

E. ELEVENTH MAR MINUS REIN.

DETACHED: 105MM HOW BTRY, 12TH MAR.

F. FIRST AMTRAC BN MINUS REIN.

DETACHED: AMTRAC PLAT (REIN), FIRST AMTRAC BN.

G. DET THIRD ENGR BN.

DETACHED: ENGR PLAT (REIN), THIRD ENGR BN.

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DETACHED: IX PLAT (REIN).

I. THIRD AT BN MINUS.

DETACHED: AT PLAT (REIN).

J. THIRD MED BN MINUS REIN.

DETACHED: COLL PLAT MINUS (REIN), THIRD MED BN.

K. THIRD DENTAL CO MINUS.

DETACHED: DET, DENTAL CO.

L. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) DETACHMENTS EFFECTIVE FOR PLANNING 161800H DEC66 FOR OPNS ON ORDER O/A GJANG7.

(2) RQST CG THIRD MARDIV PROVIDE DESIGNATION RECON PLAT SCHEDULED FOR ATCHMT BLT THREE SLASH NINE IAW REF B. RECOMMEND MVMT OF PLAT TO DANANG AND CHOP FIRST MARDIV 5JANG7.

(3) RQST CG FLC PROVIDE DESIGNATION AND COMPOSITION LSU.

(4) ALL UNITS PROVIDING ATTACHMENTS TO BLT THREE NINE PROVIDE THIS HQ WITH UNIT DESIGNATIONS ASAP.

(5) MOVREPS IAW SUPPLEMENT TO NWIP 10-1(A).

(6) OPSTATS IAW FMFPAC O P03000.5.

(7) SAILING REPORTS IAW FMFPAC O P4600.1F.

(8) DIRLAUTH ALL UNITS.

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3. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

A. PERSONNEL. INSTRUCTIONS AS ISSUED BY CG 3D MARDIV.

B. SUPPLY.

(1) PRESCRIBED LOADS/SUPPLIES AND EQUIP TO BE EMBARKED (BLT 3/9).

(A) CLASS I, IV, AND V. NONE.

(B) CLASS II. FULL T/E CLASS II ALLOWANCE INCLUDING ENCAMPMENT GARRISON TYPE ITEMS INDICATED AS REGULAR T/E ALLOWANCE PLUS ON HAND OPERATING STOCKS. NO MOUT OUT. NO ITEMS REPEAT NO ITEMS EQUIPMENT WILL BE LEFT IN THIRD ECHELON REPAIR SHOPS IN VIETNAM.

(C) CLASS III. VEHICLE FUEL TANKS 3X4 FULL. NO OTHER CLASS III.

(2) SUPPLIES AVAILABLE ON BOARD SHIP FOR BLT THREE SLASH NINE FOR ITEMS WILL BE BROUGHT FROM OKINAWA BY BLT TWO SLASH FOUR AND WILL REMAIN ON BOARD SHIPS FOR CONTINGENCY USE BY BLT THREE SLASH NINE ENROUTE OKINAWA.

(A) CLASS I. 3 DAYS MCI.

(B) CLASS III. 2 DAYS MOGAS AND 4 DAYS DIESEL.

(C) CLASS IV. FIELD FORTIFICATION MATERIAL: 5000 SANDBAGS, 60 COILS OF CONCERTINA, 600 STAKES (200 EACH 5 FT AND

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400 EACH 2 FT), AND 100 ROLLS OF BARBED WIRE.

(D) CLASS V. BASIC ALLOWANCE.

H (3) SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT TO BE LEFT IN VIETNAM BY BLT
 THREE SLASH NINE. ALL GARRISON AND PLANT PROPERTY TYPE ITEMS
 OBTAINED AS SPECIAL ALLOWANCE FOR RVN PLUS ALL CLASS I, III, V,
 AND CLASS IV (FORTIFICATION MATERIALS) WILL BE LEFT IN PLACE
 AND TURNED OVER TO RELIEVING UNIT.

(4) EXCHANGE OF EQUIPMENT PROHIBITED. CHANGES OF EQUIPMENT
 BY ANY ORGANIZATION WITH A BLT DEPARTING VIETNAM FOR OKINAWA IS
 SPECIFICALLY FORBIDDEN. REF (D) APPLIES.

(5) ADDITIONAL SUPPLY INSTRUCTIONS FOR BLT THREE SLASH NINE
 AS ISSUED BY CG 3RD MARDIV.

C. TRANSPORTATION.

(1) ADVANCE PARTY FOR BLT THREE SLASH NINE:
 9TH MAR PROVIDE REQUEST FOR TRANSPORTATION TO THIS HQ (ATTN G-4).

(2) REQUIREMENTS FOR MOTOR TRANSPORT TO SUPPORT EMBARKATION/
 DEBARKATION OF BLT THREE SLASH NINE AND BLT TWO SLASH FOUR:
 SUBMIT REQUESTS TO THIS (ATTN MTO)

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D. EMBARKATION/DEBARKATION.

(1) NINTH MAR: PROVIDE THIS HQ (ATTN EMBO) WITH CONSO-
LIDATED EMBARKATION DATA FOR BLT THREE SLASH NINE.

(2) NINTH MAR: ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING UNITS TO BLT THREE SLASH
NINE SUBMIT EMBARK DATA AND REQUIRED LOGISTIC DATA TO BLT THREE SLASH
NINE ASAP.

(3) DEBARKATION OF BLT TWO SLASH FOUR. SECOND BN FOURTH MAR
COORDINATES DEBARKATION FOR ALL ELEMENTS OF BLT TWO SLASH FOUR

(4) ASSIGNMENT TO SHIPPING. FOLLOWING SHIPS ARE ASSIGNED TO
BLT THREE SLASH NINE: BEXAR APA 237, UNION AKA 107 AND POINT
DEFIANCE LSD 31.

E. LTI'S/INVENTORY OF BLT THREE SLASH NINE EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.

(1) IAW REFERENCE A.

(2) NINTH MAR

(A) ENSURE INSPECTIONS COMMENCE IMMEDIATELY.

(B) ENSURE THAT REPORT OF ITEMS AND QUANTITIES
REQUIRING REPLACEMENT OR REPAIR TOGETHER WITH REQUISITIONS FOR
PARTS NECESSARY TO EFFECT REPAIRS IS SUBMITTED TO THIRD FSR 15
DAYS PRIOR TO EMBARK OF BLT THREE SLASH NINE.

(C) REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM FLC, ELEVENTH MAR AND

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SEPARATE BNS AS REQUIRED FOR CONDUCT OF LTS. FOR BLT THREE SLASH NINE.

(D) ADVISE THIS HQ (ATTN G-4) STATE OF LTI'S EVERY FIVE
DAYS. FIRST REPORT DE FIFTH DAYS PRIOR TO EMBARK, CONTINUE
REPORTING UNTIL ALL LTI'S AND REQUISITIONS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO
THIRD FSR

(3) ELEVENTH MAR, SEPARATE BNS, AND DEF PROVIDING UNITS TO BLT THREE
SLASH NINE: RENDER ASSISTANCE TO BLT THREE SLASH NINE IN ACCOMPLISHING
LTI INVENTORIES.

(4) REQUEST FLC PROVIDE TECHNICAL PERSONNEL TO ASSIST BLT
THREE SLASH NINE IN CONDUCTING LTI'S EQUIPMENT IAW PARA 5.C.(4)
OF REF A.

F. COMMAND AND COMM-ELEC

A. COMMAND: REPORT CP OPENING AND CLOSING TIMES AND LOCS.

B. COMM-ELEC

(1) REF E.

(2) VOICE CALL SIGNS OF RELIEVING UNITS IAW REF F.

(3) COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

(A) UNITS TO BE RELIEVED PREPARE TO PASS COMMUNICATIONS
RESPONSIBILITIES TO RELIEVING UNITS TO ENSURE CONTINUOUS COMMUNICA-
TIONS DURING RELIEF IN PLACE.

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(B) RADIO FREQUENCIES ASSIGNED UNITS BEING RELIEVED, IN
SUPPLEMENT THREE REF E, REASSIGNED TO RELIEVING UNITS UPON RELIEF
IN PLACE.

(C) RADIO FREQUENCIES ASSIGNED BY REF F NOT AUTHORIZED
FOR USE IN DANANG TAOR.

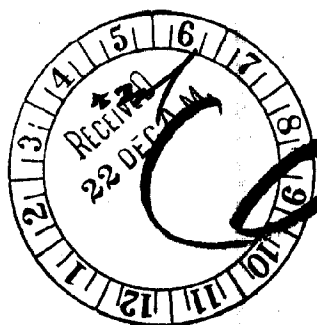
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1. IN PREPARATION BLT THREE SLASH NINE ROTATION FOL CHANGES
 TASK OR CN EFFECTIVE 260800H DEC 66.

A. SECOND BN REIN FIFTH MAR: CHOP FOL UNITS TO PARENT
 ORGANIZATIONS:

K1) 2ND PLAT CO C THIRD AT BN

(2) 3D PLAT CO C DET THIRD ENGR BN

(3) 1ST PLAT CO A FIRST AMTRAC BN

B. FIRST AT BN: CHOP 2D PLAT CO B TO SECON BN FIFTH MAR.

C. DET THIRD ENGR BN: CHOP 2ND PLAT CO B DET FIRST ENGR BN TO

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SECOND BN FIFTH MAR.

D. FIRST AMTRAC BN MINUS REIN: CHOP 4TH PLAT CO A THIRD
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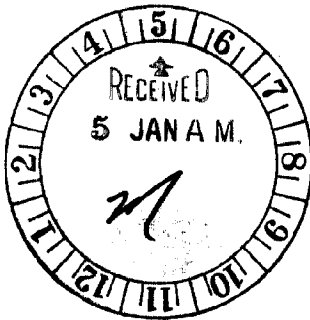
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A. YR 011204Z AUG 66

1. IAW REF A FOLLOWING REPORT SUBMITTED FOR NOV. DEC H.B.

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2. ONE CONTACT. NO ENEMY KIA, ENEMY CAPTURED, DETAINEES OR
 WEAPONS CAPTURED. NO OBSTACLES REMOVED/REPAIRED.

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- (b) ~~1st~~ MAF LOI 5-66-W/Ch #1
(c) 1st MarDiv Op Order 301-66

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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces.

- (1) Anx A (Intelligence).
(2) Current INTSUMS and PERINTREPS.

b. Friendly forces. Ref (b).

- (1) I ARVN Corps conducts operations against VC and NVA forces throughout ICTZ. Major subordinate commands I Corps include 1st ARVN Div (11th Division Tactical Area (DTA), QUANG TRI and THUA THIEN Provinces), 2d ARVN Div (12th DTA, QUANG TIN and QUANG NGAI Provinces), QUANG DA Spec Zone (QUANG NAM Province), Luc Long Dac Biet (LLDB, VN Special Forces) and Civilian Irregular Defense Groups (CIDG).
- (2) CG III MAF/SA I Corps exercises OPCON of U. S. Army Special Forces (USASF) & Detachments at CIDG Camps in ICTZ through Deputy Senior Advisor, I Corps and G-1 Detachment 5th USASF Gp. USASF Detachment Commanders serve as advisors to corresponding echelons of LLDB.
- (3) 7th Air Force operates MSQ-77 "Sky Spot" radar controlled bombing systems at FLEIKU (AR 7850) and DONG HA (YD2461) in support of all-weather air ops in ICTZ. I Corps DASC provides for delivery of air support to CIDG Camps and provides FAC (Abn) to support camps under atk.

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- (4) FMAW provides air support to include TPQ-10 systems at DA NANG (AT 9574), CHU LAI (BT 5211) and QUANG NGAI (BS 6172) in support of all-weather air opns in 1st MarDiv area of responsibility.
- (5) LLDB, in coordination with Det C-1 5th USASF Gp, maintains nine CIDG Camps in I Corps Tactical Zone (ICTZ), eight in 1st MarDiv area of responsibility.

2. MISSION

When directed by III MAF, in coordination with I Corps forces and U. S. advisory personnel, 1st MarDiv provides supporting arms fire in defense of designated CIDG Camps; conducts spoiling atks in vic of camps threatened with atk; conducts opns to rein or relieve camps under atk; ~~establishes~~ establishes camps if seized, and pursues and destroys en forces involved.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept of Opns. Relative inaccessibility CIDG Camps allows en to prepare detailed atk plans and marshal substantial forces over period of time in attempt to overwhelm particular camp before relief forces can respond effectively. Experience indicates en atks on camps most likely during extended periods reduced visibility when friendly capabilities to relieve or support camps are minimized, en will establish ambushes along major avenues of approach likely to be used by ground relief forces, and en will interdict likely helicopter zones within their capability. Survival of camp under attack will be dependent largely upon speed with which friendly air, artillery, and/or ground support can be rendered.

- (1) Primary responsibility for support of specific CIDG Camps is assigned to specific subordinate units to ensure continuity of planning and minimum response time in execution. See Annex B (Responsibility/Location CIDG Camps). Secondary responsibility assigned to ensure flexibility in readiness to execute plans and provide additional forces if required in support of camps concerned. Through frequent liaison with A Detachments of assigned CIDG Camps, subordinate units keep continually abreast of friendly and en situation.
- (2) Three successive phases of support ~~are~~ envisioned in execution this plan. Sequence of phases depends on speed with which they can be brought to bear. Normal sequence is tac air support, arty support, and commitment of ground forces. Extent of USMC participation determined by III MAF.

