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PART I

OF CAUCATIONAL DATA

DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

3d Recommaissance Battalian

Major C.N. DEZER 16 Feb. 67 to Present

SUDOM INATE UNITS

H & S Co.

A Co.

B Co.

C Co.

D Co.

Capt. J.R. THOMPSON 10 Feb. 67 to Present Gapt. A.B. CHOSHI 2 Dec. 67 to Present Capt. R.J. WEIDWIR 19 Lec. 67 to Present ist/it. J.F. WALKER 24 Mar. 67 to Present Capt. G.E. SPERN Jr. 15 Mar. 67 to Present

ATTACHED UNITS

Det. 3d Force Reconnaissance Co. (3 Plts) (26 April 66 to Present)

Capt. W.D. MCONEY (27 Mar. 67 to Exerci)

2. ICCATION

31 Mar. HUE-PHU DAI, RVN

31 Mar. DONG HA. RVN 31 Mar. KHE SANH, RVN

H & S Co. (-), Co. B, 1st Plt. A Co. Det 3d Force Recon Co. (-) Dot H & S Co., Co. C & Co. D Co. A (-), 2nd Squad, 1st Plt. 3d Force Recon Co.

2nd Squad, 5th Plt. 3d Force Recon Co.

3. STAFF

Descritive Officer Operations Officer C+2 S-4

Major J.R.A. REHFUS 25 Feb. 67 to Present Major P.B. FRIEDRICHE 6 Feb. 67 to Present Asst. Operations Officer Capt. J.W. HEMINGWAY 15 Mar. 67 to Present 2nd/Lt. G.E. FOX 31 Jan 67 to Present 2nd/Lt. D.R. PHEIPS 16 Aug. C6 to Present Capt. D.R. GARDNER :0 Feb. 67 to Presure

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NARIVATIVE SUMMARY

A Go. Dering the reporting period the Company completed 14 patrols averaging 2.7 days with an average of 9 men per patrol. The patrols made 16 sightings for a total of 232 VC, and 52 VCS, which resulted to 2 contacts, 7 fire missions of 213 artillery rounds, and 2 air strike. There were a total of 9 VC KIA (Conf), and 5 VC KIA (Prob). Patrols sighted several trails, buts, and fortified positions not indicated on the map. There were 3 USMC and 1 USN WIA sustained.

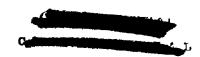
B Co. During the reporting period the Company completed 13 patrols everaging 3.9 days with an average of 10 men per patrol. The patrols made 14 sightings, totalling 71 VC, which resulted in 4 contacts, 9. fire missions with a total of 218 artillery rounds fired. There were a total of 3 VC KIA (Conf), 11 VC KIA (Prob), and 1 VC WIA (Conf). A patrol captured 1 CHI COM Carbine T-53. There were trails, huts, and fortified positions observed by the patrols. There were 5 USMC WIA sustained.

C.Co. During the reporting period the Company completed 22 patrols averaging 2.7 days with 8 men per patrol. The patrols made 32 sightings for a total of 404 VC/NVA, and 2 VCS, which resulted in 9 contacts, 16 fire missions of 4237 artillery rounds, and 3 air strikes called. There were a total of 20 VC/NVA KIA (Conf), 94 VC/NVA KIA (Prob), 2 VC/NVA WIA (Conf), 1 VC/NVA WIA (Prob), and 2 VCS (Detained). Trails, huts, and fortified positions not shown on the map were sighted. There were 5 USMC and 1 USN WIA sustained.

D Co. During the reporting period the Company completed 20 patrols averaging 2.9 days with an average of 8 men per patrol. The patrols made 16 sightings for a total of 348 VC/NVA, which resulted in 9 contacts, 12 fire missions of 1884 artillery rounds, and 1 air strike. There were a total of 20 VC/NVA KIA (Conf), and 53 VC/NVA (Prob). The patrols captured 4 weapons and several documents. Trails, but complexes, and fighting holes not shown on the map were sighted by patrols. There were 9 USMC VIA sustained.

Dot. 3d Force Recom Co. During the reporting period the Detachment completed 15 patrols averaging 2.3 days with an average of 8 men por patrol. The patrols had 23 sightings for a total of 109 VC/NVA that resulted in 1 contact, 3 fire missions of 460 artillory rounds and 5 air strikes. There were a total of 1 VC/NVA KIA (Conf) and 38 VC/NVA KIA (Prob), and 1 weapon captured. Patrols observed trails, huts, and fighting holes not shown on the map. There were 5 USMC WIA sustained.

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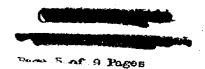


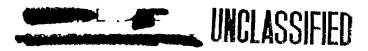
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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- a. Compat Missions Assigned. 3d Reconnaissance Battalion and attached Force Reconnaissance elements, conduct reconnaissance operations, STITUTE. RAY operations and other operations, as directed, within the Division area of responsibility. (3d Mar Div IOI # 3-67)
- b. Significant Operations Conducted. Units of this Battalion have participated in Operations Prairie II and INI and Operation Chinock IV. during this period.
- c. Casualtics Inflicted on the Frency. There have been 53 VC/NVA KIA (Conf), 191 VC/NVA KIA (Prob), 3 VC/NVA WIA (Conf) and 1 VC/NVA WIA (Prob) inflicted on the enemy during the reporting period.
- Gasualties Sustained. There have been 27 USMC WIA and 2 USN WIA sustained by the Battalion.
- New Techniques Employed. Nothing significant to report.
- Gowand Relations. Nothing significant to report. ſ.
- Fourithment. Battalion received and issued 365 U.S. Rifles M-16 E 1.
- h. Logistics. On 15 March 67, Co. A started noving their equipment from PRU BAI, RVN, to KHE SANH, RVN. On 16 March the detachment of 3d Force Reconnaisannes Company started nowing their equipment from Kill Sall, RVN to HAU DAY, RVN, As of this date the exchange of occupanies has not been completed.
- given a class in the personal response program. One man from this battalion attended the Division personal response school during this reporting period.
- J. Adminstration. Nothing significant to report.
- k. Personnel. Officer D'Co. 15 March 67 Capt. J.W. HEMINGWAY relieved as Commanding
- 15 March 67 Capt. G.E. STERN Jr. assigned as Commanding Officer D Co. 15 March 67 Capt. B.L. SPIVEY relieved as Asst. Operations Officer.
- 15 March 67 Capt. J.W. HEMINGWAY Assigned as Asst. Operations Officer. 24 March 67 Capt. T.F. HUFF (WIA) relieved as Commanding Officer C Co.
- 24 March 67 1st/Lt. R.F. WALKER assigned as Commanding Officer C. Oo.

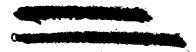
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- 1. <u>Intelligence</u>. During this period, a reluctance by the enemy to engage or inflict easualties on our patrols has become evident. Several times, the enemy being numerically superior, withheld his fire attempting to surround reconnaissance patrols. This is possibly a new trend in enemy tactics to acquire captives. All intelligence information gathered by this battalion's patrols were forwarded to G-2, 3d Mar Div.
- m. Communications. Two additional relay sites were established. One relay was established at PHU LOC, RVN((ZD 083003) on March 1967, It's mission was to relay for Recon patrols operating in RZ 5 and 6 har the unit located at PHU LOC. The second relay was established on Dong Vol Mep known as hill 1739 (XD 631546). It is the 3d Marine Divisions highest relay site in the northern sector of South Vietnam. It's mission was to relay for reconnaissance patrols operating from the Dong Ha area.
- n. Weather. Crashin continued to hamper insertion and extraction of recommalssance units by helicopter the first 10 days of the month. This resulted in a less than desirable recommalssance screen during this period. Some compensation was made by walking patrols in, vice helicopter insertions. The remainder of the month was characterized by generally clear skies with no major problems in the deployment and scheduling of operations. Temperature during the month this area was in a transitional period between the cool season, and the warm season, which generally begins in May. During this period the mean maximum temperature was 90 degrees with low humidities from 25 to 40 percent. Due to extremely high temperatures encountered on a few occasions by patrols during this month, movement was restricted and a few heat casualties were sustained.
- o. Fire Support. During the reporting period patrols of this battalion called 48 artillery fire missions expending 7012 rounds.
- p. Air Support. During the reporting period patrols of this battalion have called 11 Fixed Wing missions. Helicopter gunship support, and medevace were utilized several times.
- 4. Activations/ Denotivations/ Redesimations. Nothing significant to report.
- r. <u>Training</u>. Training was and is being hold for all newly joined personnel from CONUS in all phases of reconnaissance techinques being employed by this battalion in the RVN. Training was and is being given on familiarization firing and seroing of the U.S. Rifle M-16 E-1. The Battalion is also presently training a reconnaissance platoon from the 1st ARVN Division in all phases of reconnaissance techinques.

