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FM FIRST MARINES

TO CG THIRD MARDIV

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A. 3RD MARDIV O 3100.1B

SITREP NO 221

1. PSY WAR BROADCASTS.

(A) DATE: 8 SEP 1966

(B) LOCATION: AREA BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY GRID LINE 61, ON THE EAST BY GRID LINE 01, ON THE SOUTH BY THE SONG THU RIVER, AND ON THE WEST BY GRID LINE 98.

(C) TARGET AUDIENCE: INHABITANTS OF THE AREA.

(D) MEDIA: 1 HOUR 15 MINUTES LOUD SPEAKER BROADCASTS FROM HELICOPTER.

(E) THEME: THIS IS A WARNING FOR YOUR SAFETY. MOVE FROM THIS

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AREA TO A SAFE PLACE. WE INTEND TO DESTROY THE VC AND THEIR CAVES.

(F) FEED BACK, UNKNOWN.

2. SCOUT/SNIKER. NEGATIVE

3. BOX SCORES

USMC

VC

KIA 4

KIA 2

WIA 4

WIA 2 (PROB)

MIA 0

VCC 0

VCS 1

4. NAVAL GUNFIRE. NEGATIVE

FIRST BN (-) FIRST MARINES

A. NARRATIVE SUMMARY

(1) LATE ENTRIES

(A) AT 101000H, CO D PATROL, VIC BT 067640, APPREHENDED 1 VCS. VCS FORWARDED TO BN CP.

(B) AT 102010H, CO A, VIC BT R168581, RCVD S/A FIRE FROM APPROXIMATELY 5-10 VC, VIC BT 171579. RETURNED FIRE WITH ARTY AND S/A. VC BROKE CONTACT, CHECKED AREA AT FIRST LIGHT WITH NEG RESULTS.

(C) AT 102225H, CO C AMBUSH PATROL, VIC BT 115628, OBSERVED

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 MOVEMENT VIC BT 141524. EST 4 VC FIRED S/A IN POSITION. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH M-79 AND S/A. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS. AMBUSH MOVED TO ALTERNATE SITE.

(D) AT 102300H, CO A PPB, VIC BT 141581, RCVF S/A FIRE FROM UNK NUMBER OF VC, VIC BT 138583. PPB RETURNED FIRE WITH S/A AND CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(E) AT 102325H, CO C PATROL, VIC BT 123639, RCVF 1 HAND GRENADE FROM 3 VC. PATROL RETURNED S/A AND SAW 1 VC FALL. CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(E) AT 111200H, CO C PATROL, VIC BT 127624, RCVF S/A FIRE FROM EST 8-10 VC, VIC BT 123625. PATROL RETURNED S/A FIRE AND CALLED ARTY MISSION. SEARCHED AREA AND APPREHENDED 1 VCS. VCS FORWARDED TO HOI AN.

(F) AT 111340H, CO A OP, VIC BT 169579, OBSERVED 3-5 VC, VIC BT 171574. OP CALLED 81MM MORTAR MISSION. TARGET COVERAGE WAS GOOD. AREA NOT SEARCHED DUE TO WATER OBSTACLES.

(G) AT 111415H, CO D PATROL, OBSERVED 1 VCS, VIC BT 097597, VCS RAN AWAY WHEN PATROL APPROACHED. PATROL FIRED M-79 AND S/A. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

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(3) MISCELLANEOUS

(A) AT 110745H, BOUND OPERATOR RCVF CALL ON HOI AN LINE. A VOICE WAS HEARD TO SAY, VC CUT HERE, THE LINE IMMEDIATELY WENT DEAD. WIRE DETAIL WAS DISPATCHED TO CHECK LINES. AT BT 131580, 50 METERS OF ONE WIRE STRAND WAS CUT FROM THE LINE. THE OTHER STRAND HAD BEEN POUNDED INTO BETWEEN TWO ROCKS. WIRE LINE REPAIR, CONTACT WITH

HOI AN REESTABLISHED.