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- (a) All weather air support is provided by TPQ-10 and MSQ-77 radar systems located to enable radar controlled bombing in vic all CIDG Camps. Camps are equipped with UHF radios to control air strikes under emergency conditions, to allow conduct of UHF/automatic DF homing and to provide emergency comm via any U. S. aircraft to higher Hqs.
- (b) Arty support may be provided by arty within camps, ARVN or US arty within supporting range of camps or USMC arty deployed to within supporting range of camps. Through pre-planning and liaison, preplanned concentrations are prepared for each camp, coordinated plans are developed for US arty in support of ARVN ground forces moving to assist camps, and primary and alternate landing sites and firing positions are preselected where possible to ensure rapid deployment. Initial USMC arty deployment envisioned one btry rein\$ with arty element deployed either prior to or in conjunction with ground forces. In phasing of support, USMC arty and associated arty element deployed in support of camp pass to OPCON USMC ground force on its commitment.
- (c) Relief forces may be ARVN, ARVN supported by US arty, coordinated ARVN/USMC, or unilateral USMC. Initial USMC ground force envisioned one inf bn rein\$. When USMC ground force committed, OPCON of USASF A Detachment passes to senior USMC infantry commander in area of opn.

b. Task Force XRAY.

- (1) Anx B (Responsibility/Location CIDG Camps).
- (2) When directed, deploy ASAP arty units, rein with arty elements, to provide fires unilaterally or in coordination with ARVN arty in DS besieged CIDG Camps. Anx C (Arty Support).
- (3) Be prepared deliver fires ASAP in support besieged CIDG Camps from arty located within supporting range of camps. Anx C (Arty Support).
- (4) When directed, conduct unilateral or coordinated ops to rein or relieve CIDG Camps under atk, reestablish camps if seized, and pursue and destroy en forces involved.
- (5) Maintain liaison with USASF A Detachments, at CIDG Camps assigned, to coordinate planning and maintain current intel of threat to camps.
- (6) Submit recommendations this Hq for offensive ops in vic CIDG Camps to exploit intel developed concerning camps.

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- (1) Anx B (Responsibility/Location CIDG Camps).

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- (2) When directed, conduct unilateral or coordinated ops to ~~rein~~ or relieve primary responsibility CIDG Camp under atk, reestablish camp if seized, and pursue and destroy en forces involved.
- (3) Be prepared conduct unilateral or coordinated ops to ~~rein~~ or relieve secondary responsibility CIDG Camp under atk, reestablish camp if seized, and pursue and destroy en forces involved.
- (4) Maintain liaison with USAF A Detachments, at CIDG Camps assigned, to coordinate planning and maintain current intel of threat to camps.
- (5) Submit recommendations this Hq for ops in vic CIDG Camps to exploit intel developed concerning camps.
- (6) When directed, provide arty elements when artillery units are deployed to support besieged CIDG Camps.

d. 11th Mar (-) (Rein)

- (1) Anx B (Responsibility/Location CIDG Camps).
- (2) When directed, deploy ASAP arty units, ~~rein~~ with arty elements to provide fires unilaterally or in coordination with ARVN arty in DS besieged CIDG Camps. Anx C (Arty Support).
- (3) Be prepared deliver fires ASAP in support besieged CIDG Camps from arty located within supporting range of camps. Anx C (Arty Support).
- (4) Assist in prep and maint of plans as requested by 1st Mar and 9th Mar.
- (5) When directed, provide forces IAW 1st Mar and 9th Mar plans.
- (6) Maintain liaison with USAF A Detachments at designated CIDG Camps to ensure preplanned concentrations are valid and fire support coordination procedures are established.

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 1st AT Bn (-).
 Det, 3d AT Bn.
 Det, 3d Engr Bn.
 Det, 3d SP Bn.
 3d MT Bn (-) (Rein).
 3d MT Bn (-) (Rein).
 1st TK Bn (-).
 3d MT Bn (-).
 1st ~~Arty~~ Bn (-) (Rein).
 7th MT Bn (-) (Rein).

- (1) Assist in prep and maint of plans as requested by 1st Mar and 9th Mar.

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- (2) When directed, provide forces and support IAW 1st Mar and 9th Mar plans.

f. Coordinating instructions.

- (1) In event information received that CIDG Camp is threatened or has come under attack, immediately notify 1st MarDiv COC G-3 Watch Officer.
- (2) On notification of attack, this Hq will execute procedures of Anx D (COC/FSCG Immediate Action).
- (3) Notify this Hq immediately when current or planned opn would prevent execution of this plan.
- (4) Consider normal combat support and combat service support elements available.
- (5) Submit requests for external support to this Hq.
- (6) Direct ln authorized between all 1st MarDiv units and with FLSG-A and FLSG-B.
- (7) Arty support: Anx C (Arty support).
- (8) Air support ref (c). Preplanned air tgts: Anx E (Preplanned Air Targets).
- (9) No change in rules of engagement: Ref (c).
- (10) Direct ln authorized with Senior Advisor QUANG NAM Sector and 2d ARVN Div as appropriate in discussing coordinated plans.
- (11) Code name for specific operations will be assigned by Frag Order implementing this plan.
- (12) Provide this Hq with ten copies of all plans.
- (13) This plan effective for planning on receipt, execution on order.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS. Administrative Plan 303-66.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS

- a. Communication-Electronics: Anx F (Communication-Electronics).
- b. Command.

- (1) As matter of U. S. policy, U. S. forces will not be placed under command or OPCON of allied commanders. However, this restriction does not preclude temporary tactical direction of U. S. Forces by ARVN commanders under exceptional circumstances and by mutual agreement, or temporary direction of ARVN Forces by U. S. commanders under certain circumstances. Matters of this nature will be referred to this Hq.

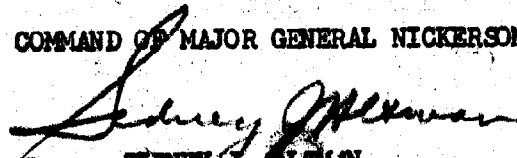
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(2) Command Relationships. Annex G (Command Relationships).

(3) Command Posts. Ref (b)

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ANNEXES:

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- D - COC/FSCG Immediate Action
- E - Preplanned Air Targets
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1. Substitute attached change 2 to Operation Plan 303-66 for Operation Plan 303-66 in its entirety. Destroy superseded order without report to this Headquarters.
2. This sheet will be filed as page 7 of new basic Operation Plan.

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| CG FLC | 1 | 3d MT Bn | 1 |
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Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Plan 303-66

- Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014.
 (b) III MAF's Special Photographic Intelligence Study of Special Forces Camps (NOTAL)
 (c) DivO P3800.1F
 (d) ForceO 3820.2

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1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

- a. See ref (b) for Special Photographic Intelligence Studies of each CIDG Camp in 1st MarDiv area.
 b. See current 1st MarDiv SPOTREPs, INTSUMs and PERINTREPs.

2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION. Within 15 kilometers of each CIDG Camp.

- a. Determine if enemy will attack any of CIDG Camps herein enumerated. If so, when? Where? In what strength? With what units?
 b. Determine if enemy will use reinforcements in attack on any of CIDG Camps. If so, when? Where? In what strength? With what units?
 c. Determine if enemy will employ artillery, heavy mortars and/or recoilless rifles in support of attack against any of CIDG Camps. If so, what type and caliber of weapon? Where will firing position be located? What methods of fire control will be employed?
 d. Determine current combat effectiveness of enemy units that could be employed in attacks against CIDG Camps.
 e. Determine what avenues of approach enemy will use to reach CIDG Camps.
 f. Determine if enemy will attempt to infiltrate CIDG Camp prior to conduct of attack.
 g. Determine if enemy will attempt sabotage within any of CIDG Camps.
 h. Determine what tactics enemy will employ during conduct of attack.
 i. Determine what means of tactical communications enemy will employ.

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3. RECONNAISSANCE AND OBSERVATION MISSIONS

- a. Orders to Subordinate Units, Task Force XRAY, 1st Marines, 9th Marines and 11th Marines. Prepare detailed intelligence annexes in support of this Operation Plan utilizing ref (b) studies, current INTSUMs and other studies and estimates provided by this Hq.
- b. Requests to Higher, Adjacent and Supporting Units. III MAF is requested to supplement and revise special photographic studies as required and provide other studies and/or information bearing on conduct of intelligence planning for enumerated CIDG Camps.
- c. Coordinating instructions.
 - (1) Any beleaguered CIDG Camp will receive first priority of reconnaissance available to this Hq.
 - (2) All will report as obtained:
 - (a) Information concerning significant enemy movement and activity which, if true, could threaten any CIDG Camp in 1st MarDiv area.
 - (b) Condition of land lines of communication which could be utilized as approach routes for friendly reaction forces.

4. MEASURES FOR HANDLING CAPTIVES, CAPTURED DOCUMENTS AND CAPTURED MATERIAL.
See Sect VIII of ref (c).

5. MAPS AND PHOTOGRAPHS

- a. Ref (g) consists of Special Photographic Intelligence Studies as follows:
 - (1) TRA BONG, Serial 063966 of 6 June 66 (C)
 - (2) TIEN PHUOC, Serial 077266 of 1 July 66 (C)
 - (3) BA TO, (not serialized) of 25 April 66 (C)
 - (4) HA THANH, (not serialized) of 10 May 66 (C)
 - (5) KHAM DUC, Serial 069366 of 13 Jun 66 (C)
 - (6) GIA VUC, Serial 070666 of 16 Jun 66 (C)
 - (7) MINH LONG, Serial 096666 of 4 Aug 66 (C)
 - (8) THUONG DUC, Serial 063366 of 31 May 66 (C)

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b. Standard tactical map for operations under this plan is VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014.

- c. Requisition and distribution will be IAW ref (c).
 - d. Map corrections. All units will maintain record of map corrections. Corrections will be reported to this Hq (G-2) as encountered. Units will pass on map corrections and any additional geographic information to relieving units.
 - e. Photographs. See para 402 of ref (c).
6. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE. See Sect V of ref (c).
7. REPORTS AND DISTRIBUTION
- a. Submit standard intelligence reports as prescribed in Sect XII of ref (c), and as amplified below.
 - b. Intelligence Summary (INTSUM). Reporting period for daily INTSUMs submitted to this Hq (G-2) will be 0800 to 0800. INTSUMs will arrive at this Hq (G-2) by 1200 daily and will adhere to format specified by ref (d).
 - c. Special Intelligence Collection Requirements (SICRs). SICRs will be promulgated by this Hq to direct collection effort of specific tactical and technical intelligence requirements. Pertinent SICRs will be forwarded to subordinate units for inclusion in their collection effort. Collection of information responsive to SICRs must be made in timely fashion.

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Annex B (Responsibility/Location CIDG Camps) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014

Time Zone: H

1. CIDG Camps are listed below with their locations, organization with primary and secondary responsibility for planning and execution, and plan number.

| CAMP | PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY | SECONDARY RESPONSIBILITY | LOCATION | PLAN# |
|------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|---------|
| TRA BONG | TF XRAY | N/A | BS 345882 | 303A-66 |
| TIEN PHUOC | TF XRAY | N/A | BT 108142 | 303B-66 |
| BA TO | TF XRAY | N/A | BS 558327 | 303C-66 |
| HA THANH | TF XRAY | N/A | BS 386704 | 303D-66 |
| KHAM DUC | 1st Mar | 9th Mar | ZC 004078 | 303E-66 |
| GIA VUC | TF XRAY | N/A | BS 379270 | 303F-66 |
| MINH LONG | TF XRAY | N/A | BS 541525 | 303G-66 |
| THUONG DUC | 9th Mar | 1st Mar | ZC 142533 | 303H-66 |

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Annex C (Arty Support) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces. Annex A (Intelligence).

b. Friendly forces.

(1) ARVN arty provides support when available.

(2) FMAW provides air support.

(3) 7th USAF provides air support.

(4) TU 70... provides NGF support where appropriate.

2. MISSION

When directed, 1st MarDiv provides arty support for relief of beleaguered CIDG Camps.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of arty employment.

- (1) Provide arty support for beleaguered CIDG Camps from arty within camps and/or arty within supporting range of camp. Arty available to CIDG camps without displacement is shown in Appendix 9 (Arty Support Available to CIDG Camps).
- (2) On order, arty command and control unit together with one or more firing units will displace to positions from which arty fires can be delivered in support friendly forces defending or reestablishing beleaguered CIDG Camps.
- (3) Surface movement to selected firing positions will be utilized where possible. For remote positions inaccessible by surface movement, arty elements will move by either helicopter or fixed wing aircraft.

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b. Arty Command and Control Group.

- (1) Provide sufficient administrative and logistical personnel to effect OPCON over one or more batteries of field arty ranging from 4.2" mortars to 155mm howitzers.
- (2) Determine required local security augmentation upon assignment of a special mission and report this requirement to appropriate force commander.
- (3) Be prepared to exercise technical fire direction for one or more batteries described above.

c. Firing battery(ies).

- (1) Be prepared to helilift organic weapons by external means on order, to include providing slings for each weapon.
- (2) On order prepare basic load of ammunition in fiber containers to reduce weight of packing for initial ammunition lift.
- (3) Be prepared to conduct firing from observed firing charts.

d. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Report position area and fire capabilities to Regimental FDC when established.
- (2) Available survey data will be furnished to units concerned by Regimental Survey Section.
- (3) Air observation will be provided when available.
- (4) Coordination of supporting arms will be exercised by A Detachment Commander at camp under attack until such time as USMC relief forces are committed. At that time, fire support coordination will be exercised by senior USMC tactical commander in area.
- (5) Assumption of supporting arms coordination by USMC commander will coincide with assumption of OPCON of A Detachment on order of III MAF.
- (6) ARVN arty available to support CIDG camps is described in Appendix 9 (Arty Support Available to CIDG Camps).
- (7) Firing chart: Grid Sheet 1:25,000.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- a. Administration of units attached to arty command and control group remains with parent organization.
- b. Admin Plan 303-66.

