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3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF (Attn: ACofS G-3)
Subj: Command Chronology (C)
Ref: (a) Ltr 5750.1

Encl: (1) ✓ Battalion Operation Order 24-66
(2) ✓ Patrol Report 73-66 of 4 Oct 66 (Co A)
(3) ✓ Patrol Report 74-66 of 4 Oct 66 (Co A)
(4) ✓ Patrol Report 76-66 of 9 Oct 66 (Co A)
(5) ✓ Patrol Report 79-66 of 20 Oct 66 (Co A)
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(7) ✓ Patrol Report 72-66 of 6 Oct 66 (Co B)
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(10) ✓ Patrol Report 74-66 of 11 Oct 66 (Co B)
(11) ✓ Patrol Report 75-66 of 11 Oct 66 (Co B)
(12) ✓ Patrol Report 76-66 of 11 Oct 66 (Co B)
(13) ✓ Patrol Report 78-66 of 14 Oct 66 (Co B)
(14) ✓ Patrol Report 79-66 of 16 Oct 66 (Co B)
(15) ✓ Patrol Report 82-66 of 18 Oct 66 (Co B)
(16) ✓ Patrol Report 83-66 of 18 Oct 66 (Co B)
(17) ✓ Patrol Report 84-66 of 23 Oct 66 (Co B)
(18) ✓ Patrol Report 85-66 of 25 Oct 66 (Co B)
(19) ✓ Patrol Report 85-66 of 26 Oct 66 (Co B)
(20) ✓ Patrol Report 86-66 of 27 Oct 66 (Co B)
(21) ✓ Patrol Report 87-66 of 29 Oct 66 (Co B)
(22) ✓ Patrol Report 88-66 of 4 Nov 66 (Co B)
(23) ✓ Patrol Report 89-66 of 5 Nov 66 (Co B)
(24) ✓ Patrol Report 109-66 of 2 Oct 66 (Co C)
(25) ✓ Patrol Report 110-66 of 3 Oct 66 (Co C)
(26) ✓ Patrol Report 111-66 of 7 Oct 66 (Co C)
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- (45) ✓ Patrol Report 8-66 of 4 Nov 66 (3d For)
- (46) ✓ Patrol Report 9-66 of 2 Nov 66 (3d For)

1. In compliance with reference (a), the following report is submitted:

2. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

a. Reporting Unit: 3d Reconnaissance Battalion (-) (Rein) YD 894128

b. Period covered: 1-31 October 1966

c. Commanding Officer	LtCol. Gary WILDER
Executive Officer	Major J.C. GONZALEZ
Operations Officer	Capt. Tom R. LOMAN
Adjutant	2dLt. F.E. DAUBENSPECK
S-2	2dLt. D.R. PHILIPS
S-4	Capt. T.J. THIERREBONNE Jr.
CO, H&S Co	Capt. J.R. BUENS
CO, Co A	Capt. G.V. BEST Jr.
CO, Co B	Capt. B.L. SPEVEY
CO, Co C	Capt. D.R. GARDNER
CO, Co D	Capt. J.W. HEMMINGWAY
CO, Det, 3d Recon Co	Capt. M.D. JORDAN

d. Average monthly strength (does not include 1st Force Recon Co)

(1) USMC Officer	2
(2) USMC Enlisted	379
(3) USN Officer	0
(4) USN Enlisted	34

3. Significant Events

a. Personnel and Administration. Officer shortages have resulted in utilizing sergeants as platoon leaders of many reconnaissance platoons.

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b. Training

- (1) Reconnaissance companies continue to receive instructions at platoon level in weapons, tactics, personal hygiene and general military subjects.
- (2) Five Marines of the battalion completed the course of instruction offered by the MAC V Recondo School in NHA TRANG, RVN.
- (3) SCUBA requalification dives were conducted for Marines of the battalion assigned to SCUBA billets.

c. Logistics. The Anti-Erosion Program is still in progress throughout the battalion area. Drainage ditches are being dug and reinforced in preparation for the monsoon rains.

d. Command and Control

- (1) On 30 October 1966, Command Group, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion moved to HUE-PHU BAI (XD 894128). 3d Reconnaissance Battalion (-) remained DA NANG OPCON 1st Marine Division. As of 31 October 1966, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion disposition was as follows:

HUE-PHU BAI

3d Reconnaissance Battalion (-) (Rein)
Det, H&S Co
Co B
Det, 3d Force Recon Co (4 Pats)

DA NANG

3d Reconnaissance Battalion (-)
H&S Co (-)
Co A (-)
Co C
Co E

- (2) On 26 October 1966, 1st Platoon, Company A, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion OPCON/ADCON was changed to 2d Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment.
- (3) On 5 November 1966, 2d Platoon, Company A, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion OPCON/ADCON was changed to 3d Reconnaissance Battalion from 3d Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment.

e. Medical Affairs

- (1) Medical personnel and the Battalion Civil Affairs officer paid

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two visits to the village of PHUOC LY. During the visits, corpsmen treated a total of 14 villagers, both adults and children, for various ailments and diseases. The Civil Affairs Officer presented the villagers with five bags of cement, to be used for the completion of a well.

- (2) Two corpsmen from the battalion made a trip to the village of QUE SON. The corpsmen stayed at the village for three days, during which time sick call was held twice daily on the first two days and once on the third day. A total of 96 men, women and children were treated. It was reported by the corpsmen upon return to the battalion area, that this was the first time the village had been visited by a civil affairs team. The people responded very well to the overtures made by the corpsmen.

f. Operations

- (1) Co A (-). During the reporting period the company operated in the field for a total of 25 patrol days. The patrols located numerous trails and a road not shown on the map, two fighting holes, one hut and two possible harbor sites. The patrols heard small arms fire on two occasions and what was believed to be a 57mm Recoilless Rifle firing. However, the source could not be determined. The patrol made one VC sighting totalling 18 VC. No physical contacts were made. Two artillery missions were called on the above mentioned hut and harbor sites, expending 48 rounds.
- (2) Co B. During the reporting period the company operated in the field for a total of 92 patrol days. The patrols located: 22 trails not shown on the map, 9 HLZ's, numerous huts, five VC harbor sites, one VC OP and 11 Punji pits. The patrols made 37 VC sightings totalling 226 VC, which led to 19 contacts, 17 artillery missions and two air strikes which accounted for 41 VC KIA (Conf), 42 VC KIA (Prob), 12 VC WIA (Conf), 14 VC WIA (Prob). The patrols also apprehended four VCS who were evacuated to the PW collection point. The patrols sustained one USMC WIA. The patrols captured the following: 2 K-50's NVA, 1 K-50 CHICOM, 2 SKS 55's, 1 AK-47, 1 U.S. carbine, 1 MAT 49 SMG, 1 French Shotgun, 1 M1911A1 Cal .45 pistol, 1 9mm Pistol, 1 M-26 grenade, 9 CHICOM grenades, 1 large pack, a 1/2 pound block of TNT, 2 cart-ridge belts, assorted clothing and documents and 24,000 plasters. There were 290 rounds of artillery expended in support of patrols.
- (3) Co C. During the reporting period the company operated in the field for a total of 40 patrol days. The patrol located the following: 1 hut, 1 booby trapped M-26 grenade, 1 trail marker, numerous caves and a hut complex with caves and two trails not shown on the map. The patrols made 11 VC sightings totalling

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50 VC and 121 VCS. The sightings led to four contacts and two artillery missions which resulted in 6 VC KIA (Conf), 1 VC KIA (Prob), and 1 VC WIA (Prob). The patrols sustained four USMC WIA's. There were 12 rounds of artillery fired in support of the patrols.

- (4) Co D. During the reporting period the company operated in the field for a total of 6 patrol days. The patrols had 20 sightings totalling 294 VC. Two contacts and three artillery missions resulted in four VC KIA (Conf), 29 VC KIA (Prob), and two VC WIA (Prob). One VC WIA was captured and evacuated to the PW collection point at DA NANG. The patrols also located one trail not shown on the map, a VC CP site, and a hut complex consisting of eight huts which was believed to be a training camp. The patrols sustained one USMC KIA and one USMC WIA.
- (5) Det. 3d Force Recon Co. During the reporting period the detachment operated in the field for a total of 47 patrol days. The patrols located 19 trails and two streams not shown on the map, three VC CP sites, one large harbor site, two hut complexes with bomb shelters and observed 23 boats on the rivers in the patrol area. The patrols made 21 VC sightings totalling 255 VC and 60 VCS. These sightings lead to two contacts, 16 artillery missions and one air strike which accounted for 10 VC KIA (Conf), 15 VC KIA (Prob) and 3 VC WIA (Prob). The patrols sustained one USMC KIA. Captured equipment included: one MAS rifle, one PPHS 3000 SMC, two CHICOM Grenades, medical supplies and assorted documents and personal equipment. There were 330 rounds of artillery fired in support of the patrols.

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DA NANG, RVN
281800H August 1966
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Operation Order 24-66

- Ref: (a) Maps: VIET NAM, 1:50,000, Series L701, Sheet Numbers: 6559 I, II, IV; 6558 I; 6659 II, III, IV; 6658 I, IV; 6460 I, II; 6459 I, II; 6460 II, III, IV.
(b) BuOpO 17-66 w/Ch 1
(c) 3dMavOpO 363-66 (dtd 011200Z April 1966)
(d) 3dMavDiv msg 091524Z Jun 66
(e) 3dMavDiv msg 202039Z Jun 66

Time Zone: H

Task Organization

- a. Reference (b).
- b. Co B (Rein) and 2d Plt, Co D, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion OPCON to 4th Marine Regiment.

1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy Forces. Current INTSUM'S.
- b. Friendly Forces. Reference (b).
- c. Attachments and Detachments. References (c) and (d).

2. MISSION. 3d Reconnaissance Battalion (-)(Rein) establishes and maintains a reconnaissance network in the TAOR/RZ's of the DA NANG tactical base to determine enemy movement into the TAOR and makes every effort to capture VC and/or VCS personnel and equipment for their intelligence value.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept of Operation. Reference (b) and Annex A (Operation Overlay).

D. Co A

- (1) During the period 1-30 September 1966 conduct continuous reconnaissance and surveillance operations in RZ north of East-West grid line 78 as directed in Annex A. In addition, be prepared to conduct other patrols as directed. Be prepared to assume the mission of Companies C and D. Utilize 50% of available forces for such operations.

e. Co C

- (1) During the period 1-30 September 1966 conduct continuous reconnaissance

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conduct surveillance operations in RZ between East-West grid lines 78 and 70 as directed in Annex A. In addition be prepared to conduct other patrols as directed. Be prepared to assume the mission of Companies A and D. Utilize 50% of available forces for such operations.

- (2) One platoon remain direct support in accordance with reference (d). Be prepared to assume normal mission upon completion.

d. Co B (1)

- (1) During the period 1-30 September 1966 conduct continuous reconnaissance operations in RZ south of East-West grid line 70 as directed in Annex A. In addition be prepared to conduct other patrols as directed. Be prepared to assume the mission of Company A and G. Utilize 50% of available forces for such operations.
- (2) One platoon (rein) remain in direct support in accordance with reference (c).
- (3) One platoon remains OPCON 4th Marine Regiment.

e. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Submit overlays for October patrols to S-3 by 151600H Sep 1966.
- (2) Maximum effort will be put forth to capture and return to U.S. control VC and/or VCS.
- (3) Submit helicopter requirements and operation orders to this Headquarters (Attn: S-3) not later than 48 hours prior to commencement of mission.
- (4) Submit patrol roster to this Headquarters (Attn: S-3) prior to execution of assigned mission.
- (5) Whenever possible patrol leaders will be afforded the opportunity for helicopter reconnaissance prior to insertion.
- (6) Operate within supporting artillery range.
- (7) Be prepared to insert/extract by foot.
- (8) Use varying means and times of entry and exit. Helicopter landing zones will normally be no closer than 3000 meters to the objective area.
- (9) ERM's Annex A to reference (b).
- (10) Be prepared to recommend infantry exploitation or reinforcement and suitable primary and alternate landing zones for its entry.

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- (11) Coordinate all missions with cognizant Regimental Commanders. Report completion of coordination to S-3.
- (12) Fire support and infantry reinforcement requirements will be effected by direct liaison with cognizant Regimental Commanders. Report completion of coordination to S-3.
- (13) Be prepared to call and adjust artillery fires. Make personal liaison with 12th Marines (S-3) for artillery coordination, after coordinating with cognizant Regimental FSCC.
- (14) Do not shackle Q-T azimuth when adjusting.
- (15) If an air strike is requested and approved, display a single yellow panel at forward most position when aircraft are on station.
- (16) Each squad will carry at least one entrenching tool. All trash and garbage will be buried and the site camouflaged. Every effort will be made to obscure all evidence of patrol passage.
- (17) Each company in the DA NANG tactical base shall report hourly to this Headquarters the location and situation of each element of each patrol.
- (18) Any patrol out of contact for a period of six hours shall abort its mission and return to point of insertion unless contact is reestablished enroute to the insertion point.
- (19) Cause patrol leaders to report to Battalion S-2 immediately on return to the unit area for debriefing.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- a. Reference (b).
- b. Utilize long range patrol packet when available and when operational areas will permit.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

- a. Reference (b).
- b. Each patrol shall carry two PRC-25's as its primary means of communications.
- c. Field relay sites will carry both primary and alternate means of communications

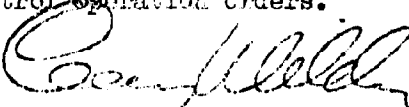
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- d. Frequency of infantry battalion supporting patrol in case of emergency will be included in all patrol operation orders.


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TOTAL 50

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Operation Order: 7
 Patrol: 1st Sqd, 1st Plt, "A" Co.
 Debriefer: 2d Lt D.R. PHILIPS
 Map Sheet: 6559 II-6659 III

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 DANANG, RVN
 041830H Oct 1966
 02B27766

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- a. COMPOSITION: (8) Enl
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) 2 lb blocks of C-4 w/acc
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: None

2. MISSION: Conduct continuous reconnaissance and surveillance operations in area outlined on patrol overlay to locate VC campsites, storage areas, locate avenues of approach into and out of assigned area, determine the extent of enemy activity over existing trails and capture and return to US control VC/VCS

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 280930H Sep 66 / 041500H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 149 1/2 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in one enemy sighting of (8) VC and no contacts. Patrol observed lights, heard a dog barking, found several cleared off areas, (2) fighting holes, (2) trails not shown on map and heard SAF source of which could not be determined.

b. ENEMY: (1), 011230H (AT804895) Patrol while establishing an OP sent one patrol member to the patrol's front to check same. During this check the patrol member observed (8) VC dressed in Khaki uniforms, (badly soiled), wearing soft covers, cartridge belts and all armed with rifles. The VC were preparing chow and due to the closeness of patrol member he could not move so maintained surveillance of VC until they moved out of area.

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by sparsely vegetated areas affording easy movement with a canopy approximately 60 feet high.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 280930H (ZC203889) Patrol found trail not shown on map approximately one meter wide running east and west. Patrol checked trail to (ZC203889) with negative results.

(2) 281030H (AT823886) Patrol found trail not shown on map approximately two meters wide running east and west. Patrol checked trail to (AT808885) with negative results.

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(3) 281145H Patrol heard SAP from the southeast but could not determine the location or source of fire.

(4) 282030H (ATB19880) Patrol observed two lights this vicinity and heard a dog barking. Lights were visible for approximately 15 minutes at which time patrol lost observation of same.

(5) In the vicinity of (ATB19880) the patrol noted that several areas approximately 14'x8' had been cleared possibly for building on at a later time. Patrol while checking this area also found (2) old two man fighting holes not recently used.

(7) Movement along the Song Cu De river in this area is extremely difficult due to the steep banks and dense vegetation.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Surveillance of this area be maintained.

2. 125100Z: Conduct continuous reconnaissance and surveillance operations in area of (ATB19880) to locate VC compounds, storage areas, locate moving east and west.

and out of assigned area, determine the extent of enemy activity over existing trails and capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. 125100Z: (ATB19880) Patrol found trail not shown on map approximately 1000' east of (ATB19880) trail to (ATB19880).

4. 125100Z: (ATB19880) Patrol found trail not shown on map approximately 1000' east of (ATB19880) trail to (ATB19880).

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Concur with patrol leader's conclusions.

a. SYNOPSIS: 149 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in the discovery of (1) VC and no contacts. Patrol observed lights, heard a dog barking, found several cleared off areas, (2) fighting holes, (2) trails, and (2) old two man fighting holes. Source of which could not be determined.

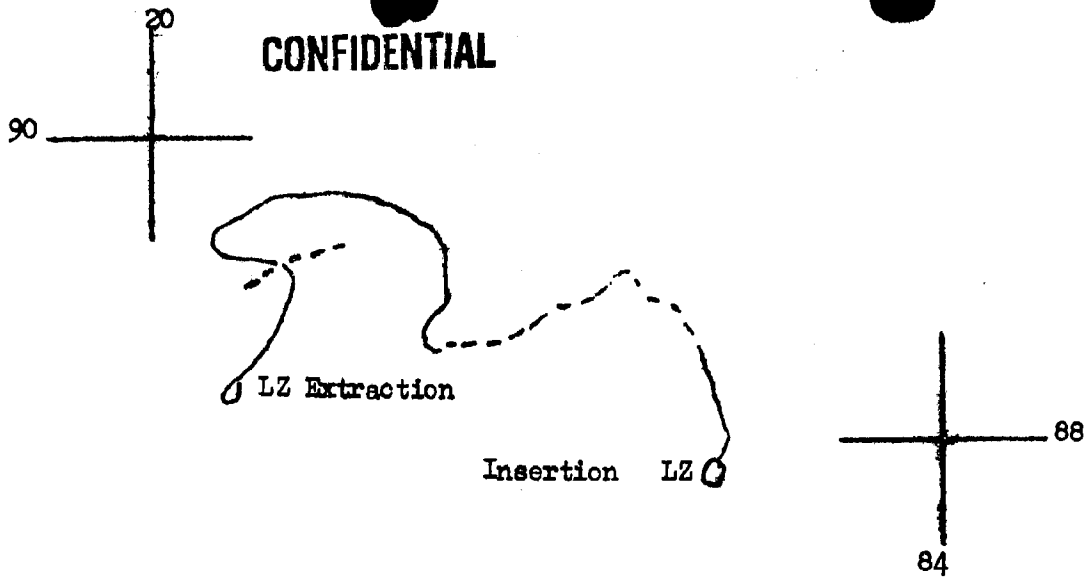
(4) 011230H (ATB04895) Patrol while establishing an OP sent a patrol to the north to check same. During this check the patrol observed (6) VC dressed in Khaki uniforms, (badly soiled), wearing (2) rifles, (2) shotguns, and all armed with rifles. The VC were preparing to move but the commander of patrol could not move so maintained surveillance of VC until they moved out of area.

1. 125100Z: This area is characterized by sparsely vegetated areas after the rain. The area is approximately 60 feet high.

2. OTHER INFORMATION:

(4) 280730H (2820380) Patrol found trail not shown on map approximately 1000' east of (ATB19880) trail to (ATB19880).

(2) 280730H (2823880) Patrol found trail not shown on map approximately 1000' east of (ATB19880) trail to (ATB19880).

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LEGEND	PATROL REPORT OVERLAY
O LZ - LANDING ZONE	1st Sqd, 1st Plt, "A" Co.
— - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
--- - NEW TRAILS NOT SHOWN ON MAP	SERIES: L-701
	SHEET: 6559 II-6559 III
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Operation Order: 7
 Patrol: 2d Sqd, 1st Plt, "A" Co.
 Debriefer: 2dLt D.R. PHELPS
 Map Sheet: 6559 II

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 041800H Oct 1966
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (10) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (2) Scout Dogs and Handlers
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/IRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 8x30's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) 2 lb blocks of C-4 w/acc
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-60, (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct continuous reconnaissance and surveillance operations in area outlined on patrol overlay to locate VC campsites, storage areas, locate avenues of approach into and out of assigned area, determine the extent of enemy activity over existing trails and capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 291100H Sept66/041300H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 122 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Two artillery missions were called expending a total of (18) rds. Patrol found one hut, two possible harbor sites, heard SAF, explosions and possible 57mm RR fire but could not determine source, experienced fainting of radio, heard movement on one occasion, found (2) trails and (1) road not shown on map and heard Mortar fire.

(10) 041300

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation, interwoven vines, steep ravines and a canopy of approximately 80 feet.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 291130H (ZC166720) Patrol found a hut 10'x10'x4' in fair condition but did not reveal any signs of recent use.

(2) 291230H (ZC170723) Patrol found numerous one man shelters hastily prepared and punji pits. Patrol while passing through this area heard SAF in vicinity of (ZC165718) source of which could not be determined.

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(3) 291315H (ZC170725) Patrol found a piece of brown plastic and the material for a one man shelter which had not been completed. Patrol while checking area found a possible harbor site large enough to accommodate approximately 20 people.

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(4) 291545H (ZC173725) Patrol experienced heavy jamming of radio by unknown source. This continued until 1630H at which time jamming ceased.

(5) 291810H (ZC166716) Patrol called artillery mission of (9) rds on cultivated area and possible VC harbor site with good target coverage results unknown.

(6) 301600H (ZC1875) Patrol heard one round of unknown caliber explode in this vicinity. The source could not be determined.

(7) 301615H (ZC164742) Patrol found (12) shallow holes with camouflage covering them. Area did not appear to have been used within last 2-4 weeks.

(8) 010600H Patrol at (ZC164742) heard possible explosion, what sounded like a tree falling and chopping. These incidents were heard over a period of approximately one hour and from different directions.

(9) 011000H (ZC178743) Patrol heard (37) explosions emitting from this vicinity, also heard approximately 15 rds of automatic weapons fire in bursts from same area, source of which could not be determined.

(10) 011300H (ZC170752) Patrol found elephant droppings this vicinity. And while checking area heard movement to their northwest. Patrol at this time set up security and sent a team with scout dog and handler to investigate. Team found fresh sandal prints in trail but made no sightings.

(11) 011615H (ZC1876) Patrol heard possible 57mm RR fire from this vicinity. Artillery mission of (9) rds fired with unknown results.

(12) 011900H (ZC1973) Patrol heard (12) mortar rounds, possibly 81mm, detonate in this vicinity.

(13) 020900-1100H (ZC1876) Patrol heard (8) rds fired which sounded like 57mm RR fire.

(14) 021330H (ZC1876) Patrol heard (2) rifle shots from this vicinity source of which could not be determined.

(15) 031000H (ZC1876) Patrol heard (2) rifle shots from this vicinity source of which could not be determined.

(16) 031100H (ZC172748) Patrol found trail not shown on map running southeast. This trail is approximately one meter wide. Patrol while checking trail found old punji pits, and a cut mark on one tree which appeared to have been made within the past week to 10 days. Patrol checked trail to (ZC182738) without further observations.

(17) 031300H (ZC182739) Patrol found old road large enough to accommodate a 6x6 truck. Patrol followed road to (ZC177724). There are punji stakes alongside road and it was noted that the banana trees along road had been picked. There were also numerous camouflaged punji pits along side of road. Due to the nature of road surface it was not possible to determine the extent of activity across road. A vine ladder had been constructed to expedite the climbing of a tree which gave excellent observation of road at (ZC180738).

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CONFIDENTIAL RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: That future patrols operating in this area be given a smaller area to cover due to the difficult terrain. It is also recommended that scout dogs be used extensively with reconnaissance patrols.

Conclusions: Area covered by patrol has not been used recently. Due to S/F Mortar, and possible 57mm RR fire heard from vicinity of (ZC1876) it is possible a VC training camp is located in that area.

