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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF

Subj: 1ST MARINES SITREP 109 as of 10 May 1966

Ref: (a) 1st MarDivO 3480.1

Encl: (1) 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines SITREP as of 10 May 1966
(2) 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines SITREP as of 10 May 1966
(3) Consolidated Operations Summary

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1), (2) and (3) are submitted herewith.

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1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF
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10 May 1966

SITREP FOR PERIOD 092100H TO 102100H

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

A. Late Entry, at approximately 092100H 1st Marines inquired as to whether 1/1 was firing 60/61mm mortars west from positions on Hoa Nam. 1st Marines reported that area vicinity Hill 54 (BT 396115) and east to SANG CHO the driver was receiving incoming mortar rounds. After confirmation from Company M on Hoa Nam, a negative report as to mortar firing was submitted to 1st Marines who in turn, requested that 1/1 fire counter-mortar fire on coordinates BT 415153 which had been determined to be the position of VC mortar. Company M fired eight rounds HE and WP with point detonating and VT fuse. Firing was completed 092347H. Patrol was to be dispatched to impact area of counter-mortar fire at first light to determine effectiveness of fire and to search for any indications or signs of exact VC mortar positions.

B. Contacts, from 100700H to 101230H Company M conducted search and clear operation with two platoons BSW and forty FF's, lead by Hamlet Chief of An Tan, in grid squares BT 4217, 4317, and 4418. Ten families were removed from this area by Hamlet chief for relocation on Ky Hoa. There was no enemy contact but seven VCS were detained by FF's for interrogation. Two caves were located, searched with negative results and destroyed at coordinates BT 444153 and coordinates BT 443164.

At 100130H the patrol from Company M which was enroute to the suspected VC mortar site (see late entry above) was taken under fire at coordinates BT 417152 by VC vicinity BT 418153 with twelve rounds of small arms fire. Patrol could not determine exact location of VC, continued on assigned mission. Patrol was shortly thereafter taken under fire from vicinity BT 416156 with fifteen rounds small arms fire. The patrol returned forty five rounds small arms fire and pursued VC physically. Upon crossing a bamboo hedge row the patrol tripped a booby trap which injured a near by Vietnamese farmer. He was evacuated to 1st Med Battalion for treatment. The VC fled NW and contact was lost. An M-26 mine was located and destroyed at BT 414153. No friendly casualties, no confirmed VC casualties. Patrol, subsequent to this contact, continued enroute to suspected VC mortar site, searched over with negative results.

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From 101450N to 101945N Company H acting upon information received from a young Vietnamese boy from Hamlet vicinity coordinates BT 431173 of seven VC hiding in a cave at same coordinates, sent a combined USMC/PF patrol to the cave site lead by the boy. The cave was found and upon searching it found one GHECOM Submachinegun, one U.S. M-1 rifle, one U.S. M-1 carbine, one GHECOM assault rifle, one Thompson 45 caliber Submachinegun, one Claymore mine, and assorted small arms rounds plus assorted items of clothing and documents. Another cave was found and while search of it was in progress two grenades were thrown at the searcher resulting in friendly casualties as listed below. The cave was fired into with a shotgun and a grenade was thrown into it. The search of this cave disclosed three VC, two of which were dead and one wounded plus two U.S. caliber 45 greaseguns. Friendly casualties resulting from the encounter were MED EVAC'D and included one USMC KIA, one PF KIA, four USMC WIA, and one Vietnamese Interpreter WIA. VC casualties, two KIA, and one WIA.

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COMBAT ACTION REPORT

3rd Bn, 1st Mar
ORGANIZATION

07

2400H May

TO 10

2200H May

1966

DATE 10 May 1966

PROVINCE/ COORDINATES	DATE/ TIME	ACTION +		FED UNIT/ LOSSES	FED UNIT/ LOSSES	INIT BY	MATERIAL CAPTURED		
		SIZE	TYPE				IN	CSW	OTHER
Quang Tin BT 111163(enemy) BT 1113164(enemy)	100730- 101230H	Co(-)	S&D	Co M 3/1	0	USMC	0	0	Two caves destroyed
Quang Tin BT 1117152(friendly) BT 1118153(enemy) BT 1116156(enemy)	100830H	Sqd	Recon	Co M 3/1	0	VC	0	0	M-26 mine
Quang Tin BT 431123	101150- 101945H	2 Sqds	USMC	Co M 3/1 1 USMC KIA 4 USMC WIA 1 PF KIA 1 Interpreter WIA	UNK/2 KIA, 1 WIA	USMC	7	0	1 M-16A1 mine 2 grenades assorted SA Ammo, clothing & documents