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Appendix 1 (Arty Concentrations, TRA BONG) to Annex C (Arty Support) to
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Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014. Sheets 6639 I,II;
6739 III,IV

Time Zone: H

1. TRA BONG CIDG Camp is located at BS 345882, elevation 60 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-107, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list:

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| 1 | BS 40678858 | 10 meters | Military crest |
| 2 | BS 41238814 | 25 | Trail on military crest |
| 3 | BS 42498847 | 20 | Military crest |
| 4 | BS 44568852 | 10 | Trail approach/Exit |
| 5 | BS 45248889 | 10 | Trail junction |
| 6 | BS 45508827 | 5 | River approach |
| 7 | BS 44708776 | 10 | Military crest |
| 8 | BS 43818764 | 10 | Trail junction |
| 9 | BS 43338764 | 20 | Military crest |
| 10 | BS 42538735 | 10 | Trail junction |
| 11 | BS 41578706 | 20 | Trail |
| 12 | BS 40658656 | 35 | Trail junction |
| 13 | BS 41078612 | 95 | Military crest |
| 14 | BS 40548565 | 55 | Trail junction |
| 15 | BS 42928640 | 60 | Military crest |
| 16 | BS 43508740 | 10 | Village, VC controlled |
| 17 | BS 44118710 | 15 | Trail junction |
| 18 | BS 44168646 | 35 | Key terrain |
| 19 | BS 43248527 | 250 | Hill |
| 20 | BS 41858527 | 100 | Military crest |
| 21 | BS 44338473 | 50 | Military crest and road |
| 22 | BS 44888567 | 10 | Trail junction |
| 23 | BS 46038612 | 10 | Trail junction |
| 24 | BS 46358558 | 10 | Stream/trail junction |
| 25 | BS 40048744 | 10 | Village, VC controlled |
| 26 | BS 39668693 | 60 | Military crest |
| 27 | BS 39628835 | 35 | Military crest |
| 28 | BS 38878745 | 15 | Bridge |
| 29 | BS 38478669 | 20 | Military crest |
| 30 | BS 38008767 | 10 | Trail junction |

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| 31 | BS 38208835 | 10 meters | Trail |
| 32 | BS 37408813 | 40 | Key terrain |
| 33 | BS 37658738 | 20 | Bridge |
| 34 | BS 37388663 | 80 | Avenue of approach to key terrain |
| 35 | BS 37078770 | 20 | Key terrain |
| 36 | BS 36678855 | 30 | Avenue of approach to key terrain |
| 37 | BS 36288889 | 40 | Key terrain |
| 38 | BS 35888837 | 70 | Key terrain (Hill 71) |
| 39 | BS 35848783 | 45 | Trail junction |
| 40 | BS 36608732 | 50 | Military crest |
| 41 | BS 36258675 | 140 | Military crest |
| 42 | BS 36058626 | 210 | Military crest |
| 43 | BS 35628700 | 60 | Trafficable terrain for maneuver element |
| 44 | BS 36358735 | 40 | Outpost, PF |
| 45 | BS 35438731 | 40 | Outpost, PF |
| 46 | BS 33598750 | 60 | Outpost, PF |
| 47 | BS 33438757 | 50 | Outpost, PF |
| 48 | BS 33878792 | 30 | Outpost, PF |
| 49 | BS 33738837 | 60 | Outpost, PF |
| 50 | BS 33168853 | 60 | Outpost, PF |
| 51 | BS 34448794 | 40 | Outpost, PF |
| 52 | BS 34658820 | 40 | USSF compound |

3. The following are registration points to be used for registration fires in the vicinity of TRA BONG.

| <u>RP NR</u> | <u>RP LOCATION</u> | <u>ELEVATION</u> | <u>RP DESCRIPTION</u> |
|--------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| #1 | BS 35888837 | 40 meters | Hilltop |
| #2 | BS 36608732 | 50 | Crest |
| #3 | BS 36258675 | 140 | Crest |
| #4 | BS 36058626 | 210 | Crest |

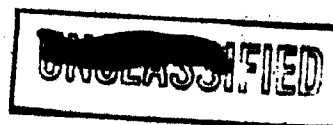
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Appendix 2 (Arty Concentrations, TIEN PHUOC) to Annex C (Arty Support) to
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Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014. Sheets 6640 II,III;
6639 I,IV.

Time Zone: H

1. TIEN PHUOC CIDG Camp is located at FT 108142, elevation 60 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-102, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list:

| <u>TGT NR</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>ELEVATION</u> | <u>TGT DESCRIPTION</u> |
|---------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | BT 10131450 | 50 meters | Route of approach |
| 2 | BT 10101480 | 60 | Route of approach |
| 3 | BT 10101525 | 55 | Route of approach |
| 4 | BT 10091565 | 60 | Route of approach |
| 5 | BT 09801586 | 60 | Route of approach |
| 6 | BT 10111420 | 55 | Support weapons position |
| 7 | BT 09901442 | 60 | AW position |
| 8 | BT 09801475 | 55 | Trail junction |
| 9 | BT 09721517 | 55 | Route of approach |
| 10 | BT 09651560 | 55 | Route of approach |
| 11 | BT 10801470 | 60 | Attack position |
| 12 | BT 10401470 | 60 | Attack position |
| 13 | BT 10621510 | 60 | Route of approach |
| 14 | BT 11051385 | 50 | River crossing |
| 15 | BT 10951335 | 60 | Route of approach |
| 16 | BT 10701285 | 80 | Route of approach |
| 17 | BT 10051300 | 50 | Possible mortar position |
| 18 | BT 09701315 | 80 | Possible mortar position |
| 19 | BT 08861365 | 260 | Trail junction |
| 20 | BT 08451470 | 200 | Route of approach |
| 21 | BT 11651255 | 70 | Possible mortar position |
| 22 | BT 10201220 | 100 | Route of approach |
| 23 | BT 12301325 | 55 | Route of approach |
| 24 | BT 12551475 | 80 | Route of approach |
| 25 | BT 12801525 | 55 | Trail junction |
| 26 | BT 12701615 | 70 | Trail junction |
| 27 | BT 12051680 | 75 | Trail junction |
| 28 | BT 11101675 | 80 | Route of approach |
| 29 | BT 09301645 | 60 | Trail junction |
| 30 | BT 09001582 | 55 | Trail junction |

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| 31 | BT 10451435 | 55 meters | Camp position overrun |
| 32 | BT 10751445 | 60 | Camp position overrun |
| 33 | BT 10501401 | 50 | Camp position overrun |
| 34 | BT 10901420 | 55 | Camp position overrun |
| 35 | BT 11101430 | 60 | Assault position |
| 36 | BT 09101250 | 340 | RR position |
| 37 | BT 08451315 | 300 | RR position |
| 38 | BT 08101395 | 400 | RR position |
| 39 | BT 07801450 | 360 | RR position |
| 40 | BT 07801565 | 60 | Mortar position |
| 41 | BT 08461640 | 60 | Route of approach |
| 42 | BT 08781693 | 55 | Route of approach |
| 43 | BT 09901746 | 60 | Route of approach |
| 44 | BT 10331752 | 80 | Route of approach |
| 45 | BT 11401780 | 70 | Route of approach |
| 46 | BT 13621617 | 55 | Trail junction |
| 47 | BT 14441405 | 55 | River crossing |
| 48 | BT 13491250 | 55 | Trail junction |
| 49 | BT 12601187 | 70 | Possible mortar position |
| 50 | BT 09651115 | 70 | Possible mortar position |

3. The following are registration points to be used for registration fires in the vicinity of TIEN PHUOC.

| <u>REF ID</u> | <u>REF LOCATION</u> | <u>ELEVATION</u> | <u>REF DESCRIPTION</u> |
|---------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| #1 | BT 09801475 | 55 meters | Trail junction |
| #2 | BT 10801470 | 60 | Attack position |
| #3 | BT 11051385 | 50 | River crossing |
| #4 | BT 08861365 | 260 | Trail junction |

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION - ELECTRONICS

- a. Current USASF SOI.
- b. 1st MarDiv CEDI.
- c. Annex F (Communication-Electronics).
- d. Command relationships. Annex G (Command Relationships).

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APPENDIXES:

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Appendix 3 (Arty Concentrations, BA TO) to Annex C (Arty Support) to
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Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014. Sheets 6738 I-IV.

Time Zone: H

1. BA TO CIDG Camp is located at BS 550327, elevation 60 meters.

Special Forces unit is Detachment 100, 3rd AF.

2. Target list:

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | BS 57283190 | 60 meters | Possible avenue of approach |
| 2 | BS 56303184 | 60 | Possible outpost |
| 3 | BS 55883200 | 50 | Ford |
| 4 | BS 57003310 | 65 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 5 | BS 55303340 | 55 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 6 | BS 54903285 | 60 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 7 | BS 56503100 | 140 | Possible weapons position |
| 8 | BS 55353080 | 50 | Possible assembly area |
| 9 | BS 55853060 | 60 | Ford |
| 10 | BS 54953110 | 55 | Trail junction |
| 11 | BS 55623005 | 55 | Trail junction |
| 12 | BS 56752995 | 100 | Possible assembly area |
| 13 | BS 60103150 | 280 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 14 | BS 61853115 | 582 | Trail junction |
| 15 | BS 61203370 | 360 | Trail junction |
| 16 | BS 62153425 | 370 | Trail junction |
| 17 | BS 63653440 | 390 | Possible assembly area |
| 18 | BS 59803510 | 80 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 19 | BS 59153510 | 70 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 20 | BS 60403570 | 200 | Trail junction |
| 21 | BS 61003590 | 60 | Trail junction |
| 22 | BS 63343630 | 100 | Trail junction |
| 23 | BS 61303715 | 330 | Trail junction |
| 24 | BS 59603660 | 60 | Trail junction |
| 25 | BS 57903640 | 70 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 26 | BS 57253610 | 40 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 27 | BS 56693640 | 40 | Possible assembly area |
| 28 | BS 58473740 | 40 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 29 | BS 56903740 | 160 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 30 | BS 56203785 | 100 | Possible assembly area |

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|----|-------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 31 | BS 56453840 | 20 meters | Ford |
| 32 | BS 57103925 | 50 | Ford |
| 33 | BS 62153860 | 40 | Trail junction |
| 34 | BS 61303975 | 10 | Trail junction |
| 35 | BS 62503870 | 90 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 36 | BS 49303285 | 80 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 37 | BS 51653260 | 100 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 38 | BS 49753200 | 70 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 39 | BS 53103065 | 250 | Possible outpost |
| 40 | BS 53843065 | 100 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 41 | BS 58502787 | 140 | Possible assembly area |
| 42 | BS 56302775 | 70 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 43 | BS 55902735 | 70 | Trail junction |
| 44 | BS 54602675 | 70 | Ford |
| 45 | BS 56802600 | 80 | Ford |
| 46 | BS 48703085 | 70 | Trail junction |
| 47 | BS 57953120 | 100 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 48 | BS 57403130 | 100 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 49 | BS 57053435 | 30 | Possible avenue of approach |
| 50 | BS 57203550 | 30 | Ford |

3. The following are registration points to be used for registration fires in the vicinity of BA TO.

| <u>RP NR</u> | <u>RP LOCATION</u> | <u>ELEVATION</u> | <u>RP DESCRIPTION</u> |
|--------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| #1 | BS 57473455 | 185 meters | Trail junction |
| #2 | BS 55663400 | 125 | Ridge |
| #3 | BS 56103255 | 110 | Trail |
| #4 | BS 58103255 | 300 | Hilltop |

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Appendix 4 (Arty Concentrations, HA THANH) to Annex C (Arty Support) to
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Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014. Sheets 6739 III;
6738 IV; 6638 I; 6639 II.