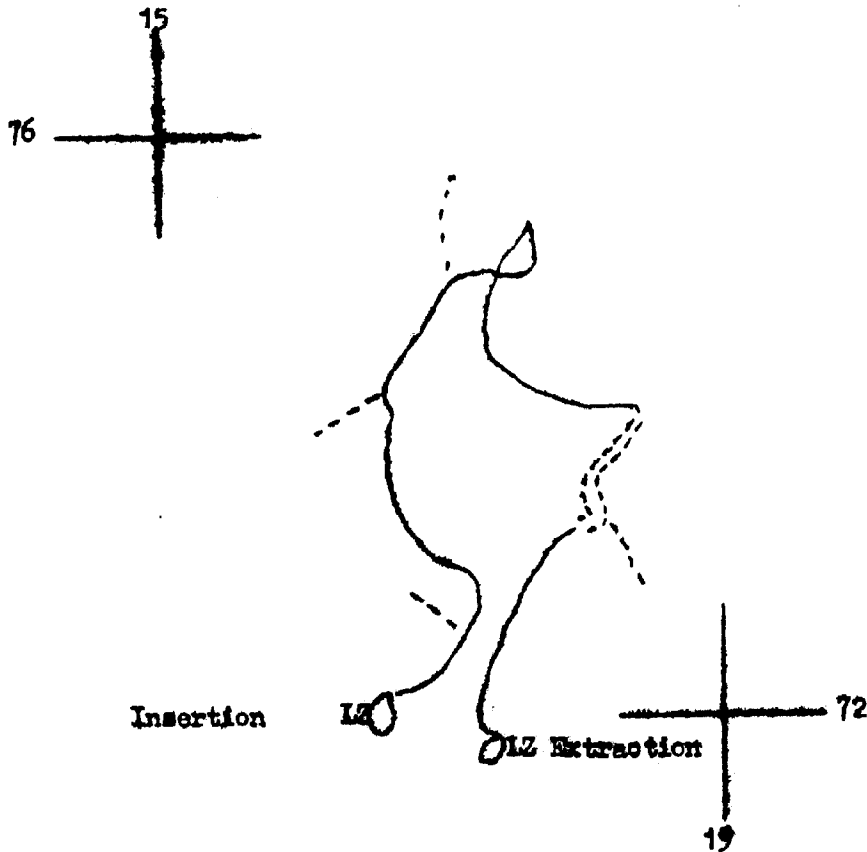
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SSGT "A" Co.

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Time lapse of artillery mission from request to first found impacting after 2 communications relays was approximately 6-8 minutes. Compare with patrol leaders conclusions.

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LEGEND	PATROL REPORT OVERLAY
○ LZ - LANDING ZONE	2d Sqd, 1st Plt, "A" Co.
— ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP: VIETNAM 1-50,000
- - - NEW TRAILS NOT SHOWN ON MAP	SERIES: L-701
== ROAD	SHEET: 6559 II
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Operation Order: 76-66
 Patrol: 1st Sgd, 3d Plt, "A" Co.
 Debriefer: 2dLt D.R. PHELPS
 Map Sheets: 6659 III-6659 IV

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (9) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (1) ARVN Interpreter
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/TRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) 2 lb blocks C-4 w/aoc
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) Grenade Launcher w/4 W.P. grenades.

2. MISSION: Conduct continuous reconnaissance and surveillance operations in assigned area to determine the extent of enemy activity across existing trails, locate VC campsites, storage areas, locate avenues of approach into and out of assigned area and capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 041145H/091245H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 121 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol observed a large group of VN moving along the trail, saw two trucks and observed traces on one occasion source of which could not be determined. No additional sightings of significance were made during this operation.

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by sparse brush, trees are spaced for easy movement and a canopy of approximately 50 feet in height. This area has been used extensively for logging purposes and is honeycombed with logging roads and small trails.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 041930H (AT9188) Patrol observed traders coming from this vicinity source of which could not be determined.

(2) 090700H to 090900H (AT91885) Patrol observed approximately 70 Vietnamese dressed in multi-colored P.J's moving from south to north along trail this vicinity, no weapons or equipment observed.

(3) 090900H (AT918875) Patrol observed two flat-bed trucks this vicinity but could not determine why they were there. No unusual activity was observed.

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6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation: Future patrols operate north of east-west grid line 85 and west of north-south grid line 90.

Conclusion: Area covered by patrol reveals no signs of enemy activity.

P. R. CHAPIN

SGT "A" Co.

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Information received from patrol indicates a large quantity of pro cut timber ready for use that is presently going to waste in grid square (AT9289).

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LZ EXTRACTION

LZ INSERTION

LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
O LZ - LANDING ZONE	1st sqd, 3d Ply, "A" Co.
— ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1:50,000
	SERIES: L-701
	SHEET: 6559 III
	3d RECON BN.
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Operation Order: 79-66
 Patrol: 3A1 Coral
 Debriefing: 1stLt R. S. ROBERTS
 Map Sheet: Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheet 6559II

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: (10) USMC
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (2) Scout dogs
- C. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
- D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr 7X50's
- E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct continuous reconnaissance and surveillance vicinity Grid Squares ZC1884, 1984, 1883, 1983, 1882, 1982, 1881, 1981.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 150900H/200945H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See attached overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. SYNOPSIS: This patrol covered a period of 120 hours with negative sightings or contact. The large trail which parallels the stream vicinity ZC192837 is well used and only slightly overgrown. A close recon of the bridge vicinity ZC196842 revealed that the concrete support stantions and iron I-beam framework are still intact; the wooden deck planks, however are torn up, preventing vehicular traffic. Foot passage can still be easily made across the bridge.

B. ENEMY: None

C. TERRAIN: The underbrush is typically thick throughout the area; the main trail that parallels the river is still in existence and appears well used by small groups. Because of the rains, the river is now swollen and 6'-8' deep.

D. OTHER INFORMATION: At ZC192837, a harbor site was found - in which was included 1 roll of concertina wire, 4 5 gal. cans, and scraps of black plastic used by the VC for waterproofing material. Patrol was inserted and extracted from same LZ - vicinity ZC195843 - a good one-kid zone along the river bank. The entire area patrolled, mostly in vicinity ZC182828, was covered with trash - C-Ration cans, boxes, and assorted papers. Scout dogs were employed very successfully when on the trails; through the bush, dogs take a physical beating.

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6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

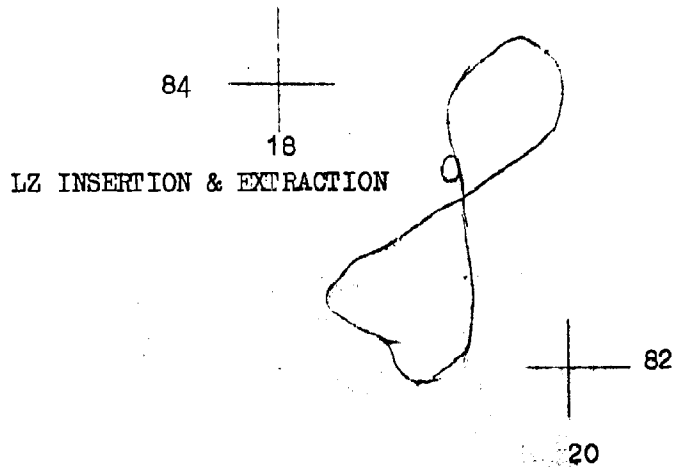
CONCLUSIONS: This trail network leads directly into the "Garden of Eden"- a main VC productive area. The main trail encountered is definitely used by VC but only in small groups of 5-10 people. There is no evidence of any large VC force having been in the area.

This patrol was not able to cover its assigned recon zone because of the slow movement and the necessity of returning north to their extraction LZ. The next patrol sent into this vicinity should patrol south of the 82 grid line in order to permit movement into the "Garden of Eden" region.

J. PLATT
2dLt ACo

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: This patrol was unable to cover its assigned reconnaissance zone, and evidence that the main trail is being used by small groups, indicates VC activity in the valley to the south. A platoon size patrol would be beneficial in the valley region vicinity grid square ZC1881.

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
O LZ = LANDING ZONE	1st sqd, 3d Plt, "A" Co.
— = ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1:50,000 SERIES: L-701 SHEET : 6559II 1st RECON BN. (S-2)

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OPERATION ORDER: 81-66

Patrol: 1A Surf

Debrief: SSGT E. W. BEIL

MAP SHEET: Vietnam 1:50,000, 6559 II, 6659 III

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: (1) OFF, (14) Enl, (1) USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/HRC 25's
- D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (3) TX50's
- E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 4 Lbs C4, Det Cord, 2 Claymores, Pen Flares, 120' line
- F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct continuous reconnaissance & surveillance operation in area as directed coords outlined on patrol overlay.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE & RETURN: 210900H/241300H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See Patrol Route Overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY & TERRAIN:

A. This patrol covered a period of 76 hours with negative sightings or contacts. One large truck road was found running north to south. This road and trails found on this patrol are already confirmed on our trail overlay.

B. ENEMY: None

C. TERRAIN: The area patrolled has a secondary undergrowth due to past logging operations in the area.

D. The river in this area cannot be crossed at this time of year due to high water caused by rain.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Morale good, Feet Poor

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE

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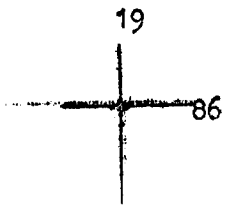
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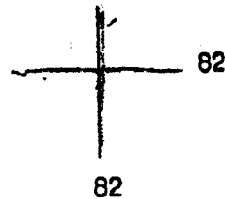
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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Further patrols in this area would be to no avail.

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LZ INSERTION
LZ EXTRACTION



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O LZ - LANDING ZONE	1st Plt, "A" Co.
— - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM; 1:50,000 SERIES: L-701 SHEET : 6659 III 1st RECON BN. (3-2)

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ENCLOSURE

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Operation Order 72-66
 Patrol: 2nd Squad, 1st Platoon, Co "B"
 Debreifer: SSgt J. D. CHANDSON
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 PHU BAI, RVN
 062000H October 1966

PATROL REPORT1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. Size and Composition. (7) enlisted
- b. Special Attachments. None
- c. Communications Equipment. (1) AN/PRC-25, (1) AN/PRC-10.
- d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
- e. Special Equipment.
- f. Special Weapons. (2) Claymore mines.

2. MISSION. To conduct reconnaissance operations within the assigned area. Establish ambushes of opportunity. A maximum effort will be devoted to the capture of at least one prisoner.3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 011500H/051430H October 19664. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay).5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND THE TERRAIN.

- a. Synopsis. During 95½ hours of patrolling there were no sightings or contacts. 2 trails and 2 HLZ's, 2 huts, 11 punji pits and 1 French shot gun and documents were discovered. One fire mission was called in support of this patrol.
- b. Enemy. No contacts and/or sightings were made by this patrol. in
- c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of 15 to 20 feet canopy in the low ground with thick under brush. A 50 foot canopy on the high ground with moderate underbrush. The patrol could travel approximately 100 meters per hour in low ground and approximately 500 meters per hour in the high ground.
- d. Other Information.
 - (1) The patrol called one fire mission in support of the patrol. 1 round of adjusting fire and 2 rounds on target with good coverage of the target. For a total of 3 rounds.
 - (2) Map Corrections. Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay).
 - 1 trail located at YC 865986 running to the East to YC 877986.
 - 1 trail located at YC 858984 running to the East to YC 888986.
 - 1 HLZ located at YC 887984 will hold (3) H-34's.
 - 1 HLZ located at YC 894984 will hold (2) H-34's.
 - (3) 051215H (YC 881987) the patrol found 3 huts, 2 huts containing 2 sets of khakis, 2 VC pouches, 10 lbs of documents, 4 M1 clips (full), 1 12 gauge French shot gun. Two of the huts were big enough for 6 men and 1 hut was big enough for 2 men. The patrol burned the huts and the clothing.

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(4) 11 punji pits located at YC 863986 to YC 867987. Six (6) were about 1 month old and 5 were dug out and the stakes laying next to the hole.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. None
7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical condition, good; Morale, good.
8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. None

R. P. CARDONE
Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps
Patrol Leader

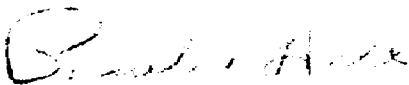
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY DEBREIFER: None

COMMUNICATIONS DEBREIF:

Debreifer: SSgt R. HILL

Operator: PFC EVERS

This patrol was inserted into RZ 4 in the area of coordinates YC 858982 and proceeded along the trail to YC 880986. The patrol was inserted on 01 October 1966. During the entire time the patrol was out they had radio contact with BRAVO RELAY and also the operator stated that he could also hear BRAVO YANKEE and BRAVO WHISKEY and at times he could hear BRAVO REAR. The only time that the operator had any radio communications difficulties was when the patrol was moving down Hill 201, at this time all stations came in very weak. Then when the patrol came to the bottom of the hill, the operator picked everyone up loud and clear again. This area is rated a good area as far as communications are concerned.


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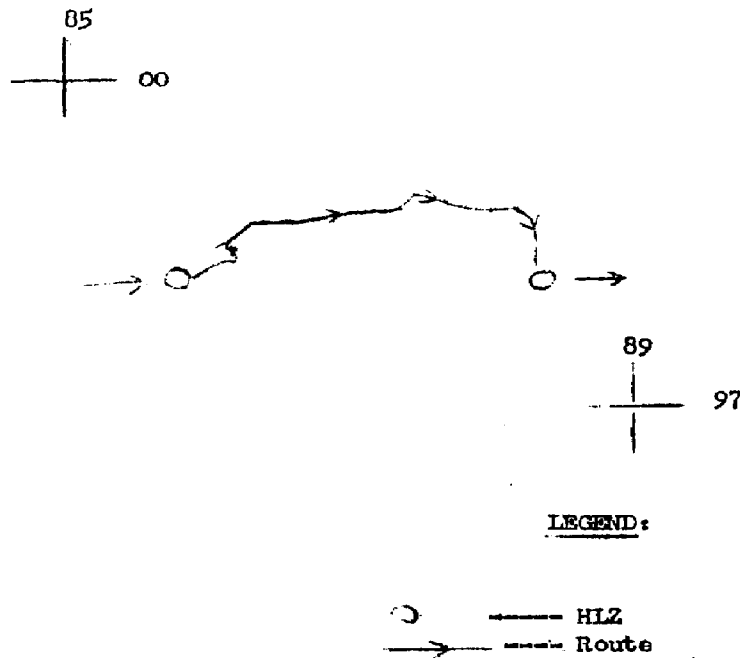
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Call Sign: YANKEE CLIFFER



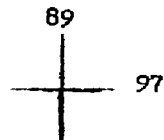
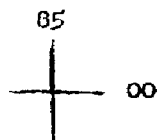
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Call Sign: YANKEE CLIMBER



LEGEND:

- Trail not shown on the map
- Stream not shown on the map

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 Debreifer: SSgt J. D. O'BRIEN
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- a. Size and Composition. (6) enlisted, (1) USN.
- b. Special Attachments. None
- c. Communications Equipment. (1) AN/PRC-25, (1) AN/PRC-10.
- d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
- e. Special Equipment. None
- f. Special Weapons. (4) Claymore mines

2. MISSION. To conduct reconnaissance operations within the assigned area. Establish ambushes of opportunity and a maximum effort will be devoted to capturing at least one prisoner.3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 011500H/051430H October 1966.4. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay).5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN.

- a. Synopsis. During 95½ hours of patrolling there were no enemy sightings or contacts. 2 trails were located by the patrol. No fire missions or air strikes were called in support of this patrol.
- b. Enemy. No enemy sightings or contacts were made by this patrol.
- c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of low canopy about 20 feet to 30 feet high throughout the objective area. With moderately thick under brush. The patrol could travel about 250 to 300 meters per hour.
- d. Other Information.

(1) Map Corrections. Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay).

1 trail at YD 878025 to YD 881028.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. None7. CONDITION OF PATROL. Physical condition, good; Morale, food.8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. None

M. A. MEYER
 Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps
 Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY DEBREIFER: None


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COMMUNICATIONS DEBRIEF:

Debreifer: SSgt R. HILL

Operator: Cpl VOLTZ

This patrol was inserted in to RZ 4 in the area of YD 8803 on 01 October 1966 and was extracted on 05 October 1966. During the time the patrol was in the area they covered about six thousand meters of ground down in the low ground of coordinates YD 872019. During the entire time the patrol was out, the radio operator had loud and clear radio communications with BRAVO RELAY and at no time did he lose contact because of the terrain. In fact the area is so good for radio communications that the operator never put up his ten foot antenna. He used his three foot tape antenna during the full stay in the area. This is a good area for radio communications and if any time this area is used again there should be no doubt as far as radio communications are concerned.


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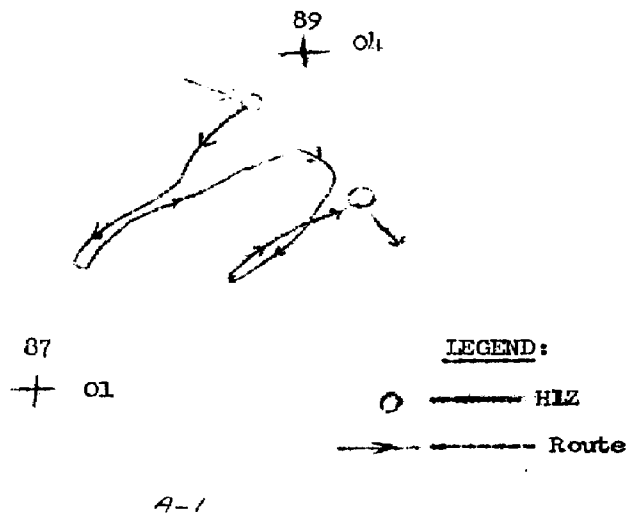
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Call Sign: IRONHOUSE



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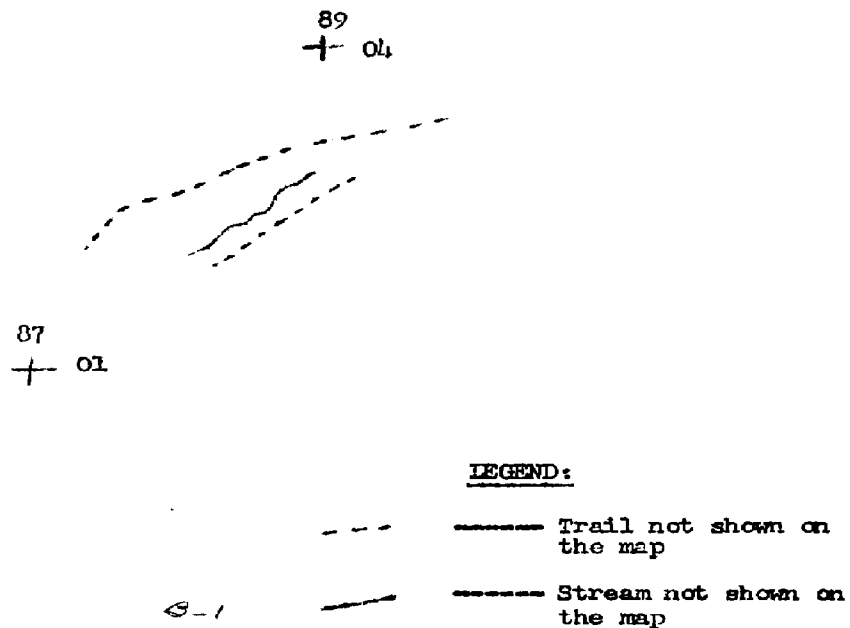
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Annex D (Map Corrections Overlay) to Patrol Route for Operation Order 72-66
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Call Sign: IRONHORSE



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PATROL REPORT1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. Size and Composition. (1) Officer, (10) enlisted, (1) USN.
- b. Special Attachments. None
- c. Communications Equipment. (3) AN/TRC-25, (1) AN/PRC-10.
- d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
- e. Special Equipment. None
- f. Special Weapons. (2) Claymore mines, (4) CS grenades.

2. MISSION. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within RZ 2. Establish ambushes of opportunity and a maximum effort will be devoted to capturing at least one prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 301400H/041630H October 1966

4. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay).

5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN.

- a. Synopsis. During 98½ hours of patrolling there were 3 sightings and contacts. As a result there were 3 friendly casualties who were med-evaced. One fire mission was called in support of this patrol with excellent coverage of the area.
- b. Enemy.
 - (1) 021045H (YD 622187) the patrol moved toward the stream when they found a trail and stopped when they heard noises up the stream. The radio man saw 2 VC, he opened fire and killed 1 VC. The other ran off. They were wearing black PJ's and khaki. They were carrying 1 Cal..45 Thompson sub machine gun.
 - (2) 021400H (YD 622189) the patrol was moving along the trail when the point sighted 1 VC in the open. The patrol backed up the high ground when they were ambushed by approximately 12 VC. The patrol leader was shot and put out of action. The VC broke contact and the patrol pulled back to take care of the wounded and set up a defense.
 - (3) 021405H (YD 622187) the patrol was set in defense when the security heard a bolt go home and the VC opened fire. No casualties were taken at this time. The VC broke contact. The patrol stayed in place to maintain radio relay for the patrol in the low ground.
- c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of a canopy of 20 feet high with dense underbrush. The patrol could move approximately 300 meters per hour on the trails and 100 meters per hour off the trails. Water was plentiful in the low ground.
- d. Other Information.
 - (1) The patrol found three harbor sites or training areas at YD 622187 with approximately 50 fighting holes with extensive underground tunnels.

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(2) The patrol called in 1 fire mission. One round to adjust and 1 round on target. Fired adjusting fire for 5 RC using 3 rounds for each RC. During the evening the patrol called for a RC when they heard movement around their defense. The fired 115 rounds during the night.

(3) Map Corrections.

1 trail located at YD 622187 to YD 622189.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. (1) VC KIA (conf) by small arms fire, (20) VC KIA (prob) by artillery, and (10) VC WIA (prob) by artillery.
7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical condition, tired; Morale, fair.
8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. None.

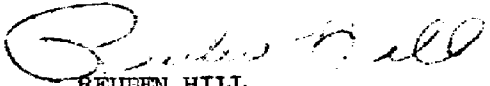
J. L. RICHARDS
Lance Corporal, U. S. Marine Corps
Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY DEBREIFER: None

COMMUNICATIONS DEBREIF:

Debreifer: SSgt R. HILL
Operator: PFC ROWE

On this patrol the platoon was inserted in RZ 2 on 30 September 1966 in the area of coordinates YD 6218 and they proceeded toward the area of grid square YD 6318. From the time the platoon was inserted they had communications with BRAVO YANKEE whose position is at PK 17 ARVN Artillery unit. The platoon split into two teams, LINEDRIVE and HOMERUN, and even while the two teams were having a bitter fire fight with the VC they always had communications with BRAVO YANKEE. However neither LINEDRIVE or HOMERUN had direct communications with BRAVO RELAY who is the main relay station. So by this it is a proven fact that if any patrol goes into this area we must have a relay station in the area of IK 17 because the patrol will not be able to reach BRAVO RELAY from this position.


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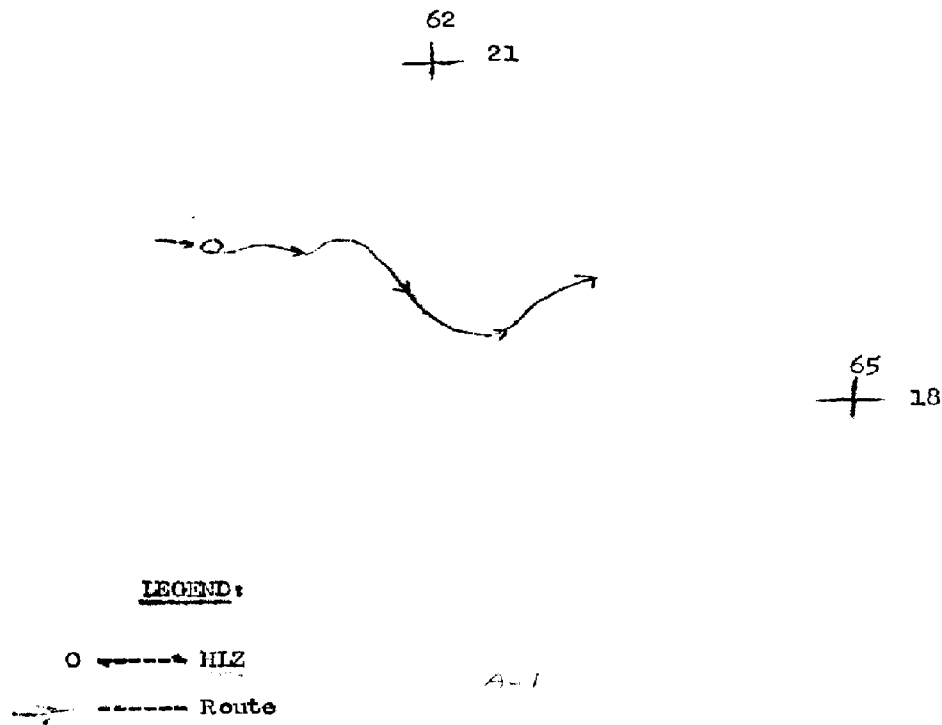
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Call Sign: LINEDRIVE and HOMERUN



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Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay) to Patrol Route for Operation Order 73-66
in RZ 2

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Call Sign: LINEDRIVE and HOMERUN

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LEGEND:

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PATROL REPORT

REACTIONARY
 FORCE

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. Size and Composition. (1) Officer, (15) enlisted.
- b. Special Attachments. None
- c. Communications Equipment. (2) AN/PRC-25
- d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
- e. Special Equipment. None
- f. Special Weapons. (1) M-79.