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OPERATIONS SUMMARY

ORGANIZATION: 3rd BN 1st REGT Chu Lai TAOR

10 May 1966
DATE

PERIOD: 09 2400H May TO 10 2400H May 1966

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LISTENING POST (LP)	C D				
AMBUSH (AMB)	E 3* F	G H	I J		
RECON PATROL (REC)	K L	M N	O P		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)	4 Q 11** R	S 4 T	U V		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S&D)		W X	Y Z	1 + AA BB	CC DD
CLEARING (CLR)		EE FF	GG HH	II JJ	KK LL

REMARKS: ** Joint waterborne and USMC/Self Defense Corps (SDC)

* Joint USMC/Popular Forces Ambush

+ Company (-) (Rein) search and destroy in grid square 4217, 4218, 4317 on Cigar Island.

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DAY PATROLS FOR 11 MAY 1966

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I-1	FT	QUAIL	110740H	111420H	BT477104	SEC
I-3	FT	CHICKENHAWK	110630H	111200H	BT437103	SEC
I-3	FT	BIRD	111255H	111755H	BT437103	SEC
I-1	FT	BLUEBIRD	110800H	111330H	BT515119	SEC
M	FT	JAILBIRD	110745H	111245H	BT417151	SEC
M	FT	DOVE	110600H	111000H	BT437161	SEC
M	SQD(-)	LARK	111415H	111915H	BT437161	SEC
M	SQD(-)	CROW	111430H	111955H	BT437161	SEC
M	SQD(-)	ERON	111630H	112215H	BT417151	SEC

NIGHT PATROLS FOR 11 MAY 1966

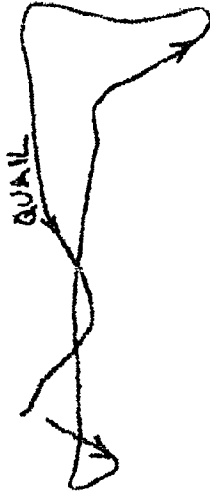
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I-1	FT	RED BIRD	111310H	120605H	BT447104	112100 - 120100
I-1	FT	JAILBIRD	112300H	120400H	BT477104	SEC
I-1	FT	LARK	112130H	120230H	BT477104	SEC 112200 - 112400
I-1	FT	BUZZARD	111830H	120630H	BT515119	SEC w/SEC
* I-2	FT	NEW YORK	111930H	120600H	BT524089	SEC/Sam Hai Hamlet (An Hai)
* I-2	FT	DALLAS	111930H	120600H	BT524089	SEC/Trung Toan Hamlet
I-2	SQD(-)	RAVEN	111900H	120600H	BT524089	SEC/120030 - 120230
* I-2	FT	DENVER	111930H	120600H	BT524089	SEC/Xuan Trung Hamlet
* I-2	FT	HOLLYWOOD	111930H	120600H	BT524089	SEC/An Tay Hamlet
I-2	FT	PORTLAND	111930H	120600H	BT524089	SEC/Thanh Long Hamlet
I-3	FT	CONDOR	111915H	120045H	BT487103	SEC
I-3	FT	MARGARET	112315H	120500H	BT487103	112400 - 120515
M	SQD(-)	WREN	111815H	111400H	BT437161	SEC
M	FT	CAROL	111900H	111400H	BT437161	112015 - 112245
M	FT	MAGGIE	111915H	120015H	BT417151	112015 - 112330
	FT	JALET	112315H	120515H	BT417151	112345 - 120445
M	FT	DGT	112300H	120530H	BT437161	072400 - 120400
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* Joint USMC/Self Defense Corps (SDC) security patrol in hamlet indicated.