Time Zone: H

1. HA THANH CIDG Camp is located at BS 386704, elevation 60 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-104, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list:

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | BS 43557510 | 100 meters | Hilltop |
| 2 | BS 42827435 | 140 | Hilltop |
| 3 | BS 42357435 | 139 | Hilltop |
| 4 | BS 40427540 | 20 | Well used trail |
| 5 | BS 39307440 | 40 | Well used trail |
| 6 | BS 41507385 | 20 | Village |
| 7 | BS 41857392 | 20 | Road junction |
| 8 | BS 37057255 | 221 | Hilltop |
| 9 | BS 39787260 | 60 | Well used trail |
| 10 | BS 38107350 | 40 | Assembly area |
| 11 | BS 37657148 | 40 | Village |
| 12 | BS 37007375 | 100 | Infiltration route |
| 13 | BS 44397090 | 20 | Trail |
| 14 | BS 45757035 | 20 | Possible staging area |
| 15 | BS 43926903 | 146 | Abandoned OP |
| 16 | BS 44726935 | 20 | Possible staging area |
| 17 | BS 41356866 | 20 | River crossing site |
| 18 | BS 41456760 | 60 | Infiltration route |
| 19 | BS 41007010 | 100 | Possible AW pns |
| 20 | BS 40757093 | 80 | Possible AW pns |
| 21 | BS 32726480 | 100 | Assembly area |
| 22 | BS 34186559 | 60 | Avenue of approach |
| 23 | BS 34906692 | 60 | Assembly area |
| 24 | BS 32706717 | 80 | Avenue of approach |
| 25 | BS 34556770 | 60 | Assembly area |
| 26 | BS 35406818 | 60 | Stream crossing |
| 27 | BS 32756834 | 100 | Avenue of approach |
| 28 | BS 33087038 | 160 | Avenue of approach |
| 29 | BS 35357045 | 240 | Avenue of approach |
| 30 | BS 36757059 | 80 | Assembly area |

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| 31 | BS 36207250 | 60 meters | Assembly area |
| 32 | BS 35007174 | 80 | Avenue of approach |
| 33 | BS 34557110 | 260 | Avenue of approach |
| 34 | BS 38506970 | 100 | Stream bed |
| 35 | BS 39306955 | 40 | AW position |
| 36 | BS 39956990 | 60 | Avenue of approach |
| 37 | BS 39007120 | 20 | Avenue of approach |
| 38 | BS 36607020 | 90 | Friendly OP |
| 39 | BS 37807050 | 186 | Friendly OP |
| 40 | BS 39656940 | 176 | Friendly OP |
| 41 | BS 38006920 | 90 | Friendly OP |
| 42 | BS 40704330 | 190 | Friendly OP |
| 43 | BS 39106920 | 170 | Friendly OP |
| 44 | BS 38306770 | 123 | Friendly OP |
| 45 | BS 37506690 | 230 | Friendly OP |
| 46 | BS 38806640 | 90 | Friendly OP |
| 47 | BS 38206480 | 80 | Friendly OP |
| 48 | BS 38206320 | 195 | Friendly OP |
| 49 | BS 37806180 | 195 | Friendly OP |
| 50 | BS 37356575 | 40 | Friendly OP |

3. The following are registration points to be used for registration fires in the vicinity of HA THANH.

| <u>RP NR</u> | <u>RP LOCATION</u> | <u>ELEVATION</u> | <u>RP DESCRIPTION</u> |
|--------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| #1 | BS 37057255 | 221 meters | Hilltop |
| #2 | BS 39787260 | 60 | Well used trail |
| #3 | BS 41007010 | 100 | Possible AW pos |
| #4 | BS 40757093 | 100 | Possible AW pos |

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Appendix 5 (Arty Concentrations, KHAM DUC) to Annex C (Arty Support) to
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Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014. Sheets 6540 II,III;
6539 I,IV.

Time Zone: H

1. KHAM DUC CIDG Camp is located at ZC 004078, elevation 360 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-105, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list:

| <u>TGT NR</u> | <u>TGT LOCATION</u> | <u>ELEVATION</u> | <u>TGT DESCRIPTION</u> |
|---------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | YC 98171015 | 849 meters | OP |
| 2 | YC 97950655 | 350 | Trail junction |
| 3 | YC 98250676 | 390 | Old village |
| 4 | YC 99260605 | 430 | Bivouac area |
| 5 | YC 98480760 | 410 | Avenue of approach |
| 6 | YC 98850705 | 450 | OP |
| 7 | YC 98800779 | 390 | Trail junction |
| 8 | YC 99380695 | 390 | Avenue of approach |
| 9 | YC 99690655 | 210 | River junction |
| 10 | YC 99350812 | 380 | Avenue of approach |
| 11 | YC 99500901 | 390 | Bridge |
| 12 | ZC 00110645 | 370 | Mortar site |
| 13 | ZC 00150772 | 360 | Trail |
| 14 | ZC 00450760 | 310 | Avenue of approach |
| 15 | ZC 00660779 | 330 | Trail |
| 16 | ZC 00910785 | 340 | Trail |
| 17 | ZC 00860825 | 360 | Avenue of approach |
| 18 | ZC 00210855 | 370 | Bridge |
| 19 | ZC 01000985 | 450 | OP |
| 20 | ZC 00851029 | 390 | Bridge |
| 21 | ZC 01151096 | 310 | Bridge |
| 22 | ZC 01400945 | 450 | OP |
| 23 | ZC 02600755 | 350 | Bivouac area |
| 24 | ZC 02600813 | 390 | Bivouac area |
| 25 | ZC 01220694 | 370 | Mortar position |
| 26 | ZC 02720647 | 372 | Bivouac area |
| 27 | ZC 01320755 | 190 | Ford |
| 28 | ZC 03000767 | 170 | River junction |
| 29 | ZC 01100610 | 390 | Bivouac area |
| 30 | ZC 02670961 | 470 | Mortar site |

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| 31 | YD 95569986 | 440 | Bridge |
| 32 | YC 96170376 | 410 | Bridge |
| 33 | YC 96600780 | 360 | Abandoned village |
| 34 | ZC 04551394 | 360 | Ford |
| 35 | ZC 03601054 | 300 | Old OP |
| 36 | ZC 02821005 | 320 | Bridge |
| 37 | ZC 04350967 | 170 | Bridge |
| 38 | ZC 03800854 | 170 | River junction |
| 39 | ZC 03630548 | 200 | Ford |
| 40 | ZC 05080324 | 210 | Ford |
| 41 | ZC 02530420 | 676 | Old OP |
| 42 | ZC 03000320 | 430 | Trail |
| 43 | YC 93950765 | 549 | Bivouac area |
| 44 | YC 97731350 | 1028 | OP |
| 45 | ZC 00240260 | 550 | Bivouac area |
| 46 | ZC 01200380 | 550 | Mortar position |
| 47 | ZC 07860852 | 240 | Stream crossing |
| 48 | YC 95371120 | 450 | Mortar position |
| 49 | YC 97800535 | 490 | Bivouac area |
| 50 | ZC 00901280 | 500 | Trail |

3. The following are registration points to be used for registration fires in the vicinity of KHAN DUC.

| <u>RP NR</u> | <u>RP LOCATION</u> | <u>ELEVATION</u> | <u>RP DESCRIPTION</u> |
|--------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| #1 | ZC 02550430 | 676 meters | Old op |
| #2 | ZC 02160857 | 457 | Hilltop |
| #3 | YC 99361010 | 630 | Hilltop |
| #4 | YC 98420782 | 510 | Hilltop |

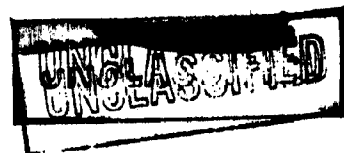
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Appendix 6 (Arty Concentrations, GIA VUC) to Annex C (Arty Support) to
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Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014. Sheets 6738 III, IV;
6638 I, II.

Time Zone: H

1. GIA VUC CIDG Camp is located at BS 377529, elevation 130 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-103, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | BS 37752985 | 140 meters | Trail |
| 2 | BS 37502960 | 130 | Trail and open area |
| 3 | BS 37102945 | 140 | Jungle area & likely assy area |
| 4 | BS 37252910 | 140 | Jungle area & likely assy area |
| 5 | BS 36352890 | 145 | Ravine |
| 6 | BS 39402920 | 130 | Village |
| 7 | BS 39102885 | 135 | Two huts and trail |
| 8 | BS 38402855 | 320 | Hilltop overlooking camp |
| 9 | BS 37502835 | 140 | Trail junction |
| 10 | BS 36202805 | 220 | Trail |
| 11 | BS 35902795 | 200 | Trail & stream jct |
| 12 | BS 37652765 | 140 | Trail junction |
| 13 | BS 39152830 | 250 | Trail |
| 14 | BS 39852800 | 180 | Three huts & trail |
| 15 | BS 40252770 | 130 | Trail |
| 16 | BS 39102745 | 185 | Trail junction |
| 17 | BS 35702740 | 175 | Trail crossing a stream |
| 18 | BS 39152685 | 130 | Trail |
| 19 | BS 39702700 | 270 | Hilltop |
| 20 | BS 35602595 | 240 | Stream |
| 21 | BS 36452595 | 130 | Village |
| 22 | BS 37252605 | 130 | Two huts and trail |
| 23 | BS 37602615 | 140 | Trail |
| 24 | BS 38802610 | 190 | Trail |
| 25 | BS 39802580 | 200 | Village |
| 26 | BS 40552640 | 340 | Trail junction |
| 27 | BS 36552540 | 130 | Village and trail |
| 28 | BS 39302555 | 200 | Trail |
| 29 | BS 37552485 | 145 | Village and trail junction |
| 30 | BS 38552465 | 140 | Village |

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| 31 | BS 35052415 | 340 meters | Stream junction |
| 32 | BS 36252325 | 180 | Trail junction |
| 33 | BS 37752355 | 170 | Trail junction |
| 34 | BS 39852365 | 566 | Hilltop |
| 35 | BS 42402465 | 920 | Trail |
| 36 | BS 41802715 | 180 | Trail |
| 37 | BS 43352825 | 130 | Trail junction |
| 38 | BS 42452860 | 130 | Trail |
| 39 | BS 43902955 | 160 | Three huts and trail |
| 40 | BS 41752940 | 210 | Stream |
| 41 | BS 38853130 | 210 | Stream |
| 42 | BS 38553260 | 210 | Village |
| 43 | BS 37603295 | 230 | Hilltop |
| 44 | BS 37603145 | 210 | Trail junction |
| 45 | BS 36953080 | 165 | Jungle area, likely assay area |
| 46 | BS 34652955 | 560 | Trail |
| 47 | BS 32703080 | 970 | Stream |
| 48 | BS 32852935 | 1100 | Village |
| 49 | BS 33302820 | 860 | Trail |
| 50 | BS 33852705 | 490 | Village |

3. The following are registration points to be used for registration
fires in the vicinity of GIA VUC.

| RP NR | RP LOCATION | ELEVATION | RP DESCRIPTION |
|-------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| #1 | BS 37252865 | 140 meters | Trail junction |
| #2 | BS 36952675 | 190 | Hilltop |
| #3 | BS 36902445 | 130 | River junction |
| #4 | BS 38902675 | 130 | Trail junction |

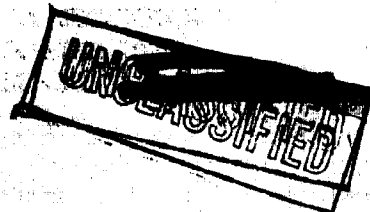
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Appendix 7 (Arty Concentrations, MINH LONG) to Annex C (Arty Support) to
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Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014. Sheets 6739 II,III;
6738 I,IV.

Time Zone: H

1. MINH LONG CIDG Camp is located at BS 541525, elevation 80 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-108, 5th SFGA.

2. Target List:

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| 1 | BS 54135065 | 90 meters | Hilltop with positions |
| 2 | BS 53275192 | 65 | Registration point #1 |
| 3 | BS 53005060 | 70 | Avenue of approach |
| 4 | BS 53404983 | 80 | Trail entering trees |
| 5 | BS 54755096 | 125 | Hilltop with positions |
| 6 | BS 54505071 | 85 | Trail junction |
| 7 | BS 54064998 | 120 | Assembly area |
| 8 | BS 52924937 | 80 | Assembly area |
| 9 | BS 52834945 | 80 | Assembly area |
| 10 | BS 52484928 | 80 | Assembly area with wpns position |
| 11 | BS 52054934 | 80 | Assembly area w/tree line wpns psn |
| 12 | BS 51945031 | 75 | Assy area w/auto wpns psns |
| 13 | BS 52375046 | 70 | Bridge |
| 14 | BS 52955008 | 175 | Hill 175, friendly position |
| 15 | BS 53075030 | 145 | Hilltop with possible wpns pos |
| 16 | BS 50805270 | 240 | Assembly area, bunkers and houses |
| 17 | BS 51605208 | 100 | Assy area/avenue of approach |
| 18 | BS 52215195 | 105 | Rec rifle/mortar psn |
| 19 | BS 52095254 | 120 | Trail junction |
| 20 | BS 52075275 | 172 | Hilltop with position |
| 21 | BS 51265266 | 160 | Trail in woods |
| 22 | BS 52325287 | 100 | Draw, avenue of approach |
| 23 | BS 52305269 | 100 | Trail |
| 24 | BS 52855236 | 85 | Trail junction |
| 25 | BS 53305280 | 60 | Trail junction |
| 26 | BS 53355185 | 60 | Road junction |
| 27 | BS 53375294 | 80 | Village, assy area |
| 28 | BS 54075387 | 75 | Road in village |
| 29 | BS 53905296 | 55 | Road/trail junction |
| 30 | BS 54275274 | 100 | Friendly OP |

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| 31 | BS 54265252 | 115 meters | Friendly OP |
| 32 | BS 54065241 | 85 | Friendly OP |
| 33 | BS 54685220 | 185 | Friendly OP |
| 34 | BS 54455234 | 75 | Trail |
| 35 | BS 54785244 | 80 | Trail, assy area |
| 36 | BS 56245182 | 520 | Mtn top poss RR psn |
| 37 | BS 56135514 | 35 | Trail/road junction |
| 38 | BS 57685495 | 15 | Village, assy area |
| 39 | BS 56805400 | 25 | Trail approach |
| 40 | BS 49004455 | 95 | Trail junction, ford |
| 41 | BS 51704884 | 70 | Trail junction |
| 42 | BS 52204849 | 234 | Possible RR position |
| 43 | BS 50004879 | 300 | Possible RR position |
| 44 | BS 40265299 | 449 | Possible RR position |
| 45 | BS 51455015 | 80 | Assembly area |
| 46 | BS 49864966 | 120 | Assembly area |
| 47 | BS 50624890 | 100 | Avenue of approach, assy area |
| 48 | BS 54965412 | 60 | Assy area, avenue of approach |
| 49 | BS 53705516 | 55 | Trail junction |
| 50 | BS 51245411 | 300 | Trail |

3. The following are registration points to be used for registration fires in the vicinity of MINH LONG.

| <u>RP NR</u> | <u>RP LOCATION</u> | <u>ELEVATION</u> | <u>RP DESCRIPTION</u> |
|--------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| #1 | BS 53275192 | 65 meters | Old dist hqs |
| #2 | BS 54005217 | 65 | Mound in rice paddies |
| #3 | BS 54775094 | 125 | Hilltop |
| #4 | BS 54215120 | 65 | House |
| #5 | BS 52385097 | 75 | House |

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Appendix A (Arty Concentrations, THUONG DUC), to Annex C (Arty Support) to
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Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014. Sheets 6540 I,II;
6640 III,IV.