2. MISSION. To provide a reactionary force for HOMERUN in RZ 2. The patrol is to link-up at the earliest date possible with HOMERUN. After link-up the reactionary force and HOMERUN will proceed to the nearest LZ for extraction.3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 031030H/041630H October 19664. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay).5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND THE TERRAIN.

- a. Synopsis. During 30 hours of patrolling there were 7 sightings and contacts. The patrol killed 6 VC, wounded 3, captured their weapons and equipment, and effected the relief of HOMERUN. No fire missions or air strikes were requested in support of this patrol. The patrol sustained no friendly casualties.

b. Enemy.


- (1) 031030H (YD 625198) the patrol was approaching the LZ when 1 VC wearing black TJs fired 1 round and left.
- (2) 031130H (YD 626197) the patrol was moving down the trail when the patrol received 1 round from 1 VC. Uniform and equipment were unobserved.
- (3) 031150H (YD 627196) the patrol was moving down a trail when the point sighted 2 VC moving down the trail toward the patrol. The point took the VC under fire killing 1 and wounding the second. They captured 1 K-50 NVA, 1 M-26 grenade, documents, and 3 magazines. The weapon was slung across the VC's back. Found 1 cartridge belt.
- (4) 031255H (YD 626194) the patrol was moving down the same trail when the point sighted 5 VC, 1 in black trousers and khaki shirt, 1 other had all khaki, the others were unknown. The point took the VC under fire killing one and wounding 1 other. The patrol captured 1 ChiCom K-50 with 2 drum magazines, 1 ChiCom grenade and ammunition.
- (5) 031345H (YD 626193) the patrol was moving down the same trail when the point once again sighted 3 VC moving down the trail toward the patrol. The point took the 3 VC under fire killing all 3 VC. The patrol captured 1 SKS Model 53 with 2 clips, 1 M47 with 3 magazines, 1 M1911 A1 Cal. .45 pistol, 2 cartridge belts and 4 ChiCom grenades, 1 lb TNT, 1 large pack with clothing and toilet articles, 1 entrenching tool. Two of the VC were wearing black and green uniforms. The VC appeared to be an Officer.

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- (6) 031545H (YD 627189) the patrol was moving down the same trail when the point sighted 1 VC setting on a rock on the trail. The point fired and killed the VC. He was wearing black PJ's and had a US Carbine with 3 magazines and 2 ChiCom grenades.
- (7) 031600H (YD 627189) the patrol was continuing down the trail when the point sighted 1 VC moving down the trail. The point again fired and ~~ser~~vily wounding the VC. The point followed the blood trail and captured 1 SKS Model 53. The blood trail was lost in the jungle.
- c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of a canopy of 20 feet high with a dense underbrush. The patrol could move approximately 300 meters per hour on the trail and approximately 100 meters per hour in the underbrush. Water was plentiful in the low ground.
- d. Other Information.
- (1) Map Corrections. Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay).
 - (2) List of Captured Gear. Annex C (List of Captured Gear).
6. RESULTS OF ENGOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. 6 VC KIA (conf), 3 VC WIA (conf), and no friendly casualties.
7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical condition, tired; Morale, outstanding.
8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. None


 R. A. BEELEY
 First Lieutenant, U. S. Marine Corps
 Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY DEBRIEFER: None

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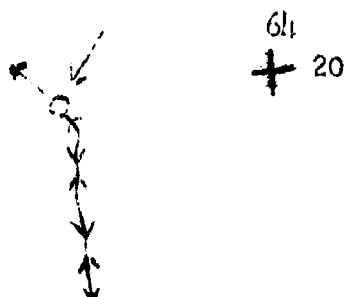
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Annex C (Map Corrections Overlay) to Patrol Route for Operation Order 78-66
in RZ 2

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Annex C (List of Captured Gear)

- 1 - US Carbine with 3 clips of ammunition
- 1 - M1911 A1 US Cal..45 pistol with 2 magazines
- 2 - SKS - Model 53 ChiCom Rifles
- 1 - AK-47 with 3 magazines
- 1 - K-50 ChiCom with 2 drum magazines
- 9 - ChiCom grenades
- 1 - M-26 gas mask
- 1 - Entrenching tool
- 1 - holster to a Cal..45 pistol
- 1/2 - pound of TNT
- 1 - Ammo pouch
- Approximately 300 rounds of assorted ammunition (7.62mm, 9mm, 45 Cal)
- Assorted Documents (1 map, 1 notebook, ID cards)
- Assorted Clothing and toilet articles
- 1 - K-50 Modified NVA with 2 magazines

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 Patrol: 2nd Squad, 3rd Platoon, Co "B"
 Debriefer: SSgt J. D. CMANDSTN
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PATROL REPORT1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. Size and Composition. (7) Enlisted
- b. Special Attachments. None
- c. Communications Equipment. (1) AN/FRC-65
- d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
- e. Special Equipment. None
- f. Special Weapons. (2) 1 lb. blocks TNT, (1) Claymore mine.

2. MISSION. To conduct reconnaissance operations within the assigned area and as indicated on the Operations Overlay. A maximum effort will be devoted to capturing at least one prisoner.3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 040930H/071530H October 19664. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay).5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND TERRAIN.

- a. Synopsis. During 78 hours of patrolling and observation the patrol made 4 sightings and 1 contact, resulting in 17 VC casualties and no friendly casualties. (4) fire missions were called in support of the patrol. No air strikes were called in support of the patrol. The patrol captured 1 K-50 with 1 magazine and 1 9mm pistol with 1 magazine.

b. Enemy.

- (1) 051430H (YD 733127) the patrol was sitting in an OP observing the valley when the patrol sighted 5 VC on a trail located at YD 730149 moving North East. The patrol then called in a fire mission. 2 guns fired 21 rounds, shell mixed killing the 5 VC (conf). All the VC were carrying packs and weapons.
- (2) 051645H (YD 726124) the patrol was sitting in an OP observing the valley when the patrol sighted 2 VC at YD 717144, moving North East on a trail. The patrol then called in a fire mission. 2 guns fired 18 rounds, shell mixed, killing the 2 VC (prob), excellent coverage of the target. All VC were carrying packs and weapons.
- (3) 060945H (YD 726124) the patrol was sitting in an OP observing the valley when the patrol sighted 3 VC at YD 735142, moving South East on a trail. The patrol then called in a fire mission. 2 guns fired 21 rounds WP, killing 2 VC (prob) and wounding 1 (conf). All VC were carrying packs and weapons.
- (4) 071030H (YD 725135) the patrol was traveling down the hill to the valley when the patrol sighted 5 VC at YD 732142, moving North East on the trail. The patrol called in a fire mission. 2 guns fired 11 rounds shell mixed, killing 2 VC (prob) and wounding 3 (prob). All the VC were carrying packs and weapons.

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- (5) 071330H (YD 727139) the patrol set in a ambush East of where they called in the 4 fire missions on the same trail. They set up 2 one pound blocks of TNT in an attempt to capture a VC. The patrol leader was running the wire back to his position when he heard some on the trail behind him. He turned and saw the two VC and fired, killing the 2 VC (conf) and capturing (1) K-50 with 1 magazine, 2 ChiCom grenades, 1 9mm pistol (Canadian origin) with 1 magazine.

c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of 8 to 12 foot canopy on the high ground and 12 to 16 feet high in the low ground. The underbrush was sparse and the patrol could travel 700 meters per hour. Water was plentiful in the low ground.

d. Other Information.

- (1) The patrol called in 4 fire mission using 2 guns from the ARVN Artillery. Their were a total of 71 rounds fired with excellent coverage of the targets.

(2) Map Corrections. Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay)

- 1 trail located at YD 732154 running South West to YD 715145.
- 1 trail located at YD 718145 running South East to YD 723139.
- 1 trail located at YD 717141 running South East to YD 721135.
- 1 trail located at YD 726136 running South West to YD 718131.

(3) Captured Gear. Annex C (List of Captured Gear).

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. 7 VC KIA (conf), 6 VC KIA (prob), 1 VC WIA (conf), and 3 VC WIA (prob).
7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical Condition, good; Morale, good.
8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. It should be noted that the above trail is being used as a supply route by the VC.

R. B. FAHEY
Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps
Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY DEBRIEFER: None

COMMUNICATIONS DEBRIEF:

Operator: Cpl MAERGA

This patrol was inserted into RZ 3 in the area of coordinates YD 695057 on 04 October 1966. During the entire 4 days that this patrol was out they never lost communications with MAVO RELAY. They covered about 2000 meters during the patrol and it was all on the high ground. Therefore being on the high ground most all the time they had loud and clear radio communications at all times. The operator stated that he never once put up his 10 foot whip antenna, he operated with his three foot tape antenna during the entire patrol. There was one place on the third day the patrol went into a valley in the area of YD 687063 and at this point they requested an A-1 to relay between them and MAVO RELAY. When they came out of the valley, they again had loud and clear communications with MAVO RELAY.

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SSGT USMC
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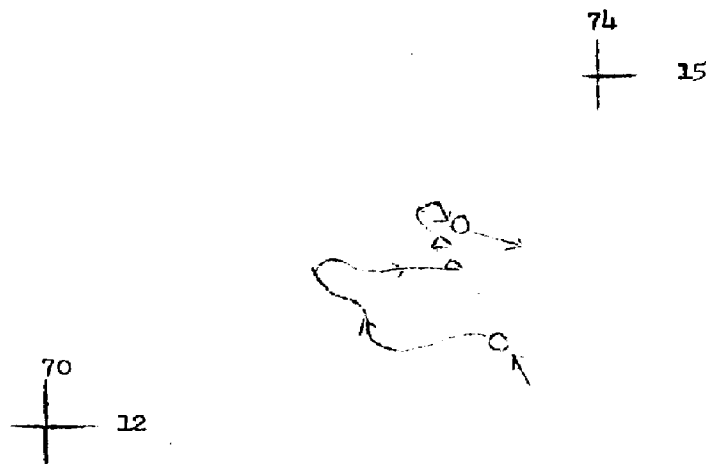
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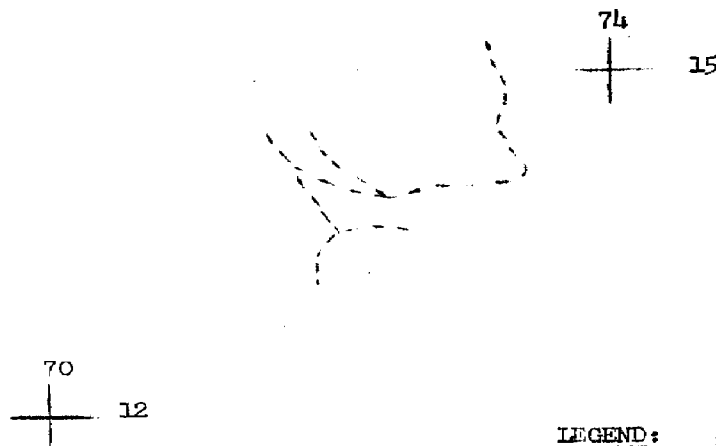
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List of Captured Gear from NASHUA - Annex C (List of Captured Gear)

- 1 - K-50
- 1 - Magazine to a K-50
- 1 - 9mm Pistol (Canadian Origin)
- 1 - Magazine to a 9mm Pistol
- 2 - ChiCom grenades

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 Patrol: 1st Squad, 3rd Platoon, Co "B"
 Debreifer: SSgt J. D. OMMONDSOON
 Ref: Map Sheet Number 6559 IV

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PATROL REPORT1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. Size and Composition. (1) Officer, (7) enlisted, (1) USN.
- b. Special Attachments. None
- c. Communications Equipment. (1) AN/PRC-25
- d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
- e. Special Equipment. None
- f. Special Weapons. (3) Claymore mines, 20 lbs of C-4 Composition B

2. MISSION. Conduct reconnaissance operations within the assigned area as indicated on Annex A of Operations Overlay. A maximum effort will be devoted to capturing at least one prisoner and ambushes of opportunity will be established.3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 041000H/081530H October 19664. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay)5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY.

- a. Synopsis. During 10 1/2 hours of patrolling and observation the patrol made 5 sightings and had no contacts. The patrol called in four fire missions. No air strikes were called in support of this patrol. As a result of artillery support 15 VC KIA were confirmed by the patrol. 3 trails were located by the patrol.

b. Enemy.

- (1) 041430H (YD 681156) the patrol sighted 2 VC at YD 614166 moving West along a trail. Both carried weapons, type unknown. The patrol called in 1 artillery mission which was canceled before the 1st round was fired due to VC entering the canopy.
- (2) 041645H (YD 681156) the patrol sighted 8 VC at YD 674166 moving East along a trail. Three were carrying weapons, type unknown, five others were carrying large packs. The patrol called in one fire mission. 26 rounds were delivered which resulted in 3 VC KIA (conf).
- (3) 061245H (YD 685156) the patrol sighted 7 VC at YD 689166 moving West on a trail. Three VC were carrying weapons the 4 others VC were carrying large packs. The patrol called in a fire mission delivering 15 rounds with good coverage of the target. The patrol could not observe the results.
- (4) 061330H (YD 685156) the patrol sighted 15 to 20 VC at YD 684168 moving North on a trail. Six were carrying weapons of undetermined type, the remainder of the VC were carrying heavy packs. The patrol called in artillery fire with excellent coverage of the target. 43 rounds were fired resulting in 8 VC KIA (confirmed).

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- (5) 071330H (YD 685156) the patrol sighted 8 VC at YD 684166 moving East on a trail. Four of the VC were carrying weapons, type was undetermined. The remainder 4 VC were carrying heavy packs. The patrol called in a fire mission. 33 rounds were delivered with excellent coverage of the target, which resulted in 4 VC KIA (confirmed).

c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of no canopy along the traveled patrol route. The brush was 4 to 10 feet high and moderately thick along the ridge line. Travel was unhindered and the patrol could cover approximately 400 meters per hour. It was noted by the patrol that water was plentiful in the low ground.

d. Other Information.

- (1) Artillery support for this patrol came from the AR N's. They fired 2 guns 105 How. for each fire mission and expended 114 rounds of HE with good coverage of the targets. All the VC casualties were a result of the artillery. It was noted that all through the artillery was on target, it took a long time for the rounds to be delivered.

(2) Map Corrections. Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay)

1 new trail located at YD 675156 running East to YD 700162, trail was not well used.
 1 new trail located at YD 672166 running East to YD 700168, well used and approximately 18 inches wide.
 1 new trail located at YD 693164 running South East to YD 700155, well used and approximately 18 inches wide.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. None

7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical condition, good; Morale, good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. It was noted that the VC were well dispersed approximately 30 to 50 meters between men, making it difficult to be hit by artillery. It was further noted that the VC supply column appeared at 1330 daily. It was noted that because the VC are spread out so far between individuals, it would be very easy to make a snatch.

A. R. PFELTZ III
 Second Lieutenant, U. S. Marine Corps
 Patrol Leader

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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY DEBRIEFER: None

COMMUNICATIONS DEBRIEF:

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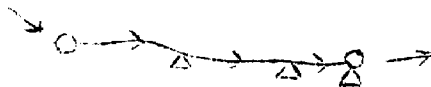
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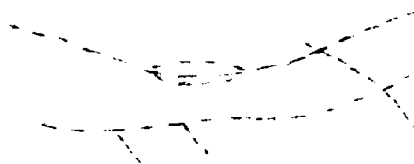
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Operation Order 75-66
 Patrol: 2nd Squad, 2nd Platoon, Co "B"
 Debreifer: SSgt J. D. OMMONDSON
 Ref: Map Sheet Number 6560 III and 6559 IV

PATROL REPORT1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. Size and Composition. (1) Officer, (6) enlisted, (1) USN.
- b. Special Attachments. (1) Team of Snipers
- c. Communications Equipment. (2) AN/PRC-25's
- d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
- e. Special Equipment. None
- f. Special Weapons. (3) Claymore mines.

2. MISSION. To conduct reconnaissance operations within the assigned route. Ambushes of opportunity will be established and a maximum effort will be devoted to capturing at least one prisoner.3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 061500H/101000H October 19664. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay)5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND THE TERRAIN.

- a. Synopsis. During 91 hours of patrolling and observation there were negative sightings and/or contacts. No fire missions or air strikes were called in support of this patrol. However 3 rounds of illumination were used as H & I.
- b. Enemy. No enemy contacts or sightings were made by this patrol
- c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of 12 to 15 feet canopy in the low ground with thick underbrush. The patrol could move approximately 150 meters per hour in the low ground. Water was also plentiful in the low ground. The high ground consisted of moderately thick with no canopy. The patrol could move approximately 800 meters per hour.
- d. Other Information.
 - (1) It was noted by the patrol that some activity out side of the patrol area to the North East and East. Approximately 70 rounds were heard in that vicinity.

(2) Map Corrections. None

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. None7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical Condition, good; Morale, outstanding.8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. None

J. M. FISHER
 Second Lieutenant, U. S. Marine Corps
 Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEBREIFER: None

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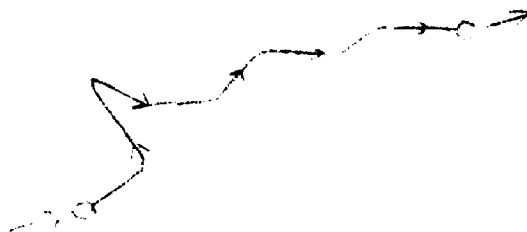
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 Patrol: 1st Squad, 2nd Platoon, Co "B"
 Debreifer: SSgt J. D. OMMONDSON
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.
 - a. Size and Composition. (7) enlisted
 - b. Special Attachments. None
 - c. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
 - d. Communications Equipment. (2) AN/PRC-25's
 - e. Special Equipment. None
 - f. Special Weapons. None
2. MISSION. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance generally along the assigned route to determine VC activity. Carefully checking any trails encountered as to recent use and condition.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 071030H/111500H October 1966
4. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay)
5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND THE TERRAIN.
 - a. Synopsis. During 100 1/2 hours of patrolling and observation the patrol had negative sightings and/or contacts. No artillery missions or air strikes were called in support of this patrol. No friendly casualties or enemy casualties were sustained. The patrol did find one new HLZ large enough for two (2) H-34 helicopter
 - b. Enemy. There were no enemy contacts and/or sightings made by this patrol.
 - c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of a canopy 50 to 60 feet high along the patrol route. The underbrush was dense consisting of vines, bushes, and bamboo. The patrol could travel 100 meters per hour. Water was plentiful in the low ground.
 - d. Other Information.
 - (1) The patrol located 1 HLZ at YD 809049 large enough for two (2) H-34 helicopters.
 - (2) Map Corrections. None
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. None
7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical condition, good; Morale, fair.
8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. None


 W. A. BACH
 Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps
 Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEBREIFER: None

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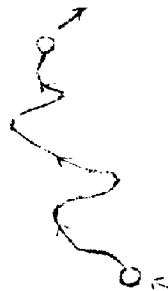
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Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay) to Patrol Route for Operation 76-66 in
RZ 4

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.
 - a. Size and Composition. (6) enlisted
 - b. Special Attachments. None
 - c. Communications Equipment. (1) AN/PRC-25, (1) AN/ PRC-10
 - d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
 - e. Special Equipment. None
 - f. Special Weapons. (2) Claymore mines, (1) M-79
2. MISSION. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance generally along the assigned route to determine VC activity. Carefully checking any trails encountered as to recent use and condition.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 101030H/141510H October 1966
4. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay)
5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND THE TERRAIN.
 - a. Synopsis. During 101 hours of patrolling and observation the patrol made 1 sighting and no contacts. Two (2) fire missions were called in support of the patrol and (1) air strike, a HUEY made two (2) passes over the area. No damage assessment was made. There were no friendly casualties and no enemy casualties observed.
 - b. Enemy.
 - (1) 120950H (YD 652202) the patrol sighted 1 VC at YD 646205. He was laying in a hole firing at a gun ship. The weapon he was using was a SKS Model 53. When the gun ship made a second pass, a automatic weapon was heard. It sounded like they were shooting at the HUEY. The gun ship made a pass on the hill and returned to base for resupply of fuel. Meanwhile the patrol called in artillery until the gun ship returned and made another pass on the hill. No fire was directed at the air craft at this time. Undetermined results of support.
 - c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of thick underbrush, and brushes with vines. No canopy along the patrol route. The patrol could travel about 150 meters per hour. Water could not be found in the patrol area, the streams are full only when raining.
 - d. Other Information.
 - (1) 111150H (YD 650187) the patrol came upon a VCS wearing black PJ's, all that could be observed was his legs. The VCS was running down the stream bed and disappeared.
 - (2) 120830H (YD 651198) the patrol heard approximatel 50 people at YD 645196. Other noises heard were possibly a rifle stock and construction of building.

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- (3) Two (2) fire missions were called in support of this patrol from PK 17. A total of 22 rounds HE and 3 WP rounds 105 were fired on suspected ~~enemy~~ positions. No damage assessment could be made. Their was good coverage of the targets.
- (4) The patrol requested air support and a gun ship arrived and made the first pass over the target and was fired upon. He made a second pass and no fire was returned. Their was good coverage on the target for both passes.
- (5) Map Corrections. Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay)
 - (a) One new well used trail located at YD 652181 running North to YD 657195. The trail was approximately 30 inches wide.
 - (b) The second trail was located at YD 643203 running North East to YD 654224, this trail is approximately 5 feet wide.
 - (c) The third trail was located at YD 643218 which runs South East to YD 645209. This trail is approximately 30 inches wide, well used within the last week.
 - (d) The fourth trail was located at YD 659215 which runs West to YD 653215. This trail is approximately 30 inches wide, well used within the last week.
- 6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. Their was no damage assessment made of the fire missions.
- 7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical condition, tired; Morale, good.
- 8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. None

M. A. MEYER
Staff Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps
Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DESREIFER: None

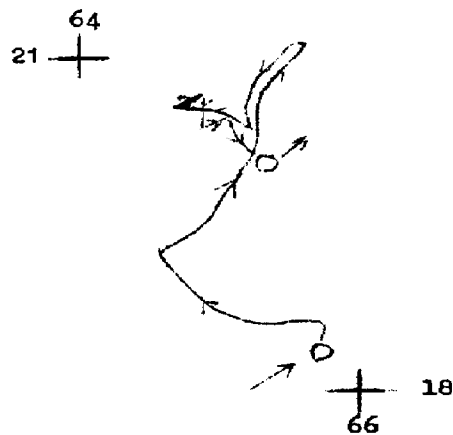
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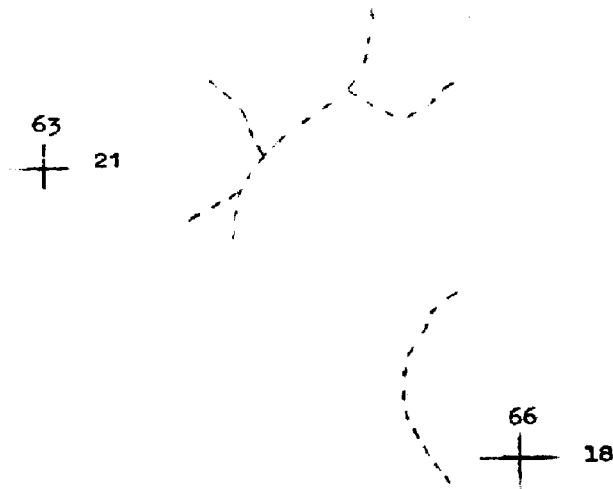
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 Debreifer: SSgt J. D. OMMONDSON
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PATROL REPORT1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. Size and Composition. (7) enlisted, (1) USN.
- b. Special Attachments. None
- c. Communications Equipment. (1) AN/PRC-25, (1) AN/PRC-10
- d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
- e. Special Equipment. None
- f. Special Weapons. (1) Claymore mine, (1) M-79

2. MISSION. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance generally along the assigned route to determine VC activity. Carefully checking any trails encountered as to recent use and condition.3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 100950H/141500H October 19664. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay)5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND THE TERRAIN.

