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O P 251505Z  
 FM FIRST MARINES  
 TO CG THIRD MARDIV  
 INFO FIRST BN FIRST MARINES  
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 BT

S E C R E T SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS

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A. THIRD MARDIV 0 3100.1B

1. AT 251600H SECURITY PLT FROM HQ FIRST MARINES RETURNED FROM OPCON  
 OF 3/1.  
 2. SCOUT/SNIPER. NEGATIVE  
 3. BOX SCORES

USMC

KIA 0

WIA 2

MIA 0

VC

KIA 2 (PROB)

WIA 1 (PROB)

VCC 1

VCS 19

4. NAVAL GUNFIRE. NEGATIVE

5. FIRST BN FIRST MARINES

A. NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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(1) LATE ENTRY. NONE

(2) CONTACTS

QQQ (A) AZ 250925H A SQD PATROL, CO A VIC BT 119628 APPREHENDED 2 FEVALE VCS VIC BT 119628 WITH EXPIRED I.D. CARDS. S.D. CARDS WERE WORN AND UNREADABLE. VCS WERE FORWARDED TO BATTALION FORWARD CP. 8 AND B (B) AT 250935H - 015 0-549), CO L VIC BT 070623, BT 065624,

T 063626 RECEIVED 10-15 RDS S/A FIRE FROM ESTIMATED 9VC WORKING 3 MAN TEAMS VIC BT 070625, BT 067624 AND BT 061623. SQD RETURNED FIRE WITH 400 RDS S/A AND 12 M-79 RDS. PLT SWEPT AREA VC FLED WEST AND WERE KILLED BY S/A FIRE RESULTING IN 2 VC WIA (PROB).

(C) AT 250945H A SQD PATROL, CO A VIC BT 151601 OBSERVED 3 XALE VN ON ISLAND VIC BT 153598. VIETNAMESE WERE CALLED TO HALT AND WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE AS THEY RAN FROM PATROL. SQD FIRED 10 RDS S/A FIRE RESULTING IN ONE VC WIA (PROB). AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NO ACTIVE RESULTS.

(D) AT 251100H A SQD PATROL, CO L VIC BT 065624 AP433, \$3\$ 5 VCS VIC BT 065624 FOR INTELLIGENCE PURPOSES. IT IS BELIEVED THAT VCS HAVE INFORMATION ON VC. VCS WERE FORWARDED TO BN FWD CP FOR INTERROGATION.

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(E) AT 251110H A SQD PATROL, CO L VIC BT 064627. LOCATED AND DESTROYED A BOX MINE OF HOME-MADE-TYPE VIC BT 064627. MINE WAS PRESSURE ACTIVATED BUT FAILED TO DETONATE WHEN STEPPED ON. MINE WAS DESTROYED IN PLACE.

(F) AT 251150H A SQD PATROL, CO I VIC BT 086614 RECEIVED 5 RDS S/A FIRE FROM ESTIMATE 3 VC VIC BT 088614. SQD RETURNED FIRE WITH 50 RDS S/A FIRE, 6 M-79 RDS, 7 60MM MORTAR ROUNDS AND 1 3.5" HE RD. SQD SWEPT AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(G) AT 251240H A PLT PATROL, CO L VIC BT 062628 LOCATED AND DESTROYED ONE M-16 BOUNCING BETTY MINE AT ABOVE COORDINATES. MINE WAS PLANTED IN HEDGE ROW AND WELL CONCEALED.

(H) AT 251240H A SQD PATROL, CO A VIC BT 125625 SWEEPING VILLAGE VIC BT 125625 LOCATED AND DESTROYED TWO WARNING DEVICES AND 2 GATES THAT WERE BARBED WIRE SHUT. ALSO LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE WERE NUMEROUS LIGHTERS WITH ORGANIZATIONAL NUMBERS 403 AND 504, 0-79 RD SHIPPING GUARDS, .50 CAL EXPENDED CARTRIDGES, NUMEROUS TEMPORARY AND EXPIRED I.D. CARDS, 65 DOLLARS IN PIASTERS (ONE WOMAN HAD 40 DOLLARS IN PIASTER). 17 VCS WERE APPREHENDED AND FORWARDED TO VP FWD CP FOR INTERROGATION.