Time Zone: H

1. THUONG DUC CIDG Camp is located at ZC 142533, elevation 60 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-109, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list:

| <u>TGT NR</u> | <u>TGT LOCATION</u> | <u>ELEVATION</u> | <u>TGT DESCRIPTION</u> |
|---------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | ZC 15005246 | 0 | Village |
| 2 | ZC 15705296 | 0 | Village |
| 3 | ZC 17185325 | 0 | Village |
| 4 | ZC 16145365 | 0 | Village |
| 5 | ZC 16545384 | 0 | Village |
| 6 | ZC 17105381 | 0 | Village |
| 7 | ZC 17185325 | 0 | Village |
| 8 | ZC 15875412 | 0 | Village |
| 9 | ZC 15105433 | 0 | Village |
| 10 | ZC 16395433 | 0 | Village |
| 11 | ZC 17285469 | 0 | Village |
| 12 | ZC 15715470 | 0 | Woodline |
| 13 | ZC 15875488 | 20 | Hilltop |
| 14 | ZC 15555593 | 20 | Friendly OP |
| 15 | ZC 11455441 | 70 | Knoll |
| 16 | ZC 15925546 | 10 | Ridge finger |
| 17 | ZC 11415374 | 150 | Ridge finger, poss RR position |
| 18 | ZC 11265261 | 140 | Draw, staging area |
| 19 | ZC 11465229 | 410 | Ridge finger, OP |
| 20 | ZC 15185531 | 0 | East foot knoll |
| 21 | ZC 15125570 | 0 | Bottom of ridge |
| 22 | ZC 11785340 | 250 | Knoll, poss RR position |
| 23 | ZC 14725599 | 0 | Bottom of ridge |
| 24 | ZC 14575620 | 20 | Ridge finger |
| 25 | ZC 14185640 | 0 | Stream bed |
| 26 | ZC 13985570 | 0 | Village |
| 27 | ZC 13855595 | 20 | Ridge finger |
| 28 | ZC 13355535 | 0 | Village |
| 29 | ZC 13575383 | 10 | Creek entering valley |
| 30 | ZC 13745325 | 50 | Top of draw |

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| 33 | ZC 13805353 | 20 | Bottom of draw |
| 33 | ZC 13785274 | 90 | Top of draw |
| 33 | ZC 14185342 | 20 | Side ridge |
| 34 | ZC 14515340 | 0 | Grave |
| 35 | ZC 14135186 | 0 | Village |
| 36 | ZC 14355225 | 0 | Village |
| 37 | ZC 18325375 | 0 | Village |
| 38 | ZC 11855291 | 20 | Mortar position |
| 39 | ZC 12145238 | 430 | Ridge finger |
| 40 | ZC 12725376 | 50 | Infil route staging area |
| 41 | ZC 12985331 | 90 | Mortar position |
| 42 | ZC 13205300 | 70 | Mortar position |
| 43 | ZC 13005260 | 110 | Possible RR position |
| 44 | ZC 12185570 | 0 | Village |
| 45 | ZC 11085586 | 0 | Village |
| 46 | ZC 10645653 | 0 | Village |
| 47 | ZC 13385315 | 110 | Possible RR position |
| 48 | ZC 12315119 | 0 | South end of bridge |
| 49 | ZC 13485273 | 110 | Possible RR position |
| 50 | ZC 11295055 | 0 | Village |

3. The following are registration points to be used for registration fires in the vicinity of THUONG DUC.

| <u>RP NR</u> | <u>RP LOCATION</u> | <u>ELEVATION</u> | <u>RP DESCRIPTION</u> |
|--------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| #1 | ZC 14245285 | 10 meters | Narrow valley |
| #2 | ZC 14555345 | 0 | Large grave |
| #3 | ZC 13295358 | 70 | Knoll |
| #4 | ZC 14895317 | 10 | Road junction |

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Appendix 9 (Arty Support Available to CIDG Camps) to Annex C (Arty Support)
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Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014.

Time Zone: H

1. Following CIDG Camps have arty emplaced within camp or on OP related to camp complex:

| <u>CAMP</u> | <u>ARTY</u> | <u>ARTY COORDINATES</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| THUONG DUC | 2 - 105mm how | EC 144532 |
| TIEN PHUOC | 2 - 105mm how | BT 115157 |

2. Following camp is within supporting range of arty emplaced at other GVN outpost as indicated:

| <u>CAMP</u> | <u>SUPPORTING LOCATION</u> | <u>ARTY</u> | <u>ARTY COORDS</u> |
|-------------|----------------------------|--|--------------------|
| MINH LONG | NGHIA THANH (PHU VINH) | 2-155mm how (only capable of supporting outposts northeast of MINH LONG) | BS 614643 |

3. Following camps have US arty available for support:

| <u>CAMP</u> | <u>US ARTY</u> | <u>ARTY COORDINATES</u> |
|-------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| TRA BONG | 2-155mm gun | BS 540994 |
| | 4-175mm gun | BS 635848 |
| TIEN PHUOC | 4-105mm how | BT 106142 |
| HA THANH | 4-175mm gun | BS 635848 or |
| | | BS 637759(alt. pos.) |
| MINH LONG | 4-175mm gun | BS 637759(alt. pos.) |
| THUONG DUC | 2-8" how | AT 877474 |
| | 2-155mm gun | |

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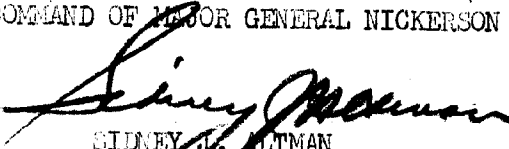
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4. Other CIDG Camps may be within range of USMC arty depending on tactical deployments dictated by other considerations. USMC arty may also be placed within selected CIDG Camps to support subsequent Marine operations in vicinity of camps.

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Annex D (COC/FSCC Immediate Action) to Operation Plan 303-66

Time Zone: H

1. Upon notification that one of the camps listed in Anx B (Responsibility/Location CIDG Camps) is threatened by or has come under enemy attack, Division G-3 COC Watch Officer will:
 - a. Contact Detachment C-1, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne) to determine seriousness of threat or attack, action taken to counter threat or attack, and weather conditions in vic of camp.
 - b. Alert ACofS, G-3 of situation at beleaguered camp.
 - c. If initial information concerning camp received from sources other than III MAF, notify III MAF G-3 COC Watch Officer.
 - d. Contact Advisory Gp Watch Officer at QUANG DA Spec Zone or 2d ARVN Div as appropriate to obtain additional information.
 - e. Alert FSCC, air and artillery Watch Officers.
 - f. Start an immediate plot of situation.
 - g. Monitor appropriate tactical radio net of camp concerned. See Anx G (Command Relationships).
 - h. When directed:
 - (1) Alert organization with responsibility for camp that has been threatened or attacked. See Anx B (Responsibility/Location CIDG Camps).
 - (2) During daylight hours, or at night if flare plane has been requested, arrange for AO to make assessment of situation.
2. FSCC Watch Officers will:
 - a. Alert Fire Support Coordinator.
 - b. Alert (as required):
 - (1) DASC.

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(2) FAW Operations.

(3) 11th Mar/1st FAG as appropriate.

c. Be prepared to place beleaguered camp in direct contact with agencies responding to:

(1) Air Support Requests

(2) Artillery Fire Requests.

(3) Naval Gunfire Support Requests.

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Annex E (Preplanned Air Targets) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS Series L701 and L7014

Time Zone: H

1. Appendixes 1 through 8 are preplanned air targets primarily intended to be used for TPQ-10/MSQ-77 controlled air strikes during periods of reduced visibility in vicinity of CIDG Camps under attack. Targets represent likely avenues of approach, choke points, assembly areas, OP's, and weapons positions.
2. Promulgation of target lists is directed to fire support coordination elements likely to be committed in support of CIDG Camps under attack.
3. All appropriate TPQ-10 computer data for each of these targets will be prepared by 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, and appropriate appendixes will be promulgated to each ASRT and DASC capable of supporting a given CIDG Camp under attack.

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APPENDIXES

1. Preplanned Air Targets, TRA BONG
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3. Preplanned Air Targets, BA TO
4. Preplanned Air Targets, HA THANH
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Appendix 1 (Preplanned Air Targets, TRA BONG) to Annex E (Preplanned Air Targets) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014. Sheets 6640 II,III; 6639 I,IV.

Time Zone: H

1. TRA BONG CIDG Camp is located at BS 345882, elevation 60 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-107, 5th SFGA.
2. Target list:

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| G 1 | BS 341887 | 40 meters | Poss direct fire pan |
| G 2 | BS 335875 | 60 | Poss direct fire pan |
| G 3 | BS 323879 | 60 | RF OP direct fire pan |
| G 4 | BS 347886 | 60 | Direct fire pan |
| G 5 | BS 345861 | 320 | Fire pan |
| G 6 | BS 345895 | 270 | Indirect fire pan |
| G 7 | BS 345885 | 60 | Direct fire pan |
| G 8 | BS 360867 | 150 | RF/OP/dir/indirect fire pan |
| G 9 | BS 359884 | 70 | Indirect fire pan |
| G 10 | BS 355873 | 40 | RF/OP fire pan |
| G 11 | BS 363878 | 60 | Indirect fire pan |
| G 12 | BS 325870 | 120 | Indirect fire pan |
| G 13 | BS 357878 | 40 | Direct fire pan |
| G 14 | BS 345874 | 60 | RF/OP fire pan |
| G 15 | BS 345859 | 400 | Hilltop OP |
| G 16 | BS 323927 | 280 | Trail |
| G 17 | BS 330920 | 260 | Trail |
| G 18 | BS 338911 | 240 | Trail |
| G 19 | BS 342900 | 200 | Trail |
| G 20 | BS 340890 | 40 | Trail |
| G 21 | BS 363850 | 400 | Trail |
| G 22 | BS 360860 | 200 | Trail |
| G 23 | BS 360858 | 230 | Trail |
| G 24 | BS 357871 | 60 | Trail |
| G 25 | BS 355845 | 560 | Trail |
| G 26 | BS 349860 | 300 | Trail |
| G 27 | BS 344871 | 80 | Trail |
| G 28 | BS 323840 | 360 | Trail junction |
| G 29 | BS 319854 | 280 | Trail |
| G 30 | BS 322868 | 180 | Trail |

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| G 31 | BS 328872 | 60 meters | Trail |
| G 32 | BS 05875 | 200 | Trail |
| G 33 | BS 313880 | 90 | Trail |
| G 34 | BS 240898 | 70 | River/trail |
| G 35 | BS 238899 | 80 | River/trail |
| G 36 | BS 260897 | 80 | River/trail |
| G 37 | BS 274895 | 80 | River/trail |
| G 38 | BS 294890 | 50 | River/trail |
| G 39 | BS 304886 | 50 | River/trail |
| G 40 | BS 310915 | 490 | Trail |
| G 41 | BS 315896 | 100 | Trail |
| G 42 | BS 410888 | 20 | Trail |
| G 43 | BS 393883 | 40 | Trail |
| G 44 | BS 374843 | 420 | Trail |
| G 45 | BS 368892 | 100 | Trail |
| G 46 | BS 333934 | 420 | Staging area/supply point |
| G 47 | BS 320930 | 380 | Staging area/supply point |
| G 48 | BS 318910 | 600 | Staging area (thick canopy) |
| G 49 | BS 413897 | 40 | Staging area (moderate canopy) |
| G 50 | BS 405895 | 160 | Supply area |

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Appendix 2 (Preplanned Air Targets, TIEN PHUOC) to Annex E (Preplanned Air Targets) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014. Sheets 6640 II,III; 6639 I,IV.