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s. Sequential Listing of Significant Events.

261430H Feb-020230H Mar. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 0860) conducted 91 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in 1 enemy sighting of 4 NVA and contact with same, resulting in 1 NVA KIA (Conf). This sighting and contact initiated infantry operations against a large enemy force. Artillery fixed: 433 rounds in support of patrol. Patrol linked up with and went OPCON to a 3d Marine Regt. (see Patrol Report 90-67 attached).

O3:630N-073500H Mar. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (XD 9353) conducted 95 hours of reconnaissance which resulted in a total of an estimated 72 VC/NVA reported. The patrol had 3 sightings and 1 contact which resulted in 2 VC/NVA KIA (Conf), 3 VC/NVA KIA (Prob), and 1 USMC WIA. Fatrol captured 2 AK-47's, 4 packs with assorted documents and personal gear. Patrol found 2 trails not shown on map, both of which reveal signs of recent heavy use, found evidence of elephants, located bunkers, several individual shelters, and one old plateon size harbor site. (See Fatrol Report 97-67 attached).

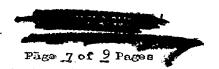
080910-101545H Mar. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 0767) conducted 302 hours of reconnaissance which resulted in 6 sightings and 3 contacts. 67 VC/NVA were observed, 5 VC/NVA KIA (Conf), 1 VC/NVA WIA (Conf), and 7 VC/NVA (Paob), and 13 VC/NVA KIA (Prob). Patrol found trails and a bridge not on map. (See Patrol Report 105-67 attached).

120915H-151800H Mar. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 1846) conducted 83 3/4 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance which resulted in 2 enemy sightings and contacts. Results were 6 VC/NVA KIA (Prob) by SA/AWF. Patrol called fixed wing air strike resulting in 2 VC/NVA KIA (Conf), and 10 VC/NVA KIA (Prob). Patrol had 1 USMC WIA. Patrol found trails, saw lights, and heard signals. (See Patrol Report 112-67 attached).

1909 COH-211400H Mar. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 1064) conducted 53 hours of patrolling that resulted in no enemy sightings or montacts. Patrol observed and called artillery on morter and rocket position: which were in the act of shelling CON THIEN, RVN. Chordinates (YD 175701). Missions expended 300 rounds of 105mm HE, resulting in 2 secondary explosions and sileneing the morter. Patrol found large harbor site and numerous old bunkers. (See Patrol Report 123-67 attached).

2013/5H-251670H Mar. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (XD 9447) conducted 122 hours of patrolling and surveillance which resulted in 2 sightings of 75-20 NVA and 2 contacts resulting in 5 NVA KIA (Conf), 5 NVA KIA (Prob), and 2 USMC WIA. Patrol heard voices numerous times and found a well used trail. Artillery supported with 5 missions totalling 1400 rounds. (See Patrol Report 125-67 attached).

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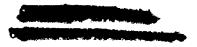
211530H-221735H Mar. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 6024) conducted 26 hours of recommaissance and surveillance which resulted in 9 enemy sightings totalling 51 VC/NVA and no contacts. Artillery fixed a total of 219 rounds in support of patrol resulted in 4 VC/NVA KIA (Prob) and 1 large secondary explosion. (See Patrol Report 76-67 attached).

211615H-241530H Mer. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 0465) conducted 70 hours of patrolling resulting in 6 separate sightings of 90 NVA and 2 contacts. Patrol sustained 1 USMC WIA. Eenemy losses by SA/ANC included 2 NVA KIA (Prob). Artillery supported with 6 fire missions of 302 rounds, resulting in 20 NVA KIA (Prob). 2 air strikes were conducted resulting in 5 NVA KIA (Conf) and 20 NVA KIA (Prob) and one secondary explosion. (See Batrol Report 120-67 attached).

24M45H-261900H Mar. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 0765) conducted 52 hours of patrolling which resulted in 1 enemy sighting of 20 NVA and 1 contact resulting in 1 NVA KIA (Conf) and 30 NVA KIA (Prob). Artillory fixed two missions of 65 rounds in support of patrol. Patrol found numerous trails, a base camp and fighting holes. (See Patrol Report 134-67 attached).

261000N-3000900H Mar. A patrol operating in the vicinity of (YD 8300) conducted 93 hours of recommaissance and surveillance which resulted in 2 enemy sightings totalling 6 VC/NVA and 2 contacts; the results of which, were 1 VC/NVA KIA (Conf), 1 NVA KIA (Prob), 1 USMC WIA, and the capture of 1 CHI COM Carbine Type 53. (See Patrol Report 87-67 attached).

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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(1) Patrol Report 90-67 of 02 Mar 67 (Co. D)
(2) Patrol Report 97-67 of 07 Mar 67 (Co. D)
(3) Patrol Report 105-67 of 10 Mar 67 (Co. D)
(4) Patrol Report 112-67 of 15 Mar 67 (Co. D)
(5) Patrol Report 123-67 of 21 Mar 67 (Co. C)
(6) Patrol Report 126-67 of 25 Mar 67 (Co. C)
(7) Patrol Report 126-67 of 25 Mar 67 (Co. C)
(8) Patrol Report 128-67 of 24 Mar 67 (Co. C)
(9) Patrol Report 134-67 of 24 Mar 67 (Co. D)
(10) Patrol Report 07-67 of 30 Mar 67 (Co. B)
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Patrol: 2ndSqd lstPlt Co D
Debriefer: 2nd/Lt D.R. PHELPS
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DONG HA, HVN
DIC 021415H MARCH 1967

PATROL REPORT

- 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - a. COMPOSITION: (7) ENL (1) USN
 - b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
 - d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (2) PR 7 X 50
 - e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (4) 21b BLOCKS C-4 W/ACC (9) WP RIFLE GRENADES
 - f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (5) CLAYMORE MINES (1) M-79
- 2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner. Plot HLZ's for future operations.
- 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 261430H/020930H MAR 1967
- 4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
- 5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNOPSIS: 91 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (1) enemy sighting of (4) NVA and contact with same resulting in (1) NVA KIA (CONF). This sighting and contact in tigted infantry operation against large enemy force. Artillery fired (433) rds in support of patrol. Patrol found recently used trail, (1) large excavation, and found friendly propaganda leaflets which had been torn up. Patrol went OPCON to 3d Marines.

b. ENEMY:

- (1) 261500H (YD 086588) Patrol received (4) rds carbine fire from this vicinity. No fire was returned, mission continued.
- (2) 271000H (YD 073615) Patrol while moving northwest along trail made contact with (4) NVA which were moving southeast along same trail. SA/AWF was exchanged resulting in (1) NVA KIA (CONF). NVA were dressed in green utilities with red stars on left collar and covers. Stars appeared to be metal. The enemy was armed with AK-471 and carbines, wearing cartridge belts, no packs. These NVA appeared to be larger, physically, than the normal Vietnamese. SA/AWF continued the NVA point being reinforced by an estimated company. Petrol broke contact, NVA pursuing, moving east to (YD 073616) at which time artillery missions was fired forcing the NVA to CONFIDENTIAL quickly away from position moving southeast and northwest.

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is pause in artillery brought the NVA back towards patrols position until being resumed. This continued until approximately 2200H at which time patrol moved to (YD 070610) linking up with friendly infantry unit at 272300H. Artillery fired (433) rds turing this period. OPCON passed to 2/3 this date.

- c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by level open terrain covered with grass with an intermittent canopy along the streams varying in height from 50° to 75°.
- d. OTHER INFORMATION:
 - (1) 261530H (YD 083596) Patrol while following trail which appeared to have been used within past 2-3 hours found several friendly propaganda leaflets this vicinity which had been torn-up. Fresh tennis shoe prints were noted on trail moving northwest.
 - (2) 261730H (YD 076605) Patrol found (1) large hole with a 4 X 10 meter opening approximately 15' deep. At bottom of hole a tunnel opening 4' in diameter was noted. No signs of recent use were evident.
 - (3) 261800% (YD 076607) Patrol heard voices and movement from estimated 13-12 people this vicinity. Artillery mission of (1) rd was fixed, movement and voices ceased.
 - (A) 270900W (YD 078613) Patrol crossed (2) small streams as shown on map this vicinity finding trail as shown on route overlay which paralleled north side of stream running southeast to northwest. Trail is 2' in width and revealed signs of recent use, within past 3 hours, by estimated 10-12 people wearing tennis shoes. Patrol continued along trail to (YD 073615) at which point contact with NVA was made.
 - (5) 271015H (ID 073616) Patrol while in defensive position these coordinates and during artillery fire heard 30-50 NVA moving rapidly, approximately 20 meters from its position, southeast. Due to noises heard petrol feels this was possibly a weapons platoon carrying an unknown purpose of mortars. Enemy was heard talking and laughing as they past patrols position.
- 6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
 - a. ENEMY: (1) NVA KTA (CONF)
 - b. FRIENDLY: NONE
 - c. Captured equipment: None
- 7. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD, MORALE GOOD
- 8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
 - Recommendations:
 (1) Surveillance of this area be maintained on a permanent basis. Future patrols consider using areas vicinity of (YD 06659) and (YD 066606) for this purpose.