B. CONTACT ACTION REPORT

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(1) BT 067642; 101000H; SQD; CLR; D/1/1; NONE; UNK; 1 VCSO USMC; 0; 0; 0.

(2) BT 163581; 102010H; CO CP; DEF; A/1/1; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0.

(3) BT 115628; 102225H; SQD; AMB; C/1/1; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0.

(4) BT 141581; 102300H; PLAT; DEF; A/1/1; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0.

(5) BT 123629; 102325H; PLAT; DEF; C/1/1; NONE; UNK; 1 VC KIA (PROB); VC; 0; 0; 0.

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(6) BT 18258; 110755H; FT OP; DEF; A/1/1; 4 KIA, 1 WIA; UNK;
NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0.

(7) BT 084614; 110845H; SQD; CLR; D/1/1; NONE; UNK; 1 KIA;
USMC; 0; 0; 0.

(8) BT 115628; 110845H; SQD; CLR; C/1/1; NONE; UNK; 1 VC
KIA (PROB); USMC; 0; 0; 0.

(9) BT 098656; 111110H; SQD; CLR; C/1/1; NONE; UNK; 1 VC
KIA (PROB); VC; 0; 0; 0.

(10) BT 127624; 111200H; SQD; CLR; C/1/1; NONE; UNK; 1 VCS
(CAPT); VC; 0; 0; 0.

(11) BT 169579; 111340H, FT; OP; A/1/1; NONE; UNK; NONE;
USMC; 0; 0; 0.

(12) BT 097597; 111415H, SQD; CLR; D/1/1; NONE; UNK; NONE;
USMC; 0; 0; 0.

C. COUNTERMINES REPORT

(1) COL 1	COL 2	COL 3	COL 4A	COL 4B	COL 5	COL 6	COL 7
1/1	6	24	0	2	0	0	0
(2) LOCATION: ROAD				FIRING DEVICE:			
ENVIRONMENT: SHOULDER				ELECTRICAL			

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GRID COORD: BT 176583

METHOD DETECTED: DETONATED

TYPE: UNK

SIZE: 50 LBS. TNT

D. PESCHOLTG NA VA

NARE. CONDUCTED DURING THIS PERIOD

4 SEP TO 11 SEP 1966. NEGATIVE.

F. OPERATIONS SUMMARY.

(1) H-5, ; 8-7, EFLAQQM

G. PLANS SUMMARY

(1) H-6, T-7, EF-11 SECOND BN FIRST MARINES

A. NARRATIVE SUMMARY

(1) LATE ENTRIES

(A) AT 101800H, H&S C, VIC BT 015681, RCV S/A FIRE FROM EST 4 VC, VIC BT 008625. SECURITY RETURNED S/A FIRE AND VC BROKE CONTACT. 1. VC WAS SEEN TO FALL. AREA CHECKED NEG. RESULTS.

(B) AT 101900H, BN CP, VIC BT 015628, RCV S/A FIRE FROM UNK NO. ; ; 8-7 013625. SECURITY RETURNED S/A FIRE AND VC BROKE CONTACT. CHECKED AREA AT 1ST LIGHT WITH NEG RESULTS.

(C) AT 102205H, CO H CP, VIC BT 042579, RCV S/A FIRE FROM UNK BT

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NO. VC VIC BT 039580. AREA WAS ILLUM. DID NOT RETURN FIRE BECAUSE OF
INABILITY TO PINPOINT TARGETS.

(D) AT 102110H, CO G PPB, VIC AT 992637, RCVD S/A FIRE FROM UNK
NO. VC, VIC AT 992634. PPB RETURNED FIRE WITH S/A, M-79, AND 60MM
MORTAR. VC BROKE CONTACT.