Time Zone: H

1. TIEN PHUOC CIDG Camp is located at BT 108142, elevation 60 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-102, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list:

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| B 1 | BT 136163 | 60 meters | Trail junction |
| B 2 | BT 120169 | 80 | Trail junction |
| B 3 | BT 090162 | 55 | Ford |
| B 4 | BT 082156 | 60 | Trail and possible troop conc |
| B 5 | BT 090143 | 80 | Possible mortar position |
| B 6 | BT 099147 | 55 | Ford |
| B 7 | BT 098144 | 55 | Possible mortar position |
| B 8 | BT 101139 | 80 | Possible mortar position |
| B 9 | BT 096132 | 80 | Possible troop concentration |
| B 10 | BT 105126 | 90 | Possible mortar position |
| B 11 | BT 102117 | 90 | Possible mortar position |
| B 12 | BT 095115 | 85 | Possible mortar position |
| B 13 | BT 082124 | 185 | Possible mortar position |
| B 14 | BT 076133 | 180 | Possible mortar position |
| B 15 | BT 066157 | 170 | Possible troop concentration |
| B 16 | BT 053153 | 300 | Possible troop concentration |
| B 17 | BT 083144 | 340 | Possible RR position |
| B 18 | BT 089137 | 50 | Possible RR position |
| B 19 | BT 089139 | 150 | Possible RR position |
| B 20 | BT 108138 | 50 | Approach |
| B 21 | BT 103147 | 40 | Assault position |
| B 22 | BT 089167 | 60 | Approach |
| B 23 | BT 104154 | 50 | Approach |
| B 24 | BT 091168 | 120 | AA Gun position |
| B 25 | BT 102178 | 60 | Possible mortar position |
| B 26 | BT 126162 | 60 | Trail junction |
| B 27 | BT 087125 | 370 | Possible AA gun position |
| B 28 | BT 079141 | 410 | Possible AA gun position |
| B 29 | BT 120122 | 80 | Possible mortar position |
| B 30 | BT 136131 | 125 | Possible AA gun position |

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| B 31 | BT 128152 | 75 meters | Trail junction |
| B 32 | BT 159152 | 269 | Possible AA gun position |
| B 33 | BT 134174 | 310 | Possible AA gun position |
| B 34 | BT 073152 | 160 | Possible mortar position |
| B 35 | BT 060125 | 560 | Possible mortar position |
| B 36 | BT 116115 | 50 | Possible mortar position |
| B 37 | BT 124109 | 237 | Possible AA gun position |
| B 38 | BT 086176 | 100 | Possible mortar position |
| B 39 | BT 095155 | 50 | Route of approach |
| B 40 | BT 110168 | 80 | Route of approach |
| B 41 | BT 112149 | 60 | Possible assault position |
| B 42 | BT 107147 | 60 | Possible assault position |
| B 43 | BT 114179 | 70 | Village (V) |
| B 44 | BT 150168 | 80 | Route of approach |
| B 45 | BT 142135 | 70 | Route of approach |
| B 46 | BT 135125 | 60 | Route of approach |
| B 47 | BT 099165 | 60 | Support Site |
| B 48 | BT 102162 | 60 | Route of approach |
| B 49 | BT 157129 | 60 | Support site |
| B 50 | BT 173138 | 60 | Bridge |

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Appendix 3 (Preplanned Air Targets, BA TO) to Annex E (Preplanned Air Targets) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014, Sheet 6738 I-IV.

Time Zone: H

1. BA TO CIDG Camp is located at BS 558327, elevation 60 meters. Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-106, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list:

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|------------|---------------------------|
| F 1 | BS 562316 | 100 meters | Direct fire wpns pns |
| F 2 | BS 563313 | 100 | Direct fire wpns pns |
| F 3 | BS 567315 | 160 | Direct fire wpns pns |
| F 4 | BS 565310 | 160 | Avenues of approach |
| F 5 | BS 572314 | 160 | Possible mortar position |
| F 6 | BS 448310 | 80 | Avenue of approach |
| F 7 | BS 574329 | 80 | Direct fire wpns pns |
| F 8 | BS 550310 | 50 | Fording site |
| F 9 | BS 563297 | 50 | Assembly point |
| F 10 | BS 577319 | 75 | Trail junction |
| F 11 | BS 580311 | 100 | Trail and stream junction |
| F 12 | BS 580305 | 120 | Assembly area |
| F 13 | BS 548329 | 70 | Trail junction |
| F 14 | BS 553334 | 50 | Trail and stream junction |
| F 15 | BS 581320 | 160 | Assembly point |
| F 16 | BS 582319 | 200 | Assembly point |
| F 17 | BS 583329 | 160 | Direct fire wpns pns |
| F 18 | BS 592326 | 180 | Trail junction |
| F 19 | BS 590335 | 180 | Assembly point |
| F 20 | BS 590337 | 100 | Assembly point |
| F 21 | BS 568355 | 110 | Blocking positions |
| F 22 | BS 577363 | 60 | Enemy control point |
| F 23 | BS 585375 | 50 | Enemy trade site |
| F 24 | BS 590365 | 120 | Trail junction |
| F 25 | BS 602359 | 210 | Enemy OP |
| F 26 | BS 616360 | 150 | Assembly area |
| F 27 | BS 620360 | 140 | Assembly area |
| F 28 | BS 560379 | 140 | Enemy OP |
| F 29 | BS 522357 | 250 | Assembly area |
| F 30 | BS 534342 | 440 | Avenue of approach |

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| F 31 | BS 549340 | 80 meters | Avenue of approach |
| F 32 | BS 535325 | 60 | Trail junction |
| F 33 | BS 506314 | 70 | Control point |
| F 34 | BS 635362 | 80 | Assembly area |
| F 35 | BS 646364 | 50 | Assembly area |
| F 36 | BS 619387 | 50 | Assembly area |
| F 37 | BS 620338 | 290 | Assembly area |
| F 38 | BS 617301 | 660 | Trail junction |
| F 39 | BS 610285 | 290 | Assembly area |
| F 40 | BS 573255 | 90 | Assembly area |
| F 41 | BS 555273 | 100 | Assembly area |
| F 42 | BS 548268 | 90 | Assembly area |
| F 43 | BS 520322 | 70 | Assembly area |
| F 44 | BS 484354 | 360 | Trail junction |
| F 45 | BS 541391 | 70 | Assembly area |
| F 46 | BS 581330 | 290 | OP |
| F 47 | BS 534310 | 264 | OP |
| F 48 | BS 582236 | 305 | OP |
| F 49 | BS 579345 | 105 | OP |
| F 50 | BS 586351 | 230 | OP |

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Appendix 4 (Preplanned Air Targets, HA THANH) to Annex E (Preplanned Air Targets) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014. Sheets 6739 III; 6738 IV;
6638 I; 6639 II.

Time Zone: H

1. HA THANH CIDG Camp is located at BS 386704, elevation 60 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-104, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list:

| TGT ID | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|-----------|------------------------|
| D 1 | BS 435750 | 45 meters | OP #6 |
| D 2 | BS 422741 | 60 | Commanding terrain |
| D 3 | BS 415737 | 30 | Bridge approach |
| D 4 | BS 370727 | 227 | Hilltop |
| D 5 | BS 373717 | 40 | Trail approach |
| D 6 | BS 383714 | 30 | Trail approach |
| D 7 | BS 388710 | 15 | Trail approach |
| D 8 | BS 393710 | 40 | Possible assembly area |
| D 9 | BS 393708 | 20 | River crossing |
| D 10 | BS 408708 | 80 | Hilltop |
| D 11 | BS 403703 | 30 | Trail approach |
| D 12 | BS 410710 | 75 | Hilltop |
| D 13 | BS 402700 | 30 | Trail approach |
| D 14 | BS 441701 | 90 | Possible assembly area |
| D 15 | BS 455698 | 40 | Possible assembly area |
| D 16 | BS 353704 | 80 | Village |
| D 17 | BS 354699 | 100 | Hilltop |
| D 18 | BS 355697 | 100 | Hilltop |
| D 19 | BS 352693 | 100 | Hilltop |
| D 20 | BS 384697 | 40 | Hilltop |
| D 21 | BS 382697 | 30 | Road junction |
| D 22 | BS 397694 | 120 | Hilltop |
| D 23 | BS 387692 | 120 | Hilltop |
| D 24 | BS 392689 | 170 | Hilltop |
| D 25 | BS 387682 | 30 | Trail approach |
| D 26 | BS 355685 | 50 | Trail junction |
| D 27 | BS 359681 | 90 | Hilltop |
| D 28 | BS 367685 | 113 | Hilltop |
| D 29 | BS 332649 | 100 | Village assembly area |
| D 30 | BS 338650 | 90 | Village assembly area |

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| D 31 | BS 325645 | 90 meters | Village assembly area |
| D 32 | BS 441761 | 30 | Bridge |
| D 33 | BS 442761 | 40 | Village assembly area |
| D 34 | BS 452711 | 60 | Cache point |
| D 35 | BS 475704 | 120 | Cache point |
| D 36 | BS 465690 | 40 | Cache point |
| D 37 | BS 415680 | 30 | Assembly area |
| D 38 | BS 377608 | 40 | Assembly area |
| D 39 | BS 390712 | 90 | Friendly OP |
| D 40 | BS 386702 | 186 | Friendly OP |
| D 41 | BS 378705 | 176 | Friendly OP |
| D 42 | BS 380692 | 90 | Friendly OP |
| D 43 | BS 407733 | 190 | Friendly OP |
| D 44 | BS 391692 | 170 | Friendly OP |
| D 45 | BS 383677 | 123 | Friendly OP |
| D 46 | BS 375669 | 230 | Friendly OP |
| D 47 | BS 388664 | 90 | Friendly OP |
| D 48 | BS 382648 | 80 | Friendly OP |
| D 49 | BS 382632 | 193 | Friendly OP |
| D 50 | BS 378618 | 195 | Friendly OP |

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Appendix 5 (Preplanned Air Targets, KHAM DUC) to Annex E (Preplanned Air Targets) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014. Sheets 6540 II, III; 6539 I, IV.

Time Zone: H

1. KHAM DUC CIDG Camp is located at ZC 004078, elevation 360 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-105, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list:

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|------------|------------------------|
| E 1 | ZC 004077 | 340 meters | Perimeter |
| E 2 | ZC 005078 | 340 | Perimeter |
| E 3 | ZC 006080 | 360 | Perimeter |
| E 4 | ZC 008083 | 360 | Perimeter |
| E 5 | ZC 007088 | 370 | Perimeter |
| E 6 | ZC 004088 | 370 | Perimeter |
| E 7 | ZC 002085 | 370 | Perimeter |
| E 8 | ZC 001083 | 370 | Perimeter |
| E 9 | YC 999081 | 370 | Perimeter |
| E 10 | YC 997078 | 370 | Perimeter |
| E 11 | YC 999075 | 370 | Perimeter |
| E 12 | ZC 004075 | 330 | Perimeter |
| E 13 | ZC 008078 | 350 | OP #6 |
| E 14 | ZC 012092 | 380 | Trail junction |
| E 15 | ZC 006099 | 410 | Highway #14 |
| E 16 | ZC 014094 | 450 | OP #7 |
| E 17 | ZC 010099 | 450 | OP #5 |
| E 18 | ZC 013109 | 460 | Highway #14 |
| E 19 | YC 997093 | 370 | Highway #14 |
| E 20 | YC 995090 | 390 | Highway #14 |
| E 21 | YC 994086 | 370 | Highway trail junction |
| E 22 | YC 993071 | 370 | Trail |
| E 23 | YC 998079 | 340 | Trail |
| E 24 | YC 988093 | 750 | OP #1 |
| E 25 | YC 988071 | 450 | OP #3 |
| E 26 | YC 981067 | 370 | Trail |
| E 27 | YC 977066 | 390 | Highway #14 |
| E 28 | YC 961084 | 350 | Trail |
| E 29 | YC 972095 | 730 | Trail |
| E 30 | YC 993112 | 340 | Trail |

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| E 31 | YC 993165 | 180 meters | Trail |
| E 32 | YC 960036 | 470 | Highway #14 |
| E 33 | YC 972045 | 410 | Highway #14 |
| E 34 | YC 963018 | 450 | Highway #14 |
| E 35 | YC 964009 | 470 | Possible OP |
| E 36 | YC 968015 | 450 | Amb site for react force |
| E 37 | YC 971014 | 440 | Amb site for react force |
| E 38 | YC 925024 | 720 | Main trail |
| E 39 | YC 952076 | 400 | Trail |
| E 40 | ZC 021167 | 150 | Highway #14 |
| E 41 | ZC 034145 | 180 | Highway #14 |
| E 42 | ZC 046112 | 210 | Highway #14 |
| E 43 | ZC 058087 | 250 | Trail |
| E 44 | ZC 078085 | 250 | Trail |
| E 45 | ZC 028009 | 380 | Trail |
| E 46 | ZC 001039 | 390 | Trail |
| E 47 | ZC 025082 | 420 | Possible OP |
| E 48 | ZC 042098 | 190 | Trail |
| E 49 | ZC 081133 | 200 | Trail |
| E 50 | YC 997161 | 180 | Trail |

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Appendix 6 (Preplanned Air Targets, GIA VUC) to Annex E (Preplanned Air Targets) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014, Sheets 6738 III, IV; 6638 I, II.