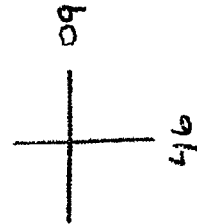
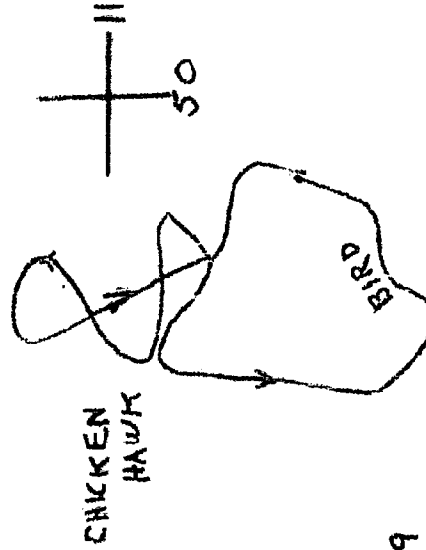
THIRD BATTALION, FIRST MARINES
CHU LAI, VIETNAM

DAY PATROLS FOR 11 MAY

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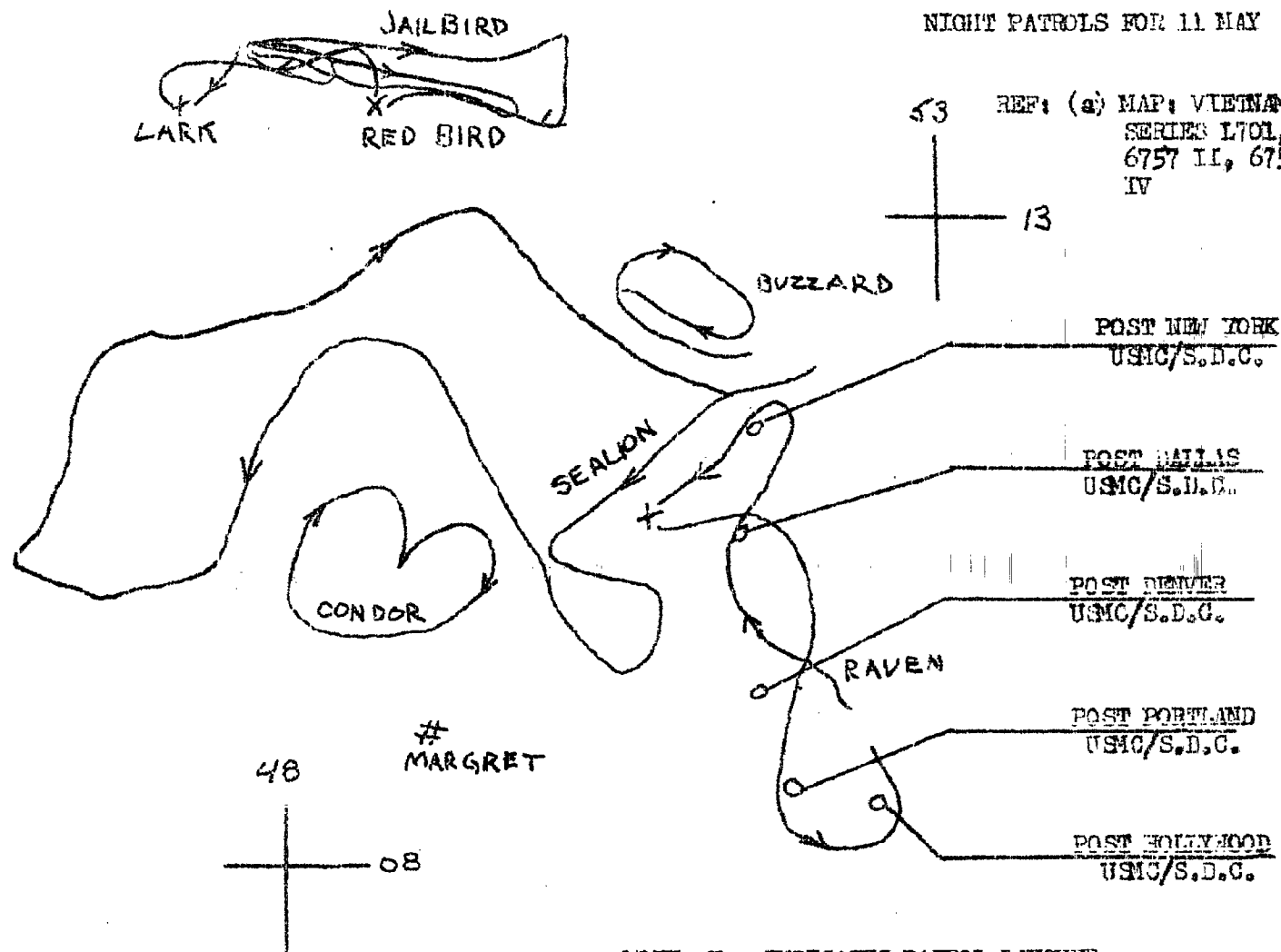
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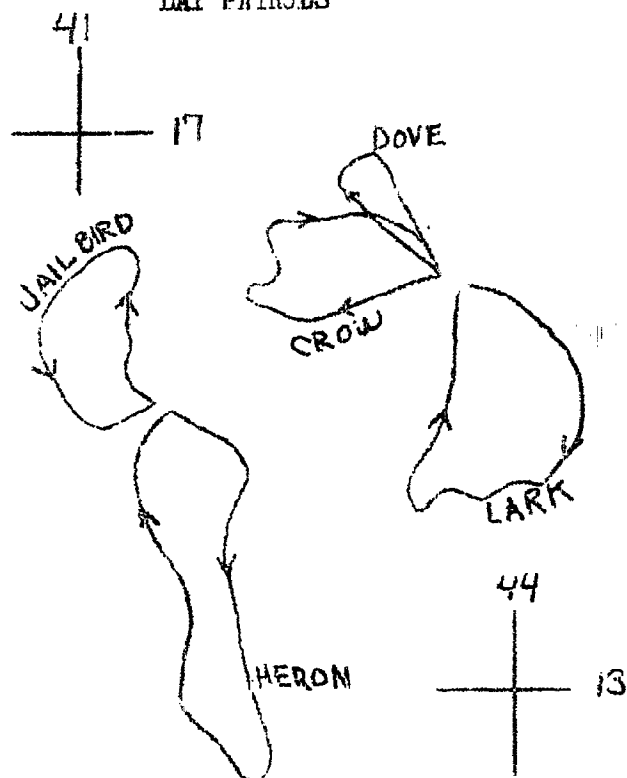
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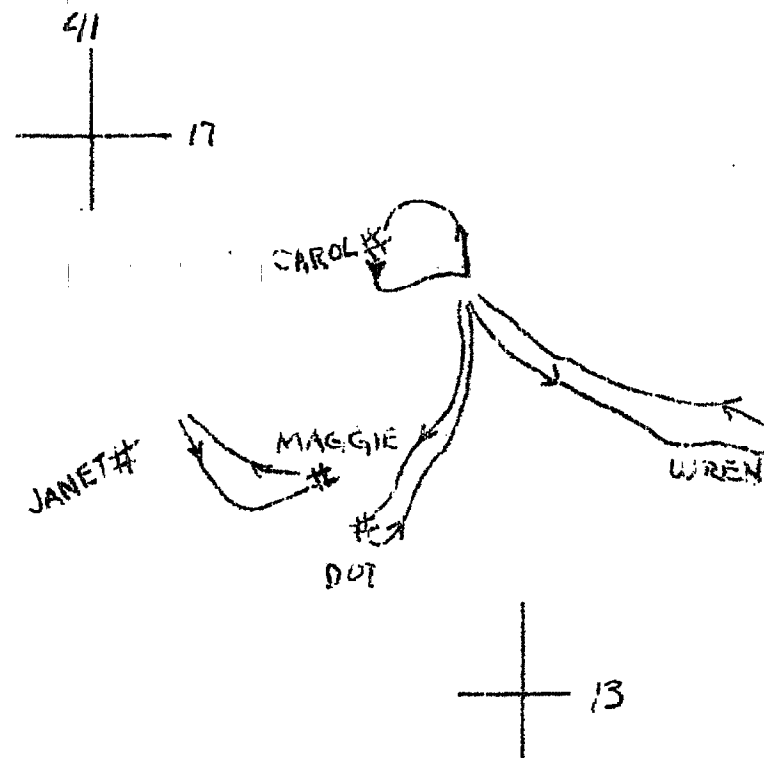
PATROLS ON HOA XUAN FOR 11 MAY

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DAY PATROLS



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2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINE SITREP #26 AS OF 100000H MAY TO 102400H MAY 1966

1. Narrative

a. At 101905H, Co E in defense perimeter, at BT 396144, recd 12 rds S/A from BT 388146. Co E, ~~also~~ arty mission. 1 VC was seen fleeing north. Co E sweep area. Nag kills.

b. At 101820H, a pit from Co E on SAB mission at BT 402145, recd 16 rds S/A from BT 391155. Pit returned fire with 800 rds S/A and 16 rds arty. VC broke contact, pit sweep area with nag kills.

