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

Subj: 1ST MARINES SITREP 119 as of 20 May 1966

Ref: (a) 1st MarDivO 3480.1

Encl: (1) 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines SITREP as of 20 May 1966
(2) 1st Battalion, 5th Marines SITREP as of 20 May 1966
(3) 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines SITREP as of 20 May 1966
(4) Consolidated Operations Summary

1. In accordance with reference (a), Enclosures (1), (2), (3) and (4) are submitted herewith.

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SITREP FOR PERIOD 192400H TO 202400H

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

- A. Late Entry. Negative.
- B. Contacts. Negative.
- C. Miscellaneous. In accordance with Commanding Officer, 1st Marines verbal order, Company I, at 200800H, returned this Command Post effecting the final relief of 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines TAOR by 1st Battalion, 5th Marines.
- D. Contact Action Summary. Negative.
- E. Operations Summary. Negative.
- F. Plans Summary. Negative.

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1ST BATTALION, 5TH MARINES SITREP #6 AS OF 200000H MAY TO 202400H MAY 1966

1. Narrative

a. 200930H, Squad Security Patrol heard banging noises at BT 381143. This was evidently a warning. Patrol then received six rounds SA, two, eight round AR bursts and approximately 175 rounds of MG fire from a large hut at BT 382143. Patrol returned thirty rounds of SA fire, forty rounds MG fire and one direct hit with a M41. Firing ceased, estimate two possible KIA and four WIA. Reinforcements of two tanks from Third Platoon, Company A, Autos from First Platoon, Company B, and one additional squad from First Platoon, Company B. With reinforcements a sweep was made. Tracked vehicles received thirty rounds AR fire and twelve rounds SA fire, Tanks fired seven rounds HE, Autos 200 rounds thirty caliber. Four substantial blood trails were found leading from the hut indicating four VC wounded. At BT 384143 one round of sniper fire was received from a hut. One WP grenade demolished the hut. No further firing. No evidence of VC WIA found, presumed escaped. At BT 384141 four VCS and a short blood trail were found by a cave. Four suspects came out of cave and grenade thrown in. Cave was searched and nothing found. VC broke contact patrol withdrew to evacuate one female wounded during the explosion of the LAW. VCS were screened and released except for one who was evacuated to Chu Lai due to non battle injuries.

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PLANS [REDACTED] SUMMARY

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 PERIOD: OIZ TO 00Z

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DAY PATROLS FOR 210600 TO 220600 MAY 1966