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(I) AT 251700H SQD PATROL FROM CO L VIC BT 094658 APPREHENDED (1) MALE VC WHO ATTEMPTED TO AVOID PATROL AND HAD A RECENT HEAD WOUND. VCS FORWARDED TO 1/1 CP.

(K) AT 251810H A PLT FROM CO L VIC 093653 RECEIVED 5 TO 6 RDS S/A FROM BT 093653 FROM AN UNK NUMBER OF C. RESULTING IN (1) USMC WIA. NO FIRE WAS RETURNED BECAUSE PATROL DID NOT HAVE A TARGET. WIA EVAC TO BAS.

(L) AT 251835H A PLT FROM CO L VIC BT 063637 RECEIVED 50 RDS S/A FIRE FROM AND UNK NUMBER OF VC VIC BT 065636. PLT RETURNED FIRE WITH 75 RDS S/A AND 10 RDS M-79. VC BROKE CONTACT AREA CHECKED WITH NEG CONTACT.

## B. CONTACT ACTION REPORT

(1) QUANG NAM BT 119628; 250925H; SQD; CLR; CO.A; NONE; UNK; 2VCSG; USMC; 0; 0; 0

(2) BT 070623; 250935H; PLT; CLR; CO. L; 1/3/9; NONE; UNK; 2VC WIA(PROB); VC; 0; 0; 0

(3) BT 151601; 250945H; SQD; CLR; CO.A; NONE; UNK; 1 VC WIA(PROB); USMC; 0; 0; 0

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(4) BT 064624; 251100H; SQD; CLR; CO.M; 3/9; NONE; UNK; 5VCS; USMC; 0; 0; 0

(5) BT 064627; 251110H; SQD; CLR; CO.L; 3/9; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0

(6) BT 064614; 251150H; SQD; CLR; CO.L; 3/9; NONE; UNK; NONE; KVC; 0; 0; 0

(7) BT 062625; 251215H; PLT; CLR; CO.L; 3/9; NONE; UNK; VC; 0; 0; 0

(8) BT 125625; 251245H; SQD; CLR; CO.A; NONE; UNK; 1VCS; USMC; 0; 0; 0

(9) BT 094658; 251700H; SQD; CLR; CO.B; NONE; UNK; 1VCS; USMC; 0; 0; 0

(10) BT 104634; 251715H; PLT; CLR; CO.L; NONE; UNK; 1VCS; USMC; 0; 0; 0

(11) BT 093653; 251810H; PLT; CLR; CO.L; 1VTA; UNK; ENONE; VC; 0; 0; 0

(12) BT 068637; 251835H; PLT; DEF; CO.L; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0

## C. COUNTERMINE OPERATION REPORT

COL1	COL2	COL3	COL4A	COL4B	COL5	COL6	COL7
DANANG	1	210	2	1	0	0	0

6. 3D BN 1ST MARINES

## A. NARRATIVE SUMMARY

## (1) LATE ENTRY

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(A) AT 242300H, 1ST BN 11TH MAR SQD PATROL DISCOVERED ONE M-26 GRENADE BOOBY TRAP AND THREE PUNJI TR PITS, LOCATED VIC BT 067660. TWO OF THE PUNJI PITS CONTAINED BAMBOO STAKES, THE THIRD CONTAINED STEEL STAKES. THE PUNJI PITS AND GRENADE WERE DESTROYED IN PLACE. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

## (2) CONTACTS

(A) AT 250830H, CO K SQD PATROL DETONATED A GRENADE BOOBY TRAP WHICH WERE MINOR, ONE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED IN LEGS WAS MED EVAC, S. THE AREA WAS SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(B) AT 250940H, 3D BN, 1ST MAR WAS NOTIFIED BY 1ST BN, 11TH MAR THAT APPROX 25 VCS WERE SIGHTED, VIC BT 079668, IN GROUPS OF FOUR OR FIVE MOVING NE. UTILIZING HELICOPTERS OPERATING FROM LZ, 3D BN, 1ST MAR CP; 3D PLT (-), CO K AND SPARROWHAWK SQD WERE LIFTED INTO LZ, VIC BT 080658, ON ROUTE, HELICOPTERS RECEIVED APPROX 20 RDS S/A FIRE, FROM VIC BT 080679. KK ONE USMC WIA WAS SUSTAINED AS A RESULT OF FIRE DIRECTED AT AIRCRAFT AND WAS MED EVAC, D. AT 251000H, LFIT WAS COMPLETED AND CO K PLT ADVANCED NORTH EFFECTING LINK UP WITH ADDITIONAL BT