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Conclusions:

WA unit which patrol made contact with on 27 Feb 1967 was moving in an easterly direction, possibly towards CAM LO.

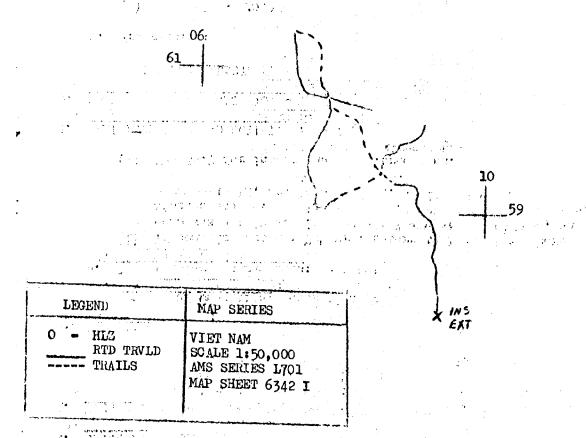
> D.S. FREEMAN Patrol Leader Cpl Co D

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(1) Concur with patrol leaders recommendations and conclusions.
(2) Feel noteworthy the comment on physical size of NVA and also the fact that no NVA observed by patrol was carrying packs.



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PATROL REPORT

- 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - a. COMPOSITION: (5) ENL (1) USA
 - b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
 - d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) PR 7 X 50
 - e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (6) 2LB BLOCKS C-4 W/ACC
 - f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 (2) CLAYMORE MINES
- 2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms and establish ambushes of opportunity. Make every effort to capture a prisoner. Plot HLZ's for future operations.
- 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 031610H/071500H MARCH 1967
- 4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
- 5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNORSIS: 95 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (3) enemy sightings of estimated (72) VC/NVA and (1) contact which resulted in (2) VC/NVA KIA (CONF), (1) VC/NVA KIA (PROB) and (1) USMC WIA. Patrol captured (2) AK-47's, (4) packs with assorted documents and personal gear. Patrol found (2) trails not shown on map both of which reveal signs of recent heavy use, found evidence of elephants, located bunkers, several individual shelters and one old platoon size harbor site.
 - b. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by steep hills covered with dense vegetation approximately 8' high and a canopy of 70' in height.
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 - (1) 032100H (XD 929618) Patrol observed (2) of an estimated (6-8) VC/NVA moving from northeast to southwest. Due to darkness and vegetation equipment not observed.
 - (2) 051830H (XD 945624) Patrol while in night defensive position observed approximately (12) flashlights moving north-northeast along trail. Due to voices and movement patrol estimated there to be between 50-60 VC/NVA Movement was constant around patrols position throughout this night.

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(3) 061250H (XD 940625) Patrol while following heavily used trail heard movement and established histy ambush. (4) VC/NVA dressed in KHAKI shirts with KHAKI shorts, all armed with AK-47's and carrying maks, were moving along trail with weapons at sling arms. Patrol engaged enemy with SA/AWF and grenades receiving same. VC/NVA broke contact. Contact resulted in (2) VC/NVA KIA (CONF), (1) VC/NVA KIA (PROB), and (1) USMC WIA (MINOR). The following equipment was captured: (2) AK-47's, (2) cartridge belts, (4) packs, which contained a total of (20) new, green utility uniforms, assorted documents and personal gear. All gear was brand new. Patrol commented on the size and apparent good health of VC/NVA.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

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- (1) 031610H (XD 930610) Patrol inserted these coordinates. LZ is 100 X 250 meters covered with grass 6" to 8" high. (1) old punji pit was found by site 2' X 2' covered with brush. No signs of recent use noted. LZ not recommended for future use due to surrounding terrain overlooking same.
- (2) 041130H (XD 929617) Patrol found (12) bunkers these coordinates along either side of finger from which fire could be placed on stream approach. Bunkers revealed no evidence of recent use but are in good condition.
- (3) 051330H (XD 929618) Patrol found trail not shown on map running east-west which varied from 2 to 2½ meters in width which reveals evidence of recent use by an estimated (3) people with (6) elephants. Patrol followed trail to (XD 928618) at which point several stacks of wood and fresh digging was found along hillside. Patrol continued along trail to (XD 940625) at which point contact with the (4) VC/NVA was made.
- (4) 061720H (XD 946619) Patrol found trail not shown on map running northeast-southwest which is approximately (3) meters wide revealing evidence of recent, heavy use. Patrol followed trail to (XD 943617) with negative results.
- (5) 051830H (XD 937612) Patrol found (3) recently constructed bunkers these coordinates. Due to situation patrol was unable to check same.
- (6) 071100H (XD 934611) Patrol found large, cleared area which would accommodate a platoon size unit. Check of site revealed soveral amoll, bamboo shelters none of which reveal signs of recent use.
- (7) 071500H (XD 938605) Patrol extracted these coordinates. LZ is 100 X 250 meters covered with grass 6" to 8" high. No obstacles noted.

6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:

- a. ENEMY: (2) NVA KIA (CONF) (1) NVA KIA (PROB)
- b. FRIENDLY: (1) USMC WIA (MINOR)
- c. CAPTURED EQUIPMENT: (2) AK-47's (2) Cartridge Belts (4) Packs with assorted personal gear and documents.

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8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations:

- (1) LZ's as mentioned in this report are the only suitable sites in area.
 (2) Due to lack of LZ's recommend future patrols take necessary equipment only. (TRAVEL LIGHT)
- (3) Surveillance of area be continued.
- (4) Due to nature of terrain scout dogs a re highly recommended for future operations this area.

Conclusions:

- (1) Area has adequate natural water resources.
- (2) Feel enemy base camp possible vicinity of (XD 925626).
 (3) Trails a re used continuously by undetermined number of people moving north and west.

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Patrol Leader
Cpl Co D

9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:

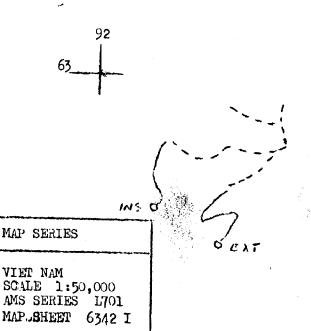
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(1) Concur with patrol leaders recommendations and conclusions.
 (2) Area possibly used for infiltration of supplies from the west vicinity of (XD 8862).



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PATROL REPORT

- 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - a. COMPOSITION: (7) USMC
 - b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - c. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
 - d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) PR 7 X 50
 - e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 50! DET COND, (2) CLAYMORE MINES, (1) M-76, (4) WP RIFLE GRENADES, (3) CS GRENADES
 - f. SPECIAL WEARONS: (1) M-79
- 2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms.

 Make every effort to capture a prisoner. Plot HIZ's for fufure operations. Pay particular attention to trails and their frequency of use in your RZ. Ascertain if the area is being used by the enemy and for what purpose.
- 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 080910H/101545 MARCH 1967
- 4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
- 5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNOPSIS: 30½ hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (6) sightings and (3) contacts resulting in (67) VC/NVA observed, (5) VC/NV KIA (CONF), (1) VC/NVA WIA (CONF), (1) VC/NVA(WIA)(PROB) by SAF.Artilles support of (173) HE 105mm rds resulted in (2) VC/NVA KIA (CONF), (13) VC/NVA KIA (PROB). Patrol found trails, bridge, but not on map. Area covered by patrol appears to be heavily used by enemy at this time.

b. ENEMY:

(1) 081330H (YD 097608) Point element of patrol crossed bridge to c danger area, saw fresh tennis shoe prints on trail. Cutting off trail up bank they saw (8) VC/NVA dressed in multi colored indige nous clothing, with large, heavy, light colored packs and cartrid belt, armed with AK-47's and carbines. Helmets not worn; some v bareheaded, some wore indigenous straw hats. Two (2) of these (personnel were women who also had large packs and carbines. Poir element was seen and opened fire with SAF, killing (2) VC (CONF). Patrol reassembled at bridge area and covered their withdrawal with SA/AWF and M-79 fire, futher killing (1) VC (CONF). Screams were heard from (1) wounded VC (PROB). Patrol leader called fire miss of (20) HE 105mm rds on enemy position and withdrew along stream N.W. where crossing was effected. Patrol observed hard sand

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mands upon further checking area estimated (3) VC KIA (PROB).