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OPERATIONS SUMMARY

ORGANIZATION: _____ BN _____ REGT _____ TAOR

DATE _____

PERIOD: _____ 01Z _____ TO _____ 00Z _____

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CONTACT ACTION REPORT

FOR PERIOD

ORGANIZATION 101st Airborne Div OIC 101st Airborne Div TO 101st Airborne Div OOC 101st Airborne Div 101st Airborne Div DATE 10/1/66

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PLANS [REDACTED] SUMMARY

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2nd BATTALION, 5TH MARINES

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1. DAY LIGHT PATROLS

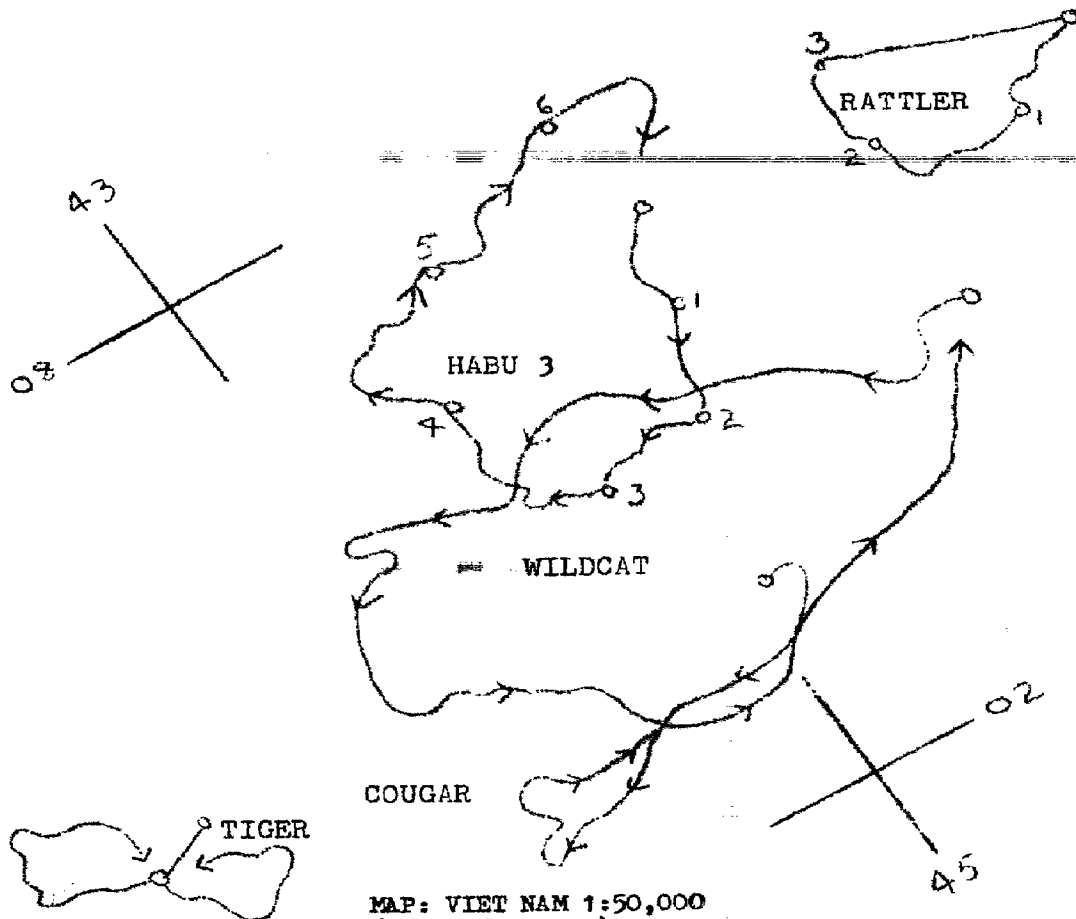
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Co H	PLT	COUGAR	110700	111700	S&D
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2. NIGHT AMBUSHES AND PATROLS