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SQD FROM 2D PLT, CO K DIVETED THAT VIC ANT THE PLT CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION. AT 251330H, M-26 GRENADE BOOBY TRAPPED WITH TRIP WIRE WAS DISCOVERED VIC BY 090694. NO CONTACT, HOWEVER, WAS ESTABLISHED WITH VC AND OPERATIONS TERMINATED 251449H.

(C) AT 251250H, CO M SQD PATROL OBSERVED TWO VIETNAMESE MALES ATTEMPTING TO FLEE INTO BRUSH, VIC BT 058698. THE PATROL FIRED ONE WARNING SHOT, BUT VCS FAILED TO THALT. MARINES THEN ENGAGED VCS WITH TEN MDS S/A FIRE. BOTH VCS WERE APPREHENDED; ONE BEING WOUNDED AND MED EVAC, D. THE OTHER VCS WAS FORWARDED TO ITT. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

(D) AT 251410H, CO L COMBINED USMC/RF SEARCH AND CLEAR OPERATION OF THE HAMLETS OF CAM NE (3) AND LA BONG (3) TERMINATED. EIGHT VCS, ONE VCC (INTERROGATED BY RF UNIT) WERE APPREHENDED. TWO PUNJI TRAPS AND ONE VC UNIFORM WERE UNCOVERED. THE EIGHT VCS, VCCA, AND THE VC UNIFORM WERE FORWARDED TO HOA VANG DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. THE QUNJI TRAPS WERE DESTROYED; NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES SUSTAINED.

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B. CONTACT ACTION REPORT.

- (1) QUANG NAM BT 081670H; 242300H; SQD; AMB; 1/11; NONE; INK; NOND; KVC; 0; 0; 0
- (2) BT 077705; 250830H; FT; OP; CO K; 3 WIA; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0
- (3) BT 117788-7) 251250H; SQD; CLR; CO K; NONE; UNK; 2VCS, 1WIA; USMC; 0; 0; 0
- (4) BT 069663; 250940H; PLT; S&D; CO K; NONE; UNK; JVC; 0; 0; 0
- (5) BT 0667, BT 0668, 241416H; CO; S&C; LO L; NONE; UNK; 1VCC; 8KUVCS; USMC; 0; 0; 0

C. COUNTERMINE OPERATIONS REPORT, NEGATIVE,<sup>9</sup>

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# OPERATIONS SUMMARY

ORGANIZATION: BN REGT TAOR  
 PERIOD: 01Z TO 00Z

   DATE

TYPE	ACTION	FIRE TEAM DAY/NIGHT	SQUAD DAY/NIGHT	PLATOON DAY/NIGHT	COMPANY# <sup>1</sup> DAY/NIGHT	BATTALION# <sup>1</sup>
SCOUT SNIPER (SS)		A B				
LISTENING POST (LP)		C D				
AMBUSH (AMB)		E F	G H	I J		
RECON PATROL (REC)		K L	M N	O P		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)		Q R	S T	U V		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S&D)			W X (COMBAT PATROL)	Y Z	AA BB	CC
CLEARING (CLR)		EE FE	GG HH	II JJ	KK	

REMARKS:

#1 All Company and Battalion size operations will be reported and will be classified as either S/D or CLR as is most appropriate

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DATE

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SCOUT SNIPER (SS)		A B				
LISTENING POST (LP)		C D				
AMBUSH (AMB)		E F	G H	I J		
RECON PATROL (REC)		K L	M N	O P		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)		Q R	S T	U V		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S&D)			W X (COMBAT PATROL)	Y Z	AA BB	CC
CLEARING (CLR)			S EE FE	GG HH	II JJ	KK

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 PATROL PLANS  
 260600H - 270600H July 1966