- (2) 081535H (YD 087609) Patrol observed (2) VC/NVA dressed and armed as above with packs and carbines. Fire mission of (21) 105mm rds called with excellent coverage and unknown results.
- (3) 091110H (YD 077614) Patrol saw (3) NVA's dressed in tan khakis with heavy packs, helmets, weapons at sling arms. Weapons not identifiable because of distance. Enemy were moving south. Patrol called fire mission of (27) HE 105mm rds with good coverage and unknown results.
- (4) 101215H (YD 059627) Patrol observed platoon-sized NVA force of approximately (30) dressed in tan khakis, helmets, no packs, mixed small arms, AK-47's, large MG of posible .50 Caliber type. Enemy was moving S.E., relaxed at sling arms; poor movement dicipline indicated by small interval and non-tactical movement. Artillery mission of (35) HE 105mm called with good coverage. Patrol reports (2) NVA (KIA) (CONF) and (10) NVA KIA (PROB).
- (5) 101235H (YD 054628) Patrol heard movement around their OP site, set in hasty ambush. (4) NVA walked into ambush with (1) NVA WIA (CONF). NVA dressed as above with small arms weapon that was similar to M-14. Enemy was deplayed with 7-8 meters interval and weapons at ready with good noise and movement discipline.
- (6) 101325H (YD 054627) Patrol moved 100 meters south of ambush site, heard more noise to their N.E., set hasty ambush, called (19) HE 105mm rds following trace of patrol At 101340H (20) NVA walked into ambush. Enemy was well spread out and deplozed for imminent; contact. Ambush resulted in (2) NVA KIA (CONF). Enemy fired back sporaddically. Patrol left site screening themselves with (51) HE 105mm rds.
- c. TERRAIN: This mea is characterized by gentle rolling hills covered with 1'-7' high elephant grass, intermittent canopy 25' high. Ample water, no communications interference.

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

- (1) 081030H (YD 08575946) Patrol crossed river these coordinates. Good ford point, 150' wide, 1'-2' deep, strong current not impeding crossing, gravel bottom, no signs of constant use.
- (2) 081245H (YD 096603) Patrol checked out (7-8) abandoned huts with negative results. Patrol observed numerous and well-used trails running between abandoned huts. Trails running from N.W.-S.E. are being used heavily, and footprints were observed indicating enemy moving S.E.The prints were made by tennis shoe foot gear. VC/NVA communication wire of 10' length found outside of hut. Wire brought back with patrol.
- (3) 081325H (YD 097608) Scouts sent to check for stream ford found bridge not on map. See attached for characteristics.
- (4) 090800H (YD 093617) Patrol found trail not on map running N.E.-S.W. Followed trail observed (1) footprint of tennis shoe type foot gear. Trail was 3' wide, moderately used by friendly as well as enemy.



- (5) 090920H (ED 088618) Patrol found good HLZ 50 meters by 300. Elephant grass 13-2 Migh and sparse brush up to 4% relatively level.
- (6) 091630H (N. 075627) Pairol observed fresh drag mark of what could have been 250 lb bomb did on trail leading over hill 124. Object dragged was heavy round and rigid.
- (7) 101055H (YD 057627) Patrol found well-used trail 3' wide not shown Footprints, scuff mark and displacement of vegetation indicated trail used within last 12 hours.
- (8) 101400H (YD 065627) Patrol stopped to make report to relay, heard movement to west. Patrol left area to go to hill 124.
- (9) 101435H (YD 076623) Patrol found bomb alongside trail, 250 lb dud.
- (10) NOT5458 (YD 082619) Patrol extracted from IZ 100 X 100 meter characterized by 12-21 high elephant grass.

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- 6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
 - a. ENEMY: (7) VC KIA (CONF), (10) VC KIA (PROB), (1) VC WIA (CONF)
 - b. FRIENDLY: NONE
 - c. CAPTURED EQUIPMENT: NONE
- 7. CONDITION OF PATROL: FAIR, MORALE GOOD
- 8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

- (1) Reconnaissance patrols in vicinity (YD 0563) walk in from Highway 9, observe vicinity low ground at (YD 0960).
- (2) Intentity sweep from vicinity (YD 0462) to vicinity (YD 0962).

 (3) The drop vicinity (YD 0564), covering (4) grid squares with this center coordinate.

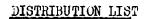
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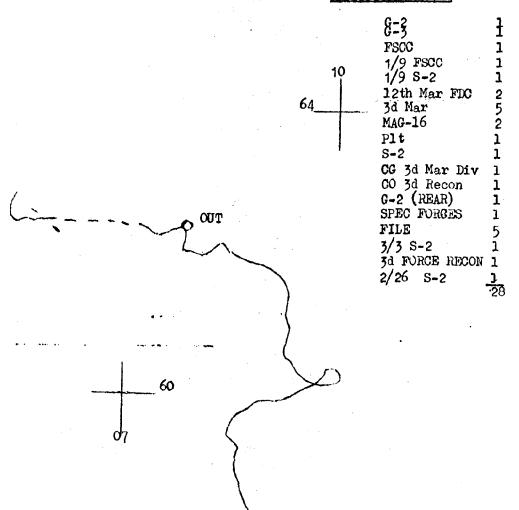
- (1) That 05 N.S. grid line north of 63 E.W. is separation between western base camp area and eastern transient area.
- (2) That VC/PVA use paddy/valley area vicinity (YD 0861) heavily for transien and infitration activities to south.
- (5) VC/NVA use these routes for resupply activities, due to heavy loads observed.

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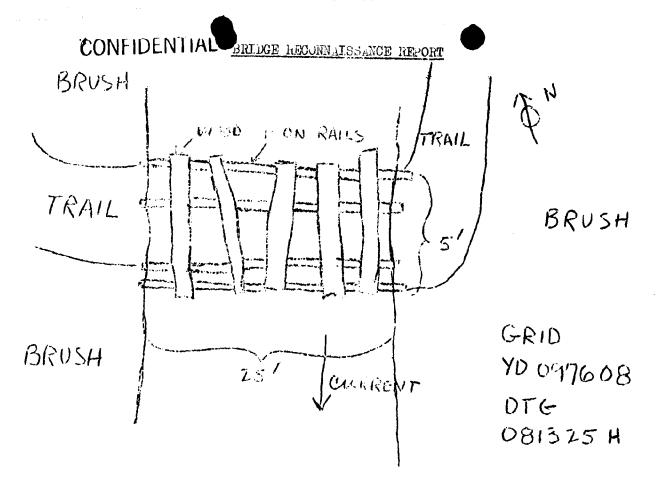
9. DEBRIEFER COMMENTS: Concur with patrol leader's conclusions and recommendations. Note well the emphasis on large, heavy packs carried by groups of VC/NVA through route (YD 0861), moving S.E.

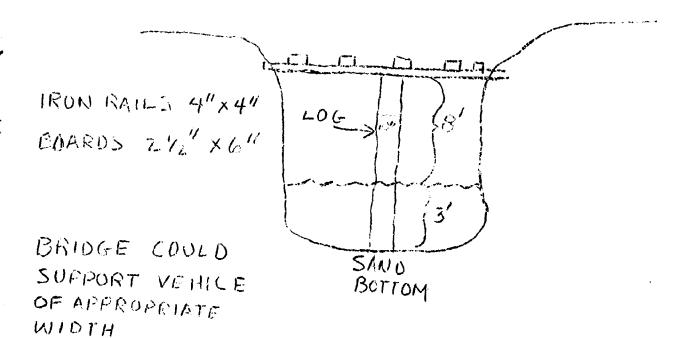




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Map Sheet: 6442 III

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PATROL REPORT

- 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - a. COMPOSITION: (9) USMC (1) USM
 - b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENT: NONE
 - e. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
 - d. OBSERVATION E JUIPMENT: (1) 7 X 50
 - e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) CLAYMORE MINES (1) M-76 (6) WP RIFLE GRENADES
 - f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 (1) M-60
- 2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms. Make every effort to capture a prisoner. Plot HLZ's for future operations. Pay particular attention to trails and their frequency of use in your RZ. Ascertain if the area is being used by the enemy and for what purpose.
- 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 120915H/151800H MARCH 1967
- 4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
- 5. OBSERVATION OF ENERY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNOPSIS: 83 3/4 hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (2) enemy sightings and contacts. Results were (6) VC/NVA KIA (PROB) by SA/AWF. Patrol called fixed wing air strike resulting in (2) VC/NVA KIA (CONF) and (10) VC/NVA KIA (PROB). Patrol took (1) USMC WIA (MINOR). Patrol found trails, saw light and heard signal.
 - b. ENEMY:
 - (1) 151030H (YD 184463) Patrol saw (6) VC/NVA moving on trail very quickly SE. Enemy saw patrol and large volume of SA/AWF was exchanged. Enemy had AW's of AK-47 variety. Results were (3) VC/NVA KIA (PROB). Enemy withdrew NE. Artillery mission was called of (14) HF 175mm rds with unknown results. Patrol investigated area, found blood stains and dragmarks, and packs with sacks of rice.
 - (2) 151030H (YD 185462) Simultaneously with above fire fight, patrol observed and fired upon (1) VC/NVA to SE. Enemy withdrew to east. From cressed in khaki trousers, dark shirt, camouflaged with bushes. No weapon observed.