(E) AT 102300H, CO H CP, VIC BT 044579, OBSERVED MOVEMENT VIC
BT 644579. SECURITY THREW 1 M-26 GRENADE. CHECKED AREA AT 1ST LIGHT
WITH NEG RESULTS.

(2) CONTACTS.

(A) AT 110905H, CO G PATROL, VIC AT 999623, RCVD S/A FIRE FROM
UNK NON-VO, VIC AT 993624. PATROL RETURNED S/A FIRE AND VC B
TACT. CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESU

TS. CONTINUED MISSION.

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(B) AT 111015H, CO H PATROL, VIC BT 041588, RCVD S/A FIRE FROM
UNK NO. VC, VIC BT 045584. PATROL RETURNED S/A FIRE AND VC BROKE
CONTACT. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

(C) AT 111030H, H&S CO PATROL, VIC BT 016624, OBSERVED UNK NO.
VC FIRING AT CP FROM VIC BT 017622. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH 81MM
MORTAR, AND VC BROKE CONTACT. CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(D) AT 111045H, CO G PATROL, VIC BT 017625, OBSERVED S/A FIRE
DELIVERED ON BN CP FROM VIC BT 017618. PATROL RETURNED FIRE WITH 81MM
MORTAR. WHILE SEARCHINGAREZ, PATROL DETONATED A MINE
RESULTING IN 3 USMC WIA. 3 WIA WERE MED EVAC. FURTHER SEARCH OF THE
AREA REVEALED 2 GRASS HOUSES AND 1 TUNNEL. TUNNEL WAS SEARCHED AND
DESTROYED.

(E) AT 111125H, CO G PATROL, VIC BT 015625, DETONATED A MINE
RESULTING IN 2 USMC WIA. WIA WERE MED EVAC.

(3) MISCELLANEOUS. AT 110930H, BN CP, VIC BT 016628, RCVD AND MED
EVAC 1 VN WOMAN WHO WAS SHOT IN THE LEFT FOOT. WOMAN CLAIMS SHE WAS
HIT BY ROUND FIRED FROM HELO.

B. CONTACT ACTION REPORT

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(1) BT 015628; 101800H? CO; DEF; NONE; H&S CO; 1 VCS WIA (PROB);
VC; 0; 0; 0

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 BT 015625; 1900H; CO; DEF; NONE; H&S; NONE; UNK;
 VC; 0; 0; 0
 (3) BT 142579; 102205H; CO; DEF; NONE; CO H; NONE; UNK;
 VC; 0; 0; 0
 (4) AT 992637; 102110H; PLAT; PPB; NONE; CO G; NONE; UNK;
 VC; 0; 0; 0
 (5) BT 044579; 102300H; CO; DEF; NONE; CO H; NONE; UNK;
 VC; 0; 0; 0
 (6) AT 999623; 110905H; SQD; CLR; NONE; CO G; NONE; UNK;
 VC; 0; 0; 0
 (7) BT 041588; 111015H; SQD; CLR; NONE; CO H; NONE; UNK;
 VC; 0; 0; 0
 (8) BT 016624; 111030H; SQD; CLR; NONE; H&S CO; NONE; UNK;
 VC; 0; 0; 0
 (9) BT 017625; 111045H; SQD; CLR; 3 WIA; CO G; NONE; UNK;
 VC; 0; 0; 0
 (10) BT 015625; 111125H; SQD; CLR; 2 WIA; CO G; NONE; UNK;
 VC; 0; 0; 0

C. COUNTERMINES REPORT

(1) COL 1 COL 2 COL 3 COL 4A COL 4V COL5 COL 6 COL 7

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3	1	2	0	2
2	1	TRAIL	TRAIL	
1	1	IN BUSH	IN GROUND	
1	2	BT 015625	BT 017625	
1	0	DETONATED	DETONATED	
1	1	UNK	UNK	
1	1	UNK	UNK	
1	1	FIRING DEVICE: 111125H PRESSURE		