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TYPE/SIZE</u>
A-3-3	0700-1300	Sqd/ CLR
A-2-2	0900-1400	Sqd/ CLR
I-P-2	0900-1500	Sqd/ CLR
I-P-1	0915-1530	Sqd/ CLR
A-1-4	1100-1600	Sqd/ CLR
A-4-3	1300-1700	Sqd/ CLR
A-3-1	1930-2330	Sqd/ SEC
A-4-1	1930-2400	Sqd/ SEC
I-P-3	1930-0615	Sqd/ SEC
A-1-1	2000-2400	Sqd/ SEC
I-P-4	2000-0620	Sqd/ SEC
I-A-6	2100-0615	Sqd/ AMB
A-1-3	0400-0800	Sqd/ SEC
A-2-1	2200-0300	Sqd/ SEC
A-1-2	2300-0400	Sqd/ SEC
A-4-2	0130-0500	Sqd/ AMB

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ORGANIZATION: BN REGT TAOR

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PERIOD: 01Z TO 00Z

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SCOUT SNIPER (SS)		A B				
LISTENING POST (LP)		C D				
AMBUSH (AMB)		E F	5 G H	I J		
RECON PATROL (REC)		K L	M N	O P		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)		Q R	S T	U V		
SEARCH & DESTROY (S&D)			W X (COMBAT PATROL)	Y Z	AA BB	CC
CLEARING (CLR)			EE FE	GG HH	II JJ	KK

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SCOUT SNIPER (SS)		A B				
LISTENING POST (LP)		C D				
AMBUSH (AMB)		E F	G H	I J		
RECON PATROL (REC)		K L	M N	O P		
SECURITY PATROL (SEC)		Q R	S T	U V		
SEARCH & DESTROY (SAD)			W X (COMBAT PATROL)	Y Z	AA BB	CC
CLEARING (CLR)			EE FE	GG HH	II JJ	KK

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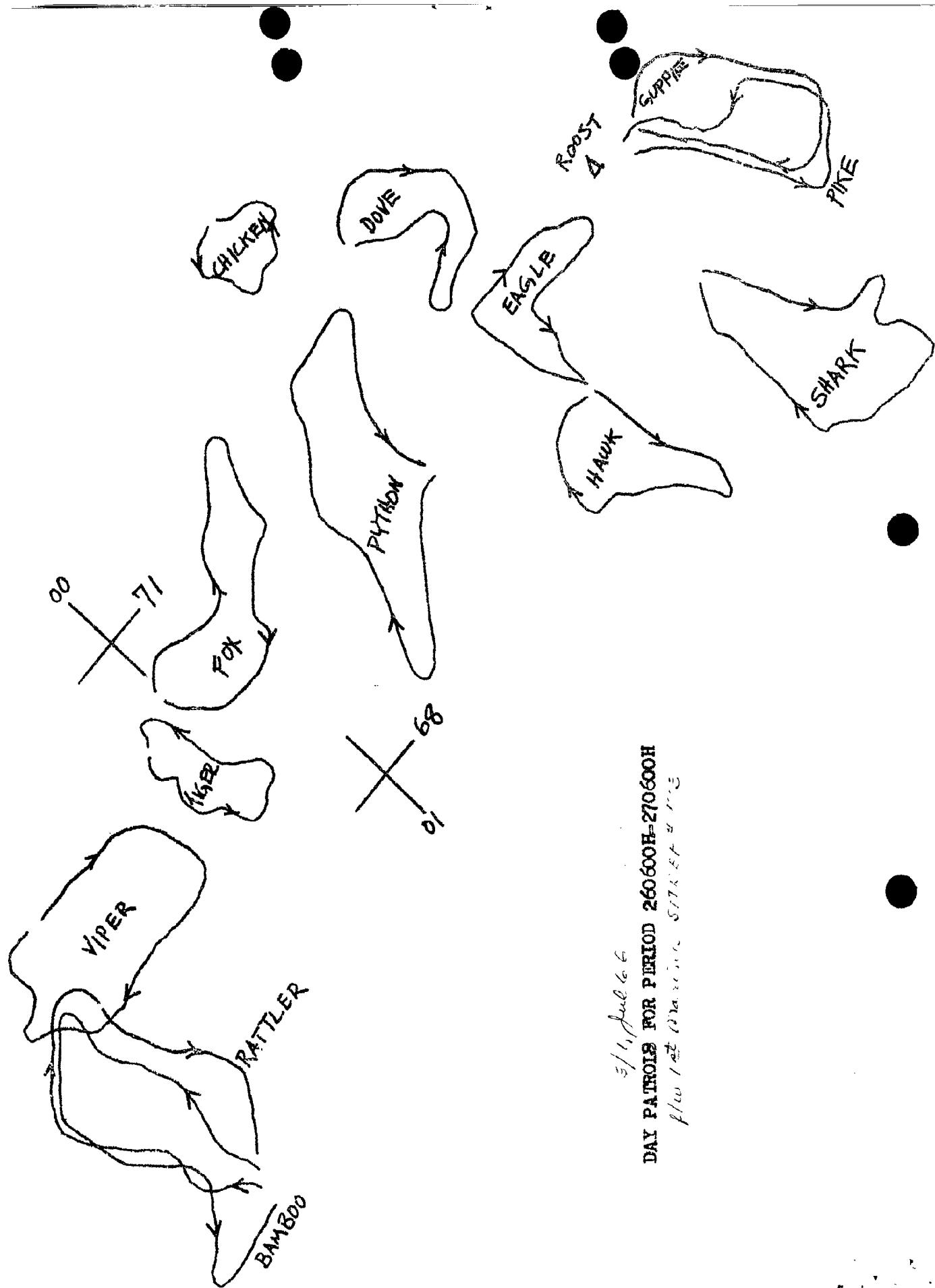
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PATROLS FOR PERIOD 260600H TO 270600H *Jul 66*