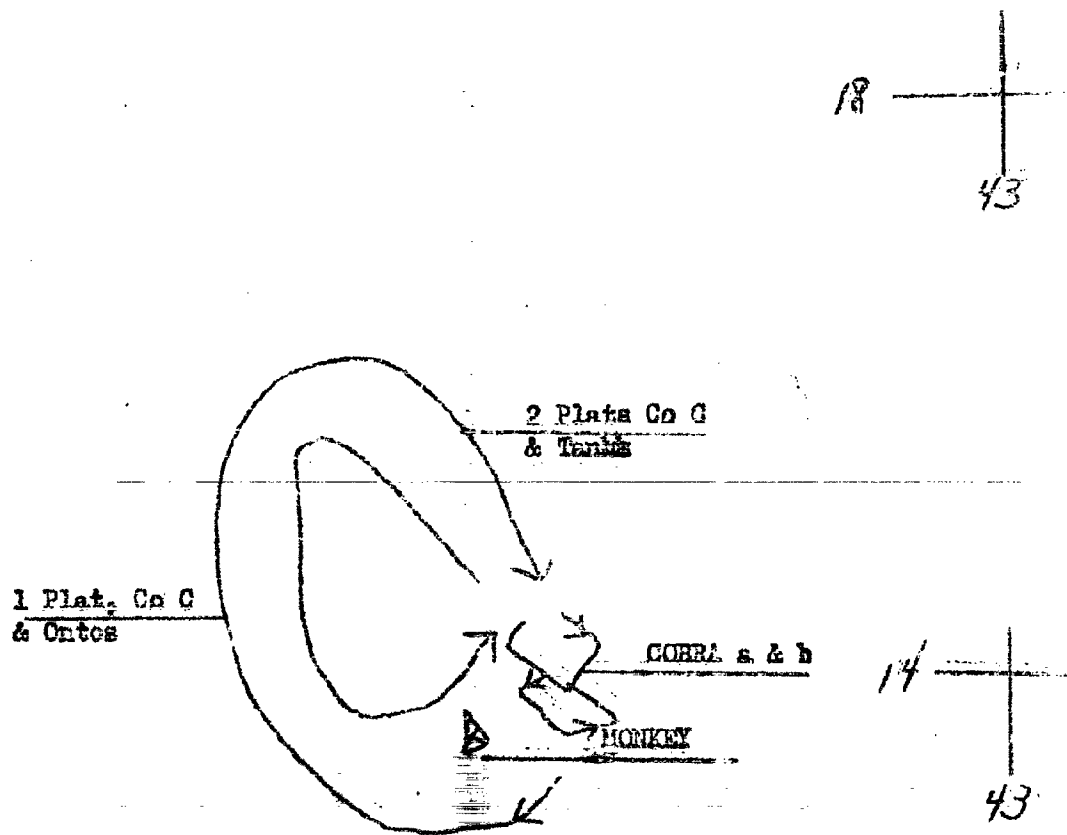
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D-2	SQD	BEAR	0530	1030	436161	SEC
D-3	SQD	PIG	0700	1030	412156	SEC
B-1	SQD	MONKEY	0630	1615	395145	SEC
B-2	FT	COPRA 2	0530	0700	398145/396145	SEC
		COPRA 6	1430	1600	398145/395145	SEC
C-1/2	CO(4) & TANKS	OUTER	0730	1730	398145/394143	S&D
C-3	CO(4) & ONTOS	INNER	0730	1730	394143/394147	S&D

Comm down with Company A. Number of Day Patrols will be 3. Will Resound ASAP.

NIGHT PATROLS FOR 210600 TO 220600 MAY 1966

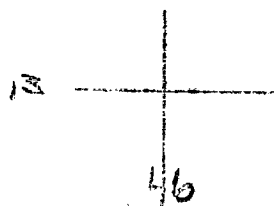
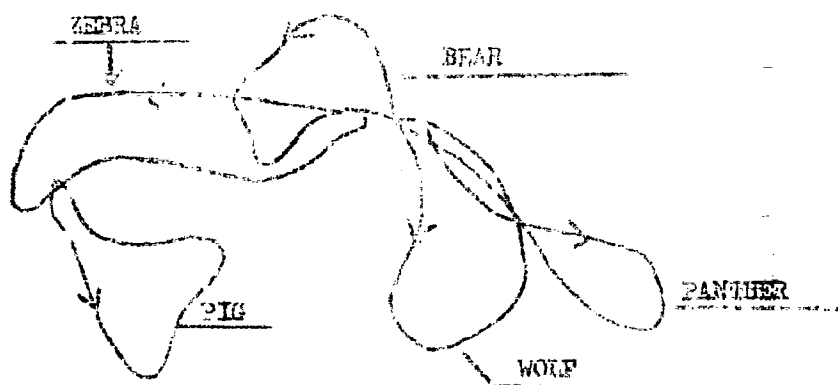
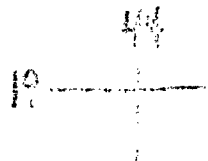
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D-2	SQD	STEAK	1915	0545	437161	SEC
D-2	SQD	T-BONE	1915	0545	437161	AMBUSH
D-3	FT	EGG	0200	0600	417152	SEC
D-3	FT	SPUD	0200	0600	417152	AMBUSH
B-1	FT	BRAVO-1	0001	0545	394144	LAYOUT
B-1	SQD	RUM	1945	2250	394144/397144	SEC
B-2	FT	BRAVO-2	0030	0550	395144	LAYOUT
B-2	SQD	BRANDY	2300	0600	395144	SEC
B-2	SQD	SHERRY	2300	0600	395144	AMBUSH
B-3	FT	BRAVO-3	0050	0530	397144	LAYOUT
C-1	FT	GRAPE	2000	2230	397144/395145	SEC
C-1	SQD	LEMON	2245	0200	396145/395145	SEC
C-2	FT	LEME	0030	0600	395145	LAYOUT
C-3	FT	ORANGE	2200	0300	395145	SEC