- a. Synopsis. 101 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol found (1) harbor site large enough to accommodate (4) people, (1) small campsite, (1) trail not shown on the map and (2) HLZ's, large enough to accommodate 1-2 H-34 helo's.
- b. Enemy. No enemy contacts or sightings were made by this patrol.
- c. Terrain. Consisted of brush approximately 6 feet high on the hills and tall elephant grass in the valley. The patrol route was unobstructed as far as movement. 500 meters per hour could be traveled by the patrol. Water was plentiful in the low ground.
- d. Other Information.
 - (1) 1 harbor site was found by the patrol at YD 663167. Just off the trail next to a stream had a camp fire and positions for (4) men to sleep.
 - (2) Map Corrections.
 - 1 new trail located at YD 664166 running North west to YD 658175, approximately 2 feet wide.
 - Two (2) new HLZ were located by the patrol at YD 664175, big enough for 2 H-34's, and one at YD 668162 big enough for 1 H-34.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. None7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical condition, good; Morale, good.8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. None

J. H. YATES
 Corporal, U. S. Marine Corps
 Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEBREIFER: None

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Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay) to Patrol Route for Operation Order 78-66
in RZ 3

Ref: Map sheet numbers 6460 I and 6560 III

Call Sign: YANKEE CLIPPER

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LEGEND:

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Co "B", 3rd ReconBn
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Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay) to Patrol Report to Operation Order 78-66
in RZ 3

Ref: Map sheet number 6460 I and 6560 III

Call Sign: YANKEE CLIPPER

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LEGEND:

C - - - - - HLZ
- - - - - Trail not shown on the map
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Operation Order 79-66
 Patrol: 1st Squad, 3rd Platoon, Co "B"
 Debreifer: SSgt J. D. COMMONDSON
 Ref: Map sheet number 6559 IV

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 PHU BAI, RVN
 161600H October 1966

PATROL REPORT1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. Size and Composition. (1) Officer, (5) enlisted
- b. Special Attachments. None
- c. Communications Equipment. (1) AN/PRC-25
- d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
- e. Special Equipment. None
- f. Special Weapons. None

2. MISSION. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned areas to determine VC activity.3. TIME OF DEAPRTURE/RETURN. 121200H/161300H October 19664. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay)5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND THE TERRAIN.

- a. Synopsis. 97 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol found (3) trails not shown on the map and signs of recent digging. No additional observations of significance were made.

b. Enemy. None

- c. Terrain. This area is characterized by sparse brush, rolling hills and a canopy varying in height from 60 to 100 feet.

d. Other Information.

- (1) 121200H (YD 857027) patrol found trail this vicinity not shown on map. Trail runs in a Southwesterly direction and is approximately 2 feet wide. Patrol followed trail to (YD 854026) with negative results.
- (2) 141000H (YD 846021) patrol crossed trail not shown on map running East and West. Trail is approximately (1) meter wide.
- (3) 151400H (YD 850017) patrol crossed trail not shown on map running North and South. Trail is approximately (1) meter wide. Patrol checked immediate area and found signs of digging which appeared to be approximately (2) weeks old.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. None7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical condition, good, Morale, good.**DECLASSIFIED**

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8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. Area covered by the patrol reveals no indications of large enemy force, previously reported to be operating in this vicinity.

A. R. PFELTZ
2ndLt USMC
Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEBREIFER: From information received from patrol it appears likely that a company size force had utilized this area.

D. R. PHELPS
2ndLt USMC
Debreifer:

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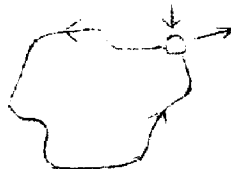
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Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay) to Operation Order 79-66 in RZ 4

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Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay) to Patrol Route for Operation Order 79-66
in RZ 4

Ref: Map Sheet number 6559 IV

Call Sign: KELSO

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 Debreifer: SSgt J. D. OMMONDSON
 Ref: Map sheet number 6559 I

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 PHU BAI, RVN
 161500H October 1966

PATROL REPORT1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. Size and Composition. (6) enlisted, (1) USN
- b. Special Attachments. None
- c. Communications Equipment. (1) AN/PRC-25
- d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50
- e. Special Equipment. None
- f. Special Weapons. (1) M-79

2. MISSION. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in the assigned areas to determine VC activity.3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 121230H/161300H October 19664. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay)5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND THE TERRAIN.

- a. Synopsis. During 95 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours of patrolling and observation the patrol made 4 VC sightings and possible a fifth. One (1) fire mission and one (1) air strike was called in support of the patrol. Four (4) trails were located by the patrol. Eight (8) VC KIA (conf) as a result of the air support. From KLONDIKE 4-1 who always appears on the scene when he is needed by Recon.

b. Enemy.

- (1) 130930H (YC 962998) the patrol sighted six (6) VC walking North East on a trail heading toward the river. The patrol took the VC under small arms fire and the VC returned a few rounds and broke contact by moving West up a stream bed. The patrol inflicted 1 VC casualty.
- (2) 130930H (YC 962998) the patrol sighted five (5) VC at YD 961003 moving East along a trail and disappeared into the river.
- (3) 131100H (YC 962998) the patrol sighted 5 VC moving West along a trail, they were carrying packs and rifles, each was covered with a heavy camouflage. The VC went down in the river at approximately the same position as the last sighting.
- (4) 131450H (YC 962998) the patrol sighted 8 VC at YC 958998 moving West along the trail covered with natural camouflage and carrying packs and rifles. Called in artillery on the VC position. While waiting for the mission to be cleared, a gun ship flew over and made two passes on the VC position, fired guns and rockets. The pilot reported eight (8) VC KIA (conf). By this time artillery was cleared and the patrol fired six (6) rounds HE and 2 WP rounds. Good coverage of the target. The gun ship reported receiving fire from the VC on the first pass.

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- c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of open rolling hills with 5 to 6 feet brush throughout and 8 to 10 feet along the streams and river. Movement is unlimited in this area.
- d. Other Information.
- (1) 131310H (YD 977004) the patrol sighted 50 VC at YD 983013 moving along a well used trail and at 131500H at YD 977004 the patrol again sighted 50 VC at YD 973016 moving in a Westerly direction carrying piles of wood. A gun ship said the VC were wood cutters and weapons could not be observed.
 - (2) Map Corrections. Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay)
 - 1 trail located at YC 947997 running East to YD 976005.
 - 1 trail located at YD 967008 running South to YD 968000.
 - 1 trail located at YD 968000 running East to YD 980000.
 - 1 trail located at YD 975004 running South to YC 978997.
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. (8) VC KIA (conf) by air support, (1) VC WIA (conf) as a result of the patrols small arms fire.
7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical condition, fair; Morale, fair.
8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. It appeared to the patrol members that the VC use the valley area at will by using natural camouflage to conceal ~~their~~ movement when AO's or gunships fly over. The VC stop and appear to be a bush or brush. Only troops on the low ground can spot ~~their~~ movement. It is recommended that the Army and Air Force AO's be briefed as to location of friendly patrol in the area.

R. B. FAHEY
Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps
Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEBRIEFER: None

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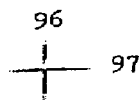
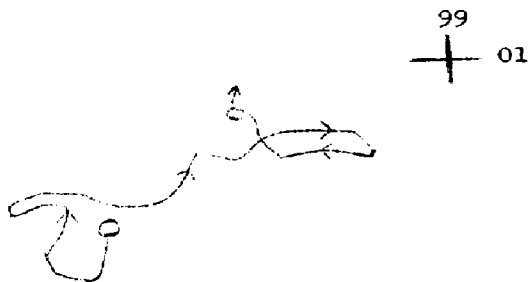
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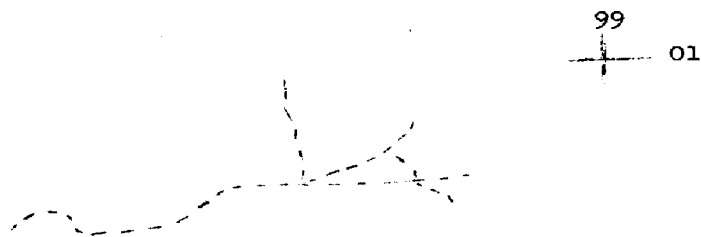
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Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay) to Patrol Report for Operation Order 79-66
in RZ 4

Ref: Map sheet number 6559 I

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 Debreifer: SSgt. J. D. OMMONDSON
 Map Sheet: 6560III

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 PHU BAI, RVN
 181600H October 1966

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
 - a. COMPOSITION: (1) Officer, (8) enlisted
 - b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
 - c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25's
 - d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50
 - e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
 - f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79
2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in the assigned area to determine VC activity. A maximum effort will be made to obtain a prisoner.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 141500H/181100H October 1966
4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNOPSIS: During 92 hours of patrolling and observation there were negative sightings or contacts. No fire missions or air strikes were requested in support of the patrol. One (1) OP and two (2) well used trails was located by the patrol.
 - b. ENEMY: None
 - c. TERRAIN: Hills were steep and covered with brush from 2 to 6 feet high with no canopy along the patrol route. The underbrush was thick consisting of interwoven vines, bamboo and grass in the valley and draws. Water was plentiful in the low ground.
 - d. OTHER INFORMATION:
 - (1) The patrol located a OP at YD 673158 with 180° surveillance of the valley to the North. No movement was observed in the valley.
 - (2) A trail approximately (1) one meter wide well used recently. It started at YD 668160 running East to YD 676156.
 - (3) A second trail approximately (1) one meter wide well used recently. It started at YD 676162 running Northeast to YD 685167
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
 - a. ENEMY: None
 - b. FRIENDLY: None
 - c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: None
7. CONDITION OF PATROL: good, Morale, good.

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Operation Order: 81-66
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 Debreifer: SSgt. J. D. OMMONDSOON
 Map Sheet: 6560III

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
 - a. COMPOSITION: (1) Officer, (8) enlisted
 - b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
 - c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25's
 - d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50
 - e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
 - f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79
2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in the assigned area to determine VC activity. A maximum effort will be made to obtain a prisoner.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 141500H/181100H October 1966
4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNOPSIS: During 92 hours of patrolling and observation there were negative sightings or contacts. No fire missions or air strikes were requested in support of the patrol. One (1) OP and two (2) well used trails was located by the patrol.
 - b. ENEMY: None
 - c. TERRAIN: Hills were steep and covered with brush from 2 to 6 feet high with no canopy along the patrol route. The underbrush was thick consisting of interwoven vines, bamboo and grass in the valley and draws. Water was plentiful in the low ground.
 - d. OTHER INFORMATION:
 - (1) The patrol located a OP at YD 673158 with 180° surveillance of the valley to the North. No movement was observed in the valley.
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 - (3) A second trail approximately (1) one meter wide well used recently. It started at YD 676162 running Northeast to YD 685167
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
 - a. ENEMY: None
 - b. FRIENDLY: None
 - c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: None
7. CONDITION OF PATROL: good, Morale, good.

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8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Recommend that M-49 scopes should be made available to patrols for observation.

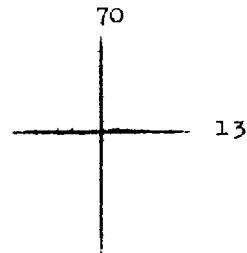
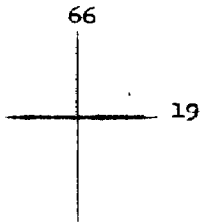
Conclusions: During the entire time of the patrol small arms fire was heard in the vicinity of AP LONG HO THUONG Valley. It is concluded that the VC are active farther out of the RZ. No enemy sightings were made during the two days spent on a excellent OP.

J. M. FISHER
2ndLt Co "B"

9. DEBREIFER COMMENTS: If the VC are using the trails in the area it appears it is at the hours of darkness.

J. D. OMMONDSON
SSgt Co "B"

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O ----- HLZ	Map Series:
----- Route	VIETNAM L701:
----- Trails	Sheet No 6560 III
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 181600H October 1966

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (1) Officer, (8) enlisted
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25's
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

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2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in the assigned area to determine VC activity. A maximum effort will be made to obtain a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 141500H/181100H October 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

- a. SYNOPSIS: During 92 hours of patrolling and observation there were negative sightings or contacts. No fire missions or air strikes were requested in support of the patrol. One (1) OP and two (2) well used trails was located by the patrol.
- b. ENEMY: None
- c. TERRAIN: Hills were steep and covered with brush from 2 to 6 feet high with no canopy along the patrol route. The underbrush was thick consisting of interwoven vines, bamboo and grass in the valley and draws. Water was plentiful in the low ground.
- d. OTHER INFORMATION:
 - (1) The patrol located a OP at YD 673158 with 180° surveillance of the valley to the North. No movement was observed in the valley.
 - (2) A trail approximately (1) one meter wide well used recently. It started at YD 668160 running East to YD 676156.
 - (3) A second trail approximately (1) one meter wide well used recently. It started at YD 676162 running Northeast to YD 685167

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

- a. ENEMY: None
- b. FRIENDLY: None
- c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: good, Morale, good.

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8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Recommend that M-49 scopes should be made available to patrols for observation.

Conclusions: During the entire time of the patrol small arms fire was heard in the vicinity of AP LONG HO THUONG Valley. It is concluded that the VC are active farther out of the RZ. No enemy sightings were made during the two days spent on a excellent OP.

J. M. FUSEER
2ndLt Co "B"

9. DEBREIFFER COMMENTS: If the VC are using the trails in the area it appears it is at the hours of darkness.

J. D. OMMONDS
SSgt Co "B"

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LEGEND	MAP SHEET
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----- Route	VIETNAM L701:
----- Trails	Sheet No 6560 III
	and 6460 II
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Operation Order: 84-66
 Patrol: 1st Sqd, 1st Plt, "B" Co.
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 231530H Oct 1966

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (7) Enl
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance to determine the extent of VC activity in assigned area. Locate VC campsites, storage areas engage enemy forces by S/A fire or supporting arms as appropriate and capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 181530H/231430H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 119 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol called one artillery mission of (4) rds, found one hut which contained documents, harbor sites, observed smoke source of which could not be determined, and observed friendly aircraft fire on friendly patrol.

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation, interwoven vines, and a canopy averaging 50 feet in height.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 181630H (YD662121) Patrol found several small animal snares this vicinity. Patrol checked area with negative results.

(2) 191030H (YD662139) Patrol found possible enemy harbor site large enough to accommodate (6) people. Patrol checked area with negative results.

(3) 191105H (YD664145) Patrol found one hut this vicinity approximately 10' x 15' in size which was in good condition. During check of hut patrol found documents. Documents forwarded to G-2 1530H 23 Oct 1966.

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(4) 201215H (YD664143) Patrol found several small harbor sites each large enough to accommodate (5) people. Patrol checked area with negative results.

(5) 201400H (YD664145) Patrol called one artillery mission of (4) rds W.P. on hut these coordinates with negative results.

(6) 211100H (YD664146) Patrol found (5) old fallen down huts and (2) old fighting holes this vicinity. No signs of recent use were noted.

(7) 211500H (YD669159) Patrol while occupying OP site this vicinity observed Air Force O.E. pass over their position and fire one rocket at friendly reconnaissance patrol operating vicinity of (YD673-158).

(8) 221600H (YD676156) Patrol observed smoke emitting from this vicinity source of which could not be determined.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Fair, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: None

Conclusions: Area covered by patrol reveals no signs of recent activity.

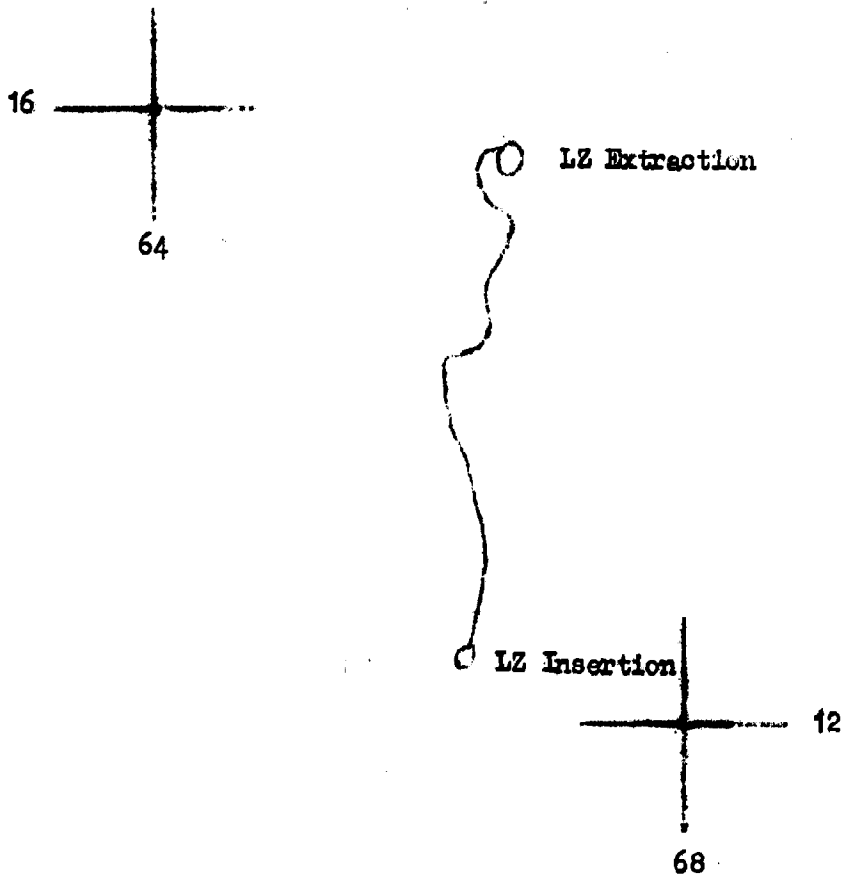
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2dLt. "B" Co.

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: None

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
<p>○ LZ - LANDING ZONE</p> <p>— - ROUTE TRAVELED</p>	<p>1st Sqd, 1st Plt, "B" Co.</p> <p>MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000</p> <p>SERIES: L-701</p> <p>SHEET: 6460 II-6560 III</p> <p>3d Recon Bn</p> <p>(S-2)</p>

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 Patrol: 2d Sqd, 1st Bn, "B" Co.
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (6) ARVN, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) Claymore mine
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance to determine the extent of VC activity in assigned area. Locate VC campsites, storage areas, engage enemy forces with S/A fire or supporting arms as appropriate and capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 181000H/231400H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: During 124 hours of patrolling and observation there were negative sightings or contacts. No fire missions or air strikes were called in support of the patrol. The patrol found (7) M-79 rds and (80) rds of .30 cal ammo along the patrol route, and received one rocket from Air Force A.O. No casualties were sustained.

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation, interwoven vines, and elephant grass approximately 12 ft in height.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 191400H (YD692158) Patrol in process of establishing night defensive position found (7) rds M-79 ammo and (80) rds .30 caliber carbine ammo buried approximately three meters from trail.

(2) 211500H (YD673158) Patrol while in OP site received one rocket into their position fired by Air Force A.O. No casualties were sustained. A.O. circled patrol position one time and then flew away.

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6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: (7) M-79 rds, (80) .30 cal carbine rds

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Showed signs of immersion foot, Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Patrols be given the radio frequency of Army and Air Force A.O.'s.

Conclusions: None

J.H. YATES
CPL "B" Co.

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Concur with the patrol leader's recommendations.

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LEGEND	PATROL REPORT OVERLAY
O LZ = LANDING ZONE	2d Sqd, 1st Plt, "B" Co.
— = ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
	SERIES: L-701
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Operation Order 85-66
 Patrol: 1st Sqd, 3d Plt, "B" Co.
 Debriefed: 2d Lt D.R. PHELPS
 Map Sheets: 6559 IV-6560 II

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (4) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (1) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: None
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) Claymore mines
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: None

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within assigned area to determine the extent of enemy activity. Engage the enemy with SAF or supporting arms as appropriate, capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 211000H/251615H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 102 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (1) enemy sighting of (3) VC and the capture of (4) VCS. Patrol located (3) areas suitable for HLZs, found one trail not shown on map, experienced possible jamming of radio, found one possible enemy harbor site, and heard movement on one occasion, source of which could not be determined.

b. ENEMY:

(1) 251530H (YD717103) Patrol observed (3) VC this vicinity. Due to the vegetation their equipment or uniforms could not be observed. Patrol engaged VC with SAF results unknown. VC withdrew under fire.

(2) 251500H (YD717105) Patrol while in OP site observed (4) VCS unarmed with no equipment moving towards their position. VCS walked into patrol and were apprehended. VCS were evacuated to the PW collection point at 1615H 25 Oct 1966.

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense brush approximately 10 ft in height. There is no canopy in this area.

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1. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) (YD698098) Patrol located HLZ large enough to accommodate 2-3 H-34 helos.

(2) (YD710107) Patrol located HLZ large enough to accommodate 3 H34 helos.

(3) (YD705101) Patrol located HLZ large enough to accommodate 1 H34 helos.

(4) 211315H (YD7010) Patrol while operating in this grid square noted an excessive amount of debris left behind by a USMC unit.

(5) 241120H (YD706112) Patrol found possible enemy harbor site large enough to accommodate 5-10 people. Patrol checked area with negative results.

(6) 251000H (YD715105) Patrol found trail not shown on map running in an easterly direction. Trail is approximately one ft wide. Patrol followed trail to (YD716106) with negative results.

(7) Patrol experienced possible communication jamming throughout operation consisting of music and vietnamese voices. This happened from 1400 to 1600 hours each day.

(8) 241530H (YD7010) Patrol heard SAF directed at AO. this vicinity. No actual sighting was made.

(9) 251300H (YD716104) Patrol heard noise emitting from this vicinity source of which could not be determined.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: (4) VCS captured, no equipment.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: None

Conclusions: Area covered by patrol reveals no signs of enemy activity except as noted in paragraph 5.b.

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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: None

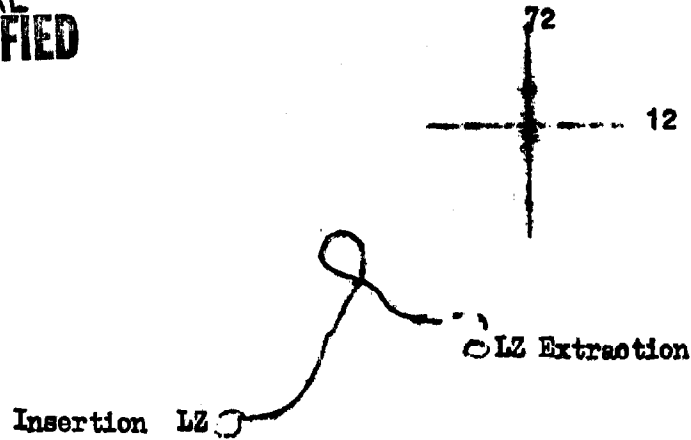
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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
O LZ - LANDING ZONE	1st Sqd, 3d Plt, "B" Co.
— - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
— - NEW TRAIL NOT SHOWN	SERIES: L-701
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (1) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: None
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79, (1) M-60

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance within assigned area to determine the extent of enemy activity. Engage the enemy with SAF or supporting arms as appropriate and capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 211030H/261000H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 119½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol heard drum beats, experienced possible communications jamming, heard movement and voices, heard SAF, found one old hut, one possible boat landing and found one trail not shown on map.