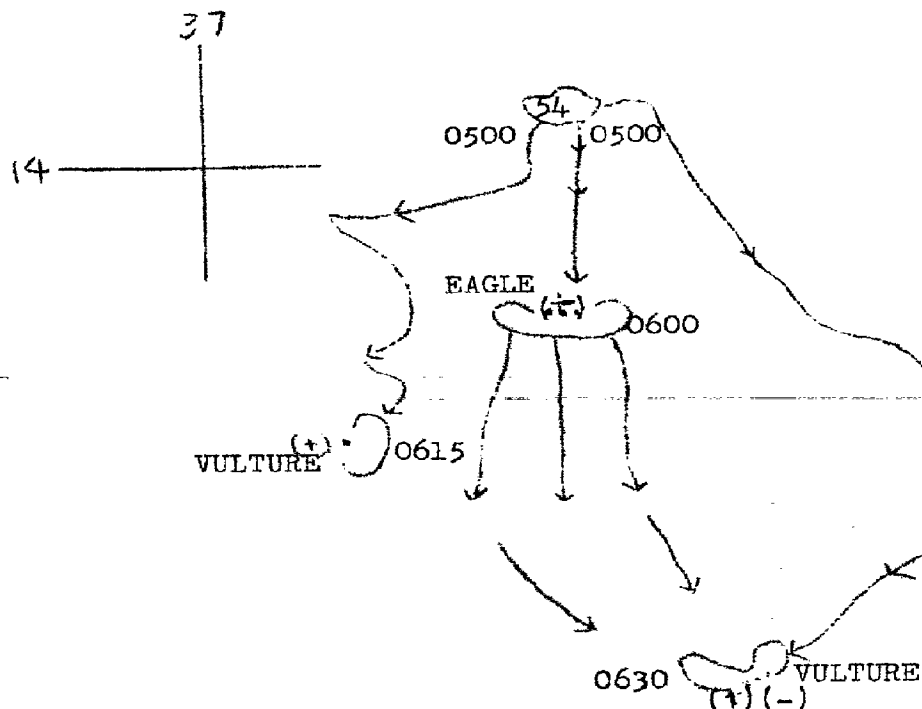
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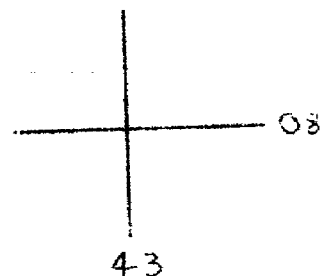
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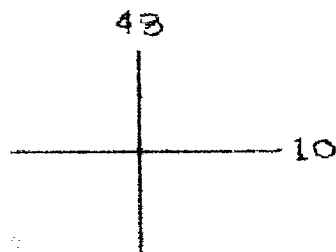


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(SHEET 6757 III)
DAYLIGHT PATROLS
2nd Bn, 5th MARINES
11 MAY, 1966



- (1) VULTURE LEAVES 54 AT 0430 FOR
BLOCKING POSITION ON HILL 22,
ARRIVE BY 0630
- (2) VULTURE (-) ARRIVE BLOCKING PO-
SITION BY 0615, WILL JOIN EAGLE
WHEN SWEEP PASSES THEIR POSITION
- (3) EAGLE LEAVES AT 0500, ARRIVE SWEEP
POSITION 0630
- (4) CP FOR NIGHT 11 MAY WILL BE ON
HILL #22, GC 409099

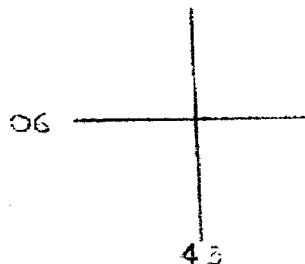
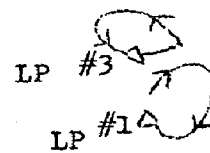




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FALCON 1
EAGLE 1



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AMBUSHES/NIGHT PATROLS
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