D. OPNS SUMMARY. 3N, 3S, 6T, 1W, 3U, 2V, 2Y

E. PLATS SUMMARY. 3H, 1S, 3T, 4W, 3U, 2V, 2Y

THIRD BN FIRST MARINES

A. NARRATIVE SUMMARY

(1) LATE ENTRIES

(A) AT 101940H, CO I PLAT, VIC AT 971664, RCVD S/A FIRE FROM UNK NUMBER OF VC, VIC AT 969666, AND AT 977668. PLAT RETURNED FIRE WITH S/A, VC BROKE CONTACT. PATROL CONTINUED MISSION.

(B) AT 102125T. CO K. HVIC BTH071701. RCVD M-79 OR RIFLE GRENS AND S/A FIRE FROM UNK NUMBER OF VC, VIC BT 072695. CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(C) AT 102220H, CO L PATROL, VIC BT 004597, RCVD S/A FIRE

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FROM UNK NUMBER OF VC, VIC BT 004699 AND BT 004695. PATROL SWEPT AREA TO BRIDGE WITH NEG RESULTS.

(2) CONTACTS

(A) AT 110910H, CO K PLAT, VIC BT 071701, RCV S/A AND M-79 FIRE FROM EST 3 VC, VIC BT 077699. PLAT RETURNED FIRE WITH M-79 LAAMS AND S/A. CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(B) AT 110945H, CO K PLAT, VIC BT 071701, RCV S/A FIRE FROM UNK NUMBER OF VC, VIC BT 072698. PLAT RETURNED FIRE WITH M-79. AREA SWEPT WITH NEG RESULTS.

(C) AT 111045H, CO M PATROL, VIC BT 036676, RCV S/A FIRE FROM UNK NUMBER OF VC, VIC BT 038675, RESULTING IN 1 USMC WIA. PATROL RETURNED S/A FIRE AND CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS. WIA WAS NON MEDEVAC.

(D) AT 111105H, BN CP, VIC BT 077708, OBSERVED 2 VC WITH WEAPONS, VIC BT 076699. SEC CALLED 81 MM MORTARS AND FIRED MG TO PIN DOWN THE VC. VC BROKE CONTACT. CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(E) AT 111110H, CO K PLAT, VIC BT 085697, RCV S/A FIRE FROM EST 6 VC, VIC BT 086692, BT 087694, AND BT 084690. RETURNED FIRE WITH 106 RR, 60 MM MORTAR, 50 CAL MG, AND S/A. CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(3) MISCELLANEOUS

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(A) AT 110830H, VIC AT 972663, ONE VN FEMALE 25 YR OF AGE, CAME INTO 3DPLAT, CO I CMD HOST WITH WOUND WHICH SHE CLAIMED WAS INFILCTED BY MARINE FIRE LAST NIGHT WHILE SHE WAS IN HAMLET OF LE SON (1), VIC AT 979661. WOMAN TREATED BY CORPSMAN AND EVACED TO REGT AID STATION. VILLAGEERS OF LE SON (1) LATER REPORTED TO INVESTIGATIN TEAM THAT VN WOMAN WAS WOUNDED BY VC.

B. CONTACT ACTION REPORT

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(1) AT 071664; 101940H; PLAT; DEF; CO I; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0

(2) BT 071701; 102125H; CO; DEF; CO K; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0

(3) BT 004697; 102220H; SQD; CLE; CO L; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0

(4) BT 071701; 110910H; PLAT; CLR; CO K; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0

(5) BT 071701; 110945H; PLAT; CLR; CO K; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0

(6) BT 036676; 111045H; SQD; CLR; CO M; 1 WIA; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0

(7) BT 077708; 111105H; CO; DEF; H&S CO; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0

(8) BT 085697; 111110H; PLAT; CLR; CO K; NONE; UNK; NONE; VC; 0; 0; 0

C. COUNTERMINE REPORT. NEGATIVE.

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