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation, interwoven vines, and a canopy of approximately 2 feet in height.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 212015H (YD824026) Patrol heard drum beats emitting from this vicinity source of which could not be determined.

(2) 221715H (YD827027) Patrol experienced possible jamming of communications for approximately one hour. It was experienced again on the 24th at approximately the same time.

(3) 241100H (YD827028) Patrol found one old hut this vicinity. Patrol checked surrounding area with negative results.

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(4) 241700H (YD825039) Patrol heard movement and voices from this vicinity by unknown number of people. This movement continued sporadically for approximately 7 hours. Patrol checked area at first light on the 25th with negative results.

(5) 251520H (YD822028) Patrol found trail not shown on map running in a southwesterly direction. Trail is approximately two feet wide and reveals signs of recent use by an undetermined number of people. Patrol followed trail to (YD821025) with negative results.

(6) Patrol heard SAF throughout operation emitting from the vicinity of (YD8702) source of which could not be determined.

(7) 251700H (YD820031) Patrol found an area which appeared to be used as a small boat landing with fresh signs revealing recent use. Patrol checked area with negative results.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROLS: Good, Morale fair

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Future patrols operating in this area consider utilizing ambushes along the Song Ta Trach river.

Conclusions: Area being used by small groups of people moving north and south.

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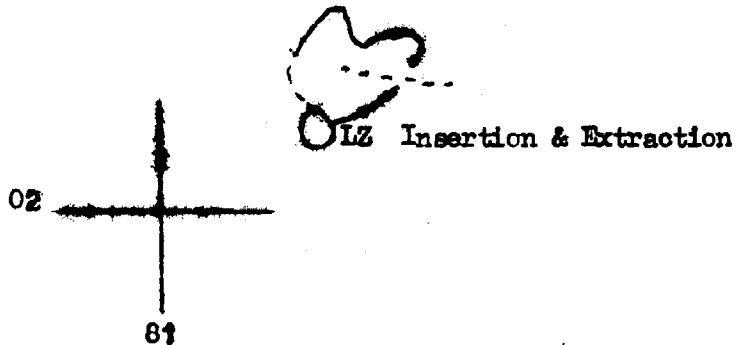
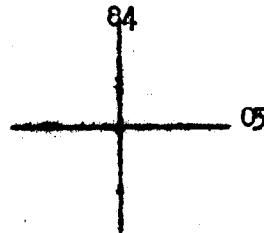
9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: One local force VC company reported operating this vicinity. Due to constant SAF heard emitting from the vicinity of (YD8702) there may possibly be a training camp located northeast of patrols operational area.

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O LZ - LANDING ZONE	2d Sqd, 3d Plt, "B" Co.
--- - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
--- - NEW TRAIL NOT SHOWN ON MAP	SERIES: L-701
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (5) Enl
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (1) AM/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 6x30
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: None

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in support of G/2/4 to determine the extent of enemy activity in assigned area. When possible engage the enemy with SAF and supporting arms. Capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 231430H/270830H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 90 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol located a hut complex with trenches, tunnels, and emplacements, found (6) small shelters, and found several trail complexes throughout area covered

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation and interwoven vines on the low ground and sparse vegetation affording easy movement on the high ground, with a canopy of approximately 40 feet in height.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 261130H (YD786049) Patrol found a hut complex consisting of (8) huts with tunnels, trenches, emplacements, and storage sites. Huts were 10'x15' and 5'x10'. This area revealed no signs of recent use. Patrol destroyed huts and bunkers.

(2) 261430H (YD788052) Patrol found approximately (6) shelters dug into the bank of stream this vicinity, each large enough to accommodate (2) people.

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(3) It was noted that this area has numerous trail complexes along ridgeline and stream beds. All of the trails appear to be used frequently. All trails are well worn and in good condition. Trails are approximately (1) meter wide and due to dense vegetation and canopy trails are not visible from the air.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Future patrols operating in this area pay special attention to stream beds since bulk of activity appears to be in these areas.

Conclusions: Area is being used by small groups.

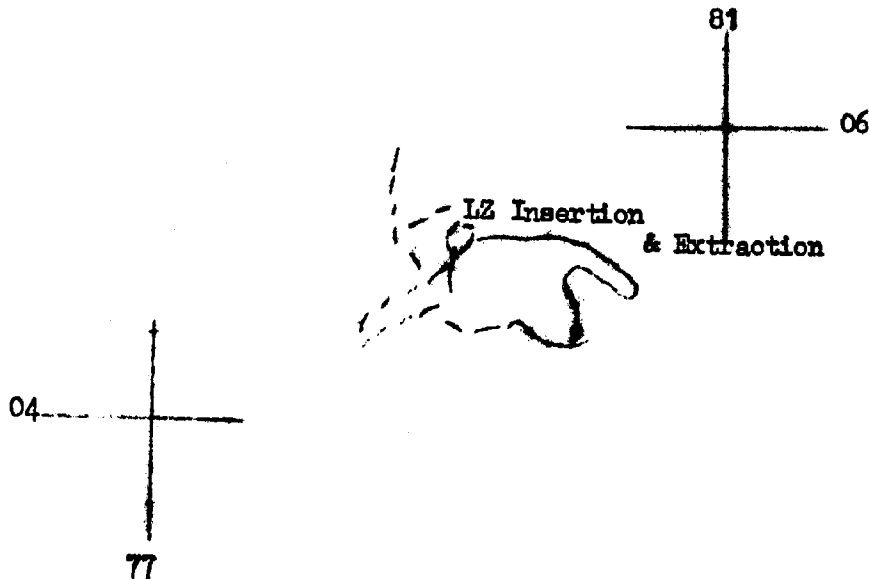
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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: From information received from this patrol it is considered unlikely a battalion size enemy unit is or has been operating in this area. All indications and signs found indicate a ~~platoon~~ ~~unit~~ ~~operating~~ ~~in~~ ~~small~~ ~~groups~~.

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
○ LZ - LANDING ZONE	1st Sqd, 2d Plt, "B" Co.
— - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
--- - NEW TRAIL NOT SHOWN ON MAP	SERIES: I-701
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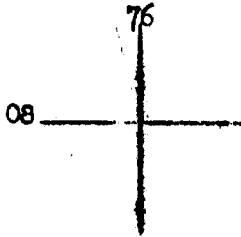
1. **SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:**
 - a. **COMPOSITION:** (1) Off, (4) Enl, (1) USN
 - b. **SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS:** None
 - c. **COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT:** (1) AN/PRC 25
 - d. **OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT:** None
 - e. **SPECIAL EQUIPMENT:** None
 - f. **SPECIAL WEAPONS:** None
2. **MISSION:** Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in support of G/2/4 to determine the extent of enemy activity in assigned area. When possible engage the enemy with SAF and supporting arms. Capture and return to US control VC/VCS.
3. **TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN:** 231430H/270830H Oct 1966
4. **ROUTE:** See patrol route overlay.
5. **OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:**
 - a. **SYNOPSIS:** 90 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. No observations of significance were noted throughout this operation. Patrol found one small trail not shown on map.
 - b. **ENEMY:** None
 - c. **TERRAIN:** This area is characterized by low thick brush, vines, and grass; 50 to 60 ft canopy was encountered. Water was plentiful on the low ground.
 - d. **OTHER INFORMATION:** (1) The patrol located one well used trail at (YD789064) running West Southwest to (YD783063). The trail was approximately a foot and a half wide.
6. **RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:** None
7. **CONDITION OF PATROL:** Good, Morale good
8. **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** None
9. **DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:** None


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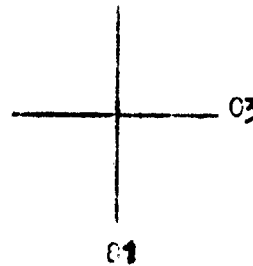
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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
O LZ - LANDING ZONE — ROUTE TRAVELED --- NEW TRAIL NOT SHOWN ON MAP	2d Sqd, 2d Plt, "B" Co. MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000 SERIES: L-701 SHEET: 6559 IV-6560 III 3d Recon Bn (S-2)

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (4) Off, (12) Enl, (2) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (4) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr 7x50
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (2) M-79, (3) Claymore mines

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance to determine the extent of enemy activity in assigned area. Locate VC campsites, storage areas, engage enemy forces by S/A fire or artillery as appropriate and capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 281330H/291815H Oct 1966.

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 31 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (7) enemy sightings totalling approximately 120 VC and (4) contacts. Patrol called (3) artillery missions expending a total of 63 rds, called gunships and fixed wing in support of contact on 29 Oct 1966, found (2) trails not shown on map, heard drum beats, and observed a possible signal fire.

b. ENEMY: (1) 281400H (YD717143) Patrol immediately prior to insertion observed (1) VC dressed in black P.J.'s observing Halo's from this vicinity.

(2) 281415H (YD718142) Patrol observed (2) VC, one dressed in khaki the other in black P.J.'s. VC rapidly moved out of area before patrol could engage them.

(3) 281500H (YD714148) Patrol while in OP position observed (16) VC this vicinity. VC were dressed in multi-colored P.J.'s and had green plastic covering their packs. VC were moving west, no weapons observed. Patrol requested artillery mission and while in the process of request observed (3) VC at (YD710147) one dressed in khaki the other two in black P.J.'s. The patrol observed the (3) VC motioning the (16) VC to move under cover. Artillery mission of (19) rds fired, results unknown. Patrol sent team to make assessment of artillery mission and during check made chance contact with (1) VC moving east on trail dressed in black P.J.'s. Team engaged VC with SAF resulting in (1) VC KIA (CONF), VC escaped. Patrol noted fresh blood in impact area but found no bodies.

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(4) 281 (YD712162) Patrol observed VC in OF this vicinity dressed in black P.J.'s and coolie hats. Artillery mission of (14) rds fired resulting in (3) VC KBGF (Conf).

(5) 291315H (YD715138) Patrol while moving northwest this vicinity received AW SAF from unknown number of VC. Patrol returned SAF resulting in (2) VC WIA (Conf) and (1) weapon captured. One VC was dressed in black shorts, no shirt the other wearing a piece of camouflaged parachute silk. Both VC escaped. As the patrol started regrouping they immediately received a heavy volume of SAF from (YD714139) by an estimated 30-35 VC. Patrol pulled back and SAF ceased. Patrol requested gunship and prior to gunship arriving on station patrol observed (1) VC dressed in piece of camouflaged parachute silk. Patrol fired SAF resulting in (1) VC WIA (Prob).

(6) 291345H (YD717142) Gunship arrived on station and expended ordnance in target area with good coverage. VC fled immediate area under fire. While Gunship was on station A.O. arrived and directed approximately (30) rds artillery on VC positions. Throughout artillery missions patrol was receiving SAF from around position and returning same. Another gunship arrived on station at approximately 1500H and it was observed by one patrol member that gunship was receiving fire from Vicinity of (YD718142). Gunship expended ordnance on target and fixed wing arrived on station at approximately 1600H expending napalm vicinity of (YD718145) and (YD719142). Patrol noted (3) secondary explosions coming from (YD719142) comparable to 60mm mortar rounds and one explosions resembling mortar increments burning. Patrol had continuous fixed wing support from 1600H to 1825H. Throughout contact it was noted by patrol that enemy force was extremely aggressive and the VC attempted to close in on patrol even while receiving air strikes and artillery. Patrol extracted at 1818H this date. Patrol estimated there to be between 75 and 100 VC in area prior to extraction.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 281330H (YD719144) Patrol inserted this vicinity on trail. This trail runs southwest for approximately 200 meters then swings northwest. Trail is approximately (1) meter wide and well used. Patrol followed trail to (YD711147) at which time trail intersects with another trail running east and west. Patrol followed the east-west trail to (YD707145). This trail is approximately (2) meters wide and also appears to be well used.

(2) 291445H (YD719144) A.O. called artillery mission at these coordinates. Patrol could not observe. Patrol noted that fire for effect was repeated into this area several times by A.O.

(3) During fixed wing support it was noted that the aircraft drew AW and SAF fire from (YD715141) from unknown number of VC.

(4) 281335H (YD7316) Patrol heard drums coming from this vicinity source of which could not be determined. Drums were heard from this same vicinity on the 29 at approximately 1100H.

(5) 290600H (YD712162) Patrol observed fire from this vicinity possibly used as a means of signalling.

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RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: (3) VC KBCF (Conf), (4) VC WLA (Conf), (15) VC KMTOWS (Prob)

b. FRIENDLY: None

c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: (1) pair shower shoes, small piece of green plastic, and (1) AK47 assault rifle. Same 10089656 rifle forwarded to G-2 29 Oct 1966

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

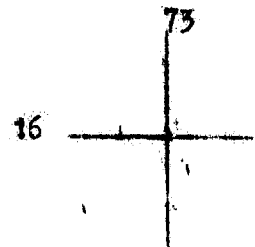
Recommendations: Area be exploited by infantry unit as soon as possible.

Conclusions: Area utilized for storage of supplies and possibly large base camp complex vicinity of (YD7145).

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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Information received from patrol indicates the presence of possible VC company size unit. Agent report of 26 Sept 1966 located one UI VC company at (YD72545).

LEGEND	PATROL REPORT OVERLAY
○ LZ - LANDING ZONE	1st Plt, "B" Co.
— ROUTES TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1:50,000
— NEW TRAIL NOT SHOWN ON MAP	SHEET: 6560 III 3d Recon Bn (S-2)



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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (6) Enl
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (1) AN/PRC 25, (1) AN/PRC 10
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: None
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: None

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance to determine the extent of enemy activity in assigned areas. When possible engage the enemy with SAF and supporting weapons, making every effort to determine the results and to capture documents, weapons, and prisoners.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 310930H Oct 1966/040800H Nov 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 94 1/2 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol found one trail not shown on map, (2) old huts, old campsite, pottery, and noted area covered has numerous small harbor sites.

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation, interwoven vines, and a canopy of approximately 60 ft in height. Area is extremely steep making movement difficult. Water is plentiful.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 312300H (YD788048) Patrol found trail not shown on map running southwest to northeast. Trail is approximately one meter wide and appears to be well used. Patrol followed trail to (YD786052). Patrol found numerous small harbor sites along trail the majority of which appeared to have been recently used by small groups of people.

(2) 311617H (YD784045) Patrol found miscellaneous pieces of pottery and cooking utensils which appeared to have been hastily disposed of. Patrol checked the immediate area with negative results.

(3) 011552H (YD780045) Patrol found one very old hut this vicinity. Patrol checked area with negative results.

(4) 021500H (YD786059) Patrol found old campsite this vicinity, consisting of the remains of one hut, small stone fire place and the remains of one bunker. Patrol checked surrounding area with negative results.

(5) Patrol leader stated area covered has several small trails some of which reveal signs of recent use. See patrol route overlay for major trails found.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROLS: Good, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Recommendations: Future patrols operate to the south or west of this operating area to determine the extent and destination of trails in these areas. Conclusions: Area being used by small groups moving north northeast through area towards sparsely populated area shown on map

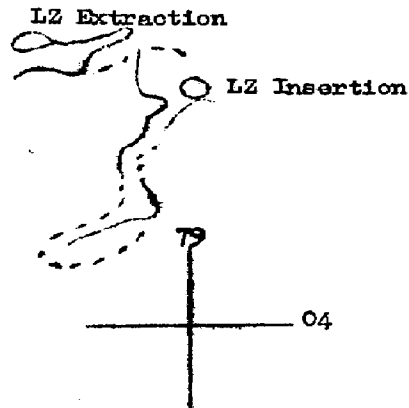
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LEGEND	PATROL REPORT OVERLAY
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (5) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (1) AN/IRC 25, (1) AN/IRC 10
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) claymore mines
- d. SPECIAL WEAPONS: None

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance to determine the extent of enemy activity in assigned areas. When possible engage the enemy with SAF and supporting arms, making every effort to determine the results and to capture documents, weapons, and prisoners.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 311030H Oct 1966/041000H Nov 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 95½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (3) enemy sightings totaling (15) VC, (3) contacts resulting in (1) VC KBGF (Conf), (1) VC KBGF (Prob), (3) VC WIA (Conf) and (1) VC WIA (Prob). Patrol called one artillery mission expending a total of (14) rds, captured (1) MAT-49 SMG, (2) ChiCom grenades, 24,000 piasters, and miscellaneous documents. Patrol found one trail not shown on map and during check of same found trail markers, candy wrappers, old cans, old fighting holes, and (4) coolie hats.

b. ENEMY:

(1) 021650H (YD837028) Patrol ambushed (1) VC dressed in black shirt, tan shorts, and brown pith helmet, armed with (2) ChiCom grenades resulting in (1) VC KBGF (Conf). Patrol captured (2) ChiCom grenades, (1) cartridge belt, 24,000 piasters, (1) bill fold with miscellaneous documents. All captured equipment forwarded to G-2 4 Nov 1966.

(2) 021725H (YD837028) Patrol engaged (4) VC with SAF. (1) VC dressed in khaki's the others in black P.J.'s. VC immediately broke contact. Patrol while checking area noted heavy blood trail and found (1) MAT-49 SMG. Results of contact were (1) VC WIA (Conf), (1) VC WIA (Prob) and (1) MAT-49 SMG captured.

(3) 031105H (YD837028) Patrol while in ambush position these coordinated observed estimated (10) VC dressed in black P.J.'s armed with AK-47 assault rifles and M-1 rifles moving west on trail towards their position. Patrol opened fire and received heavy initial volume of SAF from VC. During ensuing fire fight patrol called in artillery mission and VC immediately broke contact when first round impacted. A total of (14) rds were fired into target area with good coverage, results unknown. After artillery mission was secured patrol checked target area and found (1) clip M-1 ammunition and heavy blood trails. Patrol estimates (1) VC KIA (Prob) and (2) VC WIA (Conf).

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation, interwoven vines making movement extremely difficult with a canopy averaging 10-12 feet in height.

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(1) 021000H (YD823029) Patrol found trail not shown on map running east and west approximately (1) foot wide. Patrol followed trail to (YD837028) and noted trail had markers at the different intersections to mark and direct movement. At (YD829027) patrol noted vines situated in such a manner as to enable one to place poncho or shelter over them for protection from the elements. One document was found at (YD829027). Along this trail the patrol found (4) coolie hats, candy wrappers, old cans, and (2) old fighting holes neither of which appeared to have been recently used.

(2) Patrol leader stated that movement in this area by the VC appears to follow the stream running north and south to (YD837028) and then getting on the trail and moving in an easterly direction.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

- a. ENEMY: (1) VC KBGF (Conf), (1) KIA (Prob), (3) WIA (Conf)
(1) VC WIA (Prob)
- b. FRIENDLY: None
- c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: (1) MAT-49 SMC, 24,000 piasters, bill-fold w/misc papers, (2) ChiCom grenades, and cartridge belt.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent, Morale excellent

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

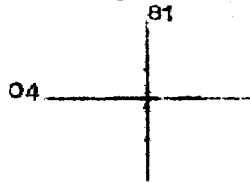
Recommendation: Consideration be given to exploiting this area with recon platoon and one infantry platoon.

Conclusions: Possibility of large VC base camp in this area is probable.

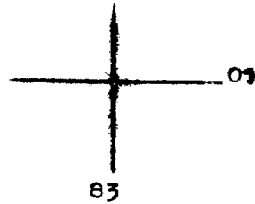
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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Concur with patrol leader's conclusions. The K-41 Co is reported to be operating in this immediate area. The Weapon captured and the contacts made lend credence to an organized enemy unit this location.

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
<p>O LZ - LANDING ZONE</p> <p>— - ROUTE TRAVELED</p> <p>--- - NEW TRAILS NOT SHOWN ON MAP</p>	<p>2d Sqd, 2d Flt, "B" Co.</p> <p>MAI VIETNAM: 1-50,000</p> <p>SERIES: L-701</p> <p>SHEET: 6559 IV</p> <p>3d Recon Bn</p> <p>(S-2)</p>

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 Map Sheet: 6560 III

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 031000H Nov 1966

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (8) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50, (1) M-49 OP scope
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance generally along assigned route to determine extent of enemy activity. Engage the enemy by SAF and supporting arms as appropriate. Capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 310730H Oct 1966/030830H Nov 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 73 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in two enemy sightings totalling (6) VC and no contacts. Patrol heard drums, found (3) small caves, (2) trails not shown on map, located one suitable LZ, and noted entire area honeycombed with natural formed caves.

b. ENEMY: (1) 310840H (YD727138) Patrol observed (5) VC moving south this vicinity dressed in black P.J.'s and bush hats. All the VC were armed with rifles. VC rapidly moved out of patrol's observation.

(2) 021245H (YD712148) Patrol observed (1) VC moving west dressed in black P.J.'s carrying pack and armed with rifle. VC moved from patrol's observation before any action could be initiated.

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense brush averaging 20 feet in height. Area is covered with large rocks throughout. Water is plentiful in this area.

d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) 021000H (YD7414) Patrol heard drums coming from this vicinity, source of which could not be determined. These drums were heard throughout the night.

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(2) 011000H (00718133) Patrol found (3) caves and (1) old fallen down hut. Caves were large enough to accommodate 2-3 people and each cave had (1) bamboo bed constructed within. There were also (4) bamboo beds in the open.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Surveillance of this area be maintained. Future operations in this area be conducted southwest of hill 433.

Conclusions: (1) Nature of terrain in this area restricts the effectiveness of H.E. ordnance.

(2) Natural rock formations make this area an excellent storage complex.

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7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

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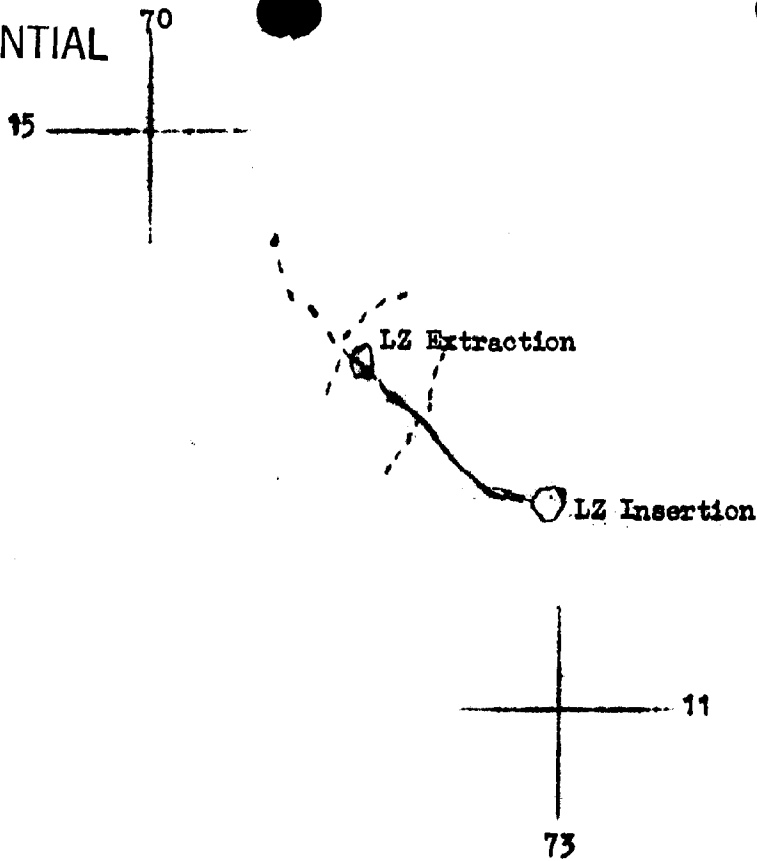
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LEGEND	PATROL REPORT OVERLAY
<p>O LZ = LANDING ZONE</p> <p>— = ROUTE TRAVELED</p> <p>— = NEW TRAILS NOT SHOWN ON MAP</p>	<p>2d Sqd, 1st Plt, "B" Co.</p> <p>MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000</p> <p>SERIES: L-701</p> <p>SHEET: 6560 III</p> <p>3d Recon Bn</p> <p>(S-2)</p>

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 021300H Oct 1966
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (9) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) 2 lb blocks of C-4 w/acc, (1) Claymore mine
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance patrols and establish OF sites in the area outlined on the patrol overlay to determine the extent of enemy activity in assigned area and maintain surveillance of the avenues of approach.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 060900Sept1966/021030H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 145 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (2) enemy sightings totalling (15) VC both of which resulted in contact. Results of contacts were (2) VC KBGF (CONF) (1) VC KBGF (Prob) (1) VC WIA (Prob) and (1) USMC WIA (Med Evac). Patrol found one hut, (1) M-26 grenade which was booby trapped, a trail marker, freshly turned dirt, natural caves, heard SAF, possible .50 caliber machinegun fire, source of which could not be determined, and found several small footpaths in the vicinity of the hut and stream at (ZC186662). During patrol one artillery mission of (9) rds was fired.

b. ENEMY: (1) 271415H (ZC186662) Patrol while checking a hut this vicinity made contact with (3) VC, two dressed in Khaki uniforms with packs and a green soft cover. VC were armed with (2) M-1 rifles and (1) M-14 rifle. SAF was exchanged resulting in (1) VC KBGF (Prob) (1) VC WIA (Prob) and (1) USMC WIA (Med Evac). Patrol after exchanging SAF broke contact and requested Med Evac which was completed at 271630H.