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- (3) 151530H (YD 184458) Patrol had sighting of (5) VC/NVA and exchanged grenades and SA/AWF with (10-15) VC/NVA. Patrol reports machine gun in enemy base of fire. Enemy dressed in tantrousers and black shirts, armed with AW and carbines. (3) VC/NVA KIA (PROB) and (1) USMC WIA. Patrol then saw (2) VC/NVA dressed as above at vicinity (YD 184459). SA/AWF was exchanged. Enemy withdrew into treeline.
- (4) 151600H (YD 183457) Patrol heard movement, shoveling, metal on metal from this time until extraction.
- (5) 151700H (YD 183457) Patrol directed air strikes on general area with results (2) VC/NVA KIA (CONF) and (10) VC/NVA KIA (PROB).
- c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by gentle rolling hills with elephant grass 2'-4' high, and canopy very thick, 60' high. Water ample, communication good.
- d. OTHER INFORMATION:
 - (1) 121055H (YD 202449) Patrol found trail 3' wide, moderately used by people and cattle. Movement all to south, and recent. Markings off side of trail consisted of two holes 2" apart connected by line drawn by stick.
 - (2) 121100H (YD 205465) Patrol heard signal that sounded like bi-cycle horn, 3 times at a one minute interva. No futher results.
 - (3) 132045H (YD 207446) Patrol observed one light from this vicinity. Light was on one minute. No action taken.
 - (4) 150930H (YD 185461) Patrol observed trail heavily used, B' wide, not on map. Trail used by enemy during contacts.
- 6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
 - a. ENEMY: (2) VC/NVA KIA (CONF) (16) VC/NVA (PROB)
 - b. FRIENDLY: (1) USMC WIA (MINOR)
 - CAPTURED EQUIPMENT: (1) KNIFE WITH NO MARKINGS, (1) HOME MADE PACKROLL, 9mm CARTRIDGE SHELLS.
- 7. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD, MORALE GOOD
- 8, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

(1) Insert reconnaissance patrol in area of (YD 1846) (YD 1848) (YD 2046) (YD 2048) especially to (YD 183457).

(2) Assure artillery support has illumination capability.
(3) TPQ conducted at (YD 183457); and (YD 1746) (YD 1744) (YD 2044) (YD 2046).

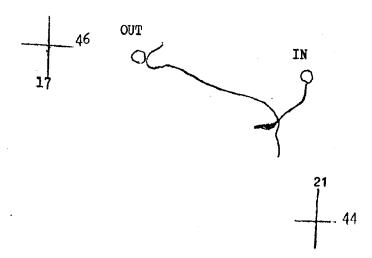


(1) Frienzy uses area for movement to south, and west.

W.T. JAMES Patrol Leader Cpl Co D

9. DEBRIEFER COLMENTS:

Concur with patrol leader's conclusions and recommendations.



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PATROL REPORT

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- SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - COMPOSITION: USMC (1) USN
 - SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - O. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
 - d. COBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7 X 50
 - e. PSPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (2) CS HAND GRENADES (1) M-76 (4) WP RIFLE GRENADES
 - f. (SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79
- 2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms. Make every effort to capture a prisoner. Plot HLZ's for future operations. Pay particular attention to trails and their frequency of use in your RZ. Ascertain if the area is being used by the enemy and for what purpose.
- TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 190900H/211400H MARCH 1967
- 4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
- 5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNOPSIS: 53 hours of patrolling resulted in no enemy sightings or contacts. Patrol observed and called artillery on mortar and rocket position which was in the act of shelling CONTHIEN. Mission expended (300) 105mm rds resulting in (2) secondary explosions and silencing the mortare Patrol found large harbor sight, numerous old bunkers.
 - b. MMY: 202000H (YD 105645) Patrol heard large caliber (120)mm mortar and possible rocket position shelling CONTHIEN. Patrol called artillery mission of (300) 105mm rds with two distinct secondary explosions of Mortars ceased. Paper of the springer of charlest himself of particularly
 - c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by rolling hills, elephant grass 4', thick brush, sparse canopy 20' high. Water ample, fair communication.
 - d. OTHER INFORMATION:
 - (1) 151225H (YD 0960) Patrol heard SA/AWF from this vicinity, lasting) for 10 minutes.
 - (2) 101515H (YD 092616) Patriol found squad sized enemy harbor site, with broken beer bottle, and a rice bowl.

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- 191610H (YD 092610) Patrol heard coughing movement of probable (2-3) people this vicinity.
- (4) 200900H (YD 094615) Patrol found platoon size harbor site with (5) well constructed bunkers, 3' X 3' X 2', well camouflaged. Area at least 3 weeks out of use.
- 201000H (YD 092617) Patrol found large complex, bunkers, buts 6' X 6' X 4'; one hut had bed, bottles (empty), (6) CHI CCM grenades, (1) lantern (1) magazine pouch for grease gun. Hut appeared to be sick bay area. Complex could accommodate upwards of company.
- (6) 201045H (YD 093617) Fifty meters from above positions patrol found old fighting holes, 1000 rounds of SA ammunition of all kinds, 14 more. CHI GOM grenades, all in tin container, waterproofed, tied up with vines. Patrol took sample of cache, destroyed rest in place.

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- 6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY!

 - FRIENDLY: (NONE
 - CONDITION OF PATROL: POOR, MORALE GOOD
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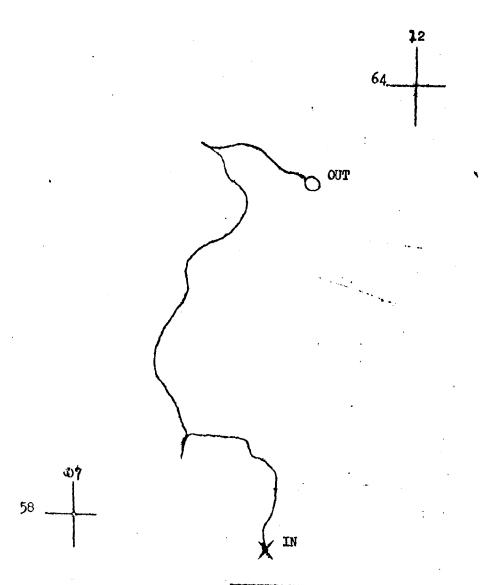
- CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

 Recommendations: (1) Maintain surveillance of (Yi 0962) and (YU 1062) for morter activity.

 Conclusions:
 - (1) Enemy was using area vicinity (YD 0961) as permanent installation, have moved out 3-4 weeks ago.
 - (2) Enemy has 120mm mortars at (YD 1064) from which they mortared CONTHIEN night of 20 March 1967.