Company A's exact patrol plans not in due to communications breakdown. Planned to continue as last PM with minimum of three patrols and two combined FT, USMC ACTIONS.



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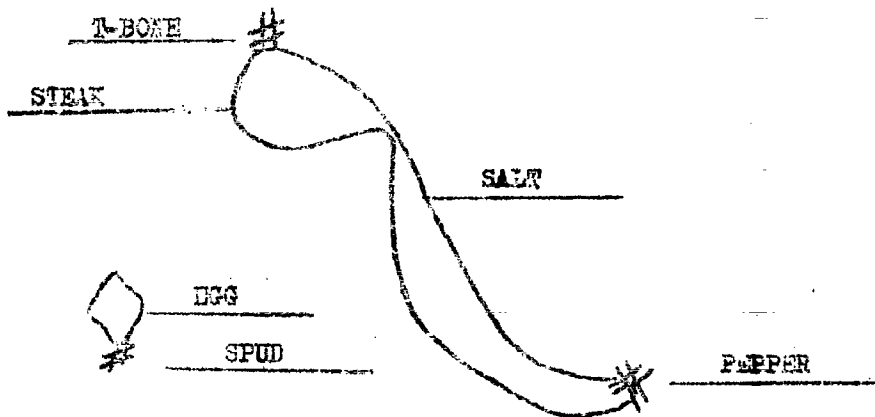
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210500-220600 May 1966
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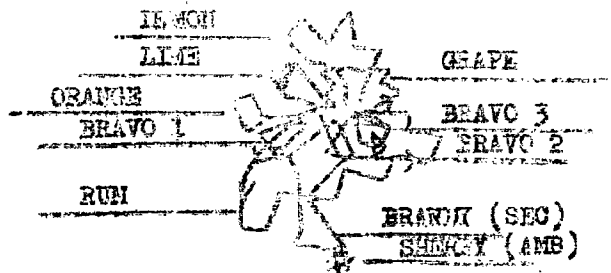
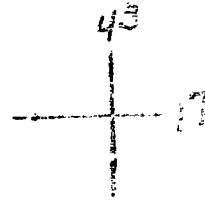
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2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINES SITREP #36 AS OF 200001H MAY TO 202400H MAY 1966

1. Narrative

a. At 200030H the Bn CP perimeter defense by Co H at BT 466068 over a period of 50 minutes received rocks and five rds S/A fire from via BT 466062. The Bn perimeter fired an illumination grenade and observed two VC moving into brush at BT 466066. Perimeter returned fire with 15 rds S/A and one frag grenade. A reinforced PT searched area and was unable to establish contact.

b. At 200100H, a Ambush from Co E at BT 457075 observed 3 VC during a lightning flash moving across a rice paddy at BT 455077. Ambush fired illumination and 300 rds of S/A. At first light, checked area and found nothing.

c. At 201100H, A platoon from Co G at BT 452089 received 80 rds S/A fire from BT 440082 and BT 426082. Patrol returned fire with 2050 S/A and 3 M-79 rds during subsequent running fire fight. Patrol received an additional 500 rds S/A and A/W fire and returned 1500 rds S/A, 3 rds LAAG and requested 81mm mortar mission. Results 1 VC KIA confirmed and 1 USMC KIA. The USMC was held evac to 1st Med Bn. VC broke contact, Marine patrol could not reestablish contact.