(2) 280900H (ZC194665) Rear security of patrol observed (1) VC dressed in black P.U.'s w/black band wrapped around forehead armed w/a ChiCom type 50 SMG, trying to sneak up from the rear. Rear security fired SAF resulting in (1) VC KBGF (CONF). At the same time patrol opened fire they received a heavy volume of what appeared to be light machine gun fire from the flank. Patrol returned fire and during fire fight a patrol member observed (1) VC dressed in black P.U.'s armed with a grenade advancing towards patrol. Patrol member fired resulting in (1) VC KBGF (CONF). Firing ceased and as patrol was attempting to break contact (2) VC were heard approaching from the patrol's left flank.

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Patrol leader threw (1) grenade and movement ceased. Artillery mission of (9) rds with good coverage, results unknown. VC withdrew under fire. Patrol estimates this contact was made by 8-12 VC.

c. **TERRAIN:** This area is characterized by dense vegetation interwoven vines, steep ravines, and a canopy of approximately 60 feet in height.

d. **OTHER INFORMATION:**

(1) 271100H (ZC188657) Patrol while checking trail this vicinity found log laying across trail with markings carved into center as shown possibly used as a trail marker. Patrol while checking surrounding area found a cleared area approximately 80ydsx80yds in size at (ZC192657) heavily punji staked. This clearing appeared to have been used as a possible HLZ.

(2) 271200H (ZC184658) Patrol while checking path by stream this vicinity noted that someone had cut steps into bank of stream which revealed signs of recent and heavy use. Patrol while checking area found a fishing net at (ZC184659) and destroyed same.

(3) 271410H (ZC186662) Patrol found a hut this vicinity large enough to accommodate two people. While checking hut and surrounding area patrol made contact with (3) VC as noted in paragraph 5.b of this report. Prior to making contact patrol had found a small shovel, and broken batteries. Patrol also found trail running northeast approximately 2 feet wide and well used. One patrol member checked trail and found (1) M-26 grenade booby trapped with a vine used as a trip wire. A check of area revealed a marker made of bamboo approximately 14 in from booby trap. Marker was in the form of a Y with a pointer placed between the fork pointing directly at the trap. Further check of this area revealed numerous natural caves made from overhanging boulders, most of them large enough to accommodate five people, also found was freshly turned dirt, the reason for which could not be determined due to its location.

(4) 291205H (ZC1966) Patrol heard SAF from this vicinity. A radio check with relay revealed that choppers in this area had received fire.

(5) 291400H to 291630H (ZC1966) Patrol heard SAF and machinegun fire from this vicinity, source of which could not be determined.

(6) 301855H (ZC1966) Patrol heard what sounded like a .50 caliber machinegun firing from this vicinity source of which could not be determined. Patrol also heard this fire on the morning of the following day at approximately 1000H.

6. **RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:**

a. **ENEMY:** (2) VC KBGF (Conf), (1) VC KBGF (Prob), (1) VC WIA (Prob)

b. **FRIENDS:** (1) USMC WIA (ED EVAC)

7. **CONDITIONS OF PATROL:** Tired, Morale good

8. **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** Recommendations: Surveillance of this area be maintained. Conclusions: Area reveals signs of heavy and constant use by undetermined size force.

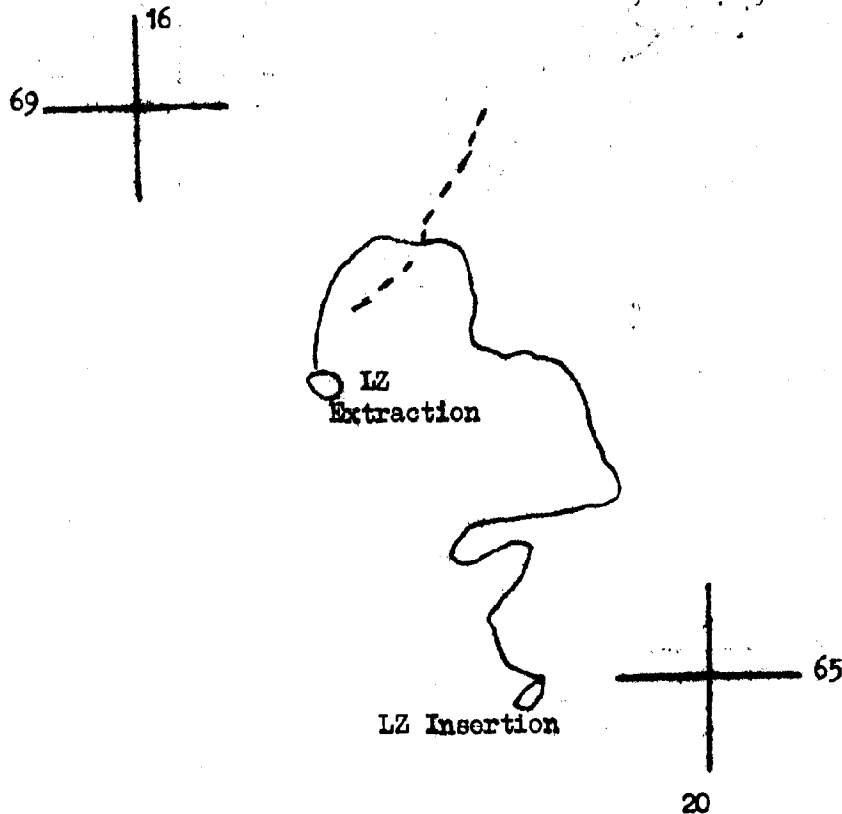
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9. **DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:** From information gained from this patrol it appears quite possible that area covered is used as an infiltration/exfiltration route in the western portion of the TAOR, and also used as a training site possibly linking up with enemy elements known to operate to the southeast of this area. Time lapse of artillery mission from request to first round impacting after

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
O LZ - LANDING ZONE	2d Sqd, 2d Plt, "C" Co.
— - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
--- - NEW TRAIL NOT SHOWN ON MAP	SERIES: L-701
	SHEET: 6858 I
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 Map Sheet: 6640 IV

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 DANANG, RVN
 031800H Oct 1966
 02A27766

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl,
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) 2 lb block of C-4 w/acc
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance patrols and establish OP sites in the area outlined on the patrol overlay to determine the extent of enemy activity in assigned area and maintain surveillance of the Song Vu Gia Valley in support of 2d Bn, 3d Marines.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 280800H Sep 66/031530H Oct 66

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 127½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol found one trail not shown on map, noted that a punji pit had been reworked, heard drums on two different occasions, and found four punji stakes in extraction HLZ.

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation, numerous large rock formations and elephant grass approximately six feet in height.

... d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 281900H (AT866627) Patrol noticed that an old punji pit known to exist in this area had been reworked and new punji stakes had been emplaced within. Patrol checked surrounding area with negative results.

(2) Patrol heard drums from the vicinity of (AT8056) on the nights of 29 Sept. and 1 Oct., source of which could not be determined.

(3) 040700H (AT851626) Patrol found trail not shown on map running East and West approximately one meter wide which appeared to have been used recently. Patrol checked trail to (AT851624) and noted that numerous small trees had been uprooted and were all laying alongside trail with the tops all pointing to the northwest. These trees appeared to have been uprooted within the last 24-48 hours.

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(4) 031500H (AT854616) Patrol moved into extraction MIZ this vicinity and noted that four punji stakes had been placed in the center of the MIZ. These stakes did not appear to have been recently placed in this area. Patrol checked surrounding area with negative results.

6. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

7. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

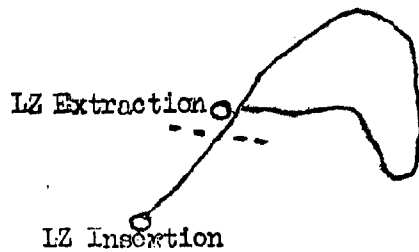
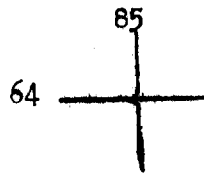
Recommendations: That patrols consider including a sweat shirt in thier gear due to the low temperatures associated with this season of the year.

Conclusions: Area appears to have been used within the past 48 hours by undetermined number of people.

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8. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Area appears to be used for transient from the valley into the 866 hill complex.

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— = ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
--- = NEW TRAIL NOT SHOWN ON MAP	SERIES: L-7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (11) E&I, (1) U&N
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) 2 lb blocks of C-4 w/acc, (2) Claymore mines
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (2) M-79, (1) Shotgun

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance patrols and establish OP sites in the area outlined on the patrol overlay to determine the extent of enemy activity in assigned area, maintaining surveillance of the avenues of approach, capture and return to US control VC/VCS and provide 2d Bn, 3d Marines intelligence information of troop movement on the battalions right flank.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 020730H/070800H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 120½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol noted that large amounts of debris were strewn throughout area. No observations of significance were made throughout this operation.

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation, interwoven vines, and a canopy of approximately 100 feet in height.

d. OTHER INFORMATION: Patrol noted that debris had been left behind after Operation Allegheny by USMC units.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Recommendations: (1) Future patrols conduct operations further to the west and northwest. (2) New frequency be assigned due to the VC monitoring frequency now used.

Conclusions: Area patrolled appears to have been vacated by enemy forces at this time.

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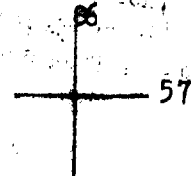
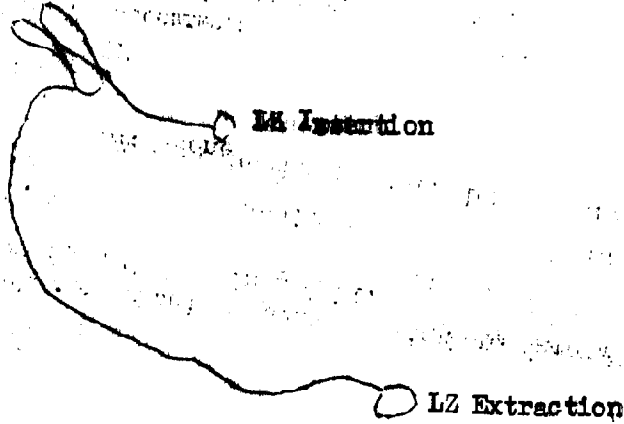
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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Information received from patrol reveals indications that the enemy has vacated this particular complex and moved to the northwest. Concur with patrol leaders recommendations.

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
 - a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (9) Enl, (1) USN
 - b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
 - c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
 - d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr 7x50's
 - e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) m2 lb block of C-4 w/acc
 - f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79
2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance patrols and establish OP sites in the area outlined on the patrol overlay to determine the extent of enemy activity in assigned area and maintain surveillance of the Song Vu Gia Valley in support of 2d Bn, 3d Marines.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 031500H/081400H Oct 1966
4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNOPSIS: 119 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol made no sightings of significance during this operation.
 - b. ENEMY: None
 - c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by elephant grass approximately 4 feet in height, numerous rock formations and no canopy.
 - d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) 051435H (AT848601) Patrol while in OP detected the distinct smell of fish. Patrol checked immediate area with negative results.
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None
7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good
8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Future patrols operate further to the southwest.
 Conclusions: Area covered by patrol revealed no signs of activity.

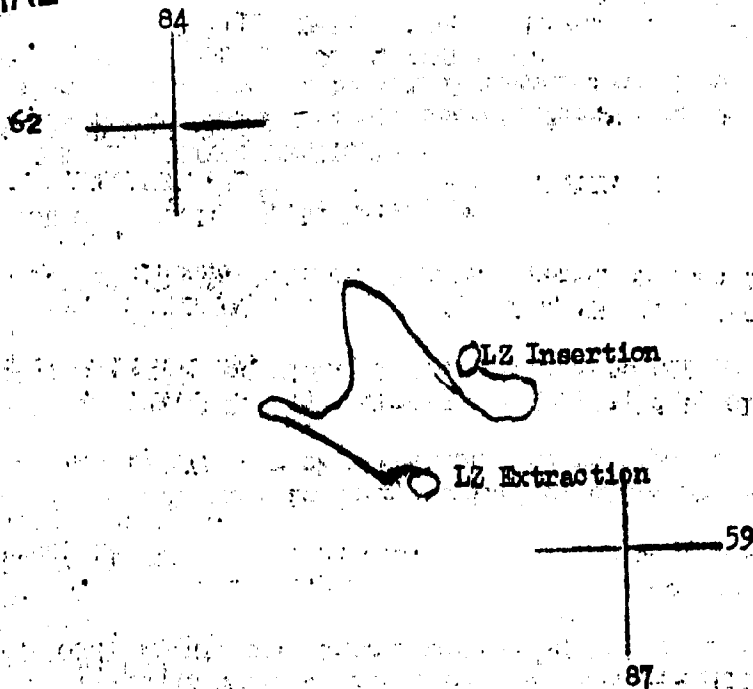
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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Concur with patrol leader's recommendations.

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
O LZ - LANDING ZONE	1st Bgd, 1st Plt, "A" Co.
— ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
	SERIES: L-7014
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHEMENTS: (2) Observers
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) PR 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) 2 lb block of C-4 w/acc
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-60

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance patrols and establish OP sites in the areas outlined on the patrol overlay to determine the extent of enemy activity in assigned area and maintain surveillance of avenues of approach.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 070730H/121100H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 1238 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (3) enemy sightings totalling (8) VC, (2) contacts resulting in (4) VC KBGF (Conf) and (3) USMC WIA, two of which required (Med-Evac). Patrol found machine-gun emplacements, pre-cut punji stakes, freshly cut trail, small campfire site, harbor site large enough to accommodate (2) people, observed two lights source of which could not be determined and heard singing. Area covered by patrol reveals numerous signs of recent activity.

b. ENEMY:

(1) 081015H (AT823645) Patrol sighted (3) VC dressed in green utility jackets and black trousers all armed with rifles moving east along trail this vicinity. Patrol established a hasty ambush making contact resulting in (1) VC KBGF (Conf) and the other (2) VC escaping. Patrol continued mission.

(2) 081400H (AT816647) Patrol while in OP site observed (2) VC dressed in green utility jackets, grey shorts, both had rifles. VC apparently sighted patrol at same time and immediately moved out of sight. No additional observations were established.

(3) 120910H (AT833634) Patrol while in extraction HLZ received automatic weapons fire from unknown number of VC positioned on ridgeline approximately 300 meters north of patrol's position. During ensuing fire fight patrol observed (3) VC two dressed in green clothing one dressed in black P.J.'s located at different positions around patrol. Fixed wing and gunships requested and arrived at 12005H. Helo's attempting to extract patrol received SAM sustaining (3) hits one of which wounded chopper pilot.

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Results of contact were (3) VC KBGF (Conf) and (4) USMC WIA two of which required medical evacuation. Patrol extracted at 101045H. Patrol leader stated that the VC may have had light machine guns on ridgeline but could not be certain.

c. **TERRAIN:** This area is characterized by dense vegetation, interwoven vines, steep ravines, and a canopy of approximately 80 feet in height.

d. **OTHER INFORMATION:**

(1) 070910H (AT831647) Patrol found (9) machinegun emplacements this vicinity and a large quantity of punji stakes not yet emplaced. All signs in area appeared to be less than two weeks old. Patrol checked surrounding area with negative results.

(2) 091630H (AT826646) Patrol found freshly cut trail this vicinity approximately (1) meter wide running east and west, and while checking same found small camp fire site and a harbor site large enough to accommodate (2) people, no additional observations were made.

(3) 091900H (AT816642) Patrol heard movement from this vicinity and what sounded like 4-5 people singing. This movement faded before patrol could check area.

(4) 092330H (AT826638) Patrol observed what appeared to be (2) flashlights moving west along stream this vicinity. Lights disappeared before artillery mission could be called.

6. **RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:**

a. **ENEMY:** (4) KBGF (Conf)

b. **FRIENDLY:** (5) WIA (2) required (Med-Evac)

c. **CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT:** None

7. **CONDITION OF PATROL:** Good, Morale good

8. **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Recommendations: Area be kept under surveillance. Better liaison be established with helos to ascertain extraction time of patrols so unnecessary delay in the HLZ will be avoided.

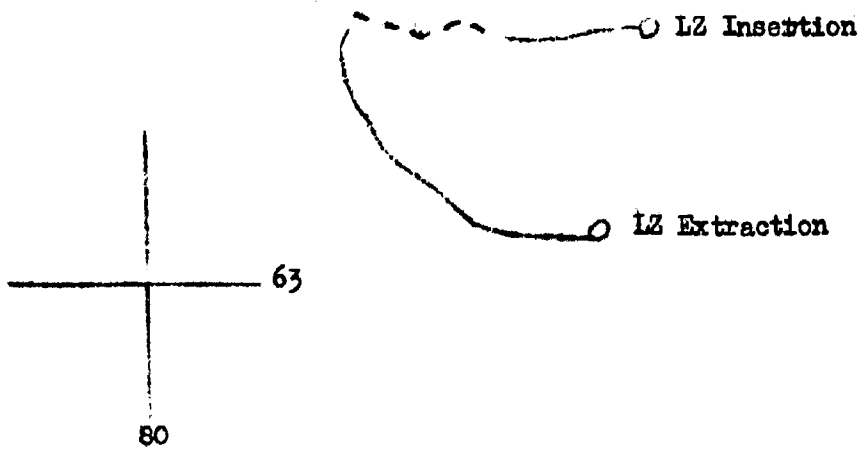
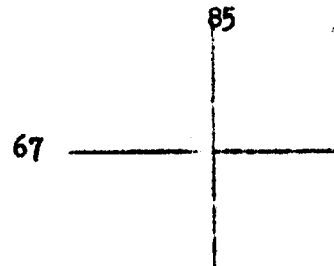
Conclusions: This area is being used as transient to and from the 1025 hill complex from the Mortar Valley area.

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9. **DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:** Concur with patrol leaders recommendations and conclusions.

The area directly to the patrols west and southwest is a known enemy sanctuary.

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O LZ - LANDING ZONE	2d Sqd, 2d Plt, "C" Co.
— - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
--- - NEW TRAILS NOT SHOWN ON MAP	SERIES: L-7014
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Operation Order: 116-66
 Patrol: 3d Plt, C Co
 Debriefed: SSgt B. BELL
 Map Sheet: VIET NAM 1:50,000, 6558 I

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 271800H

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: (17) Enl, (1) Off, (1) USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT: (1) AN/PRC-25
- D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (4) M50's
- E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 2 Claymores - 4 lbs. C-4
- F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (2) Shotguns, (2) M-79's

2. MISSION: CONDUCT reconnaissance and surveillance operations of area assigned.
 See patrol overlay.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 241300H-271430H

4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL OVERLAY

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. SYNOPSIS: This patrol covered a period of 73 1/2 hours, resulting in enemy sightings of 20 VC & (2) women. A complex of hooches and caves @ 164683 in this area, there were sightings of recent enemy occupation; caves were not searched, as patrol did not want to reveal position.

B. ENEMY: (1) At the LZ choppers received enemy fire from the North. After insertion @ ZC163678 @ 1400 patrol sighted 15 VC & 2 women dressed in black PJ's and carrying rifles. A fire mission was called with good coverage of 12 rounds. VC moved into canopy so patrol could not observe results. (2) On the 27th at 1245H 5 VC fired on choppers coming in for extraction, at coord ZC169684.

C. TERRAIN: Canopy over area approx 80 to 90 feet high with dense brush at ground level. Rate of travel was approx 1000 meters in 6 hours.

D. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) Trails in this vicinity have all been used recently. Trail runs east to west at ZC159678.

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(2) Hooch complex of approx 12 hooches. 6 at ZC164683 and at about 100 meters south east another hooch complex of 6. These are of thatch and log construction, and have been used very recently. 4 or 5 caves were also observed at ZC164683 with fresh excavating around two of them. These caves are believed to be extensive.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None confirmed.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale Good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Patrol feels that something be done about communications in this area, before another patrol goes in to the same vicinity. Patrol could not communicate with arty or CO. Recommends air strike on hooch complex @ 164633 running south to north on west side of river.

J. QUINN
2dLt CO

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Another patrol be inserted into this area in the near future, and work the caves with CN & CS. All activity in this area seems to be in the low areas. And the hooch complex is a harbor site. Air strike is recommended on the hooch complex.

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
O LZ - Landing Zone	3rd Plt, "C" Co.
— - Route traveled	MAP VIETNAM: 1:50,000
OP - Observation Post	SERIES: 1701
//// - Hoach Complex	SHEET: 6558 I
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Operation Order: 116-66
 Patrol: 301 Venus
 Debriefing: 1stLt R. S. ROBERTS
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 182000H

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: (9) USMC, (2) dog handlers
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (2) scout dogs
- C. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
- D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr 7X50's
- E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance patrols and establish OP sites in area shown on attached overlay. Ambushes of opportunity may be conducted at the patrol leader's discretion.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 131330H/181600H. Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See attached overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: This patrol covered a period of 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours with one sighting of 5 VC. One artillery fire mission was called with no assessment of casualties.

B. ENEMY: One sighting of 5 VC vicinity AT892665 at 171630H; artillery fire mission called with outstanding coverage but no casualty assessment could be made.

C. TERRAIN: The area of patrol is thick elephant grass and vines in open areas, with secondary jungle growth covering most of the surrounding area.

D. OTHER INFORMATION: Good HLZ's found at AT860618; two bird zone of 4 sq. elephant grass. At 151705, a fire mission was called on movement in the brush vicinity AT837621.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good.

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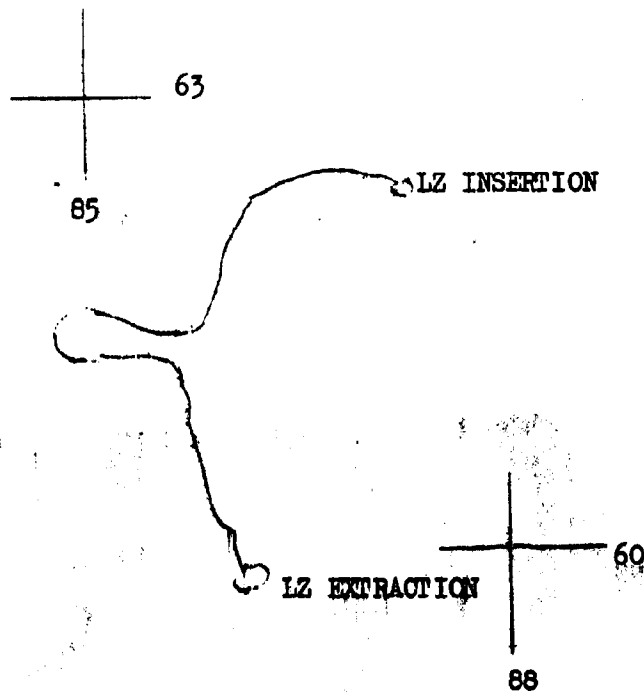
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8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: This patrol had 2 scout dogs attached; the dogs were very effective especially when in the patrol perineter at night. Five days in the bush is too long for the dogs composure and they become jumpy and much less effective toward the end of the patrol. The patrol found no evidence of VC activity in this area, and discovered no trail networks.