P.P. HAASE Patrol Leader

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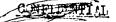
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PATROL REPORT

- 1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
 - a. COMPOSITION: (7) USMC (1) USM
 - b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENT: NONE
 - o. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25
 - d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7 X 50
 - e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (3) CLAYMORE MINES (1) 2LB BLOCK 0-4 (3) WP RIFLE GRENADES
 - f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79
- 2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine enemy activity. Engage enemy with supporting arms. Make every effort to capture a prisoner. Plot HLZ's for future operations, Pay particular attention to trails and their frequency of use in your RZ. Ascertain if the area is being used by the enemy and for what purpose.
- 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 201345H/251600H MARCH 1967
- 4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
- 5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNOPSIS: 122 hours of patrolling resulted in (2) enemy sightings of (15-20) NVA and (2) contacts resulting in (5) NVA KIA (CONF), (3) NVA KIA (PROB), and (2) USMC WIA (MINOR). Patrol heard voices numerous times, found well used trail. (Artillery supported with (5) missions (1400) roun.
 - BO. ENIMY: SEATING TO ENEMS
 - (1) 210700H (XD 948478) Patrol heard voices, gear rattling of (5-10) VC/NVA. No action taken because of poor communication.
 - (2) 211115H (XD 948478) Patrol heard voices of (3-4) about 10 meters from patrol's position. No action taken because of poor communications. Some 15 minutes later patrol heard voices of another (3-4) VC/EVA, and began to move to reestablish communication.
 - (3) 220945H (XD 943476) Patrol saw and made dontact with (15-20) VC or NVA. Enemy was moving east on trail, wearing black PJ's, no pac one had beret, with carbines and AW. Enemy was non-tactical, tall at sling and, noticed footbrints, grouped and started to organiz for sweep. Patrol opened fire resulting in (5) VC/NVA (PROB) and (1) USI WIA (MINOR). Enemy broke contact, and patrol called artillery mission of (196) rounds, with unknown results:

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- 221700H (XD 942465) Patrol heard voices of (3-6) enemy walking in creek bed. Poor communication precluded action.
- 231 200H (XD 9445) Patrol heard pounding and chopping from this (5) vicinity. Artillery was underway at this time and patrol adjusted to vicinity of sound. Pounding stopped.
- 成分成為 医骨髓炎 重新的重要的 241845H (XD 970479); Patrol in night position heard movement of en-ુ(6) emy moving to within 10 feet of position. Artillery was called and enemy withdraw throwing one granade into patrol's position. Mission of (530) rounds caused enemy to break contact at that time. Enemy continued to probe all night, and (1) VC/NVA was observed trying to climb tree.
- TERRAIN: This area is characterized by steep hills, thick vegetation, osnopy of 201-401, elephant grass 81-101 high. Water ample, communications, extremely poor (RADIOMAN REMARKS EXCELLENT COMMUNICATION WITH ALPHA RELAY)

d. OTHER INFORMATION:

- (1) 210900H (XD 948478) Patrol found trail not on map (3!-5!) wide, heavily used, signs of wheeled gear having been pulled over trail. Wheels wore 4" wide, made 3" deep groove, were (2) in number 12" apant. Foot prints were of bare feet and tennis shoe type foot gear going to both east and west. Trail went east west, was well kept up with a clay base. Auxiliary trail ran parellel about 10 meters to north, was about 21 wide. Fighting holes were scattered along side of trail.
- (2) 241030H (XD 966485) Patrol found large bunker, well constructed, ocald accommodate 3 personnel. Next to bunker was old abandoned
- RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY!
 - 387.188 ENEMY: (5) NVA KYA(CONF): (3) NVA (PROB)
- FRIENDLY: (2) USMC WIA (MINOR)
 - e. Captured equipment: None
- CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD, MORALE GOOD
- CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: Recon be inserted (AD 9348), work toward west.

Conclusions:

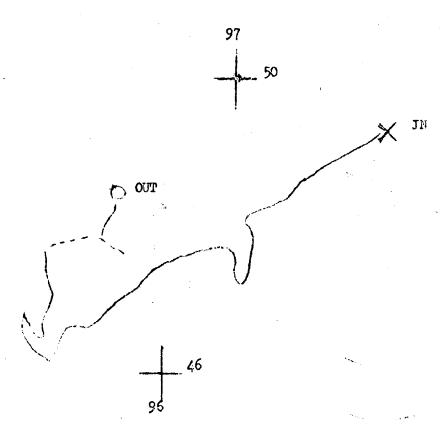
(I) Enemy has base outp violaty (XD 9249).

Enemy maves and transports wheeled gear to northwest.

M.J. SWI NY Patrol leader
Cpl Co C

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



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1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

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- a. COMPOSITION: (8) Eq. (1) UEN
- b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: (1) Scout Dog W/Handler
- o. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRC 25's
- d. OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1)pr. 7x50's (1)pr. 6x30's
- e. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (23) OB granedos, (10) Caenasks
- f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79 (1) M-60 (1) Claymone Mine
- 2. MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area, locating trails and hurbor sites. Retablish day CP's and arbuebes on likely avenues of YO movement. Engage the enemy with SAF and/or supporting area, making every effort to capture decuments, vespons, and priconars. Patrols will act as forward Observers for on call artillary.
- 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 211530H/221735R March 1967
- 4. ROUTE: See patrol route overlay
- 5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND THRRAIN:
- a. SYNOPSIS: 26 Hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (9) enemy sightings totalling (51) VC/NVA and no contacts. Antillery fixed a total of (219) rounds in support of this operation resulting in (32) VC/NVA KIA (Prob). Fixed wing used in support of pairol resulted in (4) VC/NVA KIA (Prob), and (1) large sepondary explosion. Pakeol heard SA AVF on several coassions, heard voices, movement, and due to the increase in movement around position from an estimated enemy force of (3244) YC/NVA requested extraction which was completed at 221735h. Area appears to be occupied by estimated company size enemy unit at this time.
- b. BHEMY: (1) 211708H (YD 599235) Patrol observed (2) VC dressed in black PJ's, no weapons observed, standing by what appeared to be a bunker. Artillery mission of (6) rounds was fired with good coverage, results unknown, VC no longer visible.
- (2) 221055H (YD 588227) Patrol obscived (1) VC dressed in short sleeved, Khaki colored shirt. Due to regetation and enemys rapid movement equipment not seen. VC neved from patrols observation before action could be initiated.
- (3) 221115H (TD 614247) Patrol sighted (6) VC dressed in black and white PJ's with coolie hats, (2) parks observed. VC appeared to be digging tracks and were character placing the (2) proke into same. After packs were stowed, (3) VC departed area in a Northeritz direction towards AP LAI RANG village, atopping at (TD 614243) reminiving, on tempor poles, unknown cargo and continued into the village. The Lauter (3) VC during this time continued working on cache. Artillery mission of (18) rounds was fixed forcing the (3) VC towards same village complex, fire mission secured.
- (4) 221230H (YD 580248) Petrol observed (2) VC dressed in dark clothing cancullaged with netwal vegetation moving East on road then changing direction to South into the trockine. Due to distance and Vegetation no weapons observed but both VC appeared to be carrying large pages.
- (5) 2213001 (YD 587243) Patrol observed (16) VC/NVA dressed in Knaki clothing heavily cancellaged with natural tegetation, corrying large packs, all aread, nowing Nest in testical column, case decrying vespons at port areas, others at aling same. Artillesy mission of (153) rounds was fired resulting in (16) VC/NVA KIE (Prob). No additional activity was observed in impact mass. Area surrounding target area would have provide ONFRENTIAL.

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- (6) 221410h (VD 554244) Patrol observed (2) VO/NVA dressed in Khaki elething, heavily camouflaged with natural vegetation, carrying large packs, both amoud, noving West, paralleling treeline. VC/NVA moved from observation before action could be initiated.
- (7) 221440H (YD 577248) Patrol observed (16) VC/NVA dressed in Khaki and black PJ's heavily camouflaged with natural vegetation, carrying large packs, all armed, also observed was what resembles were nate used as capes. VC/NVA were neving East towards area of last sighting of (16) enoug, possibly to retrieve bodies. VC/NVA moved to (YD 583243) at which time an artillary mission of (40) rounds was fired with excellent coverage of target, resulting in (16) VC/NVA KIA (Prob). Negetive activity was noted in area which patrol kept under surveillance until 221735H at which time patrol was extracted.
- (8) 221500H (YD 592234) Patrol observed (2) VC/NVA dressed in camouflaged utilities, pith helmets, carrying large packs, armed, and both were observed to have the woven bashoo mats as described above. VC/NVA were moving last towards patrols position. VC/NVA disappeared from sight before action could be initiated.
- (2) 221570H (ND 595232) Petrol, with fixed wing and A.O. on station observed (4) VC/NVA as the fixed wing straffed suspected enemy positions, this vicinity. They were running in an Easterly direction. (3) of these VC/NVA were dressed in green utilities, one in camouflaged utilities. VC/NVA fixed SA/AWF which sounded like AK+47's at the fixed wing during there passes. At this time fixed wing began dropping ordernee into target area and during one pass a large secondary explosion comparable to a 500 pound bomb was heard vicinity of (YD 595235), as a result of rockets fired into this area. This incident resulted in (4) VC/NVA KIA (Prob).
- c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by moderately rolling hills obvered with sparse vegetation varying from 2 to 7 feet in height. Area covered has no empty.
- d. OTER INFORMATION: (1) 21153CR (ID 595235) Patrol inserted these coordinates. LZ will accommodate (1) CH-46. Site is covered with sparse vegetation approximately 3 feet high, no obstacles noted.
- (2) 211532H (YD 580252) Patrol heard (4-5) rounds of SAF apparently directed at the insertion gunships from this vicinity.
- (3) 21154CH (YD 612248) Patrol hoard several rounds SAF emitting from this vicinity, source of which could not be determined.
- (4) 211600H (YD 597234) Patrol while moving East heard voices emitting from this vicinity. Estimate 2-3 people, one of which, sounded like a famelo. Patrol changed direction, moving West approximately 25 meters and again heard voices and movement. Patrol continued in direction of this activity without any sightings, however, secut dog was continuelly alerting to the front.
- (5) 221740H (YD 612248) Patrol heard sparodic SAF emitting from this vicinity, source of which could not be determined. Patrol believed fire to be could from AP LAI RANG village.
- (5) 221000H (YD 591242) Patrol heard voices emitting from this vicinity. Psidnete (2) people. No visual sighting made.
- (7) 2213158 (WD 593235) Patrol detected movement which appeared to be in vicinity of defensive booky trap. Patrol heard what sounded like a param falling backwards possibly in an attempt to avoid tripping same.
- (8) 221500H (ND 604254) Paintly heard SAF which was apparently directed at Friendly held's in this vacanity.
- (9) Patrol positioned at (YD 593235) during activity of 22 March heard constant movement around same. This movement increased and appeared to get progressively closer. Estimated (30-40) VC/NVA attempting to surround its position, extraction requested.