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>TOD</u>	<u>TOR</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>LAZY/OP/AMBUSH</u>
<u>COMPANY K</u>					
SHARK	PATROL	260830H	261300H	SQD	
PIKE	PATROL	260930H	261300H	SQD	
GUPPIE	AMBUSH	261530H	261800H	SQD	
BA GRACUDA	AMBUSH	262230H	270600H	SQD	262330 ~ 270500H
MARLIN	AMBUSH	270100H	270600H	SQD (REIN)	270200 ~ 270500H
CRAB	LP	260030H	270530H	FIRE TEAM (-)	
CLAM	LP	262030H	270530H	FIRE TEAM (-)	
LOBSTER	LP	262030H	270530H	FIRE TEAM (-)	
<u>COMPANY L</u>					
VIPER	PATROL	261300H	261700H	SQD	
BAMBOO	PATROL	260800H	261430H	COMB SQD	
RATTLER	PATROL	260730H	261400H	COMB SQD	
FOX	PATROL	260900H	261100H	SQD (REIN)	
TIGER	PATROL	261100H	261600H	COMB SQD	
PYTHON	PATROL	260800H	261430H	COMB SQD	
TIGER	PATROL	262250H	270330H	COMB SQD	
CORAL	AMBUSH	262100H	270630H	SQD	262230 ~ 270500H
SACAVANDER	AMBUSH	262000H	270800H	SQD	262130 ~ 270630H
LIZZARD	PATROL	261430H	270630H	FIRE TEAM	
ROADMASTER	AMBUSH	262000H	270600H	FIRE TEAM	262100 ~ 270500H
KING	AMBUSH	262100H	270630H	COMB SQD	262245 ~ 270500H
RATTLER	AMBUSH	262100H	270630H	FIRE TEAM	262200 ~ 270500H
GOAT	AMBUSH	262300H	270600H	SQD	262400 ~ 270500H
TOAD	LP	262030H	270530H	FIRE TEAM (-)	
LENT	LP	262030H	270530H	FIRE TEAM (-)	
FROG	LP	262030H	270530H	FIRE TEAM (-)	
<u>COMPANY M</u>					
CHICKEN	PATROL	260900H	261430H	SQD	
DOVE	PATROL	261100H	261630H	SQD	
EAGLE	PATROL	260800H	261530H	SQD	
HAWK	PATROL	261330H	261930H	SQD	
THRUSH	PATROL	262100H	270600H	FIRE TEAM (REIN)	
Owl	PATROL	262000H	270430H	SQD	
RAVEN	AMBUSH	262200H	270630H	SQD (REIN)	262330 ~ 270500H
DOVE	LP	262030	270530H	FIRE TEAM (-)	
<u>H&amp;S COMPANY</u>					
DOOS	OP	260630H	270630H	FIRE TEAM (REIN)	

