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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/SNIFFER. 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 110624. 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, RCVD 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, RCVD 1 HAND GREN 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, RCVD 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 COVERARE WAS GOOD. AGEA 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 RCVD 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 REP

IRED, 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 084656; 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. COUNTERMINE 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 DETEVED: DETONATED

TYPE: UNK

SIZE: 50 LBS. TNT

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NARE. CONDUCTED DURING THIS PERIOD

4 SEP TO 11 SEP 1966. NEGATIVE.

F. OPERATIONS SUMMARY.

- (1) H-5, 38-7, EFLAQQM

G. PLANS SUMMARY

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

A. NARRATIVE SUMMARY

- (1) LATE ENTRIES

(A) AT 101800H, H&S C, VIC BT 015681, RCVD 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. AREE CHECKED NEG. RESULTS.

(B) AT 101900H, BN CP, VIC BT 015628, RCVD S/A FIRE FROM UNK
NO. ;: ;8: 75 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, RCVD S/A FIRE FROM UNK
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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 SEARCHING AREA, 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 015628; 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
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 (1) COL 1 COL 2 COL 3 COL 4A COL 4V COL 5 COL 6 COL 7

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(2) LOCATION:	TRAIL		TRAIL				
ENVIRONMENT:	IN BUSH		IN GROUND				
GRID COORD:	BT 015625		BT 017625				
METHOD DETECTED:	DETONATED		DETONATED				
TYPE:	UNK		UNK				
SIZE:	UNK		UNK				
FIRING DEVICE:			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 SWEEP AREA TO BRIDGE WITH NEG RESULTS.

(2) CONTACTS

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

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

(C) AT 111045H, CO M PATROL, VIC BT 036676, RCVD 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, RCVD 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 POST WITH WOUND WHICH SHE CLAIMED WAS INFLICTED 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. VILLAGERS OF LE SON (1) LATER REPORTED TO INVESTIGATING TEAM THAT VN WOMAN WAS WOUNDED BY VC.

B. CONTACT ACTION REPORT

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(1) AT 971664; 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; CLR; 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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