d. At 201120H, A Sqd from Co H accompanied Div Comm Wire team received approximately 200 rds S/A from BT 445086. Sqd returned fire with 1100 rds S/A. A reinforced sqd from Co H and two carts were dispatched from Hill 69 to reinforce patrol. Through continuous enemy fire patrol assaulted area from which fire was received and found 1 VC KIA who later died of wounds. Additional S/A fire was received from BT 445086 and the patrol assaulted the Hamlet. Three (3) VCS were apprehended and taken to ITF and one (1) VN female child was found to have been killed by VC fire. Patrol also found 2 wounded children and two wounded women. One of the women ran away when attempt was made to Med evac her but one wounded woman and 2 wounded children were held evac to 1st Med Bn.

e. At 201230H a patrol consisting of the Civil Affairs Officer and 3-2 Officer and a Fire Team from Co H at BT 464080 received 3 rds of S/A from BT 465081, due to women in the area patrol did not return fire.

f. At 202000H, An ambush from Co H was enroute to their ambush site at BT 472067 discovered a freshly dug trench covered with branches of brush. Patrol used 3 frag grenades to blow trench. There was a secondary explosion. Ambush returned to Hill 69 due to giving away of ambush site.

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1. DAYLIGHT PATROLS

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UNIT	SIZE	NAME	TOD	TOR	MISSION
Co G	PLT	GOLF 3	210700	211400	S&D
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H&S Co	SQD	TANGO 2	210730	211100	S&D
Co F	PLT	TROUT	21TBD	21TBD	S&D
Co F	SQD	TROUT 1	21TBD	21TBD	S&D
Co F	SQD	TROUT 2	21TBD	21TBD	S&D