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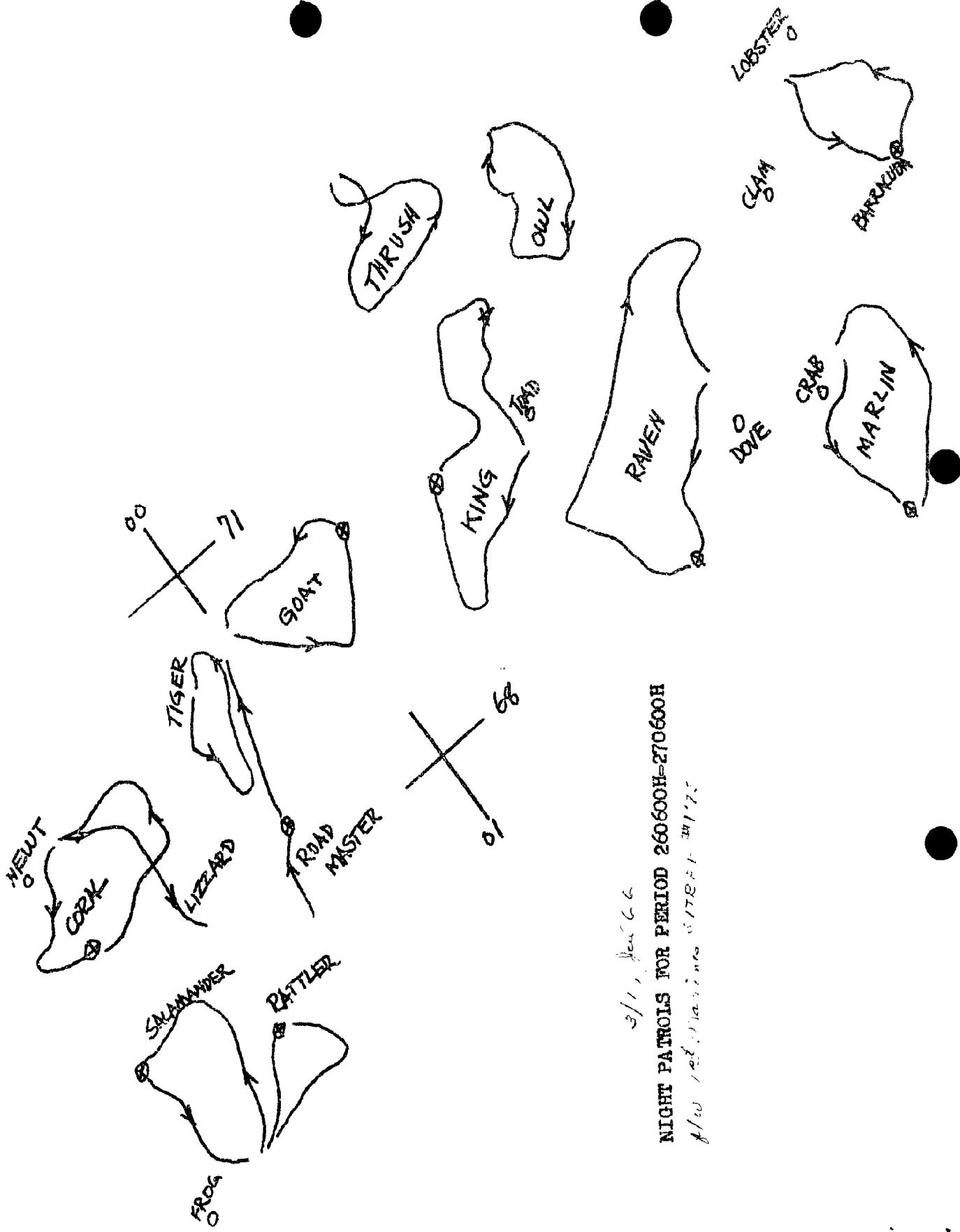
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