J. HAMILTON
CPL "C" Co.

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: None

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
○ LZ = LANDING ZONE	1st sqd, 3d Plt, "C" Co,
— = ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM, 1:50,000
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Operation Order: 113-66
 Patrol: 1C1 Neptune
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 Map Sheet: VIETNAM 1:50,000, sheet 6658 IV

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: (8) USMC Bn1, (1) USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- C. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRO 25's
- D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr 7X50's
- E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79; (1) Shotgun

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance patrols and establish OP sites in GS AT8368, AT8468, AT8568, AT8367, AT8467, AT8567. Ambushes of opportunity may be conducted at the patrol leader's discretion.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 141000H/191330H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See attached overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. SYNOPSIS: This patrol covered a period of 119½ hours with negative sightings or contact. In the vicinity of AT846677, old company size positions were found; these appeared to be 3-5 months old and covered the top of Hill 50.

B. ENEMY: None

C. TERRAIN: The trails shown on the map are no longer open but are completely overgrown. The area is covered mostly with elephant grass 5-6 feet tall and secondary undergrowth.

D. OTHER INFORMATION: A shelter was found vicinity AT833688 - not inhabited and no activity in area. A complex of trails located vicinity AT836676 were leading up the finger to the NW.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD, Morale good.

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8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: This area is not presently being traversed or occupied by the VC. Movement is difficult, and there are no signs of any VC activity in the area. Future patrols need not patrol the vicinity.

G. W. GLANZER
CPL 1st Co.

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: None

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
O LZ - LANDING ZONE	1st, sqd, 1st Plt, "C" Co.
— - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1:50,000
	SERIES: L-701
	SHEET : 6658 IV
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 Patrol: 1st Plt, "D" Co
 Debriefers: SSgt. F. LOGUE
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 DANANG, RVN
 241600H

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: (1) USMC OFF; (18) USMC ENL; (1) USN
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- C. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25's
- D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (4) 7X50's
- E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (12) Claymore Mines; (2) M-79's

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance & surveillance operations of area assigned, as directed, with primary direction of observation to the east.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 211230H-241445H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See attached overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. SYNOPSIS: This patrol covered a period of 74 hours during which, due to extremely poor visibility, only intermittent sightings were made and no contacts. One narrow logging trail was found leading to the peak of the hill on which the OP was located but this showed no sign of any use for a considerable length of time.

B. ENEMY: None

C. TERRAIN: Area patrolled by this platoon is rough with thick vegetation. Bamboo and high heavy grass encountered. Area devoid of trails with exception of one mentioned above.

D. OTHER INFORMATION: None

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good; Morale good.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: During infrequent breaks in the overcast and fog, sightings were made east of the river at coordinates AT863383 of 3 groups of 10, 31, and 80 VCS respectively moving on a general north-south axis. They appeared to be wearing black PJ's with coolie hats, and one group was carrying packs. Distance & poor visibility precluded the possibility of positive identification of personnel.

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and equipment.

The OP used is ideal for all around observation but due to the poor weather, and since all the activity is east of the river, it is felt that it would be advantageous to investigate the possibility of establishing a HIZ/OP at top of hill coordinates AT3884. Also suggest that henceforth patrols of this type be of squad size as it is felt that platoon size patrols under these circumstances are uneconomical.

J. BROWN
2dLt DCs

9. DEBRIEFER'S COMMENTS: Concur completely with patrol leaders recommendations.

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
O IZ - LANDING ZONE	1st FLT, "D" Co.
— - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM ; 1:50,000 SERIES: I-701 SHEET 6658 III 1st RECON BN (S-2)

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Operation Order: 57-66

Patrol: 3D Rattler

Debriefing: SSgt. P. LOGUE

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271930HPATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

A. COMPOSITION: (1) USMC OFF; (15) USMC ENL; (1) USN

B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None

C. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25's

D. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) 7X50's

E. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (8) blocks C-4; 1 Claymore Mine

F. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct recon and surveillance operations of area assigned, as directed. Primary direction of observation to SW.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 241600H/271805H

4. ROUTE: See attached overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. SYNOPSIS: This patrol covered a period of 74 hours which resulted in (20) enemy sightings totalling (294) VCS, 2 of which resulted in contact and, during which time 3 FM's were called. The contacts, with a total of 7 VCS, resulted in (1) KIA(Conf); (2) WIA(Conf) one of whom was taken prisoner and med evaced to "C" Med Bn. The artillery missions which were called, on a total of (50) VCS resulted in (3) KIA(Conf) and (29) KIA(Prob). The patrol inspected an (8) hut complex which showed signs of usage in the not too distant past. The complex gave indications of being a training area, coord 18455015. Contained a classroom and sleeping huts.

B. ENEMY: (1) 251400H (171486) Patrol taking break when (4) VC came upon them. VC wearing packs & carbines, resulted in (1) WIA(Conf). (2) 271630H (208506) (3) VC on trail with 2 bamboo drums and (3) sickles. Challenged, did not stop. (1) KIA(Conf); (1) WIA (Conf) who was taken prisoner and turned over to C Med Bn.

C. TERRAIN: Area characterized by dense vegetation, interwoven with vines. Deep ravines and a canopy of approximately 20-40 feet.

D. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) letter found on trail coord 171486 and (3) documents found in the (8) hut complex previously mentioned. All documents delivered to G-2.

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6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

A. ENEMY: (1) VCS KIA (Prob), (2) VCS MIA (Prob); (29) VCS KIA (Prob), (1) VCS (Prisoner).

B. FRIENDLY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale Good.

8. CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS: Recommend future patrols be inserted in same general area due to accessibility of HIZ, and patrol area west of grid line 17 to ascertain terminus of what is obviously a major supply trail. All VC sighted westward bound on trail from vicinity of HUU CHANH 3 were carrying large, heavy loads while those returning eastward were empty handed.

C. PATTIG
2dLt, BDC

9. SUMMARY COMMENTS: Feel that area east of grid line 17 has been worked sufficiently, and trail overlay plotted to extent that nothing further is to be gained by future patrolling. Concur with patrol leader's recommendations.

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
○ IZ - LANDING ZONE	1st Plt, "D" Co.
— - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1:50,000
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Operation Order 77-66
 Patrol: 1st Platoon, 3rd Force Recon Co
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 Ref: Map Sheet Number 6460 II

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 111200H October 1966

PATROL REPORT1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. Size and Composition. (13) enlisted, (1) USN.
- b. Special Attachments. None
- c. Communications Equipment. (4) AN/PRC-25's
- d. Observation Equipment. (2) 7x50's
- e. Special Equipment. None
- f. Special Weapons.

2. MISSION. To conduct reconnaissance operations within the assigned area. A maximum effort will be devoted to capturing at least one prisoner and ambushes of opportunity will be established.3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 061400H/101100H October 19664. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay)5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND THE TERRAIN.

- a. Synopsis. During 93 hours of patrolling and observation the patrol made 7 sightings and made no contacts. The patrol called in five fire mission and there were no air strikes called in support of this patrol. Four new trails, three OP's, and one stream were located in the patrol area. One med-evac was required for a heat casualty. A total of 150 VC and 60 VCS were sighted.

b. Enemy.

- (1) 071500H (YD 615216) the patrol sighted 11 VC at YD 618218 moving East along a trail. All were carrying heavy packs, only two were carrying weapons of unknown type. The patrol called in a fire mission and a total of 34 rounds were fired with good coverage of the target. The patrol continued to observe.
- (2) 080930H (YD 615216) the patrol sighted 31 VC at YD 620234 who were digging positions on the side of a hill. Three VC were observed to have weapons of unknown type. The patrol called in a fire mission and a total of 25 rounds were fired with good coverage of the target. The patrol moved to a new OP and continued to patrol.
- (3) 091220H (YD 619212) the patrol sighted 100 VC at YD 615224 moving North East on a fair weather road. By the time the patrol received verification from HUE, the VC could no longer be observed.
- (4) 091610H (YD 619212) the patrol sighted 4 VC moving North East along a trail and stopped by what appeared to be a bunker at YD 626211. The VC were carrying four (4) weapons, type undetermined. A fire mission was called with good coverage of the target and a total of 14 rounds landed on target destroying the bunker and killing the 4 VC.

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- (5) 091645H (YD 619212) the patrol sighted 4 VC in a boat that was power driven. The boat pulled into a harbor and the patrol called in a fire mission and a total of 26 rounds of 105 How. were delivered on target. The patrol was unable to determine any results.
- (6) 092010H (YD 619212) the patrol observed what appeared to be four camp fires. A fire mission was called and 18 rounds were delivered on the target. The fire went out at the camp site.
- (7) 100900H (YD 619212) the patrol sighted 60 VCS at YD 643212 moving South West along a trail. The patrol called PK 17 (ARVN Artillery) for a varification. The reply was the VCS were mushroom pickers.

c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of a canopy of 12 to 15 feet high. The underbrush was very dense with bambo, vines, and grass throughout the patrol area. Water was plentiful in the low ground. The patrol could travel approximately 150 meters per hour.

d. Other Information.

- (1) 082000H (YD 615216) the patrol heard automatic small arms fire. The rounds were hitting the previous nights harbor site at approximately 250 meters away.

(2) Map Corrections. Annex B and C (Map Corrections Overlay)

- 1 trail located at YD 617210 running North to YD 613232.
- 1 trail located at YD 643213 running North East to YD 654219.
- 1 trail located at YD 616203 running North East to YD 622204 and to the West to YD 606198.
- 1 trail located at YD 615219 running South East to YD 633219

- 6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. All enemy casualties were made by artillery.
- 7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physcial condition, good; Morale, good.
- 8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. None

J. CAPERS Jr.
Staff Sergeant, U. S. Marine Corps
Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY DEBREIFER: None

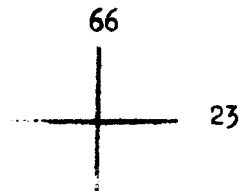
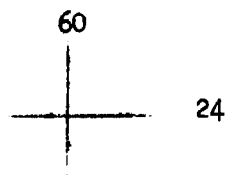
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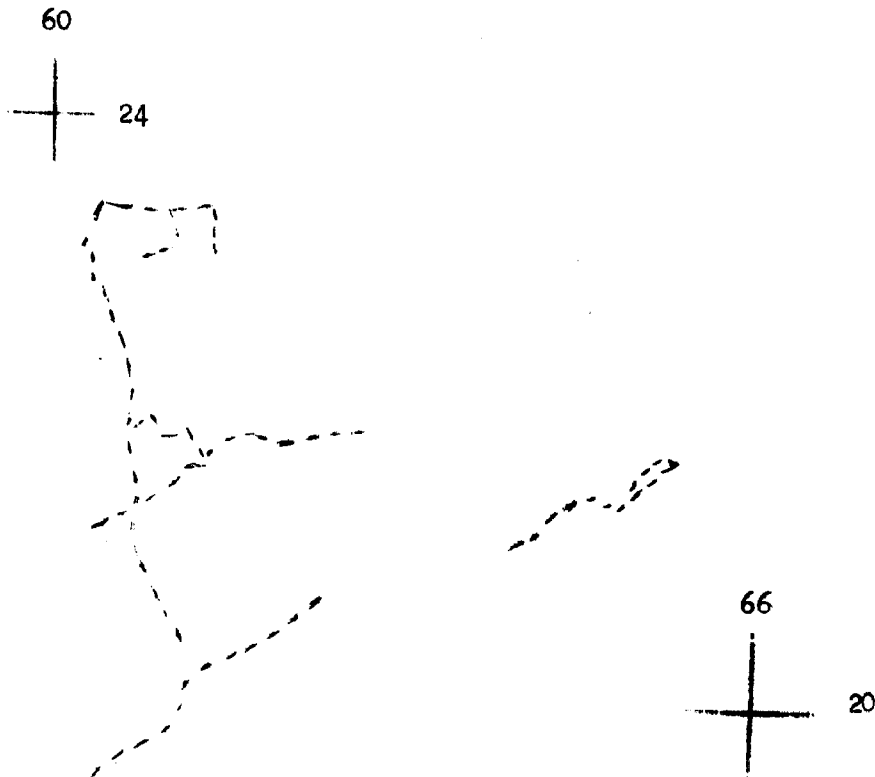
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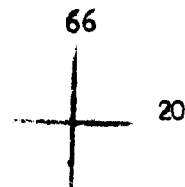
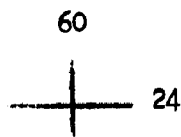
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Call Sign: BROADMINDED and GREEN THUMB



LEGEND:

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 161300H October 1966

PATROL REPORT1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. Size and Composition. (1) Officer, (13) enlisted, (1) USN
- b. Special Attachments. None
- c. Communications Equipment. (2) AN/PRC-25's
- d. Observation Equipment. (1) 7x50, (1) M-49 Spotter scope
- e. Special Equipment. None
- f. Special Weapons. (2) M-79's, (2) Claymore mines, (3) lbs C-4

2. MISSION. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in the assigned area to determine VC activity. A maximum effort will be made to obtain a prisoner.3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN. 121430H/160915H October 19664. ROUTE. Annex A (Patrol Route Overlay)5. OBSERVATION OF THE ENEMY AND THE TERRAIN.

- a. Synopsis. During 97 hours of patrolling and observation the patrol made three (3) sightings and called three (3) fire missions in support of the patrol. One (1) VC KIA (conf) as a result of supporting arms. The patrol located four (4) trails and a hut complex, capturing 1 MAS rifle and 5 rounds, medical supplies, documents and assorted clothing returned for intelligence evaluation.

b. Enemy.

- (1) 131120H (YD 724127) the patrol sighted 4 VC at YD 724128 moving West Southwest along a trail. The patrol backed off and called in artillery. 12 rounds of HE 105 were delivered of which 4 rounds were duds. Undetermined results of the supporting arms. The VC were wearing black PJ's, no weapons were observed, however the members of the patrol heard a rifle stock hit a rock.
- (2) 131533H (YD 725131) the patrol sighted 3 VC at YD 733131 gathering wood. One weapons was visible. They were wearing white or faded gray clothing. At this time the patrol called a fire mission, two (2) rounds HE 105 were fired for adjustment. By this time the VC disappeared around the side of a hill. Negative results of the fire mission.
- (3) 141620H (YD 723133) the patrol sighted 4 VC, two (2) of which were carrying weapons at YD 719137 moving Southeast along a trail. A fire mission was called in and eight (8) were fired four (4) HE and four (4) WP 105 rounds missed the target completely. The VC moved off to the Northwest. The patrol continued to observe the trail. About 40 minutes later 1 VC came along the same trail. The patrol called in a fire mission and 6 rounds HE 105, four (4) of which were for adjustment and two (2) for effect. Their was complete coverage of the target. One (1) VC KIA (conf), as a result of supporting arms.

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c. Terrain. The terrain consisted of high brush 5 to 10 feet high. Water could be found but it had to be looked for. The patrol could travel approximately 150 meters per hour.

d. Other Information.

(1) 151600H (YD 725138) the patrol found 6 huts of which four (4) large sleeping huts, 1 cook hut and 1 other hut with 3 bomb-shelters, green utilities and brown pajamas enough for 8 to 10 people. (1) MAS 36 rifle fully loaded was found in a bomb-shelter with 5 rounds of ammo, cooking utensils, rice and documents. Samples were returned for evaluation at Division G-2. No activity in the last two weeks. Trails in the vicinity of the hut area were worked on extensively to hide the movement. The vines and brush were tide down and graveled.

(2) Map Corrections. Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay)

1 trail located at YD 712142 running East to YD 729138.
1 trail located at YD 729138 running South East to YD 735138.
1 trail located at YD 720128 running North East to YD 729138.
1 trail located at YD 705145 running East to YD 725144.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY. 2 VC KIA (conf) by artillery.

7. CONDITION OF THE PATROL. Physical condition, good; Morale, high.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. Too many people for the mission, the patrol could have been smaller in number. Recommed patrols use M-49 spotter scope instead of 7x50. Make available a camera.

G. E. STERN
First Lieutenant, U. S. Marine Corps
Patrol Leader

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEBRIEFER: None

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Annex B (Map Corrections Overlay) to Patrol Route for Operation Order 80-66
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Call Sign: HOMERUN /



LEGEND:

Trails not shown on the map

Location of the six (6) huts

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 Patrol: 1st Plt, 3rd Force
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 171230H October 1966

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT.
 - a. COMPOSITION: (7) enlisted
 - b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
 - c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC-25's
 - d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pair 7x50, (1) M-49 scope
 - e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (7) CS grenades, (1) Flare gun
 - f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (2) Claymore mines, (4) Rifle grenades, (1) M-79
2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned area to determine VC activity. A maximum effort will be made to obtain a prisoner.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 131330H/171100H October 1966
4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNOPSIS: 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (2) enemy sightings totaling (1) VC and (6) VCS. Patrol made one contact resulting in (1) VC KBGF (conf) and the capture of (1) PPHS K-50 Submachine gun, (2) magazines, (2) ChiCom grenades, 68 rounds of 9mm ammunition, documents and miscellaneous gear. One artillery mission of (14) rounds was fired with unknown results. Patrol found one trail not shown on map, found one large harbor site with lean-to shelters, fire sites and one bunker, and heard small arms fire throughout operation source of which could not be determined.
 - b. ENEMY:
 - (1) 131608H (YD 663225) patrol observed (6) VCS dressed in multi-colored PJ's running from what appeared to be a bunker type OP and hut complex that was receiving what appeared to be mortar fire. Due to distance from patrol it could not be determined who was operating in this area.
 - (2) 161510H (YD 617207) patrol while moving Southeast this vicinity made chance contact with (1) VC dressed in black PJ's and wearing a tan beret. VC was armed with a ChiCom type PPSH-50 Submachine gun and a cartridge belt containing (2) ChiCom grenades. Patrol engaged VC with approximately seven rounds M-14 fire resulting in (1) VC KBGF (conf). Patrol captured (1) ChiCom type PPSH-50 Submachine gun, (2) magazines, (2) ChiCom grenades, (68) rounds of 9mm ammunition, (1) canteen, small bag cooked rice, (1) tan beret, piece of camouflage parachute silk, (1) piece of plastic, a billfold with pictures, documents and 1,365 piasters in Vietnamese currency. All gear forwarded to G-2 at 1400H 17 October 1966.
 - c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by interwoven vines, dense vegetation and a canopy averaging 50 feet in height.

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d. OTHER INFORMATION:

- (1) 161600H (YD 625205) patrol located VC harbor site this vicinity consisting of (6) lean-to shelters, (1) bunker 15'x10' and numerous fighting holes. Patrol while checking area noted that there were numerous small camp fire sites which has been dug down into the earth approximately 18" and then tunneled for ventilation with a small lean-to shelter built above fire place to eliminate any heat or light emissions and made them virtually impossible to detect. Area had adequate water supply and well concealed routes both into and out of complex. This area revealed numerous signs of constant and recent use.
- (2) 151100H (YD 617218) patrol found trail not shown on map running Southeast. Trail is approximately (1) meter wide and reveals signs of heavy use. Patrol followed trail to YD 625205. Along trail patrol noted numerous pieces of paper, cigarette wrappers, broken glass and harbor sites possibly used as rest stops.
- (3) (YD 6020) patrol heard small arms fire emitting from this vicinity source of which could not be determined. The fire did not set any pattern but was heard during each day of patrols operation.
- (4) 170810H (YD 625205) patrol called artillery mission on VC base camp. Artillery fired a total of (14) rounds but due to thickness of canopy could not observe results.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

- a. ENEMY: (1) VC KBGF (conf)
- b. FRIENDLY: None
- c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: (1) ChiCom type PPHS-50 Submachine gun, (2) magazines, (2) ChiCom grenades, (68) rounds of 9mm ammunition, (1) canteen, small bag cooked rice, (1) tan beret, piece of camouflage parachute silk, (1) piece of plastic, a billfold with pictures, documents and 1,365 piasters in Vietnamese currency.

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent, Morale, excellent.

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: A napalm strike be conducted in vicinity of (YD 625205) to deny enemy use of base camp.

Conclusions: Patrol leader feels this area harbors possible company size unit operating from this complex in small groups.

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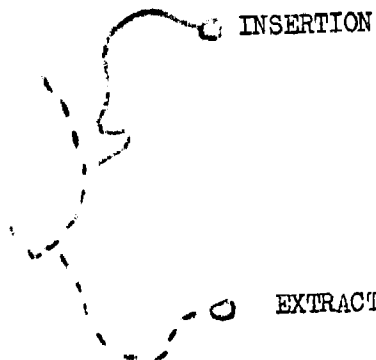
9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:

Previous patrols operating in this area found large VC base camp/training area at (YD 628183). This area possibly used as platoon size patrol base/forward defensive position for camp at (YD 628183).

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance/surveillance in assigned area to determine enemy activity. Harass and destroy by use of supporting arms. A maximum effort will be made to obtain a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 161530H/211030H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: During 105 hours of patrolling and observation there were negative sightings or contacts. One (1) fire mission was called in support of the patrol, no damage assessment was made due to poor visibility. One (1) stream and one (1) well used trail was located by the patrol.

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: Brush about 6 to 8 ft tall was encountered throughout the patrol route with interwoven vines and bamboo. The patrol could travel about 300 meters per hour. Water was plentiful in the low ground.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 171515H (YD569228) The patrol was moving east along the ridge when they observed 6 people covered with poncho at (YD569229) moving north along a trail. Due to poor visibility the patrol was unable to determine if the people were VC. No weapons, uniforms, or equipment were observed.

(2) (YD567227) 1 stream was found by the patrol at previous coordinates running east to (YD588224).

(3) 1 trail located by the patrol starts at (YD563216) running north to (YD566233) the trail is well used and approximately 2 ft wide.

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(4) 201520H (YD581228) The patrol was sitting in OP when they observed the insertion of touchdown. As the helicopters came down, the patrol heard a large volume of automatic fire being delivered at the choppers. They notified the team being inserted and the choppers took off. The team returned to base.

(5) It was noted by the patrol that SAF was being fired during the day and night at (YD5624). There was no set time or amount of weapons or rounds fired. At approximately 201230H artillery was fired into the village five rds of which had VT fuse. 30 min later fixed wing flew over about 1 mile to the east and dropped its ordnance. From that time on no more SAF was heard coming from the village (AP THANA TAN).

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: None

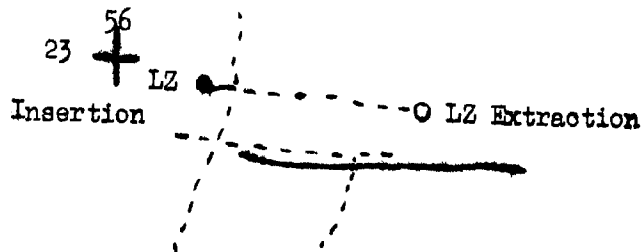
Conclusions: None

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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: None

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O LZ - LANDING ZONE	2d Team, 1st Flt, 3d Force
----- - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
— - STREAM	SERIES: L-701
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:
 - a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enl, (1) USN
 - b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
 - c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
 - d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
 - e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) Rifle Grenade Launcher
 - f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79
2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned area to determine the extent of enemy activity. Harass and destroy by use of supporting arms and ambush. Maximum effort will be made to capture and return to US control a prisoner.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 201135H/250945H Oct 1966
4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.
5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNOPSIS: 118 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol found out area along river and noted entire area had been bombed heavily. No additional observations of significance were made.
 - b. ENEMY: None
 - c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation interwoven vines, making movement extremely difficult, and a canopy of approximately 10 feet in height.
 - d. OTHER INFORMATION:
 - (1) Patrol during operation noted that entire operational area had been extensively bombed within the past 3 months.
 - (2) 221300H (YD983983) Patrol noted that the vegetation growing along river bank this vicinity had been cut away.
6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None
7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale fair

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8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Recommendations: (1) Area be kept under surveillance.
 (2) Due to high waters at this time patrols should not be given mission of covering an operational area which would necessitate crossing the rivers in this area.
 (3) Consideration be given to shortening length of patrols due to the adverse effect on patrol members during monsoon season.