2. AMBUSHES/NIGHT PATROLS

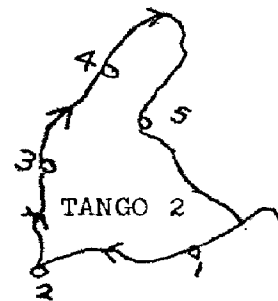
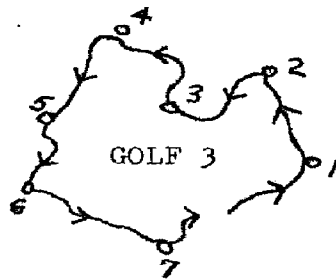
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H&S Co	SQD(-)	TANGO 1	211930	220600	AMB
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H&S Co	SQD(-)	TANGO LP 2	211930	220600	LP
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Co F	SQD(-)	MARLIN 2	211930	220600	AMB
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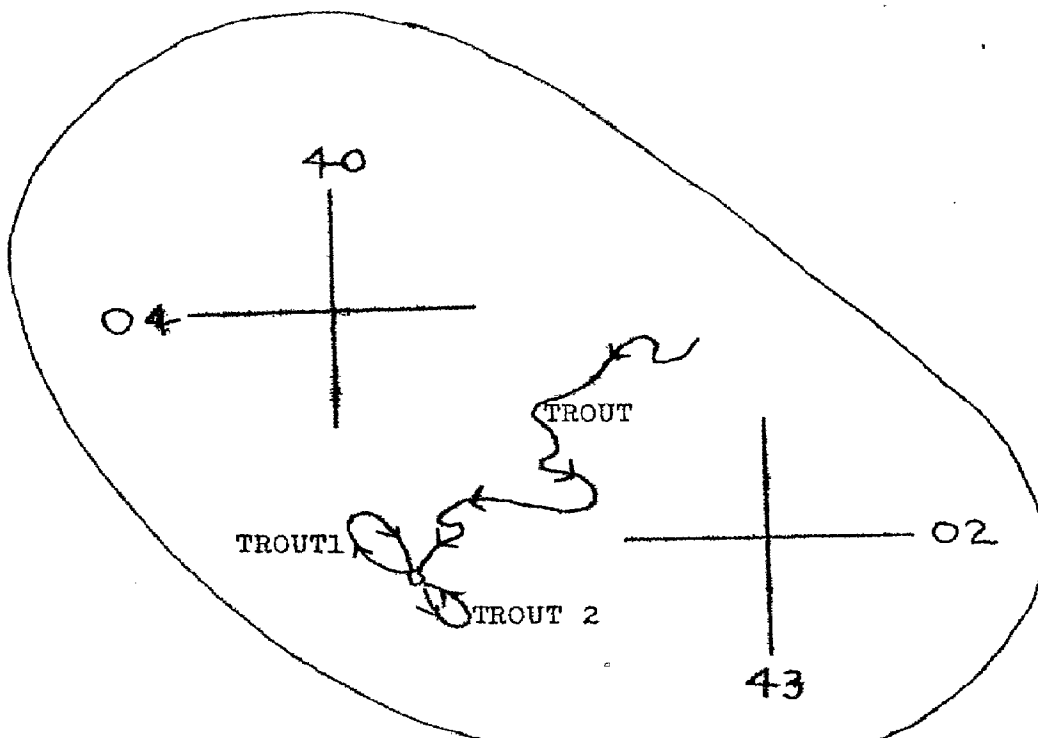
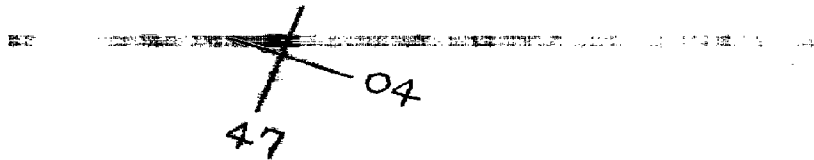
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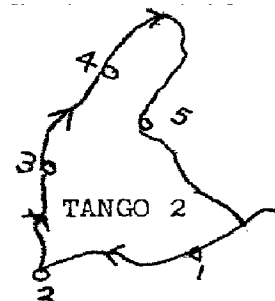
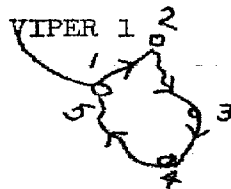