Time Zone: H

1. GIA VUC CIDG Camp is located at BS 379270, elevation 130 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-103, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list:

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| C 1 | BS 372281 | 180 meters | Trail around base vil to E 350M |
| C 2 | BS 384273 | 310 | Cmd approach to east of camp |
| C 3 | BS 374259 | 300 | Cmd approach to south of camp |
| C 4 | BS 387257 | 338 | Cmd approach to south of camp |
| C 5 | BS 352275 | 220 | Village |
| C 6 | BS 364269 | 200 | Likely assembly area |
| C 7 | BS 379259 | 150 | South edge of village |
| C 8 | BS 396259 | 200 | Trail and stream jct, small village |
| C 9 | BS 396268 | 170 | Operation area |
| C 10 | BS 392274 | 160 | Rice fields; small village |
| C 11 | BS 384277 | 180 | Ravine and stream |
| C 12 | BS 391281 | 150 | Trail north east of OP 2 |
| C 13 | BS 382289 | 270 | Likely assembly area |
| C 14 | BS 390293 | 140 | Stream and trail |
| C 15 | BS 370307 | 140 | Jungle area used by VC |
| C 16 | BS 377307 | 200 | Sml vil surrounding area is VC |
| C 17 | BS 383307 | 110 | Likely assembly area |
| C 18 | BS 381318 | 120 | Small village |
| C 19 | BS 394326 | 210 | Jungle area rptd used by VC |
| C 20 | BS 403321 | 260 | Small valley used VC |
| C 21 | BS 402312 | 270 | Assembly area |
| C 22 | BS 398293 | 150 | Small village |
| C 23 | BS 404274 | 180 | Small village |
| C 24 | BS 419278 | 150 | Trail and stream |
| C 25 | BS 415291 | 300 | Jungle area |
| C 26 | BS 434295 | 100 | Stream and small village |
| C 27 | BS 434281 | 150 | Trail jct; huts in area |
| C 28 | BS 452273 | 380 | Trail junction |
| C 29 | BS 447288 | 100 | Trail and open area |
| C 30 | BS 441298 | 120 | Small vil rptd to be used by VC |

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| C 31 | BS 443313 | 180 meters | Stream junction |
| C 32 | BS 457297 | 70 | Stream junction |
| C 33 | BS 456291 | 70 | Trail junction |
| C 34 | BS 478307 | 70 | Stream junction |
| C 35 | BS 463322 | 350 | Stream in VC area |
| C 36 | BS 477337 | 90 | Trail junction and stream |
| C 37 | BS 369316 | 160 | Trail and stream junction; sm1 vil |
| C 38 | BS 369324 | 150 | Village |
| C 39 | BS 376323 | 110 | Trail junction |
| C 40 | BS 386326 | 120 | Village |
| C 41 | BS 395336 | 270 | Stream and open area |
| C 42 | BS 376342 | 110 | Trail and possibly ford |
| C 43 | BS 364344 | 110 | Village |
| C 44 | BS 378347 | 140 | Known VC positions |
| C 45 | BS 368349 | 130 | Trail jet and likely assembly area |
| C 46 | BS 363362 | 180 | Village and rice fields |
| C 47 | BS 387363 | 90 | Trail junction and village |
| C 48 | BS 378372 | 100 | Village |
| C 49 | BS 426283 | 120 | Village |
| C 50 | BS 424287 | 334 | Rice fields |

NOTE: Many of the above are currently under friendly control. Coordination would be necessary in the event targets were selected.

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Appendix 7 (Preplanned Air Targets, MINH LONG) to Annex E (Preplanned Air Targets) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014. Sheets 6739 II,III; 6738 I,IV.

Time Zone: H

1. MINH LONG CIDG Camp is located at BS 541525, elevation 80 meters. Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-108, 5th SFGA.

2. Target list:

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|------------|---------------------------|
| H 1 | BS 490552 | 800 meters | Possible staging area |
| H 2 | BS 490537 | 200 | Avenue of approach |
| H 3 | BS 490520 | 200 | Possible staging area |
| H 4 | BS 480516 | 250 | Possible staging area |
| H 5 | BS 490515 | 140 | Avenue of approach |
| H 6 | BS 481502 | 700 | Possible staging area |
| H 7 | BS 490550 | 540 | Possible staging area |
| H 8 | BS 529507 | 110 | Heavy Wpns Position |
| H 9 | BS 500520 | 200 | Avenue of approach |
| H 10 | BS 615512 | 100 | Avenue of approach |
| H 11 | BS 500504 | 300 | Avenue of approach |
| H 12 | BS 507491 | 100 | Avenue of approach |
| H 13 | BS 510542 | 320 | Avenue of approach |
| H 14 | BS 510530 | 200 | Avenue of approach |
| H 15 | BS 512517 | 80 | Possible weapons position |
| H 16 | BS 514502 | 80 | Possible staging area |
| H 17 | BS 515478 | 100 | Possible staging area |
| H 18 | BS 525564 | 180 | Possible staging area |
| H 19 | BS 529498 | 150 | Possible hvy wpns posn |
| H 20 | BS 521529 | 100 | Possible weapons position |
| H 21 | BS 525515 | 70 | Avenue of approach |
| H 22 | BS 524490 | 80 | Possible gun position |
| H 23 | BS 529501 | 175 | OP |
| H 24 | BS 530551 | 100 | Gun position |
| H 25 | BS 539541 | 100 | Avenue of approach |
| H 26 | BS 531530 | 70 | Avenue of approach |
| H 27 | BS 532493 | 160 | OP |
| H 28 | BS 537480 | 160 | OP |
| H 29 | BS 544571 | 60 | Avenue of approach |
| H 30 | BS 549561 | 240 | OP |

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| H 31 | BS 546551 | 100 meters | Avenue of approach |
| H 32 | BS 549542 | 50 | Avenue of approach |
| H 33 | BS 543526 | 110 | OP |
| H 34 | BS 547522 | 180 | OP |
| H 35 | BS 546512 | 80 | Avenue of approach |
| H 36 | BS 546502 | 120 | OP |
| H 37 | BS 541489 | 120 | Avenue of approach |
| H 38 | BS 553571 | 50 | Avenue of approach |
| H 39 | BS 557550 | 40 | Avenue of approach |
| H 40 | BS 556534 | 120 | OP |
| H 41 | BS 557522 | 320 | OP |
| H 42 | BS 559517 | 500 | OP |
| H 43 | BS 557500 | 300 | Avenue of approach |
| H 44 | BS 557487 | 420 | OP |
| H 45 | BS 555480 | 560 | OP |
| H 46 | BS 565537 | 30 | Avenue of approach |
| H 47 | BS 562519 | 529 | OP |
| H 48 | BS 560512 | 380 | OP |
| H 49 | BS 560495 | 570 | OP |
| H 50 | BS 562502 | 540 | OP |

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Appendix C (Preplanned Air Targets, THUCNG DUC) to Annex E (Preplanned Air Targets) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000, AMS L7014. Sheets 6540 I, II; 6640 III, IV.

Time Zone: H

1. THUCNG DUC CIDG Camp is located ZC 142533, elevation 60 meters.
Special Forces contingent is Detachment A-109, 5th SFCA.

2. Target list:

| TGT NR | TGT LOCATION | ELEVATION | TGT DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--------------|------------|--|
| I 1 | ZC 114539 | 110 meters | Defensive positions |
| I 2 | ZC 099504 | 10 | Supply route |
| I 3 | ZC 112926 | 190 | Draw |
| I 4 | ZC 148549 | 10 | Approach route |
| I 5 | ZC 195551 | 10 | Way station |
| I 6 | ZC 169529 | 30 | Poss cache area |
| I 7 | ZC 198542 | 10 | Defensive positions |
| I 8 | ZC 148563 | 90 | Approach route |
| I 9 | ZC 139561 | 10 | Poss mortar position |
| I 10 | ZC 181561 | 70 | Infiltration route |
| I 11 | ZC 114522 | 30 | Ridge finger |
| I 12 | NO 165559 | 110 | Poss cache area |
| I 13 | NO 156566 | 70 | Poss cache area |
| I 14 | NO 117534 | 250 | Knoll |
| I 15 | NO 118529 | 296 | Knoll |
| I 16 | NO 128570 | 10 | Infiltration route |
| I 17 | NO 145573 | 170 | Infiltration route |
| I 18 | NO 173555 | 10 | Infiltration route |
| I 19 | NO 153504 | 670 | DAI HINH (3) (Poss cache area) |
| I 20 | NO 155516 | 330 | Ridge finger |
| I 21 | NO 148514 | 230 | Hillside |
| I 22 | NO 190521 | 370 | Edge of plateau |
| I 23 | NO 195549 | 30 | Friendly OP |
| I 24 | NO 165554 | 10 | HOANG PHUOC (1) (Poss VC staging area) |
| I 25 | NO 096565 | 63 | Hill 63 (Poss VC OP) |
| I 26 | NO 121523 | 430 | Ridge finger |
| I 27 | NO 133563 | 10 | Rice paddy (Poss cache area) |
| I 28 | NO 125564 | 10 | Bottom of hill |
| I 29 | NO 104576 | 70 | Middle of draw |
| I 30 | NO 169555 | 10 | Bottom of hill |

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| I 31 | ZC 169560 | 30 meters | Stream bank |
| I 32 | ZC 166567 | 10 | Stream bank |
| I 33 | ZC 160526 | 10 | Trail/stream crossing |
| I 34 | ZC 165537 | 10 | DCM: PHUOC (1) (Poss cache) |
| I 35 | ZC 161536 | 10 | PHUOC (1) (Poss VJ mortar) |
| I 36 | ZC 127237 | 50 | Draw |
| I 37 | ZC 113498 | 10 | Bridge |
| I 38 | ZC 189556 | 05 | River bank |
| I 39 | ZC 191559 | 10 | Draw |
| I 40 | ZC 132530 | 70 | Draw |
| I 41 | ZC 130260 | 110 | Ridge finger |
| I 42 | ZC 133531 | 110 | Ridge finger |
| I 43 | ZC 155580 | 310 | Trail across hill (Poss VJ) |
| I 44 | ZC 134527 | 130 | base area) |
| I 45 | ZC 137557 | 10 | Ridge finger |
| I 46 | ZC 144520 | 10 | TAI SON Village (Poss VC |
| I 47 | ZC 104551 | 10 | mort. & pen) |
| I 48 | ZC 127562 | 10 | Village (Poss staging area) |
| I 49 | ZC 152554 | 10 | House (Poss staging area) |
| I 50 | ZC 084556 | 10 | River bank |
| | | | Houses (Poss staging area) |
| | | | Bridge |

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Annex F (Communication-Electronics) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) 1st MarDiv Op Order 301-66
(b) 1st MarDiv O P02000.2 (CEOI)
(c) Det C-1, 5th SFG (Abn) SOI (NOTAL)
(d) I Corps Advisory Team SOI (NOTAL)

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy forces.

- (1) Annex A (Intelligence).
- (2) Current ISUMs and PIRs.
- (3) Enemy has employed and will continue to employ monitoring, ~~initative~~ deception, and makeshift jamming (any noise locally generated) of friendly radio and wire circuits.
- (4) Enemy will continue to harass comm systems by destroying or damaging comm facilities and by disrupting metallic lines.

b. Friendly forces.

- (1) CG III MAF.
 - (a) Coordinates comm requirements between 1st MarDiv and C-1 Det, 5th SF Group which cannot be supported locally.
 - (b) Relays C-1 Det ISUMs and SPOTREPs/SITREPs to this Hq via existing covered teletype circuits.
 - (c) Provides C-1 Det commander with sufficient comm security aids for immediate authentication, numeral, and brief tactical message encryption/decryption.
 - (d) Provides comm personnel and equipment augmentation as necessary to support requirements beyond capability of this Hq.

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- (2) C-1 Det, 5th SF Group, authorizes 1st MarDiv and referenced subordinate units to enter existing SF radio nets.
- (3) FMAW provides and coordinates close air support communications and on-call helicopter and/or transport A/C for airborne radio retransmission packages and teams.
- (4) FLC provides emergency comm logistic support.

2. MISSION

When directed, 1st MarDiv comm-elec elements install, operate and maintain continuous and reliable comm systems to support this plan.

3. EXECUTION

a. Comm Co, HqBn.

- (1) Maintain normal command control communications for this Hq while located in DA NANG Combat Base.
- (2) Be prepared to enter radio nets which enable this Hq to communicate with QUANG DA Spec Z advisors and with designated U. S. Army SF Det(s) and/or CIDG camps.
- (3) Be prepared to provide comm-elec support to augment forces committed to execution of this plan.
- (4) Coordinate comm planning as directed by this Hq with TF XRAY, 1st Mar and 5th Mar as required.
- (5) Be prepared to furnish AN/GRC-125 radio retransmission package and teams for installation in transport A/C to provide round-the-clock retransmission capability.

b. TF XRAY

- (1) Plan for and be prepared to install, operate and maintain continuously reliable communications to support assigned mission.
- (2) Be prepared to enter radio nets to communicate with 2d ARVN Div advisors and designated U. S. Army SF Det(s) and/or CIDG camps.
- (3) Maintain existing comm-elec installations in CHU LAI Combat Base.
- (4) Determine comm requirements which cannot be organically supported and submit appropriate requests to this Hq.

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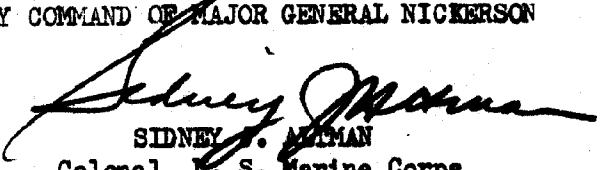
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Appendix 1 (Radio Call Signs) to Annex F (Communication ~~Electronics~~) to
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1. 1st MarDiv Units. Ref (b).
2. U. S. Army Special Forces Units and CIDG Camps. Ref (c) and will be published in Frag Order implementing this plan.
3. QUANG DA Spec Z. ARVN Advisory Teams. Ref (d) and will be published as required.
4. 2d ARVN Div Advisory Teams. Ref (d) and will be published as required.

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Appendix 2 (Radio Frequencies) to Annex F (Communication-Electronics) to
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Time Zone: H

1. 1st MarDiv Frequency Assignments: Ref (b) or as modified by Frag Order implementing this plan.
2. U. S. Army Special Forces Frequency Assignments.
 - a. Ref (c). To be published in Frag Order implementing this plan.
 - b. Initial contact between relieving unit and CIDG camps should be accomplished on VHF Air Movement Frequency. Thereafter, combination of CIDG VHF and HF nets, and relieving units organic Command, Tactical, and Supporting Arms Nets would be used. Airborne radio retransmission will be employed, as required, between parent regiment and relieving unit.
3. QUANG DA Spec 2 ARVN Advisory Team Frequency Assignments: Ref (d). To be published as required.
4. 2d ARVN Div Advisory Team Frequency Assignments. Ref (d). To be published as required.

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- c. 1st Mar (Rein)
9th Mar (-) (Rein)

- (1) Plan for and be prepared to install, operate and maintain continuously reliable communications to support assigned missions.
- (2) Maintain existing comm-elec installations in DA NANG Combat Base.
- (3) Determine comm requirements which cannot be organically supported and submit appropriate requests to this Hq, to include requests for retransmission A/C.