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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: None

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

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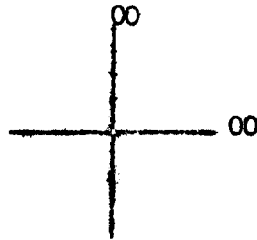
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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: None

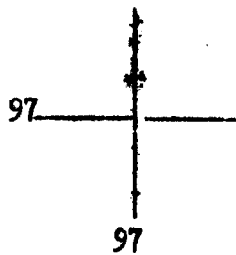
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (5) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) Claymore mine, (2) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance to determine the extent of enemy activity in assigned area. Locate VC campsites storage areas, engage enemy forces with S/A fire or supporting arms as appropriate and capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 241100H/290830H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: During 107½ hours of patrolling and observation the patrol made negative sightings or contacts. No fire missions or air strikes were called in support of the patrol. No trails or HLZ's were found.

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by canopy 60 to 70 feet high, interwoven vines, and thorn bushes were encountered along the patrol route. Water was plentiful in low ground. The patrol could travel 70 meters per hour.

d. OTHER INFORMATION: None

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent, Morale excellent

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation: Recommend that the helicopters use a knotted rope for an H34 or a ladder from an H-46 when the helicopters can't land. Advise the crew chiefs not to push the troops out of the choppers at 15 ft above the ground.

Conclusions: Although there have been patrols in the area before, the area is restricted as far as movement is concerned. Area does not appear to be used by the enemy at this time.

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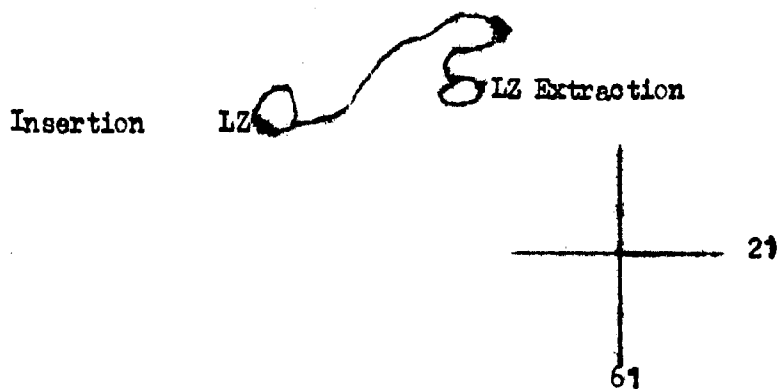
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— - ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT

- a. COMPOSITION: (8) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: 2 Dogs and handlers
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/TRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50, (1) M-49 scope
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned area to determine the extent of enemy activity. Harass and destroy by use of supporting arms and ambushes. Capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 281300H/311000H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 69 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (3) enemy sightings totalling approximately (70) VC and no contacts. Patrol called (3) artillery missions expending a total of (87) rds, observed approximately (22) boats, heard SAF throughout operation, heard SAF directed at Helo's and received SAF during extraction.

b. ENEMY: (1) 281820H (YD593253) Patrol observed (10) VC dressed in black P.J.'s armed with rifles apparently preparing evening meal around small fire this vicinity. An artillery mission of (4) rds was fired and VC were observed moving into the village of AP CO BI. Artillery cancelled further firing on this sighting.

(2) 290720H (YD603253) Patrol observed (2) boats with (2) VC in each, dressed in black P.J.'s moving east on river. Artillery mission of (11) rds fired and patrol observed an additional (20) boats come from riverbank heading north. Artillery mission of (50) rds fired resulting in (5) boats destroyed and (10) VC KMGF (Prob).

(3) 291140H (YD616242) Patrol observed approximately (20) VC dressed in black and white P.J.'s armed with rifles, gathering in the open. Artillery mission of (22) rds fired with negative results, VC dispersed.

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d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 290800H (YD595235) The patrol found what appeared to be a .50 cal or 12.7mm casing.

(2) 291540H (YD595239) Patrol while occupying harbor site observed (2) H34's flying over the area. Helo's drew 5-10 rds SAF from these coordinates. SAF sounded like carbines.

(3) 311000H (YD542237) Patrol was in the process of being extracted. The first H-34 took off and headed northeast and banked to the right. At this time the rest of the patrol in the HLZ heard SAF being fired at the helo from these coordinates. The patrol contacted the pilots and told them of the firing. The second chopper fired in the general direction of the small arms fire and a heavy volume of automatic fire was returned.

(4) Throughout the duration of this operation SAF was heard, both semi automatic, automatic, and different calibers were fired. Fire came from the villages of AP THANH TAN AND AP LAI BANG.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: (10) VC KIA (Prob)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Continue to use scout dogs as available. Maintain surveillance of the Song Bo river this vicinity.

Conclusions: River is being utilized for movement of supplies to the south.

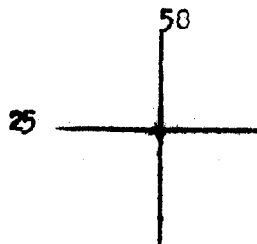
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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Enemy base camp complexes have been previously located vicinity of (YD6021), (YD6019), and (YD5819). Maintenance of these complexes would require continual logistical effort by enemy forces.

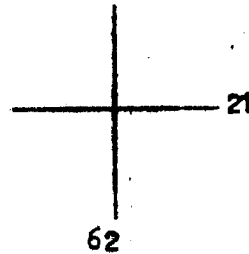
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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
○ LZ = LANDING ZONE	2d Team, 3d Plt, 3d Force
— = ROUTE TRAVELED	MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000
--- = NEW TRAILS NOT SHOWN ON MAP	SERIES: L-701
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (6) Enl
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) pr 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned area to determine enemy activity. Harass and destroy by use of supporting fire and ambushes. Maximum effort will be made to obtain a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 211145H/211245H OCT 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 1 hour of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (1) enemy sighting totalling (8) VC and (1) contact. Results of contact were (1) friendly KIA, (5) VC KBGF (Conf) and (3) VC KBGF (Prob). Patrol extracted at 211245H Oct 1966.

b. ENEMY: 211215H (YD556237) Patrol while moving south away from insertion point made a chance contact with (8) VC dressed in black PJ's, cartridge belts, one VC wearing an olive drab skivvie shirt and green ~~hat~~ hat. VC were armed with carbines and one automatic weapon of unknown type. Patrol initially received (2) rds SAF from VC. Patrol returned approximately 400 rds SAF, (32) M-79 rds and (20) M-26 grenades. Contact resulted in (1) USMC KIA and (5) VC KBGF (Conf), (3) VC KBGF (Prob).

(2) 211220H (YD556237) Patrol while in contact with VC requested gunship. Gunship arrived on station at 211230H. Gunship made three strafing runs expending M-60 machine gun fire and rockets with excellent coverage.

(3) 211245H (YD556237) Patrol extracted.

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by scrub brush 4 1/2 to 6 feet in height and very level terrain. Movement extremely difficult.

d. OTHER INFORMATION: None

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7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Area be programmed for extensive H&I fire and be considered for a TPQ strike.

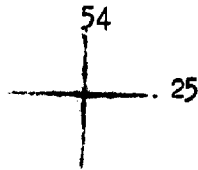
Conclusions: Due to trail complexes throughout this area and contacts made during last two days it is apparent that the enemy utilize this area as a transient area moving east and west.

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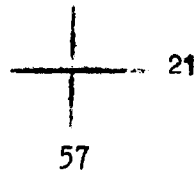
9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Concur with patrol leaders recommendations and conclusions.

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (7) Enl,
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) WP rifle grenades
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assi ad area to determine the extent of enemy activity. Harrass and destroy by use of supporting arms and ambushes. ~~A maximum~~ effort will be made to capture and return to US control a prisoner.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 230900H/250845H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 48 hours of reconnaissance and ~~surveillance~~ resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol observed lights and one boat during operation, SAF was heard throughout this operation source of which could not be determined.

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by very thick secondary growth throughout patrol route approximately 8 ft high with 20 ft canopy on the high ground. The ~~secondary~~ growth consisted of vines, bushes, grass, and bamboo. Water was plentiful on the low ground and rain filled streamson the high ground. The patrol could travel 100 meters per hour.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 250500H (YD601239) Patrol observed two lights from this vicinity. As visibility increased the patrol sighted one small boat at the same coordinates. Patrol attempted to contact radko relay to request artillery mission but could not establish communications. Boat moved out of patrol's observation in a northerly direction towards the village of AP THANH TAN (YD570245).

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(2) Throughout this operation the patrol heard heavy automatic SAF from vicinity of grid squares (YD6022) and (YD6122), source of which could not be determined.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Better coordination is necessary with artillery that is supporting patrol.

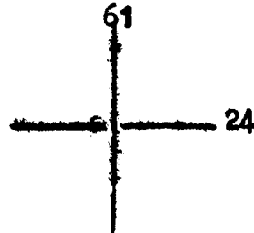
Conclusions: Area covered by patrol revealed no signs of enemy activity except as noted in paragraph 5.d.

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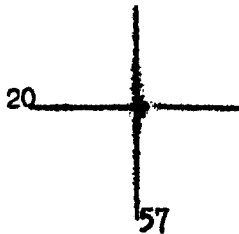
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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (1) Off, (4) Enl, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50, (1) M-49 OP scope
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) 1 lb block of C-4 w/acc, (2) lbs TNT
(4) CS grenades
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned area to determine the extent of enemy activity. Harass and destroy by use of supporting arms and ambushes. Capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 231500H/281420H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 119½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol heard SAF source of which could not be determined. No observations of significance were made throughout this operation.

b. ENEMY: None

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation and interwoven vines in the lowlands and sparse vegetation affording easy movement on the high ground. Canopy varied from 20 ft to 100 ft in height. Water sources throughout area are plentiful.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 271440H (YD993990) Patrol heard SAF emitting from this vicinity source of which could not be determined.

(2) The Song Truoi river is fordable by personnel from coordinates (YD977991) south to (YD988970).

(3) Area covered by patrol has only two suitable OP sites located at (1) (YD973979), (2) (YD977975).

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(4) Due to vegetation and canopy in operational area there are no suitable HLZ's.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: None

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale fair

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation (1) H&I fire be programmed in area to clear HLZs

(2) One bottle of insect repellent per man per day be carried.

(3) Area to the west southwest be considered for future operations.

Conclusions: Area covered by patrol reveals no signs of use.

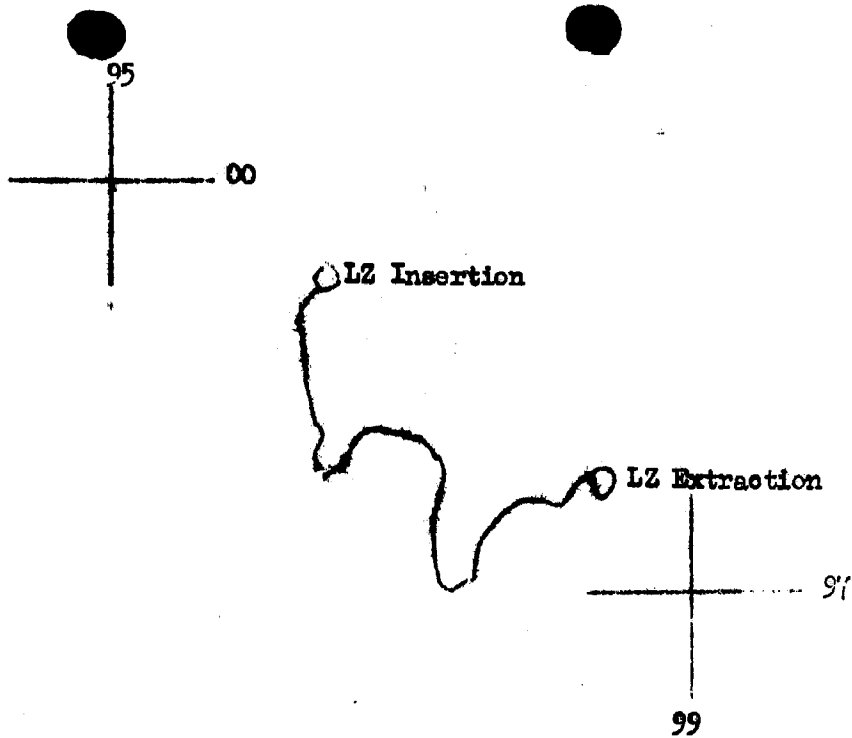
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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Concur with the patrol leaders recommendations.

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LEGEND	PATROL REPORT OVERLAY
<p>O LZ - LANDING ZONE</p> <p>— - ROUTE TRAVELED</p>	<p>1st Team, 3d Flt, 3d Force Recon</p> <p>MAP Vietnam: 1-50,000</p> <p>SERIES: L-704</p> <p>SHEET: 6559 I</p> <p>3d Recon Bn</p> <p>(S-2)</p>

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Operation Order: 7-66
 Patrol: 3d Team, 1st Flt, 3d Force
 Debriefing: 2d Lt D.R. PHELPS
 Map Sheet: 6460 II

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (5) Enl
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: None
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned area to determine the extent of enemy activity. Harass and destroy by use of supporting arms and ambushes. Capture and return to US control VC/VCS.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 260930H/310930H Oct 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 120 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in one enemy sighting of (1) VC, and hearing movement of estimated (30) VC building base camp. Patrol called one airstrike on suspected enemy camp, heard SAF throughout operation, found three trails not shown on map, all of which appear to be heavily used, heard wood cutting in area adjacent to previously found camp, and noted constant activity coming from operational area.

b. ENEMY: (1) 271800H (YD588191) Patrol while in process of establishing their night defensive position heard movement, voices, and wood cutting from all around position from estimated (30) VC. Patrol kept area under surveillance until first light on the 28th and then moved from area to call in supporting arms.

(2) 271810H (YD588191) Patrol observed (1) VC this vicinity. Due to vegetation uniform and equipment could not be determined. Patrol could hear movement and voices from estimated (2) additional VC but could not see them.

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by dense vegetation, interwoven vines, and a canopy of approximately 30 feet in height.

d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) Patrol heard AN/SAF emitting from vicinity of (YD6220) throughout this operation, source of which could not be determined. ~~None~~ This is third report of SAF emitting from this area during the past two weeks.

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(2) 262000H (YD588191) Patrol heard voices coming from this vicinity.

(3) 270820H (YD588191) Patrol heard wood cutting from this vicinity. Patrol leader stated that activity this area appeared to be made as a result of construction on small base camp. Sounds continued throughout the day.

(4) 280945H (YD590193)-(YD588194) Patrol observed two airstrikes conducted at these coordinates. Due to dense vegetation patrol could not make damage assessment.

(5) 281500H (YD588191) Patrol requested supporting arms on suspected base camp. A.O. arrived on station at 1600H with fixed wing arriving on station at 1630H. Due to weather, airstrike was not conducted until approximately 1715H. Airstrike produced an estimated 60% coverage of the target area.

(6) 290830H (YD588191) Patrol moved into suspected enemy base camp to assess damage of airstrike conducted at 1715H on the 28th of October. Patrol found a total of (10) hasty lean-to shelters two of which had not been completed. Six of these shelters were completely destroyed by airstrikes. Prior to patrol leaving the area they destroyed the remaining structures.

(7) 300930H (YD589187) Patrol heard wood cutting from this vicinity. Patrol leader stated he believes that the enemy is constructing another camp at these coordinates.

(8) 301530H (YD594195) Patrol heard splashing and voices coming from this vicinity. Noise appeared to be made by (2) VC. A small stream, not shown on map, is located at these coordinates.

(9) 290830H (YD587192) Patrol found trail not shown on map. Trail was approximately 2 feet wide, and runs east and west for 500 meters then swings south. Patrol followed trail to (YD588190). Trail appears to be heavily used.

(10) 310730H (YD590195) Patrol found trail not shown on map running northwest and southeast. Trail is approximately 2 ft wide and appears to be heavily used. Patrol followed trail to (YD587198).

(11) Patrol leader stated this area is honeycombed with small trails all of which appear to be leading towards hill complex 146 at coordinates (YD596207).

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: Unknown

b. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: (1) US steel helmet, (1) newspaper clipping

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8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Area be kept under surveillance in an attempt to determine the extent and reason for enemy activity.

Conclusions: VC utilizing area for construction of possible base camp/camps and storage area.

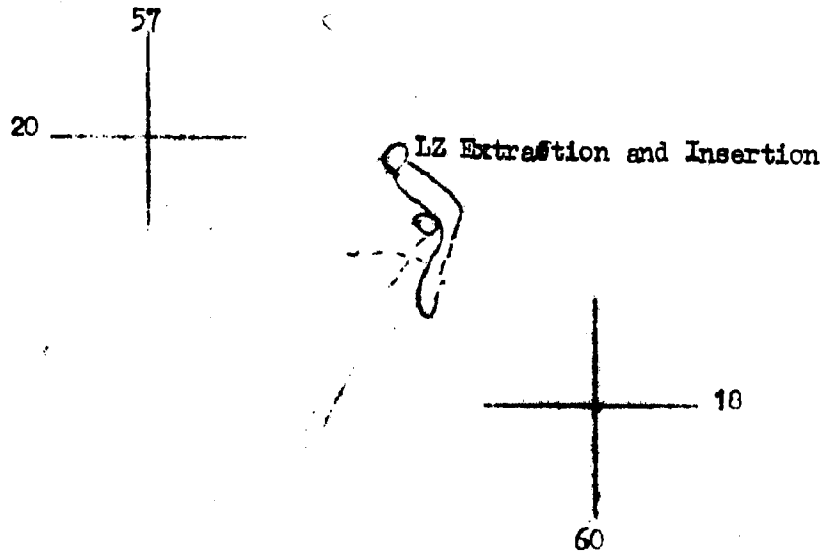
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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: From information received from previous patrols operation in this area, the finding of the third base camp and the constant activity, it appears probable that the enemy has a large base complex along this major avenue of approach.

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LEGEND	PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
<p>O LZ - LANDING ZONE</p> <p>— - ROUTE TRAVELED</p> <p>--- - NEW TRAILS NOT SHOWN ON MAP</p>	<p>2d Team, 1st Plt, 3d Force</p> <p>MAP VIETNAM: 1-50,000</p> <p>SERIES: I-701</p> <p>SHEET: 6460 II</p> <p>3d Recon Bn</p> <p>(S-2)</p>

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Patrol: 2d Team, 5th Bt, Force Recon
 Debriefers: 2dLt D. THELPS
 Map Sheet: 6559 I

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 040300H Nov 1966

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (5) Bn1, (1) USN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AM/TRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) pr 7x50
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned area to determine the extent of enemy activity. Harass and destroy by use of supporting arms and ambushes, exert maximum effort to obtain a prisoner. Collect all weapons and intelligence data.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 010730H/041030H Nov 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 75 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (2) enemy sightings totalling (19) VC and no contacts. Patrol called one artillery mission expending a total of (14) rds resulting in (1) VC KBGF (Conf) and (3) VC WIA (Prob). Patrol heard constant firing coming from the vicinity of Bach Ma, located one excellent OP site and found (2) trails not shown on map.

b. ENEMY:

(1) 031300H (YD985004) Patrol observed (4) VC dressed in khaki and armed with (1) AW moving north. Artillery mission of (14) rds fired resulting in (1) VC KBGF (Conf) and (3) VC WIA (Prob).

(2) 031815H (YD993020) Patrol observed (15) VC, dressed in khaki and black P.J.'s, and all armed, moving southeast on trail. No action was taken due to extreme distance from patrol and the sighting being out of patrol's operational area.

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by extremely dense vegetation and interwoven vines. Canopy averages 10-12 feet in height and movement throughout is very difficult. Water is plentiful.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) Patrol heard constant firing coming from the vicinity of Bach Ma.

(2) (YD977987) Patrol located an excellent OP site affording unlimited observation to the north.

(3) Patrol found two old trails not shown on map. Both trails are approximately 2 feet wide and neither appear to have been used in a long period of time.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: (1) VC KBGF (Conf) and (3) VC WIA (Prob)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent, Morale good

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation: Future patrols operate to the northeast of this area. Conclusions: Area does not appear to be utilized by enemy forces at this time.

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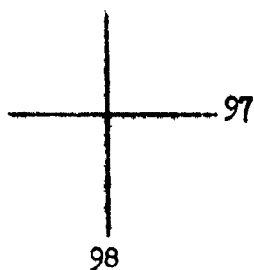
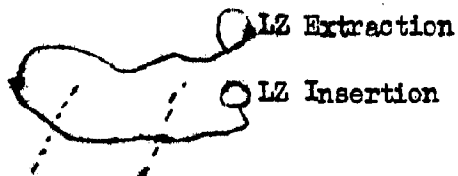
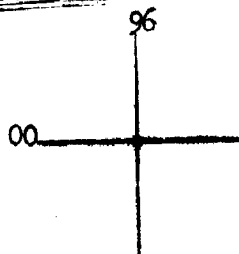
9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Concur with the patrol leader's recommendation

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Operation Order: 9-66
 Patrol: 1st Team, 5th Plt, 3d Force
 Debriefers: 2d Lt D.R. FHELFPS
 Map Sheet: 6560 II

Case No. 33-10000
 3d Reconnaissance Bn.
 PHU BAI, RVN
 021400H Nov 1966

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- a. COMPOSITION: (6) Enb
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None
- c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7x50
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: None
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79

2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned area to determine enemy activity. Harass and destroy by use of supporting arms and ambushes. Exert maximum effort to capture and return to US control VC/VCS. Collect all available weapons and intelligence data. Observe from and to village to your north.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 300845H/021015H Nov 1966

4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay.

5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

a. SYNOPSIS: 70 1/2 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (2) enemy sightings totalling (6) VC; and no contacts. Two artillery missions were called expending a total of (79) rds. Patrol found (4) trails not shown on map, and heard SAF coming from the AP THANH TAN village complex.

b. ENEMY: (1) 301730H (YD575243) The patrol sighted (4) VC in a house. One VC came out and fired his weapon in the air, in the next 30 minutes 3 more VC came out of the same house and fired their weapons in the air. A fire mission was called with good coverage on target. 37 rds of 105mm Howitzer H.E. were fired resulting in (2) VC KEGF (Prob) and (2) VC WIA (Prob).

(2) 011300H (YD569237) The patrol sighted (2) VC wearing camouflaged jackets and shorts with a tan jungle hat and carrying weapons at sling arms. Artillery mission was called with good coverage on target. 42 rds of 105mm Howitzer H.E. were fired resulting in (2) VC KEGF (Prob).

c. TERRAIN: This area consisted of secondary growth from 2 to 8 ft high, moderately thick with no canopy. Water was plentiful throughout the area.

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d. OTHER INFORMATION:

(1) 4 trails were located by the patrol which are not shown on the map. See patrol route overlay.

(2) The patrol heard SAF coming from AP THANH TAN throughout this operation.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

a. ENEMY: (4) VC KBGF (Prob), (2) VC WIA (Prob)

7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent, Morale excellent

8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: (1) Maintain surveillance of the AP THANH TAN village complex.

(2) Infantry sweep of the AP THANH TAN village.

Conclusions: (1) Area covered by patrol has numerous suitable OP sites along ridge.

(2) Village of AP THANH TAN used heavily by VC forces.

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9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: This is the 8th patrol that reported constant SAF coming from the AP THANH TAN village complex at coordinates (YD570245) in the past 30 days.

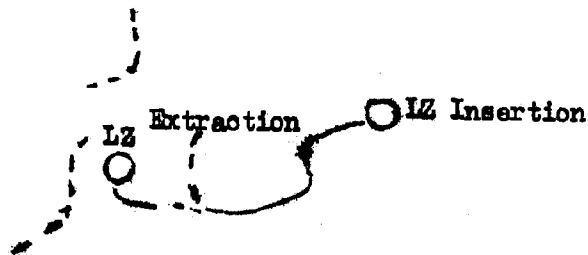
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LEGEND	PATROL REPORT OVERLAY
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