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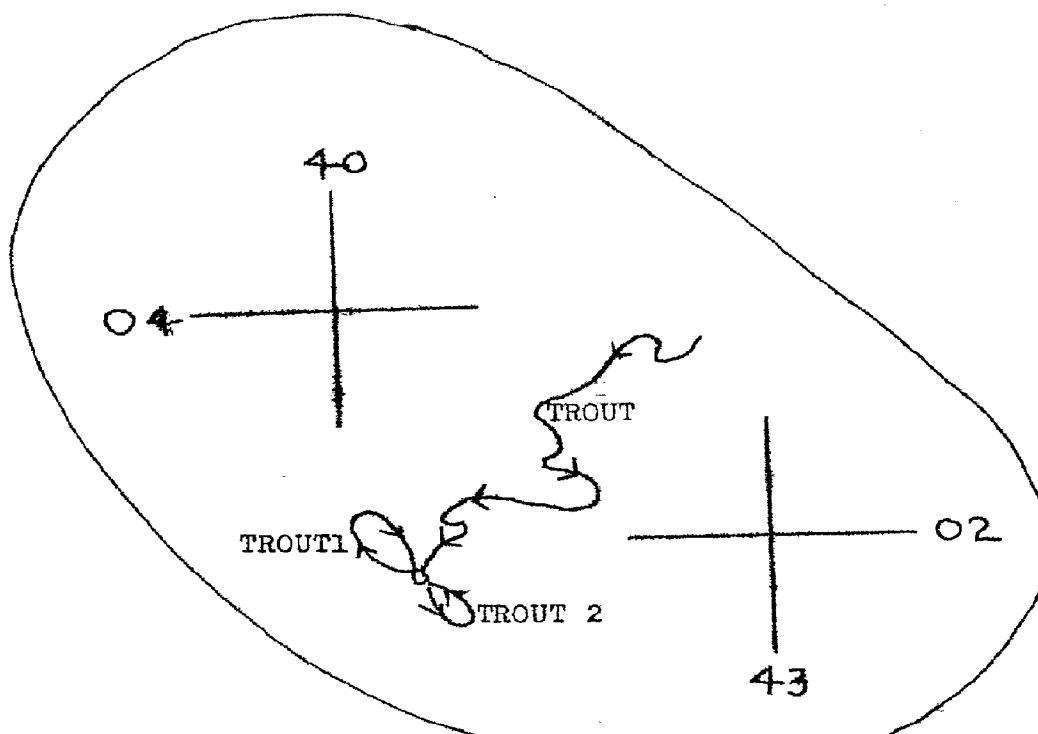
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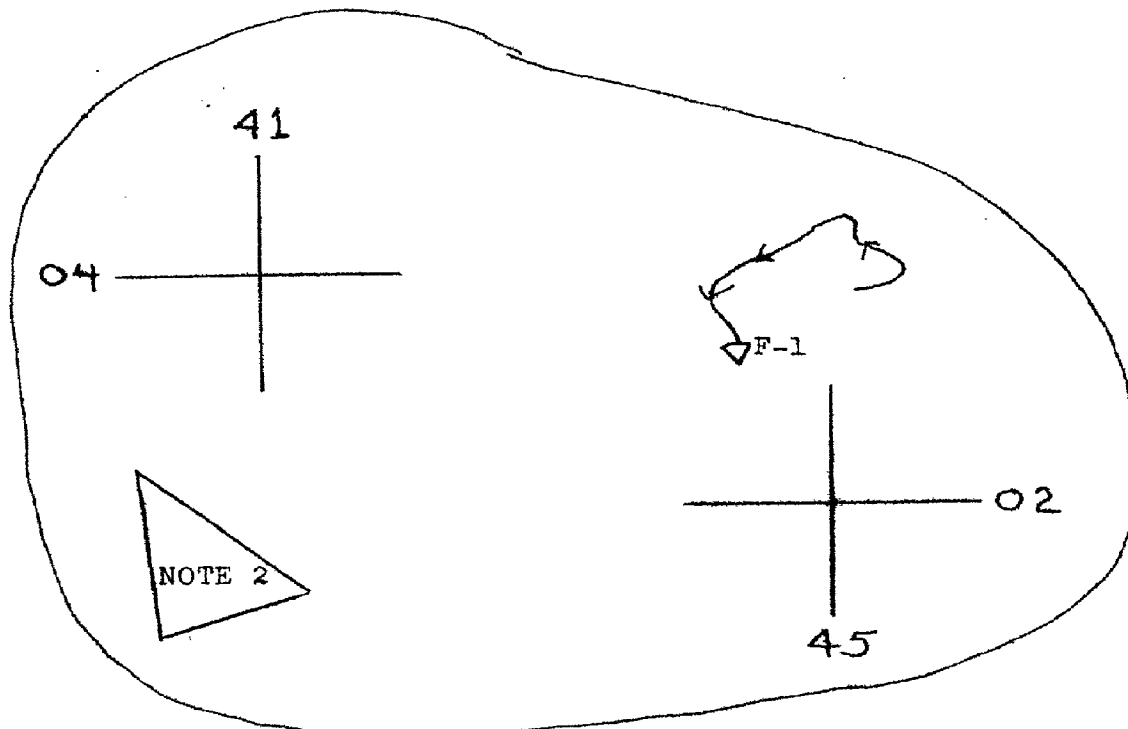
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NOTE 2: TROUT PLT LDR WILL DESIGNATE TROUT 1 AND 2
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