- d. 11th Mar.
1st Recon Bn (-) (Rein).
1st AT Bn (-).
Det, 3d AT Bn.
Det, 3d Engr Bn.
Det, 3d SP Bn.
3d MT Bn (-) (Rein).
3d Med Bn (-) (Rein).
1st Tk Bn (-).
3d Tk Bn (-).
1st AmTrac Bn (-) (Rein).
7th MT Bn (-) (Rein).

- (1) Be prepared to install, operate and maintain communications in support of mission specifically assigned in execution of this plan.
- (2) Provide comm-elec planning support as required by 1st and 9th Mar.

- e. Air Support Communications. Ref (a).

- f. Arty Communications. Normal. Call signs and frequencies to be published.

- g. Coordinating instructions.

- (1) Ref (b).
- (2) Annex D (COC/FSCC Immediate Action) for initial comm action requirements.
- (3) Comm Center. Phrase "PASS TO COC" will be included in passing instructions of operational messages transmitted to this Hq via common user circuits.
- (4) Comm Security Aids.

- (a) Operations Code. KAC-181. Ref (b).

1 - Radio Office
2 - Radio Office

- (b) Numeral Code. KAC-Q. Ref (b).

- (c) Authentication Code. KAC-Q. Ref (b).

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(5) Radio.

- (a) Call Signs. Refs (b), (c), (d) and Appendix 1 (Radio Call Signs).
- (b) Frequencies. Refs (b), (c), (d) and Appendix 2 (Radio Frequencies).

(6) Radio Relay. Activated on order as tactical situation requires and develops.

(7) Wire.

- (a) Limited in objective area(s) until developing tactical situation requires installation of trunks and internal CP wire system(s).
- (b) Switchboard Code Names. 1st MarDiv Telephone Directory.
- (c) Be alert for booby traps when trouble-shooting wire lines.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- a. Admin Plan 303-66.
- b. Charged batteries, BB-451, available on call from LSA when established. Units return discharged batteries to LSA for exchange on one-for-one basis. Mark battery cases with unit designations.
- c. Limited third and overflow second echelon maintenance and exchange/float service available at LSA when established.
- d. Limited stock of high usage comm-elec equipment accessory items available at LSA when established.
- e. Resupply of wire and dry cell batteries available at LSA when established.
 - (1) All expended dry cell batteries will be completely demolished or returned to LSA for destruction.
 - (2) All units retrieve comm wire upon displacement from any position within objective area.

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APPENDICES:

- 1 - Radio Call Signs
- 2 - Radio Frequencies

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Annex G (Command Relationships) to Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) III MAF LOI 5-66 w/Ch #1

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1. Appendix 1 depicts relationships between ARVN units, province and district officials, III MAF command and operational control echelons, 7th Air Force, and USASF 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne).
2. Only CG, I ARVN Corps is in LLDB command and control structure. No command relationship exists between ARVN divs and LLDB dets at any level.
3. Senior LLDB officer at each camp is camp commander.
4. USASF A Det commander is advisor to LLDB in each camp and has additional mission as advisor to local sector/sub sector commander. CG III MAF/SA I Corps exercises OPCON USASF A Dets in ICTZ through Commander, I Corps Advisory Group and Commanding Officer, Det C-1, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne).
5. Special Forces liaison team is stationed QUANG NGAI City, QUANG NGAI Province for purposes of establishing contact with US and Free World Forces, and 2d ARVN Div, and informing them of Special Forces activities in ICH DMA. Liaison team represents Detachment C-1 but has no command or operational authority.

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1. Command Relationships Diagram

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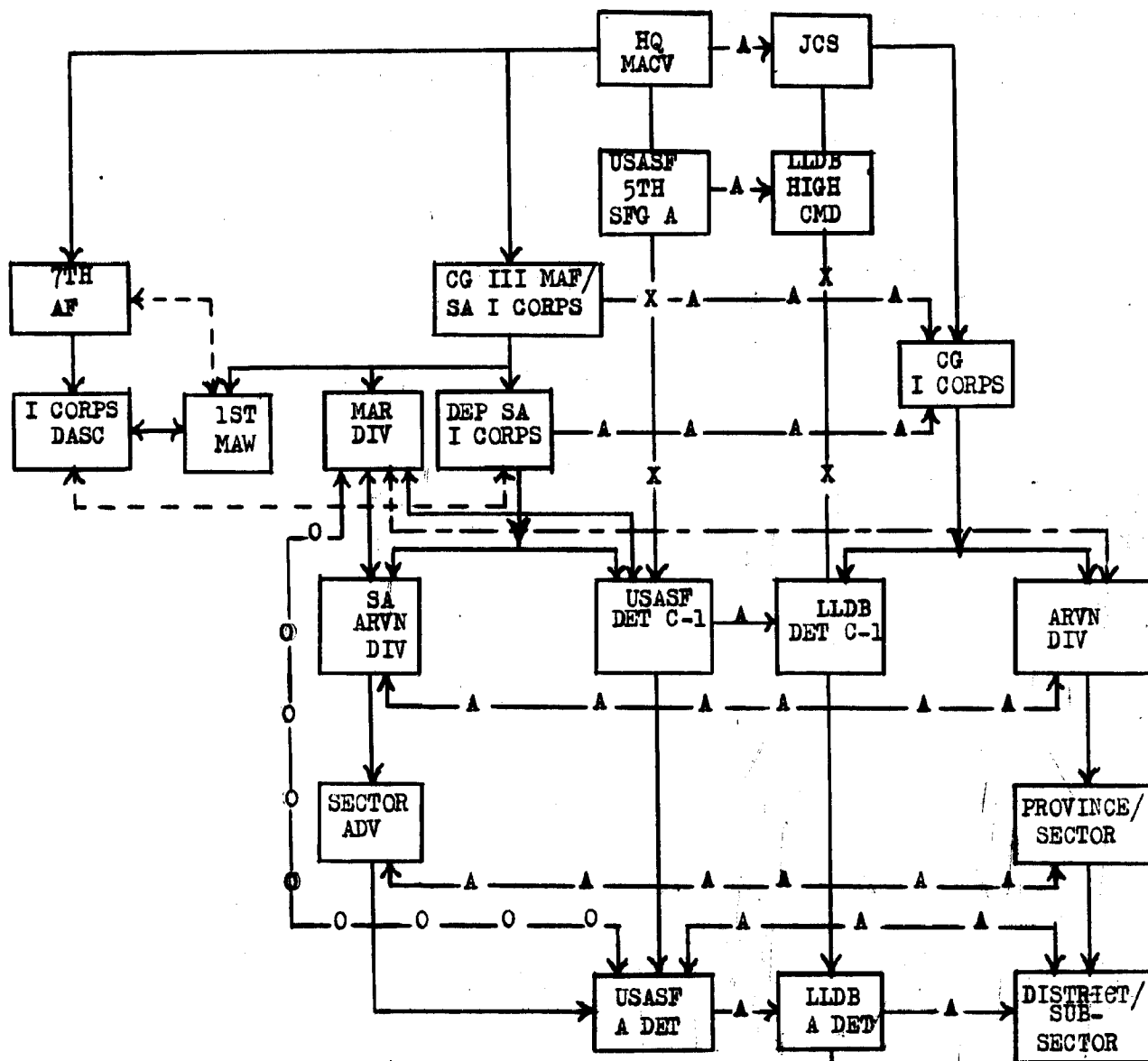
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Appendix I (Command Relationships Diagram) to Annex G (Command Relationships)
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Administrative Plan 303-66 to accompany Operation Plan 303-66

Ref: (a) Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000, AMS Series L7014. Tra Bong: Sheets 6639 I, II; 6739 III, IV. Tien Phouc: Sheets 6640 II, III; 6639, I, IV. Ba Lo: Sheets 6738 I, IV. Ha Thanh: Sheets 6739 III; 6738 IV; 6638 I; 6639 II. Kham Duc: Sheets 6540 II, III; 6639 I, IV. Gia Vuc: Sheets 6738 III, IV; 6638 I, II. Minh Long: Sheets 6739 II, III; 6738 I, IV. Thuong Duc: 6540 I, II; 6640 III, IV.

(b) III MAF LOI 5-66 w/ch#1

(c) 1st MarDiv Admin Order 301-66

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1. SUPPLY

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a. General. Reference (b) sets forth basic instructions concerning supply support of combat operations in 1st Marine Division's areas of operation. Support for the two phases of 1st Marine Division's participation in the defense of the CIDG camps will be as follows:

(1) Phase I. Artillery Support

- (a) Artillery employed from normal positions. Support provided from appropriate ASP/LSA.
- (b) Artillery w/security units employed from CIDG camps. Unit distribution from presently established ASP/LSA's using USAF aircraft or FMAW aircraft.

(2) Phase II. Commitment of ground forces. Support will be provided in one or more of the following ways:

- (a) Unit distribution from present supply points using USAF aircraft, FMAW helicopters/fixed wing or Motor Transport convoys as appropriate.
- (b) Unit distribution by aerial delivery. Annex B (Aerial Delivery) to reference (c).
- (c) Establishment of new LSA's by 1st Marine Division in area of operation as required.

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(4) Prescribed load

- (a) Classes I through V - as prescribed by Battalion Commander.
- (b) Water - 2 full canteens per individual and one gallon per individual in water cans.

b. Supplies and Equipment Available

- (1) Prescribed loads from unit held supplies; reference (c) applies.
- (2) Additional required supplies from appropriate supply point or LSA.

c. Control and Distribution

- (1) Unit distribution from appropriate LSA's.
- (2) Distribution of supplies from LSA's will be accomplished by fixed wing/helicopters and vehicles when possible.
- (3) Supply point distribution where situation permits.
- (4) LSA's will act as control agency for all classes of supply.

d. Resupply

- (1) Resupply will be from nearest LSA. Requests will be made through HST furnishing direct support.
- (2) Emergency resupply by air. See Annex B (Aerial Delivery) to reference (c).
- (3) By fixed wing/helicopter or vehicle as appropriate.
- (4) Helicopters will be assigned in support of this operation on a continuing basis for resupply.

e. Captured Material. In accordance with reference (c).f. Salvage

- (1) Units on unit distribution advise appropriate LSA of location, nature and amount of salvage for collection.
- (2) Every effort will be made to recover worn out batteries to insure they do not fall into hostile control.

g. Excess Material

(1) Movement by fixed wing/helicopter will be mandatory for most units throughout this operation. Excess T/E and T/A equipment will impose an overload on limited helicopter/fixed wing assets; therefore units will embark only essential equipment to accomplish their mission.

(2) Any material in area of operation, determined to be in excess of unit's needs, will be returned to appropriate LSA on departing resupply aircraft.

2. EVACUATION AND HOSPITALIZATION

a. Evacuation of casualties will be by air to nearest medical facility.

b. Reinforcing battalion provide initial emergency treatment, evacuate to nearest medical facility.

c. 1st Medical Battalion (Rein) be prepared to receive casualties on short notice, provide initial surgical care and further evacuation as required. See Annex C (Medical) to reference (c) for additional details.

3. TRANSPORTATION

a. Surface - none except for resupply to LSA's if feasible, or if required to embark areas. Inform this Headquarters (Attn: MTO) when known.

b. Air

(1) Helicopter and fixed wing will be provided by 1st MAW.

(2) Helicopters/fixed wing will be available for initial deployment and resupply.

4. SERVICE

a. Functions

(1) Maintenance

(a) 1st and 2nd echelon maintenance by units.

(b) Backup 2nd and limited 3rd echelon motor transport, ordnance and electronics maintenance to be provided by the appropriate LSA on request.

(c) Contact teams provided by FLC will be utilized when feasible.

b. Assignment of responsibilities

(1) 1st Shore Party Battalion

- (a) Be prepared to establish LSA's when directed.
- (c) Be prepared to provide HST support.

(2) 1st, 7th and 11th Motor Transport Battalions. Be prepared to provide transportation as required.

(3) 1st Medical Battalion. Be prepared on order to deploy appropriate medical assistance to Special Forces Camps.

c. Request to Supporting Commands

(1) Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing.

- (a) Provide helicopters and/or fixed wing aircraft for re-supply, medical evacuation, evacuation and tactical troop lifts.
- (b) Provide landing zone control unit personnel to support HST's.

(2) Commanding General, Force Logistic Command.

- (a) Provide logistic support as required for LSA/LSU operations.
- (b) Provide overflow 2nd and limited 3rd echelon electronics, ordnance and motor transport repair capability at appropriate LSA.
- (c) Provide limited float of comm-elect end items and accessories for emergency resupply.
- (d) Provide recharging capability of BB 451 batteries at appropriate LSA.
- (e) FLC/FSR. Be prepared to rapidly assemble one day's supply of Class I, V and medical supplies for aerial delivery to Special Forces Camps, if required. Data to be used in computing necessary quantities will be issued separately.
- (f) Be prepared to provide supplies for airdrop as required.
- (g) In event a new LSA is established be prepared to assume control from Shore Party upon request and provide this Headquarters (G-4) with a daily dump status.

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d. Coordinating Instructions. Units will, upon establishment and change of medical facilities and supply locations, report locations to this Headquarters.

5. PERSONNEL

a. Personnel Procedures. See Annex D (Personnel) to reference (c).

b. Civil Affairs/Civic Action. All units be prepared to initiate civic action program when tactical situation permits. See Annex E (Civil Affairs/Civic Action) to reference (c).

6. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Units will recover individual equipment from evacuated casualties.

b. All materials provided Special Forces Camps will be on a reimbursable basis.

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