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(10) Patrol no ecveral well used trails vicing of (10 594232) atl
of which appeared converge those coordinates. For possible fortified
ages located here.

- (11) 221735R (YD 593235) Patrol extracted these coordinates. LZ will accomplate (2) CH-46's. Site is covered with debris apparently discarded by other friendly units operating this area. During extraction help gower fixed into vicinity of LZ at movement, results unknown.
- 6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
 - a. ENEMY: (36) VO/MVA KIA (Prob)
 - b. FREMOLY: None
 - c. CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: None
- 7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Excellent, Morale excellent
- 8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Representations: (1) Infentry newsp should be conducted in area bounded by (YD 1804) to (YD 6124) to (YD 6121) to (YD 5821).
(2) PREVENTILLERY fire be conducted vicinity of (YD 577248). Believe area utilized as base camp.

Conclusions: (1) Area utilized as possible Naso camp vicinity of (VR 577248) by estimated company size force

(YD 577248) by estimated company size force.
(2) Area vicinity of (YD 577248) may contain association eache, due to large secondary explosion as a result of airstrikes this date.

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- 1. (1) Der Hendler stated that soout dog slorted immediately upon patrols, inscrition at oniper fine directed at gunships and remained slorted to wovement. Shout dog was slorting continually throughout this operation. Handler also commented that a dog backing from vicinity of the village complex could possibly be lost Marine Scout dog.
 - (2) Concor with patrol leaders recommendations and conclusions.
- (3) Recommend area to ARC LIMB. Feel that this recommendation substantiated due to information extracted from this patrol and patrol reports 70-67, and 56-67.

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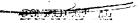
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- SIZE, COMPOSITION AND POULDMENT:
 - COMPOSITION: (8) USMC (1) USN
 - SPECIAL ATTACAPANTS: NONE
 - COMMUNICATIONS EXUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRO 25
 - OBLEWATION EQUI MENT: (1) 7 x 50 ∂.•
 - SPECIAL HUIPMENT: (3) CLAYMORE MINES (4) US GRENADES (2) 21B BLOWS 0-4 (6) WE RUBLE GRENADES
 - STATIAL VEALORS: (1) M-79
- MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine energy activity. Magaze energy with supporting arms. Make every colort to out one a prisoner. Plot III.2's for Juture operations. Pay particular ettermine a prisoner. ticular attention to trails and their frequency of use in your RZ. Ascortain if the area is being used by the enemy and for what purpose.
- TIME OF DEPARTURE DETURN: 211615H/241430H MARCH 1967
- ROUTM: SEE PATROL ROUTS OVERLAY
- OBSERVATION OF ENERY AND TERRAIN.
- EWATION OF ENEMY AND TERMAIN:

 SYNOLSIS: 70 hours of patrolling resulted in (6) separate sightings of (98, NVA, and (2) contacts. Patrol sustained (1) USMC WIA, Enemy losses by SI/AWF ancluded (2) NVA KIA(PROB). Artiller, appointed with (6) fire missions of (302) rounds, resulting in (20) NVA FIA (PROB). (2) Air Strikes conducted regulating in (5) NVA RIA (CONT) and (20) NVA KIA (PROB), and contacted regulating in (5) NVA RIA (CONT) and (20) NVA KIA (PROB), and contacted regulation. Arch is heavily used and prompted at this time.
 - ENEMY: ъ.

- 221130H (YD 047554) Patrol observed and dalled artillery on (15) 11/1 cearing rifles, helpets, large backs, ten khakis, travelling NW to Sr. Drang had good (15-20 speter) interval, moving out fast. Mission of (60) rounds called with (15) NVA KLA (PROB).
- 2014000 (17 047(54)) Patrol received 50 caliber fire from seme area, called fixed wing which received same fire. Patrol reports suprocus. secondary explosion resulting from air strike, oberactorized by large noise and large white mushroom of smoke. Enemy ceased fire.
- 231000H (YD 044653) Patrol observed and called artillery on (15) NVA moving NS. Mady wore packs, helmets, same had rafles, some did not. Artillery mission of (58) rounds caused enemy to withdraw to N.



- (4) 231C45H (YD 044653) Group of energy returned to within 100 meters of patrol. Patrol saw enemy, opened fire with SA/AWF and M-79. Enemy returned light fire and broke contact. Results were (3) NVA WIA (CONF) and (2) NVA LTA (PROB). Artillery wilston called of (70) rounds with unknown results.
- (5) 251050H (YD 049658) Patrol heard voices of approximately (15) NVA at some time of above contact and fire mission. Enemy withdrew to north when artillery before to fire from above mission.
- (6) 240930H (YD 069647) Patrol saw (15) NVA including (1) woman. Men wore mixed clothing of khaki and black, had very large, combersone packs camouflaged with vegetation. Rifles were carried by (4) men. The woman was at head of well dispersed (20 meter interval) column; she wore brown "AO DAT" indigent dress, carried no gear. Patrol saw enemy walking on well used trail to southeast. Artillery called and enemy withdrew to northwest. Mission of (62) rounds was adjusted to follow enemy's direction of withdrawal, and patrol followed behind screen of artillery. When enemy was no longer observed artillery ceased and patrol took up OP position.
- (7) 241130E (YD 051655) Patrol saw (8) VC/NVA vearing large packs, green utilities, with sutomatic rifles. Enemy was in good ambush position on trail. Patrol fired artillery mission of (40) rounds with results (5) NVA KBCF (PROS). (3) NVA were seen moving out of ambush position up toward high ground. Patrol fired mission of (12) rounds, sent scouting element of (4) to check out results. Shouting element upon reaching low ground was caught in crossfire ambush of probable reinforced company of enemy. Ambush was sprung prematurely, characterized by a semi circle of Sh/AWF.50 caliber positions. Patrol noted 60mm mortars were fired as well. Patrol sustained (1) USMC WIA in initial burst, begen firing and reneuvering in a retrograde movement. Base element of patrol returned base of fire and called artillery covering scounting element of patrol. Base element reports having seen (30) NVA with helmets, green utilities. Weapons, in one segment of ambush position. Patrol joined up and made contact with AO who directed fixed wing and helicopter air strikes. Patrol reports (5) NVA KIA(CONF) and (20) EVA KIA (PROE) by air strike. Patrol was extracted under cover of air.
- o. TERRAIF: This area characterized by rolling hills elephent grass (C'-5') high, dense under growth, pockets of canopy (15'-20') nigh. Water poor, communications good throughout area. Area appears to be heavily used at this time.
- d. OTHER INFORMATION:
 - (1) Patrol new numerous well used trails 2'-3' wide in area vicinity (Y) 0665) and (YD 0765) ranning generally to southeast and north-west. Nost of these trails are on map.
 - (2) 220330H (YD 057664) Patrol observed (1) large 10 man bunker 5' X 5' and 4' deep, surrounded by numerous fighting holes.
 - (3) Gear loss during last fire fight includes (1) M-14 fifle serial no 934/94, (1) controlder belt and assorted magazines, 7 X 50 case, (4, packs with assorted (non-sonalized gear) canteens and M-76 greated her attachment.

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- CONSIDERTIAL RESULTS OF EXOCUTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
 - ENEMY: (5) HVA BLA (CONF) (42) HVA MIA (1948) (3) NVA VIA (CONF)
 - b. FERENDLY: (1) HEMO WIA
 - CAPTURED EQUIMMENT: NONE
- 7. CONDITION OF PATROL: FAIR, MORALE EXCELLENT
- CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations:

- (1) Lack of cover, concentrated ency precludes worthwhile reconnaissance

Infartny sweep from vicinity (YD 0764) to vicinity (YD 0468). Trusts be conducted vicinity (YD 063666) and vicinity (YD 051655). (3)

Conclusions:

- (1) Enemy base camp of large scale in vicinity of (YD 0568) and to nonthweat of same.
- Enemy moving through heavily and constantly vicinity (YD-0765).

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DEBRIEFER COMMENTS:

Concur with patrol 'leader's comments.

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PATROL REPORT

- 1. SIZE, OPPOSITION AND EXURPMENT:
 - e. COMPOSTITION: (7) USEG
 - b. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
 - C. COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/PRO 25
 - d. CBSENVATION EQUIPMENT: (1) 7 X 50
 - SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: (1) CLAYMORE MINE, (7) GAS MASKS, (7) CS GRENADES
 (10) WP RIFLE GRENADES
 - f. SPECIAL WEAPONS: (1) M-79
- 2. MISSICH: Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance in assigned zone to determine energy activity. Engage energy with supporting arms. Make every effort to essuare a prisoner. Plot HLZ's for future operations. Pay particular attention to trails and their frequency of use in your RZ. Ascertain if the area is being used by the energy and for what purpose.
- 3. TIME OF DEPARTURE/REPUEN: 2414459/261900H MARCH 1967
- 4. ROUTE: SEE PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY
- 5. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
 - a. SYNOPSIS: 52 hours of patrolling resulted in (1) enemy sighting of (20) NVA and (1) contact resulting in (1) NVA KIA (CONF) and (10) NVA KIA (PROB). Artille, fixed two missions of (55) rounds in support of patrol. Patrol found numerous trails, a base camp and fighting holes. Area appears to be heavily used for north-south traffic.
 - b. EIEMY:

261615H (YD 072650) Patrol made contact with 20 NVA. Enemy dressed in utilities, buch hats, packs and cartridge belts. First two enemy armed with pictols and remaining had semi-automatic rifles. Enemy was at sline areas and in a administrative column. Enemy troops were talking and joking. From approached friendly location on a trail and spatted patrol at distance of 10 meters. Patrol opened fine and first two enemy dropped packs and dove into bushes. Remainder fled back down trail, and returned several inoffsctive rounds. Small arms fire resulted in (1) NVA KIA (C.N.) and (5) NVA KIA (PROB). Artillery mission was fixed on suspected enemy rouse of withdrevel resulting in (5) NVA KBOF (PROS).

c. TERRAIN: This area is characterized by rolling hills partially covered with canopy 15'-30' high. Remaining areas covered with 6' elephant grass Water and communications fair.

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d. CTHER INFORMATION:

- 241635H (ID 0959) Patrol heard (2) bursts AWF from village this grid square. At this time patrol also observed (300) villagers men, women and children moving scuth across SONG CAM LO with family possessions and houses.
- (2) 242000H (YD 090610) Patrol heard sound of woman singing one half hour. Patrol fired artillery mission (5) rounds. Sound ceased.
- (3) 250835H (XD 100617) Patrol found remains of several spider holes and fighting holes. Socks full of rice, shower shoes and discarded ration cans found this area. Appeared to be less than two weeks old.
- (4) 251115H (YD 090621) Patrol found bomb orater which had been altered so as to make cover for troops. Hole was approximately (20) meters wide.
- (5) 251130H (YD 094623) to (YD 089627) Patrol found approximately (50) spider holes some which could accommodate 4-5 men. Holes were well made and well camouflaged. Positions were made within past two weeks.
- (6) 261300H (YD 070662) Patrol discovered platoon size base camp at trail junction. (18-20) One man spider traps and (6-8) fighting holes this vicinity. Most recent use about two weeks. Water located in this area. Concealed by 40° canopy.
- 6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY:
 - a. ENEMY: (1) NVA KIA (CONF) (5) NVA KIA (PROB) (5) NVA KBGF (PROB)
 - b. FRIENDAY: NONE
 - CAPTURED EQUIPMENT: (2)NVA PACKS (1) NVA CARTRIDGE BELT, SEVERAL MAPS, (1) PISTOL, DOCUMENTS, (1) NVA BODY
- 7. CONDITION OF PATROL: EXCELLENT/MORALE EXCELLENT
- 8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendations: More reconnaissance of area through which patrol traveled. Conclusions:

NVA traffic is north to south.
Traffic is not using presently plotted trails.

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Body brought back had segnificant documents and wore a pistol. Concur with network handward successful and conclusions.

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PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

(1) USN COMPOSITION: (1) Off. (8) Enl.

SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: None b.

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COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: (2) AN/FRC 25's

OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: (1)pr. 7x50's

SPECIAL FQUIPMENT: (4) CS Grenades (2) Gasmasks

SERVICE WEAPONS: (3) Claymore mines (1) M-79

MISSION: Conduct reconnaissance within assigned area, locating trails and harbor sites. Establish day OP's and ambushes on likely avenues of VC movement. Engage the enemy with SAF and/or supporting farms, making every effort to capture documents, weapons, and prisoners. Patrols will act as forward observers for on call artillery.

- TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN: 261000H/300900H March 1967 3.
- 4. Route: See patrol route overlay.
- OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN: 5.

SYNOPSIS: 93 Hours of reconnaissance and surveillance resulted in (2) enemy eightings totalling (6) VC/NVA and (2) contacts, the results of which, were (1) VC/NVA KIA (Conf), (1) VC/NVA KIA (Frob), (1) USMC WIA (Minor) and the capture of (1) Chi Com carbine type 53. Patrol found (1) trail not shown on map revealing signs of frequent light use, found (2) old harbor sites, neither of which reveals evidence of use, found footprints, and (1) plastic helmet liner. Area covered reveals signs of frequent light traffic by small groups moving East-West.

b. ENEMY: (1) 261345H (YD 829005) Patrol made contact with (3) VC/NVA dressed in dark clothing, armed with carbines, which, prior to contact were moving East along trail. Patrol engaged enemy with SA/AWF the enemy breaking contact. A check of area was conducted with negative results.

- (2) 271000H (YD 824004) Patrol while in ambush position these coordinates engaged (3) VC/NVA dressed in assorted colored clothing with ARVN type bush hats, armed with AX-47, carbine, and Chi Com carbine type 53, noving east along trail. Patroll engaged enemy with SA/AWF and grenades, receiving SA/AWF and (2) concussion grenades. Enery broke contact moving West. Contact resulted in (1) VC/NVA KIA (Conf), (1) VC/NVA KIA (Prob), and the capture of (1) Chi Com carbine type 53. Patrol sustained (1) USMC WIA (Minor).
- TERRAIN: This area is characterize by gentle rolling hills covered with dense vegetation and interwoven vines approximately 10 feet high with an intermitten canopy of 20 feet.
- d. OTHER INFORMATION: (1) 261000H (YD 835009) Fatrol inserted these coordinates, LZ will accommodate (1) CH=46. Site is located on a sand bar, no obstacles noted.
- (2) 261300H (YD 831006) Fatrol found trail not shown on map running East-West which is approximately 15 inches vide. Patrol followed trail to (YD 824004) noting one discarded cigarette package, vines having been recently cut and evidence of recent use by an estimated 8-10 people moving East.

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- (3) 280900H (YC 826996) Fatrol found old harbor site, with discarded G-ratigm cans and debris. A check of area was conducted with negative results.
- (4) 281000H (YC 827995) Patrol found old, enemy harbor site. A check of area revealed a possible rifle rack and (1) frame for shelter. Estimate area last used 1-2 months ago.
- 6. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENERY:
 - a. ENEMY: (1) VC/NVA KIA (Conf), (1) VC/NVA KIA (Prob)
 - FRIEDDLY: (1) USMC WIA (Minor)
 - CAPTURED/EQUIPMENT: Chi Com carbine type 53, (1) plastic helmet liner
- 7. CONDITION OF PATROL: Good, Morale good
- 8. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

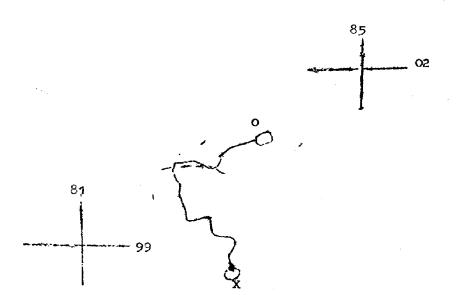
Recommendations; (1) Future patrols operating this area check trail found by patrol further to the West.

Conclusions: (1) Presently natural water sources are plentiful but will become scarce by July.

(2) Communications this area fair. Whip enterna required.(3) Area covered by patrol being used by small groups as transit moving East-West.

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



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